



**ANARE Club Inc.
Reg. No. A0014408G**

National Council 2020-2021

Annual General Meeting

28 August 2021

0. Welcome and apologies

Attendance:

Richard Unwin (President & Chair)
David Dodd (Vice-President and pro-tem Treasurer)
Trevor Luff (Secretary)
Trevor Cowell (Councillor)
Les Denham
Chris Eavis (Councillor)
David Ellyard (Ex officio Councillor)
Ron Hann (Councillor)
Tony Hinchon
Duncan Mackenzie (Councillor)
Russell Marnock
Geoff Payne
Ian Toohill (Councillor)
Melanie Van Twest (Councillor)
Margaret Whitelaw (Councillor)
[remaining names to be advised by Secretary Trevor Luff]

Apologies:

Lee Sice (Councillor)
Brian Harvey (Councillor)
Bill Burch

**Total: 88 members plus 13 postal votes and proxy votes.
Quorum achieved.**

Meeting opened: 2:02pm AEST

Item 1. Acceptance of previous AGM Minutes 15 August 2020

Proposed: Trevor Luff
Seconded: Trevor Cowell
Motion carried

Item 2. Correspondence

- a number of contacts have been received from people looking to contact old colleagues. Nothing else of note.

Item 3. President's Report – presented by Richard Unwin

Another year has passed and I find myself preparing the AGM report for the Club and its members, a lot has happened during the year and planning is well underway for several future events, and the continued excellent operation of the Club's Council Committees.

The Council members have all been hard at work and I have had the privilege to act as the figure head of the Club and sincerely thank them for all of their commitments.

I have chosen to step down as President and approached George Friend to step into the role. George's enthusiasm for all things Antarctic and event planning experience will make him an easy fit for the President's position. I wish him all the success in his new role.

This year 2021 is the 70th anniversary of the Club's foundation in October 1951, by a group of pioneer expeditioners who had established Heard and Macquarie Island stations in 1947/1948 respectively. As a result of the impact of the COVID pandemic, only a few State Branches have been able to hold their Mid-Winter Dinners with '70 years on themes'.

I attended the Queensland Branch Mid -Winter Dinner event and it was a great night, the feature of the night was hearing the calling of the years and each person's unique stories from Antarctica along with the common connections everyone has of the special place that is Antarctica.

There are several other major events being planned for this and subsequent years and these are outlined in the Special Projects Committee report. These events have helped extend our Club's exposure to the greater public and the Committee has been hard at work preparing these activities.

Fortuitous timing with our Club's 70th Anniversary year will be the arrival of the Division's new Icebreaker, RSV Nuyina and planning is well underway to present the Ship's Bell to the ship when it arrives in Hobart this October. The Bell will be an ongoing feature of the ship and will continue the long history of the association of the ANARE Club members with Antarctic shipping. Along with the Bell we will be presenting a Club flag and pennant for use on the ship. Once the arrival date is known, invitations to attend the 'Welcome to Port' ceremony will be sent to all members of the Club.

Of significance to the Club is next year's 75th anniversary of the establishment of ANARE by the Australian Government in 1947, and the Council is investigating several ideas on how to commemorate this achievement in conjunction with the Antarctic Division. In this regard, we have proposed that the RSV Nuyina undertake a 'Show cruise' to major Australian Capital city Ports. If this was to happen, we as Club members could assist in each port to help guide people through the ship; this would

bring significant exposure for the Club and its achievements. This would be an exciting project for the Club to undertake with the Antarctic Division and be a great way to celebrate this important 75th milestone.

In closing remarks, I can state to our members of ANARE that the Club is in good health and along with the stalwarts of the Council who keep coming back each year and who with our new President, will guide and further enhance the Club's efforts throughout 2021-2022 on behalf of the Members of the Club.

Richard Unwin
President, 2020-21
23 August 2021

Motion: to accept the President's Report

Proposed: Richard Unwin

Seconded: Trevor Cowell

Motion carried

Item 4. Treasurer's Report – presented by David Dodd

I am pleased to present the Treasurer's Report on the Financial Affairs of the Club for the 2020 - 2021 financial year (1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021) and enclose the following reports for perusal and adoption by Members of the Club. All accounts have been reconciled as at 30 June 2021 and there are no other liabilities, payments due or un-presented cheques, etc. I believe the accounting reports as presented represent the true status of the financial affairs of the Club. I have made the following comments on the significant features of these reports and will be pleased to answer any queries from members at the Meeting.

1. General Comment on the Past Year 2020-2021

Again, the 2020 - 2021 year, our 70th anniversary year of the Club's formation in October 1951, has been an active year for the Club with a series of outreach activities organised by the Club's Special Events Committee, following on from the successful activities since 2017. As usual this activity has been above the normal schedule of Council Meetings and other day today and committee activities, involving all members of the Council.

Prior to the end of the financial year the Club issued subscription reminders which resulted a significant number of annual subscriptions being paid for the ensuing year. The Council wishes to thank all those members who were able to make these timely payments, which will enable the Council to prudently manage its financial affairs during the forthcoming year.

While the Club's financial position remains sound, three underlying factors will continue to impact on the management of our finances; notably our declining membership trend and the low interest rate returns on our two term deposits. The major factor which will continue to impact on the conduct of the Club affairs, will be the COVID-19 situation, expected to remain with the next Council and perhaps beyond.

