



Muriwai Volunteer Lifeguard Service Inc

Annual General Meeting

**Sunday 10 September 2023 at 3pm at
The Surf Club at Muriwai**

Meeting opened at 3.30pm

Present

Mike Ward, Jo Cooper, Kate Ward, Bryce Pearce, Jayne McCall, Rob Mihaljevich, Neil Reid, Trish Reid, Wayne Sutton, Anthony O'Meara, Damian Molloy, Dirk Van der Woerd, Nigel Sorenson, Sue Maloney, Pipi Maloney, Mathew Mihaljevich, Rob Mihaljevich, Greg Sagar, Patrick Rowland, Alan Kindred, Tongi Michael, Evelyn Michael, John Thomas, Brendan Barry-Walsh

Apologies

Rob Buchanan, Jason Platt, Justin Barr, Charlotte Barry-Walsh, Glenn Gowthorpe, Tim Draisey

President's Karakia & Welcome

Welcome to the 75th Muriwai Volunteer Lifeguard Service Inc 2023 Annual General Meeting.

Passing of friends

We sadly acknowledge the passing of past and present members of MVLS, and our community, in the last year.

We acknowledge and remember them. We will take a moment's silence and reflection. May they rest in peace.

Thank you to funders and sponsors

Thank you to the Club funders and sponsors as noted on Page 7 of our annual report.

Previous AGM Minutes

No matters arising from previous minutes.

Propose to adopt 2022 AGM minutes – Jo Cooper (President)

Second – Neil Reid

Acceptance of Annual Report

The annual report has been presented and made available to everyone online prior to today's meeting. Noted : The audited Statement of Financial Performance & Auditor's Report not available at time of AGM. This will be distributed when available.

Motion to move and adopt and approve the 2021/2022 annual report – Jo Cooper (President)

Second: Michael Ward (Chairman)

Motion carried.

Our Year in Review – brief overview

- The incredible strength and resilience of our club and community were evident as we came together to help those facing challenges and uncertainties following the flooding and cyclone events. Each one of us played a vital role supporting each other during this critical time of need. The management team extends its heartfelt gratitude for all your contributions.
- Our SAR squad once again demonstrated unwavering commitment to our community's safety. During the emergency evacuation situations we faced, the SAR team showcased their professionalism and commitment. Throughout the year the squad continued to enhance their skills through training and engagement sessions with local response organisations. Once again, we thank you for the incredible work you do supporting the club and larger communities.
- With the shortened season the number of rescues was down on previous seasons - 40 rescues and 231 assists. Assists continue to be on the rise, highlighting the 'swim between the flags' messaging.
- Thank you to all those providing their time for the training and upskilling of other members across RWC, IRB & First Aid. As we hit the upcoming patrol season we have strong numbers across all areas.
- Thank you to our PC and VPCs who provide balance across leadership, experience, health and safety risk management, plus ongoing mentorship and skill training for our new guards.
- The success of our junior and youth programs owe much to the determined and resilient group of organisers, as well as the enthusiastic participation of parents, coaches, and juniors. A big thank you to all involved. Congratulations to all those who achieved outstanding results at carnival and competitions throughout the season. Your commitment, personal best and met challenges are truly commendable.
- Thank you to our management team collectively and individually for the positive and proactive contribution you continue to make. As a team we have experienced a few extra challenges on top of our volunteer management roles – we greatly appreciate your ongoing commitment.
- Thanks again to Dirk for his highly anticipated weekly update of news, information and great photos via the newsletter.

- MLSAT continues to maintain the surf club facility providing both a fit for purpose operational base for MVLS and a community centre that became an essential hub during this year's challenging events.
- And finally, I wish to acknowledge our volunteers who continue to donate their time to ensure the safety of those living in or visiting the local area. Your commitment, passion and efforts are recognised and appreciated.

Audited Financial Statements

To be made available to all once received from Auditor's.

- We continue to maintain prudent cash reserves to tide us through.

Further items of Business of which notice has been given

There have been no further items of business, of which notice has been given.

Following the amalgamation of SLSNR & SLSNZ, I will now pass you over to our delegate Brendan to run through a few notable points.

Election of Officers

At this time, we have nominations to fill the majority of management positions with one nomination each.

We will be looking to elect the board and committee positions en bloc, as opposed to going through each one individually. I therefore would like to move that the nominations are elected en bloc. If anyone is opposed to this, please provide your dissension now. None noted.

I can confirm, that the Junior Surf structure is in place and will be formally acknowledged by the Management Committee prior to season commencement. Vacancies will be addressed by the Management Committee, but as mentioned, we look to you all for input and support.

The nominations have been presented and made available.

Acceptance of Nominations for 2022/2023 en bloc

Jo Cooper: Motion to pass a resolution to accept and approve the 2021/2022 nominations.

Mover : Sonia Connon

Second: Brendan Barry-

Walsh

Motion carried.

Thank you and meeting close

Thank you all for attending today's meeting. Meeting closed at 3.28pm.

