

AKARANA AGM

2018 - 2019





AKARANA ZONE OF NEW ZEALAND



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA Marist Rugby League Club Wednesday 26th June 2019 7.00pm

1. Opening of the 9th Annual General Meeting:
2. Apologies:
3. Condolences:
4. Annual Report to Members:
5. Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting:
6. Chairman's Report:
7. Financial Statements:
8. Appointment of Auditors: (BDO)
9. General Business:

Close AGM

ZONE CONVENTION MEETING

1. Opening of the Zone Convention:
2. Apologies:
3. Coaches' Report:
4. NZRL Play groups report:
5. Interview with Cameron George:
6. Other Business:



Annual Report 2018/2019

The Akarana zone has had a successful 2018, starting with some impressive on field results.

The Akarana Men's Premiers were victorious over Counties Manukau, winning the National Championship once again, for the third year in a row. Players, Kitiona Pasene and Polima Siaki have played all three premiership finals, under the leadership of Coach Keith Hanley and Assistant Coaches Phil Gordon and Cody Walker. Our Premiers were also victorious over Canterbury at home, for the first time in Akarana's history.

The Akarana Women's team made the final of the National Women's Tournament, to take home second place after a hard-fought battle with Counties Manukau.

The Under 17s took out the NZRL National Youth Tournament with the Under 15s receiving fourth place. This year, we also welcomed new coaches for both our Under 17s and 15s teams.

Akarana's community involvement continues to rise with the addition of two more league clubs to the NZRL Community Playgroups programme. Akarana now has seven clubs involved, with attendance continuing to grow.

65 managers received their Level One Manager's certificate, becoming more aware of League Wise safety requirements, learning more effective ways to communicate with children, and gaining more knowledge about their clubs. 89 coaches obtained their level one and two certificates.

Akarana is now receiving player development levies from professional clubs. A priority focus for us going forward continues to be our representative programme and improving the pathways for our players to reach higher honours.

Akarana's stand out players for 2018 include:

Premiers

Best Back – Dylan Tavita

Best Forward – David Bhana

MVP – Francis Leger

Under 17s

Best Back – Naufahu Luani Whyte

Best Forward – Jyris Glamuzina

MVP – Jeremiah Schuster

Luke Tipene Award – Samuel Kamu

Under 15s

Best Back – Taylor Raj

Best Forward – Zyon Maiu'u

MVP – Keano Kini

Results:

2018 National Premiership:

Akarana Falcons: 1st

NZ Residents Merit Team: Chaz Brown, Francis Leger, Sioeli Makau, Sala Falelua-Malio, Matti Tuitama, Daniel Reulu-Buchanan, Kouma Samson

2018 Womens Nationals:

Akarana Falcons: 2nd

Forward of the Tournament – Karley Te Kawa (Akarana)

MVP of the Final – Chrystal Tamarua (Akarana)

Kiwi Ferns Wider Training Squad: Alice Vailea, Crystal Tamarua, Georgia Hale, Karley Te Kawa, Lara Diamond-Brahne, Ngatokotoru Arakua, Shontelle Woodman, Annetta-Claudia Nuuausala, Lisa Edwards

2018 Youth Nationals:

Akarana Falcons 17s: 1st

Merit Team: Aso Fretton, Naufahu Whyte, Tj Devery, Jyris Glamuzina, Moala Graham-Taufa

Final MVP – Jyris Glamuzina

Coach of the Tournament – Bejay Hewitt

Akarana Falcons 15s: 4th

Merit Team: Paaua Papuni-Abbott

2018 NZ 16s:

Akarana: Asolelei Fretton, Lani Graham-Taufa, Lleyton Finau, Naufahu Whyte, Samuel McIntyre, T.J. Devery, Moala Graham-Taufa. Head Coach: Bejay Hewitt

Lani Graham-Taufa – New Zealand 16s MVP

**New Zealand Rugby League – Akarana Zone
2018 Annual General Meeting**

| | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| DATE: | Wednesday the 14 th of March 2018 |
| TIME: | 7:00pm |
| VENUE: | Bay Roskill Rugby League Club |
| CLUBS PRESENT: | As per attached sign in sheet Barbara Murphy New Lynn Appointed Pat Carthy ARL as Proxy (attached) |
| CLUB APOLIGIES: | Te Atatu, New Lynn, East Coast Bays |
| OTHER APOLIGIES | Hugh Martin (NZRL Acting CEO) |
| DIRECTORS PRESENT: | Rick Williams, Lynne Cameron, Simon Watson (Co-Opted), Charlie Haddrell, Evelyn Brooker (Community Development Manager), Kevin O’Leary |
| DIRECTORS APOLIGIES: | Cameron McGregor (Chairperson), John Norton (Vice Chairperson) |

OPENING OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

- Evelyn Brooker opened the Annual General Meeting and welcomed all Auckland Rugby League clubs & guests in attendance. Evelyn acknowledged that Cameron McGregor (Chairman) was away on business in Sydney, and John Norton (Vice Chairperson) was sick.

