

**Minutes of the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Masters Athletics Incorporated held in the TET Stadium Administrative Building, Inglewood, on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021, commencing at 1215pm.**

**Present:** Mr A W Stark (President)) presided over a meeting of 22 members including Centre Delegates.

The chair opened the meeting by welcoming those present.

There being the required number of centres (7) represented the meeting was able to proceed.

**Apologies:** Apologies were received from: Mr A. Galbraith QC (Legal Advisor)  
Mr Rob McGregor (Reviewer)  
Messrs Denis and Mike O'Leary  
Mrs Lee Grieve  
Mr Trevor Wilson  
Mesdames Jen Fee, Philippa Green and Joan Merrilees

The apologies were sustained.

D Shaw /S Foster

Carried

**Centre Delegates and Life Members**

Life members	Mr J Blair, MNZM
Northland	Mrs J Stewart
Auckland	Mr James Stowers
Waikato	Mr M Clarkson and Ms Fay Riley
Hawkes Bay/ Gisborne	No Attendee
Taranaki	Mesdames K Gillum-Green and Vicky Adams
Manawatu/Wanganui	Mesdames Jill Evans and F Bayler
Wellington	Mr M Wray
Tasman	Mr I Carter and Mr D Shaw
Canterbury	Mr John Campbell
Otago	Mr R Homan and Ms N Callander
Southland	Mr and Mrs Lester Laughton

Minutes of the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Masters Athletics Incorporated held in the Hawkes Bay Netball Administrative Building, HB Sports Park, Hastings on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

The minutes had been circulated and were taken as read. Action points had been dealt with by the Board.

“That the minutes be taken as read”

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Chair

Carried

The minutes of the meeting were then confirmed.

Chair

Carried

Matters arising from those minutes. Nil.

Additional Agenda items: No additional items had been received and the meeting proceeded with the President's report

### Reports.

President's report. The report covered many aspects and included the direction in which the association was moving.  
Highlights of the report being.

1) Subscriptions to the Vetline have continued to fall. NZMA members receive the Vetline as part of their subscription, however the number of ANZ members subscribing is very low. Of the total of 115 copies produced, 22 are ANZ members and 93 NZMA members. Current costs are not covering publication and postage costs. The Board is reviewing the future of the magazine during the coming year. A suggestion from the Board is for the magazine to be produced in an electronic form following the similar format. There will be costs still involved with the compilation and editing.

2) MOU between ANZ and NZMA. Attendance statistics show the participation of ANZ club members represent the greater participants than those who are sole NZMA members. There are still a small group who are NZMA only and at this year's championship they represent 26% of the entries. Last year at Hastings they were 22% and Timaru 38%.

3) Constitution. These documents are currently under review and some proposed constitutional changes will be discussed at today's meeting.

4) NZMA going forward. Reviewing how we operate is a continuous process and today the Board shall be elected at large with no positions allocated. The Board will then meet, and using the skills of each member, allocate portfolios.

The report was received

Chair

Carried

### Report from the Secretary and Treasurer.

The financial position of NZMA remains relatively strong. A surplus of \$5973 was posted for the year as against a loss of \$5876 last year. Looking ahead many of the trading banks are ceasing to accept cheques and online transactions will be the only methods of payment. The association has already made this change and financial transactions are completed using the ANZ Direct online protocols. The Board continues to meet up to four times a year, three are now via Zoom with only one face to face meeting is being held at the same time as our Championships (late February / early March) and at the time of the AGM. Cost savings have been implemented and this reflected in the Annual accounts by conducting meetings using Zoom.

The report was received

S Foster/C Gillum Green`

Carried

### Centre Reports.

Several Centre delegates produced written centre reports. There was a common trend amongst the centres was of NZMA members not retaining NZMA Competitive Membership and becoming Club Athletes. This common thread was mentioned in the majority of the reports.

Otago is in the final stages of implementing a MOU between Otago Masters and Athletics Otago. Here again there appeared to be developing a closer relationship between the ANZ centre and the local NZMA centre. The participation of masters in centre events is now more common due to the MOU. Hawkes Bay Gisborne has 16 members and Michael O'Leary received the master's category award in the Hawkes Bay Sports Awards.

