

Maitahi Outrigger Canoe Club AGM



Date: 14th August 2018

Time: 7:20pm

Present: Jan Blythe, Zoe Horvath, Katie Thurston, Ross Benbow, Chris Sheldon, Kereama & Charmaine Payn, Penny Molnar, Kilmeny Stephens, John Young, Adie Leng, Rodney, Bex, Bronwyn, Joyce Thevenaz, Karen, Jess Brown, Robyn Dewson

Apologies: Jenni Bancroft, Rosalie Adamson, Seb Head, Jeff Neilson, Julie Marriott. Pete & Helen Bywater, Greg & Steph Buck, Lynnette Campbell, Tony Davies, Raewynn Jenkins

Agenda:

- Apologies
- Welcome from president
- Minutes from previous AGM
- Matters arising
- Strategic Meeting Date
- President's report
- Financial report
- Election of president, vice president and naming of committee members
- Nominations for Health and Safety Officer and Primary Maintenance Person
- General business
 - Nelson Sports Awards
 - Lakes race planning
 - Waka Te Tasman waka enquiries
 - TWA Rep
 - Funding application for Trainer by over 60s
- Close of meeting

Opening Karakia

Char recapped on the minutes from the last AGM.

The club has bought new paddles for rangatahi paddlers and is still recommending that adult club members buy their own.

Water Sports Alliance: The new pontoon is in. Zoe is still the club rep. Nothing much more has happened.

Char

proposed that the minutes were a true and correct record of the last AGM. Penny Molnar seconded.

Matters Arising:

Strategic planning meeting: At the last committee meeting it was decided that would give 2 dates to Kate, either 27th October or 10th November to hold a strategic planning meeting, and wait to hear back to see which one suits. Kate is the general manager for music NZ, an independent person with experience in running strat meetings. It would just cost us her airfares to Nelson from Wellington. It would be advantageous to have as many stakeholders as possible at the meeting if we could entice them; the Harbour Masters, potential sponsors. All might have ideas that could be helpful. The strat plan would give the club direction for the next 5 years and is a document that could be checked each year to see how the club direction is progressing – keeps the club on track.

Currently we have no strategic plan in place and rely on our annual club wide meeting to get direction from members.

The new committee also needs to look at the constitution as it is outdated. We are an incorporated Society and have an external auditor. We have been waiting to see the new TOWA constitution so we can do something in line with that.

Presidents report:

He honore, he kororia ki te Atua, he maungaroa ki te whenua, he whakaaro pai ki nga tangata katoa...
(Honour and glory to God, peace and tranquility on earth and goodwill to all people...)

Nau te rourou, naku te rourou, ka ora ai te Iwi. He waka eke noa...
(With your basket and my basket, referring to co-operation and the combination of resources to get ahead, the people will thrive. A canoe which we are in with no exception, We are all in this together...)

Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

Thanks for all coming out this evening and taking the time.

First and foremost I would like to thank the committee for all the time and effort that they have put into the club over the past financial year.

We have been operating as a club for 17 years.

Zoe Horvarth:	Acknowledge Zoe as our Past President.
John Young:	Vice President, My go to person, Maintenance and Soft Gear.
Jan Blythe:	Secretary, Newsletter and Website guru. <u>Standing down</u>
Julie Marriott:	Number Cruncher (Accountant). <u>Standing down</u>
Katie Thurston:	Social Events Organiser and Sunday paddle Organiser.
Kilmeny Stephens:	Council Liaison and Part time Secretary.
Jeff Nielson:	Committee Member – yet to be assigned a role
Chris Sheldon:	Trophy Carver
Tony Davies:	Repairs and Maintenance. <u>Stood down in May</u>

Nga mihi to all the members that have helped out with organising and putting your hand up over the year has been duly noted and appreciated.

Highlights of events that have happened over the year:

- LDN's 2017
- South Island Masters Game
- Waka Te Tasman – 13th year running
- Harbour Master Challenge – Nov 2017
- Motu to Motu – Congrats to Whai Rere
- 10 Year Anniversary for Tuna e Hoe Ana
- Medals – A huge thank you to the very talented Jane Reed. Her time and expertise is highly valued.
- New Lakes race format and timing app
- No steering areas working fine within the Club. All steerers are paddling to their abilities.
- The Halberg Trust Annual Paddle

- KP Memorial Race
- Portage Race
- Paddle to Lochmara
- Rabbit Island Paddle
- Nelson Leader – Whai Rere write up looking for a new crew member.
- Welcoming of the Sealord Vessel – Te Tokatu
- Quad Series at Onetahua. Marae Experience with the Matariki Dawn Paddle. Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of their Club.
- World Sprints – A mihi to Kereama, Jan, Rongomai and Carmel for their hard work and dedication.