APOLOGIES:

- As above.

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Moved: | Evelyn Brooker |
| Seconded: | Simon Watson – Glenfield Rugby League Club |
| All in Favour: | Yes |

CONDOLENCES:

- Condolences and acknowledgment was extended to Phil Campbell & Keith Bell.
- A moments silence was recognised.

| ELECTION OF OFFICERS: | |
|--|-----|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlie Haddrell was re-elected unopposed. | |
| REAPPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS TO THE BOARD: | |
| Nominated: | N/A |
| Nominated: | N/A |
| All in Favour: | N/A |

| MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting were taken as read and true and correct. No Matters Arising. | |
| Moved: | Lynne Cameron |
| Seconded: | James Watford – Ellerslie Eagles |
| All in Favour: | Yes |

| CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: | |
|---|-----|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The report was unavailable at the time of the AGM and will be sent by email to all clubs. | |
| CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: | |
| Moved: | N/A |
| Seconded: | N/A |
| All in Favour: | N/A |

| FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evelyn Brooker presented the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2017. (Statements Attached) No feedback or questions received. | |
| Moved: | Karen Gibbons - Te Atatu Rugby League |
| Seconded: | Charlie Haddrell – Akarana Board |
| All in Favour: | Yes |

| AUDITORS: | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evelyn Brooker put the motion forward that the Akarana Zone continues with BDO as the appointed auditor | |
| Moved: | Kevin O'Leary (Akarana Zone Board) |
| Seconded: | Rick Williams (Akarana Zone Board) |
| All in Favour: | Yes |

| CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES: | |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 'attached' constitutional changes were taken as read, and approved as follows; | |
| Moved: | Tony Laiman (Marist Rugby League) |
| Seconded: | Theresa Morrisey (Mt Albert Rugby League) |
| All in Favour: | Yes |

| GENERAL BUSINESS: | |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No General Business. | |

| ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CLOSED AT 7.30PM | | |
|---|---------------|------------------|
| ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED: | | |
| Minutes Approved | Moved: | Seconded: |
| Board Chair | Name: | Signature |
| Date: | | |



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018 – 2019

Welcome to the 9th Annual General Meeting of the Akarana Zone of New Zealand Rugby League.

This is my first year as Chairman of Akarana replacing Cameron McGregor who is a local league Icon so I have big boots to fill.

Achievements for the year are summarised as:

1. Our on field results were pleasing with the Men's Premiers winning the National Championship for the third year in a row, the under 17s also won the national league. The Women's Premiers and men's under 15s also were runner up in the National League.
2. We have reached a written agreement with Auckland Rugby League acknowledging that Akarana gets priority on any representative players, Womens, under 15s and 17s for National NZRL Tournaments after some confusion this year.
3. We now have a current website at no cost to us thanks to the efforts of Simon Watson on our board.
4. We have managed to retain our sponsors for this year thanks to the support of Craig Burrows from Supercity Towing and Ken Vaughan from Turkish Bread.
5. We have now started receiving player development levies from professional clubs for our players and further progress is underway with the NRL.
6. From a financial viewpoint which will be discussed in more detail at the AGM although we have lost financial support from Auckland Rugby League we are one of the only Zones to have not managed to run at a loss this year.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Evelyn Brooker our General Manager for efforts during the last year and always being available not matter what the hour.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our board during the year that all contribute their time and effort at no costs to the zone. We have had two board members retire this year Cameron McGregor and Kevin O'Leary we thanks them for their past efforts and wish them good luck for the future. We have been joined by two new board members Jacob Cameron (ex NZRL) and Jason Barker, we look forward to working with them and the contributions they will make to the board.

Our aim is to try and improve the pathways for all our players to higher honours and to keep improving our performance and delivery to our stake holders.

John Norton
Chairperson

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

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AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

The Directors present the Financial Statements for the 15 months ended 31 March 2019.

Significant Changes in the Society's State of Affairs

For the period ended 31 March 2019 the Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc. had a surplus of \$15,842 (2017 \$18,848) and an excess of assets over liabilities of \$51,077 (2017 \$35,235).

Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc. Board Members

The following people held office as an Akarana Zone Director during the year:

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Cameron McGregor (Chair) | Elected March 2012, Resigned February 2019 |
| John Norton | Elected March 2014 |
| Simon Watson | Co-opted August 2014 |
| Rick Williams | Appointed March 2015 |
| Charlie Haddrell | Appointed March 2015 |
| Lynn Curran | Elected March 2016, Resigned March 2018 |
| Kevin O'Leary | Appointed March 2016, Resigned June 2018 |
| Lance Riesterer | Co-opted April 2018 |
| Jason Baker | Co-opted March 2019 |


Directors' interests in transactions with the Society

Total remuneration and fees paid to Directors and material transactions with parties related to Directors are disclosed in note 12 to the financial statements.

