

**Expedition Climbers' Club (ECC) AGM 2018**  
**Thursday 16 August 2018 at 3pm**  
**Queenstown Events Centre, Frankton**

*Meeting Began: 3:07pm*

**Agenda:**

1. Annual Report (Ben Dare)
2. Treasurer's Report (Daniel Joll)
3. NZAT Subcommittee Report (Steven Fortune)
4. Festival & Events Subcommittee Report (Rose Pearson)
5. Publications Subcommittee Report (Alastair McDowell)
6. Constitutional Amendments (none proposed)
7. General Business
  - a. Price changes for ECC membership in 2018-2019 year
  - b. Proposed ECC trips for 2019 - vote on which ones shall be presented at RIMF
8. Election of positions for 2018-2019

**In attendance:** Daniel Joll, Ben Dare, Steven Fortune, Richard Measures, Rose Pearson, Alastair McDowell, Jaz Morris, Gemma Wilson, Matthew Scholes, Kim Ladiges, Sooji Clarkson, Jacob Doornbosch, Karl (Merry) Schimanski, Peter Harris, Tim McCartney-Snape, Lionel Clay, Allan Uren, Jono Clarke, JJ, Jane Ellis, John Price, Gavin Lang, David Chen, Craig Jeffries, Erik Bradshaw, Tom Brownlie, Peter Harris, Elliott Smith, Jude O'Neill, Caleb Jennings

**Apologies:** Kester Brown, Al Walker, Shelagh Fergusson

**1. Annual Report – Ben Dare**

Ben's report covered the team's key activities in the 2017-2018 year. Notably, this included mention of Conor and Sarwan's deaths. Ben also discussed team trips, and other expeditions or achievements by team members. This included multiple trips to Yosemite, an expedition to the Khumbu (supported by the ECC Capital fund), new routes on the South Face of Huxley, South Face of Sabre, and South Face of Aoraki, Patagonia expedition, Ice climbing in the Canadian Rockies, climbing in Chamonix, Rose & Brette Harrington on W Face Mt Blane and other general trips throughout New Zealand. Ben also touched on matters of ECC Capital Fund, future trips, the standing of the team and direction going forward, and the results of the internal review that was conducted around Conor and Sarwan's accident by Paul Rogers and Hugh Logan. Finally, Ben noted the success of the last festival, including the funds raised for the Expedition Capital Fund, and he looked ahead to the events of this festival, which has the highest anticipated turnout yet. Ben also noted the changes to the NZAT organisational structure that were underway.

Ben raised a motion that the minutes from the 2017 AGM, including the financial report, be accepted in their entirety. *Seconded by Daniel Joll, passed unanimously.*

*Motion to accept president's report moved by Jaz Morris, seconded by Alastair McDowell – passed unanimously.*

**2. Treasurer's Report – Daniel Joll**

Daniel presented the club's financial position from a separate report, that will be attached to these minutes and marked Appendix A. Generally, Daniel noted the financial position of the Club to be very healthy, with the festival (by way of its members and their membership fees) being the main

revenue stream, alongside some other donations and additional club memberships. One point Daniel raised was the changes to the festival structure, in the way that food is ordered and the free beer that is provided to club members at the festival. He spoke to the financial justification for this, and how it wasn't economically justifiable for the festival to keep spending its money on a caterer when insufficient people were ordering food from them.

Finally, Daniel noted an accounting error, which had left a small discrepancy in the accounts, but was irreconcilable, and he proposed to simply accept the discrepancy if passed by the AGM.

*Motion to accept the treasurer's report (as attached to these minutes) moved by Steven Fortune, seconded by Karl Schimanski – passed unanimously.*

### **3. NZAT Subcommittee Report – Steven Fortune**

Steve briefly touched on matters raised by Ben, including the review of Conor and Sarwan's accident, the internal review. He also recounted the team trips and success on many of these.

Looking forward, Steve spoke of the application process that was beginning, with some of the potential recruits for the 2019 team being at the festival. He then worked through the application and trial process, and outlined timeframes for these. Finally, Steve mentioned that it was anticipated that a new club would be being set up to incorporate the team under a separate umbrella, as both the ECC and the NZAT were becoming distinct and large enough entities to exist individually, and this would ensure independence from each other going forward. Likely changes coming in the next year with regards to the team management structure.

*Motion to accept the NZAT Team Captain's Report moved by Gemma Wilson, seconded by Jono Clarke.*

### **4. Festival & Events Subcommittee Report – Rose Pearson**

Rose highlighted the aspects of the RIMF 2017 and upcoming RIMF 2018 as previously alluded to by Ben. This included some instructor changes, and the forecast for the future in terms of instructors, and the need for a deep instructor pool to call upon in future years. Particularly, the changing nature of Chicks and Picks was considered, as well as the difficulties in lean years with instruction Chicks and Picks, as well as ice clinics in the same location. This was agreed to be something that could be discussed in further detail in the instructor briefing to follow.

Otherwise, Rose noted the health of the primary event that the club runs (RIMF), but contrasted this somewhat against some of the attempts to run other events throughout the year. She noted a lack of interest or engagement by members historically to attend events like rock climbing at long beach, or cloud peak etc. It was suggested that these types of trips were already catered for by smaller, local clubs or branches of clubs. The ongoing matter was raised that part of the attraction of RIMF is its predictability, and sign-ups with dates are scheduled almost a year in advance, allowing people plenty of time to make plans and arrange to attend. This can often lead to many Australians attending and to an extent taking over the event, but at this stage this wasn't seen to be an issue. It was agreed that the focus of the club in terms of events remains on RIMF, although there are opportunities for other trips to be considered, if someone wants to organise them. Rose noted that she is happy to continue in the role, but has limited desire to substantially organise other trips given past lack of desire for them.

*Festival and events subcommittee report moved by Alastair McDowell, seconded by Ben Dare, passed unanimously.*

## **5. Publications subcommittee report – Alastair McDowell**

Alastair briefly noted the continued health of the NZAT website as one of the primary mediums for getting information out about trips, expeditions, advice and reviews. He also was commended by Daniel for the improvements made over the past year to the ECC and RIMF websites, with them facilitating easier registration and information about the club, its structure, and key dates, events and information.

Alastair noted ongoing website backend work to be done, but nothing substantial of note in the future on the publication front.

*Publication subcommittee report moved by Sooji Clarkson, seconded by Rose Pearson – passed unanimously.*

## **6. Constitutional amendments**

*None proposed, and none raised at the AGM.*

## **7. General Business**

- a) Matter of price changes for ECC membership: Daniel had touched on this in his treasurer's report, but again, he spoke to the reason for raising the price – notably that it hasn't been raised in many years of running the festival, and the fact that it needed to cover some of the increasing costs, like room hire and the free alcohol.

*Motion moved to accept the raised cost of ECC membership – Ben Dare; Seconded – Jaz Morris, passed unanimously.*

- b) Matter of trips to be voted on for the 2018 ECC Expedition Capital Fund Grant: General overview of the trips that were to be presented at the festival for a vote on receipt of the 2018 grant.

Three trips were proposed and the AGM to assess whether they were eligible for the grant:

- (i) Alastair McDowell & Gemma Wilson – trip to Alaska to climb new routes in the Kitchatna Mountains
- (ii) Daniel Joll – trip to Patagonia

All three trips were accepted to meet the eligibility criteria for presentation at the Festival.

## **8. Election of positions for 2018-2019 year**

President is a 3-year fixed term role, and Ben Dare was re-elected in 2016, so his term expires in 2019.