Fundraising

- MarchFest – The 11th MarchFest and the biggest yet.
- Weetbix Triathlon
- Pub Charities
- Sponsorship from Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō

Purchases – No major outlays

- Update of First Aid Kits and Dry bags
- Rangatahi Paddles
- Buoys for the Lakes Race

Social Events

- Tahunanui Fun Day
- Friday Night Sprig and Fern

Initiatives

- Rangatahi Programme
- Steering Clinic

Paid up members to date are 31.

Up and coming: Strategic meeting date yet to be decided on once we've heard back from Kate/Ross Benbow.

Great to see so many new faces here this evening!

Maitahi has always been such a giving club, the friends that become whanau. Lets hope for a bigger and better year to come.

It's great to see the smiling faces, the sharing of our passion for waka ama. It's why we do this. Happy Paddling everyone.....

Financial Report

Christine Johnson, our accountant, reviewed our End of Year financial reports which were prepared by Julie Marriott.

Julie suggested that there might be a question about the Rangatahi Fund showing up as income. It comes in from a separate fund that has been set aside and then has to go out as expenditure.

Insurance: creeps up every year but it pays to have it.

TEHA: expenses were higher this last year because of the medals, these were paid for by sponsorship from Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō

Assets list: We sold some old safety boxes, one of the VHF radios removed as it wasn't working, we bought new VHF radios, waka covers and spray skirts.

The new spray skirts had to be sent back because they were the wrong design. Need to follow up with Tony because we are not sure where the replacement set are at. It would be great to have them in time for Waka Te Tasman. Char to contact Tony to find out more.

South Island Masters was a great success despite the pouring rain. We made a profit.

The accounts were reviewed by Christine and signed off. We have a surplus of \$8111.

Fundraising was up this year, but membership was down.

Bex asked what leeway was given for members to pay membership. Char responded that after the AGM all unpaid members are contacted and reminded to pay, they are given one more reminder email and if they still haven't paid they are removed from the Teamer lists. Char then lets the various steerers know who is unpaid.

The constitution does state that members are classed as paid up for the following year.

In cases of hardship members can contact the president or treasurer and something can normally be worked out. Kereama suggested adding something to the membership form to indicate that terms can be worked out.

September 1st is the start of the NKOA financial year. All our members are affiliated. Unpaid members (unaffiliated) cannot race in sanctioned races.

Kilmeny proposed that a discussion around how much we pay in membership fees versus how much we fundraise should be part of the discussions at the Strat plan meeting, and ways we could apply for funding for some projects. (How do we best spend our time and money as fundraising takes a lot of effort.)

John moved that the financial report be accepted with changes as detailed. Kereama seconded.

Thank you to Zoe for presenting the financial report for Julie who is currently overseas.

Election of Committee:

Nominations received:

Char was nominated for President by Bex Malthus and seconded by Robyn Dewson

John Young was nominated for Vice President by Char Payn and seconded by Penny Molnar

There were no other nominations for either position.

Congratulations Char and John

Zoe Horvath, Jan Blythe and Julie Marriott are standing down from the committee.

Nominations for the committee members:

Kilmeny Stephens, Katie Thurston, Chris Sheldon, Jeff Neilson are all willing to stand again on the committee.

Bex Malthus was nominated by John Young and seconded by Penny Molnar

Jess Brown was nominated by Zoe Horvath, seconded by Char Payn

Roby Dewson was nominated by Char Payn and seconded by Jan Blythe

Kilmeny was nominated for the role of secretary by Katie Thurston, seconded by Jan Blythe

Jess was nominated for the role of treasurer by Zoe Horvath, seconded by Kereama Payn

Jan is still willing to do work on the website when required.

The roles of Memberships, Health & Safety and Maintenance will be decided within the committee at the first meeting. People can be co-opted in for specific roles, and report back to the committee. This is something for the committee to discuss.

Penny proposed we accept the committee as announced. Jan Blythe seconded. All in favour.

