RNZN COMMUNICATOR’ ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting

**Time/Date:** 1130 - 1 October 2016

**Venue:** Downstairs Lounge Birkenhead RSA

**Welcome:**
The meeting was opened by the Association’s President Rod Berry and welcomed members to the meeting.

**Present:**
Rod Berry, John Titmus, Frank Rands, Sandy Watson, Jim Blackburn, Brian Henman, Barry Jordan, Peter Smith, Frank Lewis, Steve Mowbray, Mike Dinwiddie, Albie Cross, Greg Hanson, Leigh Staples, Kerry Hamilton

**Apologies:**

Proposed: John Titmus Seconded: Frank Rands

**Minutes of the previous AGM**
The minutes of the previous AGM held on 26 September 2015 were presented and agreed that they were an accurate record of the meeting

Proposed: Jim Blackburn Seconded: Brian Henman

**Presidents Report:**
The President Rod Berry presented his report providing an overview of the Association’s activities since the last AGM. This report was accepted

Proposed: Peter Smith Seconded John Titmus

**Financial Report**
The Treasurer’s report was received and accepted

Proposed: Frank Rands Seconded: Barry Jordan
Correspondence
Exchange of letters congratulated Chief of Navy and Maritime Defence Commanders on their new appointment.

Continuing exchanges of letters between RNZNCA and Minister of Defence seeking SEA Medallion Recognition

Election of the Association Executive and Committee
President: Rod Berry
Secretary: John Titmus
Treasurer: Sandy Watson
Committee:
Brian Henman, Barry Jordan, Dave Carroll, Wayne Dyke, Jim Blackburn, Dale Leggett, Frank Rands, Greg Hanson, Danny Kaye, Gary Kingdon
An election was not deemed necessary as these were the only nominations.
Proposed: Mike Dinwiddie Seconded: Kerry Hamilton

South East Asia Medallion Recognition
An update on progress of this matter was provided and further mandate from the membership was sought to continue dialogue with the Minister of Defence and New Zealand Defence Force seeking another review of medallion recognition for those who served in the British Commonwealth Far East Strategic Reserve and ANZUK principally between mid 60’s and 1975.

RNZNCA Constitution 2015 Remits for change
Two Remits were tabled by the Committee to improve the oversight of the Association’s accounts as recommended by the recent audit. The members present agreed with the changes however some further minor amendments were required and the committee was directed to do these amendments and publish as soon as practicable.
Proposed: Peter Smith Seconded: John Titmus

RNZNCA Trophies
The serving Communicators had been asked to look at the options available for the continued presentation of the “Ruth Slight” and “Jim Dell” cups and report back to the next committee meeting (Nov 16)
HMNZS IRIRANGI Historic Places Trust Proposal

Frank Lewis reported on progress on an application to recognize the historic significance of HMNZS Irirangi. The Committee and members present are very supportive of this project and keen to help where necessary. It had been proposed by Frank that an Irirangi Reunion would coincide with the Historic Places Trust recognition in 2018 however in the light of the next RNZNCA Reunion in 2018 and commitments such as a venue already arranged it was recommended that any Irirangi Reunion should be delayed until 2019.

Proposed: Rod Berry Seconded: Frank Lewis

Social Event Planning

Planning has commenced for 2 significant events and information will be provided on the Association Blog as arrangements are firmed up.

• 2017 RNZNCA 50TH Anniversary in Auckland
• 2018 RNZNCA Reunion in Taupo

There being no other business the President thanked those members for their attendance and the meeting was closed at 1239.