



New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



MINUTES OF THE 2023 NZARRA Inc. 40th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Brentwood Hotel Wellington, SATURDAY 27th MAY 2023

The Annual General Meeting opened at 10.00 am with a welcome from the New Zealand Association President, Karen Birch with Robin Sutton opening with a Karakia.

The New Zealand Executive Committee was introduced

President	Karen Birch
Vice President	Theresa Cummack
Secretary	Neva Zainey
Treasurer	Yolanda Van Dorrestein

Apologies

Surf City - arrived late
 Association Head Judge attending via Teams online
 Dunedin
 Happy Dayz
 Hawkes Bay
 Kaiapoi
 New Plymouth
 Ramblers
 Rosetown Rockers
 Sun City Rockers
 Whakatane

The President Moved the Apologies to be accepted.

*Seconded by the City of Sails
 Carried Unanimously*

The President confirmed at roll call there were 17 clubs and 5 Executive present. The majority for voting is 9, and for the Constitutional Notice of Motions, the majority is 12. The voting procedure will be as follows:

- The voting to accept reports will be by show of hands.
- Voting for remits will be by show of hands.
- Election of Officers — Secret ballot, Secretary and Brentwood staff member will act as scrutineers.

As the Head judge is not present she will not be voting today.

Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting

Matters Arising:

The Secretary advised that there is a typo in the previous minutes on page 20.
 For - 15 Against - 0 Abstention - 1 Carried.

Should read: For - 15 - **Against - 8** Abstention - 1 Carried.

The President Moved that the Minutes of the 2022 AGM be accepted *Seconded by City of Sails*
For -17 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0

Carried Unanimously

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

President's Report

The President's report was circulated prior to the meeting.
There were no matters arising.

The President Moved that the Report be accepted

Seconded by Gold Coast
For - 17 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously

Head Judge's Report

The Head Judge's report was circulated at the meeting.

The Head Judge summarised her report over teams online.

**Surf City has entered the meeting. Making it now total 18 clubs in attendance.
The voting majority is now 10 and voting on Notices of Motions is 13.**

Any Matters Arising:

Harbour city Coaching - is it for seniors or juniors?

Headjudge It's for all competitors
There is information regarding this in the team managers information sheet and advised in the team managers meeting. Things being yelled like 'The ending is coming' is coaching.

Harbour City Need coaching clarified

The Head Judge Moved the Report to be accepted.

Seconded by Tauranga
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried

Correspondence Inwards/Outwards

The list of Inwards and Outwards Correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting.
There were no matters arising.

The Secretary Moved the Correspondence Report be accepted

Seconded by City of Sails
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was circulated prior to the meeting.

The Treasurer spoke to her report.

Any Matters Arising:

River Rockers Who are the creditors?

Treasurer Things paid out from last year - considered by Creditors.

River Rockers Report doesn't show what the misc, account receivables and what judge/exec expenses are.

Treasurer Will send that out after this meeting.

*The Treasurer Moved the Association Memberships Levies remain unchanged for the 2023 year.
Seconded by City of Sails*

Further comments from the Treasurer:

There are 3 costs in this motion.

Would like to consider alleviating the costs to clubs by reducing the cost of \$300? Thoughts?

Further Discussion:

Christchurch Working capital?

Treasurer \$33,912.94

Christchurch The reason for the Association is to run nationals and to help the host club if their nationals would fall over.

Treasurer Yes - if it is required. Covering expenses.

Christchurch Questions - loss v profits - Primary idea is to make sure the nationals and the AGM take place from our perspective - rather address the levies ticket price as a better approach. Hasn't been a significant increase in tickets for a long time and would be a better approach.

Kapi Mana Same thought - look at increasing the host club levies.

Treasurer Withdrawn this motion and put a motion to increase levies as per 1.4e to be increased to \$6.50 each member on the Saturday and \$6.50 on Sunday.

River Rockers Believe a reasonable amount is more \$7 for Saturday/Sunday.

Christchurch What is the need? What does that cover?

Treasurer Original intent was that the clubs may have been struggling. Permission of council and withdrawal and bring into General Business.

No further comments

The Treasurer Moved the Financial Report for 2022 to be accepted.

*Seconded by the Kapi Mana
For -18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously*

SENIOR AND JUNIOR NATIONAL REPORTS

Senior Nationals 2022 Report - River Rockers Whanganui

Circulated prior to and this meeting

Donna spoke on behalf of River Rockers, in summary:

*Karyn moved their report be accepted
Seconded by Drifters
All in favour - 18*

ALLOCATION OF 2025 JUNIOR AND SENIOR NATIONAL:

The President called for any clubs who wish to put in a bid for Junior Nationals 2025.

Junior Nationals 18th – 20th April 2025

Further Discussion:

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| Drifters | General business has discussion about combining nationals - any reasoning why we can't discuss this later. 2025 would be a good opportunity to combine. |
| President | Can leave for general business. |
| Kapi Mana | Happy for it to be in discussion and if possible put a Remit around that. |
| President | Exec - could consider general business from kapi - discuss and see how the room reads - remit could be put forward to join the nationals and then allocation taken from the room. |

President asked the council if they are happy to discuss the general business item now.

All in favour - 18

General Business item 2 - Kapi Mana
Combining Junior and Senior Championships

While numbers of competitors are low the NZARRA could consider combining Junior and Senior Nationals into one competition over a long weekend.

Supporting arguments

The draw for Junior Nationals 2023 indicates there are less than two hours of dancing competition for both days of Junior Nationals this year (excluding best dressed).

With the cost-of-living pressures at the moment, travelling to two different nationals is financially hard on a lot of people so combining the competitions would help. There used to be heats, quarter finals, semi-finals and finals all completed in one day so we should be able to get through semi-finals and finals for both Juniors and Seniors in one day.

Reducing breaks for general dancing would save time. The whole focus of Nationals should be for Competitors. There should be sufficient judges present to be able to rotate their sessions on the floor enabling them to have a break without disrupting proceedings.

If held over Easter this would give competitors and supporters four days making for easier travel arrangements.

