

**New Zealand Radio Yacht Squadron  
Onepoto Lagoon, Northcote, New Zealand**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in the soccer clubrooms at Onepoto Lagoon on Sunday 29 November 2009 at 3:00pm.

Present: President Richard and 14 members.

Apologies: Tom Clark, Brian Bassett, Peter Vernon, Brett Bakewell- White, Geoff Atkinson and Paul Taylor.

After welcoming members to the meeting President Richard drew attention to the Minutes of the AGM held on Sunday 30 November 2008. The Minutes were received by Geoff McGill and seconded by Ivan Fraser. Carried.

- Matters arising dealt with the requirement that a boats sail number should be affixed to the servo tray.
- The suggestion that a set of Rules should be developed with out taking a risk of committing the club to any unforeseen event not covered in the Rules.
- The circulation of the weekly e-mails to members and other interested persons was to be encouraged.

**Reports:**

**President's Report**

The weekly newsletter replaced "Upwind" which required a significant amount of work preparing, collating and mailing at some expense. As mentioned the weekly advice was well received and looked forward to by the members. The website has attracted world-wide interest with a lot of hits on Google.

The committee did not hold any formal meetings during the year apart from informal get-togethers around a table at the pond. There were no issues that required attention.

The pond was attacked twice recently by club working bees assisted by members of the Ancient Mariners to reduce the amount of weed and was reasonably successful.

The salt water content is quite high which helps to reduce weed growth. The Local community board is meeting soon to look at committing funds to remove silt build up. A recent article by Mark Steele seemed to have spurred the action.

The club boat is often in use by members and visitors but is in need of repairs.

**Secretary's Report**

No formal committee meetings were held other than round table get-togethers at the pond. There are currently 31 financial members. The 2.4 GHz radio system is relieving pressure on the MHz frequencies.

**Sailing Committee**

Bruce summarised the year's sailing and thanked members of his group for their efforts in setting courses and controlling the racing. A feature was the progress made by new sailors which confirms the interest members take in getting them started.

### **Financial Report**

Treasurer Julie presented the financial report for the year ended 30 September 2009. A balance of \$3573.66 compared with \$3026.15 for the previous year. Geoff McG/Harry Cd. Julie was presented with **Services to Radio Control Yachting** award for her efforts in looking after the club's finances.

All reports were received with thanks to the presenters. Gerald/Terry Cd.

### **Election of Officers**

Commodore	Remains Vacant
President	Richard was re- elected
Secretary	Peter was re-elected
Treasurer	Julie was re-elected
Sailing Committee	Bill Monaghan, Geoff McGill, Kevin Webb, Bruce Watson, Paul Taylor and Neil Purcell

### **General Business**

#### **Subscriptions**

Richard proposed the subs remain as at \$30pp. David/Ivan Cd.

#### **Life Member**

Ivan proposed that Peter be elected a life member. Ivan/Richard Cd

### **Sailing Programme**

Following discussion the 2010 sailing programme was agreed to Bruce/Gerald CD

### **New Divisions**

Richard explained the reasoning behind the formation of the three divisions, based generally on average scratch racing results. Richard also proposed that the divisional make up be reviewed each 6 months and divisional winners awarded, prior to movement up or down at that time. Bruce/Geoff Cd.

### **State of the Pond**

Richard thanked members for turning out for the working bees. The club purchased rope and chains which can be used again. There is an item on the agenda for a meeting of the Environmental etc Committee to see if money can be found to attend to weed problems at both Chelsea and Onepoto lagoons.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 4.45pm