



OCEANIA NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES

REPORT TO THE 2014 ANOC GENERAL ASSEMBLY Bangkok, Thailand

ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS

The Executive Board of the Oceania National Olympic Committees was elected at the 2013 ONOC General Assembly held in Nadi, Fiji.

President: Robin Mitchell (IOC Member in Fiji)
Vice President: Barry Maister (IOC Member in New Zealand)
Secretary General: Ricardo Blas (President Guam NOC)

Executive Members:

Craig Phillips (Secretary General, Australia NOC)
Mrs. Baklai Temengil (Secretary General Palau NOC)
Jim Tobin (Secretary General Federated States of Micronesia)
Ken Tupua (President, American Samoa NOC) – resigned early 2014
replaced by Mrs Auvita Rapilla (Secretary General, Papua New Guinea NOC)

The IOC Members in Oceania are also part of the ONOC Executive: Kevan Gosper (retired 2013) and John Coates (both from AUS) together with Barbara Kendall (NZL) who is also the ONOC Athletes Commission Chair and James Tomkins (AUS, IOC Athletes Commission).

The Guam ONOC Office, where the Secretary General is based, is the primary administrative authority for ONOC and is responsible for the disbursement of Olympic Solidarity payments to ONOC members and development partners. The ONOC Technical Secretariat maintains its premises at 73 Gordon St. in Suva, FIJ. ONOC President, Dr. Robin Mitchell maintains an office here as well.

ONOC COMMISSIONS & associate Organisations

Athletes Commission

Barbara Kendall NZL (Chair, IOC Member)
Carl Probert FIJ (Vice Chair & Pacific Games Council Representative)
James Tomkins (AUS, IOC Member)
Julianne Westrupp (COK)
Tasi Ada (GUM)
Alex Davani (PNG)

Audit Commission

Barry Maister (NZL, IOC Member)
Craig Phillips (AUS)
Jim Tobin (FSM)

Education Commission

Barry Maister (Chairman - NZL, IOC Member)
Filipe Jitoko (Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, FIJ)
Jeremy Dorovolomo (University of the South Pacific, SOL)
Dr Alison Simons (Australian Sports Commission)
Gill Gemming (OSFO, NZL)
Laura Mangham (PLW, NOC representative)
James Malau Kalo (VAN, NOC representative)

Medical Commission

Dr Chris Milne (Chairman - NZL)
Prof Eddie McCaig (Deputy Chairman, FIJ)
Dr Larissa Trease (AUS)
Dr Louis Cruz (GUM)
Dr Bernie Amof (PNG)
Physiotherapy Representatives
Mr Mark Brown (AUS)
Mrs Cathy Wong (FIJ)

Women in Sport Commission (WAS0)

Helen Brownlee (Chair - AUS)
Susie Yee (FIJ)
Lestly Ashby (FSM)
Maata Yetzes (KIR)
Carol Ngiraidis (PLW)
Julianne Westrupp (COK, Athletes Commission representative)

Oceania Foundation, Melbourne AUS

Chairman Kevan Gosper (AUS)
Board Members: Ricardo Blas (GUM)
 John Coates (AUS)
 Peter Hordern (AUS)
Executive Director Mrs. Helen McMurray (AUS)

Oceania Sports Information Centre, University of South Pacific, Suva FIJ:

Director: Mr. Martin Burrows (USA)
Librarian Pushpa Prasad (FIJ)

Oceania Regional Anti Doping Organisation (ORADO) continues to be based within the ONOC Suva Offices. The Executive Officer has recently relocated to Samoa.

Executive Officer:	Mrs. Natanya Potoi Ulia (SAM)
Administrative Assistant:	Fatafehi Daunivaka (FIJ)
ORADO-UNESCO Project Officer	Meli Cavu (FIJ)

ONOC SECRETARIAT

Guam Staff

Administrative Services Officer	Mike Kohn (GUM)
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Fiji Staff:

Executive Director:	Dennis Miller (FIJ)
Administrative Services Officer:	Mrs. Hanisivae Visanti (FIJ)
Oceania Sports Education Program Coordinator:	Adi Sainimili Talatoka (FIJ)
Oceania Sports Education Program Assistant:	Mrs Varanise Logavatu (FIJ)
Regional Media Development Specialist:	Matai Akauola (FIJ)
Accounts Officer:	Ms Sristy Mala (FIJ)
Archivist & PA to the President:	Mrs Talei Burness (FIJ)
Office Assistant:	Mrs Kesaia Lewasucudua (FIJ)
Events Coordinator:	Grant Petersen (FIJ)

MEETINGS

Annual General Assemblies

The 2013 ONOC General Assembly and associated meetings were held in Nadi, Fiji.

