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"It is with great sadness that I have found it necessary to resign as your Chairman.

Although I have recovered quite well from my stroke of last August, I find that it has left me lacking in energy, enthusiasm and patience. I started the year full of enthusiasm, and eager to restore confidence in the Board. For the first few months my energy levels were boundless, and I take some pride in how far we progressed towards this goal and in a number of new initiatives we put in place. Since my stroke however, I find that my energy is much diminished such that my ability to provide the leadership that the organisation needs is just not there any more.

Additionally, there is the factor that my doctor has advised that any stress will only serve to increase the likelihood of a further stroke.

I have pondered long and hard over whether I should give it more time. However I have concluded that there is no way I could serve out the remaining two years of my term, and with proximity of the elections it is as well that I retire sooner rather than later.

As the Secretary cannot call for nominations until the post is vacant, I have tendered my resignation effective from the date of the next Board meeting, which is scheduled for the 21st January.



I would like to thank the entire Board and it staff for their dedication to their tasks during my all too brief time in office. My thanks also go to the wonderful volunteers whose unheralded work does so much to ensure that we can all enjoy the game we love.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have served as your Chairman. I am only sorry that my turn at the helm has been so short. I wish my successor well. Once again, my thanks to all. Onwards and upwards

Alan Dormer NZB Chair