



WAIPU CALEDONIAN SOCIETY INC.

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PATRON: BRIAN McLEAN

CHIEF: TED HART

SECRETARY: KELLY SANDFORD

Minutes of the Waipu Caledonian Society AGM

Held in the Celtic Barn on
Sunday, 18th June 2023, 3.00pm

Present:

Amanda Ellis, Annie Everson-Dawn, Paul Wickham, Ted Hart, Heather Jacobson, Kelly Sandford, John Lang, Lizzie Carroll Thom, Warren McLean, Steven McLean, Frances McLean, Lorna Murray, Laurel Rodgers, Malcolm Sandford, Steve Thom, Peter Gibbs, Gordon McKay, Don Fraser, Des McLean, Richie Guy, Don Ewen, Brian McLean, Christine Martin

1. Welcome

John Lang Welcomed everyone to the 2022 Waipu Caledonian Society Meeting.

2. Apologies:

Gordon Walker, Stacey Rogers, Rick and Angela Stolwerk, Bain McGregor, Briar Hobson, Pauline Hilliam, Jean Baxter, Jock Finlayson, Peter Ferguson, Ken Couper, David McKenzie, Fraser Sim, Patrick Hellier, John Finlayson.

Move: G. McKay

Second: D Ewen

3. Obituaries:

Terrence Ryan, Rod McKay, Alison Phillips nee McLean, Brendon Chetham, Peter Couper, Ashley Worthy.

All attendees stood for a moments silence.

4. Minutes from previous meeting held on 26th July 2020:

Sent out to all members prior to the meeting, John Read over these minutes briefly.
Taken as a true and correct record.

Moved: D Ewen

Second: T. Hart

5. Matters Arising:

None

6. Correspondence:

None

7. Chief's Report: Bain McGregor (see attached)

Read by Kelly Sandford on behalf of Bain as Bain was absent from the meeting.

Moved: K. Sandford

Second: A. Everson-Dawn

8. Financial Report – John Draper (see attached)

John Draper presented his report. The year was successful.

No Questions were asked.

Moved: J. Draper
Second: D. Ewen

9. Caledonian Trust Report – Annie Everson-Dawn Verbal Report Given

Key Points Covered:

New carpet was put in the foyer a darker colour.

Tinting on the windows in the Barn was completed.

Current Projects, Getting new blinds through Harvey Furnishing

Re roofing the Caledonian Rooms

Alan Squire is quoting on a big photo image of the bay to put on the barn wall in the foyer.

Barn usage – Art n Tartan is now biannual, so this is a big loss of income.

Special Thanks to Tim Dower for his work as treasurer and Laurel Rodgers for her work as Barn Manager.

Moved A. Everson-Dawn

Second: L Rodgers

10. Chairman's Report – John Lang Verbal Report Given

Key Points Covered

First games after a few years were successful, Thank you to the committee and all the volunteers.

Some committee members have many jobs, so we are on the lookout for more help.

We have a new groundsman and I van is doing a fantastic job in very trying conditions.

A good year with the motorhomes which brings in cashflow.

Many donations have been received from people that want to help the Caledonian Society these are on going relationships that we are grateful for.

Thank you to David Mackenzie for keeping our potholes in the carpark under control.

Thank you to Annie and the trust for a great working relationship with open communication.

Moved: J. Lang

Second: D Ewen

11. Election of Committee and Officers

Due to the few nominations voting did not take place and all nominations were accepted. The committee and officers are as follows.

Patron Brian McLean

Move: K. Sandford

Second: T. Hart

Chief Ted Hart

Move: D. Fraser

Second: D. Ewen

Treasurer John Draper

Move: K. Sandford

Second: J. Lang

Secretary/Membership Kelly Sandford

Move: L. Murray

Second: J. Draper

Committee Members

Lorna Murray	Nominated by K. Sandford
John Lang	Nominated by J. Draper
Gordon McKay	Nominated by K. Sandford
Briar Hobson	Nominated by D. Fraser
Bain McGregor	Nominated by D. Fraser
Amanda Ellis	Nominated by K. Sandford

Moved: D. Fraser
Second: D. Ewen

General Business

a. Membership

The Committee propose that membership stays the same at \$35.00/person. Members will have access to all three Highland Games events and access to the members tent located at the heavyweight's arena.

MOTION:

Membership will be \$35.00/person. Members will have access to all three Highland Games Events. Helen McGregor, Entry into the Highland Games, The Evening Ceilidh. Access to the members tent located at the heavyweight's arena.

Move: J. Draper

Second: L. Rodgers

All in favour – Carried

b. Entry Price

The committee propose that all entry costs remain the same.

MOTION:

That Entry to the Helen McGregor Memorial is \$10.00/per, Highland Games is \$20.00/per person under 17-year-olds are free, Ceilidh \$20.00 per person.

Moved: T. Hart

Second: L. Murray

All in favour – Carried

c. The Assynt Quaich:

The committee would like to Nominate Annie Everson-Dawn as the 2024 recipient to be awarded at the 2024 Highland Games.

MOTION:

The 2024 Assynt Quaich recipient be awarded to Annie Everson- Dawn

Moved: T. Hart

Seconded J. Lang

All in favour - Carried

d. Life Member

Proposal from the committee that we have no new life member at this AGM

MOTION: No life members will be announced at this AGM

Move: T. Hart

Seconded G. McKay

All in favour – Carried.

e. Next Highland Games Date.

Proposed date change.

The committee propose that the next highland games be held on the 31st December moving away from the 1st of January.

This was discussed at length all attendees had a chance to have say, pros and cons were discussed.

MOTION:

Don Fraser moved that we put it to a vote at this AGM. “Should the Highland Games move to the 31st of December”.

Move: D. Fraser

Second: G. McKay

All in favour – Carried.

Vote by way of hands was carried out.

19 For

1 Against

1 Abstained

The Highland Games Date will be changed to the 31st of December by a unanimous vote.

Motion: The Next Highland Games after games held on the 1st of January 2024 will be held on the 31st December 2024.

Move: T. Hart

Seconded L. Murray

All in favour - Carried.

General Business

Don Fraser stood up and congratulated Richie Guy on becoming a Life Member and receiving his badge at the AGM.

Thank you to the croquet club for their help on the door and preparing afternoon tea.

Meeting Closed: 4.12pm