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MINUTES of the 45th Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand Trailer Boat Federation held at Outboard Boating Club, Auckland on 1st July 2006.

Present

Eddie Metz (Chairman)	OBC Auckland
Shirley Fox	NWBFC
Norm Fox	NWBFC
David Beattie	Canterbury OBC
Warren Millar	OBC Northland
John Torr	OBC Northland
Steve Hornby	Ohawe Boating & Angling Club
John Quedley	NSOBC
Fred Green	NSOBC
Trevor Kelly	OBC Auckland (Life Member)
Bob Groves	OBC Auckland
Lindsay McMorran	OBC Auckland
Don Glass	OBC Auckland
Ron Shearer	OBC Auckland

Opening

Owen Braddock, Commodore of the OBC Auckland welcomed delegates to the conference and spoke of the history of the NZTBF and its many activities and representations over many years on issues of importance to boating interests.

Eddie Metz welcomed all present and introduced the guest speaker, Harvey Gadd of Maritime New Zealand.

Guest Speaker

Harvey Gadd addressed the meeting.

- gave examples of incidents investigated by Maritime New Zealand
- 90% of fatal accidents (and 88% of other accidents) result from inadequate knowledge of skippers
- 50% of recreational boaties have no formal boating qualifications
- 79% of boats surveyed do not carry adequate safety gear

- 300,000 recreational boats in New Zealand (116,000 trailer boats)
- the majority of accidents involve trailer boats
- jet skis are also heavily overrepresented in accident statistics
- boats smaller than 4m have the highest rate, followed by boats of 4-6m
- boats smaller than 6m feature prominently in capsizes
- 17 deaths p.a. (average). Four main causes:
 - o failure to wear PFDs
 - o absence of communication
 - o skippers choosing to go out in bad weather
 - o abuse of alcohol
- regulations provide a safety net, e.g.
 - o skipper must have adequate knowledge
 - o craft must be operated in a safe manner with due regard for the rules and regulations – i.e. it is illegal to endanger life and property
- Small Boat Safety Committee reviewed the 1998 report on boat registration and skipper licensing. Frequent calls made for these. These calls never come from Coastguard or Coastguard Boating Education Service, which are adamant that education is preferable. Most countries do have registration/licensing. Florida has a very tough regime (15 hour course with external exam) yet so far this year has *had 69 accidents resulting in 80 deaths*: shows that licensing of skippers does not work
- MNZ still believes education is better. Boating deaths have dropped since 1994 and are now lower than ever.
- report recommends against licensing for boats on grounds of cost (est. \$50 per boat just to cover administration) and complexity (eg determining whether to license power boats, dinghies, kayaks)
- looking ahead, MNZ considering two regulations which will be consulted on:
 - o two compulsory communication devices, eg flares, cell phones
 - o alcohol limits as per driving on the roads

After a question-and-answer session, Eddie Metz thanked Harvey Gadd for his attendance and presentation.

Registration of proxies

OBC Canterbury 1, Kaiaua Boating Club 1, Cape Egmont Boating Club 1, Ohawe Boating & Angling Club 1, Opunake 1, OBC Auckland 3, Northland OBC 3

Apologies

Tom Goodin, Ken Stephens

Minutes

MOVED that the minutes of the 44th AGM 2005 be confirmed as a true and accurate record (L McMorran/J Torr). CARRIED

Matters arising from the minutes

1. Coastal Occupation Charges now in abeyance but likely to resurface
2. Steve Hornby advised no official report yet on sand mining off West Coast but the proposal is still alive
3. David Beattie advised there is no change to the discount offered on NZTBF-linked Mobil fuel cards

Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ending 31 March 2005

MOVED that the Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ended 31 March 2006 be adopted (D Beattie/D Glass). CARRIED

President's Report – (attached)

MOVED that the President's Report for the year ended 31 March 2005 be adopted (E Metz/D Beattie). CARRIED

Arising:

1. Clubs again urged to publish the NZTBF website <http://www.nztbf.org.nz/> in their bulletins and to consider having club magazine published on website as well (minus perhaps non-club advertising).
2. Delegates reminded that the 121.5 EPIRBS will cease to be monitored in 2009. 406 beacons available at reduced price through Coastguard. Uniden VHF's available soon will feature a new emergency alert system which will send GPS coordinates directly to Coastguard
3. Six new clubs joined NZTBF during the year. Contacts on-going with Tauranga clubs. Eddie to follow up contact with letter to Steve Walters. Need to increase the pool of people willing to serve on executive and available to work on special projects
4. Delegates need to continue to actively visit clubs in their regions
5. NZRFC Conference – Don Glass to attend. OBC Auckland to cover his costs. Appreciation was expressed to Don and to OBC Auckland
6. Eddie expressed thanks to delegates for their efforts over the past year, especially Steve Hornby for his success in Taranaki.
7. Eddie would like to stand down as President next year.

Delegates' Reports

South Island: David Beattie (attached). Eddie thanked David for his on-going contacts with clubs in his large region.

South Taranaki-Cook Strait: Steve Hornby (attached). Patea and Opunake joined NZTBF during the year. Membership will assist them to access funding sources which require

membership of a national association. Coastal Occupation Charges do not appear to be an issue in this region as boat ramps have open access to the public. Steve also gave a verbal report from Tom Goodin (Taranaki) (attached).

