CAPE TOWN AMATEUR RADIO CENTRE

MINUTES OF THE 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held in the Clubhouse at the Round Table Community Centre, Chess Road, Rondebosch on Saturday 25th July 2015 at 14:00



01 Opening of meeting and apologies

The Chairman, Rob ZS1SA, welcomed all attending the meeting and the meeting was declared open at 14:05. There were twenty eight members present with two proxies given to the Secretary, Anne from ZS1FZ – Fred Ziss, ZS1JH – Jan Hugo. Thirteen members gave their apologies and there were three visitors present. (Attendance register attached as Appendix A)

O2 Confirmation of notice of meeting and quorum

Notice of the AGM had been sent out on 30 June 2015. There being 28 members and two proxies present, the constitutional requirements were met to declare the meeting quorate.

03 Minutes silence for the following Silent Key:

A minute's silence was observed for the following members and friends whose key went silent during the past year. Members: Paul Schmidt ZS1GE, Alan ZS1AAX and Harold ZS1VW.

04 Confirmation of minutes of AGM held on 26th July 2014

The asked if the previous minutes were proposed and accepted. The minutes were accepted as a true reflection of the AGM. Proposed by John, ZS1AGH, seconded by Klaus, ZS1QO and adopted unanimously.

Matters arising from the minutes – None.

O8 Treasurer's report and acceptance of the accounts

The Treasurer Danny Blanckenberg, ZS1BL read his financial report. Proposed by Mike, ZS1FP, seconded by Klaus, ZS1QO and adopted unanimously. The Treasurer expressed his gratitude to Barry, ZS1BF who is honorary auditor for the CTARC, and has signed off this report. (See Financials attached in the Newsletter.)

06 Report of the Administrative Sub Committee (Chairman's Report)

The Chairman Rob, ZS1SA read his report which was well received and applauded. It is attached to these minutes as Appendix B.

09 Presentation of Trophies and Awards

No Life Memberships were awarded this year.

Trophies awarded:

ZS1AGH, Mike Schumann: The Buck Taylor Award for outstanding service to the Club

ZS1FP, Elsabe Haycox: The Participation Award for continued service and dedication to the club.

ZR1HPC, Hylton Conacher: The "Wellie" Award for Club Attendance

Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT awarded the SARL's Jack Twine Award to ZS1AHG, John Haycox

10 Election of office bearers and Activity Convenors

There was one resignation from the Committee, Deon Erwin ZS1ZL. The Chairman, Rob ZS1SA thanked ZS1ZL for his service to the Committee and then relinquished the chair and Paul Johnson ZS1S assumed the chair to conduct the election of the new chairman.

Rob Bareham, ZS1SA was proposed as Chairman and Noel Futter ZS1FW as Vice Chair the rest of the Committee stayed and one new member was elected, Hylton Conacher, ZR1HPC as the new QSL Manager for the CTARC. There were no objections, and was proposed unanimously by the members present. ZS1SA was thus elected unopposed and unanimously and reassumed the chair. The Chairman thanked all the members present for their approval.

11 Appointment of Hon. Auditor

Barry Fletcher - ZS1BF was once again appointed as the Hon. Auditor.

The new Committee as follows:

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ZS1SA - Rob (Chairman
ZS1FW - Noel (Vice Chairman
Anne Bareham
ZS1ZD - Nick
ZR1HPC - Hylton
ZS1BL - Danny
ZS1PXK - Paul Kennedy
ZS1TM - Tony
ZS1RA - Shaun
ZS1S - Paul Johnson
ZS1BF - Barry (Honorary Auditor)
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13 Votes of thanks

Signed:

Apologies

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Rob, ZS1SA gave a vote of thanks to the outgoing Committee which, he commented, he had enjoyed working with over the past year, and he then welcomed the new Committee as a dedicated group of people, with Ham Spirit, and looked forward to taking the chair with Noel, ZS1FW as his Vice Chair.

14 Closure – The AGM closed at 14:45 after successfully concluding the meeting's business.

Rob Bareham ZS1SA	
Chairman	

Appendix A

25th July 2015

Attendance Register

Apologies		
1	ZS1FZ	Fred Ziss (Proxy to Anne)
2	ZS1PT	Pete Burnham
3	ZS1DEA	Daniel Erasmus
4	ZS1ABC	Monty Breytenbach
5	ZS1PDY	Patrick Yeardon
6	ZS1VK	Russell Mycroft
7	ZS1ZC	John Golby
9	ZS1JH	Jan Hugo (Proxy to Anne)
10	ZS1X	Dirk Lotz
11	ZS1AU	Dennis Wells
12	ZS1OSK	lan Stanbridge
13	ZS1TM	Tom Ambrose
14	ZS1ADD	Prof de Vries
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Visitors		
1	Elsabe Haycox	
2	Shareen	
3	Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT	
Members		
1	ZS1AGH	John Haycox
2	ZS1PE	Mike Howell
3	ZS1TK	Tony Kahn
4	ZS1BL	Danny Blankenberg
5	ZS1PXK	Paul Kennedy
6	ZS1SA	Rob Bareham
7	Member	Anne Bareham
8	ZS1SG	Dave Perry
9	ZS1RA	Shaun Overmeyer
10	ZS1GRM	Gerald Meneses
11	ZR1FK	Fred Karlinski
12	ZS1HJH	Hans-Jurgen Hohlbein
13	ZS1BF	Barry Fletcher
14	ZS1QO	Klaus Knopf
15	ZS1CO	Michael Wolffe
16	ZS1FK	Fred Karlingski
17	ZR1FR	Dave Smeda
18	ZSLS	Paul Johnson
19	ZS1FP	Mike Schumann
20	ZS1FW	Noel Futter
21	ZS1ZD	Nick Curwell
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ZS1RIC

