



Downhill Ski Club 2011 Annual General Meeting 27th November 2011, 4.30pm

The meeting was called to order by Neil Green at 4:30 p.m.

Apologies were received from:

Ross & Cindy Sutherland, Cris Hatton-Carr, Stephen Hurdley, Prue Fry, Birgit Utech, Margaret Willoughby, James Chambers, Margaret Parker, Ken and Kathy Bush, Paddy Henry, Nicole Walker, Rod Smith, Kate Stevens, Tracy Henderson, Chris Bremner, Craig Ross, Judith Mollot, Neal Brebner & Andrea Marchand
Dave and Kathy Hartley, David and Adrienne Simpson, Trevor & Christine Shanahan, Grant Allen, Lisa Austin, Tracey Green, Adrian Green, Gabriel And Paul Brown

Description

Acceptance of Apologies

a motion to accept the apologies was made by Steve Chaney, seconded by Lisa Arthur and all present voted in favor.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous AGM were reviewed and a motion to approve the minutes as true and correct was made by Greta Thompson, seconded by Blair Sinclair and all present voted in favor.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

No matters arising.

President Report

The president presented his report. It was noted that the top club is not able to operate until the black water discharge is resolved. A motion to accept the president's report was by Sue Sinclair, seconded by Adam Crocker and all present voted in favor.

Treasurers Reports

The treasurer presented his report, and the 2009 and 2010 reviewed financial statements, the draft 2011 financials are still to be reviewed. It was noted that the incinerating toilets could cost approx. 40k although there was the possibility of a grant to cover the costs. A motion to accept the 2009 and 2010 financial statements was made by Blair Sinclair, seconded by Colleen Breckell and all present voted in favor.

Election of Financial Reviewer

A motion was made that John Cregten be the financial reviewer for 2012 by Steve Chaney, seconded by Lisa Arthur and all present voted in favor.

Booking Officers Report

The booking officer presented her report, noting that the bed nights were down from last year. This was attributed to the Rugby World Cup and the change in the dates for the school holidays. (full report appendix 1) A motion to accept the booking officer's report was by Adam Crocker, seconded by Catherine Crooks and all present voted in favor.

Election of the Committee

The below members were nominated for the committee:

Nominee	Position	Nominator	Seconded
Neil Green	President	Sandy Fry	Colleen Breckell
Steve Chaney	Treasurer	Neil Green	Sandy Fry
Lisa Arthur	Secretary	Steve Chaney	Neil Green
Marie Prendergast	Booking Officer	Lisa Arthur	Steve Chaney
Blair Sinclair	Club Captain	Marie Prendergast	Lisa Arthur
Grant Allen	Ruapehu Maintenance Co	Blair Sinclair	Marie Prendergast
Kevin Frost	Committee	Grant Allen	Blair Sinclair
Colleen Breckell	Committee	Kevin Frost	Grant Allen
Sandy Fry	Committee	Colleen Breckell	Kevin Frost
Bernie Prendergast	NP Maintenance Co	Neil Green	Brian Cruse

A motion to accept these nominations was made by Heather Frost, seconded by Edith Chaney and all present voted in favor.

Setting of Subscriptions

- a. That the annual subscription be \$140 for a single and \$280 for a family membership.
- b. That where the annual subscription is received from any existing member on or before April 30th 2012, \$30 of the single subscription amount and \$60 of the family subscription amount be credited towards the member's accommodation and that such credit is to be used by April 30th 2013.
- c. That where the annual subscription is received from any new member after April 30th 2012, \$30 of the single subscription amount and \$60 of the family subscription amount be credited towards the member's accommodation and that such credit is to be used by April 30th 2013.
- d. That there is no joining fee for 2012.

A motion to accept the subscriptions for 2012 was made by John Cregten, seconded by Kevin frost and all present voted in favor.

Proposed Rule Changes

A motion for the addition of rule 3e *"The membership year runs from 1st April until 31st March the following year."* was made by Lisa Arthur, seconded by Steve Chaney and all present voted in favor.