Discussion:

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| Kapi Mana | Discussion with club - calculated hours from Juniors and there was 2 hours of dancing excluding social dancing - things are hard financially etc at moment and sometimes we pick and choose which nationals to go. Combine them for 1 or 2 years and see if it worked. |
| Hutt Valley | Seniors, coach juniors - how would it work? Transitions - how would that work? |

City of Sails	Against - we have coaches who would train the kids and compete. Historically we have been a junior club but not seniors - now we are seniors - who don't want the juniors around. May lose members attendance.
Invercargill	Against - Lost juniors at covid, trying to get this up.
Tauranga	Personal view - got numbers a couple years ago and 80% drop in numbers - juniors are the future. Working well combined but see the argument for coaches. Hard decision but a bigger decision.
Head Judge	Agree with City of Sails.
Harbour City	Judges point view - they use juniors to judge and then judge seniors. Could lose judges who are competitors. Numbers have decreased at the moment but we could have insurgent of numbers. Need more discussion and financial situation
Drifters	Against - initially - however when we ran nationals we now have a more relaxed view - there's plus and minus. Numbers down but need more community back together. We are battling against other activities. Worth Exec putting it out there to a zoom to get a good gauge of what's coming through the clubs.
Hutt Valley	Discussion around changing the way we run it for juniors to allow time for heats etc on Saturday and Sunday finals. Programme needs to be looked over.
President	It's a format as a whole we look at a lot of things when putting the programme together.
Kapi Mana	Put forward for it to be a year or two but not forever.
Drifters	Needs further discussion
Secretary	We can just trial it to see if it works. Good community and juniors love to watch seniors - good for them to be around this.
Treasurer	Bring numbers up - we could look at juniors fundraising - Drifters had a lot of seniors at juniors - need them for the competitors and support at nationals.
Kapi Mana	Agree love to build up the clubs, competitors and spectators.
President	Show of hands for an appetite to combine nationals
	<i>7 - For, 11 - Against Majority Lost</i>

Allocation of Juniors Continued

Kapi Mana have put in a bid for juniors - they have secured a hall, but maybe small. Need to talk to the Executive about the hall.

Discussion

Treasurer Do you have a backup if Aotea isn't available?

Kapi Mana Yes, we have others in mind.

There were no other bids.

*Seconded by Invercargill
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously*

The President congratulated Kapi Mana on their successful bid for 2025 Junior Nationals and called on clubs for bids for Senior Nationals 2025.

Senior Nationals 24th – 26th October 2025

Tauranga have put in bid for Senior Nationals.
Haven't secured the hall but keen.

There were no other bids.

*Seconded by River rocker
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously*

The President congratulated Tauranga on their successful bid for 2025 Senior Nationals.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Proposed Constitution Change 1 - Executive

Seconded by City of Sails

Addition to Rule 7:

"Member Clubs must advise the Association of any change in balance date"

Reasoning:

Balance date is used for the calculation of membership fee and member levy and to determine when that fee is due, when late penalty applies, etc. Any changes need to be notified, and may also trigger a financial correction made e.g. for a partial year's dues, or a refund if overpaid.

The Treasurer spoke to this Constitution change reading out the reasoning above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on the Constitution Change 1
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried unanimously*

Proposed Constitution Change 2 - The Executive

Seconded by Drifters

Amend Rule 10:

"Nominations for Executive Positions excluding the Head Judge will be advised by email to all club secretaries and via the Association's media, ten days before, and then every day leading up to the nomination submission closing date."

Replace "and then every day leading" **with** ""and only additional nominations received will be advised on the day of receipt, up to"

Amended sentence to read: “Nominations for Executive Position excluding the Head Judge will be advised by email to all club secretaries and via the Associations media, ten days before, and only additional nominations received will be advised on the day of receipt, up to the nominations submission closing date”.

Reasoning:

This year was the first time that we followed this new ruling. With hindsight, it felt like overkill to be emailing every day when there were no changes to nominations. We also had feedback that Facebook was an effective medium for any additional related messaging.

The Secretary spoke to this Constitution change reading out the reasoning above.

Further Discussion:

City of Sails Like to put in a motion to remove ‘up to’ as it will read ,up to, up to.

The President moved an amendment to remove the words ‘,up to’.

Seconded by the Secretary

All in favour - 18

Carried Unanimously

Further Discussion on the amended Constitution:

City of Sails The word Judge - spelling is incorrect in the remit.
Secretary Yes, it's a typo, it's not like that in the original Constitution.
Treasurer Against this originally - wanted a daily reminder but we found able to do that on facebook
Secretary Agree to still have it on social media.

Voting on the Constitution Change 2

For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0

Carried Unanimously

Proposed Constitution Change 3 - Executive

Seconded by City of Sails

Amend Rule 10:

“Nominations for Association Head Judge will be advised by email to all eligible to vote for this position, ten days before, and then every day leading up to, the nomination submission closing date.”

Replace “and then every day leading up to,” **with** “and only additional nominations received will be advised on the day of receipt, up to”

To read as below:

“Nominations for Association Head Judge will be advised by email to all eligible to vote for this position, ten days before, and only additional nominations received will be advised on the day of receipt, up to the nomination submission closing date.”

Reasoning: This year was the first time that we followed this new ruling. With hindsight, it felt like overkill to be emailing every day when there were no changes to nominations. We also had feedback that Facebook was an effective medium for additional related messaging.

The Secretary spoke to this Constitution change reading out the reasoning above.

No further discussion.

Voting on the Constitution Change 3

For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0

River Rockers	Add to general business - allow proxy vote or come in zoom. Can we amend it so that we can have proxy and zoom meetings?
Treasurer	Not at this meeting or this change.
Harbour City	Clarification - we have to be in the room to vote?
Treasurer	Must be attending the AGM.
Harbour City	In this day an age - could we look at if we did have zoom - be apart of the meeting.
Treasurer	That's not up for debate - we have had zooms.
Cambridge	Is it one or the other or both?
Treasurer	We haven't discussed that yet, not specifically in the rule.
President	People had to be here for this meeting to vote.
Treasurer	No one asked.
Harbour City	Future - we could offer for those who were unable to attend.
Treasurer	Discuss further in general business

*Voting on the Amended Constitution Change 4
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Proposed Constitution Change 5 - Executive

Executive have withdrawn this as the wording is not clear - add to general business to discuss this change.