In reviewing the attached reports, I have provided following comments on the on both key accounting statements,. I remind Councillors that the Club uses the Reckon Accounting System and a cash basis system of accounting, which means that our income is recognized (entered into our accounts) –*ie. when actually received*, and our expenses (posted to our cost centres) –*ie. when they are actually paid*.

2. Club Account Balances (Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2021).

Our Balance sheet bottom line (our **Net Worth**) has not changed substantially since last year. However, our two Term Deposits (\$30,000 and \$60,000, now face returns of less than 0.50% p.a. in contrast to previous years returned at maturity a magnificent 1.75%.(\$1,066.46).

2.1 Club Merchandise (Assets) The other issue is our Inventory of Club Merchandise which we currently carry both in Melbourne and Hobart. Sales Officer Brian and I have completed an interim Inventory (Stocktake) and have been able to adjust the Melbourne stock by what has been sold during the past year (by \$866.14) further adjustments are envisaged as a result of the special end of Year sales later this year and at the 2022 Antarctic Festival in Hobart in August 2022. *Please refer to Brian Harvey's Merchandise Report.*

2.3 Capitation Fee Liability Payable to State & Territory Branches, (calculated at 5% of annual subs paid by 30 June 2021 for the ensuing year), calculated for Full, Associate and Subscriber members for QLD, NSW, VIC, SA, TAS, the Capitation Fee is up on previous years due to the large number of subscriptions paid by 30 June this year.

2.4 Subs Paid In Advance Liability (Subs paid beyond 30 June 2022) show a decrease of \$1,620, with many members opting to pay on an annual basis rather than years in advance.

4. Club Income and Expenditure Report. (*misnumbered sections from original report*)

(1.) Interest Income. Refers to interest received from the previous year maturing payable in July 2020, interest income from our two term Deposits (Maturing Oct & Dec.2021) will be **\$359.54**. It is anticipated by the end of this year, term deposit rates are expected to change (upwards)

(2.) Membership Fees. As mentioned above annual subscription payments have exceeded all expectations and the Club is commencing the financial year with a sound major source of income thanks to the full effect of computer generated reminders. It was noticed that there was a large percentage of one year renewals, most likely a reflection of the times.

(3.) Philatelic Sales. Philatelic Sales have produced a significant source of income during the year, through the sales of the Bellingshausen limited commemorative sets and sales of previous limited Philatelic items. As of 30 June, philatelic Sales were \$4,405, less expenses of \$1,550.04 , leaving \$2,854.96 to cover all expenses arising from the costs incurred with the 2020/2021 events, This source of sales income will continue, arising from events associated with special projects later this year and beyond, in accordance with Council's direction that such events be self-funded.

(4.) General Expenditures. Apart from routine expenditure items; Consumer Affairs, G P O Box Renewal, Web Hosting, NAB Fees, etc., all are relatively unchanged from the previous year. Stock purchases and Stock holdings stand out. The Website Re-development project has been paid in full, with an allocation of the balance has been provided for in next year's budget allocation.

(5.) Aurora Printing and Distribution costs. Prior to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic overall costs of the publication and postal distribution of the Aurora Journal, were largely contained. However, during the early part of 2020, the Aurora Packing exercise in Melbourne was temporarily discontinued with the packing and posting being completed by a Mailing house. With some fortuitous timing we have now been able to resume the Packing exercise and thus contain overall costs. Please see Editor's report .

(6.) Councillor's Travel Expenses. Councillor's Travel expenses for the 2020-2021 Council year, will (after adjustment for pre-payments), be set to zero balance as a result of the COVID travel restrictions and the use of Zoom conferencing system for Council meetings However, Council has agreed that it should have at least two face to face meetings of the Council each term, with the balance and other Committee meeting using Zoom conferencing system. This situation will be on hold until it is possible for reliable interstate travel to commence.

Acknowledgement. I wish to thank Chris Gamgee, Council's Co-opted Assistant Treasurer for his continued support and maintenance of the Club's Accounting System, ensuring that the Club finances are being properly recorded.

David Dodd
Treasurer
16 August 2021

See Appendix 1 to these Minutes for Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure (Profit and Loss) Statement and Certification by Members of Council.

Motion: to accept the Treasurer's Report

Proposed: David Dodd

Seconded: David Ellyard

Motion carried

Item 5. Secretary's Report – presented by Trevor Luff

Reflecting on this past year I can say it has been most daunting at times. However, when you look back, we wonder how did we manage to fit so much into the year. Other committee members will elaborate on our achievements which include not only national events but also our own individual State events.

We started the year with the presentation of the Phil Law Medal to Syd Kirkby at his home on the Sunshine Coast; the 200-year Bellingshausen celebration in Canberra; the recovery of the Ships Bell from the HMAS Labuan; attended the presentation of the OAM to John Russell by His Excellency The Honourable Paul De Jersey AC, CVO, QLD; assisted David Dodd to present the new Dr Joe Johnson designed ANARE Club

flag; held a very successful Midwinter Dinner in Brisbane; attend to the gifting and casting of a ship's bell for the bridge of the RSV Nuyina; and searched for lost expeditioners ably assisted by Chris Eavis just to mention a few.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all committee members in particular President Richard Unwin, Treasurer David Dodd, IT Manager Peter Field and Aurora Editor Dr David Ellyard for their patience and assistance throughout the year.