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Prior to the General Assemblies, ONOC held joint workshops with representatives of the Olympic Sports Federations of Oceania (OSFO) covering a number of areas of mutual interest to both organizations.

Executive Board Meetings

The ONOC Executive Board met on 4 occasions in 2013 and 2014, in Sydney AUS (twice), Honiara SOL and Guam.

Regional Forums

ONOC coordinated two Regional Olympic Forums in 2013 and 2014 in conjunction with the Olympic Solidarity Lausanne office.

- 2013: Presentation of the 2013 - 2017 Olympic Solidarity Programmes
- 2014: NOC Good Governance

MAJOR EVENTS

2014 Micronesian Games

The 8th Micronesian Games were held on the Micronesian island of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), from 20-30 July 2014. Participating in the games are Guam, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Northern Marianas, Palau and the four Federated States of Micronesia competing as separate entities - the islands of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap. There were 14 sports on the games programme including Athletics, Baseball, Basketball, Football, Micronesian All-Around, Softball (Fast-Pitch), Spear Fishing, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Va'a, Volleyball, Weightlifting and Wrestling.

Over 1400 athletes and coaches participated in the largest ever Micronesian Games. This was the second time, Pohnpei, FSM had hosted the games in the past 12 years. Guam led the way on the final medal tally with 42 gold medals and 81 total medals, followed by Pohnpei, FSM with 36 gold medals and 114 total medals and Palau with 36 gold medals and 105 total medals. All participating Micronesian islands won at least 3 gold medals. There were terrific performances in each sport, and historic achievements as well, including 4-time FSM Olympian Manuel Minginfel from Yap winning gold medals in Weightlifting for the fifth straight Micronesian Games.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC), Oceania National Olympic Committees (ONOC), Oceania Regional Anti-Doping Organization (ORADO), Voice of the Athletes (VOA), International Federations (IFs) and Oceania Federations (OFs) were significant supporters of the local organizing committee providing technical training for games officials, coaches and athletes, sport equipment and on hand supervision of the games.

One of the successes of the games was the vast improvement of the sport venues from those used at the last games held on Pohnpei, FSM. Most venues met international federation standards. This is a key legacy of hosting the games, with a goal of improved sport development in Micronesia in the next few years. Yap, FSM will host the 9th Micronesian Games in 2018.

2014 Commonwealth Games

14 Commonwealth Games Associations from Oceania participated in the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, Scotland in July-August. Australia ranked 2nd on the overall medal tally while New Zealand ranked 5th.

A number of Pacific Island CGAs - Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Papua New Guinea and Samoa - won medals at these Games - in the case of Kiribati, their first ever Gold Medal, in Weightlifting.

As in previous Commonwealth and Olympic Games, ONOC coordinated a Joint Logistics, Operations and Media Centre for the 12 Pacific Island Teams at the Games.

Pacific Games

After over a decade of discussions, the 22 member Pacific Games Council (PGC), at its meeting in Port Moresby PNG in May this year, agreed to invite Australian and New Zealand athletes to participate in selected sports (Rugby 7s, Sailing, Taekwondo and Weightlifting) in the 2015 Pacific Games. An MOU has been signed between ONOC and the PGC which preserves the rights of all members of the PGC to fully participate in the Pacific Games, and which aims to secure the Games as the premier multi - sport event in Oceania, with the gradual inclusion of Australia and New Zealand, which are both members of ONOC and the Pacific Community as a whole.

OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY

Olympic Solidarity Commission

ONOC's representatives on the Olympic Solidarity Commission are President Dr. Robin Mitchell and Secretary General Ricardo Blas.

