



AURA Annual Report 2014

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ANNUAL REPORT – 2014

Dear Members,

Your committee is pleased to report on the activities of your association for the financial year ended 31 December 2014.

OVERVIEW AND FUTURE DIRECTION

The purpose of your association is to promote the sport of ultra running. Your committee and state representatives are actively attending and participating in events. We are working very hard with race directors and runners to meet the challenges, as ultra running fast becomes a mainstream sport in Australia.

AURA sanctioned 89 races in 2014 over 63 events. We would like to thank all race directors and volunteers for their commitment to ultra running. The numbers contesting our various races continue to be at record levels, with trail races still leading the way.

We are one of 79 federations in the IAU and have again been successful on the international stage, competing in two events last year, the 27th IAU 100km World Championships and the 10th IAU 50km Trophy race.

Your committee and volunteers continually strive to improve AURA. This year has brought in new policies and more rewards to members, whilst membership fees remained unchanged.

We are pleased to include additional analyses in this report, providing information on our membership, races, and a comparison of results at the international level. This information is useful for planning and management and for general interest. Thanks to AURA member Karen Chan for work on the statistics within this report. Your committee is pleased to report the following:

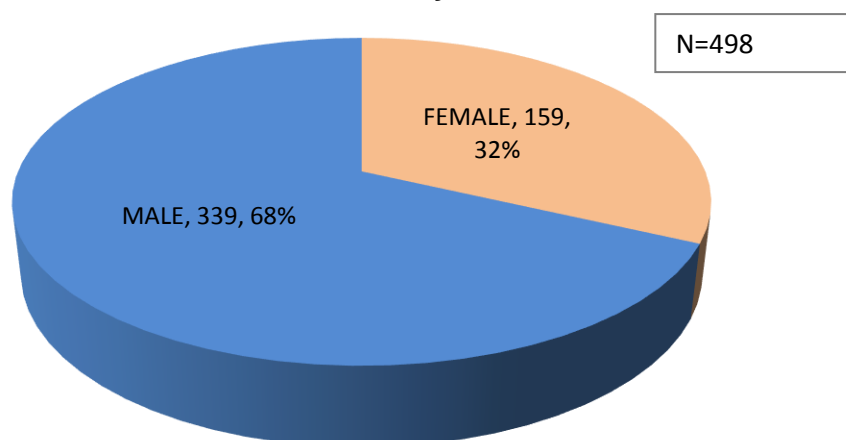
OVERVIEW AND FUTURE DIRECTION, continued

- Current members totalled 483 (including family members) at 26 February 2015 with 68% being male and 32% female. (See Section 1)
- The number of AURA sanctioned ultra-distance races decreased 3% from 2013 to 2014, from 92 races to 89 races. (See Section 2)
- New race records are being set in many events on the calendar. In Section 3, the performances of Australians were compared to international results for all distances and times.
- The athletes selected to represent your country and AURA at international championship events continue to compete to their best. Detailed results appear in Section 4 in this report.
- National championship results and AURA awards and prizes are listed in Sections 5 and 6.

1. Membership at a Glance

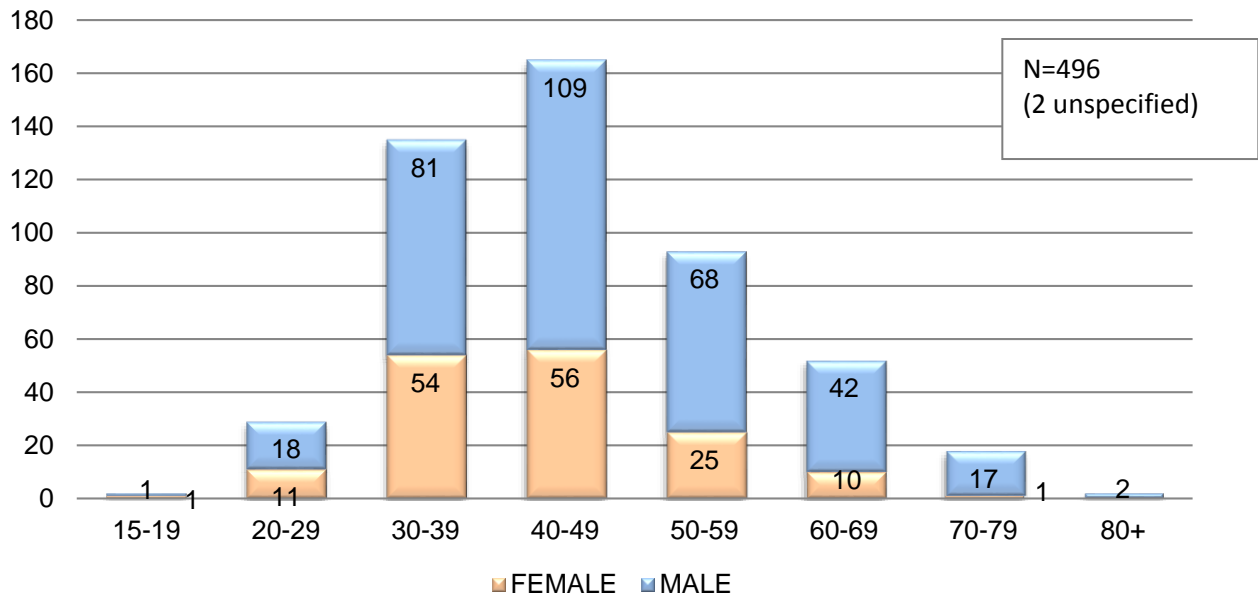
There were 498 unique active memberships as at 26 February 2015. 68% were male and 32% were female (Figure 1). Fifteen of those members were in a family membership.

Figure 1. Number of Unique Memberships by Gender as at 26 February 2015



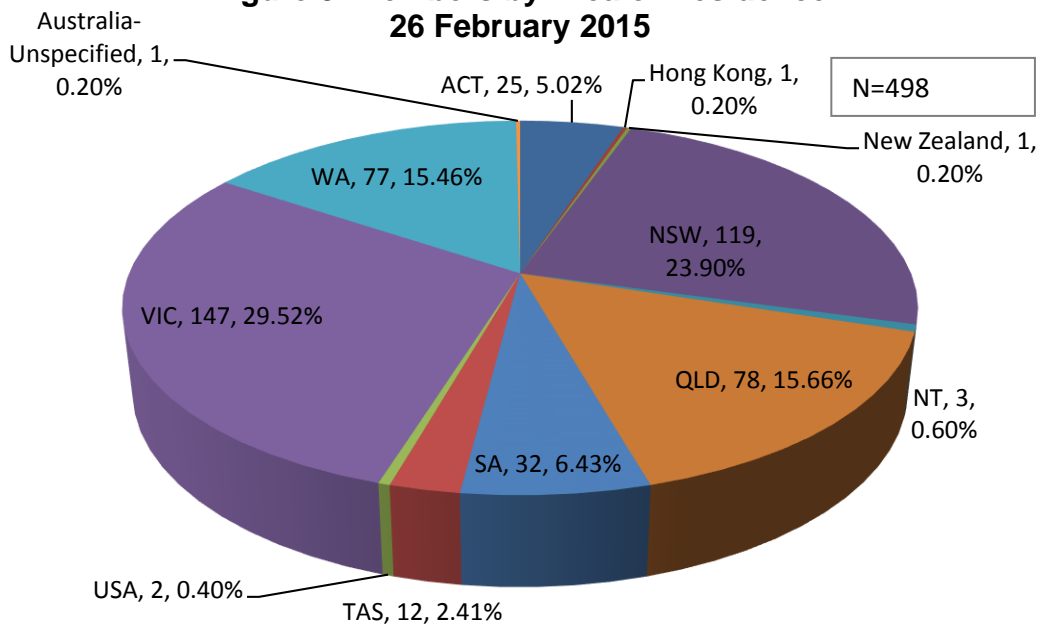
The majority of members (33%) were in the 40-49 year age group (Figure 2). The median age for males was 50 and for females was 43.

Figure 2. AURA Members by Age Group and Gender as at 26 February 2015

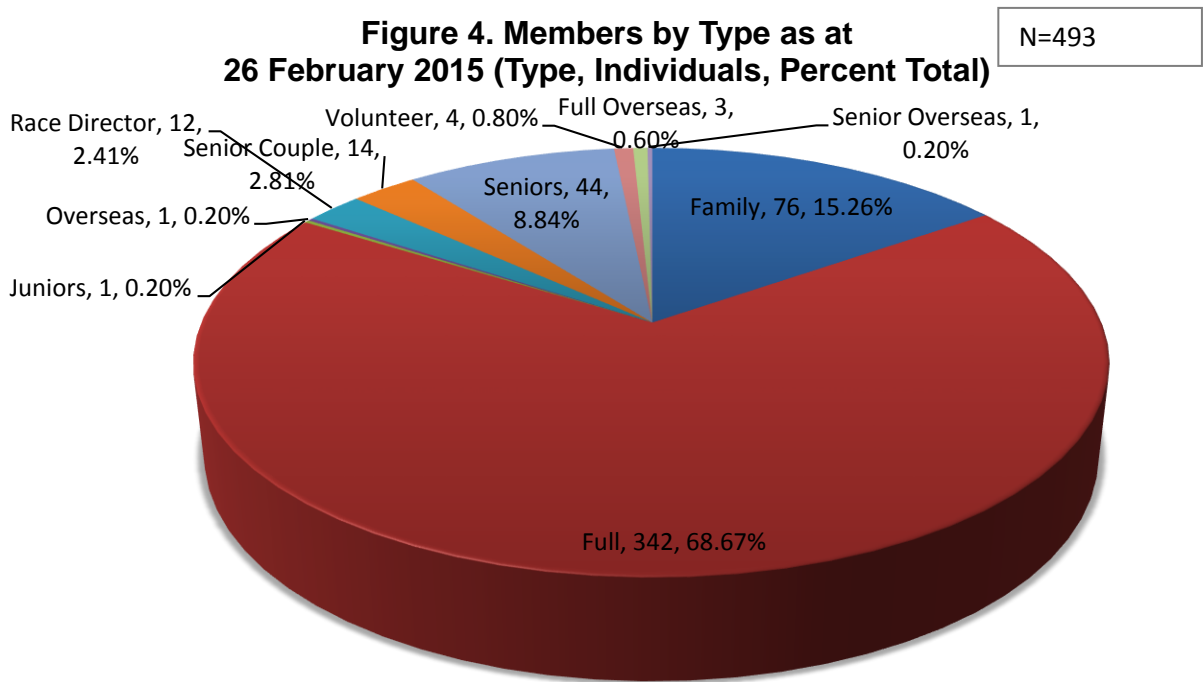


Ninety-nine percent of members lived in Australia. Those who live in Australia mainly reside in Victoria (30%), NSW (24%) and QLD (16%) (Figure 3).

Figure 3. Members by Area of Residence 26 February 2015

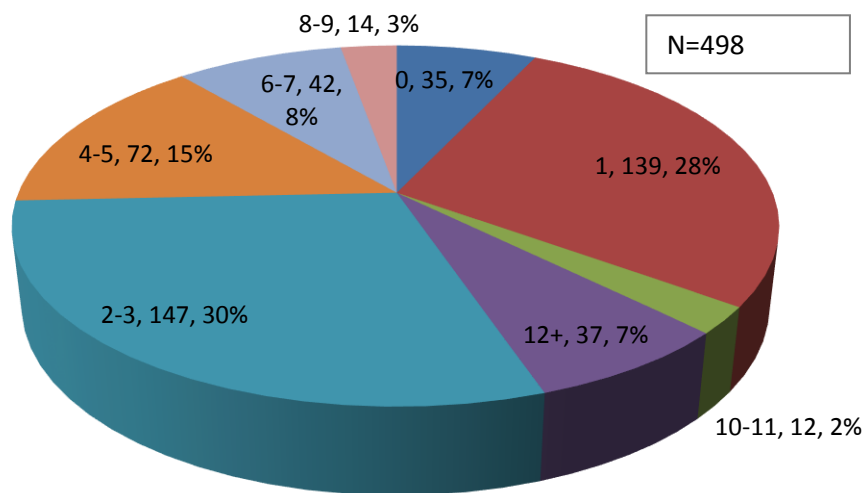


The predominant membership type was Full (69%), followed by Family (16%) and Seniors/ Senior Couple (12%) (Figure 4).



The majority of members were with 2-3 years membership (30%) followed by those with 1 year of membership (28%) and 4-5 years of membership (15%) (Figure 5).

Figure 5. Members by Year of Membership as at 26 February 2015 (Years, Number, Percent total)



2. Number of Races and Finishers in 2014

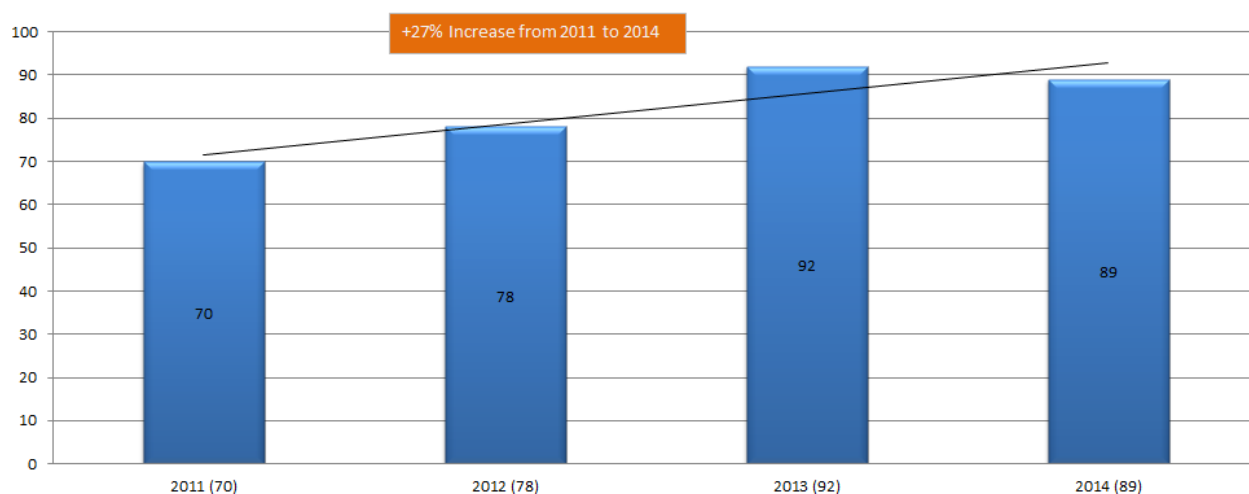
The number of races sanctioned by AURA has steadily increased to a plateau over the last year. There were four new races in 2014. Two new races had two options in distance/time (Adelaide and Blackall) (Table 1).