I would like to make welcome Dr Melanie Van Twest who will be taking over the position of Secretary for the coming year. I also welcome our incoming President George Friend and make welcome ANARE Club member Dale Jacobsen who has agreed to be the understudy to Aurora editor David Ellyard.

After 50 years of ANARE Club involvement, the year 2021/22, I am sure, will surpass all previous years for volume of exciting projects and will see membership growth of our Club.

Trevor Luff
Secretary ANARE Club
2020/21

Motion: to accept the Secretary's Report

Proposed: Trevor Luff

Seconded: Trevor Cowell

Motion carried

Item 6. Councillors' Reports

6.1 Membership Officer's Report – presented by Chris Eavis

Rolling 5 year financial year current members as of 30th June 2021.

Financial Year	Total
2015/2016	745
2016/2017	703
2017/2018	690
2018/2019	679
2019/2020	633
2020/2021	581

New and Returning Members:

Breakdown of category of membership.

Category	Total
Full membership	15
Associate membership	2
Subscriber	3
Kinsfolk	1
Complimentary	1
	22

Resignations:

No resignations.

Vale:

We have been notified of six (6) members and friends of the ANARE Club who have passed away this year.

Comments:

The financial year 2020-2021 saw the transition to the new website with the new and approved membership portal. It also saw the handover of the membership role to Chris Eavis from Margaret Whitelaw after 10 years of service.

Have worked closely with The Webmaster (Peter Field) to tweak the platform in relation to the membership portal as we run with live data. As part of the learning curve have assisted John Gillies in the production of the mailing labels for the Aurora magazine.

Also, assisted The Treasurer (David Dodd) in reporting payment of subscriptions via the portal via the early email reminder notices. The I believe this has been proved effectual in that as of the 30th July 2021 we have 554 paid up members for the financial year 2022.

What is required now and into the future is the campaign to reignite passion of members to stay financial and renew their subscriptions and update their profiles online. Marketing to the new expeditioners in all formats available (social media, flyers and Aurora) and working with the Antarctic Division collaboratively to entice membership.

Motion: to accept the Membership report

Proposed: Chris Eavis

Seconded: Duncan Mackenzie

Motion carried

6.2 IT/Webmaster's Report – presented by Peter FieldWebsite Status

We instigated an upgrade of the ANARE Club website to a WordPress build which officially went live on 2 Oct 2020. The big test of the new site was the new Subscription email reminder notifications which worked well for people making payments. Earlier in March 2021 we had an unfortunate incident where several members, who were up for renewal on June 30, were inadvertently sent an email reminder to renew their subscription. This was the result of our initial testing of the website and a reminder email date had not been changed back to "real world" operations. This caused some anxiety among members, but also identified a couple of issues around the renewal process, that were able to be fixed before the real renewals period.

We believe the interval also needs to be tweaked between reminder emails as we were a bit slow initially updating our membership records for people who had mailed in or performed Bank Transfers to when the second and third reminder emails went out. This will be amended for the future renewals.

Our Sales pages are pending new imagery, but the current pages are working and we are able to include functions for running sales and discounts etc.

Council Meetings and Conferencing

The meetings of National Council were held via Zoom and have been a great success. The Club has a paid account with Zoom to better facilitate these meetings. Last years' AGM went well utilising Zoom and hopefully will be successful again this year.

General Items

Information for the website has been sparse. I've posted quite a few Mid-Winter notices as I've received them as well as creating a couple of FAQ helper guides.

State Branch Websites

In the process of updating our National Club website, I approached each of the State Branches who are hosted on our site (all except Tasmania and N.T.). I invited each Branch to help or nominate someone who might like to customise their State Branch page and to have ownership of it. This offer is still open.

Peter Field
ANARE Club I.T. Manager
18 August 2021

Motion: to accept the IT report

Proposed: Peter Field

Seconded: Chris Eavis

Motion carried

6.3 Sales report – presented by David Dodd on behalf of Brian Harvey

Sales have been steady since last meeting income from sales \$729 giving us a surplus of \$405. Majority of sales have been from stock with 2 vests and a polo shirt being directly despatched from Fast Forward. No stock purchases have been made since last Meeting. I will do a complete stocktake and work with David Dodd on the value of stock in hand. I am preparing a list of stock items to be included in a clearance sale these items are slow moving dead stock they will be offered at half price to state branches in the first Instance then to the members. I will circulate the list and prices to Committee.

The Hobart Antarctic Festival 2022 will be held in August 2022, we have actively participated previously in 2016 and 2018 there was no festival in 2020. I would be happy to co-ordinate the Club's Involvement in the Festival should the Committee agree. At this point I have no details as to the cost of the stall. But I would furnish all the Details prior to any commitment by the Club at this point all I am seeking is an in principal agreement.

Melbourne mid-winter dinner will be at a new venue this year the AMORA Hotel in Richmond easy access from CBD. The maximum capacity is 50 and co-ordinator Rob Nash is confident that we can fill to capacity. Charlton Clarke from AAD has been invited as guest speaker to outline current and future AAP activities. His attendance hasn't yet been confirmed.