ONOC Continental Programs include:

- * National Solidarity programmes
- * Regional Olympic Solidarity Programmes (in conjunction with Oceania International Federations)
- * Information Technology
- * Olympeceania
- * Oceania Sports Information Centre
- * Regional / National Games Support
- * IF / NOC Technical Experts programme
- * ONOC Administration Grant
- * Regional Development Fund

Oceania Olympic Values programmes are delivered via:

- * Oceania Sports Education Programme
- * Oceania Athletes Commission
 - Voices of the Athletes programme/Sustainable Coastlines
- * Oceania Regional Antidoping programme
- * Oceania Women in Sport Commission
- * ONOC Medical Commission

World Programmes (conducted by ONOC on behalf of Olympic Solidarity)

- * Regional Olympic Forum
- * Administrative Subsidy to NOCs

Oceania Sports Education Program (OSEP)

OSEP is seen by the ONOC executive as the basis of sport development in the region, across all countries. OSEP is a core strategic direction for ONOC aimed to lift sports delivery performance. The objective is to train personnel to deliver these programmes, and to monitor the uptake and effectiveness, and report regularly to the ONOC executive. To be effective, OSEP requires a close collaboration with ONOC, the Organisation of Sports Federation of Oceania (OSFO), the Australian Sports Commission (ASC), NOCs, Pacific Island Forum countries and the University of the South Pacific (USP), and the key to OSEP's success is effective relationships with all of these.

OSEP has launched Community Sports Administration and Coaching courses which have been adopted by Oceania NOCs, International Federations and Sports and Development agencies and will be launched in the majority of Oceania countries by the end of 2011. The modules that have been prepared in these competency based courses now include Olympic values programmes such as the STOP HIV/Healthy lifestyles and Oceania RADO projects.

Other programmes which have been launched in the region include the IOC Olympic Solidarity - MISO programme (Management in Sporting Organisations) and the MOSO programme (Managing Olympic Sports Organisations) .

Sport and the Millennium Development Goals

ONOC has realigned its Olympic values programme to assist in the achievement of the MDGs nationally and regionally working with National Government agencies and intergovernmental groups. ONOC now has programmes addressing 5 of the 8 MDGs promoting education, maternal health, gender equality, healthy lifestyles and regional partnerships and is considering programmes relating to environmental sustainability. Also being developed are programmes using sport and physical activity to address the major problem of obesity and worrying increase in noncommunicable diseases in the region.

Regional Cooperation

In 2010, ONOC signed Memoranda of Understanding with the Pacific Islands News Association (PINA) and the University of the South Pacific (USP) to further Olympic Programmes in Sports Journalism and Sport Education respectively in the Oceania Region.

In April 2014, ONOC signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the World Health Organisation with a view to jointly implementing programmes aimed at reducing the incidence of Non Communicable Diseases in the region.

Following discussions over a number of years, ONOC has received an invitation from the OCA to participate in the 2017 Asian Indoor Games which is being hosted by Turkmenistan. An MOU will be signed between the two continental organisations in Turkmenistan on the 28th of November 2014.

NOC Audits

As part of Olympic Solidarity's review of the delivery of its programs, the NOCs of Samoa and American Samoa underwent audits in 2014 by Nicole Girard Savoy accompanied by Dennis Miller of the ONOC Secretariat.

Following the audits, the NOCs were provided with comprehensive reports on the outcomes of discussions along with recommendations for future action.

NOC Governance Issues

ONOC works with many of its member NOCs to assist them in addressing various governance issues. These issues, where they arise, are often a result of misunderstanding of NOC responsibilities as laid out in the Olympic Charter.

