



# Dual & Youth Athletics

Opportunities for Athletes to experience Senior Competition through the **VLAA Athlete Discount scheme**

Athletics Victoria (AV) has two categories of membership designed to foster and promote the transition of Little Athletics members through to senior athletic competition. Known as **Dual Athletics** and **Youth Athletics**, these low cost memberships provide the opportunity for the transition of athletes to experience the broader world of senior athletics, while still retaining their links with Little Athletics.

Both Dual and Youth Athletes affiliate with one of the many AV clubs located throughout metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria.

For further information contact AV:  
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## What Criteria Apply?

**Dual Athletics:** Children aged between 11 and 15 as at 31st December 2009 are eligible for Dual Athletics. Children **MUST** be a current member of the VLAA and nominate their centre or club when registering with AV.

**Youth Athletics:** This membership category targets 16 and 17 year old athletes as at 31st December 2009. The additional criteria is that when registering with AV, Youth Athletes nominate which VLAA Centre they are currently with OR have been associated with at any time since 1 January 2007.

## Uniform Requirements at Athletics Victoria Events

**Dual Athletics:** Athletes may continue to wear their VLAA uniforms at any AV event, including Championships. The only requirement from AV is that the athletes wear their current AV Registration Bib while competing at AV events. This Bib number identifies registered athletes to our Officials and Administration staff.

**Youth Athletics:** Athletes are required to wear the uniform of their AV club at all AV and VLAA events. Additionally, they must wear their current AV Registration Bib whilst competing at AV events.

## Fee Structure

**Dual Athletics:** The annual Registration fee for Dual Athletes is \$25. This covers the period 1/4/2009 through to 31/3/2010 and allows Dual Athletes to compete in both the Winter Cross Country & Road Racing and Walking seasons and the Summer Track & Field competition.

**Youth Athletics:** The annual Registration fee for Youth Athletes is \$45. This also covers the full athletics year from 1/4/2009 through to 31/3/2010.

Athletes are also likely to pay an annual membership fee to their AV club. These fees are set independently by each club, but in the case of junior athletes are usually at a much reduced rate compared to senior athletes' fees.

## How do I Become a Dual or Youth Athlete?

Simply contact the Registrar at your nearest AV club and enquire about Dual and Youth Athletics. The full listing of AV clubs across Victoria is available at [www.athsvic.org.au](http://www.athsvic.org.au) under **Clubs**.

Alternatively, contact AV's Club Development Manager on 03 9428 8195 to find the most appropriate club in terms of location or disciplines offered for coaching.

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