

Decision No. GREYDLC131/2015

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

**AND**

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of an application by **RUNANGA RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE CLUB INCORPORATED** pursuant to s.120 and s.127 of the Act for a renewal of the Club Licence in respect of premises situated at 9 Somerled Avenue, Dunollie known as the "Runanga Rugby League Club

**BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

The Runanga Rugby Football League Club Inc. has applied for a renewal of the Club Licence in respect of premises situated at 9 Somerled Avenue, Dunollie known as the "Runanga Rugby League Club".

The applicant currently holds a club licence.

The general nature of the activity is that of a club and is noted as one of the longest established rugby league clubs on the West Coast. The premise is located on land zoned as rural in the Grey District Plan. The main principal entrance is from the door at the rear of the building that faces north as per plan provided.

The application showing the variation of hours sought was notified Wednesday 27 May and Wednesday 3 June 2015 and no objections were received.

The applicant has applied for a variation of days and hours of operation which the inspector notes is more reflective of what the club would like as their trading hours:

1. Friday to Sunday 12midday until 12midnight.

## **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The applicant has operated for many years and has not come to notice of the reporting agencies in an adverse manner.

The principal activity is a sports club and the inspector reports that the amenity and good order of the area has not been adversely affected and that the applicant has sound host responsibility practices.

There is no evidence before the Committee which would suggest that the applicant would manage the premises in any way which would contravene the requirements of the Act.

The detailed report from the Grey District Licensing Inspector advises she does not oppose the application and recommends the licence be renewed for a further period of three years.

The Police and Medical Officer of Health raise no matters in opposition.

The application was notified in the Greymouth Star on Wednesday 27 May and Wednesday 3 June 2015. A public notice was placed at the principal entrance. No objections were received from members of the public. I note that the applicant has advertised before submitting their application on 25 June 2015. I rule that the public have not been unfairly disadvantaged and grant a section 208 waiver for this non-fatal error.

I am satisfied that the applicant has sufficient staff and adequate training to manage the Club in accordance with the Act.

As no objection to the application has been filed and no matters of opposition have been raised by the inquiring agencies, the application has been considered pursuant to section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 by the Chairperson of the District Licensing Committee sitting alone.

Overall I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.105 and s.106 and s.131 of the Act.

## **DECISION**

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairman, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 approves an application by the Runanga Rugby League Club for a renewal of the Club Licence in respect of premises 9 Somerled Avenue, Dunollie known as the "Runanga Rugby League Club" subject to conditions.

### **Conditions:**

The licence is subject to the conditions listed below:

1. Alcohol may be sold and supplied on the following days and hours:
  - Friday to Sunday 12midday to 12midnight
2. The whole premise is designated as undesignated.

3. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed: minors and intoxicated person must not be served alcohol.
4. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge at all times.
5. Food as listed by the applicant to be available on the premises during the licence hours.
6. Low and non-alcoholic beverages must be available for sale and supply from the bar at all times.
7. Signage for alternative form of transport to be displayed with staff to assist patrons with arranging transport.
8. The licensee must ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied to any person for consumption on the premises unless the person is –
  - A member of the club,
  - Is on the premises at the invitation of, and is accompanied by, a member of the club, or
  - An authorised visitor,
9. The licence is subject to the payment of licence fees as required by the Sales and Alcohol (fees) Regulations 2013.

**DATED** at GREYMOUTH this 02 day of December 2015



Alan T O'Connell  
Chairman/Commissioner

