Waikato/Bay of Plenty Region

RSCDS New Zealand Branch Inc.

Minutes of the 66th AGM held on Saturday 7 November 2020

At the St John & Youth Division Hall, Overdale Road, Putaruru.

(Cuppa available from 1.30pm)

WELCOME:

The President, Jean Smithson opened the meeting at 2.00 p.m. by welcoming all present and thanking them for their attendance. A quorum was met.

PRESENT:

Chair: Jean Smithson
Secretary: Maureen Jacob

Treasurer: Bill Jacob

Coordinators: Education & Training: Heather Johnston. Membership: Bill Jacob

CLUBS:

Balmoral: None Present
Cambridge: None present

Ham. Scottish: Grietje Badham, Wayne & Shelley McConnel,

Katikati: Douglas McCartney

Lochiel: Jill Littlewood, Kate Corfield (non RSCDS)

Mt Maunganui: Lynne Hudson
Opotiki: Jean Smithson

Rotorua: Andrew & Jeanette Patterson

Tauranga: Rodney Dawson, Bill & Maureen Jacob, Heather Johnston

Te Awamutu: Jane McIlroy,
Thames: None present

Tokoroa: Jeanette Lauder, Raewyn Adams, Joy Morgan, Ian Stewart

Non Club: Philip Jamieson (19 RSCDS NZ Branch Members)

APOLOGIES:

Balmoral: Mary Thomas
Cambridge: Paula Storey

Katikati: Fiona McCartney

Lochiel: Helen Smythe, Sophia Kilgour (Youth Co-ordinator), Ann & Peter Mahon

Mt Maunganui: Simon Bird, Mary Gray

Taupo: Margaret Ponga

Tauranga: Jan Caudwell, Jim & Linda Carter, Colleen Gunn, Chris Ingram

Thames: Alison Kendall

International: Ruary Laidlaw (C & P Co-ordinator)

Moved that the apologies be accepted:

Heather Johnston/Jill Littlewood/Carried

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM HELD SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2019:

Minutes of the previous meeting had been distributed to clubs and members before the meeting.

Moved that minutes as distributed be taken as read, and passed as a true and correct record:

Maureen Jacob/Jeannette Lauder/Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

None

CORRESPONDENCE: (See below.) As distributed, be taken as read.

Moved that the inwards correspondence be accepted and the outwards be approved.

Maureen Jacob/Shelley McConnel/Carried

MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

REPORTS:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our Covid 19 year! Unprecedented in our lifetimes. Little did we know while we were enjoying ourselves at Summer School what was ahead. What a great Summer School it was. Thank you Antanas and your team.

Paeroa Games happened again, very successfully, I am told. Thank you Wayne for your continued efforts to get Scottish Country Dancing out there, and of course to all the dancers who support this effort. The "Youth Team" was again there and performed excellently.

Heather Johnston held her Teacher's Workshop on 14th March. It was well attended and we had lots of "food for thought", talking about Ball/Dance Programmes. Before anyone could put this knowledge to the test, the curtains came down on dancing and many other activities in NZ as we all experienced Level 4 Lockdown. Almost every club has had to cancel their club dance/ball this year, and Te Awamutu cancelled our scheduled Queen's Birthday Weekend School.

A joyous happening had been planned for April for Howard McNally - he had been deemed a suitable recipient of a Branch Award. Branch President, Linda Glavin was unable to travel, so we did the deed locally via zoom. Howard was surprised and thankful. We were pleased for him that this happened, with a bit of skulduggery and using an "Essential Worker" to deliver.

During Lockdown we had some amazing contributions from two people to keep us engaged with SCD. Thank you Heather and Ruary for your different inputs. Also Ruary, the newsletter was always very timely, interesting, welcome and appreciated.

As we moved down the levels, Cambridge anticipated/hoped that we would be able to dance on 25th July, so they invited us to a "Flag Covid" dance. Thank you Lesley Gousmett, Helen Smythe and team. After so long not dancing, this was a well-attended and enjoyable get together. Then Opotiki were lucky enough to hold their dance on August 8th before another Level 2 Lockdown prevented several more dances from happening. The Coromandel Camp went ahead from August 29th, we were in Level 2, so the intended Saturday evening Dance did not happen. That was a fun weekend too. Thank you Jill Littlewood for your organisation of this event.