Amend Rule 11 (f):

Add - new first sentence

"The current National Executive retains their individual vote and powers on all matters until 1 July of the year of the Annual General Meeting."

In current first sentence, replace "an Annual General Meeting or" with "a"

Amend Rule 10:

For current sentence:

"If by the nominations submission closing date only one nomination has been received for an Executive position excluding the Head Judge, that person will be appointed at the AGM without a vote taking place"

Replace 'will be appointed at the AGM' with 'will be accepted as the -Elect for that position,'

Amended sentence to read:

'...that person will be **accepted as the -Elect for that position,** without a vote taking place.'

For the current sentence: “In the event of only one nomination being received for Association Head Judge by the nomination submission closing date, that person will be appointed, without a vote taking place.”

Replace ‘will be appointed’ **with** ‘will be accepted as the Head Judge-Elect,’

Amended sentence to read:

‘...that person will be **accepted as the Head Judge-Elect, without a vote taking place**’

Reasoning:

For changes to Rule 11 (f):

These changes effectively mean that an Executive member under business-as-usual will hold office from 1 July of the year they are elected, to 30 June of the next year, rather than as currently, from the end of an AGM to the end of the next AGM. The intent is to allow for a planned and structured handover from outgoing to incoming officers. This is a partial answer to the question at last year’s AGM regarding succession planning – how to ensure new officers are well-prepared to take on their role. It’s difficult to do this at the moment as we cannot presume or prejudice the outcome of an AGM election by mentoring or handing over in advance of that AGM.

If the election is acrimonious and the incumbent chooses not to engage in handover, this timeline also allows for others on the outgoing (or incoming) Executive to recognize and compensate for that.

There is no change to a Special General Meeting, where any decisions relating to removing an Executive member’s powers or right to vote would take effect at the end of that meeting.

This change cannot apply to this year, as we have already completed the Head Judge election. If passed, this change will take place for the officers elected in 2024.

For changes to Rule 10:

These changes are needed to align to the Rule 11 change above – if the current Executive retains their role and powers until 1 July, then those elected at the AGM or via the Head Judge election process must be recognized as ‘-Elect’ – meaning to have been elected but not yet have taken office. These changes are intended to be clearer than the current wording of “appointed”, which could be interpreted as meaning “taking office immediately on election”

Proposed Constitution Change 6 - Executive

Seconded by City of Sails

Amend Rule 11.e first sentence

Replace ‘approach’ **with** ‘consider’ **and add a comma after** past Executive Committee members.

Amended rule to read:

“If a member of the Executive Committee other than the Head Judge resigns following the AGM, the remaining Executive Committee shall in the first instance **consider** the delegates and observers of that AGM, as well as past Executive Committee members, **to** identify and appoint a replacement.”

Reasoning:

To be clear that in the event of an Executive member resigning, the remaining Executive are responsible for appointing a replacement (and will first look to AGM attendees and past Executive). Current wording has previously been interpreted as meaning that the previous AGM delegates and observers, and past Executive Committee members, are to identify and appoint a replacement – this is incorrect as AGM delegates have no powers when the AGM concludes, and observers have no voting rights even at that AGM.

Note that the approach outlined in the reason above, is that which was used recently, both when the President resigned and when the Vice-President role then became vacant.

The Treasurer spoke to this Constitution change reading out the reasoning above.

The Executive took the advice of the Lawyer in this instance.

No further discussion.

*Voting on the Constitution Change 6
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously*

Proposed Constitution Change 7 - Executive

Seconded by the President

Amend Rule 13 first sentence

Remove the comma after "Treasurer" and insert 'the Head Judge' after "the members,".

Full paragraph to read:

"The officers of the Association shall comprise the Executive Committee being President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer to be elected at the Annual General Meeting by the members, the Head Judge, and the Immediate Past President (if applicable)."

Reasoning:

The Head Judge is a member of the Executive Committee. When the Constitution was previously updated to include the Head Judge voting process separately from the elections at the AGM, the change was done in such a way that the Head Judge was accidentally also removed from the Executive Committee.

The above change rectifies that.

The Treasurer spoke to this Constitution change reading out the reasoning above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on the Constitution Change 7
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously*

PROPOSED RULE BOOK A CHANGES

Remit 1 - Executive

Seconded by City of Sails

Rule 1.2

Replace 'within the financial year to qualify for the National Championships' **with** 'within the 12 months preceding a National Championship to qualify for that National Championship'

To read:

A club must have been established and affiliated to the Association **within the 12 months preceding a National Championship to qualify for that National Championship.** Refer rule 10.1.

Reasoning:

To be able to clearly determine a club's affiliation status in advance of a National Championship.

As per Rule 1.4 (a) a club must pay an annual membership levy to remain affiliated, and rule 1.4 (c) says payment is due within a month of a club's balance date.

As per Rule 10.1, our 'Financial year' is defined as 1 January – 31 December, so at the time of a National Championship, we are unable to determine the affiliation status of those clubs with a balance date after the National Championship they are entering. This change removes that anomaly, as we will always know whether a club submitting Nationals entries has paid membership levies within the previous 12 months.

The Treasurer spoke to this Remit as above.

Christchurch	Include if the club was established and affiliated 2 years ago.
Treasurer	Not intent of this remit.
Christchurch	Could be read 2 ways - clarify adding words for and before
Headjudge	Agree - simply say and/or move the motion.
Christchurch	No that doesn't clarify
Treasurer	Consider in general business, vote to discuss later to get correct wording. <i>Voting to discuss Rule Book 1.2 in general business to get correct wording</i> <i>Vote - 18 For - Carried.</i> <i>Will discuss this remit in General Business</i>

Remit 2 - Executive

Seconded by Gold Coast

Amend Rule 1.5 (e)

Replace "with a cheque" **with** "and make payment"

To read:

"Clubs can send receipts for the airfares/travel expenses in relation to the Association AGM **and make payment** for the balance...."

