

# Christchurch Singletrack Club 2025 Annual General Meeting

Date: **Sunday 10 August 2025 6:00 pm** - Location: Thorrington School

**Attended by:** Dave Ffowcs-Williams, Brian Smith, Rebekah Tregurtha, Sara Taylor, Murray Anderson, Brigette Bilbe, Andrew Laurie, Dave Laurie, Maria Laurie, Alex Hamilton, Rob Wilson, Grant Nyhan, Dale Nyhan, Alyssa Nyhan, Kurt Richardson, Ethan Richardson, John Thornton, Alex Adams, Matthew Boulcott, Darcy Arnold, Connor Arnold, Eddie Adams, Benjamin Carrell, Dan van Asch (24 attendees)

**These people came along but left before the AGM proceedings:** Nikki Bligh, Debbie Mora and Marie Pollisco (Halswell Hornby Riccarton Community Board) and Andrei Moore – Halswell Councillor

**Apologies:** Jennifer Tregurtha, Steve Moffatt, Craig Tregurtha, Digby Symons, Katie Symons

The evening began with pizza, nibbles and chit chat between 6 and 7 pm and then Benjamin Carrel gave an informative talk on his trip to the Silk Road Mountain Race and his preparation for it.

Following this at 7:45 pm the following awards were presented:

## Certificate of Appreciation

Presented to Rob Edwards by members of the Halswell Hornby Riccarton Community Board and Council – Marie Pollisco, Debbie Mora and Andrei Moore



## Club Champions (Crocodile Series Points)

Women's Club Champion – Maria Laurie

Men's Club Champion – Jacob Turner

## Hillclimb Champions (Reverse Enduro)

Women's Hill Climb – Maria Laurie

Men's Hill Climb – Eddie Adams



## Age Group Champions (Crocodile Series Points)

Age	Female	Male
U10	Bridget Ireland	Charlie Armstrong
10-12	Christina Symons	Walter Symons
13-14	Abigail Junge	Ethan Richardson
15-16	Millie Junge	Will Pringle
17-18	Eva Nyhan	Oscar Talbot
19-22	Maria Laurie	Jacob Turner
23-29	Gwen Gibson	Max Hides
30-34	Mary Gray	Logan Horn
35-39	Ness Spsychalska	Olly Pearce
40-44	Katie Symons	Daryl Webb
45-49	Hannah Miller	Juarez Carvalho
50-54	Dale Nyhan	Jacob Roberts
55-59	-	Graeme Young
60s	-	Dave Ralston
70s	-	Steve Moffatt

### Trail awards

Murray Anderson reached 500 Crocodile Park trackwork sessions earlier this year. He received a gift to acknowledge this.

### Approval of the minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting

The minutes from 2024 were received as being accurate. Moved Dave Ffowcs-Williams, seconded Murray Anderson

### 1. Chairperson's Report – Dave Ffowcs-Williams

Dave delivered his report in lightning speed in an attempt to make up time.

Last year we were 15 and of course like most 15 year old's willing to give anything a go. This year we are 16 and very grown up. So, at this stage in our life we start to make hard decisions about what we focus on. The first was schools racing. While this has been a very successful and well attended series the 2pm start made the time off work hard for all the organisers and volunteers. Much of this fell on a small number of people who had to deal with schools and school Sport Canterbury and get enough volunteers to make it safe. While Murray still has boundless energy he is not 16 so after very good 7 years it is farewell. Of course they can still come to all of the other Croc events and many do.

### Club events

So onto the Crocodile Series. We had seven rounds of the Crocodile Series... the usual 4 before Christmas, and then a further 3 during autumn in place of the schools' racing series. Number of riders each week: **Working up to Xmas 100+** 19 Nov = 106, 26 Nov = 103, 3 Dec = 93, 10 Dec = 107 **After the Xmas pudding down to 80**, 27 Feb = 81, 6 Mar = 81, 13 Mar = 88 A big thanks to local company **Frictive** for sponsoring the series by donating a set of brake pads to almost 50 competitors.