Table 1. New races sanctioned by AURA in 2014

Name	Distance/Time	Date	Note
Adelaide 6 days & 48 hours	6 days & 48 hrs	29/9/2014	
Halloween Howler	6 hrs	1/11/2014	Cancelled
Blackall 100	50k & 100 k	8/11/2014	
Rock around the Clock	6 hrs	31/12/2014	

There was a 31% increase in sanctioned races between 2011 and 2014, from 70 to 89, for the various distances and timed events, including both solo and team events (Figure 6). In 2014, Halloween Howler was cancelled.

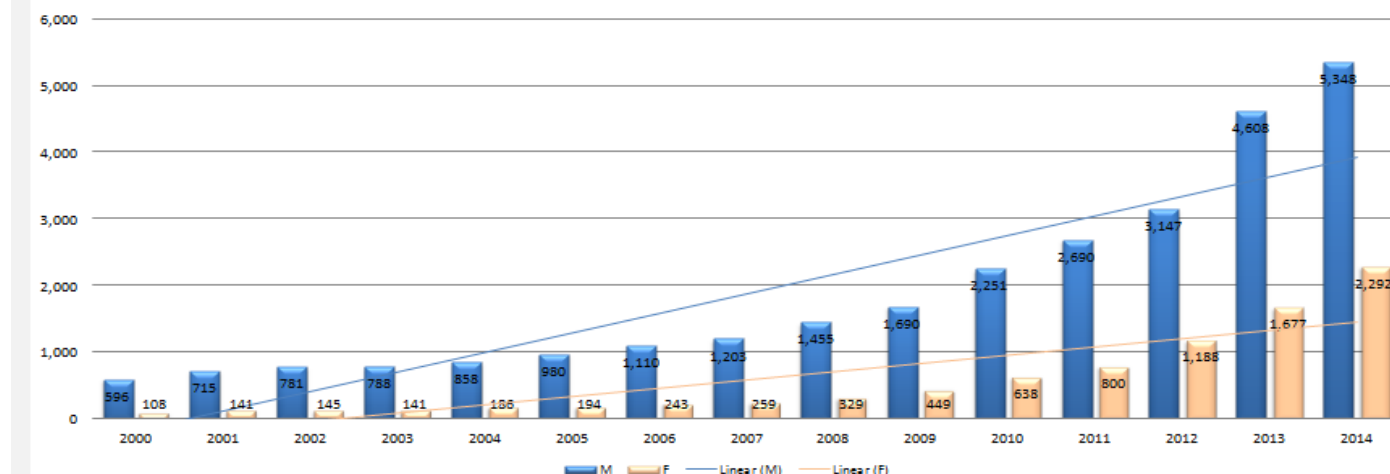
Figure 6. Total number of AURA sanctioned races (solo & team) by Year, 2011 - 2014*



(Finisher source: <http://statistik.d-u-v.org/getcharts.php?country=AUS&Submit.x=16&Submit.y=13>)

The number of finishers has also increased markedly since 2000. The number of finishers has almost doubled between 2011 and 2014 (Figure 7).

Figure 7. Total finishers by gender and year, 2000-2014

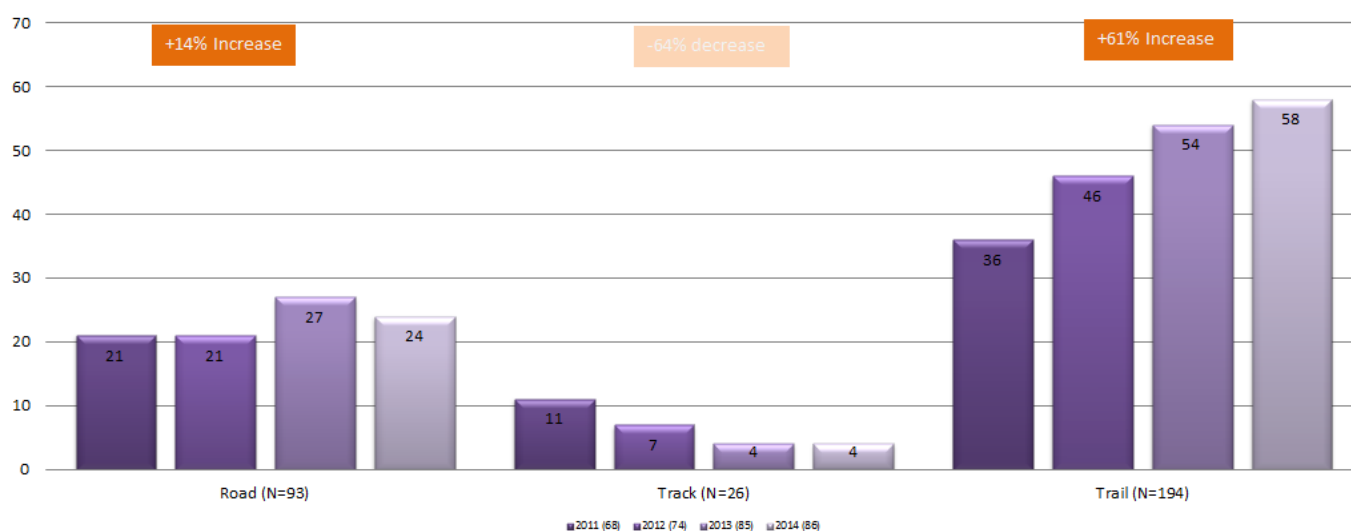


The following figures summarise the number of races and finishers (solo event) by type (trail, road and track), length (distance and duration), state, and season.

2.1 By Type and Distance

The majority of the increase (61%) in sanctioned races from 2011 to 2014 came from trail. Although there was a reduction in track events by 64% between 2011 and 2014, the number of races has remained as 4 between 2013 and 2014. The number of road races increased by 14% between 2011 and 2014 (Figure 8)*.

Figure 8. Total number of AURA sanctioned races (solo event) by Type and Year, 2011-2014



*Note: Stromlo races and Caboolture races were reported as track races in the previous annual report.

The following Figures 8a - i show the number of finishers by gender and event type (distance/time) from 2000 to 2014.

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Figure 8a. Total finishers in 50k by gender and year, 2000-2014

