RNZN Communicators Association  
PO Box 5931, Wellesley St, AUCKLAND

Minutes of the  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: 16 September 2006  
Venue: HMNZS Ngapona  
Time: 7.00pm  
Present: Dearne Berry, Colin Burgess, Graham Cadwallader, Jan & Bill Luttell, Dickie Dallow, Rex Rodgers, Brian Henman, Cliff Hodgman, Dennis Kean, Rex Lucinsky, Ken Begg Wayne Dyke, Yvonne van Geuns, Frank Rands, Rod Berry, Jim Blackburn, Peter Smith, Barry Jordan.

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:
Bruce McPike, Peter Maitland, Sam McLeod, Frank Holbrook, Jerry Payne, Peter Mitchell, Des Sanson, Dave Wistrand, Dave Robertson, Nancy Coneglan, Bill Bartlett, Wayne & Ally Berry, Barrie Chivers, Tony Woolford, James Cassin, David Davies, Taua Poutu, Arthur Venus, Jim Dell, Lindsay Glassey

3. Minutes from the AGMs held on 23 September 2005  
The minutes of the previous AGM was presented.  
Proposed: Peter Smith  
Seconded: Dennis Kean

4. Matters Arising  
   a. HMNZS Irirangi Association  
The transfer of funds from the HMNZS Irirangi Association committee is still pending. The new RNZN Communicators’ Association committee to action.

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.
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**: Jim Blackburn **Seconded**: Graham Cadwallader

7. **Correspondence**  
In: Jim Dell Email – Re Association membership fees.

8. **Election of the Association Committee**  
The committee to take the Association through to the next Annual General Meeting comprises the following members:

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<td>Committee</td>
<td>Jim Blackburn, Sandy Watson, Peter Smith, John Titmus, Dave Carroll, Wayne Dyke, Yvonne van Geuns</td>
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The meeting ratified the new committee.

9. **General Business**

   a. **Reunion 2009**  
   Rod Berry advised that the Association Committee has accepted an approach by Peter Lowish to hold the 2009 Reunion in Nelson over the weekend of 20 and 22 March 2009. This was published in the 2006 Spring newsletter. The organizing committee consists of Peter Lowish, Bob Young, Brent Lindquvist and Nigel Craik, a non-communicator. Nigel has been co-opted to assist. The programme is on the website and will be updated as arrangements are confirmed.

   b. **Website**  
   Frank Rands advised that the committee would be taking over the control of the website from the current webmaster, Dave Robertson. Dave has been unable to devote the time he initially thought to the site. Members of the committee will be allocated areas of responsibility on the website. The move, which will be at no cost, is being arranged by Frank Rands. Jim Dell will continue his management of the website forums.

   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 November 2006. 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 238. This has increased by 41 since September 2003. However there has only been an increase of 5 since the 2005 AGM. As advised at last year’s AGM this will not be sufficient to financially sustain the Association for more than 5 years. After lengthy discussion the new committee is to undertake a review of the membership fee structure in the constitution and revenue gathering possibilities, and report back to the AGM in September 2007.

e. HMNZS Irirangi Book

Peter Smith advised that a book, yet to have a title, on life at HMNZS Irirangi was being undertaken by Dave Davies. Contributions, sent to either Dave or Peter, are welcomed.

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 7.56pm

Chairman……………………… Secretary…………………………

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