Richard B. McNair

My name is Richard McNair, I live in Te Puke and have been an Ostomate since 1995 and currently I am a life member of the Western Bay of Plenty Ostomy Society Inc, having just retired for the position of President. However, I was asked to stand again for the positions of Secretary / Treasurer in 2021 and still hold that position. I have been on the Federation Executive since 2001 until 2017 with the position of President. I been the President of the Asia and South Pacific Ostomy Association from 2017 until 2020 and represent NZ as a delegate to that organisation.

Currently I am also the Chairman of the International Ostomy Association's Co-ordination Committee but will be standing down from that position at the Singapore conference in order to let another region take the task over.

My background has been in machinery and automotive spare parts, holding management positions for many years and my major sporting interest has been with motorsport both as acompetitor and organiser in both NZ and Australia.

Along with Mr Barry Maughan, I am a founder and trustee of Friends of Ostomates Worldwide New Zealand Charitable Trust which has been supplying Ostomy and other medical products free of charge to a number of countries in Asia and The South Pacific for several years.

Several years ago I was asked to be the New Zealand board member of the Convatec Great Comebacks program for Australasia and would like to see this program expanded into the Asian region.

I have a considerable amount of experience in doing accounts and my wife is an accountant and so I feel that I am a good fit for the Treasurers position and would like to think that I have done a satisfactory job in this position in the years that I have held it to date.