

Minutes of the 44th Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Masters Athletics Incorporated held in the The Trigg Stadium Sports Officials Room, Park Road, Whangarei commencing at 12.06.hours.

Present: Mr A W Stark (President)) presided over a meeting of 23 members including Centre Delegates.

The chair opened the meeting by welcoming those present.

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

Apologies: Apologies were sustained from) and Mr a Galbraith QC (Legal Advisor), Mr Rob McGregor (Reviewer) Messrs. M.O'Leary, D Grieve.

The apologies were sustained.

V Babe/J Blair

Carried

Centre Delegates and Life Members

Life members	Mr J Blair, MNZM
Northland	Mr I Calder and V Babe
Auckland	Messrs C Thompson and A Dougall
Waikato	Ms F Riley and Mr M Clarkson
Hawkes Bay/ Gisborne	Proxy held by Mr M Clarkson
Taranaki	Ms L Mackay and Mrs K Gillum-Green
Manawatu/Wanganui	Mrs F Bayler
Wellington	Mr and Mrs M Wray
Tasman	Mr I Carter and Mr D Shaw
Canterbury	Messrs IPurvis and I Cornelius
Otago	Mr R Homan and Ms N Callender
Southland	Proxy held by Secretary

Minutes of the 43rd Annual General. The minutes of the 42nd Annual General Meeting held in the Otago Athletics Officials' Room, Caledonian Ground, Logan Park on Friday 3rd March 2017 having been circulated, was taken as read.

Chair

Carried

The minutes of the meeting were then confirmed.

Chair

Carried

Matters arising from those minutes. Nil.

Additional Agenda items. No additional items were 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. The introduction of a generic program for use by centres when conducting the NZMA championships. The introduction of online entries,
2. The website developments and the use of e-news have become the main source of communication with members. The NZMA news post on the Home page highlighted important information. In addition a Facebook link has been established with Athletics New Zealand. (ANZ)

3. Memorandum of Understanding with Athletics New Zealand.
This is continually reviewed by the Board. The participation levels of ANZ athletes who have never been involved with masters before has improved. Statistics taken over the period show increases at our own Championships but also at the Oceania Masters Championships. The liaison between ANZ and NZMA has improved immensely and promotion through the ANZ website has been excellent.

4. Vetline. NZMA members continue to receive the Vetline as part of their subscription but the uptake by ANZ members has been disappointing, The cost of production runs has increased due to some 200 copies being printed.

5. Where to next, The Board has continually reviewed operating costs and the Board meets in Wellington to reduce costs. All NZMA members will be loaded into ClubNet prior to 1 September. This will enable members to re-join themselves. This will be further discussed by the Board before a final decision is made.

The report was received

Chair

Carried

Secretary's/ Treasurer's report. 1) Secretarial. 20 entries were processed for Daegu.

2) Records. The system for approving records has now been streamlined and a subcommittee now approves applications. Records can be updated within a few days of the information coming to hand. Records approved during the reporting period were Men Stadia 24, Indoor 22, Women Stadia 26 and Indoor 12.

3) OMA. Still on council and assisted with the awards to life members and the LOC for the Dunedin Championships. Life members elected were Mr Jim Blair MNZM., Helen Tobin and posthumous awards to Jim Tobin and Coleena Blair.

4) WMA entries. The Keith Lively system is now the accepted method for online entries.

Treasurers' Report. Whereas the accounts showed an excess of income this had come about with the following factors.

1) The amount of subscriptions decreased by \$10000 over the year but there had been an increase of Donations and Grants of \$2700 and with the WMA championships in Perth the WMA levy had increased by \$600. Costs of establishing the MOU were a no recurring item and this added a further \$900. The main contributor to the excess was the reduction in costs of the Vetline for the reporting period, (\$3451). Entry fees were included in the Donations and Grants but as the Association has deregistered for GST they will be show separate in future. A loss was recorded in the Merchandising Account due to the write off of obsolete uniforms. Overall it can be seen that the overall result is close to a zero budget. Future financial statements to be posted with notice of the meeting.

The report was received

S Foster/ M Wray

Carried

Centre Reports. The Centres presented their written and in some cases verbal reports to the meeting. (Notes below from written reports only)

Auckland. Currently 35 members. Members have the rare opportunity to compete in three international events.