ZS1HA

ZS1HPC

ZS1FR

ZR1GFT

ZS1TM

Richard Brown

Hans Moolenschot

Hylton Conacher

Davey Smeda Geoff Tyler

Tony McEwen

AGM 25 July 2015 CTARC Chairman's Report for 2014/15

This past year has certainly been an eventful one for the CTARC. We started off the year with Paul ZS1S and Nick ZS1ZD joining us on the committee. During the year we have had quite a few interesting talks at the club house including Dennis ZS1AU on propagation, Paul ZS1S on Trista da Cunah, Colin ZS1RS on fox hunting, Mike VK2UCTY on hamming in Australia, Nick ZS1ZD on batteries, and our SARL representative Johann Marais ZS1JM discussing our questions about the SARL headquarters building, to name a few of our regular meeting events.

We have had our usual bumper flea market in March, a visit to the Observatory, a very successful Lighthouse operation, a club house work party and the always popular end of year function. Incidentally, our Green Point Lighthouse use on 15/16 August has been confirmed by Transnet. They are charging us a small user fee for their facilities this year which the club will pay next week.

Membership:

Anne has informed me we have 31 paid up Members as of yesterday 24th July when this report was written. As of yesterday there were 34 still to pay their 2015 / 16 Subs. If you have not paid your subs yet please see Anne or Danny.

We have also had 11 new members join us last year. New members are most welcomed and having new members join us gives your committee the feeling that things are going well with our club.

Silent Keys:

This year we sadly said goodbye to some of our members who passed away. Alan ZS1AAX, Harold ZS1VW and Paul ZS1GE

Repeaters:

The saga of the narrow banding issue continues and your committee is doing what it can to maintain our 145.750 repeater on wide band. Dave Perry ZS1SG remains the sole person who can access that site and if it were not for this fact our 145.750 would have been converted to narrow band also.

I have been told that the WCRWG has set some of the repeater receivers on wide band and the transmitters on narrow band without any discussion with the either ourselves or the Oakdale club. As you can appreciate, at this point any donations that we have for repeater support are now being made available only for our 145.750 repeater and we will continue with this policy until the WCRWG once again consults and takes recommendations from the two largest clubs and supporters in the area.

We have recently purchased batteries for power back up for our 145.750 repeater which Dave has installed. We feel these funds were well spent in light of the load shedding taking place and will ensure our repeater has power to run when Eskom performs it's load shedding in that area.

On a lighter note, Barry ZS1FJ has agreed to finance a remotely controlled HF station at the club house. Your committee is gathering information on what hardware will be required and the best way to get an internet link into the club house. I have no doubt that once this system is up and running we will see many of our members making use of the system and new members joining the club in order to use it from their home QTHs. Shaun ZS1RA has undertaken to head up this interesting project.

Our finances are still healthy and Danny keeps excellent watch over them and our expenditures to ensure they stay that way, thank you Danny. Also a big thank you to Anne, our secretary, caterer and Ragchew editor and of courses my dear wife, for all she does for the club. Anne keeps us all on our toes and ensures the club runs smoothly.

Committee:

Deon ZS1ZL started on the committee at the beginning of the year but due to unexpected work and home commitments he has been unable to attend committee meetings and most other club functions. We thank Deon for the things he was able to assist us with before his work and family commitments prevented him from doing so.

Paul ZS1S keeps a watchful eye over the goings on at the WCRWG meetings and advises the committee accordingly. Nick ZS1ZD ably runs our website and keeps the CTARC BlogSpot up to date with many interesting articles and reports.

Paul ZS1PXK ensures there are tea and snacks for us at our meetings and also assists with our major events such as the flea market and lighthouse events.

Tony, our bulletin coordinator ensures the Sunday bulletin is read out each week and schedules the readers.

Noel, ZS1FW as our chairman of vice and my mentor during my first year as chairman has been instrumental in keeping the club house ship shape and in good order.

Shaun ZS1RA is responsible for or public relations but you will see him involved in many other important functions of the club.

In fact the entire committee rolls up their sleeves whenever required to ensure the necessary is always taken care of, regardless of their formal designations on the committee. I would like to thank all of the committee for their work and dedication to this fine club.

Finally I would like to thank you, the members for supporting us and attending our events. Together we will ensure that the CTARC continues to be Cape Town's finest radio club and I look forward to serving you in the coming year.