Penny Molnar proposed a vote of thanks to all the outgoing committee for their work for the club over the past year. Thank you to the outgoing members, Julie (treasurer), Jan (secretary), Zoe (past president).

Thank you to everyone who has stepped up for this year.

General Business:

Sports Awards

Nominations are open for the 2018 ASB Sports awards. They close on October 15th. There are various categories, and anyone can put in a nomination. John will email the details to the committee. The information is on the Sport Tasman website.

Lakes Race Planning:

The first meeting will be held in September, Char will confirm the date. Anyone who is interested is invited to join the Lakes Race subcommittee; their help will be much appreciated. Karen Driver has offered to help make the event a zero waste event. The hall and lake have already been booked for Friday, 9th and Saturday 10th of February. The sub-committee so far is

- John
- Char
- Katie
- Kilmeny
- Bex

Kilmeny will put a call out in the newsletter to ask for more volunteers for the sub-committee.

Waka Te Tasman:

Expressions of interest for crews wanting to race in Waka Te Tasman need to be made, but waka bookings are not confirmed until the registration fees are paid. The event is growing. All Maitahi crews competing must have done a huli drill before competing. Huli practice in the pool does not give the same effect as doing one in the harbour although it does offer a very safe environment for first timers.

The committee will need to sort out the best way to tackle this and let the club know via Facebook and the newsletter.

TWOA Rep: (Te Waka O Aoraki)

We are required to have a TWOA rep to attend the AGM at Kaiteriteri. Char is willing to act as our rep this year. They will be looking to pass the new constitution at this meeting.

There was also correspondence about the permanent numbering of waka in the South Island as the stick-on numbers at races are marking the paint work.

Funding Application for Training by Whai Rere

Whai Rere are wanting to apply for funding from the Network Nelson Tasman Community Trust to get Hiria Rolleston down to help some of the over 60s in the club with their paddling technique.

Applications close on 31st August. John emailed the committee yesterday to approve the funding application. He has spoken with the NNTCT and they have indicated that this application for Whai Rere would fall under their criteria. Hiria prefers to work with a group of 10-12.

There is a precedent with the Aunties having applied for funding under the banner of Maitahi for funding in 2014 to go to Rarotonga. We just need to be clear that the committee is not applying for funding for anything in the same funding round.

John proposed that the club give permission for Whai Rere to apply for funding from Network Nelson Tasman Community Trust for training and coaching weekend with Hiria for over 60s paddlers.

Char seconded. Carried

Zoe asked if this was a stepping stone towards an event. John responded that they had surveyed the Whai Rere members and that they would like to do Motu to Motu in Aitutake in 2020 and had plans to get a crew together for National Sprints 2019.

Katie commented that it's great to see Whai Rere getting proactive and going for it, however, she was thinking about the rest of the club members. People under 60 need to know that there is an inclusiveness and that there is a way forward in training for them as well. We have so much talent right here in Nelson with crews and individuals who did so well at Worlds, who are world class paddlers. We need to be utilizing the talent we have right here around us every day.

It would be great to foster relationships with all the Nelson paddlers (from both Whakatū and Maitahi) who went to World Sprints and hear from them what it was like, and what it takes to get there, to understand the motivation and planning that got them to the world event.

Jan mentioned that Corina Gage is coming down at the end of September to do 1 on 1 and crew training and that there will be a sprint wānanga at the marae.

Thank you from Jan

Jan gave a heartfelt 'thank you' to Maitahi for the support she received to go to World Sprints in Tahiti. That support came in many forms, paddlers making a w6 crew through the cold, dark winter months so we could train in a 6 man, paddlers coming out with us in the OC2s so we could have competition on the water, huge encouragement from club members and the great fundraising effort for the film evening. Thank you so much.

Water Sports Alliance

Char asked if anyone knew where the NCC was with the Water Sports Alliance Facility. Zoe attended a meeting at the beginning of the year where the difference in price to redo the existing Totally Boating building and build a custom facility was \$500,000. The Mayor has said she wants a two-storied building but that will be years down the track. Robyn said that she had attended a meeting with the Kayak Club and that there are new plans and it's in the NCC budget. Zoe is happy to stay on as our representative. It's a work in progress.

Meeting finished:	9:10 p.m.
Next AGM	Tuesday, 13 th August 2019
Next committee meeting:	12 th September 2017

Signature

Date