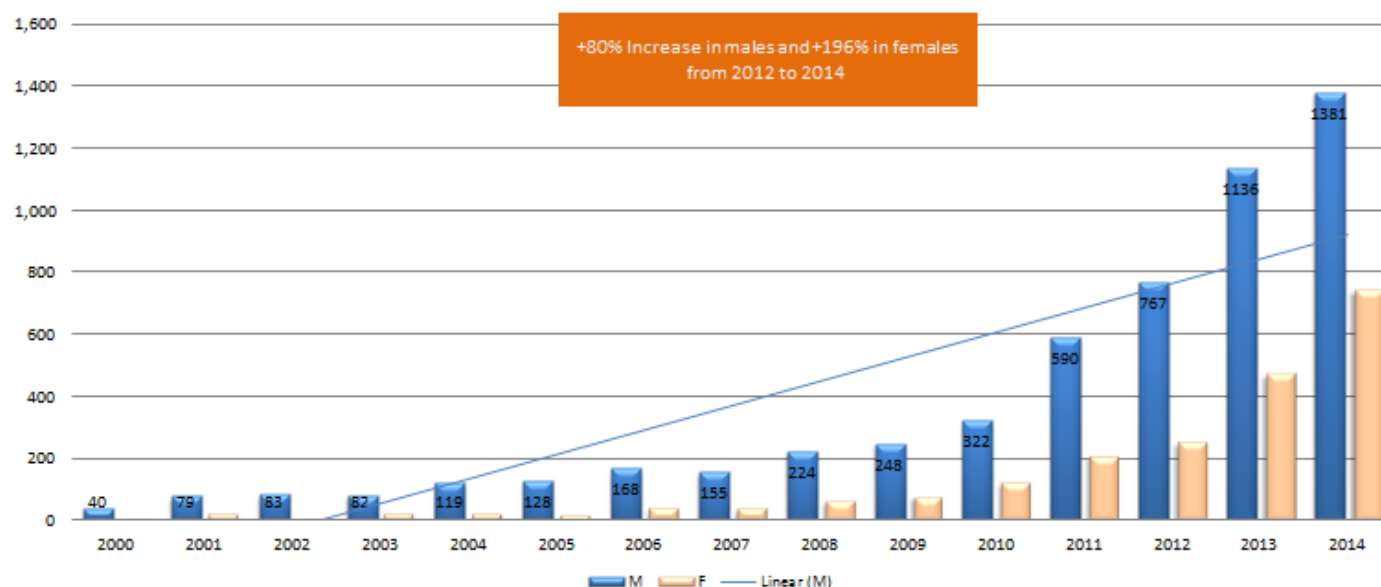


Figure 8b. Total finishers in 50 miles by gender and year, 2000-2014

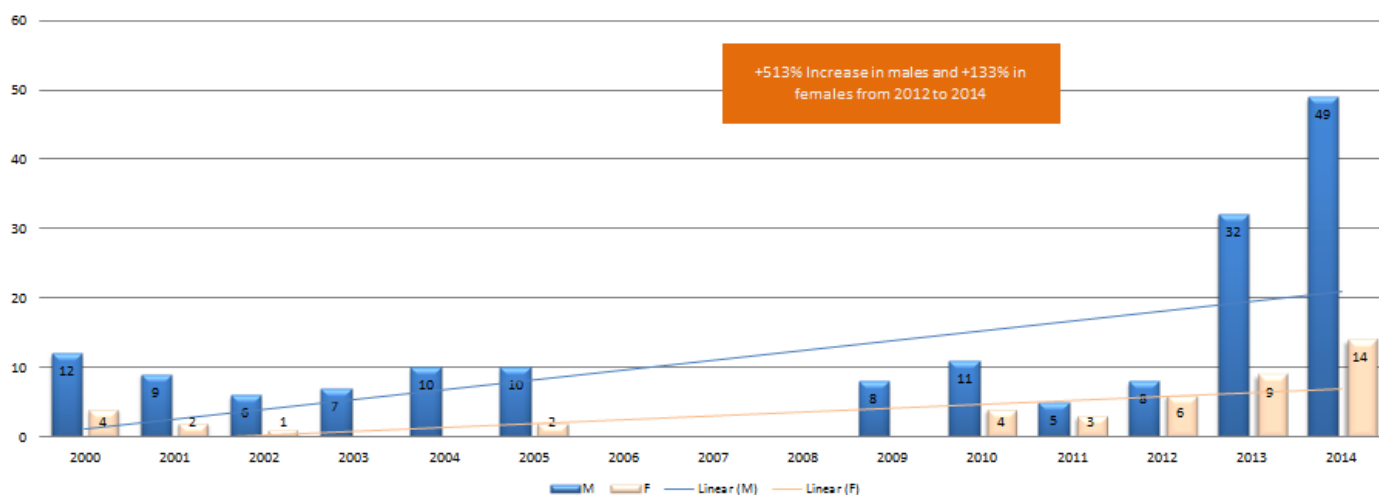


Figure 8c. Total finishers in 100k by gender and year, 2000-2014

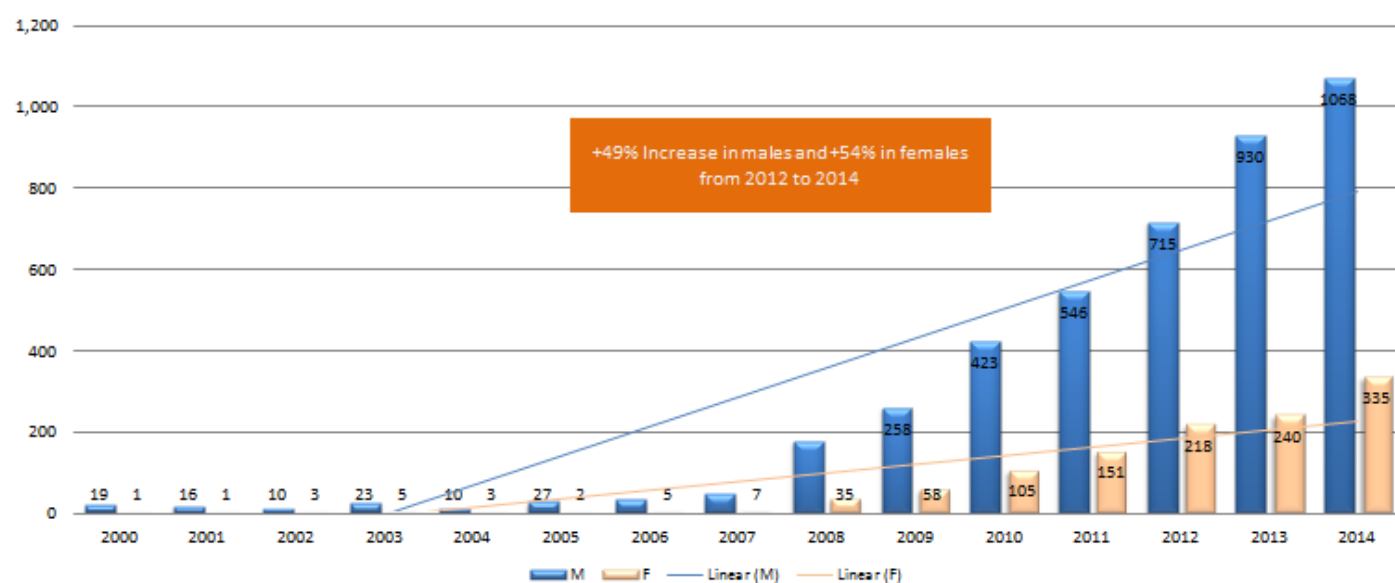


Figure 8d. Total finishers in 100 miles by gender and year, 2000-2014

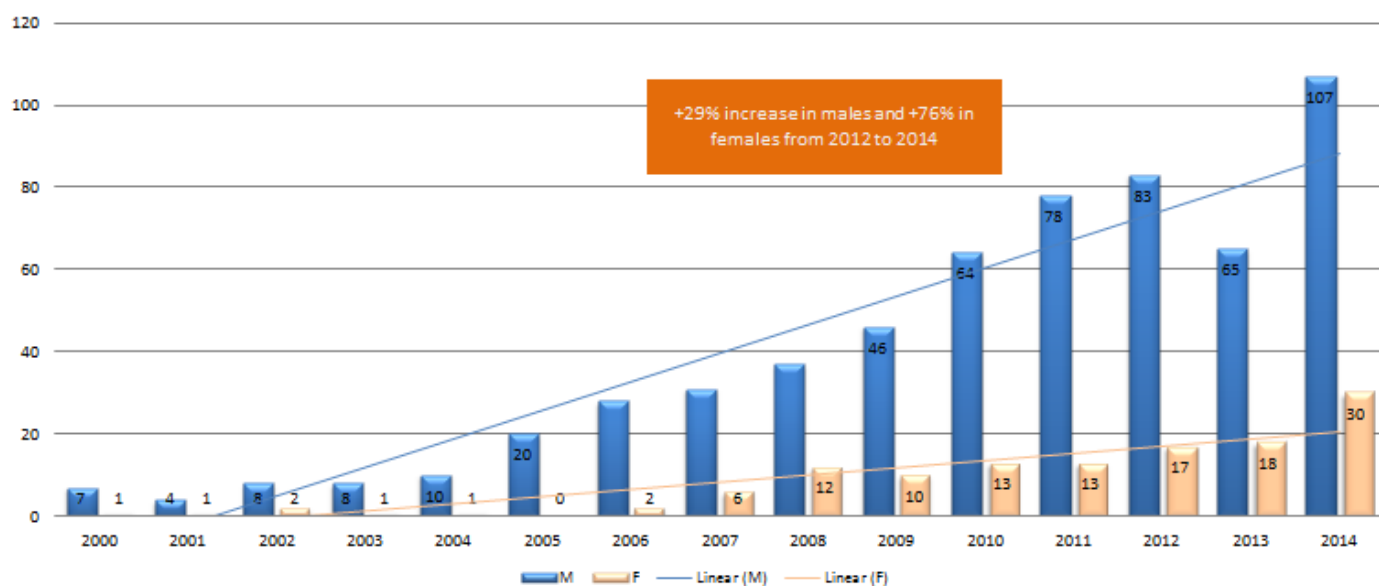


Figure 8e. Total finishers in 6 hrs by gender and year, 2000-2014

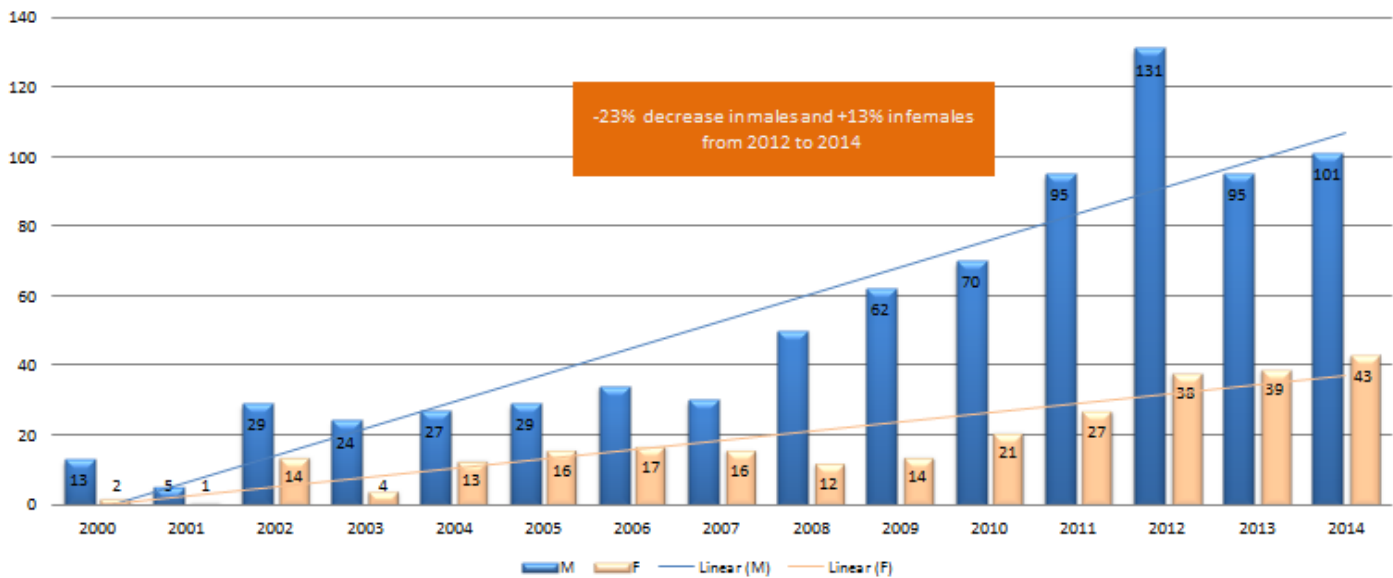


Figure 8f. Total finishers in 12 hrs by gender and year, 2000-2014

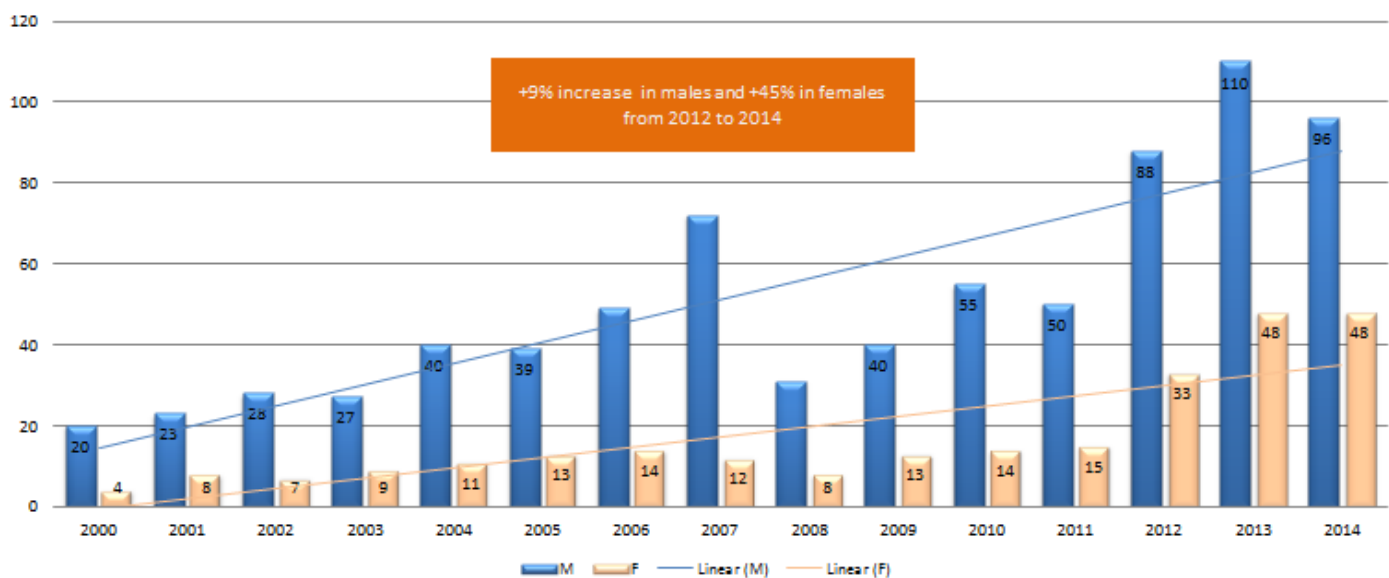


Figure 8g. Total finishers in 24 hrs by gender and year, 2000-2014

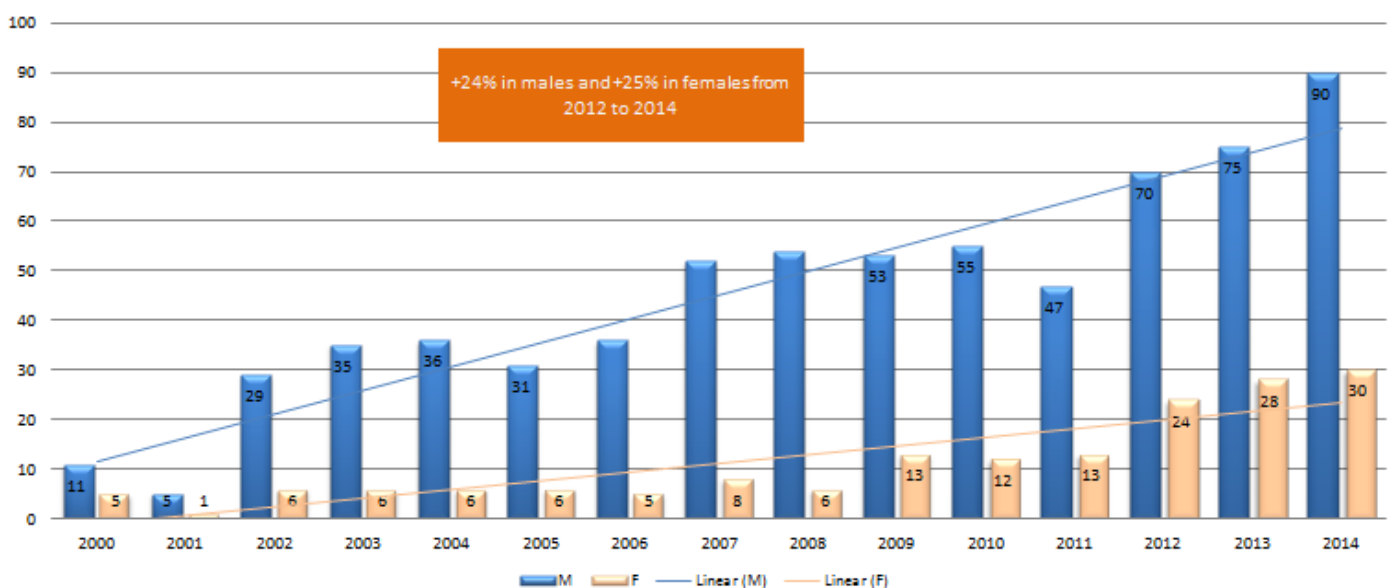


Figure 8h. Total finishers in 48 hrs by gender and year, 2000-2014

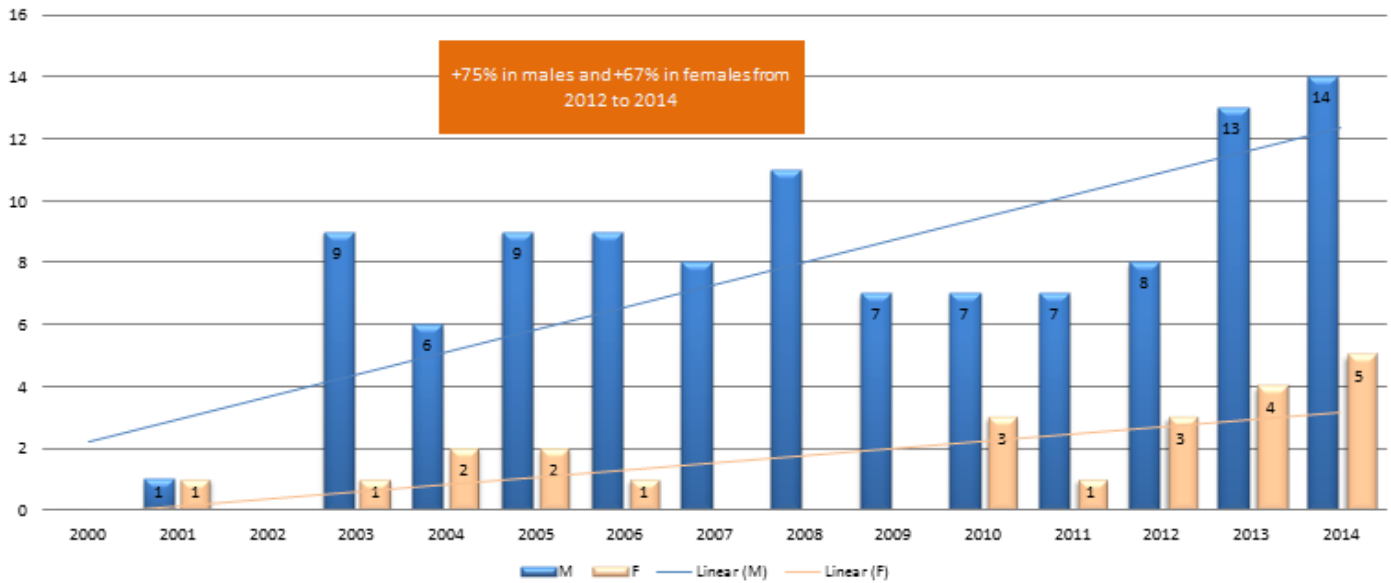
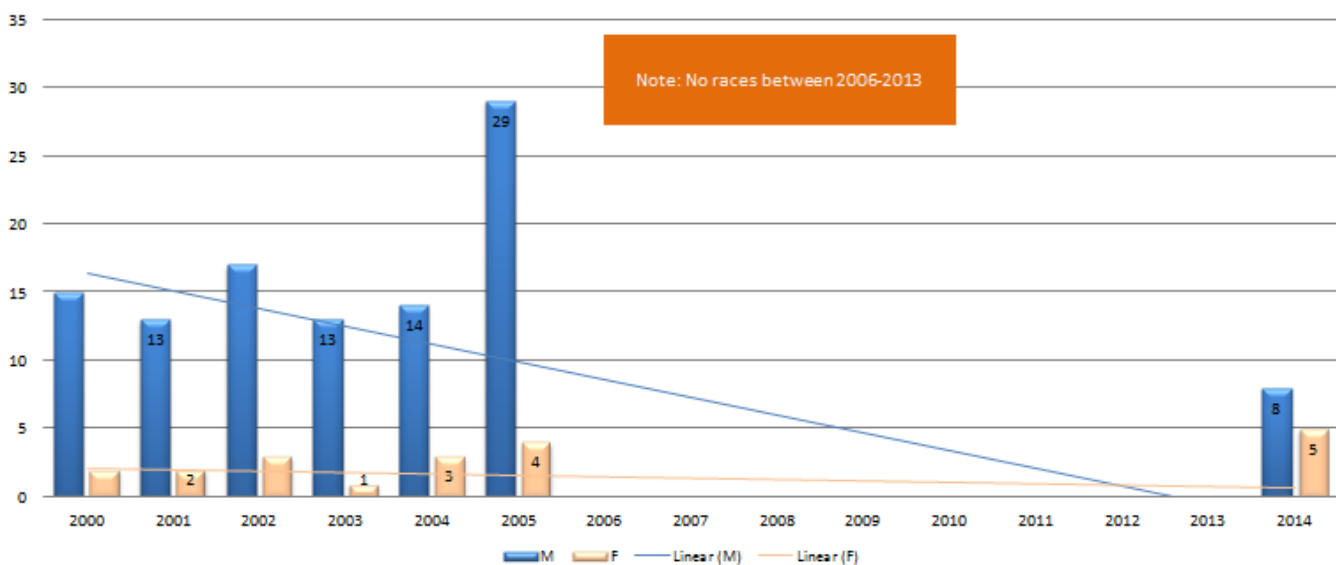
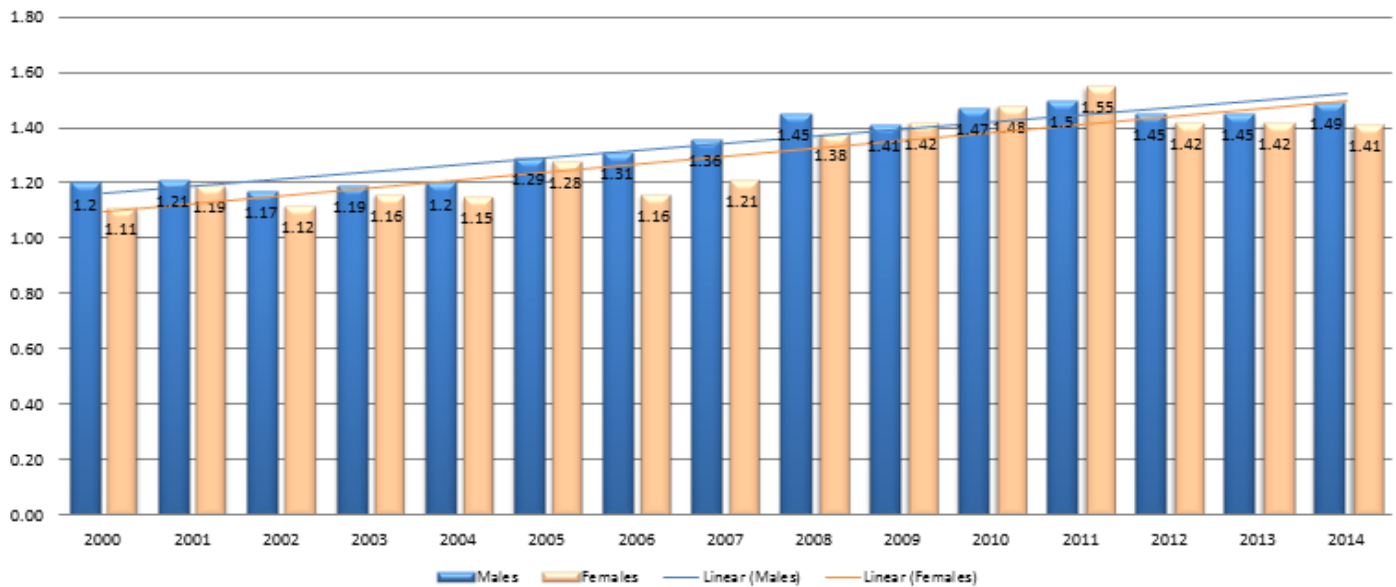


