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2020 NZRCA SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES (19th September 2020 – 11am)

1. Meeting Open – 11:08am
2. Welcome – [Matthew Banks \(NZRCA President\)](#) welcomed everyone to the Special Meeting
 - a. [People In Attendance:](#)

Name	Role	Number
Matthew Banks	Meeting Chair / Delegate	04
Scott Kendall	NZRCA Secretary	
Rex Wessels	NZRCA Treasurer	
Darryl Maslin	NZRCA EP Onroad Tech Officer	
Dean Evans	Delegate	07
Luke Prattley	Delegate	09
Julian Hardy	Delegate	10
Antony Mara	Delegate	12
Selwyn Duthie	Delegate	13
Stu Macferson	Delegate	14
James Dale	Delegate	15
James Corrigan	Delegate	21
Amber Kendall	Delegate	23
Ron Groom	Delegate	24
David Beck	Delegate	26

3. Apologies - [Counties](#), [Whangarei](#), [Bay Of Plenty](#), [Tauranga Indoors](#), [Nelson](#), [Dargaville](#)
 4. NZRCA Life Membership Award Presentation
 - a. [Amy Stevenson - Appendix 1 Below](#)
 - b. [Selwyn Duthie - Appendix 2 Below](#)
 5. NZRCA Constitutional Items – [Appendix 3 Below](#)
 6. Meeting Closed: 11:54am
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Appendix 1

Amy's RC Diary 1989 – 2020

Oh yeah, was the answer to a question an 8 ½ year old Amy was asked by her father Dave while watching RC car racing at Hamilton clubs Bristol Park off road track in late 1988. After seeing her excitement, the question was if we sell the go kart would you like to have a go at racing RC cars. Kart sold and it was off to Kits N Bits model shop where they met Bev and Rob Simpson who told them about the indoor racing at table tennis centre on Saturday nights. The indoors choice was made, and a Monster Beetle was purchased July 1989.

Once assembled a lot of backyard practise was done and off to her to her very first race meeting on 2 September 1989. Dave recalls a time pre RC at Frankton Primary School on a show and tell day in her class when Amy came home very down having not been able to contribute much due to her physical limitations. Mum and Dad could feel her pain and disappointment. When the next one came around however it changed Amy's outlook on life forever. This time armed with her Monster Beetle out on the school netball court Amy instantly became the most popular kid in class, at least with the boys anyway. A massive confidence boost for her that has carried her thorough to this day.

In 1990 saw the real start of the very successful indoor Drivers' Series. As well as race Amy offered to help Bev on the race computer having attended computing classes at CCS. At the age of 12 Amy took over the computer from Bev, as well as race. Amy began helping the then President and Drivers Series Co-ordinator Doug Holmes with all the paperwork for the series including entry forms, race books, designed the posters and all the race day computer work involved in the series. Friday night set ups, early Saturday mornings, late evenings and prize-giving's. Amy loved that she could contribute so much to her chosen sport. 1994 saw touring cars enter the scene and Amy and Dave realised a need for a proper racetrack. Materials available and Dave's skills on a plastics fabricator saw Amy and Dave start a 4-month build, late nights, weekends, Amy on a paint brush – "legend". The new track ready for the first round of Drivers Series June 1994.

1996 saw a move to Claudelands Showgrounds. Amy continued with her heavy workload at race control for race nights points rounds and Drivers Series duties as well as running her Stock Truck finally putting in 2010 putting No 1 on the door.

Fast forward 2013 Amy took her first break from the computer in 20 years to recharge her batteries and not long after her racetrack went into storage. In 2015 Amy took a trip to Tauranga RC club new indoor venue at a Greerton hall with her truck to have a go on carpet. Soon however offering to run their race computer for them – surprise, surprise. Gave Dad a call to go over and see the great job the guys had done making a track out of bits and pieces. They both said we can help with that. Christmas break saw father and daughter together again on track duties. This time Dave scrubbing brush and Amy on paint brush – legends. Refreshed track delivered for the start of the 2016 season.

2017 saw a move to a bigger hall at the Mount. Amy now running the meetings from race control and a committee member. Still racing in Hamilton but not enjoying their new venue with her ground zero drivers view making it very difficult to gauge most parts of the track.

