

Adelaide Soaring Club



A meeting of the committee of the ASC held on
Tuesday 25th February 2025
at Enfield Community Centre
commencing at **7.00 PM**

Agenda & Minutes

1. Opening of Meeting and Welcome

Present: Tony Lewis (Chair), Bradley Leksas, Ali Swart, Paul Marshall, Brian Rau, Sue Ingham, Steve Pegler, Megan Gabell

Apologies: Noah Beckmann, Bridgette McAllister

In Attendance: Tom Leech

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 28 January 2025 were accepted as a true and correct record. **Moved: Ali, seconded: Steve, Carried**

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes – 10 mins

3.1 Progress on members doing the NIF training - Sue

Action: Sue to follow up LSA instructors to do the NIF training and send a copy of the credential to the office for recording.

3.2 Update to ERSAs and By-law 7 re circuit procedures and upload to website – Paul

CASA have acknowledged receipt of feedback, and are working through it.

By-law 7 has been updated but has not been uploaded to the website.

Action: Paul to provide updated By-law 7 to Ali, who will arrange for it to be uploaded to the website.

Action: Paul and Sue to work out how to publicise the changes to circuit procedures to the membership.

4. Strategic items – 20 mins

4.1 Ideas for strategic items for discussion over the next 12 months:

Website update to make it more modern and easy to use. Also consider other platforms such as Facebook, X, etc.

Digital Presence Working Group - Tony, Tom, Bradley, Brian, member of COG, Scott Crew

Action: Megan to discuss with COG whether any member of COG would be prepared to join the Digital Presence Working Group

Action: Tony to discuss with Scott Crew if he would be prepared to join the Digital Presence Working Group

Action: Tony to convene an initial meeting of the Digital Presence Working Group

5. New Business – 30 mins

5.1 Casual vacancy on committee

Steve Miranda has resigned from committee, creating a casual vacancy.

Action: Tony follow up with Marcin Nowina-Krowicki to see if he is interested in the filling the casual vacancy.

5.2 Use of J170 at Port Pirie - Ali

Action: Sue to take the request for use of J170 at Pt Pirie to LOG.

5.3 LSA instructor scholarship - Ali

LSA instructor scholarship sub-committee discussed the applications and recommended the 2025 scholarship be awarded to Tom Leech.

5.4 Out of session motions/decisions of committee - Ali

Ali requested that out of session motions be limited to urgent matters only. Out of session motions are often approved without discussion, and without giving all members of the committee an opportunity to comment.

Non-urgent matters should be deferred to the next committee meeting. Urgent matters should have a date specified by which the committee decision is required, so everyone knows the time frame they must work to.

5.5 Dave Scutchings request for loops funding

Dave Scutchings requested funding from the Club in support of his loops attempt.

ASC policy is that charity donations are a matter for individual members. Club funds will not be used to support charities, with the exception of one or two events per year where the charity concerned is aviation-related and the club will obtain worthwhile exposure. The committee stood by the policy, and deemed Dave's request to fall outside the policy.

Action: Steve to respond to Dave Scutchings and advise his request for funding for his loops attempt is outside policy and has been denied.

5.6 Dave Scutchings request for Young Guns uniform

Young Guns would like to get a uniform, comprising shirt and hat.

Potential to utilise a local grant to cover the cost of the uniform.

Action: Megan to investigate government funding for equipment and clothing for children participating in sport.

Action: Steve to respond to the email from the Young Guns secretary.

Action: Tom to respond to Dave Scutchings re his uniform queries.

5.7 RAAus requirements - Steve M

Suggestion that the briefing facilities and equipment need improvement.

ASC has been approved as an RAAus training organisation, so has met the requirements for briefing and equipment. But it could certainly be improved.

Ideally, move the accommodation rooms to a separate location, and turn the current accommodation into briefing rooms. This comes at a cost.

An air conditioning unit was approved for the small briefing room a long time ago.

Action: Tom will facilitate getting an air conditioner installed in the small briefing room.

Action: Sue will take Steve Miranda's comments re briefing room to the LSA Training Panel for their input.

6. Reports – 30 mins

6.1 General Management

Reports – 10 mins

Infrastructure & Admin – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

The Committee approved the installation of electrical by the owners of the row G hangars.

Drive In and Drop It will not be going ahead.

Disaster Ready Fund application process has been started. Very evidence based. Business case required. The information webinars have been really useful.

Marketing & Promotion – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Finance – Steve Pegler

Treasurer's report presented by Steve P.

Motion: That charges for visiting pilots be moved from By-law 4 to By-law 9. **Moved: Steve, Seconded: Ali, carried**

Action: Steve to move charges for visiting pilots from By-law 4 to By-law 9, and send the revised By-laws to Ali for uploading to website.

6.2 Fleet, Maintenance, Safety, Training

Reports – 10 mins

CFI LSA – Sue Ingham

7252 will be back in a week or so.

7385 will be out of service for a refurb and mandated maintenance for 6-8 weeks.

CFI Gliding – Paul Marshall

All going well. Will be running an instructor course soon - 4 AEI candidates, and 3 level 1 candidates. Timing and availability to be confirmed.

GER is back in business.

Tugs – Steve Pegler

CASA has knocked back the request for 50 hour extension to the NDT inspection. We have 7.6 hours left on PIT.

Still waiting on AeroServices to complete the work on BOT.

Waiting on the AMOC for the NDT inspection, so that we can go ahead and get the NDT done.

Glider Maintenance – Paul Clift

No report. No issues.

LSA Maintenance - Richard Young

Per Richard's report.

Safety – Andrew Wright

As per Andrew's report.

6.3 Community, Culture, Inclusion

Reports – 10 mins

Update on COG – Megan

No update. COG will be meeting next week.

History Team – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Social and House – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Bar fridge fixed. May need replacing in the not too distant future.

Sports & Events – Tom

From the Events calendar:

- Mar 15 – Information & Induction session – presenter Bridgette McAllister
- Apr 5 – Information & Induction session – presenter Andrew Wright
- Apr 6 – Barossa Airshow, volunteers organised for the static display
- Apr 18-27 – Flinders camp

New Members – Ali

- LSA
 - James Christou
 - Peter Farby (1 month)
 - Sean Haug
- Gliding
 - Jett Grech
 - Axston Grech
 - Evi Pessios
 - James Howitt
 - Chris Edwards (1 month)
 - James Nierdele (1 month)
 - Jacob Baker (junior) (Air League scholarship)
 - Arlie Hegarty (junior)
- Social
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Motion: That the committee accept the applications for membership from all the above. **Moved:** Ali, **Seconded:** Steve, **Carried**

Resignations

Name	Gliding	LSA	Reason

None				

7. Review of action items – 10 mins

Short Term Tactical Actions	Responsible	Completed
consider and identify projects that could be suitable for grant applications, and advise Tom and Tony	All	Ongoing
work with Tom and the CFIs to make up some posters re care of Club aircraft to put up in the hangars.	Tom	underway
investigate nice badges for instructors	Tom	Done
organise update to bylaw 7, update to ERSA, briefing to members re the new circuit procedures	Paul	Not done
send Ali minutes of COG meeting from 15 Oct	Megan	Done
chase up LSA instructors to complete the Safeguarding Children training	Sue	underway
confirm who of the LSA instructors have completed the NIF training	Sue	underway
discuss virtual gliding with Dave Scutchings to raise with Young Guns group	Tony	Done
send out email to members advising there is a rope in each club glider trailer to assist during outlandings	Tony	Done

8. Any Other Business – 10 mins

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9. Next Meeting

Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 7pm

10. Close

9.30pm