

Back ground information to consider ...

The reality is that our membership numbers are dropping, yet there are hundreds of masters athletes who join clubs via Athletics New Zealand (ANZ), but do not join New Zealand Masters Athletics (NZMA). Why?

Many of us have heard 'club' athletes complaining or commenting about having to pay two fees, one to ANZ and other fee to NZMA.

Many of these 'club' athletes really don't know what NZMA has to offer. Potentially this group is missing out on events they would enjoy, such as going to an Oceania or World Masters Track & Field Championship where they could compete in non-stadia event, if not on the track.

NZMA are promoting this **PARTNERSHIP** between ANZ and NZMA as a way forward whereby both organisations can work together to promote masters athletics to ALL masters ... and encourage greater participation in all events.

Currently NZMA and ANZ have a **Memorandum of Understanding** that we have jointly created, as to how we will work together going forward.

What we do next is up to YOU, so now is the time to have your say so please read this flyer and ask questions if you are not sure about anything.

At the NZMA AGM in Dunedin on 26th February 2016, your Centre representatives will vote for or against a partnership with ANZ.

Some of the finer points about how local master's centre will operate will need to be worked through. I am happy to talk through your local issues and help come up with solutions.

Andrew Stark (NZMA President)



The Vetline magazine will be sold separately and will no longer be part of your NZMA membership fees.

The continued success of Vetline depends entirely on member's support ... either by way of writing articles or buying a subscription.

More details about the exact cost will follow later.

How would a partnership between Athletics New Zealand and New Zealand Masters Athletics affect you?

Use this flow chart to work out the membership option that best suits you?

Are you currently a member of a Club that is affiliated to Athletics New Zealand?

Yes

If you are a member of this group, you can compete in the following events.

This includes ...

- Local ANZ club, Inter-club meetings & Centre Championships,
 - ANZ National Track & Field Championships,
 - ANZ Combined Events Championships,
 - ANZ 3000m or 10000m Championships,
 - ANZ Cross Country Championships,
 - ANZ Road Championships,
 - ANZ Road Relay Championships,
 - ANZ Mountain Championships,
 - ANZ Half Marathon or Marathon Championships,
 - ANZ Long Distance Race Walk Championships,
- plus these events organised by NZMA,*
- NZMA South Island or North Island Track & Field Championships,
 - NZMA National Track & Field Championships,
- plus these events organised by OMA or WMA,*
- Oceania Masters Athletics (OMA) or World Masters Athletics (WMA) Track & Field Championships.

Yes

You will be an ANZ Competitive Member who pays \$30.00 per year to ANZ plus Centre & Club Fees
(You no longer pay the NZMA fee of \$45)

No

If you are a member of this group, you can compete in the following events.

This includes:

- Local Masters track & field events,
- North Island Masters Track & Field Championships,
- South Island Masters Track & Field Championships,
- NZMA Masters Track & Field Championships,
plus
- Oceania Masters Athletics (OMA) or World Masters Athletics (WMA) Track & Field Championships.

NZMA members within this group are excluded from competing in all ANZ organised Championship events, unless you join an ANZ affiliated club.

Yes

You will be a NZMA Competitive Member who pays \$30.00 per year to NZMA
(You no longer pay the NZMA fee of \$45)

No

You will be a NZMA Social Member who pays \$20.00 per year to NZMA
(You no longer pay the NZMA fee of \$45)

If you are a member of this group, you may compete at master's events at a local level.

Points to note:

1. You no longer pay the \$45.00 NZMA fee.
2. You will only pay ONE fee (as above) and you make the choice as to which one.
3. You either join as an ANZ club member or as a non-club NZMA member.
4. ALL ANZ members are automatically members of NZMA by default.
5. Vetline is sold separately to anyone who wants it.

Distribution of Fees Collected:

- ANZ retains the fees pay by masters joining a club and ANZ organised Championship events as listed above.
- NZMA retains the fees pay by non-ANZ members, Vetline sales and NZMA organised Championship events, as list above.

All groups have the option to purchase Vetline.

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This will be an additional cost to your membership fee.