ASSOCIATION OF NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES

ONOC's delegates to the ANOC Executive Council are:

President:	Dr. Robin Mitchell (FIJ)
Vice President:	Barry Maister (NZL)
Secretary General:	Ricardo Blas (GUM)
Executive Member:	Kevan Gosper (AUS) until November 2014 Mrs Baklai Temengil (PLW) from November 2014

Current ONOC representatives on ANOC Commissions:

ANOC Events Working Group	
Member	Kevan Gosper (Australia)
Audit & Finance	
Member	Ricardo Blas (Guam)
Athletes	
Chair	Barbara Kendall (NZL)
International Relations	
Member	Robin Mitchell (Fiji)
Juridical	
Member	Maria Clarke (NZL)
Marketing & New Sources of Finance	
Member	Kevan Gosper (Australia)
Medical	
Chairman	Dr Robin Mitchell (Fiji)
Member	Dr Chris Milne (New Zealand)
Modernisation	
Chairman	Kevan Gosper (Australia)
Member	Barry Maister (New Zealand)
Youth Working Group	
Members	Isabel-Emma Goodall and Jimmy Jonas (PLW)

2014 - 2017 STRATEGIC PLAN

ONOC is finalising its 2014 - 2017 Strategic Plan. Following extensive discussions with stakeholders, the following core function and activities have been identified.

ONOC'S CORE FUNCTIONS

- Management of Olympic Solidarity Continental Funds
- Advisory Services to members
- Delivery of the Oceania Sport Education Program
- Engaging with relevant partners
- Meeting statutory requirements under Fiji Law and the ONOC Constitution.

Consistent with these functions, ONOC must focus its efforts in the following areas:

Promoting its own best practice governance through:

- adopting a strategic plan
- maintaining a policies and procedures manual
- designating roles and responsibilities for EB members
- ensuring effective regional partnerships
- delivering effective communications

- ensuring effective representation of the region on the IOC and ANOC
- ensuring legal and financial requirements are met

Strengthening the efficiency and capability of NOCs through:

- providing comprehensive professional training and development programmes for NOC leaders and staff, including MISO and MOSO courses delivered via the Oceania Sport Education Programme.
- ensuring sound financial management practices in NOCs
- ensuring NOCs meet their obligations as laid down in the Olympic Charter
- ensuring good governance by all NOCs
- assisting NOCs to remain autonomous, while working effectively with governments
- encouraging NOCs to take full advantage of Olympic Solidarity World Programmes to implement projects to improve their management efficiency.

Contributing to the raising of sports performance across the region through:

- maintaining and strengthening existing ONOC and NOC Athletes Commissions, and assisting in the establishment of these where NOCs do not have one as yet.
- target Olympic Solidarity funding to specific sports with podium potential at the international level, while also taking into account NOC autonomy and priorities
- encouraging NOCs to take full advantage of Olympic Solidarity World Programmes to develop their high performance athletes and coaches
- tighten the criteria for Olympic Solidarity funding to regional representatives of International Federations with a view to improved sports performances at the regional and international level.
- supporting the gradual inclusion of Australian and New Zealand athletes in the Pacific Games
- supporting existing high performance centres in the region, and encouraging the establishment of new centres in targeted sports.
- exploring options for high performance sports development with other continental associations

Building community sports capacity and involvement through:

- ongoing delivery of the Oceania Sports Education Programme
- supporting the training of sports development officers in NOCs
- encouraging full usage of available funding for equipment
- continuing engagement with regional and national organisations to promote sports for development.

Supporting relevant social causes through sport through:

- Identification of priority causes (Environmental issues, Non - Communicable Diseases, Obesity)
- Development of strategies to use sport to address these issues
- Participation in advocacy platforms that position sport as an investment in public health
- Promotion of activities through the ONOC Medical, Women in Sport and Athletes Commissions, in consultation with appropriate existing agencies in the region.
- Encouraging NOCs to take full advantage of Olympic Solidarity World Programs to promote Olympic Values in their communities

UPCOMING EVENTS

28 April - 2 May 2015

ONOC General Assembly, Suva, Fiji

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International Olympic Committee

Association of National Olympic Committees

National Olympic Committees in Oceania

ONOC Executive Board

ONOC Commissions

Oceania Foundation

Oceania Regional Antidoping Agency

Samsung Electronics (Australia)

Members of the Organisation of Sports Federations of Oceania (OSFO)

Pacific Games Council

Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat

Secretariat of the Pacific Community

University of the South Pacific

Australian Sports Commission

Pacific Island News Association

Oceania Sport Alliance (UK)

Sportsworld (UK)