Reasoning:

Remove reference to cheques as the method for addressing an outstanding TES balance

The Secretary spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

Voting on Remit 2
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried Unanimously

Remit 3 - Executive

Lapsed no seconder

Add new clause to Rule 1.6 (f)

"Where through no fault of its own, and having previously received Association approval for related financial decisions, a host club incurs a financial loss as a direct result of hosting a National Championship, the Association will compensate the host club for that loss".

Drifters spoke to this Remit.

Further Discussion:

Hutt Valley	Most competitors are older and with age around 60 - wonder if it should be called Diamond Restricted instead of Ruby.
Kapi Mana	Agree - 40 should be lowered. 20 year age gap.
Invercargill	For - Other sections could be considered for Same Sex etc
River Rockers	For - stick at 65
City of Sails	For - 65 - include Same Sex couple aswell
Christchurch	For - 60 is the right place. Same Sex, Triples needs to be changed also. Triples don't match. Want to discussion under General Business for other sections.
Cambridge	For - 60 years
Tauranga	Why should there be Ruby when we already got Diamond - should start at 70.
Drifters	Think what Hutt Valley suggested is good - don't care what the age is and name was just an example Diamond Restricted works. The point is the age limit. Want to move the intent of motion to look at the new age section.

*Drifters moved an amendment to Remit 6 to add Diamond Restricted 60 years and over after the word section - to Rule 1.8b Senior Championship.
Vote - For - 18 Against - 0 - Abstentions 0- Amendment passed*

Discussion on the amendment only

City of Sails	Can we bring stuff to general business and make into remit
Treasurer	If we have majority of clubs agree we can put it in a remit or we can take back to clubs to discuss and bring back next year.

No further discussion.

*Voting on amended Remit 6
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

*City of Sails moved the other changes above to match the amended remit.
Seconded by Hutt Valley*

Note - that all places in the Rule book that require changes to this remit.

*Vote on making the relevant changes in the rule book for this Remit 6
For - 18 Against 0 - Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Break for lunch at 12.30 pm.

Meeting Recommenced 1.15pm

Nominations for President and Treasurer after lunch.

The President advised clubs that the Executive had taken some legal opinion regarding the voting and advised that the Exec did not have the right to vote - just clubs.

The voting will take place by secret ballot. The Association Secretary and independent person at Brentwood hotel to scrutinise the results.

Discussion

City of Sails Explain why the Executive can't vote, precedent has been set for a long time.

Treasurer Changing what we have done incorrectly see constitution 13 - clear that executive positions have been elected by the clubs - its illegal if the Executive wanted to vote especially If they are also standing for the position. Today if we could vote - the President and myself would get to vote twice. Other candidates would only have one vote from their club. It has never meant to be by the Exec committee.

Drifters Back on Constitution Change 4 - we clarified what the vote for means, the Executive is entitled to 1 vote each in all matters.

Treasurer Section 11 says we can only vote on things, not that we allowed to vote on nominations.

Drifters It's the intent though

Treasurer Numbers of the vote. All members are entitled to one vote each. Under Election of the Officers - it's clear that is by the members. We have taken legal advice and the Exec voted on it - it was 4 -1 vote was to uphold the legal advice.

Drifters So the precedent is incorrect.

Treasurer Talks about casting vote - cannot happen in the election of officers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Vice President stood in as Chairperson while the voting took place.

Nomination for President

Karen Birch

*Nominated by Gold Coast
Seconded by Cambridge*

Karen spoke to her nomination.

Yolanda van Dorrestein

*Nominated by Harbour City
Seconded by Kapi Mana
Carried*

Yolanda spoke to her nomination

Malcolm Mazur

*Nominated by Tauranga
Seconded by Wellington
Carried*

Malcolm spoke to his nomination.

Nomination for Treasurer

Yolanda van Dorrestein

Nominated by Kapi Mana

Yolanda declined this nomination.

Malcolm Mazur

*Nominated by City of Sails
Seconded by River Rockers*

*City of Sails moved that the nomination papers are destroyed
immediately after the voting has taken place.*

*Seconded by the Secretary
For 18 - Against 0 - Abstention 0 -
All in favour*

Voting papers were destroyed.

The Vice President announced the successful candidate for the President was Karen Birch and Treasurer was Malcolm Mazur

Further Comments

Invercargill

Thank Yolanda for her years and service on the committee.

Cambridge

Yes - thank you Yolanda - just require integrity, collaboration and regroup and rebuild our committee. Respect to those who do the work.

Harbour City

Thank you Yolanda - Your expertise - governance second to none - thank you for the service you have given the association. Hope exec comes together and gets stuff done.

CONFIRMATION OF HEAD JUDGE

Dianne Halstead was confirmed as Head Judge. Elected by postal vote prior to the AGM.

The President congratulated Dianne on her position and Theresa Cummack and Neva Zainey were reconfirmed in their roles as Vice President and Secretary respectively prior to the AGM.

Remit 7 - Wellington

Seconded by Hutt valley

Reinstate Section 3 - Assessments

Like to see if we can reinstate assessments. It hasn't had a reflux of new dancers.

Reason is to get the dancing at a certain level.

Further Discussion:

Head Judge

Clarify - did you see dancers who wouldn't have passed

Wellington

Haven't seen any and why it wasn't taken out in the first place.

Treasurer

Clubs can do assessments - no discerning effects - in term of the quality of dancing wasn't significantly different.

Reason - originally to help manage having too many people at nationals - until we have a nationals where we are so full - no reason to bring back in.

- City of Sails Against - host club would like to see as many people on the floor, and build rocknroll back up. One year to try something. Had 2-3 years of covid and need time to build up
- Christchurch Feel similar - maybe another year. Concern - what affect this has happened to regionals - have they dropped due to no assessments or because of no dancers?
- Head Judge Different view to Christchruh - viewpoint - had so many competitors in the past - back then we started to see a decline after we introduced assessments. 2 tiered - we didn't want to. Understand Wellington view. Use assessments to encourage and support the dancers - rather than using as they can't come in.
- City of Sails Past clubchamps - have had low numbers with assessments and had successful club champs without assessments don't see a need.
- Cambridge What is our goal - is to get numbers and enthusiasm. Would this bring more or take away from what we want. Most judges didn't feel it affected standard.
- President Invercargill always does the assessments regardless, training guide for our judges and our dancers down there. Like to wait for a few years before relook at it.

