



Wellington Scottish Athletics

Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday 6th March 2019 at 6pm

Venue: Anderson Park Pavilion, Wellington Botanic Gardens

Present: Alan Stevens, Paul Rodway, Marshall Clark, Lyn Clark, Michael Wray, Sharon Wray, Stephen Day, Scott Ryland, John Leonard, Bob Stephens, Ken Howell, Jonathon Harper, Andy Ford.

Apologies: David Lonsdale, Glen Wallis, James Turner, John Skinnon, Colin Maclachlan

Minutes of Last AGM: Read and accepted – Moved Alan S sec Marshall C

Matters arising: no matters were listed as arising.

President's report: Michael commented that the club had a high functioning management committee that worked well together with a good blend of skills. He thanked Aria for her contribution and wished her well on her move.

It was pleasing that we delivered on last years focus to sell the club on its camaraderie and expertise and to make a vibrant community the essence of the Scottish brand.

The highlight of the year was the trip to Akaroa to bring back the Top Club. It was also pleasing to receive positive feedback from the race director. The party after was great with each team celebrating its own success and the success of the club.

The NIXC trip was a success with the added bonus of training top branded with Scottish in Taupo. Other highlights were the Night of Miles in the Basin Reserve for the second year run by Andy Ford and the successful Agency Group 10,000m put together by Stephen Day and Nick Horspool.

A number of competitive performances worth mentioning. Receiving the Top Club at Akaroa as well as having the largest contingent at the relays with 13 teams, more than any other club. Nick Horspool setting several masters records and securing a qualification time for the 2019 IAAF World Cross Country Champs. Fiona Hayvice running for NZ in the World Trail Running Champs. Hamish Carson running for NZ in the World Indoor Champs 3000m. Niam MacDonald and Harry Burnard running for NZ in the World Mountain Running Champs.

Daryl Bloomfield has done a great job of managing the Waterfront 5km series, and a great advert for the club.

The club's ongoing success is thanks to its volunteers so a collective thanks to those that have helped. Special thanks to those stepping down from various roles; Helen Willis, Ross Lake, Api Williams, and Jonathon Harper.

Membership remains steady and it was recommended that subscriptions be held at the same level as last year.

Marshall asked how many members do we need to stand still? Michael thought 200.

Report moved – Sharon Wray; seconded – Paul Rodway

Programme Manager's Report:

Stephen Day presented the Manager's report. The Saturday afternoon club run appeared to not be as popular as in previous years. The Shaw Baton was well up on previous years while the Vosseler fell away.

There was a need to create excitement with each of the various runs. Paul Rodway asked about the Trinity Programme. Stephen's sense was that it was a useful addition. We would be working with Paul Hewitson of WHAC and Trent Corbett from Olympic to coordinate the June, August and September events.

New events added were:

- McVilly Shield which was moved to Karori Park in order to introduce people to the field of dreams.
- September Relay on the Porirua Parkrun course
- Ballantyne Cup moved from June to early December. Nick Horspool is going to co-ordinate as new project 10miler and 5miler.

Important development in weekday sessions and incorporating Saturday and Sunday training.

The next step is to further formalise by getting the management Committee to look at resources.

3 Peaks – Andy and Chan doing a great job and looking at getting more Scottish involved.

Away trips - had 131 to Akaroa

Track and Field – Repeat the Agency Group 10,000m series, building on the strong base already established. There were questions asked about it being the NZ Champs but Stephen liked that it was a bit different.

Noted that Athletic Wellington programme is crowded and requires a lot of time and officials. Scottish could do a lot to help – the Management Committee should look to see how we can help.

Night of Miles – Andy put in a lot of hard work with minimal input from the management Committee.

Bob Stephens commented that the traditional Cross Country and Road club was moving to include track and field. Stephen commented that it was more like a club that has a winter season moving to summer events including track and field.

Alan Stevens commented about the next NZ Road Champs being 9th September. Also noted officials in crisis and the need to encourage more to help.

Financial Report:

Marshall presented the account. We had \$8000 in grants through the year and expenses weren't up so we still made a profit. There was no need to hold more reserves so we need to find a way to spend more money. Marshall thanked Todd for his support. Also commented that we need to make use of the on-line shop to avoid chasing people to pay.

Marshall moved the report be accepted and Ken Howell seconded

Constitution Update:

A number of changes were made to the constitution and presented at the meeting. These were primarily to remove the Squash Club from the Management Committee and to remove the General manager from the Management Committee. There was also an increase to the number of members on the Management Committee from 5 to 8 excluding the president and treasurer.

Marshall moved that the new constitution be accepted. All were in favour, no objections.

Election of Officers:

- a. **Patron** - Alan Stevens
- b. **President** – Michael Wray
- c. **Treasurer** – Marshall Clark
- d. **Management Committee** – Stephen Day, Amanda Broughton, Andy Ford, Simon Keller, Scott Ryland, Glen Wallis, Sharon Wray. (Aria Tong stepped down)

All were in favour and none opposed.

General Business:

There would be no Eikiden Walking Relay this year

World XC Champs would be in Bathurst NSW, 20th March, 2021

Meeting was closed at 6:57pm