Cambridge was on edge about whether their band could come from Auckland for their Ball with Auckland's Lockdown, but it worked out and we had a great night with great music.

Lochiel Club has put on another "Reely Good Workshop" taken by Mary Thomas which was really good/excellent, followed by a "Spring Social", enjoyed by all who attended. Lynne Hudson (Mt Maunganui) and Virginia Mathieson (Cambridge) provided the music for the classes.

We look forward to a dance at Mt Maunganui soon.

Thank you to Maureen Jacob - secretary extraordinaire. Thank you to Bill Jacob our Treasurer and Membership Coordinator, who has been efficient as usual. Heather Johnston (Education and Training) and Ruary Laidlaw (Communication and Publicity), thank you for your input as mentioned above. Jill Littlewood and Sophie Kilgour (Youth Coordinators) - thank you too - you both have SCD at heart. I wish the new

committee every success at guiding our group through our future in which I hope we all have plenty of fun, friendship and fitness as we indulge in our passion - Scottish Country Dancing.

Jean Smithson

Moved that the president's report be received.

Jean Smithson/Lynne Hudson/Carried

TREASURERS REPORT:

Please refer to the emailed financial statements and reviewer's report. (See below.) This year's activity to 31st August has resulted in a surplus of \$1,074.49. This has resulted from slightly lower expenditure as well as significant income from the Region Dance in November 2019 and the generous donation from the Katikati Club QBWE School. A sizeable donation from the Cambridge Summer School benefited the JAM account.

We continue to transfer \$20 per month to the Bonus Saver account in order to gain as much interest from the bank as possible.

Note that there is still the \$100 deposit outstanding to the Whakatane Trident School that was paid in advance for the April dance that was subsequently cancelled.

As a reminder to Clubs, the use of cheques is drawing to a close with many banks withdrawing chequing facilities in 2021. You need to seriously consider alternative ways to operate your finances.

Considering that the overall accumulated funds have increased to \$14,639.60, I report that the Region funds are in good health.

I move that my report be accepted.

Bill Jacob, Treasurer

Bill Jacob/Rodney Dawson/Carried

Change of Signatories to Bank Account.

Bill Jacob moved that Jill Littlewood (President) and Colleen Gunn (Secretary) be brought on as signatories to the WaiBOP RSCDS Region accounts and that the names of Jean Smithson and Maureen Jacob be removed.

Bill Jacob/Shelley McConnel/Carried

Accounts Reviewer.

Bill Jacob moved that Bruce Argyle be re-appointed as Accounts Reviewer for the coming year 2020/21.

Bill Jacob/ Heather Johnston/Carried

EDUCATION & TRAINING REPORT:

There has never been another year like it, well not in our life-times anyway. The world-wide deaths, illnesses and effect on lives and economies that this COVID-19 pandemic is leaving in its wake is devastating. However, we are very fortunate to be living in this beautiful country of ours where the effect compared to the rest of the world, has been minimal.

It has been a stop-start year as far as dancing goes. Many clubs had to cancel their annual dances and this included my "own" club. Tauranga was to have celebrated its 60th Anniversary this year and hopefully we will get to do that in 2021. A handful of dances beyond our own club dancing nights were able to go ahead and these have been most welcome, well-attended and organized to the n'th degree for our enjoyment.

There have been 4 to date:

The Flag Covid dance in Cambridge

The Joy of Dancing Dance in Waiotahi

The Cambridge 65th Anniversary Ball in Cambridge

Spring Social Dance following on from the Reelly Good Workshop

Jane McIlroy organized and ran the Core Dance Day in November last year and this has already been reported on. The 2020 Core Dance Day will not be held this year as teachers have agreed unanimously to stay with the Cores that were chosen last year as these dances haven't really had a proper airing.

The Teachers' Workshop was held in mid-March 2020 with an emphasis on devising a Ball programme. This too has already been reported on. We just squeaked in with this workshop as most clubs suspended dancing the following week and then the whole country went into Lock-down on March 24.