*Voting on Remit 7
For - 2 Against - 14 Abstentions - 2
Lost*

Remit 8 - Wellington WITHDRAWN

Amend Section 3 Assessments - (If Remit 7 passes).

Dancing partnerships to now be assessed with the exception or amendment to read as follows;

(a) A dancing partnership that stays together to compete in the same category and have danced in the previous year at nationals should not need to be assessed.

Same would apply for Junior National competitors.

Assessments Not Required:

- (b) Top Club
- Senior Team
- Novice
- Novelty
- Cheerleaders

Remit 9 - Executive

Seconded by the Kapi Mana

Amend Rule 4.12 (g)

Replace 'couple' with 'Same Sex couple'

To read:

"A **Same Sex couple** who competes in Section 14 cannot also compete in Sections 13 & 16 in the National Championships".

Reasoning:

The definition of 'couple' means this current wording is incorrect.

The Vice President spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 9
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 10 - Executive

Amend Rule 4.12 (b)

Replace 'an entrant or competitor' **with** "a Same Sex couple"

Seconded by the City of Sails

To read:

"A Same Sex couple can only dance in one of sections....."

Reasoning:

Allows someone to dance in both sections 13 and 16, as long as they are with another partner i.e. not the same Same Sex couple.

The same way that we removed assessments at the last AGM largely because our current competitor numbers do not warrant them being in place, this rule that was also designed to limit competition numbers can now be relaxed to encourage more dancers, until such time as we again have "too many entries".

Current wording already allows an individual dancer to enter one of the restricted sections as well as another age category (as long as they have a different partner), and an individual dancer to enter Novice as part of a same sex couple as well as one of the Same Sex sections. This extends that practice.

Note that the program will not always be able to accommodate competitors entering multiple sections i.e. they may need to dance consecutive sections including finals. This will also be recorded in Book B.

The Vice President spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 10
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 11 - Executive

Amend Rule 4.12 (d)

Replace "an entrant or competitor" **with** "a couple"

To read:

"A couple can only dance in one of sections....."

Seconded by River Rockers

Reasoning:

Allows someone to dance in both sections 10 and 11, as long as they are with another partner i.e. not the same couple. Additional reasoning as per amendment to 4.12 (b) above.

The President spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 11
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 12 - Executive

Seconded by Kapi Mana

Amend Rule 4.12 (e)

Replace “an entrant or competitor” **with** “a Novice couple”

To read:

“A Novice couple in Section 14 (Novice) cannot compete....”

Reasoning:

Allows a Novice dancer to also enter other sections, as long as they are with another partner i.e. not the same Novice couple. Additional reasoning as per amendment to 4.12 (b) above.

The Treasurer spoke to this Remit as above.

Further Discussion:

City of Sails

As long as Novice is first up so it doesn't disadvantage.

Secretary

Tend to make sure the Novice is before any sections that someone may be dancing in later.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 12
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 13 - Executive

Seconded by Drifters

Amend Rule 10.6 (c) (will be withdrawn if amendment to 4.12 (e) is unsuccessful)

Replace “any” **with** “a previous”

Note - If amendment 4.12 (e) has passed and a Novice dancer is allowed to enter other sections, due to the way the competition program is structured, a Novice dancer may dance in another section before the Novice section (and so to some, would be considered no longer eligible to dance in the Novice section). This clarifies the Novice dancer would still be eligible.

The Treasurer spoke to this Remit as above.

Further Discussion:

City of Sails

Against this - if you getting on the floor - it's not fair if they are dancing in other sections. Novice should be first to be able to dance first.

President

Disagree with this remit

Treasurer

Saying different things City of Sails means within the competition itself also President means previous nationals

City of Sails It should stay as it is now

Drifters Couldn't we ask to ask the person who puts the programme to make sure it's where it needs to be - Understand the intent.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 13
For - 11 Against 6 - Abstentions - 1
Carried*

Secretary We would make a point to make sure we put Novice Heats first or prior, which we tend to do now.

Remit 14 - Executive

Secoded by Invercargill

Amend Rule 4.12 (a)

Replace "an entrant or competitor" **with** "a couple"

To read:

"A couple can only dance in one section of Sections....."

Reasoning:

Allows someone to dance in more than one of sections 1,2,3,4,12, as long as they are with another partner i.e. not the same couple. Additional reasoning as per amendment to 4.12 (b) above.

The President spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 14
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 15 - Drifters

Secoded by Tauranga

Amend 5.1 (e)

Replace '1' **with** "Senior Championship section 1, Senior and Junior Championship sections"

Delete '14'

Add new sentence:

"No more than 4 couples in Junior Championship section 1, and section 14, will proceed to the final unless that section has only five entries, in which case all five entries will process to the final"

Reasoning:

To allow 5 Couples to progress from semi finals to the final if there are only 5 entries in these sections. In this day and age we need to encourage young and novice dancers to continue in their dancing career. There is nothing more demoralising than being eliminated as the 5th couple in the above sections at the semi final stage, they are only just starting out in their dancing and we need to encourage them. It won't make any difference in the final to have 5 couples on the floor in these sections

Drifters spoke to this Remit

*Drifters move an amendment to change process to progress
Secoded by City of Sails
Voting on amendment to Remit 15*

*For - 18 Against - 0 - Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Further Discussion to amended remit:

Cambridge Thank You - great place to start - originally we removed 5 that it was hard for the judges and we now can see that disappointment to the dancers. Great start for the junior dancers to get on the floor.

Invercargill Support - just the Novice section - is good. Don't want to have it for other sections. Cost is low to do this e.g. medals.

