

Minutes of Charter Club National Fours AGM Sunday 9th February 2025

Manurewa Cosmopolitan Club 5.45pm

Welcome by Mike Cassidy

Apologies: Terry Stewart, Papanui Club

A minute's silence was observed

Last years minutes were read out.

Pukekohe Cosmopolitan Club advised that they did have a member present last year.

Royce moved as correct/ Trevor Robertson (Oamaru) seconded

An application to host next year's National Fours was received from Papanui Club.

Royce from the St Johns Club put in a verbal application that they would like to host it next year.

There was quite a discussion around Papanui not attending this tournament when it is held in the North Island but wanting to host if often. Papanui haven't put a team into the North Island tournament for over three years.

A vote was made on whether next year's tournament is held at St Johns Whanganui or Papanui Club.

The majority voted for St Johns. Moved to St Johns by Royce. Seconded by Peter Seagar (Howick Club)

St Johns 2026

Papanui 2027

It was also discussed that at last year's meeting, it was decided this tournament would be held for two years in the North Island, then one year in the South Island.

Another idea was put forward about holding separate North Island/South Island tournaments then combining every third year. Nobody moved this.

There was discussion over the reason for numbers declining.

Do we need to look at a different game format? Mike suggested a remit was needed

A letter needs to be sent to Papanui advising of the 2 x NI, 1 x SI schedule

It was mentioned that this tournament is played at a busy time of the year for bowlers.

Taranaki Fours week before, Māori Bowls weekend before. But the majority of players are still happy with this time frame.

Gary Coppins advised that the Transport Levy needs to increase. It was suggested that each club charges more, but hard to do until exact numbers are confirmed.

It was discussed that at last years meeting there was talk of a major sponsor coming on board for this tournament. Mike Cassidy couldn't remember that, can this please be checked?

It was also discussed that tournament players are charged club member pricing while they are playing in these tournaments. Manurewa Cosmopolitan Club did this from the Monday, the day the tournament started.

The Judicial Committee for this tournament was

Malcolm Wright

Trevor Robertson

Jack Peel

Meeting closed 6.35pm