2020 saw Amy move her racing here to Tauranga where she can now see all of the racetrack, she is very proud to have helped build with Dad 26 years ago and loving it all. Amy became a committee member, club captain and has now taken over the President and Secretary roles as well.

Amy has never missed a year's racing in 30 years. "I'm having lots of fun doing it" she says. "The respect that is shown for Amy and her commitment to RC racing in a male dominated sport is awesome" says a very proud Mum and Dad. Wow, all this from a primary school "show and tell", Dave says.



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Another important part of Amy's RC diary has been her work on behalf of the NZRCA alongside her favourite man, other than her father of course – Murray Macdonald. Amy has served on the NZRCA Executive for 17 years as Licence Secretary. She has officiated as Chief Timekeeper at national events in both the North Island and South Island and many north island events. Over the past 20 years she had trained many other members to use the AMB system at events.

Just to end. Here's Amy's racing stats compiled by Dave from his extensive files on Amy's RC career over 30 years.

1990 – 2020 and counting

Club races indoors – 1,420 approx.

20 years if Indoor Driver series – 320

Many demonstrations and publicity races

Many have come and gone and back again, but Amy has been there forever.





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Appendix 2

Selwyn Duthie

Selwyn's first sub to the Taranaki Radio Control Car Club (TRCCC) club was paid on the 6th December 1978. The sub at that time was \$5.

Selwyn was the president of TRCCC from at least 1993 till 2002, possibly before that but nobody could confirm this. Selwyn then moved away from the President role where he has held the Secretary role since 2003 and is currently still in this position.

Selwyn has attended one IFMAR world as a competitor in 1989 at Heemstede in the Netherlands where he finished in the top 100. Selwyn has attended 2 other IFMAR world events in 2015 & 2017 where he was pit crew for his sons Jayden & Luke.

Selwyn has helped both TRCCC and other NZRCA clubs in running of countless major meetings over the years including a large number of Ultimate Open meetings and National title meetings.

Selwyn has been involved in the NZRCA Executive for 25 years this year and today we acknowledge this by presenting him with the award for NZRCA Life Membership.





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Sunday Express 19-8-79
 Taranaki drivers and their 3.5 cc cars, from left: C. Luxmoore (Lola T70), R. Talbot (Surtees), P. Dalton (Porsche G17), S. Duthie (Lola) and G. Henry (Brabham). — Arthur Mune photo.

LITTLE CARS MAKE A BIG IMPACT!

The last time the Taranaki Radio Controlled Car Club held a race meeting at the Ngamotu Tavern car park, a vast crowd of spectators was attracted.

Those who popped in for a brief peep found themselves riveted to the place, utterly fascinated by the exciting speed and manoeuvrability of the 1/8 scale model cars.

The club is holding another race meeting at second place-getter at the last NZ Grand Prix.

A big attraction at the race meeting will be the first appearance at a North Island race meeting of the 1/12th scale racing cars. While the bigger models race around the course at about 45 mph, the smaller ones have a top speed of about 30 mph. Their smaller size, lower speed and relative cost make them ideal cars for younger racers to start off with.

In issuing their usual warm invitation to the public, the organisers of the race day also voice their usual warning about staying behind the rope barriers. The larger cars weigh nearly 3 kilograms, and travelling at 45 mph, are unlikely to bounce harmlessly off a human shin should one get in their way.

P. Dalton, N.P., carries out some running repairs on his Porsche G17. — Arthur Mune photo.

Top competition will try and upset Taranaki's champion

The Taranaki Radio Control Car Club are this weekend hosting drivers from all over New Zealand, including a number of South Island centres, to the 1986 one-eighth gas championships.

The championships will be held on the Centennial Drive circuit, one of the very few permanent circuits in New Zealand.

On Saturday the Formula One cars will perform, and on the second day, Sunday, it will be the turn of the Saloon Cars.

The feature event of both days will be the class finals, which will be held in mid-afternoon. The public are welcome to come and watch.

There will be no charge, but any donations received will go the Taranaki Cot Death appeal.

Taranaki member, Selwyn Duthie, of Eltham, is defending champion in two classes, and will be under a lot of pressure this year from his fellow Taranaki drivers, and also a strong Auckland contingent.

