



Colin Pugh Sportsbowl
PO Box 375, Masterton

Twenty fifth Annual General Meeting, 25 June 2025

President's Report

I am very pleased to be able to present another encouraging annual report with positive and optimistic things to say about the club.

Firstly it is our 25th anniversary year and that's an achievement in itself. We may have had one or two rough patches as a club but we have reached this milestone unscathed and forward looking.

Of course an anniversary of this significance cannot go without commemoration and we will be having a formal celebration on Sunday 7th December - so that is an important date for your diaries. Your committee has established a sub committee to look at the planning of the event and much information will be forthcoming when they firm up on their ideas. I can say though that the event will be held here, including the wider Sportsbowl and we want to encourage as many present and past members and their families to come along.

Another piece of good news in that the club has achieved registration under the 2022 Incorporated societies legislation. Most of the work done that regard was done by Graeme Tindall and i would like to express my personal and the club's sincere thanks for his efforts.

At last year's AGM, a motion to admit the BMX club to ACM was deferred to a subsequent special general meeting and I can confirm that the motion in favour was passed unanimously at that meeting. So we're very pleased to welcome this new adjunct and Kane's report is included amongst your papers.

The club was very successful at last year's Wairarapa Times-Age sports awards with Graeme Butcher winning the Lifetime Achievement award (the second club member after Rod Sutherland), Carol MacDonald winning the Administrator of the Year award and in the wider context Jorge Sandoval winning the Lifetime Achievement award at the Wellington regional sports awards.

Unfortunately the club itself was unsuccessful in the 'club of the year's category but is again a finalist for this year's event. We also have a number of other finalists – Gavin Champion and Wyatt Halliday with Mark Jerling representing the multi sport club and Brooke Miller in her other sport of boxing.

The club has continued to support charities with some \$2000 raised for Life Flight and in a new venture between the our cycling section and South Wairarapa Rotary Club which raised almost \$16,000 with ACM's 50% contribution being donated to the East Coast rural Support trust.

I have previously mentioned the need to attract younger members and it is pleasing to see that the Wairarapa Times-Age 5 km series has attracted quite a few younger participants and there has also been an increase of younger runners in the Wellington Interclub series.

The club has also had another good year in its sporting endeavours with a national captain, and another NZ representative, as well as several national and regional medal winners. A list of these achievements is attached to the end of this report.

The financial report will show we remain in a sound financial position. Despite the recent relatively high inflation rates, we have managed to hold our subscription levels steady over the last few years and will hope to do so again when we consider this issue later in the meeting. As always we have to balance the income we need for the continued successful running of the club against the financial pressures on members and the potential loss of income and numbers if we go too high.

As with the section reports, I thank all our very generous sponsors. I commend them to members and recommend that wherever possible and reasonable you support them too.

Finally, and as usual, I must acknowledge the role played by the committee which I think has worked well in overseeing the club's interests and management. Everyone has made significant contributions, as well performing his/her individual role of chair, secretary and treasurer very efficiently. The section representatives have also been to the fore with new ideas and their willingness to take on tasks and provide an important link to the grass roots of each section..

But this year will mark a change and I particularly wish to acknowledge the role of David Howden as chair, among the many other contributions he has made to the club over the years. Unless there has been a last minute change of heart, David has indicated he will be stepping down from that role this time.

Each AGM tends to bring along a majority of the same people and I would particularly like to acknowledge you as stalwarts of the club (not exclusively of course), because without people like you who are interested and committed, we would not have the great club we have, nor perhaps a club at all.

David Farlow

President ACM

June 2025

Sporting Achievements April 2024 – March 2025.

Harriers:

- **James Inwood** captained the NZ men's team at the IAU 24 hour Asia-Oceania championship in April 2024, helping NZ to a bronze medal position.
6th place in Connemara (Ireland) 100 (100 mile race) Aug 2024
16th man in Coast to Kosi (NSW) 240 km, Nov 2024
Invitation to Badwater ultra marathon.
- **Graeme Tindall** completed 100th marathon in Australia alone (364 overall).
Winner marathon walk, Wellington marathon. **Winner** marathon walk, Palmerton North marathon
- **Norm Chu**. Completed 115 plus career half marathons. **Winner** 70+ grade Hawkes bay half marathon. **Winner** 70+, Wellington half marathon. 3rd in grade, Wellington XC champs
- **Gavin Champion** - part of age grade NZ team at World triathlon championships
- **Tony Price**. Selected for Wellington team for national cross country championships. Third National cross country championships (65+ grade). Grade **winner** North Island cross country champs. Grade **winner** Vosseler Shield, Grade **winner** Dorne Cup; grade **winner** Wellington XC champs; grade **winner** Wellington 10km road champs; 2nd Wellington 5 km road champs. 35th in grade out of over 400 in Chicago marathon
- **Graeme Butcher**. Grade 2nd Vosseler Shield; Grade 3rd Dorne Cup; 3rd in grade, Wellington XC champs. 3rd in grade Wellington 5 km road champs; 2nd in grade, wellington 10 road champs.
- **Whana Gordon**. Selected for Wellington team for national XC champs. 2nd in garde, Wellington XC champs; 3rd in grade, Wellington marathon.
- **Darius Simpson Winner** half marathon, Iron Maori.
- **Debbie Donald – Winner** Rotorua marathon (women). Second Hawkes bay marathon.
- **Rebecca Edgecombe. Winner** Welling marathon open women's championship.
- **Sue Bankier** 2nd in grade, Canterbury XC champs.
- **Brooke Duffy winner** Under 14 girls, Anderson rally. 3rd Vosseler Shield.

- **Esther Gleeson** 3rd (under 12) Vosseler Shield.
- **Lachie Duffy** 2nd (Under 16 boys) Anderson rally
- **Mack Duffy Winner** (under 12 boys), Anderson rally

Cycling

National Road Championships Age Grade Medals

- Rex Dowding; third men's time trial
- Belinda Fuller. Third , women's road race

Hope Gibbons time trial

- ACM 'Has Beens' (Dominic Green, Tom McCallum, Are Scott, Dave Drummond) 2nd.
- ACM 'A' (, Peter James, Bill van Woerkom, Phil Sutherland, Josh Duly) 3rd
- ACM Ladies (Kirsten Goodin, Donna Burkhart, Anna Cronin, Belinda Fuller) 3rd, Women's trophy