



# AAC Falls Creek Inc



## 2022 Annual General Meeting held online

and at the Royal Brighton Yacht Club

On 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022 @ 7:30pm

### **Chairperson:**

Justin Checcucci

Justin Checcucci welcomed and thanked everyone for making the time to attend the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

### **Committee Members present:**

Will Zacharin (Treasurer) via Zoom, Alan Long (Bookings Officer), Tom Harrington (Lodge Supervisor), Jenny Hughes (Secretary) via Zoom, Lynn Cameron (Membership Officer) and Tony Jordan (Communications & Marketing).

### **Attendees:**

**Zoom:** Noel Poon, Martin Long, Jenny Cameron, Judy Barone, Jenny Cameron, Charlotte Long, Michael Szkilnik, Rudy Litche, Tamara Kerlander, John Gallant, Maureen Szkilnik, Rebecca McIntyre, Andrew Basingthwaighte, Brian Scott

**In person:** John Cameron, Harrison Cowie, Nigel Cowie, Ian Farrow, Joanna Ford, Hugh James, Tony Ryder, Kim Walker, Robert Walker.

### **Apologies:**

Annette Chatterton

Steven Fekete

### **Minutes of the previous Meeting:**

The Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting were presented.

Motion: That the Minutes be accepted:

*MOVED: Justin Checcucci*

*SECONDED: John Gallant*

All in favour.

### **Matters arising from previous meeting:**

- 1 That the Committee consider the relativity between the cost of a guest staying for a week and a member paying subscriptions and staying for a week, with the aim of favouring the member.
- 2 That the Committee investigate a charge for guest accommodation to be applied in the 2022 season so guests can help share in the increase of insurance.

Outcome: Added an insurance component to 2022 guest rate. Member about \$100 better off than guest after 1 peak week.

- Add extra \$30 per week to guest rate to reflect insurance levy on members.
- Distribution of the increase to be in line with weekend loading.
- 2022 Member subs + insurance levy + 1 peak week = \$862 v 2022 guest week = \$961

- 3 That the Committee consider whether single occupancy be allowed, possibly with additional payment.

Outcome: AL explained new policy for exclusive single use of a room:

- Balance needs of unaccompanied members with making as many beds as possible available.
- Single Supplement will be the same as member rate.
- Trial in 2022: Max of 3 rooms can be booked this way, only rooms 6,7,8,11.
- At quiet times Booking Officer may allow more rooms.

**Correspondence:**

Falls Creek Resort Management regarding 'Geotech' report regarding area in front of lodge. Have identified some moderate risk for stability of lodge and have suggested how it can be rectified by putting up 2 retaining walls. Resort Management will pay for the entire works, even though some of these fall within our property boundary.

**Proxies:**

- Proxies were held by 2 members.
- John Cameron – David, Karinda & Michael Parkinson, Gladys Koetsveld
- Judy Barone – Colin Ketteridge

**Committee Reports: - As per 2021 Annual Report:**

Chairperson – Justin Checcucci  
Treasurer – Will Zacharin  
Lodge Supervisor – Tom Harrington  
Booking Officer – Alan Long  
Membership/Events – Lynn Cameron  
Communication/Summer Marketing– Tony Jordan  
Secretary/Information Technology – Jenny Hughes

*MOVED:* Justin Checcucci  
*SECONDED:* Nigel Cowie

All in favour.

Discussions from Committee Reports

JC - New lodge managers, Jessica and Craig McAllister have been appointed and a big thank you to the outgoing manager, Julia Mitas.

WZ - Insurance has gone up from \$23k for 70% cover to \$41k year on year, but now 100% of the value of the property. Insurance levy will continue at the same rate. Half the lodges at Falls Creek have not been offered insurance.

**Financial Reports:**

The Committee presented the Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2021.

*MOVED:* Will Zacharin  
*SECONDED:* Alan Long

All in favour.

