

New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



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February 2018 Newsletter

2018 Junior Nationals 30th March – 1st April

Venue: Somerville Intermediate School, Somerville Road, Howick, Auckland

Official draw and programme

Now available online at <u>www.rocknroll.org.nz</u>

- \checkmark Please check the draw to ensure the spelling of names is correct
- ✓ The venue opens at 6.30 pm Friday, 9.00 am Saturday and 8.15am Sunday
- ✓ The Judges workshop for all judges will be held from 3pm on Friday followed by the official judges meeting at 5pm
- ✓ The team managers meeting is at 8.00pm on Friday
- ✓ Please email your club's team manager name and contact details to <u>treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz</u> by 10th March. This allows for information to be sent to them to pass on to their clubs and dancers before nationals.

Judges Sheets

Judges sheets can be ordered at the Team Managers meeting on Friday, they are \$60 for the full set and \$25 for the scrutineering sheets only. Scrutineers Sheets will be available for downloading from the website.

National Dress Code

Please make sure all your dancers and coaches are aware of the Dress Code, which applies to all sections except Novelty and will be strictly adhered to—no exceptions. Refer to Section 2 of the Rule Book for details of the Dress Code.

From the City of Sails Club

It is very important to note that the Somerville School has an "alcohol free" policy, therefore no alcohol is to be taken to the venue at any time.

There is also a no smoking policy, and smokers must go outside the school grounds, away from the entrances.

Banners – please courier to:

Mark Roberts C/- Standard Communications Unit A, 11 Echelon Place, East Tamaki, Auckland 2013 to arrive by 20th March.

2018 Annual General Meeting, 19th May 2018

At the Airport Motel Conference Centre,

142 Tirangi Road, Rongotai, Wellington

Executive Nominations

Nominations are invited for Executive positions other than Head Judge. The forms are now available on the website. All nominations are to be in the hands of the Secretary by the closing date, 18th April 2018. Email to <u>secretary@rocknroll.org.nz</u>

It is anticipated that the business of the AGM will be completed between 9.30 am and 4.00 pm, which in most cases allows plenty of time for delegates to travel in one day. It is the responsibility and at the expense of clubs to organise accommodation if it is needed.

<u>Travel Equalisation Scheme (TES)</u> payments are due by 1st April 2018. Invoices will be emailed to clubs soon. TES is \$225 for the first delegate and \$300 for a second delegate. Observers may attend with a delegate and their cost is \$75.

Paying TES means that all clubs attending the AGM have their delegates travel costs reimbursed, with any balance remaining being distributed back to the attending clubs. There is no reimbursement for Observers' travel costs.

Travel Claims

Receipts and claims for travel including mileage claims must be with the Association Secretary at least 7 days prior to the AGM.

Remits

The Remits and submitted General Business of the AGM will be sent to clubs in April.

Administration

Direct credits

Please remember to reference direct credits and payments into the Association account with the club name and what the payment is for.

For Members Levy payments a simple split up in the reference column is helpful e.g. "15snr 2jnr". Our treasurer will know exactly what you mean!

Paperwork pertaining to the payments can be emailed to treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz

Song List

Please note that Song Lists previously printed may have the incorrect length for the following song: "Let It Rock" by Chuck Berry. The speed is 162 and the correct length is 1.48. Please alter the list accordingly.

Judging Matters

Head Judge Nominations

Nominations are invited from all Association and National Association Judges for the position of Head Judge. Judges should have received or will soon be receiving Nomination Forms. Nominations can be emailed to <u>treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz</u> to arrive no later than 20th March.

Judges workshop

A reminder that a Judges Workshop is being held from 3pm on Friday 30th March, at the Somerville Intermediate school, Somerville Road, Howick and <u>is for all judges</u> and trainee judges who are in Auckland and are able to attend.

Combined Judges Workshop

The 2018 Combined Judges Workshop, being held at the Airport Motel Conference Centre, 142 Tirangi Road, Rongotai, Wellington on Saturday 7th July.

Judges will meet from 9 am for tea and coffee with the workshop starting at approximately 9.20am. More information will be sent directly to judges attending.

Please note that air fares can be reimbursed as they are purchased by emailing details and receipts to <u>treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz</u> Including Bank details when claiming will ensure prompt payment.

Resignation of Association Judge

We wish Paula Mosen all the very best for the future after her decision to resign from the Association Judges list. Paula, your input within the Rock'n'Roll community is acknowledged and appreciated.

2018 Senior Nationals 19th – 2nd October in Wellington

The Top Club song for 2018 Senior Nationals is:

"Back to the Hop" by Danny & the Juniors 167 bpm and 2.26 min

The Senior Team song for 2018 Senior Nationals is

"Great Balls of Fire" by Jerry Lee Lewis 156 bpm and 1.49 min

Copies of the team songs are available on request.

Kind Regards,

Brenda Neill Secretary New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association