So, there is very little to report on apart from the October 31 Workshop and the fact that two dancers from our Region sat their RSCDS Teachers' Certificate Part 1 Unit 1 Written Exam on October 17.

Linda Carter (Tauranga Club) and Anna Verhaegh (Lochiel Club) completed a very full-on 9 week correspondence course run by Debbie Roxburgh, exam course coordinator and tutor. Sophia Kilgour (Lochiel Club) started the course but thought at the out-set that with her school studies it would be too much of a work-load which indeed it was, so Sophia didn't sit the exam. However, what she has picked up will stand her in good stead, and will give her a head start when she is able to sit the exam. I had kept in regular touch with our exam candidates just to make sure they were not being weighed down with the work involved. They assured me they weren't albeit with a big sigh I'm sure! I find it very encouraging for the well-being of SC dancing to see young folk embarking on this Teaching Certificate venture, not that I wish to take anything away from Linda for her gutsy decision to do this.

I was unable to act as Invigilator this year, and here I would like to acknowledge and thank Maureen Jacob for the preparation and follow-up that she put into Invigilating, and too for making a non-threatening workable space for our two candidates in her own home. I would also like to thank Jill Littlewood for transporting Anna to the exam venue and for Invigilating with Maureen. I had left two "Good Luck" cards with Maureen to give to the two "girls" prior to their exam. These I had written on behalf of the Region and both girls said they appreciated the gesture. Like them, we now await the results.

The Lochiel Club hosted a "Reelly Good Workshop – Take Two" on Saturday 31 October. This was a follow-on from their Workshop held in November 2019. Mary Thomas was the Tutor on both occasions. About 24 people attended, 3 rather new and others Intermediate and experienced. Virginia Matheson provided music on the keyboard and Lynne Hudson was on the Accordion. I'm told that Mary's instructions were very clear and she maintained a good sense of humour throughout. Various reels were covered with some emphasis on Inveran and Schiehallion reels.

The Spring Social dance that followed at 7.00 pm was attended by dancers from around the Region and included a family with 2 young daughters. When everyone was dancing there were 5 sets, and all dances were walked through once. Helen Smythe who prepared the programme did most of the briefing but Ruary Laidlaw did brief some dances. Thanks to the Lochiel Club who hosted both of these very worthwhile Workshops.

Heather Johnston
Training and Education Coordinator

Moved that this report be accepted.

Heather Johnston/Joy Morgan/Carried

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

As noted in other reports today, Covid-19 has had a significant effect on dancing activities this year and this is reflected in the numbers in the tables below. Overall, membership numbers hasn't suffered greatly, despite gaps in the annual returns, and I would expect to see a return to more normality in 2021.

I encourage you all to continue to seek ways of getting new members to join SCD activities. I also ask Club Committees to encourage their members to join the RSCDS NZ Branch to support coordinated NZ-wide SCD activities. The greater number of voices at the voting table increases our chances of influencing outcomes that we all want.

RSCDS NZ Branch	Numbers		
Membership Category	2019/21	2019/20	
Adult Single	10	9	
Adult Single - Email	53	52	
Adult Joint	6	6	
Adult Joint - Email	16	20	
RSCDS Life Member	2	2	
RSCDS Life Member-Email	0	0	
RSCDS Life Family	1	1	
Young Adult	1	1	
Total Membership	89	91	

	Membership		
Club	RSCDS 2020/21	Club 2020*	Club 2019*
Balmoral	1		6
Cambridge	13	17	19
Hamilton Scottish	10	23	26
Hauraki-Thames	4		22
Katikati	2		20
Lochiel	9	25	19
Mount Maunganui	3	16	18
Opotiki	2	13	10
Pauanui	0	10	10
Rotorua	6	8	8
Taupo	2	20	20
Tauranga	19	27	32
Te Awamutu	6	9	11
Tokoroa	10	12	12
Whakatane	2	18	19
Club Membership	89	198	252
Non-Club	0		
Region Membership	89		

^{*} As at 31st August

I move that my report be accepted.

