

**MINUTES for the 80th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of ATHLETICS WAIKATO-BAY of PLENTY
held in Cambridge on Sunday, 10th August 2025 at 12:00pm**

PRESENT:

Andrew Langman (President/ Chair of AGM), Dianne Rodger, Murray Green, Jarvy Aoake, Brett Addison, Kevin Bradley, Criss Strange, Debbie Strange, Malcolm Taylor, Murray Clarkson, Fay Riley, Jonny McKee, Malcolm Smith, Annie Jones, Barrie Jennings, Iain Rattray, Bruce Cortesi, Kerry Hill, Veronica Maree, Margaret Fisher, Paul Signal, Aynslee Rodger, Alana Wells, Kevin Endres, Matthew Strange, Kim Mickle

APOLOGIES:

Sally Kerr (Board Chair), Ruth Tuiraviravi, John Tylden, Nellie Engels, Sarah Watson, Joan Rawnsley, David Rawnsley, Jayson Benge, Donna Howitt, Heather O'Hagan, Glenn Sexton, Shona Dewson, Ashley Taylor, Kelly Diprose, Maxine Chappell, Phil Jenkins, Inneke Cumming

MINUTES of the 79^h AGM, 25th August 2024 ~ Brett Addison MOVED and Murray Clarkson SECONDED that the minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting be confirmed as a true and correct record.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Matters arising from the 2024 AGM minutes - there were no matters arising.

REPORTS

The following reports were presented in the Annual Report and tabled as read

- **Board Chair**
- **Track & Field**
- **Cross Country and Road**
- **Officials**
- **Development & Events Coordinator**
- **Coaches**
- **CoachForce**
- **Children**
- **Masters**
- **Finance**
 - The accounts presented are the draft set of financials and due to be submitted to the auditor, Matley Audit Ltd for review week of 11 August. Once completed this will be attached to the Annual Report and circulated to clubs and will be presented at the Special General Meeting planned for late October/November.

- A question was raised about level of grants and whether the Centre had been unsuccessful on obtaining any grants. No applications had been made other than to Hamilton City Council and Trust Waikato, with grants being a focus for this next financial year.
- Rotorua Marathon levy was raised as this is no longer income for the Centre. This was negotiated between Athletics NZ and the Board through many meetings before coming to this decision. The Levy system we have in place has been discussed by the Operations Committee and to be put to the Board for consideration on whether this is outdated now.

FINANCIAL REVIEWER

Matley Audit Ltd

Andrew Langman MOVED Murray Green SECONDED that Matley Audit Ltd be approved as Auditor for the next financial year. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AWARDS

- Official of the Year was awarded to Brett Addison
- Waikato-Bay of Plenty Service Award - presented to Nellie Engels, Margaret Fisher, George Chambers, and Paul Signal
- **Life Member – Pam Kenny and Ray Young**
Dianne Rodger provided a summary of service support confirmation of Life Membership for Pam Kenny with Malcolm Taylor providing a summary of service support confirmation of Life Membership for Ray Young.

The meeting confirmed the Life Membership nomination unanimously.

Athletics WBOP Track & Field Trophy Recipients 2024-2025

Gallichan Cup	Athlete gaining the most points in Senior Men and Women and U20M/U20W grades	Ben Bidois
AWBOP Colts Shield	Most points in U18M grade	Hemi Peachey
Sue Drummond Shield	Most points in U18W grade	Jamie Fell
Keith Falla Memorial Trophy	Winner Senior Men's 800m Waikato-BoP Champs	Ben Bidois
John L Davies Memorial Trophy	Winner Senior Men's 1500m Waikato-BoP Champs	Ben Bidois
Official of the Year		Brett Addison

ELECTION of OFFICERS

The following were declared elected

Elected Board Member – Kevin Endres

Kevin gave a brief introduction on his background from starting in the sport in the '80s in midget grade as it was then. He is a member of Hamilton City Hawks and has two boys involved in the sport and coaches a group of athletes from Hillcrest. Kevin comes onto the Board with a background of school governance plus extensive background in event management over many sports.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – the following were appointed:

