

Athletics Waikato-Bay of Plenty – Children’s Section

Minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2015 at the Cambridge Athletics Clubrooms at the conclusion of the Pentathlon event.

Proxy Votes received: Denise Taylor (Whakatane), Margaret Holcroft (Putaruru), Jo Davidson (Putaruru)

In the absence of a Chair Joan Rawnsley was appointed to Chair the meeting.

Meeting opened at 3.20p.m.

PRESENT: Joan Rawnsley (Chair), Peter Rawnsley, Ruth Kaiwhata, Karen Lucas, Jenna Wetere, Sally Kerr, Sandra Murray, Sandra Hawker, Tom Powell, Renè Otto, Denise Taylor, Inneke Cumming, Andrew Langman, Donna Howitt, Jo Davidson, Heath Paintin, Jude Trumm, Bruce Habgood, Junior Kaimoana, Owen Roper, Margaret Holcroft

CLUBS REPRESENTED: Paeroa, Fairfield, Te Awamutu, Hinemoa, Tokoroa, Greerton, Whakatane, Te Kuiti, Cambridge, Bellevue, Matamata, Te Aroha

APOLOGIES: Nellie Engels, Michelle Sweeney, Wendy Monk, Ethney Barnaby, Dave O’Keeffe, Phil Jenkins ‘Move that the apologies be accepted’ S Murray/J Davidson

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: deemed a true and accurate record. D Taylor/D Howitt

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

- Change of account name and signatories completed
- Raffle: delay at printing due to illness, for distribution at the Relay Champs. Need volunteers – ideally Gr 12, 13 athletes - to sell tickets at the Porritt Classic
- Gr 14-U18 IP – NI Centre invitations sent, nomination form posted on AWBoP website

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Email: - various clubs, general queries
- various clubs, Colgate Champs queries
 - various clubs, Relay Champs information
 - Competition Committee, Colgate Games information
 - Competition Committee, Colgate Games passwords for all affiliated clubs
 - Competitions Committee, abbreviation for the Tokoroa Blades TOKA
 - Alan McDonald re Ngaruawahia possibly starting a community fun athletics club
 - Cambridge Club – Pentathlon information
 - Bellevue Club, difficulty getting lycra bottle green shorts
 - Alan McDonald, Children’s Raffle
 - Bellevue/Greerton Ribbon Day information for circulation
 - Lake City Ribbon Day information for circulation
 - Te Awamutu Ribbon Day information and request for assistance
 - Gr 12, 13 Interprovincial Invitation received from Otago Centre
 - Steve Rees-Jones, Administrator, re use of Porritt Stadium 26, 27 Nov 2016 for Special Olympics

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- Postal: - Relay Champs forms to Waihi, Orini, Putaruru Clubs
- Email: - various clubs responses to questions and information
- all clubs, information on Colgate Games
 - individual clubs, Colgate Games password assigned to their club
 - various clubs, responses to Colgate Games queries
 - non affiliated (ANZ) individual clubs, reminder to affiliate
 - all clubs, ANZ member levies
 - all clubs, Pentathlon information and registration form
 - Bellevue club, re shorts and options within Children’s Committee Rules
 - Alan McDonald re Children’s Raffle
 - all clubs, invitation to Bellevue/Greerton, Lake City, Te Awamutu Ribbon Days

- all clubs, review of matters arising following the Matamata Ribbon Day
- all clubs, Relay Champs entry form, information and Rules, Walks Champs entry form
- Steve Rees-Jones, Administrator, Gr12,13 IP land Gr14-U18 IP nomination forms for website
- all clubs, Children's Incentive Scheme and Ribbon Day attendance

'Move to accept the inward correspondence and approve the outward correspondence'

D Taylor/J Davidson

REPORTS:

Matamata Ribbon Day – see attached

Concern expressed re dogs at Ribbon Days – the majority in attendance at this meeting have voted for NO DOGS at Ribbon Days. It is suggested that Ribbon Day hosts add this comment to their programme. It is also suggested that people lobby their local councils to display signs re dogs at Public Grounds.

Bellevue/Greerton Ribbon Day – see attached

General discussion re a noted increase in the abuse to officials – please respect those who have put their hand up to help. If asked to move as a spectator, please do so, especially related to safety concerns at field events.

Urge Children's officials to attend a senior meet (Fairfield on 27 February) to get signed off, as all officials have to have attended a training session before September next year.

Feedback on Senior T&F event following the Ribbon Day – felt very hurried, pressure to get finished, did not have time to have relays. Concern that senior athletes were warming up on the track. Although in the Senior programme, did not hold hurdles or the walk. It was observed that there were low numbers of athletes at the senior Meet. Positives – high school athletes were competing with the 14yr olds. If the Senior meet had started at 4p.m. there would have been time to relays.

To discuss further at Mid Winter Forum.

