



RICHMOND  
YACHT CLUB

## 117<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Time:** 6:45 p.m.

**Venue:** Richmond Yacht Club, Westhaven Drive

**Present:** Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Treasurer, Secretary and 39 members

**Apologies:** Hans Swete, Jo Dooley, Andy Bevan, Basil Orr, Nigel Garland, Don Webster

WHO	DETAILS
<b>Commodore</b>	Welcome and introductions – Commodore opened meeting & welcomed Flag Officers, Committee & members  Apologies - announced and accepted as per above.  Commodore report – presented and copy given to those attending.
<b>Secretary</b>	Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting presented, no issues raised by attendees. Secretary moved the 2020 AGM Minutes be accepted, Seconded: Greg Thwaite, Carried  Secretary's Report – presented and copy given to those attending.
<b>Treasurer</b>	Treasurers report/2021 Annual accounts – Treasurer presented and talked through 2021 Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet as circulated to attendees. Items of note discussed including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Revenue from upstairs noted as useful income to sustain club.</li><li>- Increase in membership numbers, but downturn in income from COVID-19 lockdowns affecting clubroom income.</li><li>- Big cost last year the roof work, and this year the backdated rent increase from Panuku.</li><li>- Committee have been planning and noting significant maintenance projects coming up, reserves available for any unexpected maintenance that has to take place.</li></ul> Question from floor on rent increase for tenants, in line with Panuku rent increases. Treasurer explained that tenants have been affected by loss of business from COVID,

	<p>therefore are not pushing this straight away. The committee are keen to retain the tenant, who is also keen to remain in property.</p> <p>Treasurer moved that the 2021 Annual Accounts be accepted, Seconded: Mark Becroft, Carried.</p> <p>Fees 2021-2022 – Committee recommendation that all fees (membership, sail pass, race, dinghy locker) remain the same in this exceptional year. Treasurer moved this recommendation be accepted, Seconded Andrew MacDonald, Carried.</p> <p>Free membership draw won by member Andrew Peacock.</p>
<p><b>Commodore</b></p>	<p>Election of roles - The following nominations were received by the appointed deadline. The Commodore called for any further nominations from the floor, none received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- President - Hans Swete</li> <li>- Commodore – Richard Limbrick</li> <li>- Vice Commodore - Chris Crone</li> <li>- Rear Commodore - Jacky Bush</li> <li>- Treasurer - Steve Morriss</li> <li>- Secretary - Liz Henderson</li> <li>- General Committee Members</li> <li>- Returning committee members - Tony Evans, Gordon Dyer, Keith Bekker, Jeremy Cope, Jo Dooley, David Cashmore, Gregory Thwaite, Louise Stodart, Mark Becroft</li> <li>- New committee member - Andy Bevan</li> <li>- Appointment of Honorary Auditor and Solicitor – Moved by Commodore that Mike McGlone and Donald Webster be appointed to the role of Honorary Auditor and Solicitor respectively,</li> </ul> <p>All unopposed, Carried</p> <p>Nomination for Life Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nomination from the club president, Hans Swete, received for Keith Bekker. In place of Hans, the Commodore spoke about Keith’s background in yachting and work for the club over the years. Proposed Hans Swete, Seconded Richard Limbrick, Carried.</li> </ul> <p>Presentation of special awards and Gifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Blake Memorial Shield was presented to Mark Becroft for his work, time and commitment to the club over the past year.</li> </ul> <p>Thank you gifts given to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rodney and Kate Janes - Handbook Preparation</li> <li>- Chris Crone – Newsletter Editor</li> <li>- Margaret Harvey, Andrew Burr, Trish Bekken – Race committee. Margaret to be stepping down from Race Committee in the near future, special thanks given for all she has done to help the club.</li> </ul>

	<p>General business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Disability access – Keith Bekker talked to members about committee investigations for disability access, which include construction of a ramp, stair lift, or lift. This work has included consulting with an architect to consider council consents and implications of the building code. Stair lift unlikely to get consent. Ramp would take space out of the club, and would not be without significant cost. Lift would need to reach all floors for consent and there would be ongoing operational cost. Cost could be \$220k for initial install and the impact would be extensive. There is no obligation for the club to have accessibility, but there could be a positive impact to casual club users and club members. The uncertainty of future Panuku plans may impact on this investment, as the clubs could be shifted and the club has low numbers of users requiring this level of access. All acknowledged that it would be a benefit to the club in the longer term. The financial impact of such a project was thought to be too significant to be able to consider progressing unless significant financial assistance, such as a grant was available. Margaret Harvey raised that RYC may have to inform Westhaven and Panuku of work. A vote was taken from the members present and a unanimous “no” was registered from attendees.</li> <li>- CANANZ Flag – CANANZ organisation has now folded as celestial navigation now lesser used. CANANZ members, Bob McDavitt and Peter Calvert, presented a CANANZ flag to the club, as a symbol of their thanks to RYC for the support of the club over the years. Mark Becroft thanked them for being part of RYC.</li> </ul> <p>No general business was raised from floor. Control of the meeting was placed with the newly elected Commodore.</p>
<p><b>New Commodore</b></p>	<p>Thanked members for attending and for his nomination as Commodore. Special acknowledgement of Mark was made for his huge commitment to the club during his time as Commodore who will remain on the committee for the coming term. Acknowledgment of all returning committee members was made and recognised as being a strength of the club.</p> <p>New committee welcomed, date for first committee for 2021 set to 19<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed 7.55pm.</p>