

# MODEL FLYING NEW ZEALAND

## Minutes Annual General Meeting 2013

**Date** 20 July 2013

**Venue:** Aviation Country Club, 10 Uenuku Way, Tom Pearse Drive, Auckland International Airport.

**Time** 10am followed by Combined SIGs meeting at 1 30pm.

### Agenda

Welcome by MFNZ President.

1. **Apologies** S McDonald, T Henderson, B W. De Renzy, K Botherway Bain,
2. **Roll call** Dave Hodges, Mark Brill, Ken Buckley, Cliff Key, S. Hellyer, R. Wallace, W. Cartwright, M. Fairgray, A Dick, C. Pickering, R. Moody, G. Beagley, T. Chadderton-Smith, R. Bould, B. Borland D. James, G.Main, R. Tier,, J. Dykes, J. Selby, B. Lennox ( Pres), K. Barnes ( V.P), R.Drummond ( Treas), D.Wright ( Sec), C.Kemp (NNI Rep), K.Clarke ( CNI rep), J. Shorer (SNI Rep) P Hewson( NSI), J S.Smart (SSI)  
Proxy votes 159 and 13 Postal votes.

**Guest Speakers:** Harley Napier CE MA Risk Solutions and Martin Stroud of DUAL Underwriters. (MFNZ insurance).

Harley gave an overview of the current NZ Insurance market, including the impact of the Christchurch Earth Quakes. He outlined the cover provided under the MFNZ policy.

Questions were taken from the floor and it was explained that

Liability insurance responds to claims where the member is determined to have been responsible for damage.

If the member is found to have not been responsible for the damage, there is no liability.

The MFNZ cover is for members, and some possibilities for Club cover were discussed.

Plain English version of the policy should be placed on the MFNZ Website.

**Minutes of previous AGM** were tabled and moved for adoption R.Bould /C. Kemp Passed unanimously

**Matters Arising** None

**President's Report** The outgoing President Barry Lennox presented his report. (Attached)

**Annual Accounts and Treasurer's Report** tabled by Treasurer R. Drummond. The treasurer noted that consolidation of most of the SIG funds in a term deposit had attracted \$600 interest from November to March which was returned to the SIGs. The treasurer's report was accepted unanimously.

**2013/2014 Budget and Affiliation fees.** There was some discussion on the costs of MFW, specifically with respect to a move to electronic form.

A straw poll by show of hands showed all but one member present favoured continuation of the print version.

Rob Moody suggested that younger members would be more at ease with an electronic format than older members, so an electronic magazine and print copy was still required.

J. Shorer observed that an electronic magazine was not produced for zero cost.

The Budget was put to the meeting and Passed unanimously

K.Barnes (VP) stated that the outgoing treasurer had done an excellent job and proposed a vote of thanks. This was passed by acclamation by all present

**Election of Patron** Barry Lennox reported that the Patron Air Marshall (Rtd) C W Adamson who wished to relinquish the position due to health issues. The outgoing Council had not been able to identify a successor.

Motion was put that the position of Patron be reviewed and remain unfilled in the mean time,

Moved B.Lennox Seconded C Kemp Passed unanimously

### Election of President

Jonathan Shorer nominated. Moved P Hancox, Seconded J. Bradbury. Passed with 1 dissenting Vote.

**Election of Treasurer** Rex Bain nominated by R Anderson, Seconded L. Vincent Passed with 1 dissenting Vote.

**Election of Southern North Island Area Representative** John Selby nominated. Moved I. Munro, Seconded P Eldridge Passed with 2 dissenting votes. (SNI Area members only)

**Election of Councillors. Sitting members standing unopposed:** K Barnes (VP), D. Wright (Sec), C. Kemp(NNI Rep), K. Clarke (CNI Rep), P. Hewson(NSI) and J. Smart (SSI) Passed with 2 dissenting votes.

**Election of Life members** Retiring MFNZ President Barry Lennox be made a Life Member of NZMAA/MFNZ Moved C. Kemp Seconded D. Wright. Passed with 5 dissenting votes.

A vote of thanks to Barry Lennox was moved from the floor by B. Borland, seconded by R. Bould and affirmed from the floor by all present. C. Kemp thanked Barry for his long service on Council and presented with a framed Certificate of Appreciation signed by the outgoing Council.

### **General Business**

K. Barnes (VP) spoke on his proposal, that MFNZ establish a Charitable Trust to support the provision of flying sites as described in the June MFW. It was clarified that the Trust responsibility would be to work to acquire new sites, develop existing sites and defend sites that were under threat. K. Barnes explained the Trust would not be under the control of Council, and would have a majority of non MFNZ member Trustees

Motion from the floor *The meeting recommends the (MFNZ) Council pursue the proposal outlined in the June 2013 MFW to establish a charitable trust for flying sites provision, and present a proposal for adoption at the 2014 AGM* Moved P. Hewson, seconded R, Bould. Carried

R. Moody addressed the meeting and observed that during the last year MFNZ Council had to deal with controversial issues and may have created a perception that they were “controllers”. Mr Moody suggested a higher level of PR skills and media savvy was needed and MFNZ should look to hire a media person to help in this area.

There were some comments on the problems of dealing with negative Youtube and forum postings.

J. Shorer felt that some events could have deterred potential new members and MFNZ does need to inform and justify its actions.

A motion was put that the matter lay on the table

Moved C. Kemp, Seconded S Hellyer, Passed by show of hands

Meeting ended 12:47 PM