Lake City Ribbon Day – see attached

General discussion – desperately short of qualified officials. Difficult to get even one graded official to run an event. May need to look at not running some events in the future if not enough officials. To discuss further at Mid Winter Forum.

Abusive parents – clubs to go back to their parents re speaking to officials and referees.

Referee's job may need to be listed on the ribbon day programme. Referee to wear a high vis vest with Referee to help identify person.

Many children not being taught how to do field events correctly - ? hold training sessions for Gr 7-8 at Ribbon Days prior to Christmas instead of competition. To discuss further at Mid Winter Forum

Jennings Cup – see attached

Te Awamutu Ribbon Day – see attached

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Election of Children's Chair – no nominations received

Election of Team Managers

It was 'moved to hold a paper vote for the election of managers'

M Holcroft/D Taylor

It was 'moved to elect Tom Powell and Sandra Murray as scrutineers'

J Trumm/D Howitt

a) Gr 12, 13 female managers elected were Rachel Holcroft, Steph Crofskey, Ruth Kaiwhata, Michelle McDonald

Gr 12, 13 male managers elected were Steve Sartin, Junior Kaimoana, David Tims, Tere Campbell

b) Gr14-U18 female managers elected were Denise Taylor, Joan Rawsley, Ruth Kaiwhata

With the withdrawal of Peter Rawsley from the Male managers, a vote was not required, the male managers will be Tom Powell, Owen Roper and Rene Otto.

It was "elected to destroy the voting papers after counting"

D Taylor/R Kaiwhata

The Children's executive will elect the Chief Manager of each group.

2. Interprovincials

- Alan McDonald to touch base with the Gr 12, 13 Team Managers to arrange a day to put training processes in place so expectations are known by all the managers.

- Encourage all Gr 12, 13 athletes to put forward nominations, do not let a child say they are not good enough. It does not have anything to do with placings in events, rather the points they earn competing.

It is up to the Selectors to make the decision on athlete selection.

Performances before Christmas can be very different to after Christmas as there may have been a growth spurt over the holidays.

- Encourage Gr 12 boys to put in forms, there may be a shortage in this age group.
- Trip to Dunedin may cost up to \$400.00, funding applications have been sent. Encourage clubs to help fund raise with raffles and BBQ to raise funds for their own athletes.
- Contact Jo Davidson for further information for Gr 12, 13 IPs (contact details on the nomination form)
- Contact Denise Taylor for information for Gr 14-U18 IPs (contact details on the nomination form)

3. Relay Champs roster - provisional

Further appointments, and final allocation of responsibilities will be determined once the final number of clubs and team entries have been received by Sandra Murray, competition secretary.

We are still desperately short of officials and general helpers – contact Margaret Holcroft if able to help.

Meeting Manager	- Jenna Wetere		
Meeting Referees	- Field: Jo Davidson with Ruth Kaiwhata		
	- Track: Joan Rawnsley		
Jury of Appeal	- Joan Rawnsley, Jo Davidson,		
Track Umpires	-		
Announcer	- Denise Taylor		
Secretary	- Sandra Murray, Alison Bussey		
Field Relay Results	- Andrew Langman		
Starters	- Bruce Habgood, ?John Charlton		
Starter's Assistant	- Hinemoa		
Starter's Referee	-		
Photo Finish	- Tom Powell, Rawinia Amaru		
Finish Line	- Te Aroha		
Recording	- Te Awamutu		
Marshals	- Stephen Taylor		
Relay Changes	- Change 1	chief:	club: Fairfield x 4
	- Change 2	chief:	club: Hinemoa x 4
	- Change 3	chief: Jude Trumm	club: Te Awamutu x 4
	- Change 4 (Medley only)		club: Te Aroha x 4
Field Events	Long Jump A	= chief: Michelle Sweeney	club: Fairfield
	Long Jump B	= chief:	club: Frankton
	Discus A	= chief: Nic Howitt	club: Hinemoa
	Discus B	= chief: Sally Kerr	club: Cambridge
	Shot put A	= chief: Ethney Barnaby	club: Tokoroa x 2
	Shot put B	= chief: Phil Jenkins	club: Tokoroa x 1
Race Walk Judges	Margaret Holcroft, Jo Davidson, Stephen Taylor		
Officials Lunches	- Fairfield		
	all clubs to provide three plates of food, two savoury, one sweet or fruit, the savoury to be substantial ie filled rolls or sandwiches rather than just crackers		
Programme Selling	- Hinemoa		
Set Up	-) Fairfield		
Clean up	-) Fairfield		
BBQ	-) Fairfield		\$2.00 per sausage
Shop	-) Frankton		(Matamata unable to do it)
	Fairfield can purchase items.		
	Hinemoa to send through shopping list from last year and comments for the club running the shop		
Float	- Jo Davidson to arrange float for shop, BBQ and programme		
Printing of Programme	- Denise Taylor (Beta Imaging)		
Ceremonial/Podium	- ?Bianca Kruger		
Medals (collect)	- Margaret Holcroft		
Certificates	- Margaret Holcroft		
First Aid	-		
	Ice and plastic bags:		
Runners	-		
Note:	Programme on sale for \$3.00		

Relay Champs Uniforms

Clubs are reminded to present in correct uniform, if not compliant, the athlete will be disqualified.

