

ARCHERY NEW ZEALAND INC AGM HAMILTON, 6 JANUARY 2011

The meeting opened at 3pm with Patron and Life Member Bernie Fraser, Life Members Ivan Powley, Tony Kemp and Carole Hicks and 43 other members

In the absence overseas of President Colin Teasdale, Vice President Patrick Biggs took the chair.

He announced there was no quorum (needed 58 members eligible to vote) and noted the options were to stop this meeting and call a special general meeting at some future date and place or to continue with the agenda and then seek validation of the decisions made in a postal ballot which would be established by the Board.

Members chose to continue with the agenda and seek a postal ballot.

1 Apologies

Moved from the chair *that apologies* from Helen Kemp, Mary Behm, Leonie Moody, Dave Campbell, Diane and Terry Hamilton, Steve Crosbie, Mike Dixon, Colin Mitchell, Sandy and Rachel Hughes, Kirk Lowry, Colin Tucker and Mandy McGregor *be accepted* **Carried**

2 Minutes of the last meeting. Moved from the chair *that the minutes be taken as read*, **Carried**

2.1 Matters arising

Carole apologised to Bernie Fraser and other “masters” for whom the decision of the 2010 AGM to change the name and rounds was not carried through for 2011. It got “lost” in the three changes to the organiser. She also explained the changes to the announced team for the Commonwealth Games Test Event which were as a result of India changing the rules and many people around the world with drawing.

Moved from the chair *that the minutes be approved as a correct record*. **Carried**

3 Annual Report

Patrick noted the highlights of the report. He expressed the hope that the formal introduction of a national beginners’ incentive scheme would encourage more people to remain in the sport. He thanked all the people involved in the running of the 2010 and 2011 Nationals. This was carried by acclamation.

The excellent efforts of Yiftach Swery to narrowly miss winning New Zealand a place at the Youth Olympic Games and of Victoria Barczac who won a place but then failed to meet the minimum qualifying score were noted.

He thanked SPARC for the funding to prepare the team for the Commonwealth Games, congratulated the two compound teams on their selection for the Games and especially congratulated Shaun Teasdale on winning the Shanghai World Cup and his 4th place in the World Cup Final. This was confirmed by acclamation.

The Trans Tasman Team did not retain the trophy but members set new records so it had been an excellent tournament, more acclamation.

Carole noted the several women who had been voted to sporting awards in their localities but no men. It is important that we recognise the achievements of all our archers and we should look at every opportunity to celebrate archers of all ages and both genders.

The Judges were thanked for their knowledge and support for all tournaments.

In response to a query from Irving Campbell, it was noted the Board was trying to sort out the situation of the Christchurch Registrar. Carole noted the Board would suspend the rule requiring records to be claimed within 14 days.

Shane talked about the efforts to get an Olympic Solidarity grant for Stephen Florence; that of 150 applications from all sports within New Zealand the NZOC selected 7 to promote to the IOC and Stephen’s was one of them. Unfortunately the IOC only awarded 4 to this country and Stephen missed out but it was a tremendous achievement to have come so close.

Moved from the chair *that the Report be received*

Carried

4 Financial Report

Alan Logan explained that the auditors had not finalised the accounts because they had not been able to obtain the requested information from the previous auditor nor the standard report from the bank. There were not expected to be any problems with the accounts as they stood.

Alan had also prepared a separate set of figures which he thought would give a clearer picture of the accounts than the audited version. He is strongly of the view that members must know what use is being made of their money.

Irving Campbell thanks Alan for the additional papers which he found very useful. He was particularly pleased to receive the clear statements regarding the Archer.

It appeared the Association was in a better financial situation than it actually was because the auditors required the unspent SPARC grants (some \$9,000) to be included in the assets not as a contingent liability.

