



New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



May 2022 Newsletter

Dear Secretary,

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

2022 AGM

Congratulations to the Executive Committee who have all been reconfirmed at this year's Annual General Meeting. Contact Details below:

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

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

Head Judge
C/O Tyree Connor
24 Meadow Drive
Whitianga, 3510

Please note: Preference is for a PDF version to be emailed to the head judge.

THE ASSOCIATION WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE LINKS

www.rocknroll.org.nz

[The Association facebook page](#)

AFFILIATION FEES FOR THE 2022/2023 YEAR

Affiliation Levies and First AGM 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.

The Annual Membership Fees will remain in place, due in one month after the club's balance date.

Please note

The Executive will assume a club has chosen to reaffiliate unless we have heard otherwise by the 1st August, 2022.

2022 AGM REPORT OVERVIEW

The AGM Minutes and the 2022 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 soon.

Please refer back to your club delegate/s for a more detailed report of decisions made at the AGM.

Important Announcement:

Junior Nationals 2023 is now hosted by Drifters Rock 'n' Roll Club. Christchurch has graciously offered their hosting to them. Thank you Christchurch.

2024 Nationals Host Clubs

Congratulations to the following host clubs for 2024 National Championships:

Junior Nationals	29 th - 31 st March, 2024	Hosted by Christchurch Rock 'n' Roll Club
Senior Nationals	25 th - 27 nd October, 2024	Hosted by Invercargill Rock 'n' Roll Club

Main Changes to the Rule Books:

We had quite a number of Notice of Motions and Remits this year, as well as some good General Business discussion, see below.

There are no more assessments required to qualify to enter either Senior or Junior Championships.

There will now only be 4 couples allowed to compete in a final.

A triple team is now defined as 3 dancers not 1 male and 2 females.

Acknowledged that the Association organises a Senior Championship at Labour Weekend and Junior Championship at Easter only, annually.

The Executive and the host club will give clubs 8 weeks notice in the event of a cancellation of Nationals.

Nominations for Executive positions:

- Disclosed 10 days prior and continuously leading up to the Nominations closing date.
- If there is only one nomination at the conclusion, that candidate will be appointed at the AGM without it being taken to a vote.

Association Head Judge Position:

- Voting process is now via email only.
- The nomination process will now be carried out 30 days prior to the AGM,
- Will run for 10 days and any new candidates will be disclosed leading up to the nominations closing date.
- If there is more than one head judge nomination, the successful candidate will be announced at the conclusion of the voting closing but will not be appointed until at the next AGM.
- If there is only one head judge nomination, that candidate will be announced at the conclusion of nominations closing but will not be appointed until at the next AGM.
- Voting Guidelines will now be in Book B these are already implemented but not documented.

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.

A judging disciplinary panel now consists of 5 judges and are preselected by their peers and will not necessarily include the current Association Head Judge.

Judges Bi-annual workshop is now annual.

Full explanations and reasonings will be available in the AGM minutes, once they have been loaded up onto the Association website.

Other Items Of Note

Considerations for more music to be added to the National Playlist, widening the scope of the era and genre, a lot of support for this. Something to consider for the next AGM.

Discussions around Succession planning and how clubs move through that process. Executive ideas put forward.

Promotion Group - where clubs and the Executive meet up to discuss, brainstorm and talk about things clubs are dealing with and how to better support each other. At this AGM, clubs were encouraged if not already in the group to contact our Association Secretary for more details.

The Executive Committee would like to thank all Club Delegates for their willing participation at the 2022 Annual General Meeting that was held via Zoom and look forward to working with you all this coming year.

2023 AGM

Our next Annual General Meeting will be held on the 27th May, 2023.

Whether it will be by Zoom or a physical meeting, that will be confirmed at a later date. Notifications will be sent out to your Club Secretaries, and will also be updated on the Association website and facebook page once we have made those decisions.

UPCOMING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2022 Senior Nationals - 21st - 23rd October, 2022

Hosted by River Rockers Whanganui

Venue: The Wanganui Community Sports Centre, 22 London Street, Whanganui.

2023 Junior Nationals - 7th - 9th April, 2023

Hosted by Drifters Rock 'n' Roll Club.

Venue: Fraser High School Gymnasium, 72 Ellicott Street, Hamiton

2023 Senior Nationals - 20th - 22nd October 2023

Hosted by City of Sails Rock 'n' Roll Revival Club.

Venue: Auckland Netball Centre, 7 Allison Ferguson Drive, St Johns near Mt Wellington. Auckland 1072

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.

Senior Nationals - 21st - 23rd October, 2022

- **Entry forms** are available on the Association website.

The closing date for entries is Wednesday 31st August, 2022.

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 2019, engraved and polished to:

Yolanda Van Dorrestein, 46 Lyndfield Lane, Newlands, Wellington, 6037 by 18th September, 2022.

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 2nd October, 2022.

Kind regards,



Neva Zainey
Secretary
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