

New Zealand Amateur Rock'n'Roll Association Inc.



Newsletter September 2018

Senior Nationals 2018

Hosted by Wellington Rock'n'Roll Revival Club, at Walter Nash Stadium, 20/22 Taine St, Taita, Lower Hutt 5011, over Labour weekend, $19 - 21^{st}$ October.

Official Draw: The draw for the weekend is loaded on the Association website for the information of all your club members. Please check the draw carefully for any errors in the spelling of names, and advise the Association Secretary immediately. This will assist with having the certificates and programme correct. The Programme will be available later in the month.

Judges: The Official Judges Panel for the 2018 Senior Nationals is Colleen Ryan, Brenda Neill, Chloe Kuriger, Colleen Reese, Craig Campbell, Dianne Halstead, Jeff Alley, Judy Russell, Korena Wharepapa-Vulu and Robert Ropiha.

Team Managers: Clubs with competitors are asked to email their team manager's name and email address to <u>secretary@rocknroll.org.nz</u> or <u>brendaneill27@gmail.com</u> by 30th September. This allows information to be sent directly to the contact person for the club ahead of time, and they will be fully aware of what is required while they are at the Nationals. Please be aware that team managers need to be available on Friday evening for the meeting at 8 pm, and be at the event the whole weekend.

Sunday Presentations

The Sunday presentations only will immediately follow each segment of the programme. This will affect Best Dressed Male and Female, Same Sex, Triples, Senior & Top Club Teams and Novelty events. Finalists are reminded to stay in their costumes until after these presentations before changing for the next section.

Host Club News

<u>Banners</u> - Please courier any club banners Richard Reder, 9 Galway Street, Lower Hutt, Wellington 5011. These are required urgently.

Venue Tickets are still available, prices and purchasing information are on the website.

Wellington Rock'n'Roll club has advised that the event is BYO at the evening sessions only, and drinks must be in cans or plastic. No glass bottles will be allowed into the venue.

Friday Night 40th Birthday Hop: Starts at 6.00 pm, with live band "Kickstart", plus DJ music.

Good luck to all competitors.

2019 Junior Nationals 19th – 21st April 2019

The Host Club is Invercargill Rock'n'Roll Club and the venue is Stadium Southland. For more information contact <u>2019juniornationals@gmail.com</u>

A motel list is on the Association website, and the Host Club suggests booking early as Easter is always a busy time in Invercargill.

The Top Club Song for the 2019 Junior Nationals is:

"In Your Arms" by Elvis Presley 146 BPM, 1 min 50 seconds long

Assessments

When holding assessments, clubs are reminded that the marks of trainee judges officiating are not to be used. Only Association and National Association Judges marks are to be used when assessing for National Competition. The status of your officiating judges can be checked on the website <u>https://www.rocknroll.org.nz/Judges.html</u> or if needed with the Association Head Judge.

Judges at competitions do not need to know who is being assessed, but Floor Managers do need to, so they can check that the dress standard is correct.

All assessment are to be advised to the Head Judge prior to their taking place and results must be accompanied by the Assessment Cover Sheets.

Rule Book A

The words "seat & bag" were inadvertently left out of Rule Book A, Rule 1.5 (f). The first line of the Rule should read:

"Reimbursements shall be no more than the Air New Zealand seat & bag or equivalent airfare..."

Song List

The following alterations have been made to the 2016 song list, please ensure lists are altered or new lists downloaded from the website:

The following songs have been removed from the National Playlist:

"Party Doll" By Buddy Knox 177/2.14

"Sitting on the Balcony" By Eddie Cochran 142/2.00

The length of the following song has been corrected:

"Let it Rock" by Chuck Berry is 162 bpm and 1 minute 48 seconds long

Future Nationals

2019 Senior Nationals, 25th – 27th October 2019 at the Lincoln Event Centre, Christchurch Host Club Christchurch Rock'n'Roll Club https://www.christchurchrocknroll.org.nz/2019-senior-nationals.html

2020 Junior Nationals 10th – 12th April 2020 at Frazer High School Gymnasium, Hamilton Host Club Drifters Rock'n'Roll Club https://www.drifters.org.nz/jnr-nats

2020 Senior Nationals 23rd – 25th October 2020 at Whakatane District War Memorial Hall. Host Club Whakatane Rock'n'Roll Club https://www.rocknroll.org.nz/2020-senior-nationals.html

Yours in Rock

Brenda Neill Secretary NZARRA