

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

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in soccer clubrooms at Onepoto Lagoon on
Sunday 30 November 2008 at 3:00pm

Present: President Richard and 16 members.

Apologies: Trevor Speight, Bruce Watson, Dave Harley, Tom Clark

Minutes of the AGM held on Sunday 18 November 2007 were received Geoff McGill/Geoff Atkinson Cd

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Nil

Reports:

President's Report

Reference was made to the 50 or so weekly reports and newsletter reports circulated to members and others. A supportive committee helped to run the club and in particular the sailing committee for running club days on the 'pond resulting in enjoyable and friendly racing.

President Richard added to his report by bringing members up to date with plans to erect a new toilet block near the existing clubrooms which should not interfere with the wind flow. No news yet as to the fate of the clubrooms, with the local AFL club applying to take it over with a liquor license. The likelihood of gaining a license is somewhat remote.

Secretary's Report

There were three committee meetings held during the year. We have 29 members currently financial. Radio frequencies continue to remain a challenge due to their limited availability.

Sailing Committee

Geoff Atkinson produced a comprehensive report on the year's programme. Gerald congratulated the committee for an enjoyable year's racing. Acknowledged by members present.

Financial Report

Treasurer Julie presented the Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2008. A balance of \$3026.15 compares with \$2670.78 for the previous year. Harry/Peter Cd. A small gift was presented to Julie in appreciation of her efforts in maintaining the club finances and for arranging the afternoon tea for the AGM.

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

Election of Officers

Commodore

Remains vacant

President

Richard was re-elected

Secretary

Peter was re-elected

Treasurer

Julie was re-elected

Editor*

Vacant

Sailing Committee

Geoff McGill, David Harley, Kevin Webb, Bruce Watson Neil Purcell

* David Harley was thanked for producing "Upwind". The need for an editor is under discussion as the weekly update Richard circulates could be seen as a replacement. However it may be necessary to produce a newsletter on occasions to bring members up to date on "administrative matters"

General Business

Subscriptions

Richard proposed the the subs remain at the current level of \$30 pp. Richard/Neil Cd

New Zealand Seawind Class Rules.

Time was taken to review the rules which are a local version on those produced by the USA and Japan associations.

While generally acceptable there were some concerns expressed particularly regarding 10 RUNNING RIGGING with Ivan recommending that 10. 2 be amended with the words '**with exception of the clew outhaul for both jib and main which system may also include a downhaul or inhaul line**' be eliminated. The motion lapsed for want of a seconder.

Gordon enquired as to the possibility of making his own sails and it appears that is not a problem provided the same material is used and dimensions as per the instructions.

Geoff A reminded members that the number allocated to the boat should be emblazoned on the servos tray.

Considerable discussion ensued as to the situation that applies where a member has more than one boat with same or different sail numbers as to how results can be assigned. A strong feeling emerged that if a member commences a series with one boat the results are assigned to that boat. If however another boat is produced during the series then the results are assigned to the new boat. The position is complicated when there is a breakdown during racing and the club boat is used. It can be argued that it is the sailor who should get results assigned to him/her other than the boat that is sailed provided of course the boat itself complies. As the discussion was likely to continue unabated Richard suggested that the sailing committee get their heads together to come up with a set of rules to resolve the thorny question of multiple ownership.

Peter/Harry summarised the situation by offering the suggestion that it is good to have a set of rules as it gives us something to change!

Peter Willcox enquired as to whether the club could develop a pool of parts particularly as there are many spare items when only one part is required from a pattern of many parts.

Richard raised the question as to whether the weekly emails with results should go to past non financial members or even to those who have had a go with the club boat. The thought was that perhaps only financial members should receive this good stuff as a benefit of their membership. However members did not appear to be concerned and one commented our membership enables us to sail with the squadron.

The make up of Divisions for the new season to be attended to by the sailing committee.

Prize giving then took place with the meeting closing at 5.05pm.