



### What are the Oceania Masters Athletics Championships?

Australian Masters Athletics (of which this Club is a member) is part of the World Masters Athletics (and IAAF) Oceania Region. The regional body Oceania Masters Athletics (OMA) holds Oceania Region championships every two years, usually hosted in order by an Oceania island country followed by New Zealand and then Australia. The previous OMA Championships were held in the Cook Islands, while after Dunedin the Championships will be hosted in either Townsville or Cairns.

### Where is it?

Caledonian Ground, Dunedin, toward the southern end of New Zealand's south island.

### What events are included?

All Track & Field events including the Decathlon, Heptathlon, Field Pentathlon, Throws Pentathlon, Cross Country, Road Walks and Half Marathon.

### When is it?

20 – 27 January 2018

### What is the closing date?

Closing date 8/12/2017 11.59 pm NZ time- No late entries

### Can I fly there?

Yes Dunedin is an international airport: Christchurch and Queenstown are also international airports in the South island. (From Canberra its necessary to fly via a major Australian city.) Queenstown is 273km from Dunedin and a 4 hours 5 minutes drive, while Christchurch is 362km away and a 5 hour 10 minute drive away.

### What does it cost?

Registration: \$80 plus \$10 per event or \$15 per multi-event

### Where can I enter?

Online entry via: <https://oceaniamasters.eventdesq.com/>  
Email enquiries: [oceaniamastersathletics2018@gmail.com](mailto:oceaniamastersathletics2018@gmail.com)

### Is there a program?

The draft program is as follows

#### Saturday 20 January

Heptathlon, Decathlon, 5000m, Men's Discus, Women's Hammer

#### Sunday 21 January

Heptathlon, Decathlon, 10k Road Walk, 800m, Men's Hammer, Women's Shot Put

#### Monday 22 January

Cross Country, 60m, 100m, Men's High Jump, Women's Long Jump, Men's Shot Put, Women's Javelin, Men and Women's Weight Throw

#### Tuesday 23 January

200m, 400m (semis), 5000m Track Walk Men's Long Jump, Women's Discus, Men's Javelin, Women's Triple Jump

#### Wednesday 24 January

Rest Day—Oceania General Assembly

#### Thursday 25 January

400m, Short Hurdles, Steeples, Women's Pentathlon, Men's Javelin, Women's High Jump, Men's Triple Jump, Women's Throws Pentathlon

#### Friday 26 January

1500m, Long Hurdles, 3000m Track Walk, Men's Pentathlon, Pole Vault, Men's Throws Pentathlon

#### Saturday 27 January

Half Marathon

### What's to see & do in Dunedin and the region?

Dunedin is the Edinburgh of the south, lots of spectacular historical building, castles albatrosses, penguins, Otago rail trail (cycling), jet boating, Taieri Gorge rail touring, historic goldmining towns. (Did you know that in the 1860s Dunedin was bigger and more wealthy than Sydney) Further afield there are large lakes, spectacular mountains, Beech forests, sandflies, the Homer tunnel, Milford Sound, the 4-day 53.5k Milford Track walk though Fiordland NP etc. etc. Also Queenstown, the world's adventure capital, is "just" down the road!

### Where can I get more information?

<http://www.mastersathleticsoceania.com/> and  
<http://www.oceaniamastersathletics.org/wp-content/uploads/DunINFORMATION.pdf>

### Are there any other nearby sporting events?

The NZ Masters Games will be held 3—11 February 2018 in Dunedin after the OMA Championships (\$40 Games entry, \$10 Athletics sports entry plus \$5 per event. See: <http://www.nzmg.com/about-the-games-games-info>

### Do they speak English?

Yes sort of - just beware of certain words such as "six"