



# AAC Falls Creek Inc



## **2023 Annual General Meeting held online and at the Royal Brighton Yacht Club**

**On 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 @ 7:30pm**

### **Chairperson:**

Justin Checcucci

Justin Checcucci welcomed and thanked everyone for making the time to attend the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

### **Committee Members present:**

Will Zacharin (Treasurer) via Zoom, Alan Long (Bookings Officer), Jenny Hughes (Secretary) via Zoom, Lynn Cameron (Membership Officer), Hugh James (Assistant Lodge Supervisor) and Siobhan Barry via Zoom (Communications -). Late join: Tom Harrington (Lodge Supervisor) meeting via Zoom,

### **Attendees:**

**In person:** Tony Ryder, Nigel Cowie, Ian Farrow, Michael Szkilnik, Maureen Szkilnik, Joanna Ford, Noel Poon, Natasha Poon, Deb Killeen, John Cameron, Remo Checcucci, Paul Bormann, Daniel Maj (Proacct+).

**Zoom:** Tamara Kerlander, Annette Chatterton, Judy Barone, Nick Critchley, Verity Lichte, Natasha Zacharin, Rebecca McIntyre, Peter Lodewijks, Peter Koetsveld, Charlotte Long, Brian Scott, Kate McIntyre, Kate Roberts, Jenny Cameron, Paul Kirkwood, Martin Long and Ross Barker.

### **Apologies:**

Michael Longmire, Albert Zacharin, Nick Zacharin, Jill McIntyre, Denise Jordan, Tony Jordan

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

The Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting were presented.

Motion: That the Minutes be accepted:

*MOVED: Justin Checcucci*  
*SECONDED: Peter Koetsveld*

All in favour.

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

- 1 Starlink service for the lodge

#### **Outcome:**

The lodge is location in a position on the mountain which doesn't have a direct line to the satellite and therefore the service is not viable.

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**Correspondence:**

None

**Proxies:**

- John Cameron – John Harding & Kim Walker
- Michael Szkilnik – Nicholas Szkilnik and Stefanie Szkilnik
- Noel Poon – Jacinta Poon
- Will Zacharin – Jane Zacharin

**Committee Reports: - As per 2024 Annual Report:**

Chairperson – Justin Checcucci  
Treasurer – Will Zacharin  
Lodge Supervisor – Hugh James  
Booking Officer – Alan Long  
Membership – Lynn Cameron  
Communications – Siobhan Barry  
Secretary/Information Technology – Jenny Hughes

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

All in favour.

**Discussions from Committee Reports**

None to report this year.

**Financial Reports:**

The Committee presented the Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2023.

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

All in favour.

**2025 Subscriptions:**

The Committee proposed to increase the 2025 Annual Subscription by \$17 to a rate of \$429.

*MOVED: Will Zacharin*  
*SECONDED: Michal Szkilnik*

All in favour.

The Committee have proposed to continue an Insurance Levy of \$30 per full adult member for the 2025 year, to be reviewed each year and due at the same time as the subscriptions.

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

All in favour.

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### **Auditor's Report:**

The Committee presented the Auditor's Report.

*MOVED: Will Zacharin*  
*SECONDED: Joanna Ford*

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: Joanna Ford*

All in favour.

### **Committee Nominations:**

It was proposed that 5 ordinary committee members be appointed for the coming year, in addition to the three executive members

*MOVED: Justin Checcucci*  
*SECONDED: Alan Long*

*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  
Will Zacharin  
Tom Harrington  
Hugh James  
Siobhan Barry  
Peter Lodewijks

### **Changes to rules of Association**

#### **Replace the provision for written polls at AGMs with "counting hands" (and proxies)**

Modify Rule 46 (equivalent to Model Rule 40) to replace written polls with counts.

Moved: Jenny Hughes  
Seconded: Nigel Cowie  
All in favour

#### **Disciplinary hearings and Appeals**

To Rule 24 (equivalent to Model Rule 19), add breach of club policies as a grounds for disciplinary action.  
Only Section 24 (f) to be updated

Moved: Jenny Hughes  
Seconded: Tony Ryder  
All in favour

To Rule 27 (equivalent to Model Rule 22), clarify that recovering costs from a member is not a fine.  
This was not passed and needs to be reworked.

Modify Rule 28 (equivalent to Model Rule 23) to adopt the improved model rule provisions for disciplinary appeals, in particular the make-up of the appeal subcommittee.  
This was not passed and needs to be reworked.

Modify Rule 29 (equivalent to Model Rule 24) to be to adopt the improved model rule provisions for disciplinary appeals.  
This was not passed and needs to be reworked.

### **Conflict of Interest Register**

Amend Rule 71 (equivalent to Model Rule 65) to include a conflict-of-interest register, consistent with the new model rules.

Moved: Jenny Hughes  
Seconded: Allan Long  
All in favour

Expand the purpose of the club to more explicitly cover summer sports such as cycling  
Amend the opening paragraph of Rule 2 (equivalent to Model Rule 2) to include summer alpine sports.

Moved: Jenny Hughes  
Seconded: Brian Scott  
All in favour

### **Simplify wording on use of technology**

Amend Rule 40 (equivalent to Model Rule 35) and 68 (equivalent to Model Rule 42) to adopt the model rule wording regarding use of technology for meetings.

Moved: Jenny Hughes  
Seconded: Hugh James  
All in favour

### **AAC Business:**

AAC to celebrate 75yrs next year. Limited number of promotional items will be made available to members

President Ian Farrow is staying on as is David Wentworth-Perry as Secretary. New Vice-President has been elected, Justin Checcucci  
Booking system will be updated to need 2FA for members to logon.

### **General Business:**

Will Zacharin canvassed member opinion regarding having the AGM exclusively via Zoom, however the general consensus was to keep a hybrid version. More appropriate venues will be investigated, together with better technology to support Zoom.

Requests were made for a rice cooker and soda stream to be provided at the lodge

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:50 p.m.

**Daniel Maj**  
**Proacct Pty Ltd**