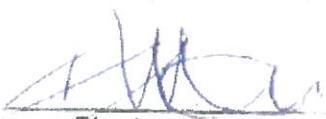
Auditors

BDO Auckland were appointed auditors of New Zealand Rugby League Inc of which this Zone is a subsidiary for the period ended 31 March 2019. Due to the commonality of auditors, accounting systems and practices across all Zones and New Zealand Rugby League, the audit is conducted on a group basis with one audit fee paid for and recorded in the books of New Zealand Rugby League.

For and on behalf of the Board



Director



Director

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| | Notes | 2019 \$ | 2017 \$ |
|---------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| <u>Income</u> | | | |
| Sponsorship | | 10,300 | 45,000 |
| Charitable Trust Grants | 7 | 95,220 | 55,234 |
| Event Management | | 16,333 | 19,496 |
| NZRL Funding | 12 | 49,995 | 40,000 |
| Interest Income | | 46 | 30 |
| Other Income | | 17,437 | 4,530 |
| Total Income | | 189,331 | 164,290 |
| <u>Less: Expenditure</u> | | | |
| Personnel Costs | 3 | 110,923 | 81,906 |
| Event Management | | 1,922 | 2,267 |
| Team Costs | | 21,822 | 24,652 |
| Travel | | 34,568 | 33,237 |
| Overheads: | | | |
| Communications | | 1,667 | 1,098 |
| Office Expenses | | 1,138 | 634 |
| Financial Expenses | | 1,449 | 1,648 |
| Total Expenditure | | 173,489 | 145,442 |
| Net Surplus for the Year | | 15,842 | 18,848 |

The financial statements must be read in conjunction with the attached notes

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN MEMBERS' FUNDS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

| | 2019 | 2017 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Opening Balance as at 1 January 2018 | 35,235 | 16,387 |
| Total Recognised Revenue and Expenses | | |
| Net Surplus for the Year | 15,842 | 18,848 |
| Closing Balance as at 31 March 2019 | <u>51,077</u> | <u>35,235</u> |

The financial statements must be read in conjunction with the attached notes

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

| | Notes | 2019 \$ | 2017 \$ |
|--|-------|---------------|---------------|
| <u>Members Funds</u> | | | |
| Retained Earnings | | 51,077 | 35,235 |
| Total Accumulated Funds | | <u>51,077</u> | <u>35,235</u> |
| <u>Represented by:</u> | | | |
| <u>Current Assets</u> | | | |
| Accounts Receivable & Prepaid Expenses | | 6,511 | 653 |
| Bank | 4 | 86,996 | 43,667 |
| Goods & Services Taxation | | 201 | 217 |
| | | <u>93,708</u> | <u>44,537</u> |
| <u>Fixed Assets</u> | 5 | 2,260 | 3,459 |
| Total Assets | | <u>95,968</u> | <u>47,996</u> |
| <u>Current Liabilities</u> | | | |
| Trade Creditors and Accruals | 6 | 12,571 | 12,761 |
| Unutilised Charitable Trust Grants | 7 | 28,820 | 0 |
| Income in Advance | 8 | 3,500 | 0 |
| Total Liabilities | | <u>44,891</u> | <u>12,761</u> |
| <u>Net Assets</u> | | <u>51,077</u> | <u>35,235</u> |

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors:



 Director



 Director

The financial statements must be read in conjunction with the attached notes

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The financial statements presented here are for the reporting entity **Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc** (the "Society"). The Society is an incorporated society under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

The Society is a Subsidiary of New Zealand Rugby League Inc. due to the deemed level of control and is therefore consolidated into the NZRL Group financial results.

Measurement Base

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of financial performance and financial position are on a historical cost basis.

Basis of Preparation

Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc. has elected to apply PBE SFR-A Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The performance report is presented in New Zealand dollars (NZ\$).

A. Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies, which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position, have been applied:

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable are stated at expected realisable value after due allowance for all bad and doubtful debts. Bad debts are written off during the period in which they are identified.

Property, Plant & Equipment

Depreciation is calculated on all assets with the exception of land, over their estimated useful lives. Assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

1. **Statement of Accounting Policies cont'd**

Revenue

Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or recoverable.

Revenue from the provision of services is recognised in income in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the balance date.