Brian Harvey
Sales Officer

Addendum:

- since writing the above, the Club has made an in-principle agreement to attend and have a booth at a cost of \$1500.
- David Dodd requests assistance for Brian, who is in hospital, especially to manage the sale of dead stock.
- if we want to advertise in the next 'Aurora' we need to act soon.
- a lot of material is sitting in Brian's premises in Melbourne including 1000 books awaiting cataloguing – there is a need for work on the archive.
- Melanie noted there is willingness to work on the archive but we are constrained by current COVID restrictions.

Motion: to accept the Sales Report

Proposed: David Dodd

Seconded: Melanie Van Twest

Motion carried

6.4 Aurora Editor's Report – presented by David Ellyard

Aurora, the Club's quarterly journal, appeared the regulation four times in 2020-21, with issues labelled Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. It continues to be printed by Edgeprint in Shepparton with whom we have a good working relationship.

Due to COVID restrictions, two issues had to be packed and dispatched by a mailing house brought in by the printer, while the other two issues were dealt with in the traditional manner by the "Packing Shed" crew meeting at Chosen Motors. I am grateful for their diligence, though I understand that the participants regard the gathering as a welcome chance to socialise. I also thank former editor John Gilles for organising the crew and Brian Harvey for providing the venue.

Through the year, the size of the journal has stabilised at 28 pages plus cover, as this places it just under the weight limit for the current rate of postage. Any increase in size would require a reduction in paper weight, which has been proposed on other grounds and which is being investigated.

The major change this year has been the move to full colour printing, first implemented in the Winter issue. Previously only the centre eight pages and the covers were in colour. The appearance of the journal has been, to my mind, greatly improved by this initiative and the extra cost amounts to only a few hundred dollars per issue.

As I have long stated, I regard **Aurora** as having three purposes; to keep members in touch with the Club, to be a "journal of record" for the polar experiences of our members and other expeditioners, and to bring important issues and developments in Antarctic affairs, including science, to the attention of members and other readers. My task with each issue is to create an appropriate balance between these aims.

Since feedback from readers remains minimal (fingers of one hand) and almost always positive, I work on the assumption that readers are happy with what they are getting. I appreciate that receiving **Aurora** is arguably the major benefit gained by members of the Club and therefore seek to maintain high production values and high levels of interest.

To my mind, not enough members regard the journal as “theirs” and therefore have a desire to contribute. Everyone has a story or three to tell about Going South, and **Aurora** is the appropriate place to tell them. But over the years, my efforts to encourage them to hit the keyboard have mostly failed. I have a small group of faithful writers who regularly contribute, and I am very grateful to them. I wish there were more.

I am completing my eighth year as Editor and am available to continue should the incoming Council wish it. But I will not go on for ever. Dale Jacobsen from Queensland will be helping me from now on and may take over in due course.

David Ellyard
Editor Aurora 2013-

Motion: Accept Aurora editor’s report

Proposed: David Ellyard

Seconded: David Dodd

Motion carried

6.4 Club Historian Report – presented by Ian Toohill

Preamble

Since taking on the role of Oral historian for the club some 7 years ago I have focused on continuing the work of collating and transcribing existing interviews for which I have copyright agreements and as well as continuing the process with the assistance of Club berth participants and other members. We now have a collection of over 100 interviews with transcriptions of half done so far. I am always looking for members of State Branches to conduct interviews if colleagues focusing on the oldest, using the copyright agreement and process material including sample questions which I can supply. It is my ultimate aim to have all interviews and their transcripts for which the Club holds copyright approval, donated to reputable repositories, in particular the National Film and Sound Archives and State Library of Victoria both of whom are interested in developing an Antarctic Collection. Discussion has begun regarding film and still imagery as well. I see a key role of the Club going forward as the preservation of our Antarctic history for generations to come.

1. As a feature of our new website 8 of these interviews have been processed by Ingrid and two by myself have now been edited by Alan Ryan and uploaded to the website Vimeo link as video files. The Latest including some excellent imagery and photos provided by Martin has just been uploaded. I will continue to feed key interviews to Alan prioritising those of older expeditioners for which I have signed copy right agreements. (45 in total). This is a lengthy and ongoing process for which the Club gives Alan a token payment of \$100 per file processed. The average time he spends on each edit is 15hrs.

2. A further meeting was held at the end of May between Dr Kevin Molloy (Principal Librarian State Library of Victoria, SLV) and the Heritage Project team (Richard Ferguson and myself). This will be joined by Melanie Van Twest. A separate report by Richard regarding that meeting is annex A to this report.

Now that we have the collection parameters along with required documents from the SLV a process for potential donors will be produced and sent, in the first instance to the 7 expeditioners who responded to the initial Heritage project article in Aurora. I will follow up with an article in the next Aurora detailing this process for SLV donations. Members are encouraged to donate memorabilia by emailing historian @anareclub.org

The planned visit on 2 Aug to Brian Harvey's premises to evaluate the Club collection in view of the expression of interest and requirements of SLV, will now be postponed for approximately 6 weeks until Brian is recovered and back at work. The Futures committee for the Club (formally the Strategy committee) is looking to develop a 5 year plan for ongoing storage of all digital records with built in redundancy.

