



**Annual General Meeting
Of
The Kapiti Aeromodellers Club Inc.
for the 2017/2018 year.**

Held in the Paekakariki Surf Club Rooms

Commencing at 7:30pm on Tuesday 18th April 2017

AGENDA

1. **Registration, confirmation of quorum, collection of proxies.**
24/89 members present = quorum
2. **President's welcome** Steve welcomed everybody.
3. **In attendance:**

Member name	Member name
Balfour, Roger	Nichols, Ron
Beaumont, Terry	Patterson, Phil
Buckrell, Paul	Rivers, Alastair
Cox, Stewart	Searancke, Deane
Elley, Wayne	Stuart, Owen
Farrow, Andrew	Summerton, Warner
Hutchison, Steve	Taylor, Colin
Kettle, Peter	Treseder, David
Lynn, Donald	Upton, Neil
Mansfield, Barry	Von Hartitzsch, John
Matheson, Ian	White, Roger
Miller, John	Williams, Lindsay

Visitors: no visitors

Apologies:

Member name	Member name
Brown, Peter	Simmonds, Barry
Ellison, John	Symes, Derek
Hausmann, Alistair	Tucker, Mike
Keegan, Robert	Upton, Robert
McClellan, Neil	Wastney, Jeff
Monk, Ross	Wood, Gordon
Proctor, David	Zimmer, Hans
Pullen, Trevor	Zuur, Hans

4. **Previous Annual General Meeting minutes:** Minutes for 2016 – 2017 AGM received and comments or corrections called for.
Moved / Seconded Steve Hutchison/Alastair Rivers: 'That the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.' **Carried**

5. **Matters Arising**

- Issue of rewarding people for voluntary work mentioned & explained by Steve as well as decision not to formalise this.
- 25th Anniversary consideration – bit too far out at present (Steve H.)
- 10 yr licence – will be pursued this year (Steve H.)
- Noise report – Don Lynn has completed this, will print out & circulate

6. **President's report and adoption** (copy attached)

Moved/Seconded Steve Hutchison/Alistair Rivers 'That the report be received' **Carried**

7. **Club Captain's report and adoption**

It's been a good year apart from the weather... Successful trip to Levin recently, something that could be done more of, good to see how other clubs operate, gives one an appreciation of what one's own club has. Activities have been stagnant in our club apart from straight flying, which most members seem to like. Thanks to all members who have helped & contributed over the year, it's made the year easy.

Moved/Seconded Steve Hutchison/Alistair Rivers 'That the report be accepted and thanks to the Club Captain for his work and enthusiasm'

Carried

8. **Treasurers report, Annual Statement of Accounts and adoption**

Tabled (copy attached)

Question from the floor: Why does the club need a compressor? Steve Hutchison answered (it is used for general cleaning of mower, replacement was part of the deal with our insurance company to replace 3 items including the mower)

Question from the floor re excess – general discussion to clarify the \$1000 amount as a balance between premium & excess amount.

Question from floor re bank fees & indoor flying - Paul B. responded to questions re bank fees and indoor flying.

Question re fencing – Steve H. explained that the club has an obligation to contribute towards the cost of any fencing required and that the club's counter-offer to GWRC's request for \$750 was a one-off fencing cost of \$500 and that offer was accepted.

Mower replacement - Steve H. responded to clarify question re 5 yr/\$20,000 mower replacement plan, suggestion is to raise this amount

Moved/Seconded Steve Hutchison/Deane Searancke 'That the accounts as presented be adopted' **Carried**

9. **Setting of membership Fees for the 2017/2018 year.**

There are 2 Notices of Motion:

1. That the setting of Subscriptions be handled by the Committee and not by the AGM; and
2. That the fees for the new financial year be increased.

(Procedural note from Constitution: such resolution shall be passed by a majority of at least two thirds of the members of the Club present at such meeting, voting personally or by proxy)

That the setting of Subscriptions be handled by the Committee and not by the AGM. Some discussion on this:

Alistair R. – need to explain why the AGM hasn't been brought forward to cover fees increases in advance.

Steve H. response - that would be something for next year's AGM if this motion is not passed. To bring the AGM forward would also require a change of financial year.

