

You receive this Newsletter as a member or supporter of Wellington's oldest scientific society (in our 171st year) - the Wellington Branch of the Royal Society of New Zealand.
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Royal Society of New Zealand Wellington Branch

(not to be confused with the Royal Society Te Apārangi)

171st Annual General Meeting (2022)

Victoria University of Wellington

Room GBLT3

(Ground floor in Old Government Building, Lambton
Quay).

6pm

26 October 2022

**The Annual Report (containing the financial Report)
is with the auditor and will be circulated before the meeting.**

The minutes of the last (deferred) AGM are below.

**PLEASE CONSIDER SERVING ON COUNCIL IN 2022-23. WE NEED YOUR
HELP AND SUPPORT**

Also note that under the constitution any matters of general business must be notified to the Secretary at least 2 weeks before the meeting, Since we don't have a secretary (volunteer?) please send them to the treasurer

treasurer.RSNZ.wellington@outlook.com

PRESENTATIONS

After a short AGM

**Two of the PhD students that we awarded scholarships to will each give a
short presentation of their work:**

Solomon Beka and Maria Rabino-Neira

Solomon is a Ph.D. Candidate in Aviation Medicine at the University of Otago, under the supervision of Dr. Robin Griffiths. Solomon is from East Africa,

Ethiopia. Solomon served at Ethiopian Air Force Hospital, mainly as a Consultant Emergency Surgery Professional Specialist and Aviation Medical Examiner for the last seven years and he is a Public Health Expert.

Maria is an International Humanitarian lawyer (University of Buenos Aires, Argentina) and Magister in Conflicts & Terrorism (University of Auckland, New Zealand). Currently, she is doing her Ph.D in the School of Law at the Victoria University of Wellington, under the supervision of Dr Alberto Costi and Dr Marnie Lloyd.

INVITATION

Companions Forum

on the **6th of October**

at

the Royal Society premises.

11 Turnbull St Thorndon, Wellington

It's a half day event, which begins with Pōwhiri welcome ceremony at 12pm and concludes at 2.40pm and then from 3pm to 4pm there is a Members Forum in our lecture theatre (chaired by our Members Representative on the Council, **Jens Mueller**).

The program will include a 15 minute presentation by:

Marsden Research Funding

Science Media Centre

Royal Society Journals

Discussion from 3.45pm – 4pm

After discussion, we will move into networking.

It's a great opportunity to network with the Fellows, Companions and Professional members, so please feel free to extend this invitation to the members of the Wellington branch/council members, as it would be an absolute pleasure to have the Wellington Branch join us.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Ngā mihi,

Deepshika Singh

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On behalf of the Royal Society of New Zealand Te Aparangi

**ROYAL SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND WELLINGTON BRANCH
MINUTES OF THE 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Held on Wednesday 20 July 2022 at 6.00 pm at the Royal Society of New Zealand premises, Thorndon, Wellington. The 2021 Annual General meeting had been deferred from October 2021 until 20 July 2022 because of COVID restrictions on meetings. A quorum being present, the minutes for the 2020 meeting and the Annual Report for 2021, both previously circulated electronically, were accepted.

1. Apologies: Dr. Bruce McFadgen, Professor Brian Jones

2. In Attendance: A quorum of members was present

3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes and Annual Report

The previous minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting were accepted, as was the 2021 Annual Report.

4. Financial Subscriptions: No change was proposed.

5. Election of Officers: Decisions regarding officers on Council for 2020/2021 carrying on through 2021/2022 were ratified in retrospect, as follows:

Dr. David Lillis (President)

Professor Brian Jones (Treasurer)

Dr. Lucy Forde (Vice President)

Dr. John Bass (Council Member)

Mr. Frank Andrews (Council Member)

Dr. Bruce McFadgen (Council Member seconded 2022)

Dr. Diana Gordon (Council Member seconded 2022)

David noted that Frank Andrews had passed away on 11 July and he delivered a short eulogy for Frank on behalf of the Branch.

4. Any other Business

There was no general business.