

**Minutes of the 46th Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Masters Athletics Incorporated
held in the Hawkes Bay Netball Administrative Building, HB Sports Park,
Hastings – 28th February 2020**

Present: Mr A W Stark (President)) presided over a meeting of 21 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 sustained from) and Mr A. Galbraith QC (Legal Advisor), Mr Rob McGregor (Reviewer) Ms F Firestone Messrs L Laughton and J Campbell

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 M Lambert
Waikato	Messrs Mr M Clarkson and D Couper
Hawkes Bay/ Gisborne	Messrs M and D O'Riley
Taranaki	Ms L Mackay
Manawatu/Wanganui	Mesdames J Fee and F Bayler
Wellington	Mr and Mrs M Wray
Tasman	Mr I Carter and Mr D Shaw
Canterbury	No Nominee
Otago	Mr R Homan and Ms N Calender
Southland	Proxy held by Mrs C Giles

Minutes of the 45th Annual General Meeting. Held in the Aorangi Cricket Pavilion, Aorangi Stadium, Timaru on Friday 1st March 2019 having been circulated were taken as read. Any matters arising had been dealt with by the Board,

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. Communications. The Facebook page has proved popular along with the website. All NZMA events are now advertised on the ANZ website.
2. Subscriptions to the Vetline have continued to fall.

NZMA members receive the Vetline as part of their subscription but the number of ANZ members subscribing is very low. Current costs are not covering publication and postage. The Board will be reviewing the future of the magazine during the coming year.

3) MoU between ANZ and NZMA. A meeting has been held with Peter Pfitzinger (CO ANZ) and it appears that little needs to be changed at this time.

4) Handbook and Constitution. These documents are currently under review and any constitutional changes will be discussed at today's meeting.

5) NZMA going forward. Reviewing the way we operate is a continuous process; the future of Vetline needs to be revisited, maybe electronic versions only. And how do we encourage "aged" athletes to join NZMA. These are matters that the Board will be addressing in the coming year.

6) Merchandising. A special thanks to Chris Thompson for his work with our uniform sales and his input as a board member

The report was received

Chair

Carried

Report from the Secretary and Treasurer.

Electronic communication is now part of the Masters world. The Keith Lively entry process for WMA competition is anew the official platform for entries. An additional portal has been added to accommodate team management, medical and media personnel. Entries for the OMA were Processed by OAA and not all entries were checked for validity. Meeting administration costs have been reduced by seeking venues where travel costs can be reduced.

The financial position of NZMA remains relatively strong. Though a loss of \$5876 was posted for the year after taking away the cost of medals a profit would have been shown of \$2800.

As members become familiar with the use of STG as a basis for entry it is possible for other activities to be added. Using the "shop" we have sold uniforms, certificates, and function tickets and also there has been the direct online payment of subscriptions. Looking ahead many of the trading banks are ceasing to accept cheques and online transactions will be the only methods of payment.

The reviewer's report was available should any delegate wish to see it.

The report was received

S Foster/f Bayler

Carried

Centre Reports.

The Centre delegates produced written centre reports. There was a common trend amongst the centres and that was in most instances working with ANZ to achieve more competition for Masters Athletes.

One Centre, Taranaki, has currently no NZMA members as they are all registered with ANZ.

Southland acknowledged the support of the 4WVGT in assisting with the purchase of equipment's.

Dwight Grieve has stepped down as President and Lester Laughton has taken over the role.

Copies of the reports were forwarded to the Vetline Editor.

2020 North Island Championships

Northland had given notice that they are unable to conduct the 2020 championships. The track is unsuitable for use and is due to re-laid at some time. A request for any other North Island centre to step in had been made with the notice of this meeting but there had been no response. Looking at the roster it looked like Auckland could be a possible venue. Mark Lambert undertook to raise the matter with his committee and report back to the Board. Part of the problem was the two year roster introduced for centres to conduct the ANZ Track and Field Championships.

2023 Oceania Championships

A similar result with no bids. At this time the composition of the meet is still unknown as well as the effect that the Island Affiliates program will have. The matter was deferred until more information as to format, events and the timing are known. What is to be the OAA input is also unknown. Our members are well catered for with overseas competition so if the Championships were held elsewhere, other than NZ, there would be no inconvenience caused.

Constitutional Changes

A draft of the proposed changes was presented to the 2019 AGM. During the year submissions had been sought and the Board itself had reviewed the proposal and made some minimal changes.

Following discussion the following resolutions was made:

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 2020/2021

There being the right number of candidates for the vacancies no election was held.

The following were therefor appointed.

President Mr Andrew Stark

Vice President Mr Michael Wray

Secretary/Treasurer Mr Stewart Foster MBE. ED

Directors (4) Mr John Campbell
Mr Ian Carter
Mr Derek Shaw
Mrs Clare Giles

Patron Mr James Blair MNZM

Reviewer Mr Rob Mc Gregor

Honorary Solicitor Mr A Galbraith QC

Signatories to the ANZ Direct on line account; (any two to authorise)

Mr Andrew Stark
Mr Michael Wray
Mr Stewart Foster

Presentation of Service Awards

Nominations were received from Centres for Service and Merit awards.

The following Service awards were made:

Mr Andrew Stark	Canterbury
Mr Dave Gratton	Wellington
Mr John Turner	Wellington
Mr Steve Smith	Otago
Mr Rob Homan	Otago

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

Election of Life member

In accordance with Section 7.5 of the Constitution the Board recommends to this Annual General meeting that Stewart Foster be elected a Life member of the Association.
(The citation is abridged here)

Stewart has been involved with athletics since 1970 and during this period has held positions with in the Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty Centre and Chairman of the Porritt Classic Committee for 12 years. Joining the NZMA (NZAVA) board in 2004 he was elected Secretary and later in 2009 added the position of Treasurer. This appointment he holds today. Has held the position of Treasurer on the Oceania Council from 2009 to 2019 Officiated at World, Oceania, National and Local events and participated in favourite discipline, hurdles.

Carried by acclamation.

Stewart thanked the meeting for his election to this high honour. (Speechless for once)

Matters of General Business

No notices had been received but the following was discussed.

Access to ANZ membership data base. This was limited and currently Mr Michael Wray (Vice President) has access to verify entries from ANZ members to WMA, OMA and our National and Island Championships. He explained that once an ANZ member entered any of these events their information was able to be transferred to the NZMA data base.

HBG. The dates of our National; Championships, is it possible to have them be in March so as not to clash with ANZ events (e.g. Capital Classic).

The response was as follows. ANZ and NZMA reached agreement that neither of the two championships would be held at the same time. NZMA last week in February. The Capital Classic and the other Classics were conducted by others. The Australian Track and Field Championships always had a bearing on the NZ calendar. Other factors were the timing of the Olympics and Commonwealth games and the qualifying events. With the ANZ Track and Field Championships being now on a two year roster this also made things difficult.

Auckland. Records. Centre records. Not always is the centre aware that a centre record has been broken. A request was made that when approval is made the centre be informed. This was agreed.

Next Annual General Meeting

The next Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Friday 26 February 2021 at Inglewood

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

The meeting closed at 1330 hours.

Confirmed this 26th Day of February 2021

Chairman