

MINUTES OF THE 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held using Zoom Video Conference at 7:30pm on Wednesday 30th April 2025

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced herself to the meeting.

2. Roll Call

Club Voting Delegates

Whangarei	Steve Hill
North West	Gene Beveridge
Auckland	Kieran Woods
Counties Manukau	Jo Wood
Waikato	Marc Scott
Bay of Plenty	Lisa Haycock
Taupo	Lyndon Haugh
Hawkes Bay	Jane Herries
Taranaki	Thomas Higgins
Red Kiwis	absent
Wairarapa	Gail Edwards
Hutt Valley	Simon Rea
Wellington	Beverley Holder
Nelson	Richard Dunn
Marlborough	David Duncan
Peninsula and Plains	Alister Metherell
Dunedin	Myles Thayer
Southland	Andrea Patterson

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Council Chairperson	Sarah O'Sullivan (Wellington)
Council	Marcus Diprose (PAPO)
Council	Guy Cory-Wright (Auckland)
Council	Jenni Adams (PAPO) – also club delegate
Council	Marquita Gelderman (North West)
General Manager	Christo Peters
Marketing/Coms Co-ord	Joolz Moore (PAPO)
Event Liaison	Lachlan McKenzie
Performance Leader	Jenni Adams
Training Co-ord	Gene Beveridge (also NW voting rep)

Other Attendees:

Auckland	Susy Carryer
	Alistair Stewart
	Joanna Stewart
Counties Manukau	Katherine Granich
	Val Robinson
	Clodagh Hoare
Taupo	Rolf Wagner
Marlborough	Mondo Kopua
Peninsula and Plains	Sara Prince
No Club	Dave Stewart

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3. Apologies and Recording of Proxies

Peter Swanson (OBOP)

Erin Swanson (OBOP)

No proxies

*Apologies accepted by meeting - Approved/Seconded Alister Metherall/Lisa Hancock***4. Declaration of additional items of General Business**

No additional general business was submitted prior to the meeting. Beverley Holder (Wellington) spoke briefly to the costs associated with needing an Event Director. The matter was not revisited during item 11.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of 2024 Annual General Meeting*Accepted by meeting - Approved/Seconded – Sarah O’Sullivan/Simon Rea***6. Matters arising from the Minutes**

None

7. Presentation and adoption of Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

The Chair spoke about the highlights of the Annual Report, specifically event numbers and membership growth which were both at all-time highs. She also discussed success on the world stage with particular mention of Zefa Fa’avae’s 2nd place at the Junior World Orienteering Championships.

The General Manager then discussed the financial summary, highlighting the key factors that led to a surplus this year – record participation leading to higher than anticipated event levy income. He also highlighted that the inability to fill the Major Event & Technical Committee Support roles had made the accounts look more flattering.

A brief discussion followed about two small changes to the report: (i) the duplication of graphs on pages 7 and 8. It was also suggested that the graphs could be better labeled. (ii) A correction in the labeling of one of the JWOC results table tiles on page 48 where on word required changing.

*The meeting then approved the Annual report including the annual financial report
- Approved/Seconded – Marc Scott/Beverley Holder*

8. Announcement of Annual Awards

The Chair shared the 2024 Annual Awards with the meeting which were recently presented at the National Championships in Christchurch.

We would like to recognise all 2025 nominees:

- Greg Bacchus (CM)
- Rachel Baker (WN)
- Nathan Borton (AK)
- James Christie (NW)
- Zefa Fa’avae (NL)
- Rob Garden (NW)
- Marquita Gelderman (NW)
- Katherine Granich (CM)
- Lisa Haycock (BP)
- Jake Hanson (WN)
- Kaye Harding (WK)
- Russell Higham (RK)
- Helen Hughes (WN)
- Carsten Jørgensen (PP)
- Joseph Lynch (PP)

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- Stuart Lynch (NW)
- Llew McGivern (CM)
- Alistar Metherall (PP)
- Ryan Moore (PP)
- Sara Prince (PP)
- Tim Robertson (HV)
- Lara Scott (PP)
- Joe Sherriff (DN)
- Briana Steven (PP)
- Paul Teesdale-Spittle (WN)
- Callum Wishart (AK)
- Jo Wood (CM)
- 2024 WOC Sprint Relay Team

MTBO of the Year Award: Rob Garden (NW)

With 3 firsts and a second in the M75 category at the World Masters 2024 MTBO Champs.

Rogainer of the Year: Sara Prince and Lara Scott. (PP)

For 2nd overall (in all categories) at the Heights of Winter event

Coach of the Year: Briana Steven (PP)

Devoted five full weeks to orienteering coaching:

- 2 weeks JWOC team in Czechia
- 1 week Southern Cross team in Australia
- 1 week for HP/U23 camp
- 1 week for Junior camp

Brighthouse Trophy: Carsten Joergensen (PP)

For best overall performance within age group category across the Nationals and Regional Championships Long Distance Events.

Junior International Performance of the Year: Zefa Fa'avae (NL)

For the top achievement by a junior individual or team in international competition in the year nominated. 2 nd Place in the JWOC Long

International Performance of the Year: Joseph Lynch (PP)

For the top achievement by a junior individual or team in international competition in the year nominated. 1st KO Sprint & Sprint Relay at Oceania, 7th Sprint at WOC

Innovation Award : Ryan Moore (PP)

Developing a new system was designed to calculate points for OY automatically including a web interface so that points could be viewed throughout the year to promote more competition.

Volunteer Service Awards

Bryan Teahan – 3yrs (2024)
Heidi Stolberger – 3yrs (2024)
Julia Moore – 3yrs (2024)
Tessa Ramsden – 6yrs (2024)
Briana Steven – 6yrs (2024)
Peter Swanson – 9yrs (2024)
Mike Beveridge – 9yrs (2024)
Bill Edwards – 9yrs (2024)
Malcolm Ingham – 9yrs (2024)

President's Award: Greg Bacchus (CM)

- For the creation of O Trax & work on Ozone

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Administrator of the Year Award: Kaye Harding (WK)

- 11 years as treasurer for Waikato
- Overseeing pre-entries for events since the start of Covid
- Organising printing of maps
- Setting courses each year
- Many days marketing and upgrading tracks for the 'Save the Sanctuary Rogaine'

Services to ONZ Award: Russell Higham (RK)

- Dedication to orienteering as a member of the ONZ Technical Committee, former Event Liaison Officer, ONZ Health and Safety Officer, Mapper, Event Setter and Controller.

9. Approval of updated Orienteering New Zealand Constitution

The Chair reminded the meeting that the primary purpose of updating the ONZ Constitution was to meet the requirements of the new 2022 Incorporated Societies Act. She also noted that the new version contained some tidying up of wording. The Chair then summarised all the key changes between the previous and new version of the constitution.

The meeting then approved the updated Constitution

- Approved/Seconded – Lisa Haycock/Alister Metherall

10. Announcement of the new ONZ Board Members

The Chair reminded the meeting that there were two positions members that had finished their three-year term this year – Marquita Gelderman and Peter Swanson. She thanked outgoing Board member Marquita Gelderman for her 6 years' service on the Board and announced that current Board Member Peter Swanson would be continuing on the Board but had shared his intention to stand down before the end of his term.

Sara Prince was welcomed onto the Board for the Board as an elected Board member and Dave Stewart was also welcomed as an elected Board member. Both Dave and Sara introduced themselves to the meeting.

11. Closure of the Meeting

The meeting was officially closed at 8:14pm

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