Bill Jacob/Heather Johnston/Carried

Shelley McConnel asked whether the Thames Club were still able to dance, due to the effects Covid 19 was having on various clubs. The Secretary advised that they were meeting, but only once a week.

COMMUNICATION & PUBLICITY REPORT: Prepared by Ruary Laidlaw, read by Maureen Jacob

Five WaiBOP Newsletters. During 2020 we produced five Newsletters:-

- 1 March The success of the St. Peter's Summer School
- 2 May Beginning of Covid 19 and "Bubbles"
- 3 July Club Histories Part 1
- 4 September Club Histories Part 2 and Behind the Scenes
- 5 November Looking forward to Christmas and 2021

I have been pleased with all the contributors who have put time and energy into producing articles and photographs for the Newsletter. I am slowly getting to grips with the process. I still make the odd stumble!

Events.

A large number of WaiBOP Clubs have been hugely disappointed by having to cancel their annual Dance because of Covid 19. Who would have thought at the outset that it would last so long!

It was also disappointing for the dancers as we all look forward to getting out about visiting the far reaches of our Region to enjoy their setting, programmes and unique qualities.

However, latterly two memorable ones stand out:-

- Let's Flag Covid organised by Lesley Gousmett and Helen Smythe, with the support of the Cambridge Club, which had a huge turnout from dancers hungry to get back into dancing again.
- The Cambridge Annual Ball recently which also had great support from all around the Region and Auckland.

Facebook/Dance Scottish WaiBOP.

This year, as well as using Facebook for advertising the next event on the WaiBOP Calendar, I used it during Coved-19 Alert Levels 3 & 4 to give dancers something to think about in the form of 5-question Quizzes, One off Challenges and What Comes Next statements:-

- There were 33 Quizzes each with 5 questions and a set of answers the next day
- There were 40 single question Challenges
- There were 16 What Comes Next statements when we went back to level 3 for about two weeks.

I have to say that it was quite a challenge for me to come up with a different set of questions each day and then make sure that I had the answers right (most of the time).

As a result of one of these quizzes we came up with a list of old dances that could be resurrected:-

- First list see appendix A
- Modified list see appendix B

Youth Team

This group has not had much activity this year due to Covid 19. Hopefully next year we will see them out and about.

The Waikato Bay of Plenty Website - Andy Patterson

Sadly, one of my regular tasks has been to add 'Cancelled' to events on the Region calendar but, as can be seen from the slideshows on the website, there were a couple of dances which managed to avoid the lockdown. The website also catered for those of you who were determined to 'keep dancing regardless' by providing a link to the online class organised by HQ in the early hours of Thursday morning (NZ time). Although some stalwarts joined in the class in real-time, others were able to join at leisure by watching the recording via the link on our website.

Ruary Laidlaw

Appendix A - from the Facebook Challenges in 2020

Old Dances to be Done More often:-

- 1. The Duchess Tree John Drewry, The Brodie Book
- 2. The Alewife and Her Barrel Book 19
- 3. Red House Book 7
- 4. Petronella Book 1
- 5. La Tempete Book 2
- 6. The Golden Wedding Strathspey Book 33
- 7. The Glens of Angus Book 23

Appendix B - Facebook Challenge list modified by Bill Jacob and Ruary.

Oldies but Goodies - "Foofs" (Fallen out of Favour)

A list of old favourites that dancers would like to see done more often:-

Jigs

- 1. Muirland Willie Jig, 8 x 32, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 21.
- 2. The Wee Cooper of Fife Hugh Foss, Jig, 8 x 40, 10 bar phrases, 2cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Dances to Song Tunes.
- 3. Strip the Willow Jig, 4 x 40, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 1.
- 4. Jennifer's Jig John Drewry, Jig, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Silver City Book.
- 5. Seton's Ceilidh Band Bruce Fordyce, Jig, 4 x 64, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Morison's Bush Collection.
- 6. Waverly Button & Whitaker, Jig, 8 x 48, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 15.
- 7. White Heather Jig James Cosh, Jig, 4 x 40, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, 22 SCDs.