Moved/Seconded Steve H./Don Lynn

Carried with 2 against, 1 abstention

The committee recommends \$5 increase of fees for the 2017/2018 year Some interesting discussion on this:

Question from the floor by Roger White – whether \$5 is enough? Steve H. responded to justify the \$5. Paul responded from the Treasurer's perspective, conscious of the fact that most members are on a fixed income.

Moved/Seconded Steve H./Don Lynn

Carried with 1 against, 1 absentee

10. Election of the Executive and Ordinary Committee members

President.

The current President is willing to continue in office and there were no other nominations

Moved / Seconded Wayne Elley/Ian Crosland 'that the incumbent be re-elected'

Mr Hutchison was re-elected

Vice-President.

No nomination up to AGM time. Alistair River's name put forward
Moved/Seconded John Von Hartitzsch/Roger White

Alistair Rivers elected

Treasurer

Moved / Seconded Steve H./Barry Mansfield 'that Mr Buckrell be re-elected'
Paul Buckrell re-elected

Club Captain

Steve Hutchison nominated Don Lynn to be Club Captain
Moved / Seconded Steve H./John Von H. 'that Mr Lynn be elected'

Don Lynn elected

Secretary

Moved / Seconded Steve H./Neil Upton 'that Mr Elley be elected'
Wayne Elley re-elected

Committee members

Ross Monk, Moved/Seconded Don Lynn /Alistair R. Re-elected
Jonathan Michelson, Moved/Seconded Steve H./Alistair R. Re-elected
Alistair Haussmann, Moved/Seconded Steve H./Roger White
Re-elected

11. Appointment of an Accounting Reviewer and confirmation of fee

\$300 + GST Dennis Blank. Moved/Seconded Paul B./Alistair R.

12. General Business

Steve H. – MFNZ has created a new membership of non-flyer/\$25 just to receive magazine.

Ian Crosland – starting table seen at Levin club would be good to make, several members agreed

Roger White moved thanks to all committee members for work done this year, general agreement.

Paul B. got an email from Tauranga Club - TECT Park made application to seal runway for \$300,000 and is confident of getting it. Some discussion ensued.

Alistair Rivers – expressed his concern that QE Park constitution is primarily for recreation. In his view there has been an observable takeover by part of the community to make it a conservation park.

John Miller expressed the view that people were disappointed that the rally didn't happen this year, and could some open day/event be considered.

13. Time, Date and Place of next AGM

7:30pm Tuesday 17th April 2018. (Paekakariki Surf Guard's Club Rooms tentatively booked)

Closure 8:40pm

President's report - AGM 2016/2017 18/4/2017

It is my pleasure to present the presidents report for this last financial year.

The beginning of the year saw the weather station as a major challenge and the identification of a really good replacement. Whilst there was a little discussion around having a camera or not, rain gauge or not, in the end we went the whole hog. There is no doubt that the new weather station has been a great success and, it seems, become the 'app of choice' for some members who can inform me minute by minute of who is/has been flying. Technical support, which was one of our concerns has been excellent and when we were having trouble transmitting photos, software changes were soon made.

Following the development of the H&S documents earlier in the year, Roger White was approached to take the role of safety officer. This appointment has been a great success and the New Year will see the club's rules reviewed.

The move to electronic banking early in the year has made payments of accounts much easier without the need to chase cheque signatories.

The planting of natives along the Eastern boundary fence was done with the thought of creating a much more visible and softer barrier. Spraying on the farm killed off the first plantings, but the replacements are now establishing quite well. There has been some questions on the suitability of doing this, but if it doesn't work, it is easily removed.

One of the aims this year was to have another display in the local school hall. After initial organisation, this was cancelled due to a lack of interest. Some interesting questions were raised at the time covering model insurance etc. during the display. These and a number of other insurance questions were raised with MFNZ following their invitation to do so in the November Flyers World. No response to those questions has yet been received. This has been followed up on several occasions and the last I heard was that no meeting has yet taken place with the insurance agents.

MFNZ have been pushing changes to the wings badge system as well as a new constitution. Following committee discussions, and what appeared to be conflicting rulings around 'instructors' and 'examiners', our concerns were raised directly with MFNZ. Some of our concerns on the wings badge were adopted on the fly and the proposed wings badge scheme, rather than being adopted at the MFNZ AGM, was referred back to the SIGs for further input. I believe that input has now been received and incorporated and the proposed scheme posted up on the MFNZ website. I understand the next issue of flyers World will ask for comment. So, some consultation.