Fundraising and Revenue Grants

Fundraising and Revenue Grants income is recognised as income when it becomes receivable unless the Society has a liability to repay the Fundraising and Revenue Grants if the requirements/conditions of the specific revenue are not fulfilled. A liability is recognised to the extent that such conditions are unfulfilled at the end of the reporting period.

The liability is released on a systematic basis to income as the conditions attached to the grant are fulfilled.

Income Tax

The Society is a not for profit organisation, and holds a Certificate of Exemption for Income Tax.

Goods and Services Tax

The financial statements have been prepared using GST exclusive figures, except for accounts payable and accounts receivable which are stated inclusive of GST.

Employee Entitlements

An accrual is made for the Society's liabilities for employee benefits arising from services rendered (salaries, wages and bonuses) by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled on an undiscounted basis.

Interest Income

Interest revenue is recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

Leases

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance on a straight line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives are recognised in the statement of financial performance over the lease term as an integral part of the lease expense.

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

B. Changes in Accounting Policies

Change in Financial Year End Date

The Board for Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc resolved to change the financial year end date of the Society from 31 December to 31 March. The change of financial year end date is to align with that of New Zealand Rugby League.

As a result, the 2019 Financial Statements cover a 15 month period and the 2017 comparatives cover a 12 month period.

2. Activities of Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc.

Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc is responsible for the promotion and administration of Rugby League, working with Auckland Rugby League and Clubs within the Central Auckland, Kaipara, North Harbour and Waitakere geographic regions.

3. Operating Expenses

| | 2019 | 2017 |
|----------------|-------|-------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Include | | |
| Leasing Costs | 8,357 | 6,591 |

Leasing costs relate to employee motor vehicles which form part of their remuneration package as recognised in Personnel Costs on the Statement of Financial Performance.

4. Bank

| | 2019 | 2017 |
|-------------------|--------|--------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Current Account | 48,163 | 43,667 |
| Call Account | 10,009 | - |
| Donations Account | 28,824 | - |
| | 86,996 | 43,667 |

The Society's banking facility is with the Bank of New Zealand. The Society operates three bank accounts. The Donations Account is used to "ring fence" charitable trust grants until the authorised purpose falls due. There is no overdraft facility. All accounts are interest earning using BNZ's published rates.

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

5. Fixed Assets

| 2019 | Cost | Accum Depn | Book Value | Depreciation |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Sound Equipment | 4,065 | 3,889 | 176 | 176 |
| Marquee | 5,700 | 5,207 | 493 | 493 |
| Trailer | 4,604 | 3,013 | 1,591 | 530 |
| | <u>14,369</u> | <u>12,109</u> | <u>2,260</u> | <u>1,199</u> |
| | | | | |
| 2017 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Sound Equipment | 4,065 | 3,713 | 352 | 235 |
| Marquee | 5,700 | 4,715 | 985 | 657 |
| Trailer | 4,604 | 2,482 | 2,122 | 530 |
| | <u>14,369</u> | <u>10,910</u> | <u>3,459</u> | <u>1,422</u> |

6. Trade Creditors & Accruals

| | 2019 | 2017 |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Provision for Annual Leave | 10,284 | 9,474 |
| Other Creditors & Accruals | 2,287 | 3,287 |
| | <u>12,571</u> | <u>12,761</u> |

Trade payables generally have terms of 30 days and are interest free. Trade payables are not discounted.

7. Summary of Charitable Trust Donations Received

| | Balance | | Released | | Balance |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|
| | 01.01.18 | Received | to Income | Refunded | 31.03.19 |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| NZ Community Trust | - | 100,000 | (73,480) | - | 26,520 |
| Four Winds | - | 14,040 | (11,740) | - | 2,300 |
| Lion Foundation | - | 10,000 | (10,000) | - | - |
| | <u>-</u> | <u>124,040</u> | <u>(95,220)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>28,820</u> |

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

8. Income in Advance

| | 2019 | 2017 |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| 2019 Affiliation Fees | 1,500 | - |
| 2019 Sponsorship | 2,000 | - |
| | <u>3,500</u> | <u>-</u> |

9. Lease Commitments

| | 2019 | 2017 |
|---|---------------|--------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Payable: | | |
| Within the year | 6,920 | 3,296 |
| Later than one year and not more than 5 years | 8,650 | - |
| Later than 5 years | - | - |
| Total Lease Commitments | <u>15,570</u> | <u>3,296</u> |

All lease commitments relate to motor vehicles arranged by New Zealand Rugby League with Toyota New Zealand. The leases are in the name of New Zealand Rugby League and are on-charged to the Society.

10. Capital Commitments

The Society has no capital commitments as at 31 March 2019 (2017 Nil).

11. Contingent Liabilities

The Society has no contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2019 (2017 Nil).

12. Related Party Transactions

New Zealand Rugby League Inc.

