

# 2025 e-AGM Minutes

31 July 2025

## Introduction:

The Annual General Meeting for the NZCA was conducted virtually on the 1st of August 2025. We had a great turnout this year, so thank you to everyone who attended our e-AGM and contributed to achieving quorum.

Members were informed with 6 weeks' notice via email and through the organisation's website and social media accounts. Members were provided the opportunity to submit agenda items for the e-AGM and to discuss any items of business of the meeting. No formal correspondence was received.

The progress of the e-AGM was recorded and published on the NZCA website along with the annual report. <a href="http://nzcanyoningassociation.org/about/#eagm">http://nzcanyoningassociation.org/about/#eagm</a>

## Minutes:

### Meeting opened:

7:32 pm

#### Apologies:

Gavin Barry-Morgan, James Abbott, Stephen Roche, Christie Hagen, Sierra Rad, Camille Visser, Oliver Nicholls, Aaron Dawson, Alex Petherick

#### Attendance:

Dan Clearwater, Oliver Polson, Warren Fitzgerald, Adrien Paris, Alex Motyka, Alex Waterworth, Alice Payn, Annette Phillips, Brad Schimanski, Caleb Martin, Christian Miller, Dave Vass, Elias Love, Erwan Coq, Eugene Yeo, Grant Prattley, Jack Ryan, Jay Cambell, Jeroen Verhees, Michal Banyi, Rachel Jones, Russell Hodgson, Stephen Roche, Toine Houtenbos, Cat Shand

#### **Business:**

1. Confirm the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and any Special General Meeting(s) held since the last Annual General Meeting.

Motion: That the 2024 e-AGM Minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record

**Moved:** Dan Clearwater **Seconded:** Dave Vass

**Outcome:** Motion carried

2. Adopt the Annual Report on the operations and affairs of the Society.

The context of the annual report was provided, and discussion was invited by the Chair. One general comment was provided that more canyoning activity was needed in the Upper North Island.

**Motion:** That the annual report be accepted

**Moved:** Dan Clearwater **Seconded:** Oliver Polson

Outcome: Motion carried

3. Adopt the Committee's report on the finances of the Society and the annual financial statements.

The organisation's financial position was published on the NZCA website 2 weeks prior to the e-AGM.

#### Cash Summary:

NZCA Balance from previous financial year: \$14,814.94 NZCA 2024/25 gross income: \$2,239.73 NZCA 2024/25 gross expenses: (\$2,719.54)

NZCA total funds: \$14,335.13

CanyonSAR Balance from previous financial year: \$53,550.86 CanyonSAR 2024/25 gross income: \$25,480.00 CanyonSAR 2024/25 gross expenses: (\$32,062.26)

CanyonSAR total funds: \$46,968.60

A summary of the NZCA and CanyonSAR financial position was provided by the Treasurer, and discussion was invited by the Chair.

No members wished to discuss the financial position any further.

Motion: That the NZCA 2025 financial reports be accepted as a true and accurate record

Moved: Dan Clearwater Seconded: Brad Schimanski

**Outcome:** Motion carried

4. Welcome & farewell Officers of the Society

Acknowledgements to Annette Phillips and Rachel Jones, who both stepped down as Officers (Executive Members) this year.

Welcome to Dave Vass and Alex Motyka, who have both joined as Officers this year.

5. Consider any motions for which prior notice has been given to Members.

No formal correspondence or motions were received by members prior to the AGM.

- 6. Consider any general business.
  - Adopting the new NZCA Constitution

The Incorporated Societies Act 1908 has been replaced by the Incorporated Societies Act 2022, which modernised the requirements for incorporated societies. All of the NZCA rules were rewritten into a formal constitution, which was made publicly available in advance of the AGM. A summary of the constitution was provided to attendees, including the requirements for members, record keeping, dispute procedures, and safeguards for the society's members, officers, and finances.

Discussion on the proposed constitution was invited by the Chair. No members wished to discuss the constitution further.

*Motion:* That the NZCA adopts the new constitution

**Moved:** Dan Clearwater **Seconded:** Alex Motyka

Outcome: Motion carried

### **Meeting closed:**

7:43 pm



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