3. According to the treasurer half of the \$2000 originally allocated for transcriptions, has been spent. Recently Adobe Premier was updated by Google to include a transcription function which is free with the update. Alan Ryan has tested the program to evaluate its viability as opposed to the current REV system I am using which now costs about \$1.30AS per minute. Unfortunately the program is not viable so I will continue to use the Rev Transcription service.

4. In June I contacted the National Film and Sound Archives to evaluate their interest in ANARE Club donating copies of all the video material and oral histories in our collection to the Archives. I received communication from one of their Acquisitions curators who showed considerable interest so I sent her a list of all the film and video material we hold and a list of the 45 Interviews for which I hold signed copyright agreements. I am yet to receive a response. A sticking point with film may be that copyright holders would have to give approval. However AAD has already stated that will not be an issue for their copyright films the originals of which are already with the National Archives in Canberra.

Ian Toohill
Club Historian

Addendum:

- the current focus is on collating and transcribing interviews from 2011
- half of the \$2000 allocated to this work some years ago has been spent
- collection has been extended from 60 to 100 interviews
- this material is to be shared with the State Library of Victoria and the National Film and Sound Archive in digital form only (slides, film, oral interview recordings)
- looking to continue to collect personal stories, diaries etc.
- a story has been placed in 'Aurora' seeking personal bequests of memorabilia to ensure items are preserved.
- Duncan Mackenzie suggested setting a bequest system to ensure items of importance are left to the Club.

Motion: to accept the Club Historian report

Proposed: Ian Toohill

Seconded: Trevor Cowell

Motion carried

6.6 Special Events report – presented by David Dodd

During 2020-2021, the Club's Special Projects Committee conducted a series of Special Projects, firstly cohosting with the Russian Embassy, Canberra, the 200th Anniversary of Bellingshausen's Circumnavigation of Antarctica 1819-1821; followed recently this year, by the Casting and ultimate Presentation of the Ship's Bell to the RSV Nuyina (arrival expected October this year); the discovery of Ship's Bell from the LST 3501 (aka HMAS Labuan) and its presentation 'to the Nation' during the forthcoming 75th Anniversary of ANARE during 2022, and the Club's involvement with a consortium (OSSA-ANARE - FND J. Lauritzen Foundation) with North Wharf Melbourne 'Dan Ships /plaque' due to be erected in late 2023.

The following is a summary of the above projects, some of which are 'works in progress' and like the previous series of successful special projects run by the Club during 2017-2019, all have been conducted largely on a self-funded basis.

1. Bellingshausen 200th Anniversary Event Canberra 30 November 2020

An extremely successful event co-hosted with the Russian Ambassador Dr Alexey Pavlovsky and Embassy Staff on 30 November 2020, commemorated the 200th anniversary of the first Russian Antarctic Expedition 1819-1821, which circumnavigated Antarctica Captain Bellingshausen (HIMS Vostok) and Lieut. Lazarev (HIMS Mirny). The event was held on the date 200 years earlier when Captain Bellingshausen stepped ashore on Macquarie Island during a 3 day visit. Significantly, the Expedition was the first scientific expedition to visit the Island ten years after its discovery. The Expedition also visited Sydney (twice) and the Ships logs are of great scientific interest regarding the visits to both 'ports of call', with a legacy of the Voyage being the collection of the only known specimens of the now extinct Macquarie Island Parakeet, currently held in the Zoological Museum in Moscow. The Club working with Australia Post obtained the release of a special commemorative Bellingshausen Pre-Paid Envelope featuring the famous 1820 sketch of Garden Cove, just a few minutes north east of the present station. A report of the event is on our website and in an article in the Aurora Journal.

2. Presentation of the Ship's Bell to the RSV Nuyina

Members will be aware of the recent Video on the Club's Website of the casting of the Ship's Bell for the RSV Nuyina at the Maryborough, Queensland foundry of W Olds and Sons. The Principals of this 100 year old firm, Robert and Peter Olds, kindly offered to provide the Club with the Bell and its attachments gratis and the Club has expressed its appreciation of this most generous offer. The Bell will be engraved in Victoria during September.

Along with the presentation of the Bell, the Club's other presentations will include engraved Captain's whistles, the ANARE Flags; the latest Bound set of Aurora Journals (these 5 year bound sets have been provided to our Antarctic Stations and Macquarie Island and the former Aurora Australia for the past 15 years). The Club is working with the Division's Event Planning Group at the moment and invitations will be sent to all Club members to attend the Welcome to Port Ceremony in Hobart, as soon as the event dates are known.

3. Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of ANARE 1947-2022

Next year will be the 75th anniversary of the establishment of ANARE in 1947 by the Australia Government. Many members will recall participating in the 50th Jubilee events in 1997, The Club's History Book, 'History of the ANARE Club 1951-2001, records a summary of photographs and the extraordinary lengths that the Club and its members went to with the help of the AAD, to launch an extensive commemorative program, particularly those launched by the Queensland and Victorian Branches which were the key to the success of the commemorations.