**Vice-President:** Jaz Morris standing unopposed

*Moved by Peter Harris, seconded by Ben Dare, unanimously approved.*

**Treasurer:** Daniel Joll standing unopposed

*Moved by Jaz Morris, seconded by Alastair McDowell, unanimously approved.*

**Secretary:** Peter Harris standing unopposed

*Moved by Jaz Morris, seconded by Gemma Wilson, unanimously approved.*

**Alpine Team Subcommittee Chair:** Steven Fortune standing unopposed

*Moved by Ben Dare, seconded by Daniel Joll, unanimously approved.*

**Festival & Events Subcommittee Chair:** Rose Pearson standing unopposed

*Moved by Alastair McDowell, seconded by Jono Clarke, unanimously approved.*

**Publications Subcommittee Chair:** Alastair McDowell standing unopposed

*Moved by David Chen, seconded by Sooji Clarkson*

*Meeting closed at 4:15pm, 16 August 2018.*

## **Appendix A**

### **Investments**

As at 1 August 2018		
ECC Capital Fund - Augusta Industrial Fund	96000	
Alpine Team Investment Syndicate	25000	
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 Total Club Investments	 221000	

Actual investments made during current Financial Year	40000
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Please note, during the year the club had one of its syndicates sold by the syndicator these funds of approx 56,000 were invested with a further 40,000 into a new fund by Augusta. New investment for the ECC Capital fund now at 96,000.

## 2017-2018 Income & Expenses

	2018	2018	2017	2017
<b>Opening Cash Balance</b>		33625.71		73343.82
<b>Income</b>				
Interest Received	102.58		329.75	
Capital Fund Dividends	5539.94		4020.8	
Team Dividends	9281.28		5450.83	
Donations	5258.5		4934	
Club Memberships	18568		20038.73	
Alpine Team Sponsorship	26000		41150	
<b>Totals</b>		64750.3		75924.11
<b>Expenses</b>				
Festival Expenses	4085.31		4665.17	
Club Expenses	6528.99		5874.2	
Team Expenses	136.85		5665	
		10751.15		16204.37
<b>Investments made during Fin Year</b>		40000		100000
<b>Closing Cash Balance 31 July Statement</b>		47624.86		33063.56
<b>Closing actual Bank Balance at 31 July</b>		47496.7		33063.38
<b>Difference (accounting error)</b>		128.16		0.18

# Income 2017

Interest Received Club	Capital Fund Dividends	Interest Received Team	Team Dividends	Donations & Capital Fund	Club Memberships	Alpine Team Sponsorship
14.11	333.33	0.19	180.48	395	80	7000
13.7	333.33	0.14	54.91	1150	2500	13000
14.84	333.33	0.14	141.13	140	1900	20000
15.53	333.33	38.91	180.48	93	165	1150
1.83	333.33	12.7	291.67	170	6587	
0.71	333.33	0.11	174.66	180	255	
0.4	333.33	0.09	291.67	130	165	
0.44	333.33	0.07	180.48	25	155	
198.9	333.33	0.04	291.67	411	8231.73	
5.95	333.33	0.04	174.66	120		
5.72	354.17	0.04	291.67	50		
5.07	333.33	0.04	180.48	190		
		0.04	291.67	140		
			180.48	100		
			291.67	125		
			163.01	1155		
			291.67	360		
			180.48			
			302.08			
			174.66			
			302.08			
			180.48			
			302.08			
			174.66			
			181.85			
277.2	4020.8	52.55	5450.83	4934	20038.73	41150

## Expenses 2017

Festival Expenses	Club Expenses	Team Expenses
666.85	110	665
2337.61	150	4500
90	167.85	500
339.25	5	
885.66	5000	
345.8	136.85	
	219.5	
	85	
4665.17	5874.2	5665



### Estimate of bank closing balances

Closing Balances from Current Financial Year i.e 31 July 2017 using ASB Online Banking

Club Chq	13961.78
Club Sav	17631.03
Team Chq	1465.25
Team Savings	5.32
Total	33063.38

Estimated Bank Closing Balances from Previous Financial Year i.e 1 August 2016 using ASB Online Banking

9030.77	Club Chq
15818.16	Club Sav
4279.42	Team Chq
44215.47	Team Savings

Total	73343.82
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Estimated Bank Closing Balances from current Financial Year i.e 1 August 2018 using ASB Online Banking

4886.17	Club Chq
5730.14	Club Sav
34871.6	Team Chq
2008.79	Team Savings

Total	47496.7
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Opening balance from asb online banking 1-8-2017

club savings	17636.27
nzat chq	1767.33
club chq	14216.78
nzat savings	5.33
	33625.71