Les Jones congratulated Alan on his work, thanked him for the second set of figures which were very helpful and requested he continue the practice. Les noted it appeared that if the SPARC money was excluded ANZ had made a loss for the year. Alan agreed this was so mostly because we had spent more than the Commonwealth Games grant particularly on overseas preparation.

In closing Alan thanked his predecessor Ivan Powley for his assistance in the changeover period.

Moved Logan/Jones, *that subject to audit the Financial Report be approved.* **Carried**

5 Fees for 2011/2012

Moved Logan/Hicks that the fees for the next financial year be:

Seniors	\$80
Juniors	\$40
Administrative	\$30 (now \$26)
U' 10s	\$10
The Archer	\$35

It was noted the Board has to support the Nationals with the purchase of equipment, notable a new timing system, the cost of Board meetings although kept to a minimum, still need to be met, the squad training sessions particularly but not exclusively for the coming World Championships (senior and youth).

Tony Kemp thought the Administrative member fee should remain the same as these people worked hard for archery while not even shooting.

Amendment Powley/Kennerson *that the Administrative member fee remain at \$26.* **Carried**

The amended motion was **Carried**

6 Presentations

Irving Campbell and Cedric Gorman left the meeting at this time.

6.1 Carole explained that Cedric Gorman had been nominated as a Life Member for his 10 years as Editor of the Archer and his general contribution to Archery New Zealand, the Wellington Archery Association and the Trentham club. It was acknowledged the requisite 2 months notice before the AGM had not been given but the knowledge of Cedric's retirement from the Archer had come very late. The Board had considered the nomination, found that most of the criteria had been met and agreed to seek the temporary suspension of that part of the Constitution to enable the nomination to proceed at this AGM.

Moved Hicks/Biggs *that the section of the ANZ Constitution relating to the timing of Life Membership nominations be suspended for the purpose of this meeting* **Carried**

Moved Biggs/Hicks *that Cedric Gorman be elected Life Member of Archery New Zealand*

Carried by acclamation

Cedric and Irving rejoined the meeting and Cedric received a standing ovation with the announcement of his Life Membership. Carole explained that Cedric had said he would not be at the Nationals so arrangements had been made to present the certificate to Cedric at an appropriate time in Wellington.

6.2 A Service Award was announced for Lindsay Cooper for his services to Archery New Zealand as web master for at least 10 years and his earlier contributions as a top level coach. The award will be made in Auckland at an appropriate time.

6.3 Presentations to celebrate the success of our archers were made to Commonwealth Games team viz:

Stephanie Croskery, Mandy McGregor, Anne Mitchell, Stephen Clifton, Shaun Teasdale, Tony Waddick.

FITA elite badges were presented to:

Rachel Hughes (Cadet compound 1350 FITA star)

Mandy McGregor (1350 compound FITA star)

Anne Mitchell (1350 compound FITA star)

Shaun Teasdale (700 compound FITA target badge)

It was noted the JAMA awards were made at the JAMA AGM.

7 Elections

7.1 President Frances Ross moved A Mitchell/A Russell **declared elected.**

7.2 Treasurer Alan Logan moved Hicks/Biggs **declared elected**

7.3 Conveners Karen Moffatt-McLeod was welcomed at the convener of the Athletes' Commission. There is no convener yet for the Coaching Commission.

8 Outdoor National Championships

There was discussion on the composition of the Outdoor Nationals because the Wairarapa club was proposing to hold the Field section at the Mana field courses in Porirua.

Opinion was divided with some seeking to retain the whole week of tournament with the 3 championships because it is the best time to hold them; that Field is the main reason they come to the Nationals; that if they wanted a separate Field Championship they'd go to NZFAA;

Others were of the view that it adds to the difficulties of finding clubs/groups to host the championships; the cost of the week-long Nationals is getting too expensive particularly for families.