The AWBoP Children's Competition Rules state:

- 3) All children competing, from Grade 5 upwards, must wear the full approved club uniform, which includes a current Colgate Grade/Age Flash. Approval to compete in a non-complying uniform must be obtained from the Referee of the meeting, prior to the start of competition. Colgate Grade flash is to have the athlete's name clearly marked on it and **be sewn onto uniform top front**. The uniform will consist of a top, being either a singlet, T shirt or crop top, and bottom being shorts of rugby type, bike pant or briefs. Manufacturer Brands are permitted but 'Franchise' brands such as NRL, Chiefs etc are not permitted. Baggy surf, basketball, designer type shorts and shorts with school or sports club logos on the shorts are prohibited. All garments must be above the knee. Under garments must be above the knee, visible garments worn under the uniform must be black, or white, or the dominant colour of the club uniform as per NZCAA Colgate Rules. If undergarments are worn, must wear the full club uniform over the top.
- 4) No competitor up to and including grade 9, is permitted to wear running shoes capable of taking spikes, track shoes with the spike sole plate replaced by a rubber sole or track shoes with moulded grips are permitted, (shoes with spikes must be removed by those grade 10 & over when not actually competing). A competitor must ensure the correct spike size is used at each track. Children competing within the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Centre are able to wear any track or road shoes when competing during a meeting with only Grade 10 and above permitted to wear spikes. (To be in line with current NZCAA Track Rules No 1(b))

Relay Changes

If, after entries have been submitted, and wholesale changes to teams are being made, could clubs please submit all the amended entries to Sandra Murray again.

4. Relay Team 4x100m combinations approved
 - Frankton/Hinemoa Gr 14 Boys, Gr 12, Girls, Gr 12 Boys
 - Matamata/Morrinsville Gr 10 Girls
 - Otorohanga/Tokoroa Gr 7 Girls, Gr 9 Girls
 - Matamata/Te Aroha Gr 14 Girls
 - Bellevue/Greerton

5. Uniforms

- a) Tokoroa Blades dispensation – will add the word Blades to their next order of singlets
- b) Whakatane change to uniform, illustration shown, blue and yellow colour and name remain the same, yellow pattern added, approved by all present.

6. Lion Foundation funding

It was “moved to apply for funding from the Lion Foundation for accommodation expenses for the Grade 12, 13 Interprovincial team travelling to Dunedin at Easter 2016” M Holcroft/S Kerr
Approved by all present

7. Ribbon Day issue of ribbons

Reminder to clubs hosting a Ribbon Day to ensure there is a short distance race dedicated to sort out those who have not received ribbons and run them in a separate race.

8. Mt Maunganui Club in recess ?winding up and equipment.

Bruce Habgood to contact a Mt Maunganui representative to organise a stocktake of the equipment. A decision to be made where the equipment goes ?Mt Maunganui College.

Other Matters:

- a) Sports Academy based in the Bay, can become an affiliated club with ANZ and be a closed club. Some schools in NZ are affiliated to ANZ and only those attending that school can be members.
- b) It was suggested that the Children's Minutes be placed on the AWBoP website for all to have access.
- c) Clubs with a Sportsground link should look at their Club Site. One of the clubs has found an icon was disabled so emails going in were blocked so potential enquiries were not being received. It was suggested to send an email to test the link.

The next meeting will be on February 27 at the conclusion of the Fairfield Ribbon Day.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.20p.m.

Margaret Holcroft
Secretary

Ribbon Day @ Rotorua 14 November 2015

Unlike last year the weather was kind for this year's event hosted by Lake City. The track, while grass, was well marked and in good condition, as were the various field event competition areas. Events started at 10am and were finished just after 3pm. Tapes assisted in keeping non-competitors off the competition areas.

The clubs & numbers that attended yesterday were:

Katikati	3	Hawks	2	Whakatane	22
Lake City	77	Greerton	25	Bellevue	10
Taupo	6	Hinemoa	11	Fairfield	12
Te Awamutu	12	Putaruru	3	Matamata	13
Cambridge	7	Otorohanga	2	Morrinsville	2
Tokoroa	25	Paeroa	4	Papamoa	1

Total: 238

Lake City provided officials/helpers along with people from Tokoroa, Matamata, Putaruru, Greerton & Bellevue who acted as officials and ran some of the events. The Ribbon day program was adjusted by the deletion of hurdle and walk events and with field events being limited to two attempts, thus enabling the program to finish by about 3pm.

