



# NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC.

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## **Minutes of the National Rifle Association of New Zealand Council held via Zoom on Sunday 31 July 2022**

### **Item 1 – Opening**

The President, Malcolm Dodson, declared the meeting open at 7:10pm.

### **Item 2 – Roll Call**

The following Officers and Councillors were present:

President	Malcolm Dodson
Deputy President	Brian Carter
Chairman	Ross Mason
Deputy Chairman	André Doyle
Treasurer	Coby Snowden
Secretary	Helen Morgan
Wellington Delegate	Daryl May
South Island Delegate	Chris Kershaw
Central Area Delegate	Larry Meredith
Councillor by postal vote – 2020-22	Diane Collings
Councillor by postal vote – 2020-22	Amy Hatcher
Visitor	Paul Neal

### **Item 3 – Apologies**

Apologies were received from Graham Piper and Jono Phillipps  
Moved Diane Collings / Larry Meredith – Carried

### **Item 4 – Minutes from the last Council meeting**

The minutes were taken as read and signed as a true and accurate record  
Moved André Doyle / Diane Collings – Carried

### **Item 5 – Matters arising from the minutes**

1. Colfo report now reads - The Coronial Enquiry into the Christchurch shootings will be starting soon.
2. Projectile order - 6mm, 6.5mm, 200 grs & 155.5 projectiles have been ordered. It was decided not to put the quantities ordered in the minutes as this is commercially sensitive information.
3. Ladies Team – Amy advised the meeting she had sent all members of the 2020 Ladies Team asking if they wanted to resign. She didn't have any replies so took it everyone was happy to stay involved.
4. Purchase of the E-Targets – to date both the G8's and both the Shot Markers have been sold

There was no matters arising  
Moved Ross Mason / Diane Colling – Carried

## **Item 6 – Strategic Plan**

The meeting confirmed the 5 Key Focus Areas:

1. Increase new membership and high retention of current membership
2. Secure range tenure for all NZ ranges and increased and improved shooting facilities
3. Positive publicity about our sport, people and achievements
4. Develop our sport to high level of participation and success in competitive long range shooting
5. Strategy, Governance and Management

The secretary to send out to clubs the offer of \$500 per club towards publicity. The meeting thought it would be helpful to have feedback about what the clubs did and if they thought their action worked.

If there are clubs that are having success recruiting new members then how can that be a transferable model that could be shared to all clubs. Some clubs around the country are having success with focusing on Target Shooting – not TR or F-Class just shooting at a target.

Ross suggested that contacting past members could bring some back. It was thought that would only be low numbers of aging people.

There was decision on how to expend membership. Daryl outlined what was happening with Field Shooting and they are looking for an umbrella organisation. The meeting wondered if we should approach people doing Field Shooting and see what they are wanting. One question was ‘what do we have to offer’. Answer – a brand, National Rifle Association of NZ is something of value.

We could also offer them Kindred membership.

Malcolm is to talk with the person he knows that could be driving the Field Shooting in NZ at the moment.

### **New Membership**

Brian asked Paul Neal what Clevedon Rifle Club were doing as they seem to be the most successful club in the country for attaining new members. Brian wondered if we could get a report from Clevedon on what they are doing.

Malcolm asked that when clubs’ ask for reimbursement that they be asked to submit a report on how the money was used.

### **Instructor courses**

Ross offered to run an instructor course at Trentham. It would be a train the trainer instructor course, a course on how to look after new members and instruct them how to shoot. Ross would approach someone from Community Sport to come along. He suggested that 1 or 2 people from each club could attend. The course would cover things like what happens when you arrive at a range from day one and how to get new members.

Ross was asked to put a plan together to be presented at the next Council meeting.

### **Secure range tenure for all NZ ranges and increased and improved shooting facilities**

Ross was thanked for his work in this area. With the goal posts moving it is now up to Council to help our clubs get through the certification process. Our clubs will also need help getting through the administration changes that are coming.

The NZ Police range inspectors' courses have finished and there are 55 to 60 qualified people in New Zealand. Ranges can now be inspected. The information can be downloaded from the Clubs and Rangers website.

Ross outlined the new process for clubs getting their ranges certified. There was concern about clubs sending in details to NZ Police too soon before the June 2023 deadline.

Ross is going to write a document for clubs to follow on what the process for certification is. How they start the process including what page etc to go to so that clubs can start doing some preliminary work. Clubs can start filling out the forms and ticking the boxes but not send the forms to police until the regulations are posted.

#### **Publicity: Positive publicity about our sport, people and achievements**

Some clubs are still getting scores into their local papers. It's getting increasingly difficult to get achievements into local papers including our national championships.

Ross suggested that the NRANZ pay for Alice Good, the championship winner from Bisley to come to New Zealand for our 2023 championship. He was asked to put a proposal together outlining costs and the benefits to our members to present to the next meeting.

Brian suggested getting a sports journalist person along to the weekend that Ross will be running to find out what sort of sound bites or in what format articles need to be to be considered for publication.

Andre asked if it was time that we spent some money and got some advice from a PR company on how to promote ourselves. Brian wondered if we could do a joint venture with TSNZ about promoting rifle shooting is a sport.

#### **Strategy, Governance and Management**

Concerns were raised over the new Incorporated Societies Act.

#### **Summary**

Coby has taken lots of notes and we will revise the document that was sent out for this meeting and highlight where names of people to do certain jobs is required. She hopes to get the document done as soon as possible.

Coby had a concern that we haven't really talked about how to develop our sport with the Palma match or Australia match.

#### **Item 7 – TR Palma Team**

Malcolm outlined the lead up to naming the TR Palma team in January 2023. There will be a training weekend at the Clevedon Club 15 & 16 October and it is recommended that people wishing to be considered for nomination attend the ladies longs weekend.

**Item 8 – NZ Police Course**

Ross advised the meeting that NZ police we're running an orientation week and have asked TSNZ and NRANZ if they would like to come along and explain what their disciplines are about. Ross is awaiting more information.

**Item 9 – Date for the next council meetings**

Zoom meeting 26<sup>th</sup> September @ 7:00pm to discuss the Remits

**Item 10 – Meeting closure**

The President closed the meeting at 2050 hours.

Signed as a True and Accurate record

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## **Action Points**

Video – Brian Carter with Amy & Andre

Send out email re \$500 publicity – secretary

Ask for a report on how the money was used – secretary

Plan for an Instructors course – Ross

Update the Strategic Plan – Coby