We started the season with our inaugural **Rock Around the Croc** 4-hour relay event which had 28 solo riders (3 women, 25 men), and 34 teams of 2-3 riders and the feedback was very positive. The race design, being rather cunning, used a unique format of having course change at three time points throughout the 4 hours, meaning almost every track in the park was used for the race. For those of you who have ridden all of the tracks you will know that it could be a bit of a challenge but also well worthwhile as there are so many kick ass tracks now.

The **Reverse Enduro** event had a total of 54 riders.

## **National and International Competition**

Not a club member but - Sammie Maxwell – Unbelievable – kick ass, the last few years the women's international field is very strong so great to see her doing so well in the World Series.

### **2025 National Champs (Rotorua):**

Some great podium results by club members

#### **XCC:**

Men's – Anton Cooper 1<sup>st</sup>, Ethan Rose 3<sup>rd</sup>

Women's – Maria Laurie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Annabel Bligh 3<sup>rd</sup>, Amelie Mackay 4<sup>th</sup>, Mary Gray 5<sup>th</sup>

#### **XCO:**

Men's Elite – Anton Cooper 1<sup>st</sup>

Women's U23 – Maria Laurie 1<sup>st</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup> in Elite)

Women's U15 – Abigail Junge 1<sup>st</sup>

Men's U17 – Wilbur Talbot 2<sup>nd</sup>

Women's U19 – Millie Junge 2<sup>nd</sup>

Women's Masters 3 – Dale Nyhan 1<sup>st</sup>

Men's Masters 4 – Andre Chappell 3<sup>rd</sup>

Men's Masters 5 – Steve Moffatt 1<sup>st</sup>

### **2025 Oceania Champs (Queenstown):**

Men's Elite – Anton Cooper 2<sup>nd</sup>

Women's Elite – Mary Gray 3<sup>rd</sup>

Men's U23 – Ethan Rose 1<sup>st</sup>

Women's U23 – Maria Laurie 1<sup>st</sup> and Amelie Mackay 3<sup>rd</sup>

Men's U15 – Benjamin Davies 2<sup>nd</sup>

Women's U15 – Abigail Junge 1<sup>st</sup>

Men's U17 – Wilbur Talbot 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ethan Richardson 3<sup>rd</sup>

Women's U19 – Millie Junge 2<sup>nd</sup>

Men's Masters 2 – Adam Heard 1<sup>st</sup>, Daryl Webb 2<sup>nd</sup> and Juarez Carvalho 3<sup>rd</sup>

### **2025 World Masters Champs (Cairns):**

Men's 75-79 – Steve Moffatt 1<sup>st</sup>

## **Club Membership**

Membership for 2024-25 was 150 on Hivepass and 28 children. We have 4425 followers on the Club's Facebook page and 2450 on the Crocodile Park's page. On Instagram we have 865 followers.

## **Crocodile report:**

This year there have not been any new tracks built, but there have still been 148 trackwork sessions in the past 12 months (almost 3 per week). A lot of these have been done by **Rob Edwards** who continues to beaver away a couple of times a week every week improving the trail network, especially tracks out in the farm area. If you have ridden a track Rob has worked on you will appreciate that this man knows his craft. As such, we nominated Rob for an award earlier this year, which he received earlier tonight.

Almost all the sessions have been keen individuals doing maintenance, but earlier in the year we had some big team sessions, and on occasion a small team have got their hands dirty on a bigger job like installing a cattle stop heading up from Deviation hub.

Over the past 12 months...

