

# Auckland Branch, NZART (Inc.)

## Minutes of Annual General Club Meeting

**On:** Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at 1935 hours  
**At:** Clubrooms, 400 St Johns Road, Meadowbank

**Present:** Steve ZL1FS presiding, Wes ZL3TE, Wallace ZL1WAL, Gwynne ZL1AAR, Logan ZL1LMN, Ray ZL1AJR, Japie ZL1JJN, Selwyn ZL1BRC, Bob ZL1AFU, Bob ZL1AFU, Robert ZL2RED, Olivier ZL1AAW, and Mrs Nicoll.

As recorded in the Attendance Book.

**Apologies:** Lyndon ZL3DWF, George ZL1TUJ, Ian ZL2ATD.

Sustained ZL1WAL / ZL1FS

**Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting** on 9th December 2014 at Clubroom.

Having been circulated was taken as read and accepted ZL3TE / ZL1JJN

### Reports:

- **Presidents Report:** Although this has been circulated, Steve read out his report:

Criticisms arising:

Branch 03 should be named "Western Suburbs Radio Club Incorporated".

Absences by elected Committee Members were not reported.

Explanation was sought about state of internet service and downtime of the remotely controlled station.

(See below for a report of last week's Committee meeting).

Received ZL1FS / ZL1LMN

- **Finance Report:** The reviewed Income and Expenditure Statement and Balance Sheet was circulated.

Wallace read his previously circulated report with appropriate amendments as follows:

The date is for the year ended is 30<sup>th</sup> November **2015**

\$800 of **new expense** will be incurred because of the terms of the Licence to Occupy.

The Accounts have been **reviewed**.

**Thanks** go to Mrs Christine Watson for reviewing the accounts given only 1 week to do it.

Received ZL1WAL / ZL1JJN

- **AREC Report:** As Deputy Section Leader, Japie reported as follows:

The Whangarei Car rally was supported

The Coromandel Car rally was supported

The Hunua Bike Rally was supported

5 Members checked in for the CD Shake Down exercise

2 Members attended the Howick Community CD exercise

Received ZL1JJN / ZL1FS

### Nominations:

**President:** Wes Printz ZL3TE

Elected unopposed ZL1FS / ZL1JJN

**Vice President:** George Marr ZL1TUJ

Elected unopposed ZL3TE / ZL1JJN  
ZL1AFU and ZL1BRC abstained

**Secretary:** Wallace Bottomley ZL1WAL

Elected unopposed ZL3TE / ZL1FS

**Treasurer:** Wallace Bottomley ZL1WAL

Elected unopposed ZL1AJR / ZL1AAR

### Committee:

Gwynne Rowe ZL1AAR

Ray Chapman ZL1AJR

Japie Nel ZL1JJN

Logan Nicoll ZL1LMN

Jeff Lowe ZL1TOU

Lyndon Thompson ZL3DWF

Elected unopposed ZL1WAL / ZL3TE

**Reviewer of Accounts:** Mrs Christine Watson

Elected unopposed ZL1WAL / ZL1FS

# Minutes of the AGM 2014 (Continued)

## Nominations (Continued):

### Non-Committee responsibilities:

Trustees of call sign ZL1AA:	Wes Printz ZL3TE, George Marr ZL1TUJ
Web Master:	Andrei Chatalov ZL1TM
Net Master:	Ray Chapman ZL1AJR
QSLs	Ray Chapman ZL1AJR
AREC Section Leader:	Japie Nel ZL1JJN
Deputy AREC S/L:	George Marr ZL1TUJ
Technical Advisor:	Simon Watt-Wyness ZL1SWW
Librarian:	Gwynne Rowe ZL1AAR
Contact person:	Gwynne Rowe ZL1AAR
Antennas:	Gwynne: Rowe ZL1AAR
Computers:	Logan Nicoll ZL1LMN
Newsletter:	Wes Printz ZL3TE
Contests:	Wes Printz ZL3TE
Inventory / Valuations:	Steve ZL1FS
Tuition:	Selwyn ZL1BRC
ARDF (fox hunting)	Wallace ZL1WAL

Approved ZL1AAR / ZL1WAL

### Other appointments to be made by the Committee

Maintenance  
Grounds  
Membership  
Projects

### Donations for use of repeaters:

Musick Point Radio Society	\$150
Auckland VHF Group	\$100

Approved ZL1WAL / ZL1AJR

### Subscriptions:

That Membership subscription remain at \$45.00 p.a. discounted by being given a raffle ticket (worth \$5.00) if paid by 31st March 2015. Students \$20 p.a.

Approved ZL1WAL / ZL1JJN

### Report of Committee Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December

- Gwynne reported that he has ordered two ARRL hard cover books for Subs raffle and for a later event.
- Wallace reported on a meeting with Hamish Keith, Acting Manager of Auckland Council's ECC whose relationship with AREC is defined by a Memorandum of Understanding with Richard Gamble manager of Northern District AREC who prioritises and disburses \$6,000 p.a. granted by ECC for AREC. Civil Defence assets were transitioned to Auckland Council Property Limited (ACPL) in 2010. ECC have no interest in this clubroom, per se. However he agrees that the building should be returned to the ownership of Auckland Branch so that we may obtain insurance. He will support our request ACPL.
- Support from Compass Communications has reached an impasse. Compass did not use our authority to directly debit our account; rather they cut the connection when we owed \$163 and now they are demanding a termination fee (\$199) and seem to be litigious about it. Their management failed to phone back as promised (3 times). The Committee resolved to shop elsewhere for an ISP that is fit for our purpose. We have proved that two other ISPs can link to our server using identical setup of modem and host.
- The Financial year will end on 31 October in future. This will allow more time for the financial accounts to be reviewed before the AGM that the Constitution prescribes shall be held in December.
- A Budget for 2016 has been recommended to the incoming Committee. A Safety Manual has been written in anticipation of an inspection by Health and Safety.
- At the November General Meeting, Wallace was tasked to shop for an alternative ISP. Vodafone have offered to be our ISP offering naked 60 Gb \$60 /month for 12 month contract, less \$100 sweetener. Wallace is to pursue this offer and he will define an acceptance test in writing before signing up.

Resolved ZL3TE / ZL1WAL 1 abstention

### Other Business:

- Branch policy (April 2014) about the remotely controlled station was reiterated, that is, priority is given to Members' operating in the Clubroom. Remote operation allows registered Members to listen (many at once); the first comer may tune the K3. A time limit is set. Scheduling may be done via the memo window. Antenna options are being experimented with.
- An objection was made on the grounds of a breach of privacy when the Notice of this meeting had a list of Members' details (e-mail, phone, address, etc.) attached. The same list is posted on the notice board, to which no objection was raised. The Membership renewal form should ask: "With-hold details?" in future.

The meeting ended at 21:23 hours with supper provided by Ray ZL1AJR and Mrs Nicoll.