



PORT ADELAIDE ATHLETICS CLUB LITTLE ATHLETICS AWARD POLICY

Eligibility for an Award

- Athletes in the under 6 to under 17 age groups must have a 60% attendance record to be eligible for awards.
- 60% attendance is calculated as a percentage of the number of Port Adelaide Little Athletics home club events held in a season plus the SALAA interclub meet where the Port Adelaide Little Athletics club is an official attendee club.
- For example, if there are 19 home club events and one SALAA interclub event during the season (20 events in total) an athlete needs to have competed at 12 events in the season to qualify. These 12 events can only be home club meets or the SALAA interclub meet where the Port Adelaide Little Athletics club is an official attendee club.
- Attendance as a visitor at other club meets or attendance at SALAA meets such as PB Days, State Multi Event, State Challenge, State Individual Championships and State Relay Day do not count in calculating the 60% attendance.

Award Calculations - General Information

- Once eligibility has been determined, award calculations are based on performances from home meets, visitor to other South Australian Centre meets and SALAA meets such as PB Days, State Multi Event, State Challenge and State Individual Championships.
- Performances in field events at State Relay Day are not included in award calculations because only a small number of athletes have the opportunity to compete in these events.
- Award calculations do not include training performance or performances conducted through Athletics South Australia, Australian Little Athletics or Athletics Australia competitions.
- For the purpose of award calculation, an athlete's performance from a prior season is not taken into consideration.

Most Improved Athlete Award

- Calculated for under 6 to under 17 age groups.
- 1 point is awarded for an attendance at a Port Adelaide Athletics Club home meet or SALAA Interclub meet where Port Adelaide Athletics Club is an official attendee club.
- 2 points are awarded for an equal personal best performance at any club or SALAA meet not including State Relay Day
- 4 points are awarded for a personal best performance at any club or SALAA meet not including State Relay Day
- The athlete in each age group with the most points at the conclusion of the season (after State Individual Championships) will win the Most Improved Award.
- Age groups with 8 or more athletes will also have a Runner Up Most Improved Award going to the athlete with the second highest points at the conclusion of the season.
- An athlete is ineligible to win the Most Improved Athlete in the age group if they have won the Most Outstanding Award in the age group.
- The first performance in an event for each season is not recognised as a personal best for award purposes.



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Most Outstanding Award

- Calculated for under 9 to under 17 age groups.
- The most outstanding athlete is based on an athlete's performance compared to the state best performance recorded at the start of the season. For example, if the state best performance for triple jump is 10 metres and an athlete's season best performance is 9 metres - the athlete will be awarded 90% for that event.
- The performance of all the athlete's events is added together and then divided by the number of the events in that age group, to come up with a single final average figure.
- Only events that are included in the regular program of events at Port Adelaide Athletics Club home meets will be included in the calculation. For example, if an athlete competes in a walk event at PB Day, this will not be included in the calculation because walk events are not included in Port Adelaide Athletics Club regular home meets.
- The athlete with the highest single average figure in each age group wins Most Outstanding Athlete in that age group.
- If an event is new for an age group that season the calculation is made against the best performance at official SALAA competitions (PB Days, State Multi Event, State Challenge, State Individual Championships or State Relay Day) during the season.

Junior Most Improved Athlete Award

- The female and male athlete with the highest points overall in the under 6 to under 10 age groups will be awarded the Junior Most Improved Award.

Senior Most Improved Athlete Award

- The female and male athlete with the highest points overall in the under 11 to under 17 age groups will be awarded the Senior Most Improved Award.
- An athlete who has won the age group Most Outstanding Athlete Award is still eligible for Senior Most Improved Award unless they have won the Centre Most Outstanding Award.

Centre Most Outstanding Athlete Award

- The female and male athlete with the highest single percentage overall in the under 9 to under 17 age groups will win the Centre Most Outstanding Award.
- An athlete who has won the Centre Most Outstanding Award is not eligible for the Senior Most Improved Award.