Head Judge Don't think it is too hard for 5 on the floor - it's about 4 on the floor getting the best opportunity for the dancers to be seen

Hutt Valley Against - issue with too many on the floor - and quite squished and numbers are low for juniors anyway.

Cambridge Sometimes can come down to floor etiquette which sparked the debate. That element has to be addressed, judges can vote with 5.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 15
For - 16 Against - 2 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 16 - Drifters

Seconded by River Rockers

Amend 5.3 (if remit 15 passes)

Add "5th place getters will be awarded a finalist medal, to be announced prior to championship places."

Drifters spoke to this Remit as above.

Further Discussion:

Christchurch Demeaning to not receive anything.

Invercargill 5th place is a placement

Treasurer 5th place receives a finalist medal only as it's not a placement.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 16
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 17 - Executive

Seconded by Vice President

Amend Rule 5.5

Remove: the word "particular"

To read:

"A best dressed parade will be held on Saturday prior to **the section** of competition....."

Reasoning:

Current inclusion of the word “particular” has to date been interpreted as meaning that a best dressed parade must be held immediately prior to the section it relates to.

This change allows for this to no longer be the case. The intention (which can be captured in Book B) is that best dressed parades will still always be held for each of the sections listed, will still be held only for one section at a time, and will still always be held prior to their related section - but not necessarily immediately prior. This allows leeway when setting the program, to provide better flow for the competitors as well as the judges. It may reduce the time required for marshalling, and may allow judges to “context switch” less between judging best dressed and dancing.

This was trialled at Junior Nationals 2023 on the Sunday (where Rule Book A is currently more ambiguous) – where the two same sex sections were marshalled together and then paraded one after the other, before dancing. This running order was repeated for the two triples sections. Feedback from the judges was positive and to date there has been no negative feedback received.

The President spoke to this Remit as above.

Further Discussion:

City of Sails

Good idea if you are going to have Restricted sections all together etc. Only hiccup now that you have opened up - lots of changes. Programme been set so that the competitors have time to change.

Head Judge

Reasoning - clarity - gives us a lead way - how can we do with this nationals, running in a way that helps the dancing and judging flow. Look at options.

Secretary

For - Worked well on Sunday at Juniors. Worth trialling it to see if it works for Saturday also.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 17
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 18 - Executive

Seconded by City of Sails

Amend Rule 5.5

Add the word ‘Sections’ prior to “5,7,8,13,15 & 16”

Reasoning: A tidy-up, current wording does not make sense (“prior to competition 5, 7...etc”).

The President spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 18
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 19 - Invercargill

Seconded by Cambridge

Amend Rule 5.5 (b)

Insert “, Best Dressed Junior Male (5-12 years)” before “and Best Dressed Male”

Amend Rule 9.6 (b)

Insert 'Best Dressed Junior Male,'

Intention:

The intention is to align the Best Dressed Junior Male with that of Best Dressed Junior Female, which has already been split into two age group sections – 5-12 years and 13-17 years.

Reasoning:

A 5 year old junior male looks and holds themselves differently to a 17 year old more mature junior male. Implementation of the proposed age group split would create consistency with the age group split for competitors in the Best Dressed Junior Female.

Invercargill spoke to this Remit as above.

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 19
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Remit 20 - River Rockers

Seconded by Tauranga

Add New Rule 5.6

"Senior Restricted (11) and Open Restricted (10) sections will be run separate from sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 14 on Saturday at the Senior National Championships".

Reason:

After the 2022 Senior National Championships, River Rockers Whanganui received feedback from three of its competitive dancing couples who had competed in both the Senior Restricted and Masters sections. For them, competing in Masters Heats, Senior Restricted Semi-finals, Masters Semi-finals, Senior Restricted Finals and Masters Finals (in that order) was hugely stressful. Jumping from one section to another and back again resulted in repeated change of outfits and a switching and refocus on separate routines.

This also caused stress for their second partner who hoped their partner was mentally and physically in the right event at the right time. They reiterated to us that they loved being able to dance in two sections which enabled a second person to compete; however, it has caused them to rethink dancing in two sections again.

River Rockers Whanganui believe it would be easier on dancers if Restricted heats, semi's and finals were run before Diamond, Masters, Golden, Platinum and Open sections are danced, similar to how Sunday events are currently run. The prizegiving could still be at the end of the night.

River Rockers spoke to this Remit as above.

Further Discussion:

Christchurch

Have to be mindful that the Exec have to make a programme that works. This would make their hands are tied behind their backs.

Treasurer

Could be more a guideline rather than a remit. In a rule book would tie us up. Prize giving would be straight after.

City of Sails Add section 17 Diamond Restricted - concerned that even if they are separated if you have a Novice, Restricted and then all others.
City of Sails moved an amendment to this Remit 20 to add Diamond Restricted (17),
Seconded by River Rockers
For 15 - Against - 3 - Abstentions 0
Carried

No further discussion of the amendment.

Discussion on the amended Remit.

Cambridge Against should be recommendation only

Secretary Against - as the person who puts the programme together these days, I wouldn't want to have the programme being dictated by the rule book. Need as much flexibility. Agree with christchurch it will leave us having to do what is in the rule book. We can't make everyone happy but we do our best to consider everyone, time for rest between sections. There is a lot to consider when putting the programme together - and this remit would add more restraints. We just passed a remit to allow restricted sections to go together novice first and then this we would not have any control of what happens and flexibility to make it a good nationals.

Voting on Remit 20
For - 0 Against - 17 Abstentions - 1
Lost

Remit 21- Executive

Seconded by Kapi Mana

Amend Rule 10.8

Remove “/entrant”

Reasoning: Corrects an existing anomaly, with no change to intent of current ruling. As per 10.7, an entrant is an individual person, therefore an entrant cannot also be defined here as a couple or a team. Competitor and entrant are synonymous in our rules and mean an individual person.

The Secretary spoke to this Remit

No further discussion.

Voting on Remit 21
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried

Remit 22- Executive

Seconded by Drifters

Amend Rule 10.8

Replace “1 couple or 1 team” with “one couple, same sex couple, novice couple, or team,”

To read:

“An entry/entrant is defined as **one couple, same sex couple, novice couple, or team,** as appropriate...”

