



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



## March 2025 Newsletter

Welcome back Rock 'n' Rollers!

We are finally back into the swing of things and looking forward to what is coming up this year.

Things to look forward to....we have our upcoming Junior and Senior Championships, our AGM which is to be held as a physical meeting in Wellington. Continuation of the Promotion group with exciting topics ahead and the completion of the NZARRA Constitution - All exciting stuff ahead!

### **Junior Nationals 2025**

To be held on Easter weekend, 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025 hosted by Kapi Mana Rock'n'Roll Club.

Venue: Te Ruaparaha Arena, Porirua (in the smaller stadium)

Theme: PJ Party on the Friday!

This year we were able to secure a grant to help with officials cost over the weekend. The NZARRA would like to thank and show support to

NZCT New Zealand community Trust. Who are Partnered with venues in Porirua.  
The Sandbar (Mana) and The Mariner (Titahi Bay).



Please show our support to these venues while you are in Porirua.

### **Most Supportive Club**

We want to see ALL clubs out there supporting, cheering and having an amazing time. Not only for their own club but for everyone - that even includes our SWEEPERS....

So the challenge goes out to clubs, for both Juniors and Seniors...

Get your pom poms ready, start practicing your chants, and get thinking on how your club can stand out from the rest!

Christchurch won last Juniors - who is going to win it this time?!

### **Clubs - Don't forget your Mascots!**

Well, well, well.....who is ready for the second appearance of the Top Club Mascot (TCM) aka Mascot Games? After a successful debut at Senior Nationals 2024, get ready for a slightly less organised and more chaotic version of the popular TCM with all our clubs repping Junior Nats involved to take out the coveted trophy....(note to self; create a trophy....haha). So get your sugar fix ready, your costumes sorted and your yahooing voices prepped. Can't wait to see the mayhem.....MC Dan

## Junior National Trophies

**Please return all trophies** won at Invercargill Junior Nationals 2024, engraved and polished to:

**NZARRA - C / O: 6 Tombane Terrace, Papakowhai, Porirua, 5024 before 20 March 2025**

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.

It would also be prudent to let our Association Secretary know that trophies have been sent, so we know to expect them.

For more information please refer to the National Championship Page under 2025 Juniors.

## **2025 Annual General Meeting**

Saturday 24 May, 2025

The AGM this year is again a physical meeting. To be held at Strathmore Park Community Centre, Te Tuhunga Rau. 108 Strathmore Avenue, Strathmore Park, Wellington.

- Remits due by 25 March, 2025.
- Executive Nominations due by 24 April, 2025.

The expectation is the AGM will start with a meet and greet at 9.30am with a start time of 10am.

Please email Remits , General Business items and Executive Nominations to our Association Secretary. You can find forms on our Association website under the forms tab.

We will be making arrangements with local clubs to pick those who are travelling into Wellington.

If you would like to help with picking delegates up from the airport or you are a delegate requiring a lift to and from the airport please contact Vice President Chloe Lowe at [vicepresident@rocknroll.org.nz](mailto:vicepresident@rocknroll.org.nz).

We may require billeting for delegates the AGM. Please advise if you are able to help.

More information will be advised closer to the time, please keep an eye out for this via our email, facebook or website.

## **Incorporated Society**

An update on our Constitution

A massive thanks to Jan, Leeyan and Yolanda have been working tirelessly behind the scenes to have the NZARRA Constiution finalised. We are happy to advise that it is in the last stages and we will be in contact when we are ready to move to the next stage involving our affiliated clubs.

## **Book B changes**

In light of receiving our first grant and making the decision to apply for further grants we have relooked at the changes we had recently made regarding accommodation and have decided to correct the wording in Book B 3.5 Reimbursements.

The executive have also made the decision to include armchair judges being eligible for reimbursement due to the expected requirements as an Association Judge as per Rule Book A section 8.11 criteria to qualify as a National Association Judge.

Book B - Section 3.4 Officials  
Book B - Section 3.5  
Book B - Section 11  
Book B Section 11.5  
Book B Section 12

### **Senior Nationals 2025**

Labour weekend, 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 hosted by Tauranga RocknRoll Club.

Venue: Energy Events Centre in Rotorua (NOT held in Tauranga)

#### TEAM SONGS:

##### TOP CLUB

R.O.C.K                      Bill Haley              176bpm              2.19 mins

##### SENIOR TEAM

It's in his kiss              Betty Everett      121bpm              2.12 mins

See our website or Tauranga facebook page for more information.

### **Sponsorship/Donations**

If you would like to sponsor medals or trophies for the upcoming Junior or Senior Nationals please email [secretary@rocknroll.org.nz](mailto:secretary@rocknroll.org.nz) for more information.

### **Judges Update**

#### Nomination for Head Judge

Head Judge nominations are due before 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025 (30 days prior to the AGM).

Nominations are accepted from National Association Judges, Association Judges and by the Association Executive committee only.

Nomination announcement and the Head Judge election will commence 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025, this will run for 10 days.

Nomination forms can be found on the Association website or please [click here](#).

#### Judges Panel confirmed for Junior Nationals 2025:

Dianne Halstead  
Colleen Ryan  
Craig Campbell  
Danka Drengubiak  
Jeff Alley  
Judy Russell  
Noreen Dillon  
Sue Campbell  
Jared Pivott - Armchair  
Talieya Zainey - Armchair

### **Promotion Group**

The Executive would like to thank you for your time last year; meeting as a group discussing a variety of RocknRoll centred topics.

We are looking to start back up with our first meeting to be held Sunday 2nd of March 2025, the topic Judging Guidelines and want to welcome back clubs who attended last year and extend a warm welcome to those yet to attend.

If you are interested in being involved, please contact Association Treasurer Malcolm on [treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz](mailto:treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz) for more information.

### **2026 National Host Club**

Both Junior and Senior Nationals are going to be hosted by Wellington RocknRoll Club.

The dates are as below.

Junior Nationals 3<sup>RD</sup> - 5<sup>st</sup> April 2026

Senior Nationals 23<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> October 2026

### **NZARRA Social Media**

Keep an eye on Facebook and Instagram for the latest information and share on your club newsletter or facebook page.

Our newsletter is also available on the Association website.

Kind regards,



Neva Zainey  
Secretary NZARRA Inc



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WITH EVENTS AND NEWS.**

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NEWSLETTERS AND IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION - WORTH THE VISIT.**