



Fencing New Zealand

(Fencing New Zealand Incorporated)

Fencing New Zealand Annual General Meeting

Sunday 13th March 2022, 7pm, by Google Meet

Present: David Elder (Acting President), Amanda Hopkins (Secretary General), Mark Rance, Nicole Martin, Sam Parish, Ross Younger, Leasa Ogilvie, Kyle Macdonald, Kate Brill, Martin Brill, Sheldon Ogilvie, Claire Cooper, Stephen Peterson, Casper Howell, Grant Tweddle, Hamish Clarke, Rachel Rowlands Clarke, Russell Johnson, Una Johnson, Nathan Newton, Luke Meng

1 Apologies

Steve Martin, Alice Boyd

2 Adoption of the Minutes of 2021 AGM

Minutes were moved, as a true and accurate record Leasa/Mark, Carried

3 Matters Arising from Minutes – None

4 Acknowledgements

Acknowledge the contribution from Mark Rance to fencing in NZ for his years as President of Fencing NZ and as a Board Member. Mark stepped down as President in October 2021 due to ill health. Mark remains on the board of Oceania Fencing Confederation and on the Veterans' Committee of the FIE (International Fencing Federation) – and was recently elected as Chair of this committee.

Acknowledge two of our fencing community who passed away during the year – Russell Towns (MNZM) and Keith Mann (MNZM) – fencing stalwarts who gave so much of their lives to fencing.

5 Presentation of Annual Report – President's Report received.

- Acknowledgements as above
- Covid19 continued to impact events, but three National Open events and one age group event. Others were cancelled
- Thanks to the volunteers who continue to work on enabling fencing for our community
- New Official Mask design recognised by FIE

- Fencing NZ socks available through Mainland Fencing – who donate part of the proceeds to Fencing NZ
- Great relationship with Drug Free Sport NZ and many fencers have completed the e-learning courses
- 2022 has started positively with National events underway in preparation for the Commonwealth Fencing Championships to be held in London in August. Thanks to Grant Tweddle for his significant work on this.
- Thanks to past Regional Presidents – Vanda Symon and Richard Johnstone for their work over the past years
- Thanks to the Board of Fencing NZ and to the Commissions for their work over the year

Report moved David Elder/Stephen Peterson

6 Presentation of Financial Statements

Activity –

- No teams sent abroad for 2nd year in a row.
- Many international competitions cancelled or relocated
- Domestic activity – 3 open national events and 1 age group event were held in 2021, the remaining championships were cancelled. Two camps – one in January and one in July were held in Auckland – assisted with funding from a Fencing NZ camp grant
- Coaching camps – 2 held alongside the Auckland camps, plus online camps
- Planning for 2022 events, including the Commonwealth Championships

Revenue -

- Donation/grant from Sport NZ was split over 2020/2021
- 2021 affiliation receipts were similar to 2020 despite the \$20 discount for renewals – this was due to increased membership numbers by around 35%
- \$20 discount to be applied on renewals for 2022

Costs –

- Camp grant to North
- Equipment – Duty/GST on FIE donated equipment, plus postage. This was for 2 years of equipment as shipment was delayed in 2020
- Traveling cost – receipt of refund for flights cancelled in March 2020
- Admin fees include accounting fees
- Insurance expense – Fencing NZ paid for the Material and Liability insurance for all Regions for the 2nd year
- Legal Fees – legal fees to advise on matters raised with fencing NZ during the year

Overall, funds increased by around \$500 for the year.

Report received and approved. Moved Amanda/Ross. Carried

7 **Election of Officers** – three Board positions up for elections in 2021

President – one nomination received for David Elder

Secretary General – one nomination received for Amanda Hopkins

Board Member – one nomination received for Steve Martin

No ballot was required. Above Board Members appointed for a term of 4 years.

8 **Appointment of Treasurer** – Board recommends the appointment of Stephen Peterson from 1 July 2022

Moved David/Nathan Newton. Carried

9 **General Business** –

No items of General Business were received.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm