

# ARANZ Wellington Branch Committee AGM

**Date** 17 August 2021 **Chair** Tom Ackroyd  
**Time** 5.30pm **Venue** National Library of New Zealand

## Attending

Tom Ackroyd, Lillie Le Dorre, Audrey Waugh, Jessica Moran, Kristina Siversen, Alison Day, Lynette Shum, Rata Holtslag, Jared Davidson, Andy Fendton, Eric Boamah, Gunilla Jensen, Ailsa Dawson, Joanna Adkins, Joan McCracken, Rebekah Rogers.

| Agenda Item                                   | Discussion  |
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| <b>1. Welcome from the Chair</b>              | Tom Ackroyd   |
| <b>2. Apologies</b>                           | Evan Greensides, Brad and Kathryn Patterson, Sue Hirst, Amy Joseph, Elizabeth Charlton, Jo Newmann, Penny Griffith, Ashwinee Pendharkar.  |
| <b>3. Confirmation of Minutes of 2020 AGM</b> | Tom presented the minutes of the 2020 AGM.<br><br>Acceptance of the report moved: Tom<br>Seconded: Audrey<br><br>Matters arising: None.   |
| <b>4. Branch Chair's Report</b>               | Branch Chair's Report presented by Tom Ackroyd;<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Acknowledgement of Lillie and Jess' work on the committee as they step down from their positions on committee. Thanks recorded for Tom from the membership.</li><li>Thanks recorded for branch committee members past and present (Charlotte and Mike).</li></ul><br>Acceptance of the report moved: Lillie le Dorre<br>Seconded: Jared Davidson |
| <b>5. Branch Treasurer's Report</b>           | Treasurer's Report presented by Lillie le Dorre;<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Christmas party at Whistling Sisters was the main financial report. Fewer events and finances following the past year of COVID interruptions.</li><li>Lillie voiced her willingness to hand over to the new treasurer, or to the Council treasurer.</li></ul>   |

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|   | <p>Acceptance of report moved: Jessica Moran<br/>         Seconded: Kristina Siversen</p>   |
| <p><b>6. Financial proposal</b></p>                           | <p>Discussion of having the Treasurer absorbed into Council, not a branch position. Financial reports to be produced by the Council. The floor was open to discussion and questions. Consensus for the role of treasurer to be absorbed into Council.</p> <p>Accepted by Tom Ackroyd, seconded by Lillie le Dorre.</p>  |
| <p><b>7. Election of Officers &amp; committee members</b></p> | <p>Tom outlined the constitutional requirements for election of Branch officers. Tom called for any nominations from the floor.</p> <p>Discussion of engagement by members and committee members outside of Wellington to support members across our region. Discussion of responsibilities for each position.</p> <p>Tom Ackroyd will be stepping down as Chair of the Committee.<br/>         Lillie le Dorrë will be stepping down as Treasurer of the Committee.</p> <p>Nominations received and accepted for the 2021/2022 committee were:</p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Kristina Siversen<br/>         Nominated: Lillie le Dorre<br/>         Seconded: Alison Day</p> <p><b>Secretary:</b> Audrey Waugh<br/>         Nominated: Jessica Moran<br/>         Seconded: Joan McCracken</p> <p><b>Treasurer:</b><br/>         Nominated:<br/>         Seconded:</p> <p><b>Member:</b> Rata Holtslag<br/>         Nominated: Jessica Moran<br/>         Seconded: Audrey Waugh</p> <p><b>Member:</b> Dr Alison Day<br/>         Nominated: Lillie le Dorre<br/>         Seconded: Audrey Waugh</p> <p><b>Member:</b> Dr Ashwinee Pendharkar<br/>         Nominated: Audrey Waugh<br/>         Seconded: Lillie le Dorre</p> |

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|                                 | <p>5 positions nominated and filled for 2020/2021 Committee. Treasurer's position to be unfilled as role is absorbed into the Council.</p> <p>Andy Fenton; Membership thanks Committee for their work over the past year.</p>                                   |
| <b>8. Other business</b>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None recorded</li> </ul>   |
| <b>9. Jared Davidson's talk</b> | <p><b>Pulling at archival threads</b></p> <p>In this talk Jared shared insights from his latest research, drawing on some of the key archives and their stories – from the New Zealand Company emigrants in Nelson to prisoners building the Milford Track.</p> |
| <b>10. Meeting closed</b>       | <p>Tom declared the meeting closed at 6:25 with no drinks at the Thistle following the COVID-19 announcement that we would enter Level 4 at midnight.</p>   |