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Minutes of a Council Meeting of the National Rifle Association of NZ – Held in the HQ's Board Room – Sunday 8 January 2012

Opening

The meeting was declared open at 10.00hrs.

Item 1 - Roll Call and Apologies

The following Officers and Councillors were present:

President	D Crow
Dep President	M Dodson
Chairman	(Vacant)
Deputy Chairman	R Vine
Secretary and Treasurer	A Doyle
Northern Delegate	B Millard
Central Delegate	R Gordon
Wellington Delegate	C Goldsmith
Southern Delegate	C Kershaw
Councillor by postal vote – 2011-12	J Forrest (not present)
Councillor by postal vote – 2011-12	Di Collings
Councillor by postal vote – 2012-13	L Meredith
Councillor by postal vote – 2012-13	J Dunn (not present)

Apologies

An apology for John Forrest and Jim Dunn were recorded.
M Dodson / C Goldsmith – Carried

Confirmation of Agenda

It was agreed to proceed with the agenda as presented.

Reduction of participants in Final

As a topic of high importance it was agreed to address this item at this point. L Meredith brought to the attention of council concerns of a perception of due process not being followed for the reduction of numbers in the final. D Crow provided an in-depth explanation as to why this change was necessary and how the change has been implemented. All of these points being part of an open letter from the president to members posted on the NRA web site 29 Dec 2011. A general feeling of unease among council at the reduction of finalists based on the number of targets used during the week. Other suggestions were put forward all involving an increase in finalist numbers. However the original reasons of cost, logistics and time were not addressed by these additional proposals.

Moved that the number of finalists to participate in the national championship final be determined by the number of targets used throughout the belt series of matches.

M Dodson / L Meredith – Carried. (three votes were recorded against this motion)

Item 2 – National Championship

Rules. Copies of rules printed for key range staff, no other concerns raised.

Publicity. Ray Vine agreed to provide a degree of publicity during the meeting.

Prize Giving's. Malcolm Dodson agreed to act as MC for the number one and two prize giving's and to coordinate presenters etc. Darryl Crow to act as MC on the main prize giving, Malcolm to act as backup. The VIP list was still coming together at this stage.

Sick Room. A sick room has not been prepared, the defibrillator and first aid kits were with the CRO.

Piper. New piper confirmed within the last few days.

Waste Bins. The meeting waste bin was locked and key held by Alan Whiteman.

Bus. Bus provided by the Valley Flyer, coordinated by Alan Whiteman.

National Flags. Missing a Canadian flag which will need to be ordered asap – Andre to action.

Communications. Provided on loan by Tait Mobile Radio Wgtn. Graham Derby has agreed to control these items throughout the week.

Daily Start times. Confirmed as per the programme.

Daily Leaders Board. Amy Hatcher to be approached re daily updating of this board.

Finals Prep. Bruce to coord daily briefings of key range staff. Large trailer mounted board Bob Gordon to coord along with Barney Laracy. Board + cards to determine winner via Bob Gordon.

Safety Issues

Butt plate removal for chamber inspections, CRO to police

Sight Checking. CRO to police daily.

Closing Bolts on Shoulder – CRO to Police.

Bullet checks – CRO to implement random checks. Bruce to arrange procurements bits needed for CRO.

VIP and Councillor Duties

An outline of duties required of councillors on finals day was provided by D Crow. Mainly to meet and escort vips to viewing platform and then the board room. Score board control and general running of the final.

Match Committee. The match committee was confirmed as; Darryl Crow, Chris Kershaw and Bob Gordon.

Postponement due to advert weather. D Collings enquired to process for postponement, that this process was not clear. D Crow suggested that the match committee would make a recommendation based on advice from key people such as CRO and match director with info from weather forecasts etc. Amendments to any programme would involve the wider council for a collective decision.

Item 3 - Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of previous meeting held 16-17 July 2011 were taken as read.

L Meredith / D Crow – Carried

Item 4 – Confirmation of Minutes

Minor amendments to the previous minutes were made on the recommendation of the secretary:

Re event coordination page 8 - amend title from event manager to Council Liaison Officer.

Re appointment of officers page 15 – confirm Alan Whiteman as Championship Manager.

Moved that these two corrections be made and that the minutes be confirmed.

L Meredith / B Gordon - Carried

Item 5 - Matters arising from previous minutes

Copeland Cup. The Secretary to draft a letter of acknowledgement to include a brief description of what plans council has for this cup. M Dodson to coord a wooden base for this cup and possible silver dip treatment. That the Copeland cup be implemented as a replacement to the Calvary Belt as the National A

Grade Champion, with back capturing required for those winners to be engraved on the cup since the Calvary belt was loaned to the NZ Service Rifle Assn.
M Dodson / D Crow – Carried

New Officer Role (Council Liaison Officer). Moved that the appointment of a Council Liaison Officer be confirmed and that those appointed to this role be recorded in the Red Book. The role of this officer to act as a point of contact for key championship organisers and staff re a direct line to Council, primarily throughout the duration of the national championship event.
D Crow / M Dodson - Carried

National Juniors Programme. M Dodson provided an update to the meeting that the program has fallen behind and that he was still endeavouring to run camps for junior development this season. To include our current juniors, new shooters and F Class competitors. However available NZSF funding to be applied to the juniors (under 25) only.