On the club scene

with scale gas cars have organised racing on the first and third Sunday afternoons of each month. At these meetings the fastest driver is determined, worked on a handicap system to even the results as much as possible.

KITSETS

Most of the cars are built up from kitsets and the cost of the car, radio gear and motor would vary from approximately \$650.00 up to \$1,000.00 depending on make etc. Don't be put off by the cost as this is for new cars and equipment.

Second hand cars and equipment are often available at much lower prices. Just ask one of the members and they will put you on to the seller.



Taranaki Radio Control Car Club members held a working bee at their Centennial Drive track last weekend in preparation for this Saturday and Sunday's championships. Left to right, with examples of the Can Am and Saloon gas racers are, Ernie Heath, Trevor Bain, Dennis Johns and Selwyn Duthie. Selwyn is current N.Z. champion in two classes.



Selwyn Duthie, a member of the Taranaki club, and a N.Z. champion, gets his saloon racer started up before a practice run last Saturday. The cars can reach speeds of 70 km/h.

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A FINAL

Place	Name	Club	Prize
1st	Allan Horner	Auckland	Screw Driver Set
2nd	Selwyn Duthie	Taranaki	Slick 50 Oil & Grease
3rd	Leong Goh	Auckland	Celotape Holder
4th	Trevor Bain	Taranaki	Resene Paint Test P
5th	Ernie Heath	Taranaki	Resene Paint Test P

Prizes were very kindly donated by Slick 50, G.E.C., Resene Paint Allens Office Products, General Machinery.

Most left shortly after the prizegiving (about 5pm) but Heaths and Bains carried on and had an enjoyable time eating, drinking and playing until late.

Running the race meeting was a harder job than usual for Keith Rawlinson and Mark Tuck who did a good job, and to whom we are very grateful.

First mini grand prix track in North Island

With the recent completion of the Taranaki Radio Controlled Car Club's new racing circuit at Centennial Drive, New Plymouth has become the North Island centre of this exciting sport.

The circuit has been constructed on the old car park that served the accommodation site during the power station construction, and is the first, such permanent facility in the North Island.

The circuit will have its competitive "christening" this weekend when more than 30 of the top cars in the North Island converge on New Plymouth for the first ever Island championship — the Quinn's Radio North Island Championships. The track was used yesterday for practice runs and the first heats.

Racing resumes this morning at 9 a.m., with further heats being run until about 11 a.m. Then the finals will be run off.

The host club, which has raced until now on temporary circuits at such places as Highlands School

and the Ngamotu Tavern carpark, expects to do particularly well at this inaugural championship meeting.

Club members recently visited Auckland to take part in the first round of the Champion Driver series; the five cars that were entered all finished in the top 12. The successful drivers on that occasion were P. Dalton (2nd), G. Henry (4th), G. Day (9th), B. Talbot (10th) and G. Duthie (12th). Dey's 9th placing was the achievement of the meeting as he had only been in the sport for four months.

These drivers will all be competing here this weekend, as will such other big names in the sport as R. Hoare (Wellington), the top North Island driver last year, J. Hall (Wellington), K. Taylor (Palmerston North) and T. Webster (Auckland). Incidentally Dalton and Henry finished 2nd and 4th respectively in the North Island drivers' ratings last year, with Taylor finishing 3rd.

The new track was sited not only with the needs of the racers in mind, but also looked to the comfort of spectators who have been attracted to race meetings in the past in tremendous numbers. Matchless views of the action will be obtained from a 2.4m bank above the track. The track was laid by Stan Riddick over a period of two months, most of that time being spent in rolling to achieve the necessary levels.

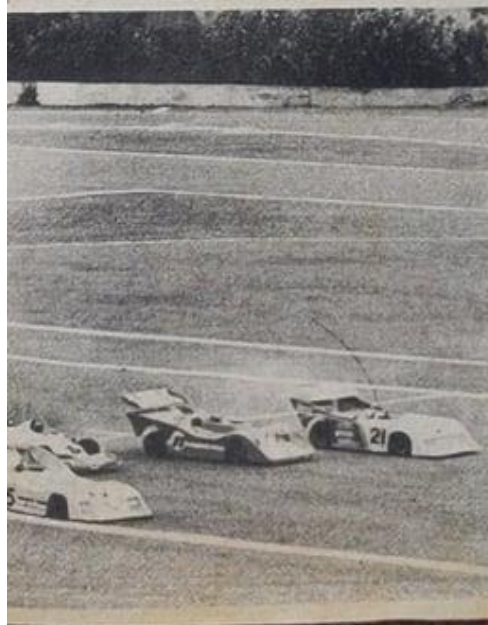
Sponsors for this weekend's racing are Quinn's Radio, Martin's Toys, Cook and Lister and 436 Model Shop and Newton King motor division.