**2022 Subscriptions:**

The Committee proposed to increase the 2023 Annual Subscription by \$13 to a rate of \$393.

*MOVED:* Will Zacharin  
*SECONDED:* Tom Harrington

All in favour.

The Committee have proposed to continue an Insurance Levy of \$30 per full adult member for the 2023 year, to be reviewed each year and due at the same time as the subscriptions.

*MOVED: Will Zacharin*  
*SECONDED: Tony Jordan*

All in favour.

**Auditor's Report:**

The Committee presented the Auditor's Report.

*MOVED: Will Zacharin*  
*SECONDED: Justin Checcucci*

All in favour.

**Appointment of Auditor:**

It was proposed to reappoint McPhail and Partners as the Auditor for the next twelve months.

*MOVED: Will Zacharin*  
*SECONDED: Alan Long*

All in favour.

**Committee Nominations:**

Justin Checcucci proposed that the Committee be increased from 7 members to 9 members, currently have 8 nominations.

Tony Ryder suggested that that the committee be decreased to 7 members after this year. No commitment can be given at this time.

*MOVED: Justin Checcucci*  
*SECONDED: John Cameron*

*All in favour*

As the number of committee nominations received did not exceed the number of positions vacant there was no requirement to conduct an election. The committee nominations from the following members were received and accepted.

Justin Checcucci  
Jenny Hughes  
Alan Long  
Lynn Cameron  
Tony Jordan  
Will Zacharin  
Tom Harrington  
Hugh James

Another member expressed interest without submitting a formal nomination. Discussions to be conducted at a later time.

**AAC Business:**

Loan to Anton has been increased to \$195k.

Niseko is expected to be open for the next ski season.

Dinner Plain to host the AAC races in September 2022.

AAC week 24-30 July, 2022.

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## **General Business:**

### JC – COVID Operations

Current regulations mean that if there is a positive case in the lodge, everyone is a close contact and must wear masks indoors and test almost daily. The lodge may be forced to close if there are a number of positive cases in the same 7 day period.

If rules stay as is then our intentions are:

- We encourage everyone to test before travelling to the lodge. If you are a close contact, you must test on the day that you travel to the lodge
- You must not come if you are positive (unless exempt under the 12 week rule) or not recovered from COVID
- You don't have to be vaccinated (but we encourage it)
- It is a condition of coming to the lodge that you disclose if you are positive or are a close contact
- Bring masks and enough RAT kits to test each person daily in case you become close contacts
- Lodge Manager can require you to do a RAT and show result
- If you test positive at the lodge you will be asked to depart. (Others you share a room with should strongly consider leaving too).

Anything can change if Government rules change.

### JC – Proxies

David Parkinson has proposed that proxies be able to be presented up until the meeting, handed to a representative, to cater for members having to cancel their attendance at last minute due to illness or other circumstances. This is not favoured as we need to have a deadline time to prepare for the meeting. The financial status of proxies needs to be checked prior to meeting. Case in point in today's meeting: one member had a proxy from a relative who was unfinancial at the time of the AGM.

It was also pointed out that companies such as AGL & BHP require all proxies to be submitted 48 hours prior to AGM starting time. The Committee will consider making the cut off time closer to the meeting

JH – Club policies continue to be published on the website. The Constitution and membership policies are found on the membership page.

The most significant policy published recently formalises the long-standing club practice regarding cancellation of Debentures of defaulting members. In summary:

- the Rules of Association allow for cancellation after 2 years of non-payment of subscriptions and levies, but the Committee will not begin the termination process until the arrears reach at least \$1,000.
- The defaulting member will be given 30 days to show cause why their debenture should not be cancelled, using the most recent contact details they have provided to the club.
- The member may opt to pay all outstanding sums and go on the Wait to Sell list.
- If no satisfactory response is received within 30 days, the Debenture can be cancelled.
- In accordance with long standing practice of the club, there will be no refund of any balance.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:00 p.m.

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