Figure 8i. Total finishers in 6 days by gender and year, 2000-2014



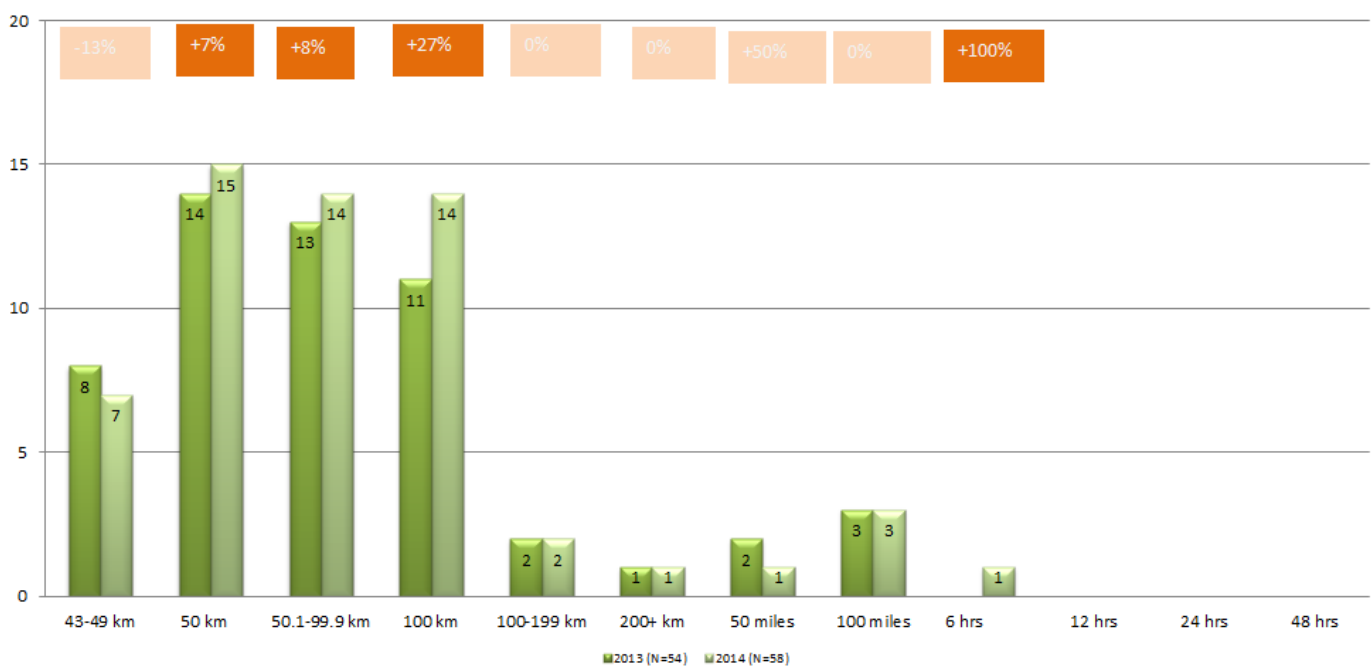
Both male and female runners increased their average number of performances per year. The gap between the genders has narrowed since 2008 (Figure 8j).

Figure 8j. Runners by performance by gender and year, 2000-2014



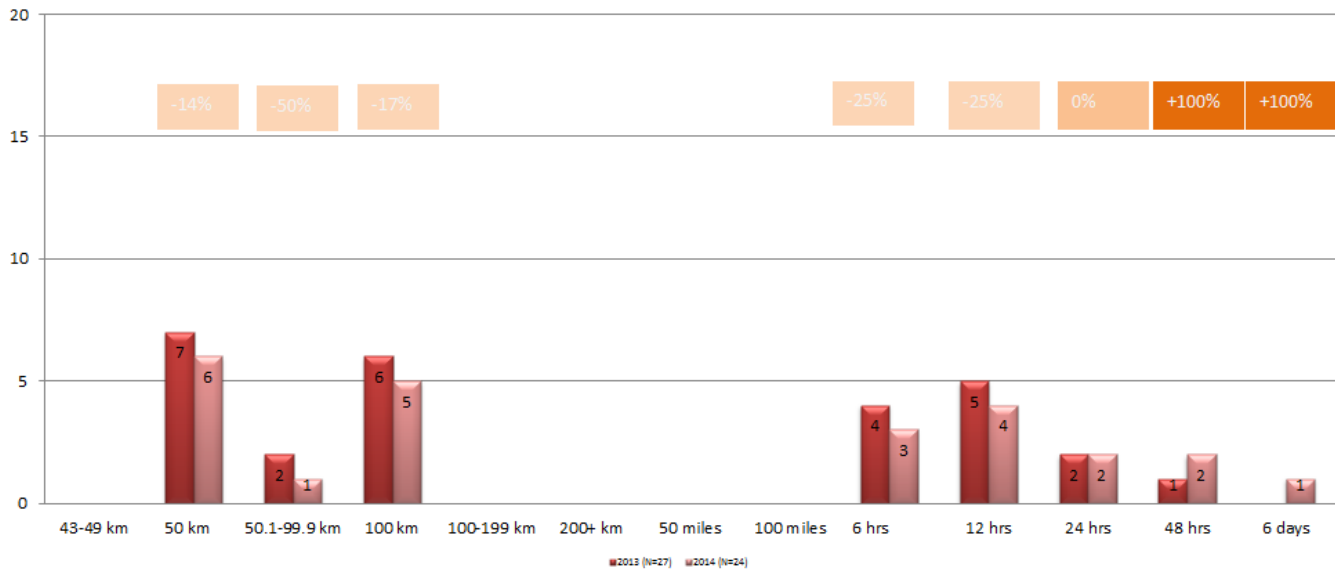
In trail races, there was growth or no change in most events (Figure 9).

Figure 9. Total number of AURA sanctioned TRAIL solo races by Length and Year, 2013-2014



In road races, there was a reduction in most events except a gain in 48 hr and 6 day. (Figure 10)*.

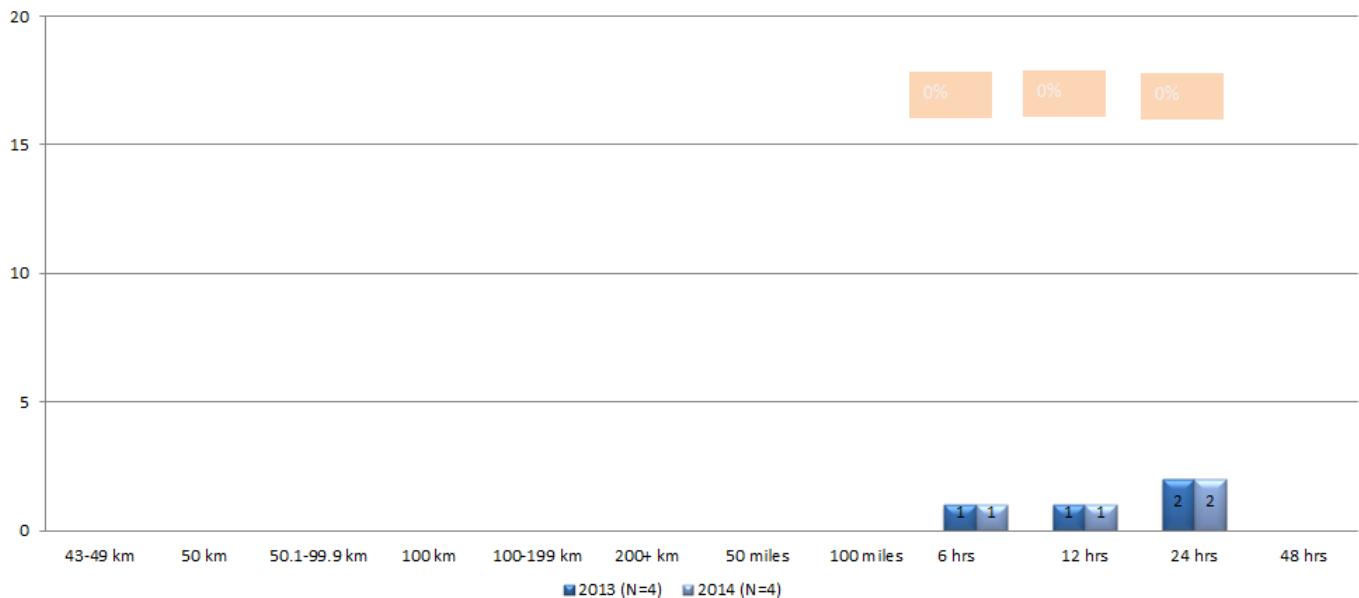
Figure 10. Total number of AURA sanctioned ROAD solo races by Length and Year, 2013-2014



*Note: Stromlo races and Caboolture races were reported as Track races in the previous annual report.

In track races, there was no change in events (Figure 11)*.

Figure 11. Total number of AURA sanctioned TRACK solo races by Length and Year, 2013-2014

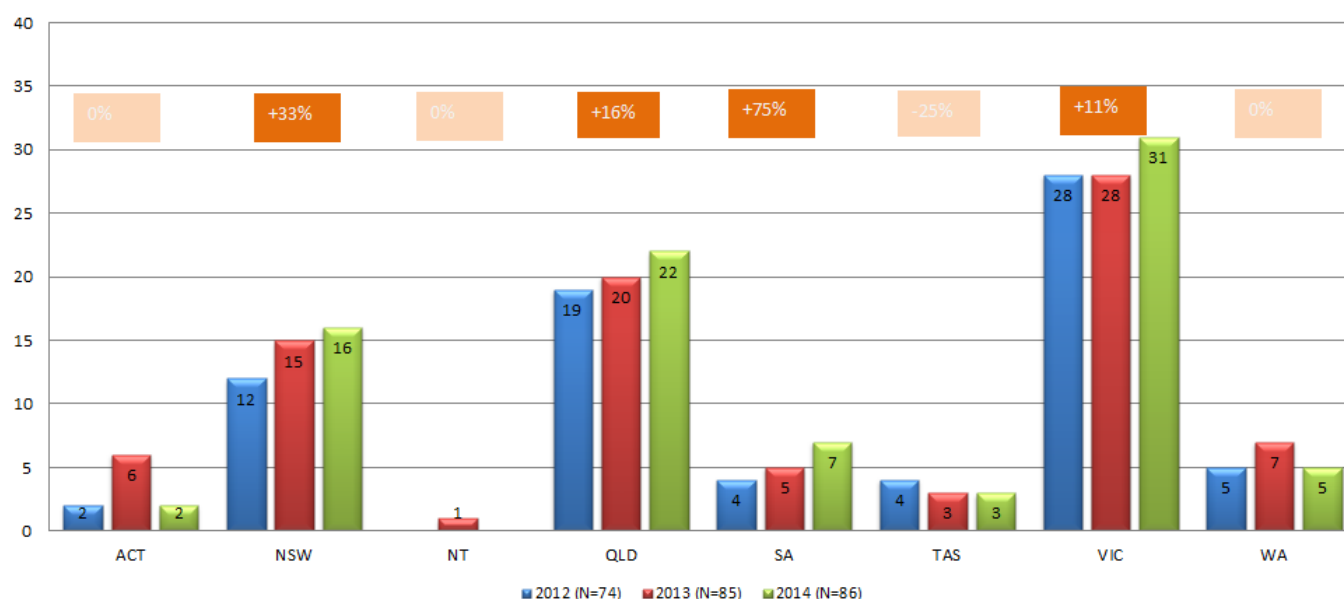


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2.2 By States

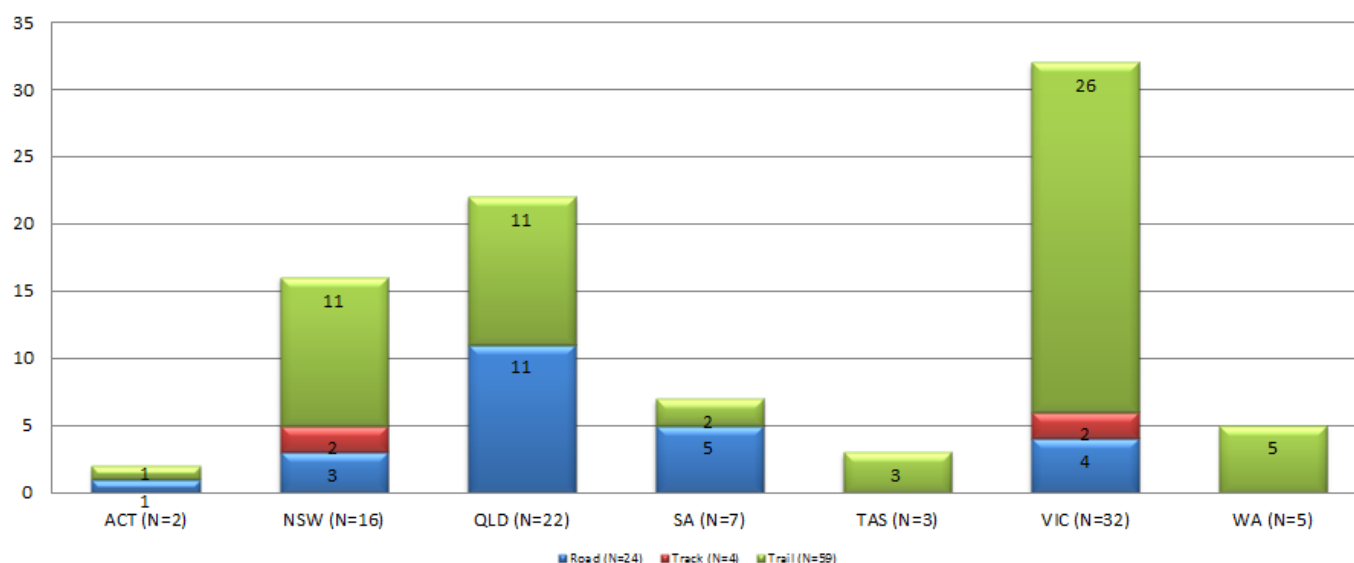
From 2012 through 2014, there was an increase in events in NSW (33%), QLD (16%), SA (75%) and VIC (11%) (Figure 12).

