

# Minutes of the 2026 CNZ National Juniors Delegates Meeting

**Chair:** Murray Davies

**Minute Taker:** Janet McGrath

**Date:** 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Meeting Commenced:** 9:00am

**Location:** Cashmere Club

**Present:** Murray Davies (Chair), Janet McGrath (Minute Taker), Glen Lewis (Ashburton), Salesi Kaifoto (Buller), Richard Bassett (Hornby), Jess Brown (Kaiapoi), Melissa Davis (New Plymouth), Tane Tukua (Papanui), Kat McKenzie (Richmond), Catriona Beggs (Swanson), Steve Ferguson (Taradale), Wendy Thorn (Tauranga Citz), Jazmin Brown (Waikanae), Sharyn Syder (Woolston).

Welcome from Murray Davies, representative from Clubs NZ unable to attend AGM.

**Apologies:** Nil

A minute of silence in remembrance of those that have passed.

**Confirmation of previous minutes:**

Mover: Jess Brown (Kaiapoi)    Seconder: Kat McKenzie (Richmond)

**Matters arising from previous minutes:** Nil

**Applications to host:**

Letter of intent to host received from Tauranga Citizens Club to host 2027.

Wendy Thorn spoke on behalf of the club.

Congratulations to Tauranga as they were the only club to apply for the 2027 Nationals.

Kat McKenzie (Richmond Club) expressed an interest to host the 2028 Nationals.

**General Business:**

Murray spoke about the payout due to a few mutterings he had heard about the trophy event having more money allocated than the flight of the main event. He explained firstly that it is expected that the hosting club should pay out 80% of the total entry fees in

prizemoney, of that 80%, 20% of that was to be allocated to the trophy event, this came into play when the entry fees were raised from \$60 to \$70 for adult national events and the junior events were raised from \$25 to \$30 for the Junior event, the additional income generated would go to the trophy event, to encourage new players and players of a lesser ability to enter these events. He mentioned it is up to each club to decide how much they would pay out; Cashmere has always returned at minimum all entry fees to the prize pool

Wendy Thorn asked the question of whether the tournament could be run over four days as some of the younger children get very tired with the long days, discussion was had about whether it could be changed to four days, it was pointed out this would increase the cost to attend with accommodation and time off work for some parents, it was pointed out by Murray Davies that there is always the opportunity if you have a large field to split the singles into two sessions and then bring them back at the end of the second session for all of the fun stuff.

Sharyn Syder (Woolston) thanked Murray and Janet for hosting.

Sharyn Syder (Woolston) proposed that the clubs stop paying for the shirts, as there is quite a cost to running the junior tournament, a few years ago there were about 22 juniors now there are 56 next year it could be 60, that is a considerable cost along with all of the trophies that are awarded, the juniors have many more than there are for the adult tournaments. It was suggested clubs could subsize the shirts and the parents pay the difference.

**Motion:** To remove the financial burden on the clubs of having to pay for the shirts.

Mover: Sharyn Syder      Seconder: Janet McGrath

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

Sharyn Syder (Woolston) questioned who is responsible for engraving the trophies, as they have been coming back without engraving.

**Motion:** To be the responsibility of the trophy recipient to get the trophy engraved prior to returning and the recipients club should reimburse them for the cost of the engraving.

Mover: Sharyn Syder (Woolston)      Seconder: Janet McGrath (Cashmere)

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**Meeting closed:** 9:17am