

Board Update May 2016

The Board met on Friday 22 April in Auckland. The meeting included an operational update related to the Community Team presented by Amie O'Brien. The update focused on the planned work for the 2016-17 year with some initiatives subject to suitable funding being available. Whilst the lack of financial resourcing remains a challenge, the Community Team continues to focus on how they can contribute positively to our club and centre communities.

Health and Safety

The Board noted work was continuing in developing templates for Clubs and Centres.

Finance and Membership

The first draft of the end of year financial statements was reviewed and the forecast is still a considerable deficit. The annual audit is now underway as the accounts are finalised.

Membership Levy

All feedback that the CE and Chair have received has been circulated to the Board. The CE has responded to all feedback.

AGM

The Board noted that the Board application process was due to start 90 days out from the AGM in early May. The Club Connect draft programme was reviewed by the Board in terms of any strategic areas it wished to have consideration.

Strategic Matters

Event Strategy Feasibility

Mayo and Calder presented to the Board on their feasibility study and recommendations. The CE will now lead the staff to prepare recommendation to the Board at the June meeting. The Board noted that there is no budget for the current financial year for development of new events or products. However this should not be a deterrent in presenting a proposal to the Board.

Strategic Plan Review

The draft schedule of activity for the development of the new strategic plan was generally agreed, with the CE to look at how to capture a wider audience involvement given the funding constraints. This could be through consulting with individuals and in particular people that have provided feedback around the levy change may have an interest in being included in the consultation.

High Performance Strategy Development

The HP Strategic Planning Day was held on 20 and 21 April in conjunction with High Performance Sport NZ. The HP team are highly valued by HPSNZ, which is a positive sign heading into the next funding 4 year cycle.

It was noted that the CWGA 's decision to limit athlete entry numbers to the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games would have an impact on these plans. The NZOC will be limited to an athlete quota for NZ entries and Athletics NZ has already raised concern as to how this will be managed by the NZOC.

Other Matters

IAAF

Maria Clarke has been appointed as the Chair of the IAAF Legal Commission and also Chair of the Governance Review Working Group. Trevor Spittle and Debbie Strange have also been appointed to the Competition and Coaches Commissions.

Rules Committee

Following the 2015 NZ Cross Country Championships the Rules Committee received submissions proposing several changes to the Regulations governing the Cross Country Championships. There were four main aspects to these proposals:

1. A change to a distance of 10 km for the Men and Women events, in line with the recent (November 2015) IAAF change for these grades (IAAF Rule 250.4).
2. Introduction of a reduced distance of 6 km for Masters Men (M65+).
3. A reduction in the Centre Team size for Men from 10 to 8 athletes (as for all other grades) and a reduction in the counting members from 6 to 4 (as for all other grades).
4. Clarification of the Regulations with respect to post-entry changes to the composition of Centre Teams.

The recommended changes to Regulations C6 and C9 were agreed by the Board.

During the consultation process several submissions drew attention to the statement in current Regulations C6.1.2 (Note c) and C9.1.3 (Note c) that “A competitor having declined selection for their Centre shall not be permitted to compete as an individual.” It was considered to be discriminatory and in violation of any principle of natural justice.

The Board agreed with the recommendation to remove the words from C6.1.2 (Note c) and C9.1.3 (Note c) as a matter of urgency and to do so under urgency as is allowed for in Constitution Clause 31.3.

Records Noted by the Board

The Board took great pleasure in noting the following records and the continued strong performances of our athletes at home and overseas.

Name	Achievement	Event	Measure	Venue	Date of Performance
Rosa Flanagan	Women U20	5000m	15:52.10	Auckland	15/12/2015
Eliza McCartney	National Women	Pole Vault	4.65m	Brisbane	17/01/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women U20	Pole Vault	4.65m	Brisbane	17/01/2016
Julia Ratcliffe	Women Resident	Hammer	68.70m	Auckland	7/02/2016
Jacko Gill	Men Resident	Shot Put	20.83m	Christchurch	8/02/2016
Nicholas Willis	Men Indoors	1 mile	3:51.06	New York	20/02/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women Resident	Pole Vault	4.71m	Auckland	23/02/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women U20	Pole Vault	4.71m	Auckland	23/02/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women National	Pole Vault	4.71m	Auckland	23/02/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women Allcomers	Pole Vault	4.71m	Auckland	23/02/2016
Tomas Walsh	Men Resident	Shot Put	20.91m	Auckland	25/02/2016
Julia Ratcliffe	Women Resident	Hammer	69.27m	Hamilton	27/02/2016
Tanya Murray	Women U17	Javelin	45.53m	Dunedin	4/03/2016
Tomas Walsh	Men Resident	Shot Put	21.11m	Dunedin	4/03/2016
Fiona Morrison	Women Resident	100m Hurdles	13.21	Dunedin	5/03/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women Resident	Pole Vault	4.80m	Dunedin	5/03/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women U20	Pole Vault	4.80m	Dunedin	5/03/2016

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Eliza McCartney	Women Allcomers	Pole Vault	4.80m	Dunedin	5/03/2016
Nneka Okpala	Women National	Triple Jump	13.89m	Melbourne	5/03/2016
Oliver Miller	Men U17	300m Hurdles	37.36	Dunedin	6/03/2016
Lucy Sheat	Women U17	200m	23.75	Dunedin	8/03/2016
Lucy Sheat	Women U18	200m	23.75	Dunedin	8/03/2016
Lucy Sheat	Women U19	200m	23.75	Dunedin	8/03/2016
Julia Ratcliffe	Women Resident	Hammer	69.93m	Auckland	14/03/2016
Julia Ratcliffe	Women Allcomers	Hammer	69.93m	Auckland	14/03/2016
Eliza McCartney	Women Indoors	Pole Vault	4.70m	Oregon	17/03/2016
Tomas Walsh	Men Indoors	Shot Put	21.78m	Oregon	18/03/2016
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Nneka Okpala	Women National	Triple Jump	13.91m	Sydney	2/04/2016
Rochelle Coster	Women National	100m Hurdles	13.10	Sydney	3/04/2016

Regards
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Board Chair