The financial reporting for the Society is undertaken by New Zealand Rugby League given the commonality of accounting systems and practices, key supplier relationships, and auditors across all Zones and New Zealand Rugby League.

The Society receives financial support from New Zealand Rugby League towards the delivery of certain community outcomes as part of the Community Sport Fund.

For the year ended 31 March 2019, New Zealand Rugby League provided financial support totaling \$49,995 (2017 \$40,000).

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
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District Leagues and Clubs

At balance date the Society had payables outstanding to District Leagues and Clubs of \$Nil (2017 \$Nil), and receivables outstanding from District Leagues and Clubs of \$Nil (2017 \$Nil).

As at balance date there were no loans outstanding to or from District Leagues or Clubs.

2019 Director Fees

Total directors fees paid or accrued for the year was \$Nil (2017 Nil).

Total expense reimbursed to or paid on behalf of directors was \$Nil (2017 Nil).

Total remuneration paid to directors in their capacity as employees of the Society was \$Nil (2017 Nil).

13. Subsequent Events

There were no significant events after balance sheet date.

AKARANA ZONE OF NZRL INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE 15 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

The following Definitions are provided to assist readers of this financial report understand the Statement of Financial Performance on Page 4:

Income

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Sponsorship | Sponsorship covered by contractual arrangements over a period of time or events. |
| Charitable Trust Grants | Grants received from charitable trusts such as NZ Community Trust, Lion Foundation etc. |
| Other Grants | Grants received from other funding agencies such as Regional Sports Trusts. |
| Event Management | Income from staging events such as the National Competition eg. gate receipts. |
| Coaching & Development | Income from coaching courses or contracted coaching services. |
| NZRL Funding | NZRL financial support to Zones to meet operational costs. |
| Other Income | Income not separately classified elsewhere. |

Expenditure

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Personnel | The cost of employee remuneration packages, recruitment, training & temporary staff. Remuneration packages comprise salary, vehicles, vehicle expenses, ACC, Kiwisaver & FBT. |
| Event Management | Cost of staging events e.g. ground hire, match officials, marketing & promotions. |
| Coaching & Development | Cost of preparing resources and delivering programmes. |
| Travel | Main items comprise airfares, accommodation, meals and buses. |
| Team Costs | Costs associated with representative teams not covered elsewhere e.g. medical, apparel, training facility hire etc. |
| Occupancy Costs | Represents cost of office rental & services. |
| Communications | Telephones, mobile phones, postage, couriers & website. |
| Office Expenses | Cost of consumables for daily operation of office. eg printing, stationery, photocopying etc. |
| Financial Expenses | Comprises transactions of a financial nature. eg bank fees, depreciation, insurance & interest. |



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14 June 2019

To the Members
Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc.

Re: New Zealand Rugby League Group audit for Year Ended 31 March 2019

We have completed the audit of the New Zealand Rugby League Incorporated ("NZRL") Group financial statements, comprising the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2019, the consolidated statement of changes in net assets/equity, statement of comprehensive revenue and expenses and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. Akarana Zone of NZRL Inc. ("Akarana Zone") is a controlled entity of NZRL, and hence audited as part of the Group.

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Group present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of New Zealand Rugby League Incorporated and its controlled entities, including the Akarana Zone, as at 31 March 2019 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

This letter should be read in conjunction with the New Zealand Rugby League Incorporated audited financial statements as contained in the 2019 Annual Report. An unmodified opinion was issued on the NZRL and Group for the year ended 31 March 2019 on the 14 June 2019.

Yours sincerely

BDO Auckland



2018 Premier Report - Akarana Falcons

The majority of things went really well in 2018. Our staff, for the most part were compatible, capable and effective. A fine group to be a part of. In line with our philosophy that we sublimate ourselves to fit the team. The team at all times come first.

We had really good, strong buy in from the players within our catchment. This I can attribute to the fact that our coaching staff have now done three seasons with the team and the communication is excellent between players/staff.

The results for most parts were consistent and effective. We opened the campaign with a 46-6 victory over 2017 runners up Waikato. This result came off the back of a strong effort by our middle players who were very dominant. Our round robin fixture with Counties was not one of our better outings. We were run down late 22-36 by Counties. We were patchy in this outing. There are no excuses, we had a number of players in either Bali or Hawaii for this game on end of season trips booked much earlier in the year. We were aware of this. We had young players who performed ok and certainly learnt a lot in this game. These players will do a job for Akarana in future years but this was not our day. Finally we played Canterbury in Christchurch. No former Akarana team had won there and we needed a commanding victory to make the final. With everyone back on board the effort at training, attention to detail, vibe on the flight down and resultant 34-14 win were flawless.