Reels

- 8. Duke of Perth, Reel, 8 x 32 Book 1.
- 9. Cadgers in the Canongate Walsh, Reel, 8 x 48, 3cpl, 4 cpl Longwise, Book 9.
- 10. Reel of the 51st Division Atkinson & Oliver, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4 cpl Longwise, Book 13.
- 11. Royal Deeside Railway Arrowsmith, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 40
- 12. Black Craig of Dee Hugh Foss, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Galloway Album.
- 13. Irish Rover James Cosh, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, 22 SCDs.
- 14. Mr William Brown's Reel Hugh Foss, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Galloway Album.
- 15. The Alewife and Her Barrel Rutherford, Reel, 8 x 32, 2cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 19.
- 16. Red House Playford, Reel, 8 x 40, 2cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 7.
- 17. Petronella Reel, 8 x 32, 2cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 1.
- 18. La Tempete Reel, x 48, Round the Room, 4cpl special, Book 2.
- 19. The Glens of Angus Henderson, Reel, 4 x 32, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 23 Spurtle.
- 20. The Dashing White Sergeant Reel, 4 x 32, Three facing three, Book 3
- 21. West's Hornpipe Reel, 4 x 32, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, RSCDS, 5 Traditional SCDs 1965.
- 22. The Duke of Atholl's Reel Skillern, Jig, 8 x 32, 2cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 16
- 23. Galloway House Reel, 8 x 32, 2cpl, 4cpl Longwise, RSCDS, Graded Book 1.
- 24. The Gates of Edinburgh Rutherford, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 15.
- 25. Mairi's Wedding James Cosh, Reel, 8 x 40, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, 22 SCDs
- 26. Maxwell's Rant Rutherford, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, Book 18.
- 27. Reel of the Royal Scots Roy Goldring, Reel, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, RSCDS Leaflet Dances.

Strathspeys

- 28. Glasgow Highlanders Strathspey, 2 cpl, 4cpl Longwise 8 x 32, Book 2.
- 29. Robertson Rant Mrs. Winchester, Strathspey, 1 x 80, Book 39.
- 30. The Duchess Tree John Drewry, Strathspey, 8 x 32, 3cpl, 4cpl Longwise, The Brodie Book.
- 31. The Garry Strathspey James Cosh, Strathspey, 4 x 32, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, 22 SCDs.
- 32. The Winding Road James Cosh, Strathspey, 4 x 32, 4cpl, 4cpl Longwise, 22 SCDs.
- 33. MacDonald of the Isles Haynes, Strathspey, 3 x32, 3cpl, 3cpl Longwise, Carnforth Collection 2.

Moved that Ruary's report be accepted.

Maureen Jacob/Lynne Hudson/Carried

YOUTH REPORT: Prepared by Sophia Kilgour, read by Jill Littlewood.

Unsurprisingly, due to Covid-19, very little has been going on this year for the Waikato/Bay of Plenty JAMs, and my report has therefore ended up rather brief!

Like many clubs and related dances throughout this year, the Anti-Gravity demonstration team has been on hold for much of 2020. While we were scheduled to take part in a few events earlier in the year, these opportunities were unfortunately cancelled. The Youth Demo Team's Facebook page - which has been extended to include any WaiBOP JAMs on request – has however been active throughout the year when appropriate. Posts have included the 'Pandemic Reel' and updates around the various re-openings of club nights.

During early 2020, Anna Verhaegh put together a survey for the purpose of gauging the limitations and weaknesses of our dancing community, and thus highlighting any aspects of dancing that it may be useful to pay further attention to. The survey covers questions such as 'Do you know what Scottish Country Dancing is', 'What would Attract you to Scottish Country Dancing' and 'What sort of music do you enjoy'.

