

# The Wellington Scottish Athletics Club

## Young Athlete Grant



The Wellington Scottish Athletics Club invites applications for young athlete grants. The grants are intended to help assist young athletes in training, competing, and building a healthy lifestyle and long-term plan for improvement. Each grant is for \$2,500 for the first year, potentially renewable for another \$2,500 the following year. The grants are funded by donations to, and administered by, the Scottish Supporters Trust.

Wellington Scottish is a large, thriving athletics club with a culture of participation, inclusion, and excellence. It includes athletes of all ages across several disciplines, but its strength is in middle- and long-distance running in the adult grades. Members of Wellington Scottish have access to training groups, coaching and mentoring, and a friendly and supportive community. The club also provides financial and logistical support for athletes competing in national and international competitions.

## Eligibility Criteria

Applicants should:

- Be aged between 16 and 26 years
- Be a promising middle- or long-distance runner with a long-term plan to achieve their potential
- Be a current member of Wellington Scottish, or willing to become a member
- Intend to live, train, and compete in Wellington for at least two years
- Be willing to represent Wellington Scottish at regional events and the National Road Relays

## Selection Criteria

In awarding the grants, the selection committee will give priority to athletes who can clearly demonstrate how the grant will support their development as a runner. This may include assistance with:

- Healthy housing and nutrition
- Competition and training camp expenses
- Medical and recovery costs
- Study-related costs that support athletic development

Preference will also be given to athletes working towards a long-term development plan with an established coach.

Applications close on 30 June 2026. The starting date is flexible, but a successful applicant will be expected to take up the grant by 1 March 2027.

# **Application Form**

Applicants should complete the following form and copy and paste it into the body of an email.

Completed applications should be sent to [wellingtonscottish@proton.me](mailto:wellingtonscottish@proton.me). All enquiries may also be directed to this address.

Please note that the application process may include an interview.

## **Section 1: Personal Details**

**Family Name:**

**Given Name(s):**

**Date of Birth:**

**Citizenship:**

**Residential Address:**

**Mailing Address:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

## **Section 2: Athletic Achievements**

**Number of years training and competing:**

**Personal Best Performances:**

**Current Coach (if applicable):**

**Best Competition Achievements:**

## **Section 3: Aspirations and Commitment to Athletics**

### **Development Plan and Running Goals**

Please briefly outline your long-term development plan and running goals.

## **Use of Grant Funding**

Please explain how you propose to use the grant funding and how it will assist your development as a runner.

## **Current Financial Support or Sponsorship**

Please list any other financial support or sponsorship you currently receive for your athletics career (excluding family support).

## **Section 4: Referee**

Please provide the name and contact details (email and/or phone number) of one referee who has knowledge of your athletic career and potential.

**Referee Name:**

**Relationship to Applicant:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**