

Minutes of the Arrowtown Village Association Annual General Meeting
Held in the Tennis Club Room, Centennial Ave
Thursday 29th October 2020 at 7.30 pm

Present: Noel Beggs, Dave Harding-Shaw, Susan Rowley, Jean Britton, Daniel Sim, Nick Fifield, Sara Clark, Peter Robinson, Janice Swain, Ross Swain, Alison Dench, Emilie Bean, Colin Macnicol, Jean Macnicol, Russell Heckler, John Rowley, Susan Milne, Keith Milne, Ben Teele, Karl Walker, Graeme Morrison, Pete Sygrove, Samantha Marsh, Chris Woznian, Carolyn Beggs,

Apologies: Nicolet Simon, Heath Copland, Simon Stammers-Smith, Michael Martin and Faith Austin.
Apologies accepted (Dave Harding-Shaw / Ben Teele)

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the 2019 AGM were read and confirmed as being a true and correct record. (Ben Teele / Daniel Sim)

Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.

Chairperson's Report: Noel Beggs presented his report for the 2019 / 2020 year which include Covid-19 difficulties, guest speakers and AVA achievements. He thanked the committee for their support during his three years in the chair.

Financial Report: Dave Harding-Shaw gave a summary of the 2019 / 2020 finances which had been audited by McCulloch & Partners. There were no questions and the accounts were accepted as correct. (Dave / Sara Clark)

Election of Officers: Noel supervised the election in the absence of Councillor Heath Copland.

	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
President:	Susan Rowley	Nick Fifield	Ben Teele
Secretary:	No nominee		
Treasurer:	Dave Harding Shaw	Ben Teele	Daniel Sim
Committee:	Peter Robinson	Martha Nagara	Ann Robinson
	Ben Teele	Dave Harding Shaw	Nick Fifield
	Sara Clark	Susan Rowley	Dave Harding- Shaw
	Daniel Sim	Nick Fifield	Ben Teele
	Nicolet Simon	Susan Rowley	Sara Clark
	Nick Fifield	Alison Dench	Daniel Sim
	Graeme Morrison	Karl Walker	Ben Teele
	Peter Sygrove	Nick Fifield	Karl Walker

Office bearers not elected at the AGM will be elected from the committee at the first general meeting.

Other Business:

Meals on Wheels: Jean Macnicol, Meals and Wheels co-ordinator for the Arrowtown region, said she had a really good team of drivers at present but it was good to have one or two extras to call on if needed. Drivers were only asked to deliver meals two or three times a year and there were usually between eight and twelve meals per trip.

Wasp Control: Russell Heckler gave his report regarding wasp eradication in Arrowtown. Wasp nest numbers had decreased considerably over the years. Only 26 this year compared with 124 for the 2016-17 period. The first nests used to appear in December but this year it was January. He expected his supply of poison would last at least another year.

Clean Air: Susan Rowley updated members on the latest NIWA Clean Air news. She said ORC has taken a secondary role in the meantime. There had been 7 or 8 monitors around Arrowtown and 15 in homes over the winter months and NIWA would put them back next year. There were continuing high levels of air pollution in winter and Susan suspected lots of holiday homes did not have upgraded burners. The time will come when Arrowtown needed to make the decision on what action should be taken to reduce the level to an acceptable standard. Peter Robinson mentioned Arrowtown was reported to be the dirtiest town in NZ in winter when it came to air pollution and it would take a huge reduction to meet the levels required.

General Business: Keith Milne thanked the committee for their work over the past year, especially Noel who he had nominated as Chairperson in 2017. He said Noel had been an excellent Chairperson working tirelessly for the AVA and he mentioned the many things Noel had done during the three years he was in office. In coming president Susan Rowley said she totally agreed with everything Keith had said. Noel had been a dedicated AVA committee member and he could not have done more. He had developed the AVA profile and membership and instigated the AVA as being a vehicle for funding wilding pine, predator free and local tracks. Susan also thanked Jean Britton who was stepping down from the committee.

Guest Speakers: Civil Defence members Dan Andrews and Craig Gibson gave an interesting power point presentation encouraging communities to set up first emergency response teams and explaining how they can assist in the process.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.