### Constitutional Changes

A draft of the proposed changes was presented to the meeting. During the year submissions had been sought and the Board itself had reviewed the proposals and made some minor changes.

Each potential change to the Constitution was discussed point by point with an opportunity for those present to seek clarification is required.

Following the discussions, the suggested changes / clarification as to membership criteria regarding the difference between NZMA and Athletics NZ members was confirmed. The changes were required to ensure the spirit of the MOU is now reflected by the changes.

Moved D Shaw, Seconded I Carter, "That the Constitutional changes be adopted at this AGM and the changes registered with the Companies Office" Carried

D Shaw undertook to reformat the changes from the discussion document.

#### Election of Officers for the year 2021/2022

There being the right number of candidates for the vacancies no election was held.  
The following were therefore appointed.

1. Election of the NZMA Board

Mr Ian Carter Tasman-Canterbury  
Mrs Claire Giles Otago-Tasman-Canterbury  
Mr Derek Shaw Tasman-Canterbury  
Mr Andrew Stark Tasman-Canterbury  
Mr Michael Wray Tasman-Canterbury

Patron Mr James Blair MNZM

Reviewer Mr Rob McGregor (to the end of the current financial year.)

Honorary Solicitor To be appointed.

Appointment as Trustee to the 4<sup>th</sup> World Veteran Games Trust:

There was a vacancy on the Trust following the resignation of Mr Marc Flaus, earlier in the year.

As Stewart Foster, no longer a member of the Board, was eligible for appointment.

Moved Chair Seconded M Clarkson, "That Stewart Foster be appointed to the Trust"

Carried

#### Presentation of Service Awards

Nominations were received from Centres for Service and Merit awards.

Nominations for service awards 2021

Service to NZMA 10 years' Service Award	Mr Albert van Veen Wellington Mr Peter Hanson Wellington Mr Peter Baillie Wellington
Service to NZMA 20 Years Merit Award	Mr Warren Edlin Hawkes Bay Gisborne Mr Graham Gould Wellington Mrs Veronica Gould Wellington Mr Geoff Henry Wellington

#### Subscriptions.

The Board recommended to the meeting that the Subscriptions for the coming year remain unchanged.

NZMA Competitive member \$60 including Vetline.

NZMA Social member \$45 including Vetline,

ANZ Competitive member \$0.00.

Vetline subscription rates to be reviewed by the incoming Board.

#### Matters of General Business

No notices had been received but the following was discussed.

Trophies: NZMA had many trophies that originated for the time of Veteran Athletics and were now stored at the resident of Mr Andrew Stark. They had previously been stored by the late Bob Carter. The Incoming Board was requested to update the inventory of the trophies, what they were donated for and consider whether they should be reinstated back into the awards system.

Membership NZMA:

As mentioned earlier, membership of the Centres had fallen dramatically, and the age Officials was increasing.

From the Presidents report the following was the state of the membership as at January 2021.

Centre	NZMA Members	Centre	NZMA Members	Centre	NZMA Members
NLD	4	AKL	1	WBOP	18
HBG	16	WMA	12	TAR	1
WEL	15	TAS	3	CAN	12
OTG	11	STH	0	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>93</b>

The meeting went on to discuss ways to promote membership, but the discussion led with no real outcome other than new NZMA members be required to [provide proof of age. Centre membership forms should make provision for this information to be obtained.

Records: The opportunity to obtain NZMA records from Inter-Club events was raised by Mr John Campbell. The Chair replied that NZMA is an event promoting organisation and no-where in the constitution does it refer to promoting records.

Next Annual General Meeting

The exact date of next Annual General Meeting, scheduled to be held in Wellington at the next NZMA Championship, will be confirmed once the date of the Championships is confirmed. The suggested date may be will early March, not late February.

The Chairman closed the meeting, thanked those for attending and wished them a successful next three days.

The meeting closed at 14.10 hours.

Confirmed this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of February 2022

Chairman