Our third successive Grand Final appearance resulted in a comprehensive 51-20 win for a third consecutive premiership victory. We were on song almost from kick off. It was a complete team effort. If anything I'd have liked our defence to have been more robust but that's incidental in the big picture. Moving forward, in a humble way, we are in a really positive space. We've a number of young players pushing for selection. Our current players love the environment and we all desire to improve our performance individually and collectively.

Head Coach Premiers,

Keith Hanley



2018 Women's Report – Akarana Falcons

This year was probably the year that we had so much inconsistency on initiating productive processes for team selection and how things went in order. The time frame for having to select the 22 players would not benefit Akarana in the long term to because of the following concerns:

1 select date being rushed by the Vulcans as they wanted to select their team, trying to dictate to Akarana what to do. We know they can't select till after the Akarana Coach and management have selected their squad

2 Unable to re select players from Vulcans when Akarana girls were injured during club games. This was when girls were injured 4 weeks out from the comp. We should have been allowed to take from the Vulcans selection and they reselect from the pool not the other way round. As we were the Elite. However they got their way and the caliber of player dropped due to this decision from Andy Hay who told me they won't give me players as they need to select theirs. Reminder "Vulcans are development and Akarana is the Elite side "They needed to go to the pool to reselect.

3 Training days were not made a priority to the players and the club coaches were not encouraging the selected players to go to the trainings rather than stay with the club trainings. So preparation suffered due to this

All this happening we managed to do with what we could get and headed into the tournament. The venue where we stayed was secluded and quiet which was great for the team to gel and bond. We had good white board sessions and team talks. We conducted one on one interviews with the payers to find out from them what they wanted from this tournament and at the same time find out what each player had to bring to the team each time we played and looked at each players goal at the tournament. Transport to and from the venue was great and the accommodation as well. We had girls leaving the camp and returning as late as 2am as myself and my entourage stayed up till they came in. This was addressed to them the next morning and no one else was to leave camp.

We also included a team psychologist this year to talk to the girls and get them into a winning mind-set and focus on our goals. This was excellent to as the girls used this in our games leading to the final and we were beating all teams convincingly much better than counties were. The prep for our games was on point and we went through the round robin undefeated and lost to counties in the final.

A lot was said on the final as we had individuals over calling and Taking the team away from our game plan which worked so well in the round robin and failed us in the final due to straying from the game plan to make them look good at the cost of the team and not listening to messages being sent out to the halves. This campaign was awesome excluding the loss in the final but there is unfinished business for 2019

Thank you to you and the Akarana board for all that happened for us in 2018 and definitely looking to a better and brighter 2019 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

All the best for 2019

Head Coach Womens,

Ross Uele



2018 17s Report- Akarana Falcons



The 2018 season for the Akarana Falcons under 17 was the hardest year I have been involved in the last 5 years. The selection process went well and we choose the 35 best players we could get in the Region so that process for us was fine. From there thing got a bit harder for us starting with Losing Alan Ettles to the Samoan U18s which we managed and Alan also attended camps to let the players know that it was a great opportunity for him to develop and nothing more. But from there we added Rob Luisi to the team which was a great addition to the Akarana Family and not long after that we also had our physio pull out which we found very hard to replace but manged to do so the week out before tournament not ideal. After selection of the 35 man wider squad we ran 3 camps which all went very well and were well organised from everyone involved with majority of our players attending all 3 camps everything was running smoothly up until our trial. We ran the trial at Waitemata which was a great venue and made our selection of 25 players which then got announced the following day. This is when thing got very hard for us as a management team and for the players themselves. After naming the side we then received phone calls from about 5 players that they had chosen to play for the Auckland Vulcans as they had been contact by the coaches which then caused issues as the players that we had not selected were disheartened so did not want to come back into the squad apart from a couple. From there we managed to get a squad of 22 players probably not the best 22 we could offer due to the circumstances but we worked with what we had without the team being disrupted. From there we lost about 4 players to the NZ 18s and Samoan U18s a week out from tournament so we needed to pull some more players in which was not easy but we managed. This was a massive challenge not only for us but the players as they could see what was going on. That aside we all manged the distraction well and put our heads down and got what we needed done to make this campaign a huge success. The staff across the board were outstanding and managed their induvial roles well. The venue in Rotorua was perfect for what we required. The players after all the selection issues really stood up and performed and held themselves as Akarana players should. We went through the first round unbeaten with some injuries that took boys out for the semi-final against the Vulcans side. This was a tough game for us due to them having a large chunk of Akarana players but this did not stop us performing to an outstanding level to go on to beat them in a close game. Our parents and side-line were very well controlled as their supports were not very nice at all and to be honest very out of control to put it nice. But we done the job as requested and made our way to the final. This day was also a massive challenge as we had major injuries losing 2 players in warm up. Overall the final game was like the season for us losing 2 players in the first 20mins to concussion but once again this team of staff and players overcome this challenge and went on to win the 2018 tittle. For me this will be one of the seasons that really stand out and I will always remember. The support from Families, staff and Evelyn and the Akarana board was outstanding and I cannot fault anything about this campaign even though we had massive challenges this made our campaign the success it was. I would to thank the Akarana Board for the support that you provide and I look forward to the new season ahead

