



RNZN Communicators Association
PO Box 5931, Wellesley St, AUCKLAND

**Minutes of the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Date: 29 September 2008

Venue: Ngataringa sports complex

Time: 14.00

Present: Dave Carroll, Sandy Watson, Harvey Graham, Albie Cross, John Dallow, Tony Woodford, Denis Kean, Cliff Hodgeman, Rex Rodgers, Peter Smith, John Titmus, Arthur Venus, Barrie Chivers, Graham Cadwallader, Martin Frost, Brian Henman, Barry Jordan, Yvonne van Geuns, Frank Rands, Kerry Hamilton, Rod berry, Jim Blackburn, Michael Dinwiddie

1. Welcome

The meeting was opened by the Association's Chairman, Frank Rands, by thanking the members for their attendance at the meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from :

Wayne Dyke, Murray & Jan Kingham, Neill Cameron, Chris Farrow, Gerald Linton, Peter Matthews, Noel Caine, Gene Autridge, Colin Abbott, Gary Kingdon, Jim & Vicki Dell, Geoff Adams, Peter McLeay, Neil Robinson, Robert McKenzie, Frank Lewis, Jerry Paine, Lynley Beard, Janice O'Neill, John Bullock, Paul Murray, Malcolm Jackman, Gary Ellis, Paddy Long, Michael Catlow, Bob & Yvonne Ohlson, Neal Catley, Chris Bond, Tui Newton, Bruce Kenyon, Paul Kilkolly, Ken Smith, Jan Luttrell, George Randall, Des Sanson, Colin Newport, Wayne Berry, Brenda Lodge, Dennis Powell, Jerry Vane, Des Powell, Wayne Knight.

3. Minutes from the AGMs held on 22nd September 2007

The minutes of the previous AGM was presented.

Proposed: Barry Jordan

Seconded: Graham Cadwallader

4. Matters Arising

a. HMNZS Irirangi Association

The transfer of funds from the HMNZS Irirangi Association committee is now completed. The funds have been moved to the account of the RNZN Communicators Association.

5. Chairman's Report

The Chairman provided an overview of the Associations activities over the past 12 months. A copy of the Chairman's report can be found at Annex A.

Proposed: Arthur Daniels **Seconded:** Rex Rogers

6. Financials

The Treasurer, Rod Berry, Presented the Associations financial position to the meeting. There were no outstanding financial issues. The financial report can be found at Annex B.

Proposed : Barry Jordan **Seconded :** Sandy Watson

7 Correspondence

No new correspondence

8. Election of the Association Committee

The committee to take the Association through to the next Annual General Meeting comprises the following members:

Chairman	Frank Rands
Treasurer	Rod Berry
Secretary	Yvonne van Geuns
Address Database	Barry Jordan
Committee	Jim Blackburn
	Sandy Watson
	Peter Smith
	John Titmus
	Dave Carroll
	Wayne Dyke

The meeting ratified the new committee. Frank Rands also made a point of the fact that other members need to step up and take part on the committee.

9. General Business

a. Reunion 2009

Registered and paid for so far are, 68 Members for the Friday night get together, 65 for the Saturday evening event and 52 for the Sunday event

All details for the reunion including the registration forms are available on the Web site

b. Website

Frank Rands brought to the attention of those present that the website had been updated in the last year and that the website was now easier to work your way around.

Also noted, that members of the committee, and others were working on a history of communications. When complete, this history will be added to the website.

c. RNZNCA Communicator of the Year Prize

The committee has been able to obtain more Morse keys for the prize. The award will once again be presented to the Advanced Communicators Course finishing in Late 2008. The presentation has become a valued part of the end of course presentation ceremony and is appreciated by both RNZN and serving communicators.

d. Membership

The Association's financial membership is now 307. The introduction of the new Foundation Members has been very popular and now has 18 members; we also have 2 life members and 1 Associate member.

The meaning of "Foundation Member" was again clarified to all present by Peter Smith. The wording of this is to be found on the website.

Added business:

Jim Blackburn brought up the proposed changes to be made to the War and Disability Pension given to the law commission. This is a 288 page remit where changes are being made to the wording of the pension. Those on disability will have to prove their connection to their service time. Information will be available at local RSA's Franks page to have a Hyperlink to the document.

There being no more business the Chairman thanked everyone for their contribution to the meeting and all were invited to remain and participate in a light snack and conviviality.

The meeting closed at 15:30pm

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

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