- Criss Strange (Track and Field)
- Kerry Hill (Coaching)
- Malcolm Taylor (Road and Cross Country)
- Teresa Mumby (Children)
- Sarah Watson (Children)
- Iain Rattray (Masters)
- Ruth Tuiraviravi (Officials)

ARBITRATION PANEL

The following were appointed as members of the arbitration panel:

- Brett Addison (convenor)
- Murray Green
- Iain Rattray
- Debbie Strange

A representative from Childrens needs to be added to the panel – Dianne to follow up with Childrens.

OFFICIALS COORDINATORS

- Ruth Tuiraviravi

SELECTORS – the following were appointed:

- Brett Addison, Murray Green and Michael Pugh (Track and Field)
- Malcolm Taylor, Veronica Maree (Road and XC)

Another selector can be co-opted if required – Dianne to contact Matthew Parsonage and Steve Rees-Jones to see if one of them would be interested.

Andrew Langman MOVED Malcolm Taylor SECONDED that the above positions be approved.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REMITTS

- No remits submitted

REGISTRATION FEES

- AWBOP Registration fees for 2026-2027 confirmed that they remain the same as current levies.

Acknowledgements

Andrew acknowledged Board Chair, Sally Kerr that completed her term as of this AGM date and did not seek re-election. Andrew outlined Sally's input since the inception of the Board in 2020 and thanked her for her input during her time on the Board particularly her leadership as Chair. The Board will acknowledge Sally at a later date when she returns from a long overdue holiday.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty Draft Constitution
Andrew thanked those who provided feedback on the draft constitution that was circulated prior to the AGM for feedback. There were four main points that were questioned which will be updated in draft and circulated with the minutes from the AGM giving clubs another chance to provide feedback. Once close off date for feedback is reached the final draft of the Constitution will be circulated prior to the Special AGM planned for late October/November.
 1. Proxies – do we have them? If yes, do we limit. Feedback was that this wasn't necessary and wasn't good governance.
 2. Patron to be added.
 3. For WBOP Board it means adding extra member moving to 7 in total. At present it is 5 plus President.
 4. Other regions every member club gets 2 votes and if club membership is over 100 and extra vote is allowed by the club. Do we need it? Feedback was yes but cap the maximum number of votes a club can have.
- Lloyd & Kath Christie Fund – the Centre was notified that we are the recipients through the Acorn Foundation of funds left to the Centre by the late Lloyd Christie.
Lloyd Christie was a past President of Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty 2008-09 and Patron of Athletics Tauranga Inc He began his athletic career in Matamata winning a Junior Waikato Steeplechase title in the late 1940's and placing second in the Mount Maunganui King of the Mountain race in 1953 representing Matamata. The Christie Family Trust was one of the major contributors to the Tauranga All Weather Athletics Track being the initial construction of the facility and the resurfacing of the same at Tauranga Domain. Lloyd Christie was Chairperson of the Tauranga Millennium Track Trust for a term and served on the committee of Tauranga Ramblers Harrier Club and was known for his wise counsel and advice for the club and its members. He actively ran as a veteran athlete and was a Champion of his Oropi Cross Country Course.
- Reminder to those present and to clubs about the Athletics NZ AGM being held in Cambridge, Sunday 31 August at 8.30am at the Velodrome which is then followed by the Club Connection Conference.
- Board Members - Jarvy Aoake, Iain Rattray and Bruce Cortesi introduced themselves.

- Kim Mickle (Coach Force Development Manager - Bay of Plenty) and Barrie Jennings (AWBOP Development & Events Coordinator) introduced themselves outlining their roles.

Close of meeting from President Andrew Langman

Andrew acknowledged the contribution of everyone involved in our sport, and thanked everyone for attending the AGM.

Andrew Langman declared the 80th AGM closed at 1.20pm