The Council recently reviewed its involvement in the 1997 program and while it believes that the Club still retains the same enthusiasm, the energy and enterprise needed to mount a similar program 25 years on, is now beyond the physical capabilities of members of the Club. At the same time, the Council has recognised that there have been many changes during the past 25 years, particularly in the way the Division manages its Antarctic program and the way it interacts with the Australian public.

Accordingly, the Council has suggested to the Director. AAD that, that the RSV Nuyina during next year's winter down time be sent on a 'whistle stop tour' of Capital cities (e.g. Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, etc.), to remind the Australian public of the proud 75 years of Australia's commitment to research and exploration in Antarctica and at the same time view our World class Icebreaker.)

In this way Club members would be able to assist with displays, guiding, etc. at the various Ports (and the LST 3501 and the Wyatt Earp Bells), could be one of the centre pieces on display.

The Council is waiting to hear from the Director in this regard.

4. The 'Dan ships' Memorial Plaque at the Re-developed North Wharf Precinct, Melbourne 2023

Early this year the Club was contacted by Offshore & Specialist Ships Australia (OSSA), a body formed in 2017 by a group of enthusiastic ex-seafarers who were dismayed to see Australia's off-shore history and memorabilia being lost and set out to capture much of this Australian Maritime history.

The Club was particularly invited to assist in the facilitation of the proposed Dan Ship's memorial Plaque (a one metre diameter bronze plaque recording the voyages of the four Dan Ships with ANARE), to be cast in Denmark and be brought to Melbourne to be erected by a consortium (involving OSSA-FND- J-Lauritzen Foundation) in the Seafarers Park, part of the proposed redevelopment of the North Wharf Precinct, Docklands, Melbourne, where the Dan ships departed –the first, the Kista Dan arriving in December 1953 (70 years ago in 2023), taking the first party to establish Mawson Station in February 1954.

The Club has been admitted as a member of this special consortium and further information about the project is awaited in October this year.

5. Memorial Bell recording Ships involved in Australian Antarctic Expeditions.

With the casting of the Nuyina Bell, a 'Proving Bell' was cast prior to the final casting. This Bell has been offered to the Club with the suggestion that the names of all ships

involved in Australian Antarctic Expeditions be engraved on the Bell. The Council will consider this suggestion and keep members informed.

David Dodd and Trevor Luff
Special Projects Committee
16 August 2021

Addendum:

65th anniversary of Davis Station in 2022

- Planning a Zoom hook-up between past and present station team members

David Dodd was congratulated by those present on his work in this area.

Motion: to accept the Special Events Report:

Proposed: David Dodd

Seconded: David Ellyard

Motion carried

6.7 Future Committee – presented by Peter Field (added to Agenda)

The ANARE Club National Council has formed a sub-committee called the Future Committee to address quite a few issues the Club faces going into the future. As some items are more urgent than others and to address several items or comments from the 2018 ANARE Club Strategy Committee Survey, we have identified three main goals.

1. Immediate issues These are short term objectives to be assessed and maybe implemented for the upcoming summer season. These include but are not limited to:

- a. A new Digital Membership option for Members not requiring the printed Aurora
- b. Free 6-month On-line Membership for new expeditioners
- c. ANARE Club Flyers to commencing Expeditioners
- d. Recruit an on-Station agent to promote the Club
- e. Suggestions form on our website

2. Intermediate Items An intermediate direction is to seek professional assistance in reaching out to more interested groups and associations where we may be able to share value:

- a. Approach an external organisation for a Consultation/Discussion with the Future Committee.
- b. Interacting with other groups likely to have members who have been Expeditioners (MET, Pilots, RAAF etc)
- c. Digital storage of Club archived documents, recordings and videos

3. Long Term Direction To enhance the attractiveness of the Club brand, it is important that we are active in longer term and large-scale activities relevant to Australia in Antarctica.

- a. Oral History Project
- b. Action to preserve ANARE Club documentary artifacts
- c. Action to preserve documentary and physical artifacts and memorabilia
- d. Promote and facilitate the establishment of a National Antarctic Museum

All Club members are welcome to provide feedback or suggestions or to offer their assistance in any of these endeavours. Please contact webmaster@anareclub.org.au.

Peter Field
ANARE Club Future Committee
18 August 2021

Addendum:

- storage (both digital and physical) is a major issue to be resolved.
- A Digital Membership has been proposed for \$30 per annum - members would receive an online copy of 'Aurora' only. Concern expressed about needing a critical number of full-fee paying members to offset printing costs: there is a 'critical mass' required. A trial of the Digital Membership will be run for two years with regular review to check any effects on revenue.

Motion: to accept the Future Committee report

Proposed: Peter Field

Seconded: Trevor Cowell

Motion carried

Item 7. 2021-2022 National Council Elections – Office Bearers and Ordinary Councillors

In accordance with the ANARE Club Constitution, all National Council positions were declared vacant and nominations were called between 01 June and close of business (17:00) on 01 July 2022.

As the number of nominations received was less than the available 13 Council positions, no election was necessary and the following Councillors were declared elected by the Returning Officer.

