



IRISH INTEREST GROUP

NEW ZEALAND SOCIETY OF GENEALOGISTS INC

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Irish Interest Group
Held on Sunday 28 May 2023 at the NZSG, FRC, Panmure.

1 Welcome

2 Present

*(NB: the quorum required is a minimum of 6 plus 1 for every 10 members or part thereof.
EG: 97 members – 6 + 7 = 13).*

Geraldene O'Reilly, Maria Coyne, Kathryn O'Neil, Dorothy Dowgray, John Dowgray, Bryan Raill, Anne King, Shirley Ellison, Maureen Hynes, Rosemary Haden, Steve Bovaird, Peter Persson, Dorothy Granich, Earl O'Callaghan, Bob Butler, Allen Pearson, Donna Morgan, Eric Walton, Geoff Ashenden, Pam Irwin, Patricia Mainland, Phillipa Kidd, Eileen Quilty.

3 Apologies

Bruce Graham, Miles Dillon, Sue Sexton, Sue Dunn, Denice McCarten, Frances Cairns, Anne Clarihew, Elizabeth Heaphy, Karen Stewart, Nancy Hawks, Helen Clark, Martin & Glennis Trail, Trish Kelly, Mark McKinney, Rixanne Ferguson, David King, Nigel Kerr-Grice, Helen Noon, Christine Fogden, Bevan Donovan, Terry Logan, Geoff Cullen, Lesley Reid, Heather Ballantyne, Joy Todd, Elaine Harrison, Kevin Sherlock, Valerie Taylor.

4 Minutes of the meeting held 22 May 2022

*Dorothy Dowgray, member who was present at the meeting moved that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 May 2022 be taken as read. Seconder: Patricia Mainland
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

Matters arising from the minutes - Nil

*Maria Coyne moved that the minutes of 22 May 2022 be taken as a true and correct record.
Seconder: Dorothy Dowgray
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

5 Convenor's report:

*Maria Coyne moved that the Convenor's report be accepted. Seconder: Dorothy Dowgray
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

Matters arising from the Convenors' report – Nil matters arising.

*Geraldene O'Reilly moved that the Chairman's report be adopted . Seconder: Maureen Hynes
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

6 Treasurer's report

*Rosemary Haden moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Seconder: Patricia Mainland
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

Matters arising from the Treasurer's report – the report is open for discussion – Nil matters arising.

Eric Walton asked for clarification on what ESP was – clarified that ESP stands for the Irish Government Emigrant Support Programme.

*Geraldene O'Reilly moved that the Treasurer's report be adopted. Seconder: Maureen Hynes
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried:*

7 Annual subscription

*Maria Coyne moved that the annual subscription fee be \$5.00 single or \$7.00 joint
Seconder: Kathryn O'Neil
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

8 Door Fee

*Maria Coyne moved that the door fee be \$5.00 per meeting. Seconder: Patricia Mainland
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

9 Appointment of Financial Reviewer

*Maria Coyne moved that **Ron Jackson** be appointed Financial Reviewer for the coming year
Seconder: Geraldene O'Reilly
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

10 Secretary's Report

*Maria Coyne moved that the Secretary's report be accepted and adopted. Seconder: Rosemary Haden
All those in favour: All Contrary: Nil Carried*

11 ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

*IIG Convenor stood down – Robyn Williams took the Chair.
Robyn Williams called for any other nominations for the positions:*

Nominations tabled:

Convenor:	Geraldene O'Reilly	14240
Secretary:	Maria Coyne	20853
Treasurer:	Kathryn O'Neil	24794
Committee:	Miles Dillon	6640
	Bruce Graham	5344
	Dorothy Dowgray	25146
	Rixanne Fergusson	24350

*Convenor – Geraldene O'Reilly nominated. No further nominees. Nominee elected
Secretary – Maria Coyne nominated. No further nominees. Nominee elected.
Treasurer – Kathryn O'Neil nominated. No further nominees. Nominee elected.*

Committee members: All nominations for committee listed above. No further nominations.
All committee members elected.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS

(i) Maria Coyne acknowledged outgoing committee member John Dowgray's length of service for the Irish Interest Group's Committee. John has volunteered his time, effort, and research knowledge to support the committee. On behalf of the Irish Interest Group we thank John for his commitment to our committee.

(ii) IIG committee fundraising for mini-conference 2024.

The IIG committee is fundraising to bring two speakers from Ireland in Feb 2024.

Proposed dates: 26/27 Feb.

Venue: Te Tuhi Arts Centre, Pakuranga.

Planning for number of further fundraising events is underway (to include an second Film showing and a possible book talk).

(iii) Remembrances.

The Interest Group remembers members that have passed away over the past 12 months:

Ann Magill

Barry Maher

Pat Ryan (Mrs.)

Michael Coyne

13 Close AGM: 1.40pm

The AGM was followed by a talk from Darragh Welshe (Tourism Ireland).