Appeals were made for assistance with some events and it was not possible to ascertain how many qualified officials there were.

The adequacy of official numbers may need to be looked and it is suggested that this problem be considered at the time the "Ribbon Day Planning & Check List" is prepared.

Incorrect measuring was observed in the long jump and shot put and (if not already) it is suggested that the requirements be included in the information for each event and/or in official training.

Club uniforms were not a major issue this year and of the few who did not have club uniform identification was generally possible.

Information was provided prior to the Ribbon Day with Wendy Monk being the Meeting Manager and Denise Taylor being the announcer. I understand that the Lake City committee consists of only three persons. All involved are to be congratulated.

Mike Burkinshaw

Referee

Te Awamutu Ribbon Day held on 21 Nov 2015

Unfortunately for Te Awamutu this was the second year in a row that the day was windy and wet.

This ribbon day is always smaller than others still there were dedicated athletes competing from clubs (over 55 were from Te Awamutu). The officials meeting was called at 9.50am with representatives from the clubs arriving promptly so the day could get underway to try and beat the weather. At the meeting it was decided that 10 year olds would not be offered high jump as it would not be safe and if the older athletes slipped it would be totally cancelled, there were not many athletes so the continued without incident. 7 year olds would only be able to do discus if time permitted. A few uniform exemptions were granted.

With the inclement weather parents were permitted in the competition area to hold jackets & umbrellas. The program was altered and as one age group finished a field events whoever was free was called and track age groups were swapped to accommodate the field events. All the changes meant the relays were on the track 1.30pm. As there is only one discus cage the last of the age groups were not finished until after 2pm, thanks must go to Cambridge officials who have stood out in the rain two years in a row long after the other events have finished.

The ribbon day has plenty of competent helpers so the grounds were set out appropriately and the event ran very smoothly. All events were completed by 2.30pm .

Thanks

Jo Davidson

Referee

Matamata Ribbon Day

Held on 28th October 2015.

Track very well presented – the shift to eight lanes on the circular track and all events held there worked well with the mini club on the other track.

Long Jump – need to get water – wither a hose or watering cans.

Discus – sectors – also just need double checking

Athletes 223, from 18 clubs.

Concern re dogs attending ribbon days – is this the right place for dogs?

Once again uniform issues – shorts, (type and length); pinned age flashes.

Some time spent with athletes on crouch starts. However, it was the beginning of the season.

Some athletes not wearing ribbons or they were on the athletes back. Mum did not compete in the events.

Great day Matamata, one again a great lunch.

Thanks to Matamata for hosting the Ribbon day.

Joan Rawnsley

Referee

Bellevue/Greerton Ribbon Day

Held on 7 November 2015 at the Tauranga Domain.

Weather fine, track and field presented in excellent conditions.

254 athletes from 18 clubs in attendance.

No formal first aid, but when required, a St John first-aider/official stepped in to help.

Too many athletes still not in correct uniform – shorts - NRL shorts the main problem but also the length particularly Gr 7 and Gr 14 girls – shorts must be athletic style above the knee.

A couple of clubs had issues with no uniform or age flashes, this is fine so long as we know beforehand.

Of more concern was a couple of instances of officials being abused. If you are not happy, please speak to the referee, it is their job to deal with it. On the other hand, if you are asked by an official to move out of the competition zone, please move, it is for your own safety and now the Health and Safety Act is in force for events such as these, it falls back on the organizer.

Officials were on the short side but volunteers came forward with each group.

With the Senior Track and Field event following, we were under a bit of time pressure and a decision was made to cancel the relays. The time pressure resulted in a rather large group starting the 800m but no problems.

The positives were allowing the older athletes to participate in the senior event and our children's officials to help at the senior's level and be able to be signed off for their training.

Good day – well done to Bellevue and Greerton Clubs.

Joan Rawnsley

Referee

Jennings Cup held on 21 November 2015

From 591 registered athletes in the East Bay area, 187 entries were received from the 6 clubs who entered the competition, possibly only 160 presented on the day.

It was a great day, a late start due to a loose wire.

Weather deteriorated over the day with light rain from 2p.m.

Competition finished by 3p.m., once clean up completed, clubs were home by 5p.m.

12 records were broken, including a 1995 record held by Brent Newdick. An outstanding effort by Grade 11 boys Katikati twins Daniel and Sean Nicholson who both broke the old 1500m record of 5:01.00 with a new time of 4:45.00

There were 10 race walkers and 4 who did triple jump.

Greerton Club was 1st, Tauranga Ramblers 2nd, Bellevue 3rd, Katikati 4th, Te Puke 5th and Omokoroa 6th, no entries received from Papamoa Club.
