



NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC.

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Minutes of the National Rifle Association of New Zealand Council held in the Trentham Rifle Club, Shooting Village, Trentham on Saturday 30 June & Sunday 1 July 2018

Item 1 – Opening

The President, Malcolm Dodson, declared the meeting open at 9:50am.

Item 2 – Roll Call

The following Officers and Councillors were present:

President	M Dodson
Chairman	R Mason
Deputy Chairman	A Doyle
Secretary	H Morgan
Northern Delegate	B Millard
Central Delegate	R Gordon
Wellington Delegate	K Flanagan
Southern Delegate	C Kershaw
Councillor by postal vote – 2017-18	D Collings
Councillor by postal vote – 2017-18	A Hatcher
Councillor by postal vote – 2018-19	B Read
Councillor by postal vote – 2018-19	G Piper

Item 3 – Apologies

B Mehrtens, C Snowden

Moved Andre Doyle / Chris Kershaw that the apologies be accepted – Carried

Item 4 – Councillor Badge

Malcolm presented Graham Piper with his Councillor badge and formally welcomed them to council.

Item 5 – Minutes from the last Council meeting – January

The minutes were taken as read

Moved Chris Kershaw / Diane Collings – Carried

Item 6 – Matters arising from the minutes

The outcome of the Election of Chairman for the Commonwealth Shooting Federation (Fullbore) was – Phil Harrison re-elected as Chairman.

Item 7 – E-mail decisions

The following decisions made by email since the last meeting were confirmed as follows;

- 6.1 Revised 2019 Programme
Moved Malcolm Dodson / Chris Kershaw – carried
- 6.2 COLFO nomination – Nicole McKee
Moved Amy Hatcher / Chris Kershaw – carried
- 6.3 FSCANZ (Firearms safety Council of Aotearoa NZ)
 - 6.3.1 That we support Nicole in her bid to set up a firearms training delivery organisation
Moved Malcolm Dodson / Bevan Mehrtens – carried
 - 6.3.2 That we also supply a list of our clubs which would also mean a contact email, website etc
Moved Malcolm Dodson / Bevan Mehrtens – carried
- 6.4 Overseas Team Fund – That \$3000 be awarded to each for our 2018 Commonwealth Games competitors
Moved Bruce Millard / Diane Collings – carried
- 6.5 School Postal Match
 - 6.5.1 "That the Cadet Belt be reallocated to an F Class team, with match conditions as in T14F."
 - 6.5.2" Match T14. NZ School, Cadet and Youth Groups coached Target Rifle teams of 3. Two optional sighters and 7 shots to count at 300, 500, and 600 yards. The winning Team to receive the Masefield Shield and 3 NRANZ gold medals. The top individual scorer in the match to receive the R S Nicholl Memorial Salver. Entry deadline August 1st. No entry fee."
 - 6.5.3. "Match 14F. NZ School, Cadet and Youth Groups coached F Class Rifle teams of 3. Two optional sighters and 7 shots to count at 300, 500 and 600 yards. The winning team to receive the Cadet Belt and 3 NRANZ gold medals. Entry deadline August 1st. No entry fee."
Moved Malcolm Dodson / Chris Kershaw - carried
- 6.6 NZSF Delegate – That Rob Morgan be our Delegate on NZSF and Vice-President of the NZSF
Moved Chris Kershaw / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Item 8 – Treasurers Report

Coby presented her Treasurers Report and Financial Statement until 24 June 2018 via video link.

There were no areas of concern.

Moved the Financial Statement be accepted Coby Snowden / Diane Collings – carried

Item 8 – Health and Safety



In the new Range Standing Orders (November 2017) there are new conditions on target leg safety.

Item 9 – Adoption of Annual Reports

Honours Report

There are 2 recommendations for the Honours page

- 2018 Mike Chui, Ashburton Rifle Club – Wellington F Open 300 Metre, 600.51
- 1983 C.H. Burt, Ashhurst Rifle Club – winner of Duncan with 198.21 and Grand Aggregate Queensland Queens with 542.50

It was moved that the Honours Report be accepted
Diane Collings / Chris Kershaw – carried

Membership

An Affiliation Discussion Paper was presented to the meeting. This document outlined an alternative affiliation system. It was felt that some clubs use the cost of affiliation as a reason not to affiliate members. There was general discussion but no action to be taken. The secretary will post the benefits to members on the website.