Head Coach 17s,

Bejay Hewitt



2018 15s Report – Akarana Falcons

Selection:

The selection process for the Akarana under 15's I thought went quite smoothly in terms of getting around the grounds watching games, engaging with club coaches and gaining feedback on players who we had identified. The one issue we did have was the fact that Auckland Rugby League copied our training squad and reposted it as their own from here it got messy with player selection.

High Performance Camp:

The performance camp was split between NZRL staff Akarana staff and outside coaches brought in to help out on the day. I'd like to see a meeting between both NZRL and Akarana coaching staff prior to plan the day out to help with the flow of the session just so that everyone involved is on the same page. Testing results to be shared with coaching staff for comparison throughout the campaign.

Trial Game Waitemata:

We had 34 players attend the trial game which was an ok number. We didn't quite get the player turnout we were expecting but as an overall we were reasonably happy with the display of football that was showcased.

25 Man Squad:

From the Waitemata trial game we identified the best 25 players which we finalized and confirmed on the 25th July.

The next six weeks saw the group go through a very rigorous training program which included strength & conditioning testing which were conducted at various venues, Trust Stadium (Track & Field), Mickey B's Gym (Grey Lynn) Western Park (Ponsonby), all of the football elements ie team structures were held at Grey Lynn park. In terms of the training program we the coaching staff were very happy with what we presented to the group throughout the campaign and happy with all of the venues used.

Warriors Experience:

August 25th we were kindly invited to spend the day out at the NZ Warriors, the purpose of this exercise was to expose our group to the professional side of the game things such as time management, expectations of a professional rugby league player, nutritional guidelines, strength & conditioning, social media rules and regulations & wellbeing. The boys were also put through their paces both on the field and in the gym. The experience was well received from both players and parents.

Northland Swords:

15th September we took 22 players up to Takahiwai for a trial match. The quality of the opposition wasn't the best, I think we got more out of it from a bonding point of view, the boy's really enjoying the road trip. For most of the playing group it was their first time playing out of Auckland which was a real buzz.

Night On The Town:

On September the 21st we took the team out on a team bonding exercise. This was seen as a reward for their efforts and hard work that they had put in up till that point. We spent the evening at Metro lanes in the city where we played a round of mini golf, spent time in the gaming arcade. We had had pizza for dinner then went for a walk through the city. The boys were very well behaved, the night was seen as a success. We gained great feedback from our parents about the evening which was pleasing.

Tournament:

Game one Wellington

Came away with a comprehensive win over Wellington. What came with a dominant performance was bad luck with way of injury losing one player for the rest of the tournament and two players ruled out for two days of the competition.

Game two Mid Central:

This was a real frustrating game in terms of officiating and unfortunately for us it did not improve as the tournament went on. I spoke to the head of referees straight after the game as he was there observing his officials, he apologized about their performance saying it was below par. I felt we were severely disadvantaged throughout the game and was glad that he saw it the same way. We came away with a scratchy win. Was very proud of the boy's effort considering the way the game was officiated they showed real character.

Game three Counties:

This was a game that we targeted as a must win as we wanted to see where we were really at as a team. We were beaten convincingly which was very disappointing for the whole group. First half was a disaster as we had very little ball this was made up of a combination of things poor execution on plays, poor calls against the team which we didn't react well to. Second half we showed real promise when we held the ball with a much improved completion rate, our efforts defensively improved in the second half which was a real positive for us, but in terms of the winning of the game the damage was done in the first half which we were just unable to recover from.

Game four South Island:

Semi Final day. Couldn't have gotten off to a worse start, we were blown off the park and weren't allowed to play footy with a ridiculous penalty count against us, it was all one sided, we were penalized twice when we were in possession of the ball which none of our coaching staff could understand as to why, this allowed South Island to jump out to a handy first half lead. I addressed the issues I had with the penalty count with the referee at half time, but it fell on deaf ears as nothing changed in the second half. Our boy's showed a lot of fight and were good enough to close the gap but again we fell short. We didn't play our best but I believe the pathetic officiating impacted directly on the final result, which is a major concern going forward - it needs to improve dramatically.

Game five Counties:

We got off to a great start but were unable to capitalize on it and were run down in the second half. The disappointment of not making the final which was our goal we set out to achieve from the start of the campaign I believe showed in this game, our boy's just weren't focused and just didn't want to be there.