- A team installed passing lines on the valley section of the Crocodile Track.
- Rob installed passing lines on Crocodile Up.
- Made lots of improvements to switchbacks, berms, jumps and humps etc all over the park.
- Likewise with improving drainage, a job Rob has done a mammoth effort on.
- Even Siberia Track got some attention!
- Repaired a lot of erosion hole damage, mainly on Crocodile, Deviation and Switchback Ally.
- Replaced most of the bridges on Deviation.
- Trimming, trimming, trimming. Always a lot of grass trimming. January was unusually wet which led to more growth than usual.
- Cleared a lot of windfalls. The trunk from one of the biggest ones is still a temporary feature at the Ponds Hub, and the walking track is still closed from the other main big tree.
- Frequently clearing the forest tracks with the blower, especially during the summer and autumn months when it is windier.
- Installed a tool box at Kennedys Hub (which was funded by Rotary) which has been very well used by Rob working up on the top tracks.
- Darcy and his GSL digger dug out the creek and created a stopbank, which has already proven to be a success, saving our ponds hub area from getting destroyed in 30 April rain event when we received almost 150 mm in 24 hours at the park.
- Installed a cattlestop above Deviation Hub for the new Redmund Spur link.
- Hamish Ritchie built a shelter at Deviation Hub, which has proven to be very useful for marshals, but also used by people having a rest.
- Mike Hames installed lighting in our main container, which has been awesome! The materials for that were also covered by Rotary.
- And Ground Effect funded a new E-Barrow that we call Daisy. She is a sweet addition to our arsenal and has been very well used, alongside Barry.

In addition to our volunteer efforts in the park, Dan van Asch funded the development of two tracks between the current track network and his Redmund Spur subdivision development. These were built by Milty Coultas from Graded Earth. Since then we have worked with Dan to scope out how to join those into our tracks to make the best use of them. The cattlestop we recently installed above Deviation Hub will allow the first of these connections, and we intend to have some larger team sessions to build these lines. We are intending, come spring, to have some regular team track sessions to deal with this as well as improving long sections of tracks that need a bit of love.

We were also preparing to gravel the C2 stopbank in May but got the big rain event on 30 April that made it too wet to get the gravel and machinery in there. So hopefully this spring or next autumn we can do that.

GSL build the new MTB access track through Halswell Quarry, which has been fantastic as the old ride line through the upper paddock was often quite muddy. It has also meant the top paddock grass has stayed a lot drier this winter than in the past.

### **Living Springs report:**

At last year's AGM we said that the ongoing maintenance of the Living Springs trails was passed back to the club, after the group that was doing it ran out of funding. Craig was too busy with Crocodile Park stuff to take on that responsibility so put the word out for keen beans and formed a WhatsApp Group that could be used for coordinating maintenance going forward. Unfortunately that idea did not work and so almost no maintenance was done. Then along came the 30 April storm which caused some very major damage across the Living Springs property, including several big slips on the MTB tracks. As a result, the tracks have been closed since April. We have assessed the damage and come up with a plan of attack, which involves a lot of digger work and a long section of track that needs to be built by hand to bypass some irreparable damage. Living Springs have secured some funding and we are contributing some ourselves to allow Milty from Graded Earth to spend a few days there getting on top of some of this. We will then most likely look to do some

sessions with a team to get the rest of the repairs sorted so we can get it open again for this summer.

In between sections the following questions were asked – I’ve put them in without the answers so you can test yourself.

1. In the overall XCO standings for the 2025 World Series Sammie Maxwell is currently leading by a long shot. Who is in second place?
2. What is the name of the MTB reserve above Lyttelton?
3. The Tour Divide self-supported ultra-endurance race starts in Banff, Canada, and goes all the way down through the Rockies to the Mexico border, finishing where?
4. What is the name of the cycleway that starts near the central city and ends at Halswell?
5. What was the name of the bikepacking rack that was designed in Dunedin and later sold to Thule?
6. Draw the Strava logo

## **2. Financial report for 2024-25 year Christchurch Singletrack Club Inc** – Brian Smith

### ***Accounts for the year to June 30 2025***

<b><i>Income</i></b>	<b><i>2023-24</i></b>	<b><i>2024-2025</i></b>
Subscriptions	\$5464.47	6280.29
Donations/Sales	\$600.00	4659.00
Event Fees	\$7582.20	4311.45
Grants	\$2182.00	6138.00
Interest	\$2412.53	3439.74
Transfer In	\$0.00	75675.52
	<b>\$18241.20</b>	<b>\$100504.00</b>