It was moved that the affiliation fees stay the same for the 2018/19 season of \$150 full, \$75 juniors and first year, \$35 associate members – for members that join after the NZ National Championship these fees are halved
Coby Snowden / Bob Gordon – carried

A Club Membership Discussion Paper was presented to the meeting. This was a very good document that the meeting felt should go on the website with the deletion of #11.

It was moved that the Club Membership Discussion Paper be put on the website minus #11
Diane Collings / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Life Membership Report

Bruce Millard has received one nomination for Life Membership. This will be circulated to the Life Members for their input shortly.

Presented and accepted Bruce Millard / Amy Hatcher – carried

Commonwealth Shooting Federation Report

Presented and accepted Diane Colling / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Selectors Report

Malcolm Dodson gave a verbal report on the NZ teams selected through the season. They included:

- F- Class Team for Trans Tasman Match in January 2018 – FO & FTR teams
- NZ Palma Team
- NZ Veterans Team
- NZ Juniors – Under 25 & Under 21 teams

There was discussion on selection in the future having the Captain's selected first and then asking for their input into the selection of the remaining team members.

Ross has offered to write a paper on shooting selection guide lines which could also include Team Management guide lines.

ICFRA Rep / Commonwealth Games Managers Report

Presented and accepted. Diane Collings / Chris Kershaw – carried

Range Directors Report

Presented and accepted. Amy Hatcher / Brent Read – carried

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Presented and accepted. Rob Morgan / Bob Gordon – carried

NZSF Report

Presented and accepted. Rob Morgan / Chris Kershaw – carried

Veterans Report – No report

2019 WLRC Update

Presented and accepted. Rob Morgan / Bob Gordon – carried

Chairman's Report

Presented and accepted. Ross Mason / Chris Kershaw - carried

Range Inspection Report

Ranges still to be inspected – Otorohanga, Hamilton, Cheltenham, Malvern
Ranges inspected waiting for Certification – Te Puke, Clevedon, Cashmore and Blenheim

Ross Mason and John Snowden are in discussion with Invercargill over the possibility of going to a no danger range.

Presented and accepted. Ross Mason / Chris Kershaw – carried

Distinguished Service Medals

The President, Malcolm Dodson, is to remind members that they can nominate people that they feel worthy of a DSM through his newsletter.

The following people to be recognised with a DSM are:

Alan Drake – Taranaki Rifle Club

John Snowden – Ashburton Rifle Club

Presented and accepted. s Bruce Millard / Amy Hatcher – carried

Item 11 – Election of Officers

Championship Planning Committee – WRA Executive, NRA Secretariat & 2019 Organising Committee
Bruce Millard / Brent Read – carried

Championship Match Committee – **(President)**, (South Island Delegate, Chris Kershaw), (North Island Delegate, Bob Gordon)

On days when there are ICFRA Matches ICFRA Match Committee will take precedence.
Malcolm Dodson / Bob Gordon – carried

National Selectors – **Mr D Crow**, Mr M Dodson, Mrs D Collings
Chris Kershaw / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Technical Advisory Committee – Mr M Collings (Mr Collings to call for assistance as required)
Bob Gordon / Karyn Flanagan – carried

High Performance Coach – Mr D Crow
Malcolm Dodson / Amy Hatcher – carried

Director of National Coaching – Mr M Dodson with help from Jonno Phillipps
Karyn Flanagan / Amy Hatcher – carried

Life Membership Representative – Mr B Millard
Bob Gordon / Diane Collings – carried

Honours Committee – **Mrs D Collings**, Mr O Whiteman
Andre Doyle / Bruce Millard – carried

Range Certifying Officers – **Mr R Mason**, Mr J Snowden
Chris Kershaw / Amy Hatcher – carried

School Postal Match Co-ordinator – Mr M Dodson
Bob Gordon / Amy Hatcher – carried