During a period of time where Scottish Country Dancing is becoming less and less popular among younger generations, inquiries such as this can be very helpful for providing indications as to what would make Scottish Dancing more attractive for youths. For anyone interested in reading Anna's report, I have attached a link:

(file:///home/chronos/u-58fbf4914f40fc43f63dff327ae7a9e5495c9202/MyFiles/Downloads/Youth %20Initiative%202020%20report.pdf)

Despite the uncertain future of dancing this year and potentially throughout 2021, I still highly encourage any youth dancers to sign up as JAMs when the opportunity arises. All JAMs receive a copy of the 'Jigs and More' newsletter three times a year and are able to participate in medal tests (bronze through to gold bar) in order to enhance one's own dancing ability and add excitement to any of you out there with a competitive streak! JAMs also receive discounts at the various dancing opportunities throughout the year. Anyone having trouble signing up for the JAM membership, please feel free to contact me via my email address - kilgour.sophia@gmail.com.

The 2020/21 Summer School in Christchurch has been postponed until the following year, which allows JAMs an extended period of time to apply for this event, as registration times have also been extended. This also allows a lengthened period of time for any willing JAMs to put together scholarship applications.

All things permitting, I am very much looking forward to seeing you all on the dance floor throughout the rest of 2020. Feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns and/or comments.

Moved that Sophia's report be received.

Jill Littlewood/Greitje Badham/Carried

A discussion arose about the scholarships to be paid for the next Summer School. This arose because no scholarships have been paid this year due to Summer School being cancelled. As a result the following motion was put to the meeting.

Moved that we ask the NZ Branch to consider having two scholarships in each category for the 2021 Summer School to help re-boot dancing. Wayne McConnel/Jeanette Lauder

This request is to be submitted to the NZ Branch immediately, in order to be considered in the 2020/2021 online Zoom conference for delegates.

A question was raised about whether we had any young boys dancing with the Youth team. The answer was, sadly, no. The last young man moved away this year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

President: Jill Littlewood Jean Smithson/Heather Johnston/ Note 1

Secretary: Colleen Gunn Heather Johnston/Jim Carter. Written nomination

Treasurer: Bill Jacob Jean Smithson/lan Stewart

Membership Co-ordinator: Bill Jacob Jean Smithson/lan Stewart

Education & Training: Heather Johnston Jill Littlewood/Greitje Badham

Youth: Sophia Kilgour Shelley McConnel/Jill Littlewood Note 2

Communication & Publicity: Ruary Laidlaw Jane McIlroy/Shelley McConnel

Note 1 Jill Littlewood was declared incoming president by popular acclaim.

Note 2 Jill Littlewood to continue to mentor Sophia Kilgour, in "Youth" role.

DELEGATES TO NZ BRANCH SUMMER SCHOOL: Must be able to use Zoom.

Our Region entitlement is 5 with 89 members.

There was considerable debate about who was going to be available to be involved in the NZ Branch AGM on 2 January at 1.30pm. The following people have indicated that they will be on the list. It was felt if we had more than we needed then it should be possible to get 5 people on the day.

Jean Smithson, Jeanette Lauder, Jill Littlewood, Colleen Gunn, Bill and/or Maureen Jacob, Anne & Peter Mahon. In order to have region wide discussions, if needed, it was suggested that each person have WhatsApp ability.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

Notices of Motion had been sent to all WaiBOP RSCDS members prior to this meeting. Each Notice of Motion was discussed as we voted.

Honoraria & Payments for Management Committee position holders. Part A:

(Treasurer and Secretary) Honoraria \$1000 each.

Delegates to vote FOR

PASSED (1 abstention)

Management Committee Expenses for Summer Meetings & AGM for the 2021 Financial Year. Part B:

(Summer School fee at non-dancing rate excluding any extras, be paid for the following positions.)

NZ Branch President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Co-ordinators for Communications & Publicity and Membership, Education & Training, Information Technology and Youth.

Delegates to vote

FOR

PASSED:

Membership Fees for 2021/22:

As per the tables in the Notices of Motion details forwarded to all RSCDS Members by the WaiBOP Secretary.

Bill Jacob stated that Quentin Currall, the NZ Branch treasurer, is to be congratulated on the reduction in fees this year, because of the reduced expenditure of the NZ Branch.

