

# New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



# May 2024 Newsletter

Dear Secretary,

Please let your Committee and club members know that this newsletter is also available on the Association website, please circulate to your members.

# 2024 AGM

Congratulations to the incoming Executive Committee who were either voted or reconfirmed at this year's Annual General Meeting. Contact Details below:

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Please email all official Association Correspondence including entry forms to <a href="mailto:secretary@rocknroll.org.nz">secretary@rocknroll.org.nz</a>

The physical address for posting the Judges sheets are as below:

Head Judge C/O Dianne Halstead 494 Rukuhia Road, RD 2 Ohaupo

<u>Please note:</u> Preference is for a PDF version to be emailed to the Head Judge.

## **AFFILIATION FEES FOR THE 2024/2025 YEAR**

At the AGM there were changes made to Rule 1.4 Fees, Levies and AGM. As below.

#### Rule 1.4 (c):

"The Member levy of \$5 per club member aged 18 years and over and \$3 per club member aged 5 -17 years, is calculated one month prior to each club's balance date and payable to the Association within 30 days of that date."

# Rule 1.4 (e):

"The host club of a National Championships is required to charge a levy of \$10 for each competition day ticket sold, \$5 per spectator ticket payable to the Association and forward such monies owing to the Association, no later than the one month after the championship."

Affiliation Levies and AGM Delegate Registration fees stay the same and are payable by 1<sup>st</sup> August at a cost of \$300. Of this fee \$75 is to be allocated as registration of one delegate for the Annual General Meeting.

#### Please note

The Executive will assume a club has chosen to reaffiliate unless we have heard otherwise by the 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.

#### **2024 AGM REPORT OVERVIEW**

Thank you to the club delegates that attended the 2024 NZARRA AGM.

This year we shuffled up where clubs sat in order for Delegates to intermingle more. So it was great to see the awesome response to this and watching people talking to those they wouldn't normally have talked to, bringing the sense of community back! There was a lot of robust discussion and hard decisions made, some laughter and great food.

Much appreciation goes to Kapi Mana for your hospitality in providing our morning tea and yummy lunch for the day as well as helping to clean up after - Thank you so much!

Please note, the AGM Minutes and the 2024 Rulebooks are currently being edited and completed.

All Rule Book changes are <u>effective immediately</u> and once completed, they will be available for download on the Association website soon.

Please refer back to your club delegate/s for a more detailed report of decisions made at the AGM.

# Main Changes to the Rule Books:

Notice of Motion passed to allow Constitution changes be made via a Special General Meeting.

Changes to Rule 1.4 Fees, Levies and AGM as per above advised.

Combining Senior and Junior Nationals is now an option on the table, with clubs all agreeing that this could potentially start in 2026 with Wellington taking up the first bid. This would be held either Easter or Labour weekend at the discretion of the Executive. Clubs did express they were for combining as a last resort with all financial options exhausted first. We will be in contact with clubs soon on what options we will look into and how clubs can help. So get your thinking caps on!

It was defined that if any items deliberately removed or replaced between marshalling and competing, or while competing <u>will</u> be disqualified.

The Executive has the discretion to run with two entries per section and clearly defined that each section does not require three separate club entries.

Clubs can now enter two teams for Top Club and Senior Team at both Junior and Senior Nationals.

Music has now been extended to 1951 through to 1966. Giving more options for the National Music list.

The Restricted Section rule has now changed with the removal of 'up to' 2 points. Now a couple seen to do an illegal move will receive a deduction of 2 points.

General business had some interesting discussions around reviewing the recording of Nationals, fundraising ideas, clarifying the reimbursement rule and with the sponsoring of medals; clubs agreed that individuals can also sponsor medals as well as clubs for either nationals.

#### **2025 AGM**

Our next Annual General Meeting will be held on the 24th May, 2025

To be held at the same place as this year, Strathmore Park Community Centre, Te Tuhunga Rau, Wellington. 108 Strathmore Avenue, Strathmore Park, Wellington.

# **2026 NATIONAL HOST CLUB**

Congratulations to Wellington Rock 'n' Roll Club who won the bid to run the 2026 National Competition.

This will either be held as a combined nationals OR Wellington have offered to run both Junior and Senior Nationals in 2026 depending on the Association finances. This will be confirmed at a later date.

We thank Wellington for this offer.

#### **UPCOMING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

<u>2024 Senior Nationals</u> - 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 Hosted by Christchurch Rock 'n' Roll Club

Venue: Lincoln Event Centre, Lincoln, Christchurch

2025 Junior Nationals - 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 Hosted by Kapi Mana Rock 'n' Roll Club.

2025 Senior Nationals - 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Hosted by Tauranga Rock 'n' Roll Club

Venue: Energy Events Centre, Rotorua

Clubs are reminded to confirm their accommodation as soon as possible.

Please refer to the Association website for more information regarding these Nationals.

# Senior Nationals - 25th - 27nd October, 2024

• Entry forms are available on the Association website.

The closing date for entries is Wednesday 31st August, 2024.

Fees for Senior Nationals entries will be advised soon.

Completed Entries are to be emailed to <u>secretary@rocknroll.org.nz</u> with confirmation of payment to the Association bank account: **03 1534 0002945 00**.

• Please return all trophies won at City of Sails Senior Nationals 2023, engraved and polished to:

NZARRA C/O: Lorraine Suttton 6 Ormond Road, Lincoln, Christchurch 7608 by the 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2024.

Please remember that trophies are to be securely wrapped and packaged to prevent damage in transit and to please use a track and trace courier.

#### • <u>Team Managers</u>

Could clubs please email your Team Manager's name and contact information to the  $\underline{\underline{Secretary@rocknroll.org.nz}}$  by the  $\underline{\underline{5}^{th} \underline{October}$ , 2024.

#### Sponsoring of Medals

Clubs and individuals are invited to sponsor medals per section as per Book B Section 12 and will be acknowledged during presentations of the section you have sponsored.

Thank you to City of Sails, Drifters and Tauranga for sponsoring medals at the recent 2024 Junior Nationals. We would like to offer the same opportunity to clubs for the upcoming Senior Nationals. If interested, please email secretary@rocknroll.org.nz with your preferred section to sponsor.

Kind regards,

Neva Zainey Secretary NZARRA Inc