A motion to update rule 4 to:

4) **NEW MEMBERS**

- a) *Applications for new membership must be sponsored by a financial member of the Club. The acceptance of every new member shall be conditional upon his or her paying the entrance fee prescribed together with his or her first year's subscription.*
- b) *Children of family members shall have priority in the event there is a waiting list for membership.*

was made by Lisa Arthur, seconded by Steve Chaney and all present voted in favor.

A motion to update rule 13b to:

At any General Meeting, no business other than that stated on the order paper shall be transacted unless notice thereof is given in writing to the Secretary at least 21 days prior to the meeting. The Secretary shall send to each member a copy of the order paper and notice of the date of the meeting at least fourteen days before the date thereof.

was made by Lisa Arthur, seconded by Steve Chaney and all present voted in favor.

A motion to update rule 16 to:

- a. *Every notice required to be given to the members, or any of them, shall be deemed to have been duly delivered if sent to the last known email address.*
- b. *Members must nominate a default email address for each membership that notices will be sent to.*
- c. *In the instance where a member does not have an email address the AGM order and annual subscription will be sent to the last known postal address.*

was made by Lisa Arthur, seconded by Steve Chaney and all present voted in favor.

A motion to update rule 9c to:

Club funds shall be deposited, banked or invested in such a manner as the Committee directs.

All accounts shall be submitted to and passed by the Committee before payment.

All payments shall be via The Club's account either electronically or by cheque signed by any two officers of the Club who are members and who are so authorised by resolution of the Committee.

was made by Mike Fitzmaurice, seconded by Christine Fitzmaurice, after discussion the following amendment were proposed:

- I. *Club funds shall be deposited, banked or invested in such a manner as the Committee directs.*
- II. *All accounts shall be submitted to and passed by the Committee.*
- III. *All payments shall be via The Club's account transacted by any two officers of the Club who are members and who are so authorised by resolution of the Committee.*

A motion was made by Lisa Arthur, seconded by Blair Sinclair to accept the amendments, Mike Fitzmaurice voted against the amendment to point ii, all others voted in favor and the motion was carried.

A motion to accept the rule change based on the agreed amendments was made by Mike Fitzmaurice, seconded by Christine Fitzmaurice and all present voted in favor.

The meeting was closed at 6.05 p.m. by Neil Green.

Appendix 1

In National Park we started having bookings from first weekend of July although the mountain opened a weekend earlier than that. Top lodged opened the second week of August after a bit of a struggle finding a custodian. We were lucky to find a lovely young dutch guy Maarten who started immediately. Whakapapa closed at the end of labour weekend and Turoa stayed open for another two weeks. We closed the top lodge after the first week of the school holidays as it was so late and there was hardly anyone even at the national Park lodge at that stage. After labour weekend no-one came down for the last two weeks of the season at Turoa, the weather was terrible.

Weather was fairly dismal both in the beginning and the end of the season, but we had a pretty good run and a fair amount of snow this year, right to the end. Quite disappointing result this year though, partly because of the weather at the beginning and the end but mostly because of the RWC. School holidays were moved earlier in July and later in October severely affecting our holiday bookings at both lodges. I think also discretionary spending has been down this year because of the RWC. We are 111 bednights down on last year (which wasn't a super year either it must be said). Compared to our two bumper years of 2008 and 2009 it is not such a pretty picture, down 400 and 800 bednights respectively.

We had one school group staying at the top lodge this year and our regular Transworks booking. We would love to build on more school bookings over the coming years, any help with this is appreciated.

Our theme nights were a hit as they are every year and they will be repeated again next year. they are now an integral part of our club calendar and they help immensely with bookings.

That is all from me. There will be some summer events this year, and anyone and everyone are welcome to these. Stay tuned to emails, website and facebook page and please do go along if you can. We would love to see more use of the club over the summer period in general to

Kind Regards

Marie Prendergast

Booking officer