Figure 12. Total number of AURA sanctioned solo races by States and Territories, 2012-2014



In 2014, over 50% of the races in all states and territories were trail except in SA because of the addition of Adelaide 48 hr and 6 day road races (Figure 13)*.

Figure 13. Total number of AURA sanctioned solo races by States/ Territories and Type, 2014

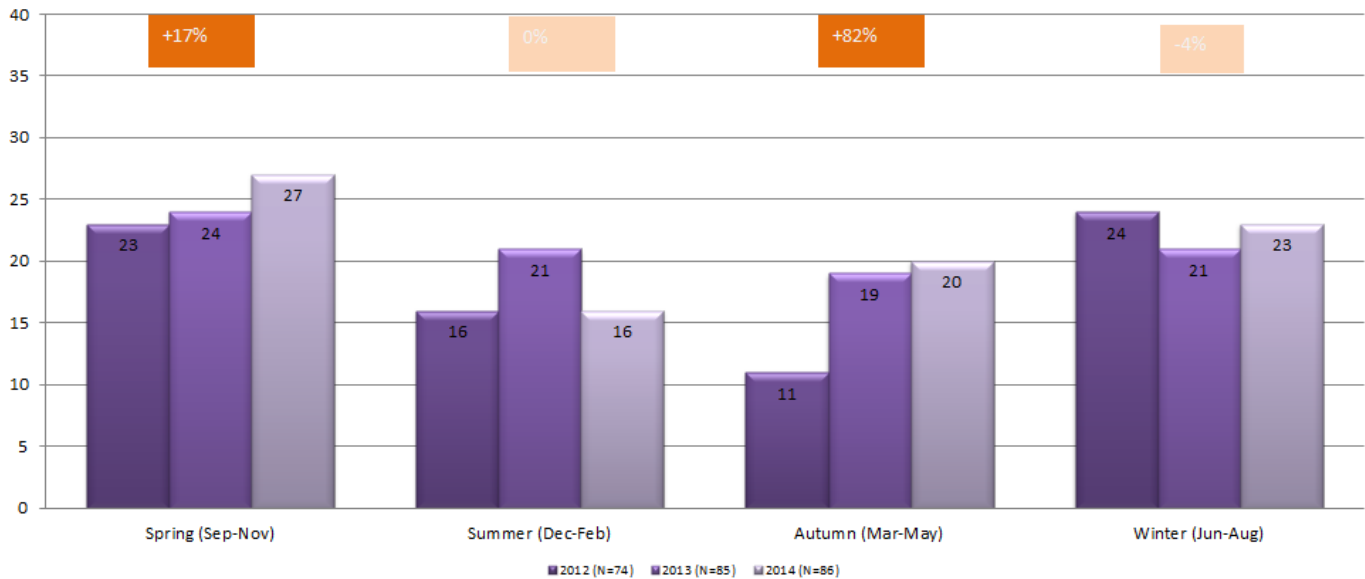


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2.3 By Season

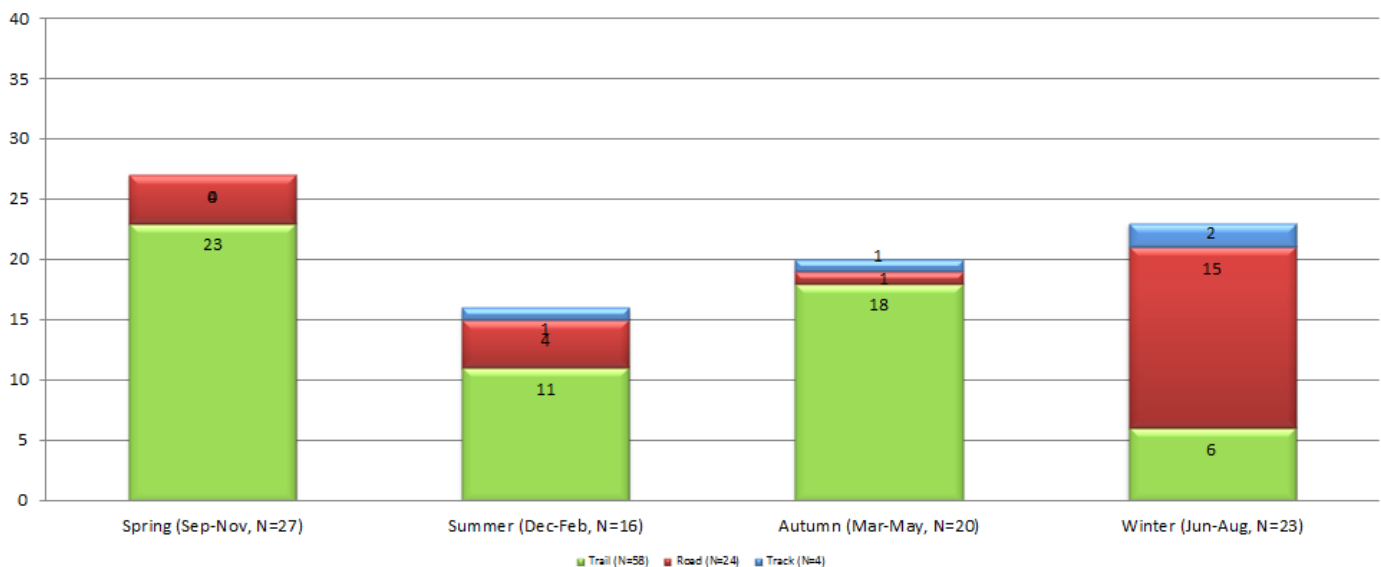
Between 2012 and 2014, there was an increase in events in spring (17%) and autumn (82%). There was no change in the number of races in summer, while there was a reduction of 4% in winter.

Figure 14. Total number of AURA sanctioned solo races by Season and Year, 2012-2014



In 2014, there were road and trail races in all seasons. Trail races had the highest proportion in all seasons except winter (Figure 15)*.

Figure 15. Total number of AURA sanctioned solo races by Season and Type, 2014



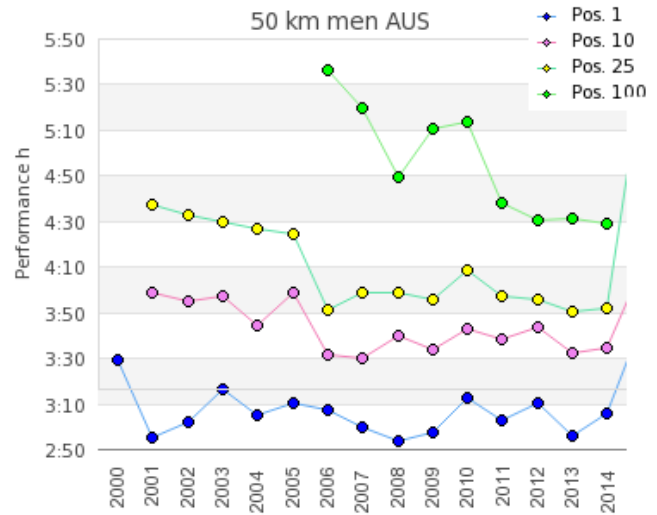
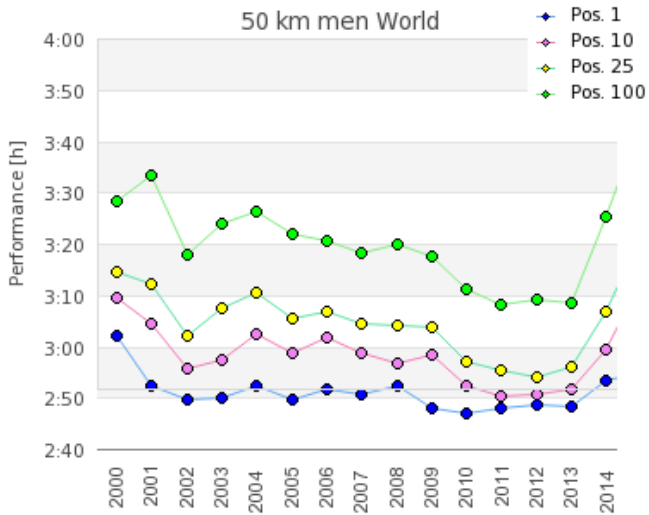
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3. Race Results

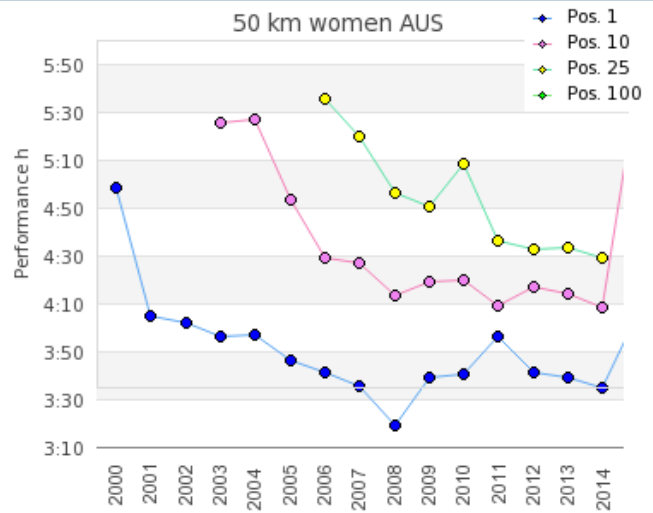
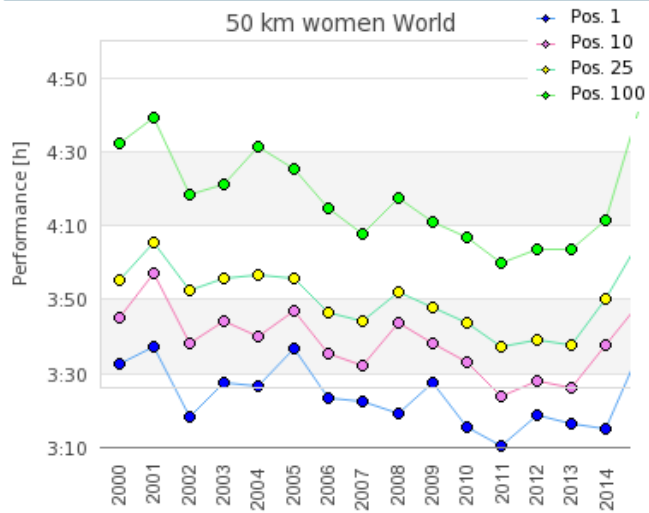
The following figures compare Australian results to world results by year and gender from 2000 to 2014.

