

## MINUTES OF 93<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026**  
**1.00pm at Hamilton Workingmen's Club, Commerce St, Hamilton.**

### Present:

Gary Reilly, Craig Burrows, Marty Bloy, Les Sinclair, Danny Simmonds, Darren Main, Trevor Foley, Sam Andersen, Martin Doohan, Gareth Cowan, Nigel McClymont, Hamish Keith, Zac Macfarlane, Simon Connelly, Jordan Webster, Nathan Hitchcock, Simon Foley, Aaron Cave & Maria Scott

### Apologies:

Jason Waugh, Matt Hawthorn, Jim Clark, Steve Busch, Steve Reymolds, Kerryn & Dan Simpson, Craig Hawes, Geoff Shaw, Shane Stocker, David Merrick, Craig Hyde, Lauren & Grant Mirabito, Steve Bromley, Darren Degerholm, Maria & Steve King, Sean Bovill, Brendan Paul, Francois Paulus, Dean Moore and Gail Colquhoun, Chris & Trev Savage, Nick Bell, Brett Macdougall, Daniel Peake, Lars de Kruijf & Fraser Haywood

Minutes of Previous AGM: Minutes of previous AGM on 18/03/2025 were read. Les Sinclair moved that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded: Zac Macfarlane - Carried.

Balance Sheet & Financial Statement: Financial Statements for the year ended 31/12/25 were presented. The accounts show a decrease in Members Equity from \$344,544 – to \$316,374, this is directly related to the net loss for the year of \$25,066. Sam Andersen moved that the Financial Statements be received and adopted. Seconded: Nigel McClymont - Carried

Presidents Report: Gary Reilly presented his President's Report and moved that it be adopted. Seconded: Trevor Foley - Carried.

Installation of Office Bearers: The following 11 nominations were received and meet the requirements for Management set out in the NZMPTA rules:

**OEM Members - Milking:** Craig Burrows, Dairymaster Milking Systems NZ. Simon Connelly, GEA Milfos International. Darren Main, DeLaval. Martin Doohan MilkTechNZ

**OEM Members - Water:** Marty Bloy, 43 South.

**Dealer Members – Milking:** Les Sinclair, Spring Meadow Services (Member of the Register).. Gareth Cowan, Progressive Engineering.

**Dealer Members – Water:** Gary Reilly, On Farm Agri Centre, Zac Macfarlane, Franklin Water

**Other:** Trevor Foley, Trevor Foley Consultants, Danny Simmonds, Fonterra

Nigel McClymont moved that these 11 Nominees be formally installed to MPTA Council. Seconded: Gary Reilly – Carried

Election of Auditor: Moved by Sam Andersen to continue using TaxLink Hamilton, or a suitable alternative, as Accountants for the Association and Stuart Duff & Associates as our Auditor. A full Audit shall be undertaken every three years with an Independent Review undertaken in the in-between years. Seconded: Les Sinclair. Carried.

Annual Subscriptions: Moved by Craig Burrows that annual Membership fees remain at the current pricing of \$650.00 + gst for OEM Members and \$450.00 + gst for all other Membership categories, plus an additional \$125.00 + gst per annum for subsidiary branches owned by exactly the same Directors, Seconded: Simon Foley - Carried. However, there was discussion that we should consider adjusting Membership fees every two years.

Training Report: Executive Officer tabled and read the Training Report detailing activity for 2025. Danny Simmonds moved by that the report be accepted. Seconded: Martin Doohan – Carried

### **General Business:**

Matters arising from previous AGM: Nothing to report

Re-registration of MPTA as an Incorporated Society: Under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022, NZMPTA is required to re-register as an Incorporated Society by 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026. A new Constitution has been prepared to align with the requirements of the new Act which has been circulated to all eligible Members to vote on. The required minimum number of votes have been received specifically approving the re-registration of NZMPTA as an Incorporated Society and accepting the new NZMPTA Constitution. All votes received were in favour of these two items, and no Members voted against. Executive Officer is to action the Re-registration before the required date of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

Training / Apprenticeship Update: Revenue from training courses was down slightly (4.5%) from 2024. The Milking Machine Testing and Small Drinking Water Supplies courses continue to be the strengths in our training revenue.

We have completed our investment of \$100,000.00 in the development of four micro-credential qualifications which provide learners with formal, stand-alone awards which are NZQA approved. These are for Small Drinking Water Supplies, Milking Machine Testing, Farm Dairy Management Systems & Selecting the Right Pump.

There are currently approx. 70 learners doing the apprenticeship and over 50 that have fully completed their apprenticeship qualification.

Website Update: A major redesign of the NZMPTA website is underway. This will be launched in conjunction of a social media campaign aimed at driving awareness of NZMPTA and the training courses we offer.

Water Industry Certificate of Recognition: To date 156 people have been awarded with this Certification giving acknowledgment of the skills and knowledge gained throughout their career in the water-based pumping sector. This Certificate is still open for applications.

Guest Speakers: Gillian Blythe (Water NZ), Aleyna Hall (PGDB), Stephen McNally (Irrigation NZ), Hayden Thomas (Fonterra) & Paul Mulligan (Fonterra).

Life Membership: Awarded to Trevor Foley from Trevor Foley Consultants in Hamilton, in recognition of his contribution to MPTA with over 10 years on the MPTA Council including time as Council President.

Gary Reilly closed the meeting and thanked delegates for their attendance, input and support throughout the year.

Meeting concluded at 5.15pm followed by light refreshments and fellowship.

Signed: 

Gary Reilly (President)

Date 25/03/26