Waikato: Norm Fox (attached)

North Harbour: John Quedley reported North Shore OBC very active. Fishing trips to Hen & Chickens and mussel barges. Three trips on Kaipara Harbour. Negative feedback from Port Wells club and no response from Hibiscus Coast.

South Harbour: Eddie Metz reported verbally that OBC Auckland was holding its 50th anniversary this year. Jetties currently being replaced at a cost of \$380,000. Membership now around 1851 including approx 1300 trailer boaties.

Northland: John Torr (attached). John also reported that there was dissension among the groups involved in the Hokianga Accord. He distributed copies of a MAF booklet "The State of Our Fisheries. There were concerns about sewerage entering Whangarei Harbour through the stormwater system. Eddie Metz advised this was also a problem at the Bay of Islands.

New Zealand Recreational Fishing Council: Don Glass (attached).

Water Safety New Zealand: Ron Shearer (attached). Ron asked that Denis Fogarty's attendance at the WSNZ AGM be acknowledged. NZTBF has been invited to attend a series of workshops on the Water Safety Strategic Planning Process. WSNZ willing to assist with travel costs.

Eddie Metz asked delegates who may be able to attend to contact Ron. Bob Groves and Ron Shearer to draft a submission on behalf of the NZTBF.

David Beattie and Ron Shearer to collaborate on writing a report for inclusion in the WSNZ Annual Report.

MOVED that the above reports be accepted (E Metz/D Glass). CARRIED

Election of Officers

The following officers were elected/re-elected to the DEC

President	Eddie Metz (D Glass/D Torr)
Senior Vice-President	Shirley Fox (J Torr/R Shearer)
Junior Vice-President	Ron Shearer (D. Glass/E Metz)
Secretary	Lindsay McMorran (N Fox/J Torr)
Treasurer	David Beattie (E Metz/D Glass)

Area Councillors:

Northland	John Torr (E Metz/D Beattie)
North Harbour	John Quedley (E Metz/R Shearer)
South Harbour	Bob Groves (L McMorrان/D Glass)
Waikato/Bay of Plenty	Norm Fox (D Glass/E Metz)
North Taranaki	Tom Goodin (S Hornby/N Fox)
South Taranaki to Cook Strait	Steve Hornby (N Fox/J Quedley)
South Island	David Beattie (E Metz/J Torr)

Members representing NZTBF on other councils:

NZ Coastguard Education	Norm Fox (E Metz/L McMorrان)
NZ Rec Fishing Council	Don Glass (N Fox/S Hornby)
Water Safety NZ	Ron Shearer (D Glass/D Beattie)
Boating Industries Assn	Ron Shearer (D Glass/D Beattie)
Small Boat Safety Cttee	Ron Shearer (D Glass/D Beattie)
Auckland Harbour Users	Ron Shearer (D Glass/D Beattie)

Solicitor	Graham Cox (E Metz/D Glass)
Auditor	Sandra Young (D Beattie/D Glass)

Eddie reminded members of the need to have a succession plan for 2007

Remuneration of Secretary/Treasurer

MOVED that the remuneration be \$800.00 pa for each position (D Glass/J Torr).
CARRIED

Subscriptions & Affiliation fees

MOVED that the NZTBF subscription fee remain the same at \$1.30 per member and the NZRFC levy remain at \$1.00 per member (E Metz/S Fox). CARRIED

NZ Recreational Fishing Council Affiliation

MOVED that the NZRFC subscription be payed at \$500 + GST (E Metz/S Hornby).
CARRIED

Lindsay McMorrان to contact Max Hetherington to confirm NZTBF address (invoice not received).

Auditor Donation

MOVED that a donation of \$50.00 be made to the auditor (E Metz/D Beattie).
CARRIED

General Business

Don Glass enquired if NZTBF had made a contribution to the fighting fund for the Kahawai Legal Challenge. David Beattie advised that a donation had been made to the RFC.

Venue for next AGM

Various locations were discussed, including Taranaki and Canterbury. Steve Hornby to discuss with Tom Goodin and report back to the November DEC meeting on the possibility of a joint hosting somewhere in the Taranaki region considering the number of member clubs now in the region.

Cheque Signatories

MOVED that the cheque signatories be Eddie Metz, David Beattie and Shirley Fox (L McMorran/R Shearer) CARRIED

David Beattie & Shirley Fox to organise change of Signatories, (Wendy Youthed off, Shirley Fox back on)

Close of meeting

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 4.35 pm and thanked delegates for their attendance.

President

Secretary

Date

Attachments: President and Delegate Reports

To Do List

1. All Clubs - Publish NZTBF website details in magazines
2. All Clubs – Consider sending monthly magazines to Eddie for publishing on NZTBF website
3. Eddie Metz – Follow-up contact with Tauranga Dive & Fishing Club
4. All Area Delegates – Continue contact with clubs in their areas
5. Bob Groves & Ron Shearer to draft a submission to WSNZ on WSNZ future planning process
6. David Beattie and Ron Shearer to collaborate on writing a report for inclusion in the WSNZ Annual Report
7. Lindsay McMorrان to contact Max Hetherington to confirm NZTBF address
8. Steve Hornby & Tom Goodin to discuss possibility of AGM 2007 hosted by them perhaps jointly.
9. David Beattie & Shirley Fox to organise change of Signatories