A lineup of racing enthusiasts at the new Centennial Drive track. From left, Laurie Callender, Neil Hunter, Gavin Dey, Bob Talbot, Selwyn Duthie and Peter Dalton.



Taranaki Radio Control Car Club members from left, Selwyn Duthie, Audrey Bain, Graeme Henry, Peter Dalton and Barry Williams operate their vehicles during a race at the Centennial Drive circuit, New Plymouth, last weekend. Below: Audrey Bain (left) and Bob Talbot put their cars through their paces.



In a class of their own . . .

These cars may not be Formula One Grand Prix vehicles — but at least their operators can pretend.

The Taranaki Radio Control Car Club meets in New Plymouth on the first Sunday of each month for race meetings and on the third Sunday for a practice day.

Two classes of car are used by members of the club, which this year totals 16 people. One is the one-eighth scale gas car and the other is a one-twelfth scale electric car.

The difference between the two is that the gas car has a model aircraft engine, creates more noise and has a longer running capacity — making pit stops when it needs to refuel.

The electric car is not as big or fast and has a rechargeable battery which runs for eight minutes.

You could also expect to pay twice as much for a gas car. Current prices have them selling at \$1000, said club secretary Graeme Henry, New Plymouth.

The race meetings are run on a handicap-type system, with six cars running at a time, he said. The results are added up at the end of the day, with the fastest not necessarily coming out on top. Points are totalled, going towards a trophy presented at the end of the year.

Major events on the club's calendar are the New Zealand championships at Easter and the Taranaki championships in February.



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2020 NZRCA AGM - Constitution Change Remits

NZRCA CONSTITUTION

Remit 1 Capital Model Racers Radio Control Car Club (Remit 1)

Current Rule: 3.2.2

Upon receipt of such application a licence will be issued which will be necessary for the entry at any competition held other than the licence holder's home club.

Proposed Rule: 3.2.2

3.2.2 Upon receipt of such application a licence will be issued which will be necessary for the entry at any competition including the licence holder's home club.

Reason:

This is to give clarity around License requirements in regards to NZRCA insurance cover.

Seconded	13
For	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Against	
Abstained	
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 2 Little Forest Raceway (Remit 2)

Current Rule: 5.1

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The NZRCA shall hold its Annual General Meeting (herein after referred to as the AGM) in September each year (preferred location to be Auckland).

Proposed Rule: 5.1

The NZRCA shall hold its Annual General Meeting (herein after referred to as the AGM) in September each year (preferred location to be Auckland). If required, the AGM may be held via electronic format using audio/visual link.

Reason:

With COVID-19 the advice from Incorporated Societies was that although our constitution doesnt say we can not hold meetings electronically, they advise we should update and clearly state "we can" hold the AGM electronically if required.

Seconded	04
For	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Against	
Abstained	
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 3 Little Forest Raceway (Remit 3)

Current Rule: 5.1.3.3

Elected officers will form the Executive Board as follows:

1. PRESIDENT
2. SECRETARY
3. TREASURER
4. I.C Off-Road Technical Officer
5. I.C On-Road Technical Officer
6. Electric Off-Road Technical Officer
7. Electric On-Road Technical Officer
8. Publicity Officer
9. License Secretary
10. H&S Officer

Proposed Rule: 5.1.3.3

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9. Electric On-Road Technical Officer
10. NZ RC Speedway Representative
11. Large Scale Speedway Technical Officer

Reason:

With NZRCA licences now being completed online via club contacts, there is no longer a need for the Licence Secretary role. The President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publicity officer all have full access to the website CMS and can monitor the licencing side of things. We have technical officers (or a voice) currently for 4 factions of the sport, the NZRCA Executive should also have a office place for Large Scale Speedway and NZ RC Speedway, so these areas can stay informed of everything going on at executive level and have input. Re-order of some current positions.