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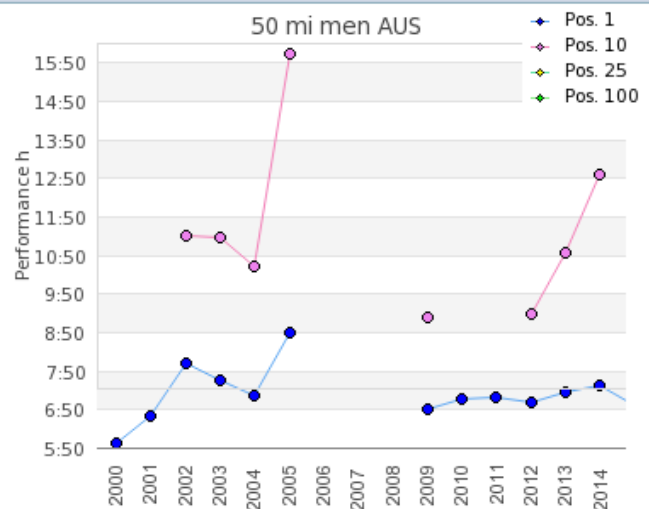
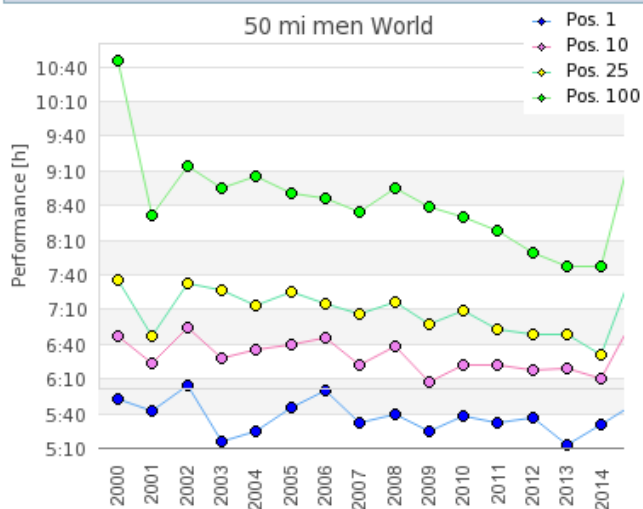
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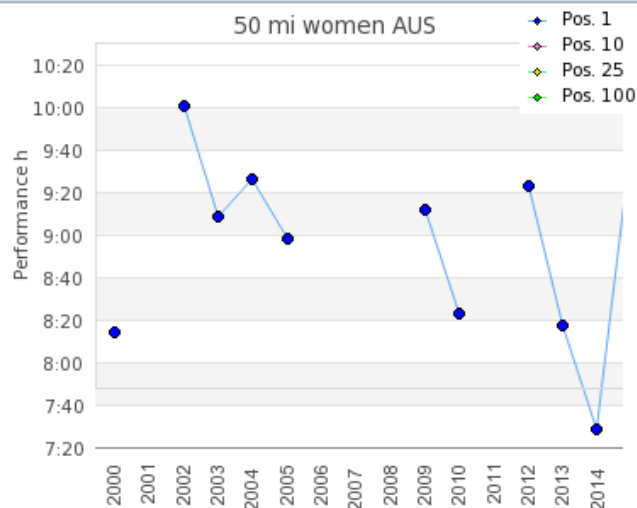
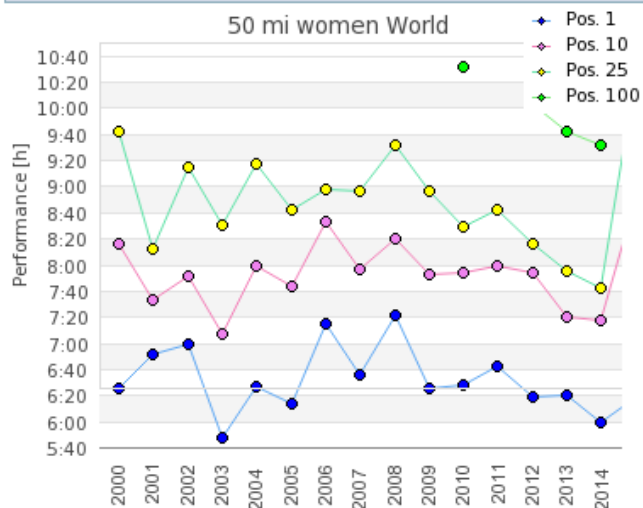
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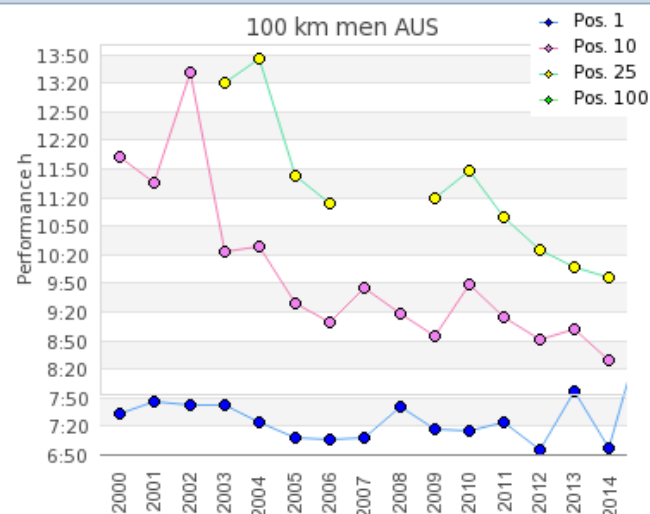
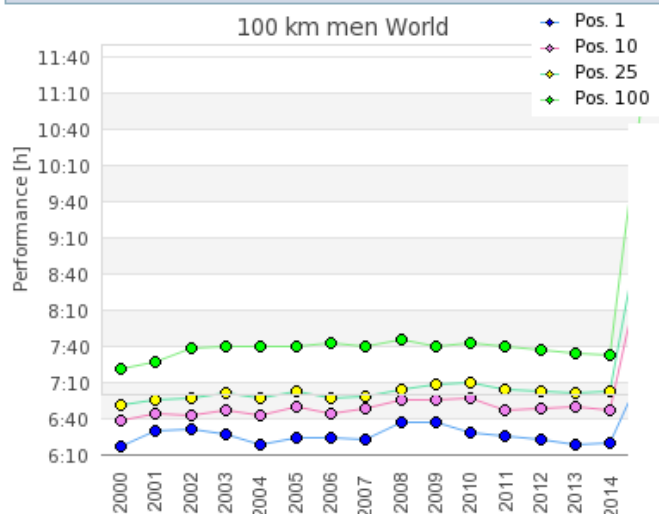
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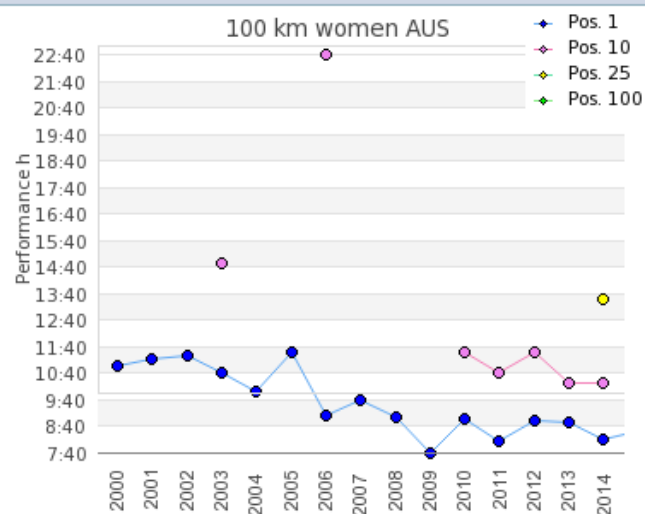
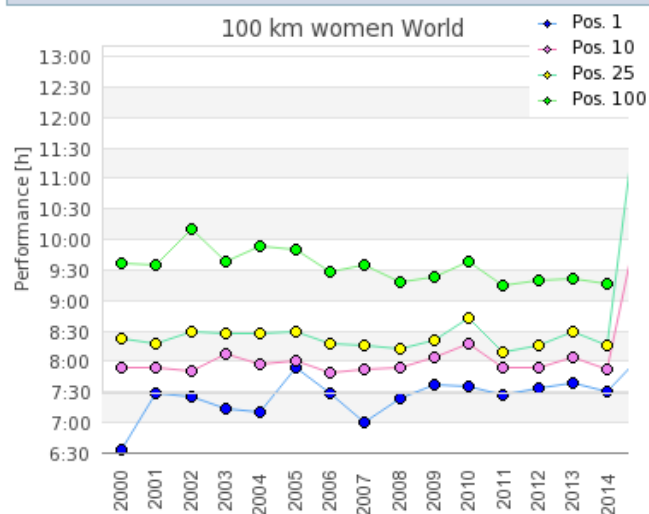
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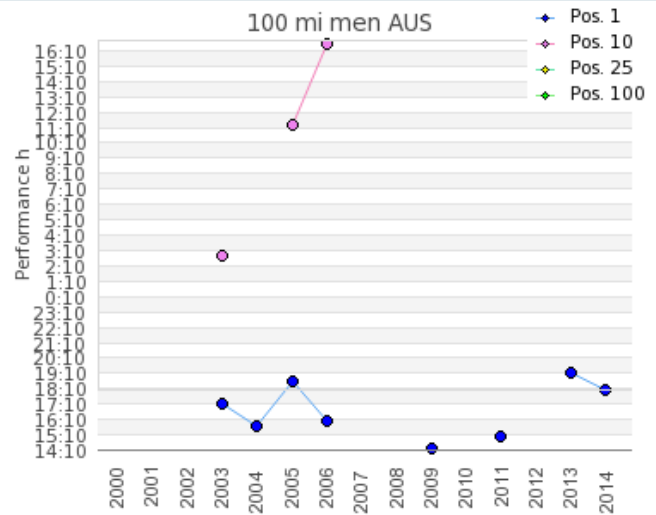
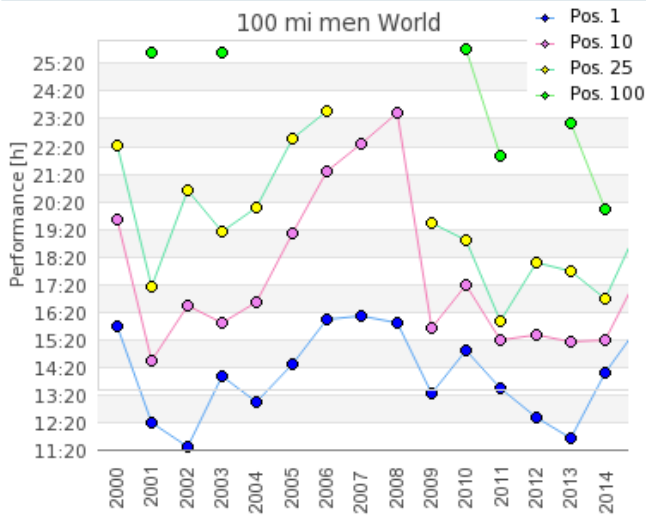
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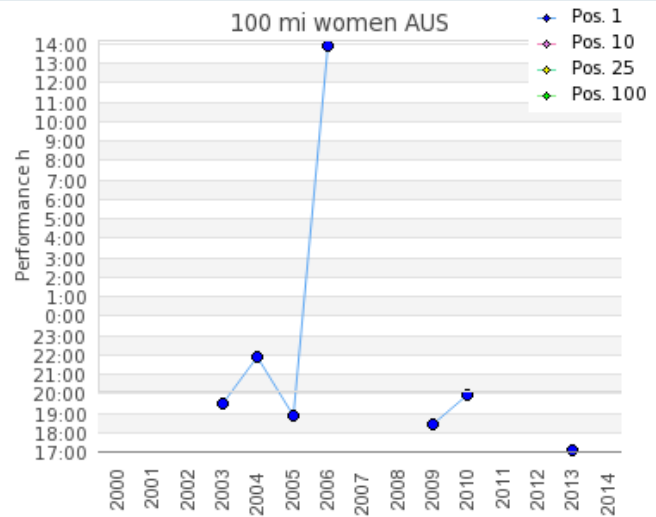
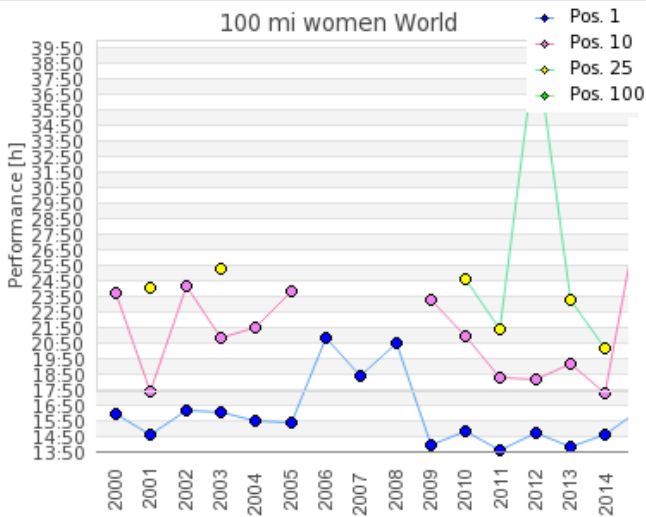
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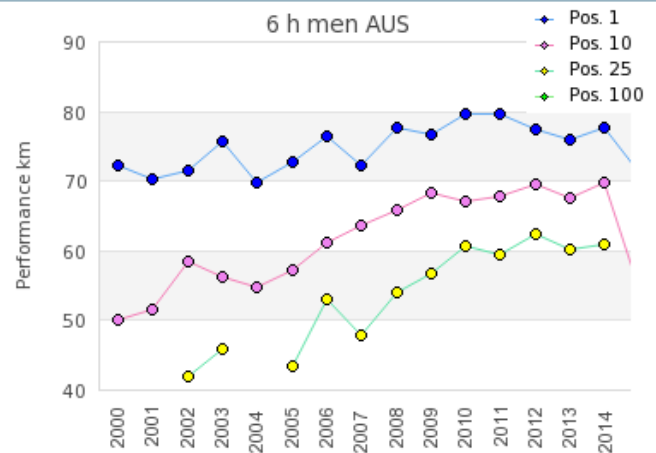
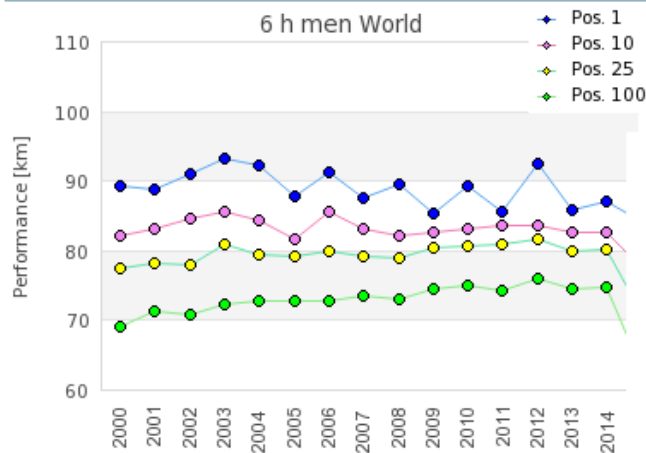
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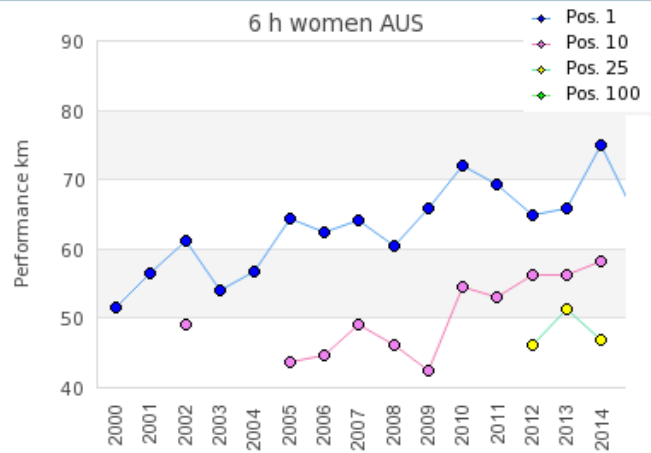
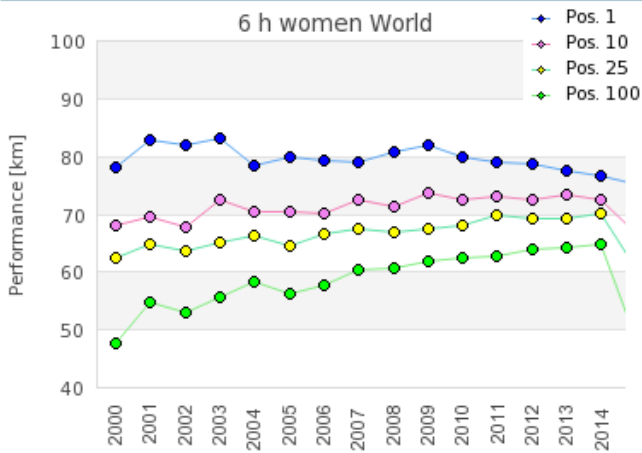
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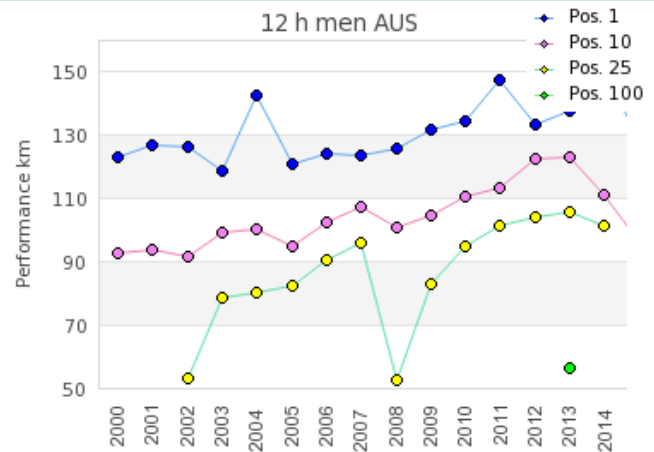
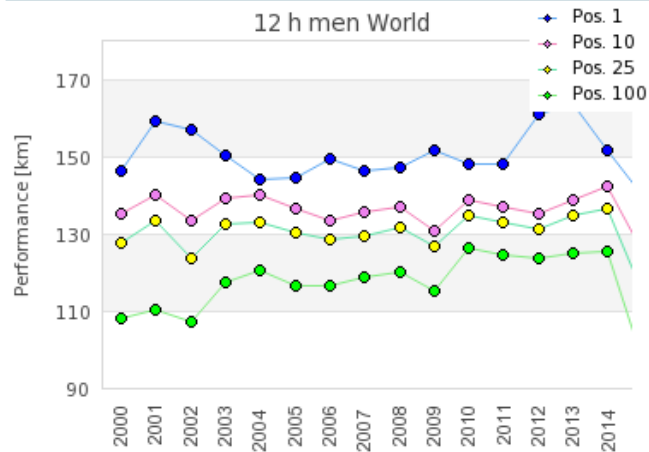
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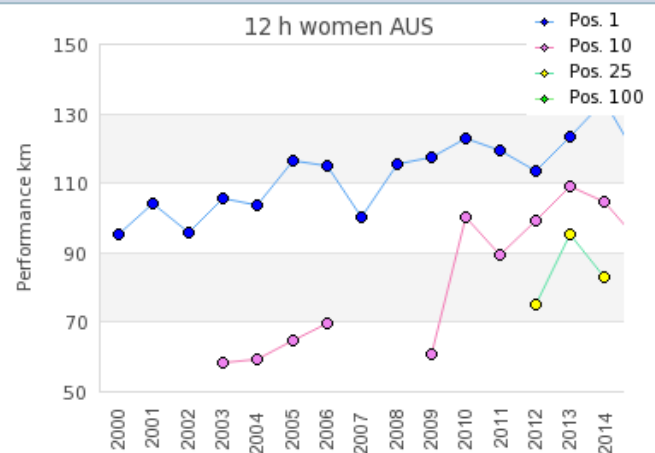
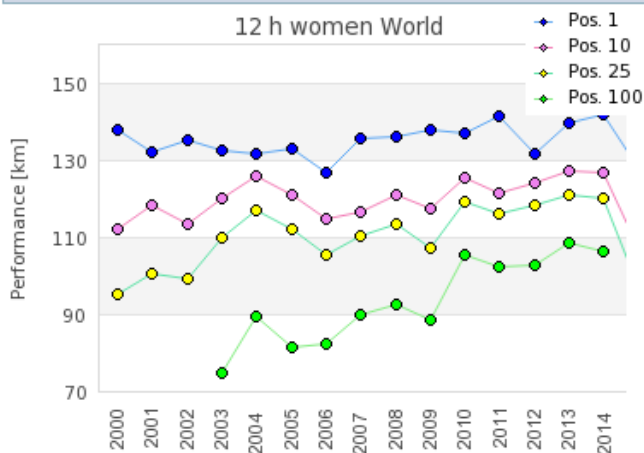
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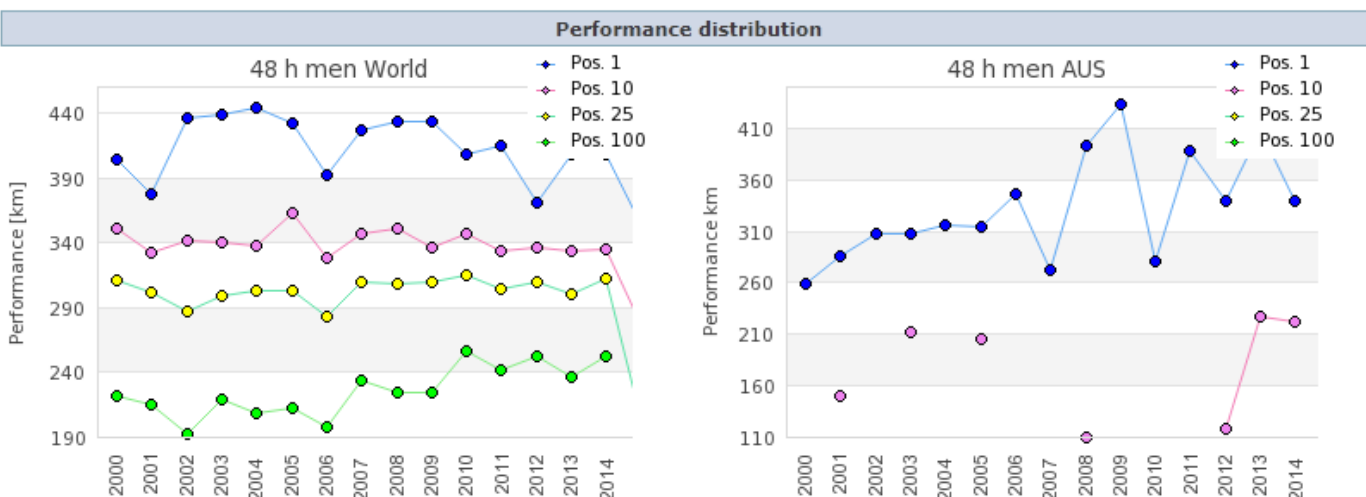
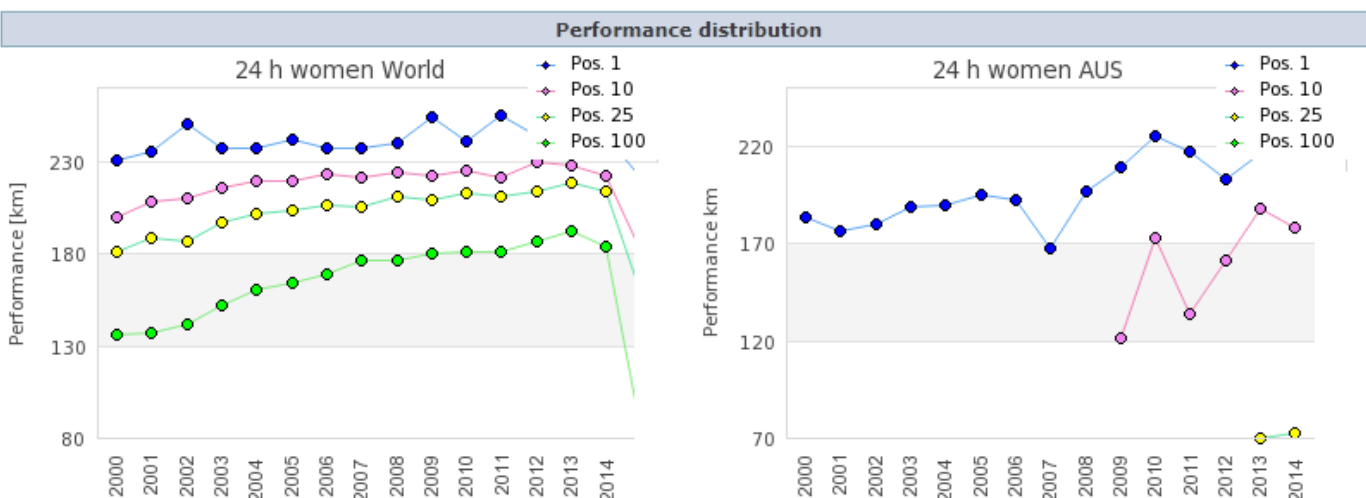
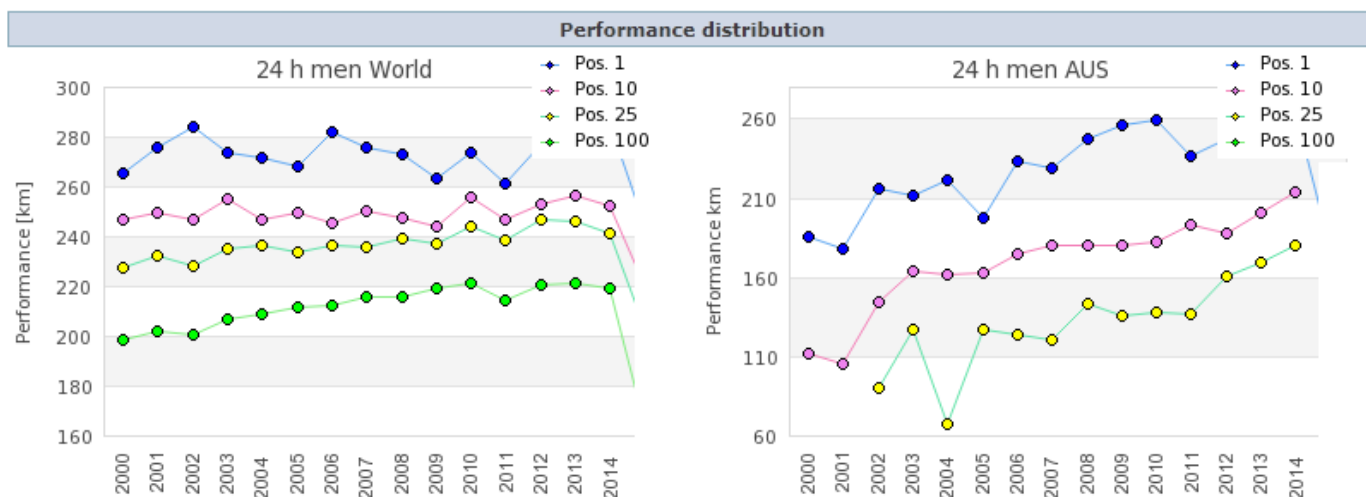