Office Bearers:	President	George Friend OAM
	Vice President	David Dodd
	Treasurer	David Dodd (<i>pro tem</i>)
	Secretary	Melanie Van Twest
Ordinary Councillors:		Trevor Cowell
		Chris Eavis
		Peter Field
		Ron Hann
		Brian Harvey
		Trevor Luff
		Duncan MacKenzie
		Ian Toohill
		Margaret Whitelaw
	Ex Officio:	Past President
Aurora Editor		David Ellyard

- new President George Friend was welcomed
- discussion was had on declining membership: Council members were encouraged to recruit at least one new member each

- a proposal was raised to make the AAD Director an honorary member
- further proposals made to connect with aviation and maritime expeditioners (usually ADF and contractors, not ANARE/AAD employees) to offer membership
- same with tertiary institutions working in Antarctic research

Item 8. Amendment of the Rules relating to the Financial Status of Members pursuant to Rule 12, subsection (4).

A motion was raised to change the Constitution-mandated time between failure to pay membership dues and lapse of membership, reducing this time from 12 to 4 weeks

The Club's Rules of Association require 75% or more of the vote to be in favour.

Results of voting for the Special Resolution to amend the Rules of Association from 12 weeks to 4 weeks			
	TOTAL RECEIVED	FOR	AGAINST
Electronic Voting	92	80	12
Postal Votes	18	16	2
Proxy – Chairman of the Meeting	13	13	
Proxy – Trevor Cowell	1	1	
Proxy – Ron Hann	2	2	
Proxy – David Dodd	1	1	
Present at AGM* *These are members present either via Zoom or in person who had not voted prior to the meeting	12	12	
	139	125	14
		90%	10%

Vote:

139 eligible votes were received.

125 votes for

14 votes against

Motion carried with 90% of the vote in favour

The ANARE Club constitution will be amended accordingly.

Item 9. Any other business

- Melanie Van Twest raised a concept of an 'ANARE Old and New' project to connect expeditioners currently on station with former expeditioners from their stations. This would encourage social connect and a greater appreciation of the Club's history in current expeditioners and may boost memberships. Those present agreed this was an idea worth pursuing. Melanie will write something up to present to Council.
- Melanie Van Twest also noted that the Aurora Australis Foundation (of which she is also secretary) is in the process of acquiring the Aurora Australis II ship tender. The AAF is in discussion with the City of Hobart regarding a permanent memorial to Antarctic shipping, which could be placed on the Hobart waterfront with the AAIL as its centrepiece. This was noted with interest by those present.

- Geoff Payne asked about the traditional ANARE Club berth provided by the AAD. This has not been offered in 2021 due to COVID restrictions and will be offered again in 2022 or whenever we are “out of COVID”. A further restriction has been placed by the AAD that the recipient must be under the age of 60.

Item 10. Phil Law Medal

It was noted that there were no nominees in 2021 and hence there will be no presentation of the Phil Law Medal this year.

There being no further business raised, **the meeting was closed at 15:37.**

Confirmed as an accurate and correct transcription of reports presented and decisions taken.

Richard Unwin
President
25 July 2022

Trevor Luff
Secretary
25 July 2022

Appendix 1 – Financial Statements (see Item 5)

ANARE CLUB Inc.
ABN 42 093 412 475
National Council Meeting 7 August 2021
ACCOUNT BALANCES (Balance Sheet) as at 30 June 2021 (Australian Dollars (Cash Basis))

BANK ACCOUNTS	
NAB Cheque Account	\$42,986.18i
NAB Term Deposit 12-535-0434	\$30,000.00
NAB Term Deposit 58-317-5397	\$60,149.54
PayPal	\$1,137.31
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	\$134,273.03
CASH ACCOUNTS	
Cash Account	\$81.03
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	\$81.03
ASSET ACCOUNTS	
Stock HOBART	\$828.49
Stock MELBOURNE *	\$21,879.62
TOTAL ASSET ACCOUNTS	\$22,708.13
LIABILITY ACCOUNTS	
Capitation Fee Liability	-\$1,050.75
Prepaid Subscription Liability	-\$23,470.00
TOTAL LIABILITY ACCOUNTS	-\$26,520.75
OVERALL TOTAL (NET WORTH) as at 30-June 2021	\$130,541.44

**Interim Stocktake*

David Dodd

Treasurer

16 August 2021

ANARE CLUB Inc.

Item 5.1

INCOME and EXPENSES (Profit and Loss Account) EOFY 2021

1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 Australian Dollars (Cash Basis)

<i>Category</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount \$A</i>
INCOME		
1.	<i>Interest Income</i>	
	NAB Term Dep 12-535-0430	\$176.90
	NAB Term Dep, 58-317-5397	\$1,608.68
	<i>TOTAL Interest Income</i>	\$1,785.58
2.	<i>Membership Fees</i>	
	Australia	\$25,270.68
	Overseas	\$850.57
	<i>TOTAL Membership Fees</i>	\$26,120.61
3.	<i>Philatelic Sales</i>	
	Aurora	\$1,885.00
	Bellingshausen	\$2,670.00
	<i>TOTAL Philatelic Sales Income</i>	\$4,405.00
4.	<i>Sales Items Income</i>	
	Sale of Goods, Single / Mixed Items	\$1,932.00
	<i>TOTAL Sales Items Income</i>	\$1,932.00
5.	<i>Miscellaneous Income</i>	
	70 th Anniversary Flag Qld Branch	\$276.00
	<i>TOTAL Miscellaneous Income</i>	\$276.00
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>		<u>\$34,519.19</u>
EXPENSES		
	Uncategorised	\$2.89
6.	<i>Administrative</i>	
	Courier	\$40.00
	Postage	\$47.60
	Other Administrative	\$4,786.26
	<i>TOTAL Administrative</i>	\$4,837.96
7.	<i>Aurora Journal</i>	
	Packaging Plastic Sleeves	\$170.72
	Postage Aus	\$4,661.86
	Postage OS	\$443.00
	Other Aurora postage	\$16.20
	<i>TOTAL Postage</i>	\$5,121.06
	Printing	\$6,849.40
	Service Sheets	\$544.50
	<i>TOTAL Aurora Journal Costs</i>	\$12,685.68
8.	<i>Awards</i>	
	Phil Law Certificate or Medal	\$237.70
	<i>TOTAL Awards</i>	\$237.70
9.	<i>Councillor's Travel Expenses</i>	

	Refund Airfares	-\$400.00
	<i>TOTAL Councillor's Travel Exps.</i>	<i>-\$400.00</i>
10.	<i>IT And Internet Costs</i>	
	Vimeo Sub	\$1,384.10
	Web Hosting	\$545.33
	Website Redevelopment Project	\$5,413.00
	Other Web ,& IT & Internet	\$706.83
	<i>TOTAL IT And Internet</i>	<i>\$8,049.26</i>
11.	<i>NAB Credit Card Facility Fees</i>	
	Card Issuer Fee	\$7.59
	Credit Card Charges	\$13.18
	Other Credit Card Fees	\$8.63
	<i>TOTAL NAB Credit Card Fees</i>	<i>\$29.40</i>
12.	<i>PayPal Fees</i>	
	PayPal Fees Mixed	\$308.34
	<i>TOTAL PayPal Fees</i>	<i>\$308.34</i>
13.	<i>Philatelic Expenses</i>	
	Aurora Set	\$63.50
	Bellingshausen Set	\$1,339.60
	Nuyina	\$139.80
	<i>TOTAL Philatelic Expenses</i>	<i>\$1,550.04</i>
14.	<i>Sales Items Expenses</i>	
	Stock purchases	\$191.70
	Postage	\$243.00
	<i>TOTAL Sales Items Expenses</i>	<i>\$434.70</i>
15.	<i>Special Projects</i>	
	Oral History	\$608.56
	RSV Nuyina Bell	\$6.21
	LST 3501 Bell	\$964.08
	70th Anniversary Flag	\$1,422.88
	<i>TOTAL Special Projects</i>	<i>\$4,101.73</i>
16.	<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	<u>\$29,353.84</u>
17.	<u>OVERALL (Surplus) /Loss</u>	<u>\$5,265.35</u>

David Dodd
Treasurer 16 August 2021

ANARE CLUB Inc.
ABN 42 093 412 475
Certificate by Members of the Council
For the year ended 30 June 2021

I, Trevor Luff (Secretary), of 22 Wattle Street, Cooroy, Queensland 4563

&

I, David Michael Dodd (Treasurer), of 1 Bagley Street, Brighton, Victoria 3186,

hereby certify that :-

1. We are members of the Council of the ANARE Club Inc.
2. We attended the Annual General Meeting of the association held on 28 August 2021.
3. We are authorized by the resolution of the Council to sign this Certificate.
4. This annual statement was submitted to the members of the association at the 2021 Annual General Meeting held as a Video Teleconference on 28 August 2021.



Trevor Luff (Secretary)
Council Member



David Michael Dodd (Treasurer)
Council Member

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ANARE CLUB Inc.
ABN 42 093 412 475
Certificate by Members of the Council
For the year ended 30 June 2021

In the opinion of the Council, the Statements of Financial Position, Statement of Cash Flows and Notes to the Financial Statements;

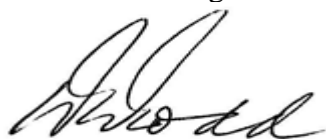
1. Presents fairly the financial position of the ANARE Club Inc. as at 30 June 2021 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, mandatory professional reporting requirements and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The Council is responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the accounting records and the disclosure of all material and relevant information.

This statement is made in accordance with the resolution of Council and is signed for and on behalf of the Council by:



Richard Unwin
President - 16 August 2021



David Dodd
Treasurer - 16 August 2021

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ANARE CLUB Inc.
ABN 42 093 412 475
National Council Report
For the year ended 30 June 2021

Your Council submits the financial accounts of the ANARE Club Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2021.

Council Members

The names of committee members at the date of this report;

Mr Richard Unwin (President)
Mr Lee Sice (Vice President)
Mr David Dodd (Treasurer)
Mr Trevor Luff (Secretary)
Mr Trevor Cowell
Mr Peter Field
Mr Ron Hann
Mr Brian Harvey
Dr Duncan MacKenzie OAM
Mr Ian Toohill
Dr Melanie Van Twest
Dr Margaret Whitelaw
Dr David Ellyard (Ex officio, Aurora Editor)

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were;

To provide ongoing administrative and management services to the members of the ANARE Club.

Significant changes

No significant changes in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating result.

The **surplus** / loss from ordinary activities amounted to for the Year ended **30 June 2021**

+ **\$5,265.35**

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