



New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



Newsletter November 2007

Please Note: This is the last newsletter from the Association until late February 2008.

Junior Nationals 2008

Top Team Song

The Top Team Song for Junior Nationals 2008 is:

“Goodie Goodie” by Frankie Lymon

(2.08 minutes long & 176 beats per minute.)

If your club intends entering a top team you must obtain a CD copy of this song at the nominal charge of \$5. This CD can be used at the competition. Please make cheques payable to NZARRA Inc and forward to: **Top Team Song, PO Box 5425, Christchurch**

Entry Forms

Enclosed are the entry forms for Junior Nationals, photocopy as many as you need before you start to fill them out. The entry fees are:

Couples	\$50.00 (including Same Sex)
Teams	\$55.00 (including Triples)

Club secretaries are responsible for ensuring that the entries are submitted, together with the appropriate fees, by the due date, Friday 1st February 2008. With split club entries, please communicate with the other club/s and decide who is going to take responsibility and how the entry fee is to be paid.

It is important that entries are printed or typed clearly. The Executive Committee cannot take responsibility for errors that may occur in the Nationals programme and certificates, caused by illegible entry forms.

Signing of Entry Forms

Club Secretaries, please ensure that the disclaimer is read and that entry forms for Couples, Triples and Top Team are signed by the parents or guardians of the entrants. The entry forms for Novelty & Cheerleaders are to be signed by the Club Secretary, who must ensure that the parents & guardians of the club members taking part are aware of the disclaimer.

Entries must be in the hands of the Association Secretary by 1st February 2008

Note: Clubs can send their entries in to the Association now and save the rush at the end of January. Just post date your cheque 1st February 2008, highlight the date, and post the entries now or as soon as they are confirmed.

National Dress Code

It was again noticeable at Senior Nationals that dress lengths are not complying with the rulings. The rule states clearly that Skirts/dress must be long enough to COVER the crease in the back of the knee, inclusive of petticoats, which should enhance the fullness of the skirt.

This means that dresses that have to be flattened down against the leg to check the length are too short.

At future National Competitions, including the upcoming juniors, Rule Book guidelines will be strictly adhered to – no exceptions. Please refer to Section 2 of the Rule Book for details.

Assessments

All assessments are to be advised to the Association Head Judge by letter, email, fax or phone prior to them taking place, and ALL judging and scrutineering sheets are to be sent to the Association Head Judge within one week of the assessment taking place.

If a second or subsequent assessment is needed for the same dancing partnership, the Head Judge must be informed again prior to that second or subsequent assessment taking place, even if it is the same day.

The contact details for the Association Head Judge, Jan Morgan, are 135A Horotiu Road, RD 8, Hamilton 3288, Phone 07 829 9008, Fax 07 829 9046 or 07 838 0642, Email admin@familylawcentre.co.nz.

Trophy Return

All trophies are to be returned to the Association by Friday 22nd February to

**Jan Morgan
Family Law Centre
32 Killarney Road
Hamilton**

Please use a courier and keep the tracking number until you have ensured that the trophy has arrived safely. All trophies must be returned clean, polished and engraved.

AGM 2008

2008 AGM **Remits** (affecting the Rule Book) and **Notices of Motion** (affecting the Constitution) are due 90 days before the AGM and must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Association by Sunday 24th February 2008.

Please take care with the wording of your remits and use the correct Rulebook references. Clarity in your wording and reasoning also ensures that the intention of your remit is correctly interpreted.

A copy of the Rule Book and/or the Constitution is available from your club secretary, the Association Secretary or can be downloaded from the Association website: www.rocknroll.org.nz

TES payments are due by 1st April 2007

Combined Judges Workshop 2nd February 2008

The response from judges has been excellent, and we are looking forward to a valuable training day in Hamilton. Thank you to the clubs which have assisted their judges to attend this conference, your help is appreciated.

Yours in Rock



Brenda Neill,
Secretary
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