The saga of the MFNZ constitution was well covered during the year and I don't intend to make further comment, other than to say there is a lesson to be learned in fully agreeing a Statement of Work before work is begun. There can then be no arguments over interpretation. MFNZ themselves have come up with another draft which will also be published on the website for comment. See the next Flyers World.

The midyear diner at Cookies was a great success, although there were a number unable to attend at the last minute. This venue was great for this type of occasion as we had it to ourselves. Unfortunately Cookies in that guise no longer exists, so for a repeat in the coming year we will need another venue, and if anybody has some ideas, they will be gratefully received.

The biggest disappointment during the summer that wasn't, was the cancellation on the day, of the rally. Something we were all looking forward to and was well prepared. Apparently the first time no activity has occurred over the rally weekend.

The building of the new 'al fresco' lunch table on the clubhouse balcony has been a great addition to the club house facilities.

Having our shed broken into and mower/weedeater/compressor stolen was a big blow for the club. Whilst insurance paid out, we carried the first \$1000.

Having enjoyed a growth in membership numbers up until a few years ago, membership has declined somewhat in the last 2 years. Paul will refer to this further in his report. In recent years our losses of members have been made up with new members coming on board, but new members in the last year have been few.

Effectively we are down some 20 members from 3 years ago when we peaked at 114.

I have continued to meet every few months with Wayne Boness from GWRC and that relationship has been bearing fruit. (Gravel on driveway early in the year, trees for boundary fence) and he hopes to be able to re-metal the driveway again when Goodmans complete their clean-up from the expressway.

Having Wayne speak at a club night to keep us in touch with park developments was also worthwhile.

Our involvement on their big planting day in the park was well noted and appreciated. I would like to thank those who were able to come out for a few hours.

The one task that wasn't completed this past year was the work towards a 10 year license. This work will be completed this year.

I would like to thank all the committee members for their work during the year, and a special thanks to Warner, who is stepping down this year, for his work as Club Captain.

A special thanks to Ron who has 'retired' from his tasks and was formally thanked at the February club night.

There are many members who contribute to the health of the club whether it be working bees or other types of involvement. It is always dangerous to mention individuals, but if I was to mention one person whose enthusiasm knows no bounds, who is involved whenever anything needs to be done, who has the patience of a saint when instructing, it would be John Miller. So, thanks John.

I look forward to another successful year.

Steve Hutchison

President.

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Treasurer's Report

1. The statement of income and expenditure shows a profit of \$4,701.24. However, the balance sheet shows liabilities of \$5,975 which is made up of:
 - a. MFNZ affiliation fees of \$5,725; and
 - b. \$250 for the use of Paekakariki Surf Life Guards premises for club meetings.If these amounts had been paid in the 2016-17 year the statement of income and expenditure would show a loss of \$1,273.76 and the current account would be -\$87.22.

2. Capital expenditure during the year was:
 - a. \$749 for a Lawnmaster mower (to replace the one stolen); and
 - b. \$1,492.12 for the weather station.These items are being depreciated over 5 years and 10 years respectively.

A weedeater costing \$350 and compressor costing \$327.37 were also purchased to replace stolen items. Because they each cost is less than \$500 they have been expensed.

3. Interest on our term deposits was \$1,191.53. The current 180 day rate on our term deposits maturing 19 June 2017 is 3.6%. Interest income can be seen as subsidising annual club membership fees to the tune of \$13.40 per member based on 89 members. This subsidy is important for retired members relying on their pension.
4. Our insurance costs are increasing, from \$1,589.30 in 2015-16 to \$1,680.50 this year and \$2,055.94 for 2017-18.
5. In the last 2 years there have been no funds to cover depreciation which is now at \$2,450.42 per annum. Interest earned has been transferred to the current account.
6. The Committee has set aside \$20,000 for a new mower in approximately 5 years' time.
7. It is proposed to increase the club annual membership fee by \$5 for Seniors and Families. This is a very modest amount needed to limit losses. The club is in the very fortunate position of having significant term deposits carefully and prudently built up since 1995. Because of this position it is possible to limit sub increases over time as membership numbers change. A breakdown of members by age was done in March:
 - 49% of members are retirement age or older; and
 - 53% are 60 years or older.

From this it is evident that there is no need to e.g. expand the size of the clubhouse as there are not the numbers of younger members coming through to justify it.

KAMCI member age distribution

