

## **AUCKLAND ROAD RUNNERS AND CROSS COUNTRY TRUST TRAINING GRANTS**

### **OBJECTIVE**

The purpose of the Auckland Road Runners and Cross Country Trust ("ARR & CC Trust") training grants are to provide support for young New Zealand based distance athletes to assist them to reach their athletic potential.

### **ABOUT THE ARR & CC Trust:**

The ARR & CC Trust was formed as a charitable trust on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2003 by the YMCA Marathon Club Limited. This company held an interest in the BMW Auckland marathon for some years on behalf of the YMCA Marathon club Inc. When the company sold its interest in the marathon in 2003, there were funds available from the proceeds of sale to establish the ARR & CC Trust for cross country and road running in Auckland and throughout New Zealand.

The ARR & CC Trust applied for and obtained charitable trust status. The purpose of the Trust as stated in the Trust Deed was to promote the country's health through physical fitness. Funds were to be distributed from the Trust for charitable purposes. The trustees are Bruce Nicholson, Tim Jones (formerly President of the YMCA marathon club) and a director of a trust company, Glaister Ennor Trustee Co Ltd as a professional trustee. Since it's set up, the Trust has made various distributions to support the development of distance running.

The ARR & CC Trust now wishes to provide funds through Athletics New Zealand for sponsorship of young cross country and road running athletes into the future while funds are available. These funds will assist those athletes in their training and travel to competition as determined from time to time by the ARR & CC Trust board and a representative of Athletics NZ's distance event group.

### **ARR & CC Trust training grants:**

#### **1. Funding and associated obligations**

The ARR & CC Trust has allocated up to five **\$1000 training grants** each year, to be administered to successful Athletics New Zealand registered athletes. The ARR & CC Trust Awards Committee will oversee the awarding of the training grant.

Successful applicants will receive their funds upon submission of receipts in accordance with their application.

The grant recipient will prepare a brief one page update on their season's progress six months after being awarded the training grant, and a final report at the completion of the domestic season year outlining how the ARR & CC Trust grant has assisted them to progress their athletic goals.

#### **2. Criteria**

The following criteria reflect the values of the ARR & CC Trust.

Applicants need to be able to demonstrate they:

- *are a NZ based, NZ citizen;*

- *are a promising runner in a distance event from 3k to the marathon, including the 3km steeplechase;*
- *are aged between 18 and 23 at the time of application;*
- *can demonstrate a commitment to distance running, as shown through participation over several seasons, including the current season;*
- *have demonstrated improvement over recent years, with potential to achieve elite status; and*
- *do not receive significant financial support from other sponsors.*

### 3. Priority

Priority will be given to applicants who

- 1) Can clearly demonstrate how the ARR & CC Trust grant will assist their development as a distance runner. Ideally the funds will be used for training related costs.

Examples may include:

- Travel / accommodation costs associated with attending training camps
  - Physio costs or service provider costs
  - Costs associated with changing or accessing alternative training environments.
- 2) Are working towards a long term plan under the guidance of an established coach

Note: Applications seeking costs associated with travel to competitions will be considered based on the degree to which they assist the long term development of the athlete.

### 4. Application form

The completed application form should be emailed to [mariah@athletics.org.nz](mailto:mariah@athletics.org.nz), by March 20, 2025.

**APPLICATION FORM**

**Section 1: Personal Details**

**Family Name:**

**Given Names:**

**DOB:**

**Age @ 31 March 2025**

**Gender: M / F**

**NZ: Y / N**

**Residential Address:**

**Mailing Address:**

**Phone:**

**Mobile:**

**Email:**

**Section 2: Athletics Achievements**

**Number of years of training and competition:**

**Current Athletics Club:**

**Current Coach:**

**Current Personal Bests (include track performances):**

**Current national ranking (please state distance and category of each ranking):**

**Recent accomplishments:**

**Any other significant sporting or personal achievements, awards etc:**

### **Section 3: Aspirations and commitment to Athletics**

- 1. Briefly outline your development plan to progress in your event**
- 2. Explain how you believe you would uphold ARR & CC Trust values if awarded the training grant.**
- 3. Explain how you propose to spend the training grant money, if successful.**
- 4. Please list all other financial support or sponsorship you currently receive for your athletics career (apart from family support).**