

AGENDA

69th Annual General Assembly of Equestrian Sports New Zealand Incorporated
Will be held at 12:45pm on Tuesday 29th September 2020
At the West Plaza Hotel, 110 Wakefield Street, Wellington

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| 1. Annual General Assembly Registration | 12.45pm |
| 2. Georgia Trent – A Youth Voice | |
| 3. Medical Standards Update – Hamish Butler Gallie and Graeme McCrory will cover updates to medical standards for all disciplines. | |
| 4. Annual General Assembly | 1.00pm |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Roll Call and Proxies • Apologies for Absence • Obituaries • Confirmation of Minutes of the 68th AGA held 25th September 2019 • Financial Report and Statement of the Audited Accounts for ESNZ 2019-2020 • Items of business of which notice has been given under Article 20.1.b of the ESNZ Constitution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Constitution Amendment Proposal • Confirmation of Officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – President – Vice-President – Patron • Confirmation of ESNZ Board • Confirmation of National Equestrian Centre Committees • Confirmation of Auditors • Confirmation of Solicitors • Awards and Honorary Life Memberships • General Business (to be notified at start of the meeting) • Close of Meeting | |
| 5. Social Hour | 2.30pm |

Georgia Trent – Netball New Zealand



A youth voice is imperative for an organisation such as ESNZ, given that a very large part of our membership base is under 19-years old. There are different schools of thought about how a youth voice should be developed in an organisation, should it be at governance level, should it be a youth council, how do we attract great young people and retain them as leaders in our sport. Netball NZ has led the way in developing a youth pathway to governance and leadership. Georgia Trent is an inspiring young woman who has been intricately involved in the development of this in Netball. The approach of a “voice” designed and developed by the young people in her sport has been shared across other sports now, and the collaboration of Netball NZ in this space has been extraordinary. We are delighted to hear the story about how this works straight from Georgia at our AGA in the hope that ESNZ will be able to learn from her and work towards a similar outcome.

Georgia is currently studying Sports Management in Dunedin and has had multiple roles in Netball as a player, coach and umpire. In the last year, Georgia was appointed to the inaugural NNZ Youth Board and was a part of the co-design process of establishing the purpose and values of the Board. The next phase involved an application to be a part of the NNZ Board and Georgia is currently an active member of the NNZ Board, bringing a youth perspective at all levels of the Netball system. With a vision to “Champion Youth Voice” this then led to a cross code group in the middle of Level 4 with NZ Rugby and NZ Cricket called Game Changers. On top of these roles, Georgia has helped NNZ present to Queensland Netball and is currently contracted to deliver the Women and Girls funded Fast 5 project for Dunedin Netball.

ESNZ CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL FOR AGA September 29TH, 2020

Situation: The current ESNZ Constitution dated 1st June 2007 (Updated 1st August 2014) is due to be updated to recognise the everchanging environment and circumstances in which the organisation operates. ESNZ is currently undertaking a Constitution Review as a result. This process naturally takes time, involving extensive consultation, and will not be able to be proposed, debated, and voted on until at least the 2021 AGA (Article 31 "Alteration to Constitution")

There is currently a clause which means ESNZ is operating outside of the letter of the law in the constitution and as such limits the way the organisation operates. The Board, in discussion with the Chief Executive Officer, needs the flexibility to determine how the organisation should be structured, and where talent, with relevant skills and experience are best deployed to meet the needs of the environment in which it operates at any given time.

Clause 15.5 Chief Executive Officer states (inter alia): For the purpose of liaising with the FEI or other national federations affiliated with the FEI the Chief Executive Officer will also hold the position of Secretary General".

Proposal: In accordance with Article 21.2(e) of the ESNZ Constitution I wish to propose that the sentence "For the purpose of liaising with the FEI or other national federations affiliated with the FEI the Chief Executive Officer will also hold the position of Secretary General" be amended in the Constitution at the AGA 2020 until the Constitution Review is completed and the panel can determine if this provision should be maintained.

The proposed amendment is to change "will" to "may". This will allow the Board flexibility to determine and deploy executive and or appropriate contractor skills where they can add most value to the organisation and will legitimize the very successful situation which has been operating for several years where the roles are currently split.

I therefore request that the AGA considers and votes to change the word "will" to "may" in Point 15.5 of the ESNZ Constitution dated 1 June 2007.

Vicki Glynn

14 August 2020