### ***Expenses***

Events	\$6387.91	6313.42
Equipment	\$0.00	4464.87
Construction	\$2423.77	2022.17
Donations	\$16.99	0
Operations	\$649.97	1459.63
Affiliation Fees	\$859.69	1035.08
	<b>\$10338.33</b>	<b>\$91256.27</b>

***2024-25 Excess Expenditure over Income***      \$6047.44

### **Statement of Financial Position**

<b>B/Fwd from 2023-24 current a/c 30 June 24</b>	<b>\$15145.33</b>
<b>Revenue 2024-25</b>	<b>\$100504.00</b>
<b>Expenditure 2024-25</b>	<b>\$106551.44</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$9097.89</b>
<b>Balance in Current Account 30 June 2025</b>	<b>\$9097.89</b>

### **Investments**

	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-2025</b>
<b>Invest 1</b>	<b>\$17033.00</b>	<b>\$38000.00</b>

Invest 2	\$20035.00	\$12000.00
Invest 3	\$10000.00	\$12000.00

**Investment 1 matures October 2025. Interest rate is 4.15%**

**Investment 2 matures November 2025. Interest rate is 4.05%**

**Investment 3 matures November 2025. Interest rate is 4.05%**

### **Comments**

Donations increase due to \$2199 from Cyclic Solutions (Ground Effects) for an electric barrow, \$1000 from Hahn Construction, \$400 from CESC Trust. \$800 from various others.

Event fees are down due to the termination of schools racing.

Grants are made up of \$5000 from the Mainland Foundation and \$1000 from Cashmere Rotary Club.

Interest payments are up due to all SBS fixed interest accounts being closed and transferred to Kiwi Bank.

Transfers In are the fixed term amounts moving from SBS to Kiwi Bank.

Events expenses are mainly Promed First Aid \$5000

Equipment purchased was a chainsaw, a tool box an electric wheelbarrow and supplies for the container.

Construction material was for the Deviation shelter, \$755 and material for the cattle stop \$471.

Transfers Out are the fixed term amounts moving from the Kiwi Bank current account to Kiwi Bank fixed term accounts.

In the 2024-25 year we actually earned \$9533.31 more than we spent. We invested the surplus in fixed interest term deposits.

***Moved to accept Financial Report – Murray Anderson, seconded Alex Adams***

### **4. Election of Executive Committee members for the 2025-26 year.**

Jennifer Tregurtha tendered her resignation and Rebekah nominated Darcy Arnold to join the committee.

**Chairperson:** Dave Ffowcs-Williams

**Secretary:** Rebekah Tregurtha

**Treasurer:** Brian Smith

**Committee members:** Sara Taylor, Craig Tregurtha, Nikki Bligh, Murray Anderson, Matt Boulcott, Brigitte Bilbe and Darcy Arnold

***Moved to accept the executive positions and committee members – Rebekah Tregurtha, seconded Darcy Arnold.***

### **6. General Business:**

#### **New Constitution**

The motion to accept the new constitution to meet the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 was moved by Sara Taylor and seconded by Dave Ffowcs-Williams,

## Events this coming season

### Pre-Christmas

- Hillclimb
- Rock around the Croc
- Crocodile XC evening racing – 4 events on Tuesday evening's beginning in November

### Post-Christmas

- MTBNZ races
- Crocodile XC evening racing

### Other

Sara Taylor has found a price for an AED unit.

Dave Ffowcs-Williams raised the issue of security at the Crocodile XC MTB Park due to the acts of vandalism that have occurred there.

Both of these will be discussed in more detail at a future committee meeting.

The meeting ended as is our tradition with a quick-fire quiz. This year's theme was Name This Trail

Meeting ended at 8:40pm