Item 6 – Ratify Email Decisions

- Council decision to formally bid for the 2019 World Long Range Rifle Championships – 6 July 2011.
- Second and final payment to Chen Palma re legal expenses re license to occupy Seddon range. \$11,486.76 & \$3039.00 - paid 29 Jul and 31 Aug 2011.
- Confirmation of Range Certification Protocols final amendments as at September 2011.
- NZ Shooting Federation Strategic Plan update and MOU as at September 2011.
- Reply to Rod Manning Whangarei RC re anti doping statement D.Crow of September 2011. (Requested to added to next agenda)
- Approval of Disciplinary Committee appointments and process October 2011.
- Approval of Ballinger Scholarship nominations x 5.

Moved that the above items as agreed at the time be ratified.

B Millard / D Crow - Carried

Item 7 - Financial Matters

Payments. A payments report was not prepared in time for this meeting. It was agreed to circulate a payments list for approval via email. Payment period 1/7/2011 to 5/1/2012 – payments to the value of \$109,422.45 for approval.

Financial Reports 12 Months to 30 June 2011

Audited Financial Reports covering twelve months to 30 June 2011, were tabled by the Treasurer. These reports were explained in full. These reports to be presented to the AGM in two days time. Move that these reports be received.

A Doyle / B Gordon - Carried

Item 8 – Presidents Annual Report

The President presented and read his annual report at the meeting.

Moved that the president's report be received for consideration by the Annual General Meeting in two days time.

D Crow / M Dodson - Carried

Item 9 – Seddon Range Licence clause 5.1 User Disciplinary Committee

The secretary raised the outstanding need to address clause 5.1 of the range licence and to convey to the WRA how this process will work.

“5.1 The Licensee must establish a Disciplinary Committee to deal with any alleged breach of Range Standing Orders by affiliates or members, and establish penalties for breaches. If a visitor breaches the Range Standing Orders, then NZDF may require that they are excluded from use of the Range.”

It was agreed that L Meredith would draft a letter on behalf of council to the WRA explaining the obligations of both the Council and the Wgtn Executive in the event of an alleged breach of Range Standing Orders.

Item 10 – Report to Council on recent Disciplinary Committee Outcomes

M Dodson provided council a verbal report on the recent disciplinary hearing and outcomes. The hearing proceedings being fully documented with a copy on file in the NRA office. M Dodson reiterated the need for ongoing training of Range Officers and the appointment of a CRO by the WRA.

Item 11 – NRA Veterans Badge Application Petone Rifle Club – Bob Pearce

An application from the Petone Rifle Club on behalf of Mr Bob Pearce for recognition of NRA Veteran status was tabled for consideration. The application outlined Mr Pearce’s shooting history and that the criteria for the award of the NRA Veterans badge had been achieved, in that Mr Pearce has been a member for 40 years, has reached the age of 65 years and is recommended by his club.

Moved that the award of the NRA Veterans badge be awarded to Mr Pearce of the Petone Rifle Club.
D Crow / B Millard – Carried

Casey to arrange time and place for formal awards ceremony.

Item 12 – International Invites

USA to conduct F-Class World Champs 23 to 27 August 2013 Whittington Centre Raton New Mexico.

West Indies Invite. 2013 Australia and U25 Australia match.

D Collings suggested these invites be posted as a notice on the NRANZ web site to gauge possible interest among members. D Crow requested this be added to the next council agenda re a ten year events calendar.

Item 13 – Can you shoot straight - New Member Brochures

Quick update on brochures. The new addition of the brochures has just arrived from the printer. Councillors were advised to grab sufficient brochures and take them today. Distribution of remaining brochures by the secretary on request.

Item 14 – Other Business

NZ Palma Team Captains Report 2011 and Team Managers Report. Team Captains report published on web, yet to be received by council. Agreed that the adoption of this report be by email decision.

Electronic Target Update. Bruce Millard requested an update on current situation with regards electronic targets. D Crow provided a verbal update as follows. NRAA have established an working group to investigate. Australian firm have developed a new system. The one electronic system in Brisbane is not being used. Some progress with the NZ system with improved software and new sensor arrangement. New testing about to be undertaken. Possible involvement of NRANZ with NRAA working group.

Life Membership Application. B Millard brought to the attention of council that an application for NRANZ life membership had been received and that he had been liaising with the life members with

regard vetting of the applicant. B Millard read the applicants CV to the meeting and confirmed that the applicant has met all criteria for the award of NRANZ life membership.

Moved that the application for NRANZ Life Membership received from the Upper Hutt Rifle Club for Mr Alan Whiteman, be endorsed by Council and recommended to the Annual General Meeting for approval.
B Millard / C Goldsmith – Carried

NZ Under25 Rifle Team Photo 2011. Malcolm Dodson presented to council a team photo of the 2011 NZ Under 25 Rifle Team. This photo to remain on view in the NRANZ board room.

Item 15 – Closure

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 1415 hours.

“Minutes confirmed as true and accurate”.

DE Crow
Chairman

Date: