



# **NARS (Network Athletics Recording System)**

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## **What is NARS ?**

As the title suggests, NARS is a Recording and Database system designed by Morricom Ptd Ltd specifically for use by Little Athletics Centres/Clubs (to be referred to here on in as “Centres” only) for the administration of their week to week events, registrations and reporting etc....

## **Why choose NARS ?**

NARS is an “Internet based system” that allows multiple, authorised users to simultaneously access and/or process information by “logging on” through a secure (SSL Encryption) Internet connection anywhere. Users are allocated various levels of access depending on “their needs”. NARS was first developed in 2005, and has been improved and developed since then. It is a mature and very reliable system that has thousands of athletes using the many web enabled features.

## **Results**

As soon as the results have been input, they become available to all NARS users within the Centre, and also to your Centres website if you so wish. Enter results “on the day” or “at your leisure during the week” (with multiple people helping with this as required)

## **Registration**

The “look” of the registration page is very much similar to the “hard copies” that VLAA have used for many years. When returning athletes from previous years want to join up again, it is just a simple matter of turning the registration “check box” to “YES” and checking the correct details and payment etc....

## **Free Up Volunteers**

By allocating data input duties to a number of volunteers (to input after the completion of competition) better utilisation of resources can be achieved.

## **No software required**

As NARS is “web based”, no software is stored on any user’s computer. The software is all housed on “a server” and is automatically updated as updates are issued from time to time.

## **Reports**

A large range of reports are available. Access PBs, Current point’s standings, Participation, Records, Medical details, Weekly program, Newspaper results and much more with ease.

## **User Configurable points**

Create your Centres point system however you wish, and “trial” points system to confirm this is appropriate.

## **Timing Gate Interface**

A newly developed Interface that links a Laptop directly to an ATP Timing Unit via. a cable or wireless link. Use a “bar-code scanner” or “keypad” input to allocate “Athletes to Performance” directly from timing system. This saves “double handling” of results, human errors and manually recording times at the finish line. Data is simply “uploaded” to NARS at a later time. Athlete details, PBs and Record information are loaded to Laptop prior to competition, and therefore PBs and Records are “ALERTED” to operator at the time for relevant checks to be made.

### **Search function**

Easily search (current and previous members) by Athlete Surname (just one letter if you like) or Registration number

### **Registration numbers**

Print Rego numbers for Teams/Clubs to allocate available numbers.

### **Temporary Patches**

Print patches for "Come & Try" days or lost/forgotten patches.

### **Recording Sheets**

Print all recording sheets with current PBs and Record/Implement information. Specify the number of sheets for differing events.

### **Tickets/Stickers**

Print Recording Tickets or Weekly Performance Stickers as required.

### **Email**

Send emails to "all", "registered only", "not registered", "teams", "clubs" and much more.

### **Import data**

Import results data from Excel spreadsheets ..... simply set up with only three columns of information. Clubs/Teams can manage their own data within the system. Input a group of athlete registration details/results at any time. Incorrect data will not be accepted and "prompts" advise you where your problem lays.

### **Export data**

Various options to export data include "Clubs-on-line" registration data - correctly formatted to upload directly into COL. All on screen data is available to copy/paste into Excel/Word as required for further analysis/use.

### **Help/Support**

Extensive help screens as well as very prompt person to person communicate/advice.

### **Development**

Ongoing development is envisaged to continue for many years to come to provide the easiest and best product for Centres to use. Our mission is to make volunteers jobs as easy as we can through the use of NARS.

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