



11th INAS Athletics Championships 2017

EVENT INFORMATION

The 2017 INAS Athletics Championships for athletes with an intellectual disability will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from 12-19 May 2017.

Athlete Eligibility

To be eligible for consideration athletes must:

- Be on the INAS Master List;
- Be registered with an Athletics Australia affiliated athletics club through its State association;
- meet the minimum qualifying standard; and
- meet other requirements as set out in the selection policy such as the code of conduct and ability to travel independently.

Team Staff

Staffing levels will depend on the number of athletes. It is anticipated that there will be a minimum of three staff – Team Manager, Coach and Physiotherapist. If team numbers warrant, additional staff will be appointed.

Expressions of interest for staffing positions will be called for in the near future.

Events

Men: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 5000m, 10,000m, 110m Hurdles, 10,000m walk, long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus, hammer throw, javelin, 4 x 100m relay, 4 x 400m relay.

Women: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 3000m, 5000m, 100m Hurdles, 5000m walk, long jump, triple jump, high jump, shot put, discus, hammer throw, javelin, , 4 x 100m relay, 4 x 400m relay.

- The Championships will be conducted under IAAF, IPC and INAS competition rules.
- Australia is eligible to enter up to 3 athletes in individual events and one team in each relay event.
- Minimum qualifying standards will be shown in the selection policy.

It is expected that the Championships will be sanctioned by the IPC and will also provide an opportunity for IPC Classification. Confirmation of both of the above will be advised when known.

Key Dates

25 Nov 2016	Publish Selection policy
31 Nov 2016	EOI form to INAS
1 Dec 2016	Call for EOIs for team staff and athletes
31 Jan 2017	First entry to INAS and 30% payment
1 Mar 2017	Team announcement (subject to performance at National Championships)
26 Mar - 2 Apr	National Championships (Sydney) Team assembly at some stage during Nationals, wait to see timetable and find a day that athletes are free
31 Mar 2017	Final entry and balance of payment

Competition Venue - Supachalasai Stadium

Known as the National Stadium, Supachalasai Stadium is a multi-purpose stadium with seating for 20,000 people in the heart of Bangkok, adjacent to Bangkok's biggest shopping centre "Mahboonkroong", with a sky train station right in front of the stadium.

The stadium has an 8 lane synthetic (Chaoda/B) track with two synthetic tracks next door.

Built in 1937 it has hosted major events over the years like the Asian Games (three times in the 1960s and '70s) and two Michael Jackson concerts during his 1993 Dangerous World Tour.



Cost

This is expected to be a self-funded team, cost is anticipated to be in the range \$3500 to \$4000, all inclusive.

Costs will cover the following items:

- Return airfares
- Accommodation in Bangkok
- Food - Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner whilst in Bangkok
- Uniform
- Insurance
- Transport in Bangkok Airport to Hotel and Track
- Contribution to staffing costs
- INAS and administration levy

Athletes will require additional money for snacks, souvenirs and sightseeing.

Athletes will be required to pay a 20% deposit when accepting their selection in the team (1 March), with incremental payment schedule available with balance due on May 1.

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March 1	800 Deposit
March 15	1000
April 15	1000
May 1	1200 (balance of payment)

Anti Doping

INAS follows the World Anti Doping Agency (WADA) Code and athletes may be subject to random drug testing at the event. Athletes who require medication on the WADA Prohibited Drug List should work with their INAS Member to apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE). Learn more at <http://www.INAS.org/member-services/anti-dopingpolicy>

Weather in Thailand

May is the beginning of the Thai Summer with daily temperatures expected in the mid 30's.

Accommodation

All teams will be staying at the Twin Towers Hotel in twin share accommodation. The Hotel is a modern, spacious 4* hotel, well experienced in catering for large groups and sporting teams.

The Hotel is a 5-15 minute bus trip from the stadium depending on the traffic, or a 15 minute walk.

It has a pool, gym, souvenir shops, cafes and restaurants

The LOC will be preparing packages for families and supporters, stay tuned for more information.



History

Australia has sent a team to every INAS Athletics Championships since the first in Harnosand, Sweden in 1989. Our largest team was 22 for the 5th INAS Athletics Championships at home in Canberra in 2005, and our most successful team was our first team with 15 medals, 6 Gold, 5 Silver and 4 Bronze.

Year	City	Male	Female	Gold	Silver	Bronze
1989	Harnosand, Sweden	8	5	6	5	4
1992	Madrid, Spain	7	5	1	3	4
1999	Seville, Spain	6	8	4	7	4
2001	Tunis, Tunisia	4	3	3	4	1
2003	Tunis, Tunisia	1	1	0	0	3
2005	Canberra, Australia	12	10	3	4	8
2007	Fortaleza, Brazil	7	4	2	0	2
2009	Liberec, Czech Republic	6	6	1	0	1
2011	Imperia, Italy	5	4	2	1	1
2013	Prague, Czech Republic	7	0	0	0	2
2015	Guaranda, Ecuador	6	4	0	0	0
2017	Bangkok, Thailand					

National Squad/Training Camp

As this is likely to be a self funded team, there will not be a National Squad announced. It is also expected that there will not be a pre departure training camp. Athletes are expected to compete at the National Championships in Sydney and attend a team meeting during this event.

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