



# 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 Monday 13 February 2023**

### **Item 1 – Opening**

The President, Malcolm Dodson, declared the meeting open at 7:30pm.

### **Item 2 – Roll Call**

The following Officers and Councillors were present:

President	Malcolm Dodson
Chairman	Ross Mason
Deputy Chairman	André Doyle
Treasurer	Coby Snowden
Secretary	Helen Morgan
South Island Delegate	Chris Kershaw
Central Area Delegate	Larry Meredith
Wellington Area Delegate	Daryl May
Northern Area Delegate	Paul Neal
Councillor by postal vote – 2020/22	Diane Collings
Councillor by postal vote – 2022/24	Jono Phillipps
Councillor by postal vote – 2022/24	Graham Piper

### **Item 3 – Apologies**

Apologies were received from Amy Hatcher and Brian Carter

The apologies were accepted

Moved Diane Collings / Jonno Phillipps

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

The minutes were taken as read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved Diane Collings / Larry Meredith – Carried

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

There were no matters arising.

### **Item 6 – Finance**

The Financial Report was circulated before the meeting. Coby spoke to her report and said that there was money available for any maintenance issues to be sorted. Andre told the meeting that there is an issue with some of the concrete in the Butts Gallery area needing to be replaced. Andre will work on getting quotes.

Chris asked if the money set aside for the Under 25's could be used for Airfares. Malcolm advised the meeting that the money would likely be used for training camps.

It was moved that the Financial Report be accepted  
Coby Snowden / Andre Doyle – carried

The letter from IRD was tabled. Coby advised that seeing we are looking at changes to our Constitution then this should be looked at then. Daryl commented that the difference with our constitution to others is that the Clubs are the members of the NRANZ and not individual members so we would need to be careful in the way the clauses are written.

### **Item 7 – 2023 National Championships Survey Results**

The survey had a slightly higher return this year. The one result that stood out was the increase in members happy to have coached Regional teams over club teams.

There was a long comment from a member regarding tyro's and it was agreed that this should be included on the agenda for the winter council meeting.

There were comments about the Masefield being changed to 10 shot matches in the morning. It was agreed that this should also be added to the winter council meeting agenda.

Both the Tyro and Masefield Championship should go out as Remits to get input from clubs.

There was also comment in the survey about running the .303 competition at a different time. This matter is to be added to the winter council meeting agenda.

### **Item 8 – 2023 National Championships Comments**

A comment was made to Diane about the unfairness of the left hand squad. After much discussion it was decided to remove the Left Hand tick box from the entry form.

Diane passed on that a new club member had come down to the Nationals but wasn't shooting. They were very impressed with the Range Officers and thought they were extremely helpful and informative to a new shooter.

Another comment, from more than just one person, was that they were very disappointed that there was no afternoon tea for the winners. There were members that thought the afternoon tea in the clubs was a positive. The meeting thought it was another subject for the winter council meeting.

There was some confusion about the finals for FTR and FPR. At the start of the week they were told there wouldn't be a final due to numbers, then on Saturday morning they found out there was one. This is something else to talk about at the winter meeting.

On a positive, Jonno said how enjoyable the Friday night dinner was. It was good to sit down and enjoy each others company without having meetings every night.

### **Item 9 – Letter from Steve Negus, NRAA**

The meeting thought the Australian F-Standard Team could shoot against a NZ F-Classic Team however, any F-Standard competitors would need to enter F-Open during the individual NZ Championships.

A letter back to Steve Negus would be drafted up.

### **Item 10 – NRANZ Fees Submission**

Malcolm asked for any feedback re the submission he had done on behalf of the NRANZ.

The submission was fully indorsed by the meeting.

### **Item 11 – Range Inspections**

The update from the South Island is John Snowden is going to inspect the Malvern range and Matthew McCallum-Clark is inspecting the Ashburton range.

The biggest problem is that clubs need qualified range officers, and the new on-line course is still being written. The new on-line course is 90% finished and the meeting thought there should be an expiry date of 5 years not 10 years as at present.

Once the Course is back on-line Councillors should push Clubs to get as many members through as possible.

Malcolm advised the meeting that TSNZ have a template for Standing Orders and thought it would be an excellent idea for NRANZ to do the same.

Daryl asked what the situation with Seddon was. Ross advised the meeting that Defence and Police were still talking. The meeting thought Wellington should submit and that would cover the civilian side. The most complicated part will be writing the Standing Orders. Steve Lamb has emailed Ross a copy of the present Standing Orders as a Word document.

### **Item 12 – Date for the next council meeting**

Zoom meeting Wednesday 26 April 2023 @ 7:30pm.

### **Item 13 – Meeting closure**

The President closed the meeting at 2052 hours.

Signed as a True and Accurate record

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### **Action Points**

Video – Brian Carter with Amy & Andre

Plan for an Instructors course – Ross

Chris to speak with BJ – Chris

Add discussion on Tyro added to winter council meeting agenda – secretary, done

Add make-up of the Masefield championship to WCM agenda – secretary, done

Add .303 championship to WCM agenda – secretary, done

Remove 'left hand squad' from entry form – secretary

Add VIP afternoon tea to WCM agenda – secretary, done

Add F-Class Finals at Nationals to WCM agenda – secretary, done

Letter to Steve Negus re F-Standard v FTR-Classic team – secretary, done