Conclusion:

The final result was a real disappointment, this feeling was felt right across the board. Despite the disruptions we had with the selection process at the start of the campaign and losing players during the preparation stage for the tournament we still felt confident in our ability as a team to gain a positive outcome at the tournament. One positive the coaching staff were very happy with, was the fact we delivered a very comprehensive program that all players would've hugely benefited from. I really enjoyed working with my management team, everything was transparent, we worked very hard and well as a team. I was very happy with the support and guidance I received from Evelyn Brooker right throughout the campaign she was always there for us in every capacity, I'd like to thank her for her support and efforts throughout the campaign. We will take all of the learnings from the 2018 tournament and use the findings to help us with the planning and preparation stages of the 2019 NYC series.

Head Coach 15s,

Henri Nicholas



Akarana Playgroup Report

- All playgroups are open and operating
- Special grant funding has been applied for all groups
- 4 playgroups have been selected by Ministry of Ed. for Massey University programme (Richmond Rovers, Marist Saints, Te Atatu Roosters and New Lynn Stags)

| Playgroups | No. of chn (aprx.) | Comments |
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| Richmond Rovers | 20 | Operates Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4-8pm, this aligns with the clubs junior training sessions. Previously, playgroup was operating only during the season, however in 2019 this has extended into pre-season as requested by the club due to the increase of club members participating in early training camps and academies. The club has recently been reviewed by the Ministry of Education to extend its operational licence for a further 3 years, which was granted and approved. Special grant funding for the club has been put forward, club is requesting to have the fire door updated and replaced, awaiting approval from the MOE. In 2018 numbers were steady with a mix of boys and girls, however, in 2019 many of those attendees have moved onto mini mod leagues; leading to a significant increase in the clubs overall junior sector. Club support and contribution has been vital in the success of the running of the playgroup and shows strong club connectedness and capability. |
| Marist Saints | 20 | Operates Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4-8pm against the clubs junior and women's training sessions. The playgroup has started a dinner club, which provides a meal for the children while waiting for their siblings or parents at training, as we have noticed that many children are spending long amounts of time at the club and not leaving till the late hours of 8pm (at times). We have extended our age range to include older children as we do not want to exclude children from engaging and be included in activities. Similar to Richmond, many of our playgroupers, have shifted into the mini mod leagues, however there are new enrolments coming in due to the increase of club enrolments this year. The club is currently preparing for its centennial celebrations occurring in May. |
| Mt Albert Lions | 10 | One of our new playgroups. The playgroup will operate Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 4-8pm against the clubs junior and women's training sessions. Club has completed Ministry of Education certification process. The playgroup has been certificated and approved for 3 years, this will be renewed in 2022. Special grant funding has been applied for, this has been directed for alternations for a storage room door (upstairs) to house the playgroup resources, funding will also be allocated for new resources for the group. Feedback from the club has been positive, having the playgroup has allowed club members to engage their younger children in a safe learning environment, also helping out club staff (e.g. coaches, trainers & players) with their children while they participate and run training sessions. |
| New Lynn Stags | 20 | Has been operating for 3 years and is open Wednesday and Thursday from 10-2pm. This caters to the local community in the West Auckland district. New Lynn continues to bring in a high rate of new enrolments, with several families enrolling their older children into the New Lynn Stags junior teams. The playgroup was chosen by the Ministry of Education to partner with Massey University to implement a professional development program to increase the quality of our delivery to the children and families we work with. |



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| Te Atatu Roosters | 30 | Operates Tuesday and Wednesday's from 10-2pm. Te Atatu has a strong following from the local and club community, numbers have reached as high as 30 children at most sessions. Te Atatu has been without a parent champion for several months, however we have now selected and secured the right individual for the playgroup. With the success of the playgroup, Te Atatu is another playgroup selected by the Ministry of Education to implement the professional development program by Massey University. |
| Waitemata Seagulls | 15 | Is one of our new playgroups, the playgroup operates on Mondays and Thursdays from 10-2pm. Primarily this group's focus on the local community, since its opening it has been well received by those that attend. The playgroup has met all Ministry of Education's requirements and compliance criteria; the playgroup has been certificated and the license has been granted for 3 years, to be renewed in 2022. We are in the process of finding a parent champion for the playgroup, we are working with the chairman to find the right individual. Special grant funding has been applied for, we are requesting for storage, heating and new educational resources for the group. Continual promotion to continue through channels from the club and NZRL avenues. |
| Waitemata Rugby | 10 | Operates Monday and Wednesday from 10-2pm, this playgroup remains steady, it links with the club's connection to Sport Waitakere and Maximus Fitness Club. However with the opening of Waitemata Seagulls we will look at shifting all children/ families over, as we are trying to align all playgroups into our league clubs and not union. Will further advise when these changes will occur. |