

## ADMINISTRATION *cont.*

1985, M Glen 1986 to 1987 and 1990, and Bruce McLean 1995 to 2004 who is heading towards Roger Weatherley's record of eleven years. The compiler who had two years (1977 and 1978) well remembers one Clayworth Pairs run at the notorious Sunset Road course. The harriers had to run in opposite directions, touch, turn round and run back to the start, the second to finish determining the team's place. A formula was devised as follows:  $\text{Team time} = 2 \times a \times b \times d$  divided by  $a + b$  where  $a$  = time per k for first person,  $b$  = time per k for second person and  $d$  = distance of course. By the time the formula was applied to each team (without the aid of a calculator), everyone was frozen cold and soaking wet and disgruntled. The result however was a triumph! The first team was approximately recorded. As harriers only seconds apart poured in from both directions, all other teams, and there were at least twenty, were after total confusion given assumed placings. The handicapper certainly did not always get it right but on that day he did.

The club captain of any club is always an influential person. To be selected in the first place means a lot in itself. The club captain needs to be a well respected person who also has to be capable of decisive and positive action. It is a position which demands strong commitment. Calliope Harrier Club has had a lot of fine club captains. There have been many, starting in 1930

with R Drummond (instead of initially elected W S Taylor who assumed other duties). He was followed by S Rowland in 1931. A E Clayton assumed the role in 1932, 1934 and 1936. L Lanigan for a number of years promoted juniors to club captain and then supported them. He himself was club captain in 1941 and then from 1945 to 1947. He was followed by J A Darroch in 1948 and 1949. R Andrews served from 1951 to 1953. Harry Chiron was club captain in 1958 and 1959, with Laurie Vincent serving in 1963, 1964, 1966 and 1974. Jack Ralston took over in 1968, 1969 and 1976, with Ian Studd acting as club captain in 1970 and 1971. Others to serve in the important role for more than one season were Rod Barker in 1977 and 1982, Trevor Mouldey in 1980, 1983 and 1989, Steve Lee in 1984 and 1985, Murray Glen in 1986 and 1987, Colin Hitchcock in 1994 and 1995, Robert Purdie between 1996 and 1998, and Don McPike in 2000 and 2002. Ray Broughton is the present club captain.

Initially Calliope Harrier Club had one committee administering its affairs. The records are inadequate, but certainly by the early 1960s a new structure had been adopted. An executive had overall control with three separate sections – harriers, senior athletics and junior athletics, which each administered their respective sections, and reported back to the executive.



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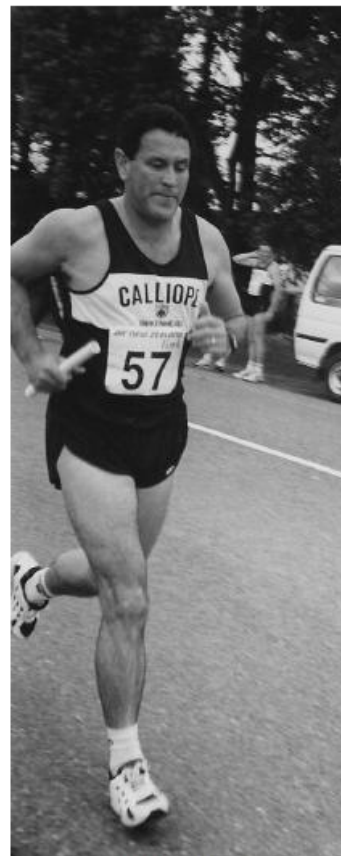
This arrangement, with the occasional alteration, basically was in place until November 2002 when it was decided that the duplication of officials and of official records had become unnecessary.

The constitution of Calliope has been the source of much discussion and change over the years. When Bill Taylor made his way from Wellington to Auckland in the late 1920s he carried with him a copy of "Olympic Harriers Rules and Regulations Member's Card 1925". This became Calliope's constitution. The changes made were minor. Obviously "Olympic" became "Calliope". The uniform remained the same, the only change being the substitution of the "O" by a "C" on the singlet. A patron and a medical advisor were added to the list of officials. Members had to take part in three, not four club runs to be eligible for club races. The season was to run from April to October, rather than from March to September. Standard medals, not gold medals as in the Olympic Rules, were to be awarded to each member who attended every run during the season. Attendance meant starting, running, and finishing with the pack. This rule was strictly enforced and club uniforms had to be worn on all runs. Other than the minor changes mentioned, Calliope Harrier Club was administered exactly according to the rules of the Olympic Harriers Club, Wellington.

With changing times came changing requirements and the constitution today is vastly different from the first one. The biggest change occurred on October 25 1988. Years of discussion about the constitution of the club culminated in both a revised constitution and the decision to apply for incorporation. Calliope Athletic and Harrier Club became incorporated on November 28 1988. The effect of this was that Calliope became legally able to do a number of things that had proved difficult previously, such as entering into a lease, raising monies, entering into contracts without attracting personal liability and being eligible to apply for sources of funds which otherwise would have been unavailable. This occurred during Martin Fuller's term as president. The constitution has been amended subsequently and presumably will be again. It is pleasing that Calliope has people who revel in constitutional niceties, as the rules and constitution do need to be kept relevant. They are there to protect and promote the interests of every member.



*Martin Fuller*



*Ray Broughton  
present club captain*