Under 25 Development Coach – Mr M Dodson
Bob Gordon / Amy Hatcher – carried

Chief Range Officer – Mr R Morgan
Malcolm Dodson / Diane Collings – carried

Seddon Range Director – Mr A Whiteman
Karyn Flanagan / Chris Kershaw – carried

Championship Manager – Mr A Whiteman
Ross Mason / Karyn Flanagan – carried

NRA Publicity Officer – Mrs K Flanagan
Ross Mason / Brent Read – carried

NZ F Class – Mrs K Flanagan
Amy Hatcher / Chris Kershaw – carried

COLFO – Mrs N Mckee
Amy Hatcher / Chris Kershaw – carried

NZ Shooting Federation – Mr R Morgan
Chris Kershaw / Karyn Flanagan – carried

ICFRA Councillor – Mr B Mehrtens
Brent Read / Bob Gordon – carried

ICFRA F Class Rep – Mrs Karyn Flanagan
Bob Gordon / Diane Collings – carried

ICFRA Target Rifle Committee – Mr M Dodson
Amy Hatcher / Karyn Flanagan – carried

ICFRA Commonwealth Games Committee – Mr B Mehrtens
Malcolm Dodson / Karyn Flanagan – carried

ICFRA World Champs Committee (WCC) – Mr M Dodson
Diane Collings / Karyn Flanagan – carried

ICFRA Veterans Committee – Mr J McLaren
Diane Collings / Bob Gordon – carried

Grading Committee – **Mr C Kershaw**, Mr R Mason, Mr R Gordon
Amy Hatcher / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Membership Committee – **Mr B Millard**, Amy Hatcher
Diane Collings / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Chairman – Mr R Mason
Chris Kershaw / Karyn Flanagan – carried

Deputy Chairman – Mr A Doyle
Chris Kershaw / Bob Gordon – carried

Health & Safety Committee – The NRANZ Council with **Mr A Doyle** the convenor
Diane Collings / Brent Read – carried

Item 12 – Fixtures List

Regional Programme 2018 /19 – completed

Item 13 – Malvern Rifle Club Remit

Grading of FTR and F-Open Classes at NRANZ Nationals 2019/20 – 2021/22

Remit

1. As a trial for the NRANZ Nationals of 2019/20, 202/21, 2021/22 seasons there be an 'A' Grade, 'B' Grade and Tyro Grade for the FTR and F-Open Classes.
2. That there be a minimum of fifteen (15) entries before F Class field be divided into 'A' and 'B' grades.
3. The criteria for grading be as follows:
 - a. Any entrant who has represented NZ in their classes be 'A' grade
 - b. Any entrant who has won two (2) or more regional or national competitions in their class in the preceding two (2) years be 'A' grade
 - c. Any entrant may choose to be 'A' grade in their class
 - d. The criteria for 'Tyro' shall be the same as for the Target Rifle Tyro
 - e. All other competitors shall be 'B' grade
4. The Grand Aggregate and Finals qualification shall be open to 'A', 'B' and 'Tyro' competitors
5. That during the trial period 'B' grade or Tyro winners and place getters be awarded certificates not badges, medals or trophies to recognise their results.

Moved Diane Collings / Graham Piper

Amendment to remit – to delete the Tyro category from the remit

Moved Graham Piper / Diane Collings – carried

Amendment to remit – to remove the word certificates and replace with badges, medals or trophies

Moved Graham Piper / Diane Collings – carried

Amendment to remit (3b) – any entrant who has won two (2) or more championships, with a minimum of 4 competitors in their class, or who has won a National Championship in the preceding two (2) seasons will be 'A' grade.

Moved Diane Collings / Graham Piper – carried

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Moved Diane Collings / Graham Piper – carried

Item 14 – 2019 National Championship

Malcolm expressed his desire to have as many Councillors as possible arrive early and stay after the event to help. He also encouraged Councillors to complete the on-line Volunteers form and ask their club members to do the same.

While there was talk about not having all the NRANZ Shields at the prizegiving the meeting agreed that all the shields should be present and if transport was needed to get them there this should be asked for.

A map to show how to get to the Prize giving venue was also considered a good idea.

