

## **Olives New Zealand**

**April 14 2011**

### **Conference Call**

Attendees Roger Steve Chris Graham Ian David John Lesley and Andrew

Minutes from the previous meeting: no comments

#### **1. Contribution:**

51 people have made payment (quarter) 32 \$115 inc 2 \$100, plus the 17 from Nelson that paid in bulk.

Money is coming from Canterbury region by way of an advance; not a contribution.

Lost 6 members, not all due to the request for contribution, but have gained three members.

Members that we lost have stated they were going to leave anyway at next subscription round. Mostly due to small amounts of oil produced.

#### **2. Sponsorship**

Sent to Westfalia, Goran Edvecki is very keen to become Principal Sponsor just needs to be ratified by head office in Germany

Sent to Lachlan at Farmlands

Lesley needs contact in Norwoods.

Andrew meeting with Goran next week.

#### **3. Australia NZ Draft EVOO**

EO has contacted Minister David Carters office and is working on getting an appointed so Olives New Zealand can put forward industry point of view.

John notes that 95 of products have to be relabeled and if the standards go through then the imported products will change.

#### **4. General Business**

Andrew to pen a letter to send out to ONZ members updating on how ONZ is going. Let people know that the organisation is getting

Q & A's at end of letter have proved beneficial.

All bulk communications to members are now going out via the newsletter system. EO can track who opens what and makes keeping database up to date.

Andrew will hand over day-to-day ONZ work to John on 1 May as Andrew gets busy.

Revised constitution:

Can we do a postal vote? Colin Hadley has suggested a constitutional lawyer based in Hastings. We need to go and see the lawyer and make sure that it is OK to change

something in the constitution by postal vote. And then in the future month or two when we seek a legal opinion on new constitution.

All in favour.

Certification: Working on getting contract in place by 2011. Expect no changes from last year.

Need to make it very clear that we can put oils up for certification from the moment it is pressed.

Discussion around placing an advert in Lifestyle Farmer as part of a membership drive. Committee decided to wait until the current financial situation has settled down.

Lot 8: Certification Olive Mark already printed on the bottles and no funds have been received by ONZ. Andrew and Lesley to follow up. OliveMark not the proper size either.

AGM and Field Walk. Wellington not an option as flights in are already very expensive due to RWC plus accommodation is now limited. Tatum Park in Otaki is to be looked at. Discussion around dates with respect to Rugby World Cup. Date 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. Lesley to check with Tatum Park.