



RAANZ AGM 2009



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Agenda

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Register of Voting Strength and Proxies

Club	Members @ 15Aug09	% strength	Proxy holder
Associate	1	0.2%	
Auckland Regional Microlight Aircraft Club	3	0.5%	
Bay of Islands Aero Club	25	4.1%	
Bay of Plenty Microlight Assn	41	6.7%	
Canterbury Recreational Aircraft Club	90	14.7%	
Central Haw kes Bay Aero Club	4	0.7%	
Coromandel Flying Club	7	1.1%	
Eastern Bay of Plenty Microlight Assn	9	1.5%	
Geraldine Flying Group	32	5.2%	
Golden Bay Flying Club	5	0.8%	
Gyrate Gyro Club	9	1.5%	
Hauraki Aero Club	1	0.2%	
Haw kes Bay Microlight Club	13	2.1%	
Kaitaia Aero Club	16	2.6%	
Manaw atu Microlight Club	36	5.9%	
Matira Flying Club	4	0.7%	
Middle Districts Sports Flying Club	8	1.3%	
Motueka Recreational Flying Club	12	2.0%	
Nelson Microlight Club	18	2.9%	
North Otago Aero Club	2	0.3%	
New Zealand Autogyro Association	14	2.3%	
Northern Recreational Flying Club	47	7.7%	
Northern Wairoa Aero Club	3	0.5%	
Northland Microlight Club	20	3.3%	
Otago Aero Club	6	1.0%	
Otamatea Ruaw ai Flying Club	6	1.0%	
Parakai Aviation Club	3	0.5%	
Rotorua Microlight Aircraft Club	2	0.3%	
South Canterbury Microlight Club	21	3.4%	
Southern Recreational Aircraft Club	46	7.5%	
Stratford Sport Flyers Club	19	3.1%	
Tokoroa & Districts Aero Club	4	0.7%	
Urew era Microlight Club	1	0.2%	
Waikato Microlight Club	32	5.2%	
Waimate Aero Club	3	0.5%	
Wairarapa Ruahine Aero Club	26	4.2%	
Wairoa Aero Club	2	0.3%	
West Coast Microlight Club	24	3.9%	
Whangaruru Flying Club	1	0.2%	
TOTAL	614	100%	

Minutes of the 2008 Annual General Meeting of the Recreational Aircraft Association of NZ Inc.

**Held at Benvenue Motel, Timaru on
Saturday November 15th, 2008.**

1. Evan Gardiner (chairman in lieu of Anton Lawrence) opened the meeting at 11:00 am and welcomed those present.
2. Proxies were confirmed for-

Club	Proxy	Voting strength	
ARMAC	Willie Morton	17	2.8%
BOIAC	Willie Morton	23	3.8%
BOPMA	Stuart Parker	44	7.2%
CRAC	Brent Thompson	92	15.0%
CFC	Stuart Parker	9	1.5%
EBOPMA	Stuart Parker	9	1.5%
GFG	Russell Brodie	31	5.1%
GYRATE	Stuart Parker	7	1.1%
KAC	Willie Morton	16	2.6%
NRFC	Willie Morton	50	8.2%
NMC	Willie Morton	18	2.9%
ORFC	Stuart Parker	5	0.8%
SCMC	Ian Sinclair	30	4.9%
SRAC	George Taylor	53	8.7%
WMLC	Stuart Parker	27	4.4%

With 70.5% of members represented, a quorum was declared.

12 members were in attendance.

3. Executive Members present-
Evan Gardiner (chair)
Ian Sinclair
Brent Thompson
Rob Peck
Willie Morton
Stuart Parker (secretary)
4. Apologies were received from-
Anton Lawrence
John Lindner
Paul Woodley
5. The minutes of the 2007 AGM were taken as read and discussed.
Matters arising from the minutes were

- i. 406MHz beacons. RAANZ deal apparently forced prices down across the board. Worth a reminder in next RecPilot that with the initial sales of beacons over, stocks will be more limited and expensive in future, and members advised to get in while they can.

Moved: That the minutes be accepted as correct (Stuart Parker/Ian Sinclair/carried).

6. Evan Gardiner read the combined President's and Technical Officer's Report on behalf of Anton Lawrence.

- i. Very successful Waipukurau national flyin. Thanks to the Hawkes Bay guys..
- ii. FRTTO exam now up and running with considerable uptake.
- iii. RAANZ database now online for members/instructors to check status.
- iv. ELT/PLB introduction and deal successful.
- v. AD requiring fuel system calibration- obvious.
- vi. 2 fatal accidents prompted new initiative to focus on Human Factors and introduction of HF exam.
- vii. RA-Aus approached re a closer relationship and sharing of materials such as magazine, training manual. Magazine deal too expensive, but other areas in progress.
- viii. Anton confirmed his resignation from President/executive and Technical Officer roles.

Moved: That the President's report be accepted (Anton Lawrence/Ian Sinclair/carried).

Moved: That the meeting record a vote of thanks to Anton for his long service to RAANZ as Technical Officer and President (Evan Gardiner/Stuart Parker/carried).

7. Stuart Parker read the Treasurer's Report.

- i. Accounts completed, about to be signed off by Auditor.
- ii. Business as usual, with no significant changes from previous years.
- iii. Annual subscription to be discussed in General Business following discussion of the possible RA-Australia magazine merger.

Moved: That the Treasurer's report be accepted (Stuart Parker/George Taylor/carried).

8. Evan Gardiner read the Operations Officer's Report.

- ix. FRTTO up and running.
- x. Human Factor initiative- thanks to CAA for facilitating with Ross St George.
- xi. Successful national flyin at Waipukurau.
- xii. 2009 flyin at Motueka
- xiii. Evan confirmed his resignation from Operations Officer role, to be replaced by Willie Morton.

Moved: That the Operations report be accepted (Evan Gardiner/Rob Peck/carried).

Moved: That the meeting record a vote of thanks to Evan for his long service to RAANZ as Operations Officer (Stuart Parker/Willie Morton/carried).

9. Technical Officer's Report was read under item 6 above.

10. Election of Officers.

Resignations were received from Ian Sinclair and Anton Lawrence.
Brent Thompson has completed his term and will not be standing again.
This creating three vacancies on the Executive.

Nomination for executive-
Peter Treanor (Waikato Microlight Club nomination)
Evan Gardiner (Ian Sinclair/Rob Peck)
George Taylor (Ian Sinclair/Evan Gardiner)

With no further nominations from the floor, all three candidates were elected unopposed.

Moved: That the meeting record a vote of thanks to Ian for his long service to RAANZ as CEO and President (Stuart Parker/Willie Morton/carried).

11. Remits

There were no formal remits received.

A letter from the Wairarapa/Ruahine Aero Club offering to host the 2011 Flyin in conjunction with the Wings Over Wairarapa airshow was accepted with enthusiasm.

12. General Business

- i. Possible merger of RecPilot magazine with the RA-Australia Recreational Aviation magazine. The options and impact on member subscriptions were discussed. The strong feeling of the meeting was to stick with the status quo and hold subs at present levels. Those who wish to receive the RA-Aus magazine can subscribe directly.

Moved: That subscriptions remain at \$65 per annum. (Ian Sinclair/Russell Brodie/carried).

13. There being no further business, Evan thanked the Timaru guys for hosting the AGM and closed the meeting at 12:30 pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2009

Since the RAANZ executive was decentralized from the Waikato area in 1997 we have developed systems that have allowed executive input from all parts of New Zealand. Back in 1997 we also felt that the best way forward was to manage the executive structure so that our principal focus should be to provide the most efficient, safe, regulatory and administrative framework that we could for our organisation. Any requests for the exec to become involved in regional issues or club politics have been politely declined because we believe these problems should be dealt with, and solutions found, at the local level. A decentralisation, if you like, of the executive power base back to the clubs and their pilot members.

By and large I believe this philosophical approach has worked well and it is my view that much of the credit for this is due to our club ATOs that liaise closely with the exec when needed. And, just as importantly, your local ATO provides a 'peer review' point of contact for club members looking for solutions to their problem. I really can't speak highly enough of the standard of ATOs we have in RAANZ. These guys are at the leading edge of the flight training and safety standards that permeates right through our organization. A big thank you to all our ATOs out there.

For the year under review, 2009 has been mainly a year of consolidation and ensuring that we continue to deliver the services our members need to enable us all to maximize our fun as sport pilots. Of course there have been a few challenges along the way and that has demanded my full attention at times. It is then that I really appreciate the support and counsel I receive from the wider executive team.

On that subject, I would like to make the comment that we do not have the number of elected council members on the executive that is allowed for in our constitution. Currently we have three vacant positions. Dependent on what follows from this AGM, this is a situation that has prevailed for a number of years now. Ideally, as current executives retire by rotation, the election of officers at the AGM allows members to elect those council members that they consider will best represent the needs of their organisation. If a vacancy still remains unfilled after an AGM, the council can appoint a new council member at any time during the year and have this appointment ratified at the following AGM.

Personally, when I joined the executive sometime last century, I had no intention to be still so heavily involved at this time of my life. So please, if any member is motivated to put his hand up for a term or two we would like to hear from you. It is not an onerous position, normally requiring an hour or two of your time per week - and potentially can be a very rewarding experience.

In conclusion I do wish to sincerely thank the executive council for their support during the year. A special thanks to Rob Peck who steps down this AGM due to work and family pressures. Rob would be the first to understate his own contribution to the exec, but his support and good humour when needed has been really appreciated. Thanks also to Colin Alexander who stepped up this year and accepted the appointment as our Technical Officer and to Bill Penman who accepted the Operations Officer role that we have tried to rope him into for several years now.

Finally, a very special thank you to Stuart for providing our organization with a professional and responsive administration. For me personally, his support and wise counsel throughout the year has been invaluable.

Safe flying,

Evan Gardiner

Operations Report 2009

Having only been in the role for a short few months I am still feeling my way, but am getting to grips, albeit slowly, with my responsibilities.

From my perspective RAANZ has a culture of passionate aviators that wish to enjoy their flying to the utmost with safety conscious attitudes. The past simple freedoms have had to be modified slightly to merge with modern technologies and the evolution of some pretty spectacularly performing aircraft.

As a result of this continual change there are always certain challenges and expectations from within, other aviation fraternities and the ever present CAA. The executive have a close relationship with these organisations and are continually working to keep things practical yet simple.

Like all aviation organizations we are always under the microscope whenever there is an incident of some sort and we have to be ever conscious of the authorities not over legislating for the few idiots that may spoil our sport.

RAANZ would not be where it is today without the dedication and guidance of its ATOs and instructors. The standard and skills required over the past number of years has had to be raised to accommodate the various pressures of change. The recent CAA sponsored flight instructor seminars have been of immense value for GA and Microlighters to get together to dispel some of the perceptions, share experiences and work towards a common goal.

Earlier on in the year Motueka hosted the national fly-in. This was well represented from pilots from all over. A huge amount of fun was had by all in a most welcoming environment. This is what the sport is all about and look forward to the Stratford National in March 19-21 next year.

Take care out there,
Bill Penman

Tech Report 2009

Well my first year as Technical Officer has passed and I must add that it went past at a hasty speed.

I cannot believe how time has flown. There have been quite a number of interesting activities to take care of and I have also spent more time this year travelling around and finding out how the rest of the country works.

This has proven to be most stimulating and successful. I have been able to cover most of both islands and have been delighted by the reception I have received. There are so many people in our flying fraternity that are absolutely starving for information and knowledge.

Having lectured on both North and South Islands on matters technical, the questions I was asked were both thought provoking and intelligent and I think that the general group discussions were well worthwhile.

What is apparent is that there are glaring deficiencies in some people's knowledge who choose to do their own maintenance. My interaction has resulted in two directions. Either the people after finding out how their maintenance **should** be done are now using professional maintenance organisations or they are educating themselves in order to improve the quality of their maintenance.

Of concern, is the lack of defect, accident and incident reporting which is really sad as these reports and information could mean that the same mistake is not repeated or that a repetitive weakness is addressed. A mistake that nothing is learned from is indeed a wasted mistake.

With the continuing progress of the aircraft in our sector of aviation, one should be mindful of ones limitations as far as maintenance and inspection goes. I think it is really critical for some inspection authorities to recognise their own areas of expertise and perhaps decline the request to inspect an advanced Microlight if they are not very familiar with both the construction and the systems.

It is certainly not a poor reflection on the individual and perhaps with some mentoring, may strive to learn the latest technology. Today one requires some fairly advanced tools and equipment to be able to service, inspect and maintain these aircraft correctly.

Another concern are illegal modifications. Once the CAA has issued your aircraft with a flight permit, you may not alter it without permission. A small alteration can easily have a fatal consequence. Any maintenance should be recorded in the appropriate log books as this will help you, the owner, to understand what you or another maintenance facility has done to either improve or worsen the performance of your aircraft.

I would like to encourage as many pilots as possible to make a real effort to attend organised events, seminars and fly-ins' as the amount of benefit derived from being amongst so many like minded people of varying experience and discussing various issues and results of trials and flights is immeasurable. You will always leave with a great deal more information than when you arrived. I know I do.

I hope that I can be of benefit to all the pilots and Inspection Authorities out there and be available for consultation at all times. Remember, our flying is "serious fun". Let's enjoy and share the fun part but never forget the serious bit as this is normally the bit that hurts most.

Colin Alexander
Technical Officer

RAANZ Executive AGM 2009

- maximum of 6 elected (3 year term)
- plus appointments if required (1 year term)
- plus Admin, Ops, Tech

Position	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Exec	Ian Sinclair (2)	Ian Sinclair (3)	Ian Sinclair (1)	Ian Sinclair (2)	resigning	
Exec	Don Wise (1)	Don Wise (2)	resigned			
Exec	Nick Key (3)	Term completed				
Exec	Bert Gregory (1)	Bert Gregory (2)	resigned			
Exec		Brent Thompson (1)	Brent Thompson (2)	Brent Thompson (3)	term completed	
Exec		Mike Sheffield (1)	resigned			
Exec		Brian Leach (1)	resigned			
Exec			Anton Lawrence (1)	Anton Lawrence (2)	resigning	
Exec			Rob Peck (1)	Rob Peck (2)	Rob Peck (3)	term completed
Exec			Paul Woodley (1)	Paul Woodley (2)	Paul Woodley (3)	term completed
Exec			Peter Kernohan (1)	resigned		
Exec				Willie Morton (1)	Willie Morton (2)	resigned
Exec					Peter Treanor (1)	Peter Treanor (2)
Exec					George Taylor (1)	George Taylor (2)
Exec					Evan Gardiner (1)	Evan Gardiner (2)
Admin	Grant Coldicott	Stuart Parker	Stuart Parker	Stuart Parker	Stuart Parker	Stuart Parker
Ops	Evan Gardiner	Evan Gardiner	Evan Gardiner	Evan Gardiner	Willie Morton	Bill Penman
Tech	Anton Lawrence	Anton Lawrence	Anton Lawrence	Anton Lawrence	Colin Alexander	Colin Alexander

Elections 2009

- 3 continuing term
- 2 completed term, 1 resigned
- 3 vacancies for election