



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



May 2021 Newsletter

Dear Secretary,

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

2021 AGM

Congratulations to the incoming Executive. A warm welcome to our new President Jan Morgan and Head Judge Tyree Connor and a huge thank you goes out to both Nola Calvert and Colleen Ryan for your successful roles on the Executive the past 5 years.

The 2021 Executive Committee elected or confirmed at this year's Annual General Meeting is as follows: Please note, the Association email addresses for the outgoing Executive have been transitioned over to the current as below.

President	Jan Morgan	Hamilton Phone: 07 824 3003 Mobile: 021 205 7897 Email: president@rocknroll.org.nz
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Head Judge	Tyree Connor	Morrinsville Mobile: 027 442 4578 Email: headjudge@rocknroll.org.nz

Please email all Official Association Correspondence including entry forms to secretary@rocknroll.org.nz

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

Head Judge
C/O Tyree Connor
110 Tainui Rd, RD 5
Morrinsville, 3375

The Association website and facebook page link are:

www.rocknroll.org.nz

[The Association facebook page](#)

Affiliation Fees for the 2021/2022 Year

The Executive recognised the impact Covid-19 has had on clubs over the last 18 months and it was agreed at the AGM that our Affiliation and first Delegate Registration Fees, which normally are due by the 1st August at a cost of \$300, will this year be waived, there will also be no invoices emailed out.

Please note

The Executive will assume a club has chosen to reaffiliate unless we have heard otherwise by the 1st August, 2021.

Annual memberships fee will remain in place, due in one month after the club's balance date.

2021 AGM Report

The AGM Minutes and the 2021 Rulebooks are currently being edited and completed. All Rule book changes are effective immediately and once completed, they will be available for download on the Association website.

Please refer back to your club delegate/s for a full report and once the AGM Minutes are on the Association website, they will also have the full report.

Overview:

All Remits passed, a couple were amended.

Any alterations of Rule Book A can now be made at a Special Meeting if one is required rather than having to wait for the Annual General Meeting every year.

Assessments are now required to be held within the year preceding the National Championship.

Any Couple/Triples who have already achieved National Qualifying Level points in an assessment can on request and with the discretion of the Executive, be able to change to another section with the same or less National Qualifying Level points.

Remits 3 - 9 were focused on Judging guidelines, so because they are related to Judges and Judging criteria, they will be communicated to all Judges through the Head Judge in due course. Full explanations and reasonings will be available in the AGM minutes, once they have been loaded up onto the Association website.

We now require a Register of Compliance from Judges, which will be held and maintained by both the Association Secretary and Head Judge. The Head Judge is responsible for ensuring the Secretary has been notified of judges compliance-related activity.

Judges are responsible for ensuring their contact details are true and correct when given to the Association Secretary who will update the list on the Association website accordingly.

Other items of Note

Discussion around making Friday night of Nationals more fun, having some kind of fun dance competition would be nice. Agreed that this is at the discretion of the host club.

Zoom assessments were discussed with views both for and against. The Head Judge advised that she would look at this closer and report back.

The Executive Committee would like to thank all Delegates for their willing participation at the 2021 Annual General Meeting that was held via Zoom and look forward to working with you all this coming year.

2022 AGM

Our next Annual General Meeting will be held in Wellington on the 21st May, 2022.

The venue will be confirmed at a later date and updated on the Association website and facebook page.

2023 Nationals Host Clubs

Congratulations to the following host clubs for the 2023 National Championships:

Junior Nationals, 7th - 9th April, 2023 will be hosted by Christchurch Rock 'n' Roll Club.

Senior Nationals, 20th - 22nd October, 2023 will be hosted by City of Sails Rock 'n' Roll Club.

Upcoming National Competitions

2021 Senior Nationals - 22nd - 24th October, 2021 Hosted by River Rockers Whanganui
Venue: War Memorial Hall, Whanganui.

2022 Junior Nationals - 15th - 17th April, 2022 Hosted by Drifters Rock 'n' Roll Club.
Venue: Fraser High School Gymnasium, 72 Ellicott Street, Hamilton

2022 Senior Nationals - 21st - 23rd October 2022 Hosted by Whakatane Rock 'n' Roll Club.
Venue: Whakatane District Memorial Hall and Sports Stadium, Rex Morpeth Park, 7 Short Street, Whakatane.

More information regarding these Nationals will be available on the Association website in due course.

Clubs are reminded to confirm their accommodation as soon as possible and refer to the website for any updated information regarding the appropriate Nationals.

2021 Senior Nationals - 22nd - 24th October 2021

- Entry forms are available on the Association website.

The closing date for entries is Tuesday 31st August, 2021.

Fees for Senior Nationals entries are \$50.00 for Couples and \$75.00 for Triples and Teams.

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

- Please return all trophies won at Christchurch Senior Nationals, engraved and polished to:

Yolanda Van Dorrestein, 46 Lyndfield Lane, Newlands, Wellington, 6037 by 11th September, 2021.

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.

- Team Managers

Could clubs please email your Team Manager's name and contact information to the Secretary@rocknroll.org.nz by the 3rd October, 2021

- Assessments

Please make sure that the Head Judge and Association Secretary is advised prior to assessments taking place for National competition.

Results of the assessment must be emailed to both the Head Judge and our Association Secretary, within a week of the assessment having taken place. Judging sheets are to be sent to the Head Judge only.

Trainee Judges

The Head Judge Elect, noted the overall attrition of judge numbers over the past decade. A drive for new trainees judges will occur soon with clubs asked to talk to potential candidates who either:

- dance or have danced at National Level, or
- coach or have coached at National Level.

More information from the Head Judge Elect, will be out soon.

Promotion of Rock 'n' Roll

With concern regarding clubs diminishing numbers, the Executive would like to assist clubs in rebuilding and creating community awareness.

So the Executive will endeavor to contact all Clubs and Delegates that attended this year's AGM, as well as all affiliated and non affiliated clubs.

The aim is to have contact as a group otherwise look out for an email in the very near future or keep up to date on the NZARRA website and Facebook page.

Kind regards,



Neva Zainey
Secretary
NZARRA Inc