Waikato Bay of Plenty. Tauranga City Council has changed policy and now charge for use of the domain. Track is in poor condition and due for upgrade. Winter series of get- to -gathers has been successful.

Taranaki. North Island masters later this year. 66 members.

Hawkes Bay /Gisborne Good relationships ANZ. Coleena Blair trophy event a success.

Manawatu/Whanganui. Hosted North Island Championships. Palmerston North track needs replacement.

Wellington. 40 year anniversary. Membership similar. 30 direct/338 ANZ.

Tasman. New facilities. Weekly bulletins.

Otago. Membership static, OMA championships January 2017.

Southland. Membership static

Election of Officers and Directors.

The following nominations have been received by the due date given in the notice of meeting dated 9 November 2017.

President: Mr Andrew Stark, Wellington/Auckland/Tasman

Vice President: Mr Chris Thompson Wellington/Auckland/Tasman

Secretary /Treasurer: Mr Stewart Foster MBE (Mil) ED Wellington/Auckland/Tasman/ Waikato Bay of Plenty

Directors: Mr John Campbell Wellington/Tasman
Mr Ian Carter Wellington/ Tasman
Mr Derek Shaw Wellington/ Tasman
Mr Michael Wray Wellington/ Tasman

Patron: Mr James Blair MNZM Waikato Bay of Plenty

As the number of nominations does not exceed the number of vacancies an election was not necessary.

Legal Adviser: Mr Alan Galbraith QC
Reviewer: Mr Rob McGregor ACA

4th World Veteran Games Trust. Mr Murray Clarkson was appointed to the Trust following the ineligibility of Mr Carter. As an interim measure Mr Rob McGregor to be a Trustee.

Notice of Motion. A Notice of motion was received from Waikato Bay of Plenty. The notice of motion was as follows.

"That a Committee be established to review the Memorandum of Understanding between Athletics New Zealand and New Zealand Masters Athletics Inc. as provided for in the agreement.

Reasons 1/ The provisions of the agreement are not being followed by both parties.

2/ The viability and ability of NZMA to remain as a stand-alone, self-funding entity is being put into jeopardy financially by not collecting sufficient income from its members and those granted membership through the Memorandum.

3/ There is no formal representation between the parties."

The Chair presented the document to the meeting and Mr Clarkson spoke to the notice of Motion. A general discussion followed and at one time went off the matter before the meeting to discuss multi event medals not being engraved. This was replied to by Mr Wray and the meeting continued with the matter in hand.

Each of the points were dealt with as they appeared on the document.

1/ The provisions of the agreement are not being followed by both parties. There was a general consensus that the relationship between the ANZ centre and the NZMA was good and provision was being made for NZMA members to compete at ANZ events .It had to be remembered that ANZ eligible members were NZMA members by default and the comment did not include NZMA competitive members. NZMA only) It appeared that the only Centre having relationship problems was the presenter of the document under discussion. The chair mentioned that the agreement was continually under review by the Board.

2/The viability and ability of NZMA to remain as a stand-alone, self-funding entity is being put into jeopardy financially by not collecting sufficient income from its members and those granted membership through the Memorandum. The comment related to NZMA and not to the viability of centres which was the area most effected in loss of membership and therefore a reduction in income. The annual accounts of the Association being financially sound as detailed in the accounts presented earlier. Competition fees showed an increase and part could be attributed to previous non NZMA members.

3/ There is no formal representation between the parties. The Chair referred the meeting to the website and the way in which ANZ now included NZMA activities plus results. Where-as there appeared no visual sign of a relationship there had been continual discussion between the parties. These mainly related to communications using the ANZ website with the links now to the NZMA site.

The matter however for the meeting to decide was "That a Committee be established to review the Memorandum of Understanding between Athletics New Zealand and New Zealand Masters Athletics Inc. as provided for in the agreement".

Mr Clarkson was given right of reply.

The motion was then put to the meeting and was lost. 8 against and 4 for the motion. Proxies exercised by the Secretary and WBOP in accordance with the directions of the centre and included in the results of the ballot.

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 (to ANZ members)	\$25

Venue for 2019. Christchurch

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting, thanking the participants at 14.10hours.

Confirmed this day of 2019

Chairman