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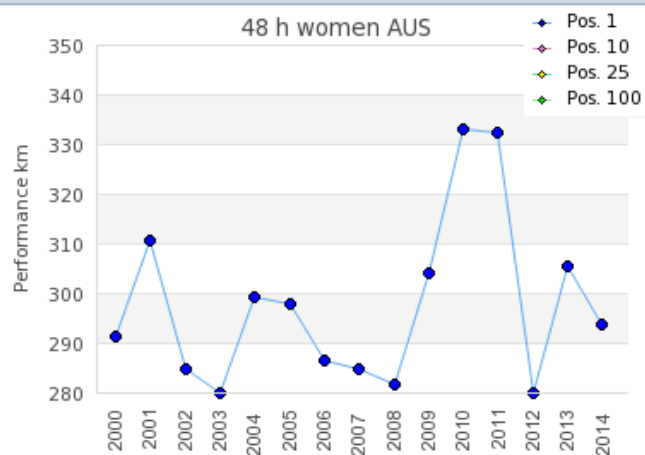
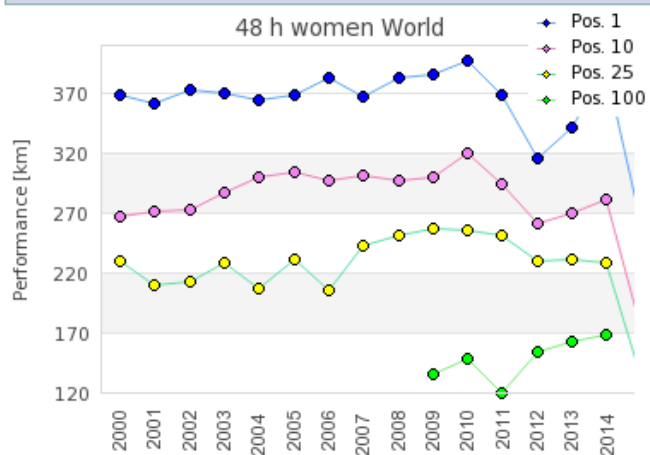


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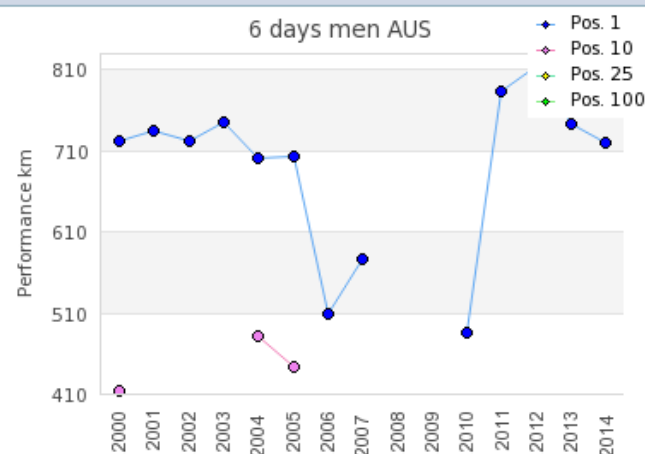
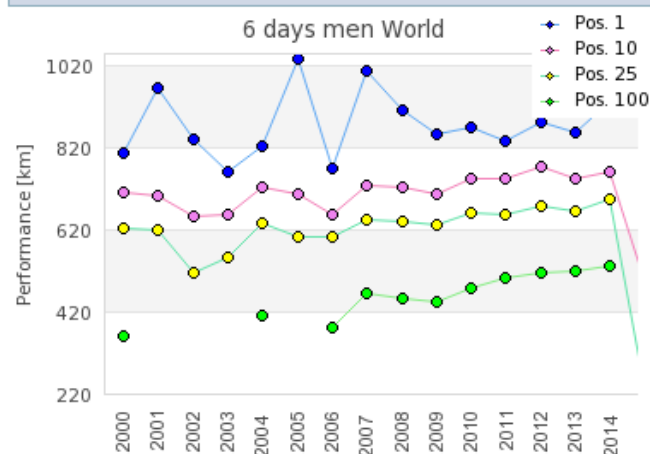




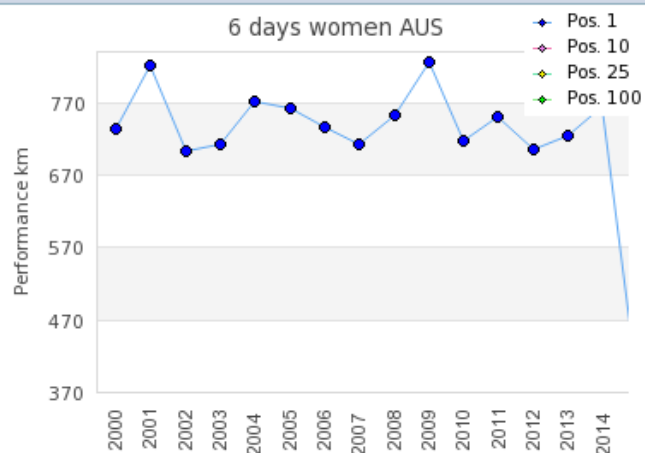
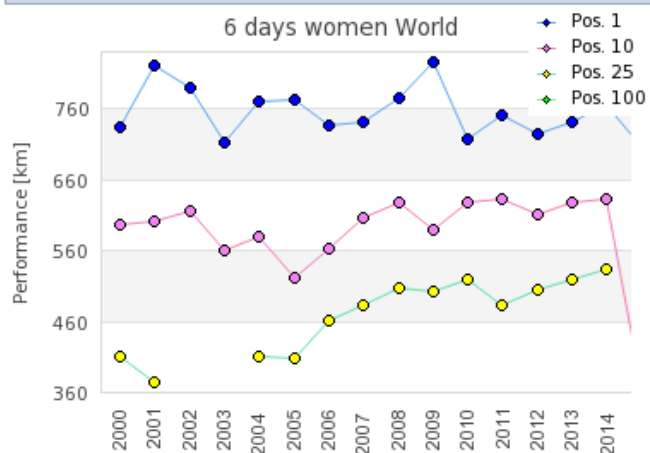
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4. International Competition Results

4.1 IAU 100 km World Championships

The 27th IAU 100km World Championships took place on November 21, 2014 in Doha, Qatar. Eight athletes, four men and four women, were selected to represent Australia. The team was captained by Brendan Davies. The team included previous Australian representatives Andy Heyden, Marita Eisler and Rick Cooke. Making their debuts in the green and gold were Chris Truscott, Jodie Osborne, Nikki Wynd and Kerrie Otto De Grancy. AURA president Rob Boyce joined the team as manager.

