

#### JANUARY 2022



## WESTLINK

### THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF WESTVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB



As the race calendar starts to fill up, and with Comrades looking more and more likely to be a reality this year, the need for licencing and club membership is once again starting to become a necessity to reach those goals. Join us on Saturday 22 January from 10h00 to 13h00 for registration day to get yourself registered, the kit room will also be open so that you can get yourself suited and booted. This will be great way to meet and know a bit more about your new captains and committee. Keep an eye out on the various social media pages for additional information. See you all there!

Welcome back members, both to the club and to the beginning of a new year that is starting to look increasingly promising and exciting as our race calendar fills up. 2021 definitely had its challenges but we were able to finish on a high note with the Illovo Sugar Christmas Challenge being a roaring success, in spite of the challenges of our "new normal".





## King and Queen of the Mountain 2022

With the prospect of a full and exciting year of racing ahead of us in 2022 we are excited to announce the return of the King and Queen of the Mountain Challenge.

We will nominate 5 races throughout the year and you will need to complete 3 of the 5 races to be eligible for a position.

Keep an eye out on our various communication channels for more information on which races will form part of the challenges

The first race of the challenge will be Hilton Harriers Ronnie Davel this Sunday 16 January 2022. Full event details can be found below as well as on our social media pages.

#### Christmas TT 2021

Our last time trial for 2021 was on Tuesday 21 December. It was such a brilliant sight to see all of you dressed up in your most festive and creative gear. It made for a rather intense best dressed contest, after tackling the time trial course in reverse, of course. Congratulations to Paul Pearce, Cameron Israel, Caroline Marshall Hubbard and Rachel Atkinson on winning best dressed. Definitely well earned.

### AN IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT LICENCES

It is a very exciting sight to see races find their place in the new normal of "pandemic living". However what that does mean is that we are required to have ASA/KZNA licences in order to get back into the racing rhythm. KZNA has released a statement to inform us that 2022 licences have not yet been received from ASA. If you did not renew your membership and/or licence in 2021, we have 2021 licences available at the club, which you can use until the 2022 licences arrive, or until 28 February 2022.

Registrations are open every Tuesday from 17h30 until 19h30. We will also be open for registrations on Saturday 22 January from 10h00 until 13h00.

We hope to see you all at the club and at running events this year sporting your red and white stripes.

"What seems hard now will one day be your warm-up." — Unknown



## League Updates

Mixed League 2022

An important reminder that the Mixed League Time Trial 2022 season starts on Thursday 20 January 2022. The start time is 18h00 and will be hosted by Savages AC at Durban Golf Club (Greyville). You can enter online at www.eventtiming.co.za. Remember it is a once-off fee of R60 for the year. Last year we were serious contenders in more than one category so let us band together and show them what

the red and white force is capable of



# Ladies League 2022

Ladies, you have not been forgotten. The official ASICS Highway Ladies Time Trial League will kick off Thursday 27 of January hosted by Chiltern Athletic Club at 17h45. One important point to highlight is that we are going back to the original format of one night events. What this means is that, unlike last year where you had the entire month to run the course, you could run it as often as possible and then submit your fastest time, the league will go back to one run, one night. We have started to gain momentum in this league particularly with the walkers. Let us build on that momentum and make a run (or walk) for the title.



### January Race Dates

Date	Event	Venue	Distance	Host Club	Additional Information
16/01/2022	Ronnie Davel Memorial	Laddsworth Primary School, Hilton	16km Run/Walk 6km Fun Run	Hilton Harriers	Entries on 15/01/2022 from 11h00 – 12h00 at the school. Entries on 16/01/2022 from 05h30 – 06h45 at the start. The first leg of the 2022 Westville Athletic Club King and Queen of the Mountain Challenge Entry Fee: R120 – 16km, which includes a light meal. Entry Fee: R60-00 – 6km, which includes a light meal. Start Time: 07h00 for the 16km run/walk 07h20 for the 6km fun run.
16/01/2022	Scottsburgh Half Marathon	Scottburgh Golf Club	21.1km run/walk 10km run/walk	Scottburgh Athletic Club	Entries on <a href="https://www.eventtiming.co.za">www.eventtiming.co.za</a> Entry Fee: R250 – 21.1km (Temp Licence R80) R150 – 10km (Temp Licence R50) Start Time: 05h30 Cut off for Half Marathon: 03 hours 30 minutes Timing: Gun to Mat Event Limited to 500 Participants Medals, caps and goodie bags to all finishers.

Date	Event	Venue	Distance	Host Club	Additional Information
23/01/2022	Kearsney Striders Half Marathon	Kearsney College	21km run 10km run/walk	Kearsney Striders	Entries on <a href="https://www.eventtiming.co.za">www.eventtiming.co.za</a> Entry collection: 22/01/22 12h00 – 15h00 at the Kearsney College Sports Club 23/01/22 from 04h30 at the Kearsney Striders Club House.  Entry Fee: R200 – 21km (Temp Licence R80) R170 – 10km (Temp Licence R50) Start Time: 06h00 for 21km run 06h05 for 10km run/walk.
30/01/2022	PDAC 25km	Watercrest Shopping Centre	25km run/walk	PDAC	Entries on www.eventtiming.co.za Entry Collection: 29/01/22 10h00 – 17h00 at the PDAC Clubhouse From 03h30 30/01/2022 and Watercrest Mall Event limited to 1000 entries Event is a point to point race. Start at Watercrest Mall with the finish at Lahee Park Pinetown. Entry Fee: R200 (Temp Licence R80) Early entries close 23/01/2021. After which the fees are R220 for licenced and R300 for unlicenced runners

#### **DON'T FORGET**

To keep an eye on our social media pages, website and club communications for updates and reminders on events and the race calendar.



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