General discussion on whether we need top 10 'A' grade badges as well as 10 Championship Badges. It was decided to reserve this discussion until next year.

The question was asked if New Zealanders and/or Australians could be squadded last and second to last on each squad to help with the correct scoring of the F Class competitors during the NZ Championship.

It would be desirable to have team members name read out during the prize giving not just the Club name ie Hobbit Rifle Club with no team names.

Item 15 – Hunter Class

Hunter Class seems to be running well. Some clubs have divided the class into 2 or 3 classes to make it fairer on those competing.

Item 16 – Selectors

We have no Selection Policy or information about the selection process. If we are not going to have a policy it was felt we should have guidelines on selection and team management. Ross Mason has offered to do this.

Item 17 – 2020 and beyond

Malcolm Dodson had written to Hexta Targets Systems and Silver Mountain Targets requesting information about systems and prices however both companies had sent information but no pricing models. Graham Piper had information from OZScore but was not in a format that was easily understood and wanted time to get the data to Council members. Diane Collings gave the meeting a verbal report on systems being used in Australia and the thoughts of people she had spoken to. There is also ConsBerg systems available but not much was known about them.

At the Australian Nationals they have dedicated tech people to set up the system and are available for any problems during the matches – their range officers are not expected to do this.

It was agreed that moving E targets around the country is not best practice.

E Targets would need to work for all classes using the ranges ie TR, F-Class and Hunter Class

There was talk about how the E Targets would be kept as they need to be used and maintained on a regular basis not just one week per year. It was thought that the WRA could be custodians and lease them from the NRANZ.

Item 18 – Dates for the 2020 National Championship

The date is going back to the early January date as it was agreed at the AGM to move the date for 2018 and 2019 only.

The 300 Metre Championship will start on Friday 10 January 2020 with the Finals on Saturday 18 January 2020.

General discussion was had whether to keep the National Championship on Seddon Range, Trentham and if not what other ranges around the country could host. The lease on Seddon Range to the NRANZ runs out in approx. 20 years. There was talk about the possibility of listing Seddon Range as a Historic Site.

Item 19 – NRANZ name change

NZRA – New Zealand Rifle Association

RANZ – Rifle Association of New Zealand

NZTRA – New Zealand Target Rifle Association

These are some of the options talked about at the meeting and to take forward to the AGM for the members to talk about.

Item 20 – ICFRA

Malcolm Dodson asked for the Councils backing on a remit to ICFRA re the appointment of referees for W.C.C. He would like to see the host country making the appointments and advising the W.C.C for their approval.

Item 21 – Barnard Actions

General discussion was had on what is the best way to maximise Barnard’s sponsorship of their Actions – raffle (a lot of work and a question mark on whether this is allowed by law), auction (possibly a silent auction), tender (tender documents would need to be drawn up).

Could they be used as prizes for the LRWC – this wouldn’t bring us any revenue.

Item 22 – Range Inspections

The meeting wanted a time frame for the completion of range inspections on Te Puke, Cheltenham, Otorohanga and Cashmore – no time was given.

Item 23 – Constitution Review

After general discussion it was felt that this should be left until after the new Incorporated Society Act was out.

Item 24 - New firearms safety training programme

Malcolm Dodson read an email received from Ray Vine re the new firearms safety training programme. NZ Police are looking for clubs and associations to be mentors for new people going through the course and offered the opportunity for clubs to put their details on the NZ Police website. It was decided to forward Ray’s email on clubs so they could follow up directly.

Item 25 – Date of the next meeting

1 December 2018 at the completion of the Ladies Longs Prizegiving. The secretary to look into holding the meeting at Porterhouse Blues in Upper Hutt or in the shooting village with dinner provided.

Item 26 – Meeting closure

The President closed the meeting at 2:35pm and thanked everyone for their attendance with a special vote of thanks to Trentham Rifle Club for the use of their club rooms.

Signed as a True and Accurate record

_____ - President

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Action Points

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- It was moved that the Club Membership Discussion Paper be put on the website minus #11
- Ross to write shooting selection guide lines maybe with team management guide lines
- Secretary to look into hiring Porterhouse Blues for the next meeting