The accommodation at Doha was up with some of the best we're ever likely to experience. The Aspire Zone sporting precinct really looked after all the athletes and delegates. We could not have asked for better meals and lodging in the lead-in to the race. There were some visits to local schools and markets, enabling athletes to get a taste of the Qatari culture.

Even though the race was held in the coolest part of the year in the Middle East, the mid 20 degrees forecasts and less than ideal humidity made the decision for a late evening start to the race a sensible one. The course was a looped 5km circuit around road and pedestrian thoroughfares in the Aspire Zone. The surface was interesting, a mixture of road bitumen, rough interlocking pavers, and flat, shiny tiles. With three significant u-turns also in the race, the course, doubled with the climatic conditions, was not the easiest to tackle. However, the teams were determined to not have this play on their mind and were excited by the opportunity to race on the world stage against the very best.

The race proved to be as challenging as predicted. Rick Cooke unfortunately sustained a hip injury early on and was forced to retire. Chris Truscott (40th) and Andy Heyden (48th) both had their issues during the race but pushed through bravely to both record sub 8hr times. Brendan Davies recorded his second sub 7hr 100km, finishing 12th in 6:56. This represented an almost identical time and position to the last World Championships two years ago in Italy. For the ladies, Marita Eisler was first Aussie home, finishing 27th in 8:59. Jodie Osborne finished 31st in 9:24, Nikki Wynd 33rd in 9:34, and Kerrie Otto De Grancy 41st in 10:38.

The team showed a tremendous fighting spirit during the race and should be congratulated on their efforts. Thanks to support crews and AURA for making this all possible.

Women (Team Position 6th)

Position	Name	
27/45	Marita Eisler	8.59
31/45	Jodie Osborne	9.24
33/45	Nikki Wynd	9.34
41/45	Kerrie Otto De Grancy	10.38

Men (Team Position 8th)

Position	Name	
12/91	Brendan Davies	6.56
49/91	Chris Truscott*	7.46
48/91	Andy Heyden	7.55
	Rick Cooke	DNF

* Personal Best

4.2 IAU 50 km Trophy Race

The 10th IAU 50km Trophy race took place on October 31, 2014 in Doha, Qatar. Four athletes, one man and three women, represented Australia. The race took place in the evening, but the temperature was still very hot and on a demanding course made running very tough.

Women

Position	Name	Time
13/15	Tina Major	4.05.25
15/15	Natasha Fraser	4.41.39
	Julie Norney	DNF

Men

Position	Name	Time
11/17	Todd Ingraham	3.32.52

5. National Championships

AURA holds National Championships within five of its sanctioned races each year: a 50km road championship, a 100km road championship, a 24hr championship, a 48hr championship, and a trail championship. To be eligible for these awards, competitors must be AURA members and Australian citizens at the time of the event.

5.1 50km Road

The AURA 50km Road Championships were held on 3 August 2014 at Centennial Park, Sydney.

Women

Position	Name	Time
1	Natasha Fraser	3.36.35
2	Elouise Peach	4.55.44
3	Heather Dwyer	7.27.49

Men

Position	Name	Time
1	Barry keem	3.17.22
2	Kieron Blackmore	4.22.05
3	Wayne Gregory	5.12.47

5.2 100km Road

The Gold Coast 100 held the concurrent AURA and AA 100km National Championship on 8 June 2014.

Women

Position	Name	Time
1	Marita Eisler	8.09.33
2	Nikki Wynd	8.46.10
3	Kerri Hodge	9.30.29

Men

Position	Name	Time
1	Marcus Cockshutt	8.17.31
2	Kevin Muller	8.25.20
3	David Eadie	8.46.09

5.3 24 Hour

The AURA 24hr National Championships were held at Coburg, Victoria on 5-6 April 2014.

Women

Position	Name	Km
1	Bernadette Benson	238.261 km
2	Jodie Osborne	212.432 km
3	Nikki Wynd	208.292 km

Men

Position	Name	Km
1	Barry Loveday	260.099 km
2	Ewan Horsburgh	245.012 km
3	Matthew Eckford	241.475 km

5.4 48 Hour

The Caboolture 48hr, host of the AURA 48hr National Championships, was held on 25-27 July 2014 in Queensland.

Women

Position	Name	Km
1	Annabel Hepworth	393.856 km
2	Tamyka Bell	283.161 km
3	Karen Woon Cheung Chan	226.207 km

Men

Position	Name	Km
1	John Pearson	340.183 km
2	Kevin Muller	237.000 km
3	Graeme Thomson	205.356 km

5.5 Trail Championships

Maroondah Dam hosted the Trail Championships event on 16 March 2014.

Women

Position	Name	Time
1	Kellie Emmerson	5.09.09
2	Hayley Teale	5.13.22
3	Isobel Bepalov	5.31.13

Men

Position	Name	Time
1	Stu Gibson	3.45.00
2	Michael Keyte	4.26.14
4	Dan Beard	4.29.45

6. Awards/Record Achievements

6.1 Awards and Prizes

6.11 Female Ultra Athlete of the Year: Bernadette Benson (WA)

Bernadette's three races were truly outstanding. At Coburg 6hr, she achieved an age group record with 74.930 km. At Coburg 24hr, her 238.261 km was an Australian women's open record and represented the second best 24hr distance by a woman in 2014. Bernadette followed her 24hr performance at the Sri Chinmoy 12hr with 133.535km, another Australian open women's record.

6.12 Male Ultra Athlete of the Year: Barry Loveday (VIC)

Barry completed three races in 2014. At Narrabeen 12hr he achieved 149.800km, the third best distance by an Australian ever. Coburg 24hr saw him total 265.000km, the second best distance by an Australian ever and the second best distance recorded last year around the world. Finally, at the Adelaide 48hr, Barry ran 303.970km.

6.13 Rising Star Award: Blake Hose (VIC)

The Rising Star award is given to the AURA member aged 25&U with the most outstanding performance(s) during the year. Blake had two great races last year: second place at Bogong to Hotham in the third best time ever and winner at the Great Ocean Walk with a race record.

6.14 Bryan Smith Award: Barry Loveday (VIC)

This award is given to the AURA member who ran the furthest distance in 24hr. In 2014, Barry finished Coburg with 265.000km.

6.15 Cliff Young Gumboot Award: Geoff Last (QLD)

The Cliff Young Gumboot award goes to the AURA member aged 60+ who covered the furthest distance in 24hr. Geoff Last ran 175.039km at the Sri Chinmoy 24hr.

6.2 AURA Points Competition: Annabel Hepworth (NSW)

This competition is based on a complex formula with points being awarded for wins and placings, bonuses where the races are AURA championships, bonuses for world class performances and Australian & world records and points per km for distances run. In 2014, Annabel competed in 13 events covering 2054 km and was on the podium 10 times.

6.3 Australian Records Broken

The following were ratified as new records in 2014.

Distance	Location	Name	Location	Time
50km	Australian W40 Track	Bernadette Benson	Coburg, VIC	3:55:51
50km	Australian M60 Road	Ron Schwebel	Canberra, ACT	3:52:11
50km	Australian MU20 Road	Kyle Weise	Gold Coast, QLD	4:17:00
50 miles	Australian M25 Road	Josh Strahorn	Narrabeen, NSW	7:34:36
50 miles	Australian W25 Road	Emma Vaughan	Narrabeen, NSW	8:24:18
50 miles	Australian W30 Road	Marita Eisler	Gold Coast, QLD	6:23:50
50 miles	Australian MU20 Road	Kyle Weise	Gold Coast, QLD	7:37:10
50 miles	Australian M70 Road	Harry Davis	Gold Coast, QLD	8:38:23
50 miles	Australian W55 Road	Marina Brun-Smits	Gold Coast, QLD	8:23:47
100km	Australian M25 Road	Josh Strahorn	Narrabeen, NSW	9:30:09
100km	Australian W55 Road	Anne Owen	Narrabeen, NSW	11:55:45
100km	Australian W55 Road	Marina Brun-Smits	Gold Coast, QLD	10:36:11
100km	Australian M30 Road	Brett Easton	Gold Coast, QLD	9:43:02
100km	Australian MU20 Road	Kyle Weise	Gold Coast, QLD	9:49:31
100km	Australian W45 Track	Bernadette Benson	Sydney, NSW	8:47:54
100km	Australian W30 Road	Marita Eisler	Gold Coast, QLD	8:09:33
100km	Australian M35 Road	Marcus Cockshutt	Gold Coast, QLD	8:17:31
100 miles	Australian Open and W45 Track	Bernadette Benson	Coburg, VIC	15:38:18
100 miles	Australian W40 Track	Jodie Osborne	Coburg, VIC	15:51:49
100 miles	Australian W20 Track	Larissa Tichon	Coburg, VIC	18:57:01
100 miles	Australian M55 Track	Barry McBride	Coburg, VIC	18:33:57
200km	Australian Open and W45 Track	Bernadette Benson	Coburg, VIC	19:58:31
200km	Australian W20 Track	Larissa Tichon	Coburg, VIC	23:48:21
200km	Australian M55 Track	Barry McBride	Coburg, VIC	23:25:32
6 hours	Australian M25 Road	Josh Strahorn	Narrabeen, NSW	63.833km
6 hours	Australian W40 Track	Bernadette Benson	Coburg, VIC	74.930km

6 hours	Australian M60 Track	John Nuttall	Coburg, VIC	69.882km
6 hours	Australian MU20 Road	Kyle Weise	Gold Coast, QLD	65.581km
12 hours	Australian M25 Road	Josh Strahorn	Narrabeen, NSW	122.403km
12 hours	Australian W55 Road	Anne Owen	Narrabeen, NSW	100.988km
12 hours	Australian W40 Track	Jodie Osborne	Coburg, VIC	127.789km
12 hours	Australian W45 Track	Bernadette Benson	Coburg, VIC	125.638km
12 hours	Australian Open and W45 Track	Bernadette Benson	Sydney, NSW	133.535km
24 hours	Australian Open and W45 Track	Bernadette Benson	Sydney, NSW	238.261km
24 hours	Australian W20 Track	Larissa Tichon	Coburg, VIC	202.028km
24 hours	Australian M55 Track	Barry McBride	Coburg, VIC	204.685km
48 hours	Australian M55 Road	Barry McBride	Adelaide, SA	284.346km

7 Operations

7.1 UltraMag

The Ultramag had many volunteers last year, Larissa Tichon as editor, was help by Karen Hagen, Paul Rodgers, Annabel Hepworth and Nicholas Bignell.

7.2 Website

AURA's website at www.aura.asn.au was launched in 2007. It is now maintained by Jeff Gray. The website includes information on AURA sanctioned races, Australian records, points competition standings, much history of Australian ultra running, and AURA's annual reports. David Billett continued to fulfill a large volunteer role throughout 2014 in maintaining AURA's points competition standings and updating Australian records and rankings.

7.3 Running apparel

Steven English was the apparel coordinator for 2014

7.4 Memberships

At the end of 2014, AURA had over 500 current financial members. The online membership database continued to improve in functionality over the course of the year, managed from the technological side by AURA member Rolf Schatzmann. Michael Bedward continued on in 2014 as our coordinator.

8 Financial & Legal

See following page.

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FINANIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014**



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Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2014

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AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

Detailed Profit and Loss Statement For the year ended 31 December 2014

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Income		
Subscriptions - Members	37,974	40,280
Subscriptions - Events Listing & Insur	7,085	21,219
Advertising	1,600	4,600
Clothing Sales	854	1,226
Donations	532	90
Interest received	244	175
Total income	<u>48,290</u>	<u>67,590</u>
Expenses		
AURA Point Score Prizes	1,600	1,600
Bad Debts	535	817
Bank Fees And Charges	1	1,337
Clothing Purchases	1,235	7,218
Filing Fees	50	50
Insurance	8,510	22,395
Postage	886	585
Printing	12,880	
Subscriptions		197
Travel Exp - AUS Teams		4,000
Trophies and Certificates		159
Ultramag Costs	3,205	12,059
Website Hosting	300	57
Total expenses	<u>29,203</u>	<u>50,474</u>
Profit from Ordinary Activities before income tax	<u><u>19,087</u></u>	<u><u>17,116</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
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Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash assets		84,422	61,591
Receivables		2,489	6,233
Total Current Assets		<u>86,911</u>	<u>67,824</u>
Total Assets		<u>86,911</u>	<u>67,824</u>
Net Assets		<u>86,911</u>	<u>67,824</u>
Equity			
Retained profits		<u>86,911</u>	<u>67,824</u>
Total Equity		<u>86,911</u>	<u>67,824</u>

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AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

Compilation Report to AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC, which comprise the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2014, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Responsibility of the Director of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

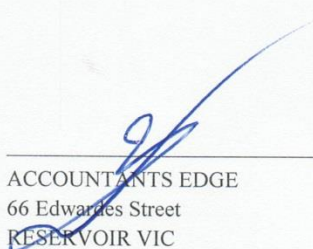
The director of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements and has determined that the significant accounting policies adopted as set out in Note 1 to the financial statements are appropriate to meet the director's needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of the information provided by the director of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC, we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the significant accounting policies adopted as set out in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the director provided, in compiling the financial statements. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the director of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.



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17 March, 2015

AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC (the company), which comprises the Director's Declaration, the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Cash Flows, Statement of Changes In Equity, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Director's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The director of the company is responsible for the preparation of the financial report and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The director's responsibilities also includes such internal control as the director determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the director, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, which has been provided to the director of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC on 31 December 2014, would be in the same terms if provided to the director as at the date of this auditor's report.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion the financial report of AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNERS ASSOCIATION INC

Independent Auditor's Report

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the director's financial reporting responsibilities under the Corporations Act 2001. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Signed on :

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Altarelli', is written over a horizontal line.

Carmela Altarelli,