

Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting of the

Canterbury Blokart Club Incorporated

7.30 p.m. 7 May 2025

School of Forestry, University of Canterbury

Members present:

David Tillman, Martin Outram, Les Bearman, Alan Wylie, Bob Jelley, Bernie McGillen, Steve Hall, Peter Kingsbury, Louise Meltzer, Rudolph Meltzer, Justin Annan, Alan Scott, Michael Denton, Susan Sell, John Sell, John Guard & Alan Wylie. Iarene Jelley was also in attendance.

Apologies:

Michael Brown, Peter Johnson, Peter Richardson and the Garby-Harang family.

Motion: *That the apologies be accepted.* Moved Peter Kingsbury, seconded John Guard. **CARRIED**

Minutes of the previous AGM:

The Minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting were taken as read by attendees (copy emailed to all members prior to meeting).

Motion: *That the Minutes of the 2024 AGM be accepted.* Moved Bernie McGillen, seconded John Guard. **CARRIED**

There were no matters arising from the previous AGM minutes.

Prerequisite Committee Motion 1:

Proposed amendment to Constitution (General meetings: Procedures for all general meetings para 3):

The Committee believes that this clause is unduly restrictive, and in particular, it does not allow non-financial Committee Officers, appointed for a specific purpose, to attend and speak at General Meetings.

Proposed wording amendment - *"Only financial Members and Committee Officers appointed for specific purposes may attend, speak and vote at General Meetings". Only financial Members may vote at General Meetings."*

Some general discussion on wording had. *Moved that the Constitution be amended as proposed* Bernie McGillen, seconded David Tillman. **CARRIED**

Noted that the amended Constitution needs to be lodged with the Companies Office.

President's Report:

Bernie McGillen presented the President's Report for the 2024/2025 year.

Motion: *That the President's Report be received.* Moved Bernie McGillen, seconded Steve Hall. **CARRIED**

Key matters raised in report:

- A key highlight of the year was the Club celebrating its 20th Anniversary in October 2025 with sailing at Tawhaki National Aerospace Centre, a celebratory dinner and completion of the Club's *Our History: 2004 - 2024* document
- Recognition of the death of enthusiastic and long-time Club member, Ivan Purtle

- Recognition of a series of successful and popular social activities, including a Jalopy Jaunt
- Recognition of long-time member Terry Helm, who resigned, and his contribution as Club Treasurer for many years, managing the Club's race-timing system and event management
- The encouraging influx of new members, but unfortunately off-set by resignations and non-renewals of membership
- Recognition of the input of the Committee in managing Club affairs generally and ensuring events were well-managed and successful

Treasurer's report:

Susan Sell (acting Treasurer), on behalf of Terry Helm (Treasurer), presented the Financial Report for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Motion: *That the Financial Report for the year ended 31 March 2025 be accepted.* Moved Alan Scott, seconded Louise Meltzer. **CARRIED**

Key matters raised in report:

- A profit of \$1,500.00 was made from hosting the South Island Open and NZ Open
- Stock levels have generally increased with more transponders and tyres being held
- Trailer expenses high due to brake repairs required
- Overall, the Club accounts are in a healthy state

An invitation to membership to have the Financial Report audited or reviewed was made. Motion: *That no auditor be appointed for the purpose of reviewing the Financial Report:* Moved David Tillman, seconded Peter Kingsbury. **CARRIED**

Budget for 2025/2026:

Susan Sell (acting Treasurer) on behalf of Terry Helm (Treasurer), presented the Budget for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Motion: *That the Treasurer's Budget report for the year ended 31 March 2025/26 be accepted.* Moved Bernie McGillen, seconded John Guard. **CARRIED**

Key matters raised in report:

- Income forecast of \$5,300.00 (actual 2025, \$5,390.53)
- Expenditure forecast (with insurance) \$4,230.00, and without insurance \$2,630.00
- The new Club membership fee set in 2024/25 financial year is considered appropriate to meet the Club's planned expenses

Committee membership for 2025/2026 year:

Two resignations from the Committee were received, Terry Helm and Alan Wylie.

One member, Michael Denton, was required to step down from Committee having served maximum allowable ten consecutive terms.

One new nomination for the Committee was received, Alan Scott.

Motion: *That the Committee members for the 2025/2026 year be appointed as detailed below.* Moved Bernie McGillen, seconded David Tillman. **CARRIED**

Position	Nominee	Nominator	Seconded	Outcome
President	Bernie McGillen	na	na	Re-elected
Vice-President	John Guard	na	na	Re-elected
Secretary	Peter Kingsbury	na	na	Re-elected
Treasurer	Susan Sell	na	na	Appointment ratified
Committee	David Tillman	na	na	Re-elected
	Justin Annan	na	na	Re-elected
	Les Bearman	na	na	Re-elected
	Alan Scott	Bernard McGillen	John Guard	Elected

Committee Officer consent

Under s.47 of the ISA 2022, all re-elected officers, ratified appointments and newly elected officers have confirmed they meet the qualification criteria for being an officer of the Canterbury Blokart Club Inc.

Subscriptions 2025/2026:

Motion: *That subscriptions for the 2025/2026 year be maintained at the current rate of \$110.00 for an Adult and \$220.00 for a Family.* Moved Bernie McGillen, seconded David Tillman. **CARRIED**

Further Motions submitted by the Committee and a Club member:

Committee Motion 2:

That the Club cancels insurance for the contents of the Club's shipping container and electronic equipment. At the Committees discretion, a portion of the savings made from cancelling the insurance, be put aside each year in a separate bank account as a reserve fund to cover any potential future losses.

A general discussion was had on the high cost of insurance at the 2024 Annual General Meeting. It was suggested that the Club only insure the trailer and not the contents of the shipping container. It was agreed at the 2024 Annual General Meeting that the Committee would review the level of insurance cover before the next premium payment is due, late May 2025.

The total cost of insurance is slightly less than \$2,000 per annum, and is the single largest annual club expense.

Whilst the Committee could have made a decision to change the insurance cover without member approval, the Committee acknowledge there is a risk and therefore consider it prudent to seek guidance from the membership.

Moved David Tillman, seconded Justin Annan. **CARRIED**

Note: As the Club trailer is used for events away from Wigram, the Club will continue to insure it. Protocols on setting aside an amount each year to build a reserve for any future losses will be developed by the Committee.

Member Motion 1:

Motion: *That a points-based annual season race series be introduced, the details of which, to be decided by the Club Committee, with input from the wider Club membership.*

Currently the Club runs the *Brass Monkey Event* and, *Summer Handicap Series* and the *Club Championships*. These are annual events held over one and two days, respectively.

The proposal was that an additional race series be held over a defined season where competitors accrue points from the regular Sunday race days; a series based on an 'every race counts' philosophy. The benefits of the proposed race series are:

1. Anticipated increase in member participation in regular Sunday sailing
2. Fostering week to week and longer-term, healthy competitive rivalry
3. Inclusive for all members, no entry fee and no registration required

4. Opportunity for setting meaningful personal targets

Moved Peter Kingsbury, seconded Les Bearman. **CARRIED**

General business:

There was no general business.

Meeting closed 2019hrs

President

Bernie McGillen

Secretary

Peter Kingsbury