Moved Biggs/Hicks *that the 2012 National Outdoor Championships be awarded to the Wairarapa Club with the Board to negotiate what will happen to the Field Event* **Carried**

Moved McMahon/Kemp *that the Board proceed to negotiate with NZFAA to participate in a New Zealand National Field Championships.* **Carried**

It was noted that there were no bids for the 2013 Nationals although comment was that if there was no Field required then clubs may be encouraged to apply, particularly from the South Island.

9 Indoor National Championships

There was a suggestion that the tournament could be held in a single venue for the first time for many years. The current situation cannot be called a "National" championship because of the differing conditions at the various centres. It was agreed the better proposition would be a single venue in each of the North and South Islands.

Trevor Kennerson has agreed to organise the tournament in 2011. His preference was to hold the tournament in July to coincide with the Australian tournament called the World Indoor Championships. Ann Powley would check the availability of the Dunedin venue and Patrick Biggs the Manawatu venue for July and to advise the Board.

The possibility of arranging a match play would be pursued.

Carole explained the confusion over the medals for the 2009 Indoor championships and that they would be ordered and posted to winners as soon as possible.

10 Strategic Plan

Patrick noted the Operational Plans were for the respective Commissions to work through, the Board had responsibility for the overall activity and particularly the section of the Executive summary. Following a brief discussion of the main points he moved from the chair *that the Strategic Plan 2011-2016 be adopted,* **Carried**

11 Restructure Report

There was considerable discussion of where the power base does/could/should lie mostly it seemed the Commissions or Districts. It seems many recreational archers do not see why they should affiliate to ANZ although they pay a fee to the district. Perhaps a small affiliation fee as part of the general club fee would be an incentive, perhaps having a presence on Facebook and Twitter might help, in fact the power base is with clubs because they recruit and retain the members. There was concern that ANZ sells itself short, that the status quo is not considered an option. Most of the options in the report proposed compulsory membership in several forms and with the variations being about by whom the Association should be governed. There was a suggestion that the AGM should elect the entire Board for a one year term.

Moved Kemp/Moffatt-McLeod *that the vote on any final restructure should be done electronically directly to individual members or those with the same address (or by post to the few members who do not have email access).* **Carried**

As the current ANZ rules for postal ballot do not permit an electronic vote, Ivan Powley offered to present an amendment for Board approval.

Moved Campbell/McMahon *that options 3 and 4 of the Restructure Review Report be put to members*

Amendment moved A Russell/Geelen *that the options be split to enable separate votes to be held on governance and affiliation,*

Carried

The amended motion was

Carried

The Board will consider the matter of a Facebook presence. Shaun Teasdale has offered to service the exercise.

12 Reports from the web master and Editor of the Archer

Moved from the chair the reports be received and with thanks to Riley Divett and Cedric Gorman **Carried**

There was again discussion as to whether the Archer should remain in hard or electronic copy or some combination of both.

Caro Geelen indicated interest on taking the position of Editor for at least the rest of 2011. She will review the material provided by Cedric and advise the Board within a week of a definitive decision.

13 Registrar

Great concern was expressed that there had been no communication with or by the Registrar. The Board has removed him from the position and was seeking applications for the position.

One member of the Manawatu Club is willing to undertake the role with certain conditions, Irving Campbell indicated he may be able to assist if no other nominations.

Noted by Ivan Powley that Julie Cook of the Dunedin Club is willing to undertake the role without any specific conditions and the Dunedin Club would provide the Board with a formal nomination.

14 General

Ivan Powley noted that for the second time in 3 years we had failed to reach the quorum for the AGM. He was of the view that the bar was set too high and the level should be reduced.

Moved Powley/Kemp *that for the next AGM the quorum be 40 full members.* **Carried**

Note this requires a Constitutional change.

In closing Patrick thanked the outgoing Board members Colin Teasdale, Shane Switzer, Richard Scheib and Elizabeth Andrew for their contributions to the Board and to archery in New Zealand, to Patron Bernie Fraser for his work and financial contribution and all members for their contributions to the meeting.

Meeting closed at 5.59pm.