Seconded	04
For	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Against	
Abstained	
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 4 Canterbury Radio Control Car Club (Remit 4)

Current Rule: 5.1.3.12.3

Online voting shall close one calendar month after being made available online. At the closure of voting, all final voting numbers shall be made public and require a two thirds majority vote to pass.

Proposed Rule: 5.1.3.12.3

All drivers registered with NZRCA that pay their licence fee shall have a right to vote regardless of age. Online voting shall close one calendar month after being made available online. At the closure of voting, all final voting numbers shall be made public and require a two thirds majority vote to pass

Reason:

We believe that if drivers pay for a license regardless of age then they should have the right to vote. If not then their license should not attract a fee.

Seconded	10
For	
Against	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Abstained	14
Result	X Failed

Remit 5 Little Forest Raceway (Remit 5)

Current Rule: 5.2

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the NZRCA may be called upon request to the Secretary by any three Board members or by any three member Clubs.

Proposed Rule: 5.2

A Special Meeting of the NZRCA may be called upon request to the Secretary by any three Board members or by any three member Clubs. Special meetings can be held electronically via Audio/Visual link if required.

Reason:

Same with the AGM change, the advise from Incorporated Societies is to update our constitution to state "we can" hold meetings electronically if required.

Seconded	04
For	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Against	
Abstained	
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 6 Little Forest Raceway (Remit 6)

Current Rule: No current rule

Proposed Rule: New Rule to be placed as 6.5.1

If the AGM or Special Meeting is conducted electronically via Audio/Visual link, votes will only be accepted if they are clearly visible to at least one other participant (not in the same location) and recorded. Any delegate who does not provide video link will be deemed to abstain from voting.

Reason:

Advice from Incorporated Societies says that any electronically run meeting, votes can only count if they can be visual by at least one other participant in the meeting via the visual link (i.e not present in the same room as the voter).

Seconded	04
For	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Against	
Abstained	
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 7 Manawatu Radio Control Car Club (Remit 7)

Current Rule: 6.6

At all Annual General and Special Meetings proxy votes will be permitted Provided that the member Club handing over their proxy vote shall notify the Secretary in writing One week prior to the meeting of the name of the Club that will have their proxy.

Proposed Rule: 6.6

Proxy Votes are not allowed.

Reason:

REASON: Clubs are members of this organisation. If they cannot attend, they get no say. Clubs have a responsibility to be in attendance as the discussion around clubs remits are how we are given the opportunity for seeing why they have marked such a change. As we move forward with technology, making the AGM online, there is no excuse for clubs not to be present and therefore making the Proxy vote obsolete.

Seconded	13
For	07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 15, 21, 23, 24
Against	
Abstained	04, 14, 26
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 8 Little Forest Raceway (Remit 8)

Current Rule: No current rule

Proposed Rule: New Rule to be placed as 8.1 c

The NZRCA Health and Safety Officer may (provided 66% majority vote "in favour" of the full NZRCA executive) alter, amend, delete, or introduce any rule that directly impacts the Health and Safety of any NZRCA member, with the rule to change/deletion/inclusion to take immediate effect.

Reason:

The NZRCA executive currently has no power to make necessary changes that directly relate to health and safety issues, and although they can send out guidelines, the power to keep everyone safe should be of high importance.

Seconded	04
For	04, 07, 09, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21, 23, 24, 26
Against	
Abstained	
Result	✓ Passed

Remit 9 Canterbury Radio Control Car Club (Remit 9)

Current Rule: No current rule

Proposed Rule: New Rule to be placed as

Voting on rule changes are to be for that class of racing that the competitor is currently running.

Reason:

Drivers that are voting on classes that they are not running or they might like to run in the future is hypothetical. We need the rules, if changed, changed by the current drivers in the current year. The rules shouldn't be changed by drivers that are not racing that class. ie, Off road drivers voting on an on road class and vice versa.

Seconded	10
For	
Against	04, 07, 09, 12, 13, 21, 23, 24, 26
Abstained	10, 14, 15
Result	X Failed