Delegates to vote FOR

PASSED

Presidents Travel Fund: (Continuation of Fund to facilitate visits to Regions)

Delegates to vote FOR

PASSED

Honoraria & Payments for Non-Management Committee position holders:

(NZ Branch Editor, Bookshop Keeper) Payments of \$600, \$800, respectively. Also that the Summer School fee, at non-dancing rate, be paid for the Bookshop Keeper.

Fees for Bookshop Keeper for this payment and Summer School accommodation come from the bookshop account unless insufficient money in that account.

Delegates to vote FOR

PASSED:

One Person One Vote.

Bill Jacob noted that this item is not on the NZ Branch AGM agenda and showed concern that this issue appeared to have died. The Secretary has been asked to request an update be brought to the NZ Branch AGM for discussion.

General Items:

The secretary was asked, by Shelley McConnel, to advise NZ Branch that she believed the WaiBOP Region were the first to have a dance after the 1st Covid 19 Lockdown. Our Flag Covid dance was held on 25th July 1.30pm – to 4.30pm followed by a shared pot luck tea.

The AGM meeting asked that the WaiBOP Region Newsletters be sent to the NZ Branch Secretary for NZ Wide distribution.

Letters of Thanks.

Philip Jamieson asked how someone, who had given a huge amount of service to the WaiBOP Region, could be recognised for their service. He was shown a copy of a "Letter of Thanks" which had been given out during the year to Dianne Murdoch and Howard McNally. It was decided that if someone felt that a person merited this letter, they should approach either the Secretary or President to discuss how to proceed. As the presentation of such a letter is to be a surprise to the recipient, all communication should be done in such a manner that details will not be leaked.

A vote of thanks to the retiring President, Jean Smithson, and Secretary, Maureen Jacob, was given.

Next Meeting.	
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To be held on 6 November 2021. Venue to be advised.

The meeting closed at 3.53pm.

Signed	Date
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(The following is information only:

One Person One Vote:

Bill Jacob noted that this item is not on the NZ Branch AGM agenda and showed concern that this issue appeared to have died. The Secretary has been asked to request an update be brought to the NZ Branch AGM for discussion.

(Reply from Branch Secretary(Michelle):

"Thank you for raising this concern. I will add this to 'Any other business' at the endof the meeting".

Scholarships

The matter of paying Scholarships to Summer School attendees was discussed in detail at our recent AGM. As a result the WaiBOP Region asks that the NZ Branch consider the following motion put to our AGM. As there were no scholarship expenses this year, we felt it was appropriate to address the following as a possibility. "It was moved that we ask the NZ Branch to consider having two scholarships in each category for the 2021 Summer School to help reboot dancing."

Reply from Branch Secretary(Michelle):

Thank you for your suggestion for next year's scholarships. I will add this to our agenda for a MAC committee meeting at the beginning of the year.

Colleen Gunn, Secretary, WaiBoP Region)

WaiBOP Region Correspondence List for AGM 2020.

Inwards:

NZ Branch Secretary.

- Minutes from Management Committee meetings at Summer School
- Notice of Motion & Nomination and profiles for AGM
- AGM date is 2 January 2021

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Jenny Rhodes: (Wooden Farmer Restaurant)

- Table Booking Confirmation request

Heather, Lynn, Jeannette,

- Confirmation that they will have dances to brief at dance between AGM & tea.

Outwards:

Secretary, NZ Branch

- Advised names of Summer School Delegates.
- Region Directory sent as per updates from clubs.

All Delegates to Summer School

- Details of voting on Remits as decided at the Region AGM.

All clubs & WaiBOP Region NZ Branch members.

 Notice of Nomination for NZ Branch incoming Officers and Notice of Motion. Also included notice of WaiBOP Region AGM.

WaiBOP Teachers.

- Request for teachers attending AGM to have a couple of dances to brief at the dance following the AGM.

