



New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



September 2025 Newsletter

Dear Secretary,

Please make sure this newsletter is circulated to your members so that they are kept up to date with the latest news.

CONSTITUTION

On the 24th August we held a SGM to confirm our Association Constitution.

The minutes and new Constitution are being finalised and will be made available on the website and sent to club secretaries in due course.

Thank you again to Leeyan, Jan and Yolanda for working diligently in the background to get this ready for review.

COMBINED NATIONALS

As you are now aware on the 19th of June we held a SGM to discuss the combining of the Junior and Senior Nationals. This passed and our first Combined Championship will be held in Wellington at Labour weekend 2026.

From 2027 Combined Championship will be held over Easter weekend.

Over the past few years, this decision has evolved through ongoing discussions at our AGMs, largely in response to the impact of COVID-19 on club memberships, the decline in Junior participation, and the financial challenges faced by the Association during 2020, 2021, and 2022.

Our long-term goal is to return to hosting separate Senior and Junior Nationals. To make this possible, we need to see a strong increase in Junior memberships, which begins at the club level. It is essential that clubs actively explore ways to engage and include Junior participation, and that we all work together to support one another through this rebuilding phase.

The Executive is looking ahead to next year with optimism and is committed to working closely with the host club to ensure a successful and inclusive event for everyone involved.

Some things to note from this meeting:

- Combined nationals will take place over Easter weekend from 2027
- Combined Championship will be reviewed at the 2029 AGM.
- There now is an entry form required if you wish to compete in the Best Dressed Female/Male section (normally held on Sunday morning). Please note - it is still FREE to enter.

2026 AGM

Our next Annual General Meeting will be held on the 23rd May, 2026.

To be held at Strathmore Park Community Centre, Te Tuhunga Rau. 108 Strathmore Avenue, Strathmore Park, Wellington.

JUDGES UPDATE

2025 Senior Nationals Judges Selection

Karen Birch - Head Judge

Heather Blackburn

Jeanette Greaves

Tyree Connor

Terry Neil

Jessie Stevens

Leila Maaka

Jared Pivott - Armchair

Talieya Zainey - Armchair

Combined Workshop

To be held in Wellington on 15 November 2025.

This workshop is being held at Strathmore Park Community Centre, Te Tuhunga Rau. 108 Strathmore Avenue, Strathmore Park, Wellington.

There is a \$20 cost to attend and can be paid in advance to the Association bank account using their name and judges combined as reference.

Judges, please get in contact with Karen at headjudge@rocknroll.org.nz if you have yet to register for this workshop.

UPCOMING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2025 Senior Nationals 24th - 26th October, 2025

Hosted by Tauranga Rock 'n' Roll Revival Club

Venue: Energy Events Centre, Southern Trust Sportsdome Rotorua. Access is from Queens Drive.

Theme is CLUB COLOURS

Please return all outstanding trophies won at Christchurch Senior Nationals 2024, engraved and polished to:

NZARRA - C/O Malcolm Mazur 1893 Cambridge Road, Cambridge 3434 by 14th September, 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.

Team Managers

Could clubs please email your Team Manager's name and contact information to the Secretary@rocknroll.org.nz by the 5th October, 2025.

Banners

Please send your club banners to Malcolm at the above address ASAP!

Early Bird Tickets

Early Bird ticket sales from 1 July 2025 until 26th September 2025

Please note, Order forms will be sent out to clubs and made available on our Facebook page in due course.

Friday Night Only	\$20.00
Weekend Pass	\$100.00
Saturday Full Pass	\$60.00
Sunday Full Pass	\$60.00

Please note that Friday will be free entry for Weekend, Saturday and Sunday Full Passes.

Saturday Day / Saturday Night	\$35.00 per session
Sunday Day / Sunday Night	\$35.00 per session

*Please note that these sessions do **not** include Friday night entry.*

All early bird tickets will be couriered to clubs nominated address.

After Early Bird

Friday Night Only	\$20.00
Weekend Pass	\$110.00
Saturday Full Pass	\$65.00
Sunday Full Pass	\$65.00

Please note that Friday will be free entry for Weekend, Saturday and Sunday Full Passes

Saturday Day / Saturday Night	\$40.00 per session
Sunday Day / Sunday Night	\$40.00 per session

*Please note that these sessions do **not** include Friday night entry*

Any tickets purchased after Early Bird Closes will need to be collected at the door on the day.

Ticket sales finish Friday 17th October. There will be **NO DOOR SALES**.

Any questions regarding tickets, please phone Malcolm Mazur on 027 3116 080.

For more information regarding Senior Nationals, please refer to our website or Tauranga facebook page for more information.

2026 Combined Championship

Hosted by Wellington RocknRoll Club

To be held in Wellington on 23rd - 25th October 2025.

Venue to be confirmed.

Team Song selection for 2026 Combined Nationals

TOP CLUB Junior Nationals 2026

Rocking Robin	Bobby Day	173 bps	2.39 mins
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TOP CLUB Senior Nationals 2026

Love Potion Number 9	The Clovers	129bpm	1.52 mins
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SENIOR TEAM Senior Nationals 2026

Saturday Night at the Movies	The Drifters	134bpm	2.26mins
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Please refer to the Association website for more information regarding Nationals.

2027 Combined Championship

Combined Championships	26 th - 28 th March, 2026	Hosted by Kapi Mana Rock 'n' Roll Club
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Please note Team song selections will be advised in March 2026 for the 2027 Combined Championship.

PROMOTION GROUP

Our recent meeting covered the Judges guidelines. We had judges invited to answer any questions We were able to record and post on facebook. There was a lot of good feedback and would like to keep this momentum going.

If you are interested in being included or have a topic that is 'top of mind' please email treasurer@rocknroll.org.nz

SOCIAL MEDIA

As part of showing support to our affiliated clubs, we would like to give you the opportunity to advertise and share any upcoming event/dance or hop that your club is hosting on our Facebook page.

If interested please contact our President Theresa Cummack at president@rocknroll.org.nz or Justin Budgen at vicepresident@rocknroll.org.nz who are our administrators for facebook and instagram.

Kind regards,



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Secretary
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