Reasoning:

Helps correct an existing anomaly, with no change to intent of current ruling. Current wording says an entry is (besides a team) one couple, which does not explicitly include a same sex couple and a novice couple. This wider meaning has always been assumed – this change makes it explicit.
No further discussion.

The Treasurer spoke to this Remit

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 22
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried
Seconded by Harbour City*

**Remit 23- Executive
Amend Rule 10.6 (c)**

Replace ‘a couple or a Same Sex couple’ **with** ‘two competitors’

To read:

A Novice couple is defined as **two competitors** both of whom have never competed at.....”

Reasoning:

No change to current ruling or intent, but a clearer definition and consistency with Rules 10.9, 10.10
No further discussion.

The President spoke to this Remit:

No further discussion.

*Voting on Remit 23
For - 18 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Break 2.40 pm - 7-10 mins

Recommenced 2.50 pm

GENERAL BUSINESS

Item 1 - Executive

Constitution paragraph identifiers

Information only: In the Constitution, for current Rule 10 we are adding paragraph identifiers (a) to (g), and for current Rule 13, we are adding paragraph identifiers (a) to (c), to make the sentences within those rules easier to reference e.g. when considering motions.

The Secretary spoke to this item

No discussion

Item 2 - Kapi Mana

Combining Junior and Senior Championships

Discussed earlier in this meeting under selection of Junior/Senior Nationals 2025.

Item 3 - Executive

Replacing trophies

Proposed wording to be added to Book B, Section 12.

“4. All trophy winners will be recorded on the Association website.

Details of previous winners will not be transferred to the replacement trophy. The replacement trophy will retain all other details of the original e.g. trophy name and donor details - as well as noting the championship year the trophy was first presented.”

This relates to Section 9 of Book A, which doesn't provide guidance at this level of detail i.e. retaining related history when replacing trophies and cups. All winners are already recorded on the website. We are also looking at adding a dedicated "honours board" to the website to make the information more readily-accessible and more-visibly honour previous winners.

The Treasurer spoke to this item

Discussion:

President	Like the idea of keeping trophies and add bigger bases - history already on there.
Treasurer	Only the person who won can see it though.
City of Sails	Why can't you do both?
Treasurer	Costs incurred, when we needed to replace a trophy. Can use Book B and go back to the original sponsors.
Drifters	How many need replacement?
Treasurer	Stock take to be taken
Invercargill	What happens to the old ones
Treasurer	Could go back to the original club who sponsored the trophy
Drifters	Prefer option of names on trophy - maybe have a bigger trophy
City of Sails	Look over them over the next 2 nationals and see which ones need replacing.
President	Yes, we will take photos
Vice President	Alternative option, have them at nationals as display only.
President	Could have photos on website
Drifters	Bring back to AGM to look more into it next year.
River Rockers	Alternative - have an album facebook -album
President	Take it to our next Exec meeting - come back next year with some decisions.
L&P Rockers	Leave on google drive and share link
Hutt Valley	Refurbished - saving the history of the clubs.

**Item 4 - Executive
AGM format on-going**

Discussion please. Preferences, pros and cons for online vs. physical meeting, etc. Note that this is a non-binding discussion, but will help determine the AGM format for 2024.

The President spoke to this item.

Discussion:

River Rockers	Hybrid - can't afford to come due to acts of nature, eg Cambridge left at 3am coming to Wellington for the AGM - they could have stayed home and allows them to still be involved.
Harbour City	Agree with hybrid - more voices to be heard. Could try it out next year. Alternate for zoom. Try and get as many people in as possible.
Drifters	Agree with alternative years. Done AGM online and worked.
Treasurer	Complications - TES fund people to attend - no cost but others have been - this would need to be looked into. Need distinction - for those who intended to come.
City of Sails	What would be the quorum and would you have a vote if it's a hybrid.
Christchurch	It's a risk - online worked but much less engagement. Physical more engagement but less clubs attending.
Drifters	Hybrid - is not yet done but both advantages. Alternative years is good and who's allowed to vote.
Treasurer	Did have others who said they could come if able to attend online. Something to consider.
Drifters	Physical year - clubs who can't attend - can dial in as an observer.
Vice President	Zoom comparison - last year was flat, seemed liked clubs didn't feel as comfortable to speak. Engagement is different.
Cambridge	Nothing like face to face, like Drifter's idea - observer.
Invercargill	Like to support these physical AGM's - networking. We will lose the connections if we do it on zoom.
President asked the members -	Nothing binding by show of hands who would like AGM via zoom? <i>For - 1 Against 17 - Abstentions - 0 Clubs against it being online next year.</i>
Harbour City	Would they be able to Zoom if they can't attend such as like act of nature?
President	Yes, but no voting rights.
Vice President	Is their intention to be here?

Before Nationals, we circulated to those clubs with competitors, a shortlist of songs that competition songs would be drawn from. The intent was to assist competitors in being more confident, becoming more-familiar with the songs they may dance to. Any feedback from competitors?

The President spoke to this item

Discussion:

Kapi Mana	Thought it was great
Hutt Valley	Like it for the competitors
Drifters	Juniors enjoyed knowing the songs going to be on.
Vice President	Some feedback - felt it should be out earlier
Hutt Valley	3-4 Months beforehand.
Treasurer	We have to set the song list first and that's done when we know the programme.
Invercargill	Is it for both Seniors and Juniors
Secretary	Yes, have done it for the last 2 Junior and Senior Nationals.
City of Sails	The music group said something different to that. Have had various views.
Secretary	The intent of this is to allow dancers to put their best foot forward.

Item 11 - Wellington

Electronic Scrutineering

Got people doing electronic scrutineers and wonder why we have moved with the times.

Treasurer	We have done them - they use 4 songs not 2 - nothing commercial. Took two years to get it right. Had to be real specific. Looking resolving manual issues. When are we going to be comfortable doing it completely online - not comfortable. Partly knowing what to do. We would need someone who could do it.
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Viv Babbington spoke to this item

Discussion:

Drifters	Put it out to clubs to see who could do it.
Treasurer	What are we trying to achieve?
City of Sails	Be a costly experiment
Wellington	Have seen it done in other types of dancing.