RSCDS NZ Branch: Waikato/Bay of Plenty Region

Statement of Income and Expenditure - 1 September 2019 - 31 August 2020

Trading Account		Note	Income	Expenditure	Net 2019-2020	2018-2019
Admin and Publicity	President expenses					
	Treasurer expenses				1 1	
	Secretary expenses			2.99	1	10.63
	Meeting Costs			2.90	V	100.63
	Accounts reviewer			75.00		75.00
	Website			198.79	V	124.78
	Sympathy Card			4.99	1	
	Printing flyers and cards			200000		161.00
	Bank charges			0.38		200000000000000000000000000000000000000
					(285.05)	(472.04)
RSCDS fees	Collected on behalf of NZ Branch		6944.00	6944.00	0.00	0.00
Region fees	Clubs		504.00		504.00	470.00
Donations	SS funds distributed to 10 clubs	4 - 3	3000.00	3000.00	0.00	55.00
Region dance(s)	30/11/2019	2	640.00	193.57	446.43	135.41
Weekend schools	QBWE - Katikati donation		250.00	0.00	250.00	
'Vorkshops	Core dance day 23/11/2019		0.00	57.78	(57.78)	(120.00)
2	Teachers' workshop 14/3/2020		0.00	124.69	/ (124.69)	(52.30)
JAMs	Region subsidy refunds	1	0.00	210.00	(210.00)	
	Donation from Summer School		405.00		405.00	
	Youth Demo Team Uniforms					(553.06)
Bank interest			0.13	7 - 3	0.13	0.13
Operating surplus or (loss) for year 11743.13 10815.09		928.04	(536.86)			
Other Income	Interest Online Saver				0.60	1.24
	Interest Bonus Saver				115.33	185.31
	Interest JAM Online Saver				0.52	1.14
	JAM: Sock sales				30.00	1.14
	Total				146.45	187.69

Balance sheet as at 31 August 2020

1074.49

	Trading Account	Online Saver	Bonus Saver	JAM online Saver
Opening balance at 01/09/2019	355.68	1237.17	10965.81	1006.45
Plus Total Income Received	11743.13	0.60	115.33	30.52
Less Total Expenditure	(10815.09)			
Transfers between accounts:				
Monthly \$20 transfer	(240.00)		240.00	
Donation from Cambridge Summer School	(405.00)			405.00
JAM Camp subsidy/refunds to participants.	210.00			(210.00)
Closing balance at 31/08/2020	848.72	1237.77	11321.14	1231.97

Accumulated Funds:	
Accumulated funds at 01/09/2019	13565.11
Surplus (Loss)	1074.49
Accumulated funds at 31/8/2020	14639.60

Notes:

TOTAL EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE

- 1 On-line payments can only be done from the Trading account.
- 2 Includes \$100 bond to Trident School for cancelled dance 4/4/2020.

Treasurer: Bill Jacob

Date: 3rd September 2019

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RSCDS NZ Branch: Waikato / Bay Of Plenty Region

31-Aug-20

INCOME	YTD	Previous Yr	Variance
Region Fees	504.00	470.00	34.00
Donations		55.00	-55.00
Region Sept Dance	446.43	135.41	311.02
Weekend Schools	250.00	100.71	250.00
Workshops	-182.47		-182.47
JAMS	195.00		195.00
Bank Interest	0.13	0.12	0.01
Other Income	146.45	30,7%	146.45
	1,359.54	660.53	699.01
EXPENSES			
President Expenses			
Treasurer Expenses			
Secretary Expenses	2.99	10.63	-7.64
Meeting Costs	2.90	100.63	-97.73
Accounts Reviewer	75.00	75.00	
Website - Claims 5&6	198.79	124.78	74.01
Sympathy Card	4.99		4.99
PrintingFlyers and Cards		161.00	-161.00
Bank Charges	0.38		0.38
	285.05	472.04	-186.99
Surplus / (Deficit)	1,074.49	188.49	886.00
BALANCE SHEET			
EQUITY			
Accumulated funds			
Previous Year	13,565.11	13,585,11	
Current Year	1,074.49		1,074.49
TOTAL FUNDS EMPLOYED	14,639.60	13,565.11	1,074.49
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank Account - Chq	848.72	355.68	493.04
Saver A/C	1,237.77	1,237.17	
Bonus Saver	11,321.14	10,965.81	
	1,231.97	1,006.45	
JAM Online Saver	1,201.07		

Accounts have been Reviewed by myself (Bruce Argyle) and have found all are in order