Treasurer	Question, does the judging fraternity have an appetite for it.
Head Judge	Have done a bit of work - Government funding for outline from judges to a scrutineer. Looking for the time and issues with human error. We don't need runners. Photo against the number Easier for the judges and scrutineer with a block number - wouldn't need a signature. Glen was keen to look at it.
City of Sails	Hiccup - wifi issues and devices working. Flat battery.
President	Would be good to look at, take to Glen maybe.
Vice President	Every case is different, because some venues do not have wifi or good wifi.

Item 12 - Executive

Music group update

The President spoke to this item

Music group update was circulated, nothing further to discuss.

Item 13 - Executive

Amend Rule 1.2 - to remove "established and"

Reasoning:

Clubs must have affiliation, and should already be established.

Remove 'established and'

To Read " A club must have been affiliated to the Association within the financial year...."

*The Treasurer moved with the agreement of the council, to amend Rule 1.2 to remove 'established and'.
Seconded by Cambridge*

Voting strength is now 12

Vote For - 17, Against - 0, Abstentions - 0

Item 14 - Christchurch

Age groups - Same Sex and Triples should be same as Restricted Should match as it would be hypocritical.

Robin Sutton spoke to this

Discussion:

Treasurer	Same Sex and Triples are different. Shouldn't get fixed on the age
Invercargill	Appetite for Triples - something to discuss
President	Are you suggesting Diamond Triples and Diamond Same Sex?
Treasurer	Do we have the numbers?

Drifters	Inclusion - is for the ability to dance not the age.
President	Put it out to clubs and get some feedback.
Head Judge	All sections - have been having alot of dancing in those sections dancing down by 20 years and still winning and are in those age groups.
Cambridge	Today we have opened the door for other options, do what we have done today and create opportunities and take back to clubs.

Item 15 - Executive

Affiliation fees for the 2023/2024 period

Financial Report - we had deferred the levies.

Associated fees currently are \$300, \$5.50 and \$3.25 per junior and \$1.60 senior membership. Consider looking at a potential increase in the levies on Saturday and Sunday of nationals.

The Treasurer spoke to this

Discussion:

Cambridge	Get a cost what they should be - is it not what we think?
Treasurer	How do we determine it? Let's monitor.
River Rockers	worked out that the Association needs to increase to \$7 - \$22 per ticket which is a lot based on last year's nationals. Breaking even on a club for nationals.
Treasurer	We have income that's not staged for anything specific
River Rockers	If you have a break even point - means you give security.

Treasurer moved the Affiliation Levies and the AGM Delegate Registration total \$300 will remain unchanged for the 2023 year.

*Seconded by City of Sails
For - 16, Against - 1, Abstentions - 0
Carried - Levies will remain the same*

Item 16 - City of Sails

Remits and Notice of Motions

Why is there no time frame for the Executive to provide remits and notice of motions. Clubs have to provide 90 and 60 days to the Executive. No restrictions on the Executive?

Discussion

City of Sails	Why is it different for the Executive?
Treasurer	There is no timeline for us to send items out.
City of Sails	Understanding that the Exec would have the same time frame to get changes in.

- President Constitution will be under review because of the changes to the incorporated society - we are not bound by the same rules as the clubs. We would have to look at the constitutions to make it so.
- Treasurer Timeline - if they need fixing and adjusting to go back to clubs to make sure the remits submitted are correct.
- City of Sails That is different to having a change put in.

Item 16 - Invercargill

3- 4 years involved in best dressed on Sundays.

Discussion

President Rule says club members are to be 5 not 3.

Treasurer There's an anomaly in the rule that we have passed in Remit 5.

*Treasurer put a motion to the floor to change
Rule 1.8 (a) Section 6 - Novelty 5 years to 3 years.
Seconded by Cambridge*

No further discussion

*For -17 Against - 0 Abstentions - 0
Carried*

Invercargill Put remit in next year.

ITEM 16 - River Rockers

Associated cost and Xero for NZARRA.

River Rockers spoke further to this:

Clubs have more funding grants - if we can incorporate the association costs and pay them.

Discussion

Drifters Put a list out to clubs to look at

River Rockers It on the website, let us know and can do a list

Drifters Each grant are specific to clubs

President Put together and send to Exec and we can put out to clubs

L&P Concerned there could run into some issues, such as money laundry.

River Rockers No.

River Rockers What programme does the association use? Xero is easy to use and a good option.

Treasurer We use Wave and Easy.

ITEM 17 - Executive

Election vs change of officers

Regarding Constitution change 5 amend Rule 11 (f).

Change so that those in the Exec positions have at least a month to coordinate a transition. Support from moving from one position to another.

The wording is not quite right. If interested we would look at bringing it back.

Discussion

- President We got a legal opinion who advised against this remit.
- Treasurer Her opinion was we need to get the wording right. This is about the intent.
- President The Exec member stepping down why they would not work with the new incoming? They still don't need the voting rights.
- Treasurer Powers will continue but they shouldn't. To allow our house to be in order. Worth putting wording for the AGM.
- Drifters Special General Meeting online.
- River Rockers Incorporated Society - should have it down
- President We have a lawyer who will work on the constitution for us.

ITEM 18 - Drifters

Opportunity for trainee Exec member

Consider how there are opportunities to be involved.

Discussion

- Harbour City Good idea, consider a general member to help out with the team. Is there room to have another person and some stage move up.
- President We have talked about this at the last AGM
- River Rockers Have been assistant treasurer and it worked. Allows someone to step up if required.
- Treasurer Clarify assistant for who?
- River Rockers For our club.
- Cambridge October is when the incorporated Society changes come into affect. Believe you need to have 3 committees members on the team it's in the new Constitution.
- Harbour City We will have to have a Special General Meeting to do this.
- Treasurer Need to be careful if you train people - you don't want to skew the voting for elections.
- Harbour City Can we do the Special General Meeting by Zoom/Teams?
- President Yes, we will make sure we get as many clubs in attendance.

