

Adelaide Soaring Club



A meeting of the committee of the ASC held on
Tuesday 25th March 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, Sue Ingham, Steve Pegler, Megan Gabell, Noah Beckmann, Bridgette McAllister, Marcin Nowina-Krowicki

Apologies: Brian Rau,

In Attendance: Tom Leech

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 25 February 2025 were accepted as a true and correct record. **Moved: Ali, seconded: Bradley, Carried**

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes – 10 mins

3.1 Progress on members doing the NIF training - Sue

Two gliding instructors who haven't done the training. Two LSA instructors also still haven't done it. Sue to continue pressing them to do it.

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

Paul still trying to find a date to hold a briefing for members. Will now be after Flinders, in late April.

3.3 Digital Presence Working Group - Tony

The Group comprises Tony, Scott Crew, Brian, Brad and Tom.

The Group will put a survey together seeking member feedback on the website.

3.4 Use of J170 at Pt Pirie – Sue

Has not gone to LOG yet. Next training sessions at Pt Pirie are scheduled for June. Will depend on how many Jabirus are available at the time. Sue will place on the agenda for the next LOG meeting.

3.5 Briefing room feedback from LSA Training Panel – Sue

Proposal raised by Steve Miranda.

Air conditioning will be installed in the small briefing room. May also get the accommodation rooms done at the same time. Tom will be getting quotes for this.

No other feedback obtained from the LSA Training Panel at this stage.

Instructor training briefings are being held in the western half of the Club room, which frees up space in the briefing room.

Tables and chairs have been placed in the accommodation rooms, which enable them to be used for study rooms, or briefing overflow, when they are vacant.

Meeting of Training Panel next week. Sue will raise with them

4. Strategic items – 20 mins

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

Website update. Digital Presence Working Group update - no news

No feedback from Gliding Australia re use of simulators. Will keep on hold until feedback received.

5. New Business – 30 mins

5.1 Maintenance by a pilot

The new RAAus technical manual is out. It includes a list of all the maintenance items a pilot can carry out, and mirrors the GA regulation CAR schedule 8. It also allows for pilots to carry out this maintenance on hire and fly (ie. Club owned) aircraft. Seeking input from the committee as to whether the Club is happy to allow members to carry out maintenance on Club aircraft.

Members would need to be trained and/or competent in performing an item before they can carry it out.

If aircraft are at the Club, maintenance should be carried out by the maintenance person.

If an aircraft is away, and has a maintenance issue, it may be useful for the pilot to be able to carry out minor maintenance.

Action: Bridgette to send to committee list of maintenance items RAAus pilots can carry out.

Action: Bridgette to raise with LOG that the committee is happy for pilots to carry out the scheduled maintenance items on Club aircraft if the aircraft is away from Gawler.

5.2 Maintenance of LSA on hot days

Brad would like to see Club assist Richard with installing evaporative air conditioning in his hangar.

Richard could use the Club workshop, which is air conditioned.

Action: Brad to ask Richard to put a business case together if he wishes the Club to support the installation of air conditioning in his hangar.

5.3 Loan of tug to Waikerie Gliding Club

Waikerie Gliding Club has asked for assistance with a tug when and if ASC has two tugs back.

WGC have decided they are going to re-spar their tug.

An agreement would be put in place if a loan goes ahead.

Motion: ASC offer Waikerie Gliding Club the use of one of our tugs (when we have two tugs back) on terms to be agreed. **Moved: Steve, seconded: Paul, carried.**

6. Reports – 30 mins

6.1 General Management

Reports – 10 mins

Infrastructure & Admin – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Brian Clow request to hangar his aircraft in Sue Ingham's hangar - agreed by committee

Goats on airfield.... Council are concerned and supportive. Give the Council a couple of weeks for their actions to take effect, and then take matters into our hands. There is potential for an aircraft to collide with a goat roaming on the airfield. A landholder has the right to shoot animals that are at large on their property.

Support letter received from CFS re Disaster Ready Fund application.

if we are successful with the Disaster Ready Fund application, unlikely to see any construction activity until early next year.

Marketing & Promotion – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Finance – Steve Pegler

Treasurer's report presented by Steve P.

6.2 Fleet, Maintenance, Safety, Training

Reports – 10 mins

CFI LSA – Sue Ingham

All ticking along nicely.

Instructor workload is currently ok. Sue training two new instructors - Tom and Marcin.

CFI Gliding – Paul Marshall

About to start instructor training - 4 AEI candidates and 3 instructor candidates. Course starting weekend of 10 May.

Gliders are all ok.

Tugs – Steve Pegler

CASA has approved an alternative means of carrying out the NDT inspection. Before that can be done, larger inspection panels need to be fitted. Hoping to be in a position by the end of next week to get the NDT technician in to do the testing on PIT.

Waiting on approval from CASA re the repairs to BOT's rear spar. The Part 21 engineer is confident CASA will provide approval.

Glider Maintenance – Paul Clift

No report. Paul is on top of all maintenance.

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

Looking into grant funding. Keen to leverage AI to write grant applications.

Interested in moving forward with renovating the area outside the Club room.

History Team – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Tom needs to get quotes to edit and print the coffee table book.

Social and House – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Sports & Events – Tom

From the Events calendar:

- Apr 5 – Information & Induction session – presenter Andrew Wright
- Apr 6 – Barossa Airshow, volunteers organised for the static display
 - LSA flying display organised
 - May be a single seat glider aerobatic display
 - Dimona is going as part of the static display, and a flying display
- Apr 18-27 – Flinders camp

New Members – Ali

- LSA
 - James Christou
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- Gliding
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- Social
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Motion: That the committee accept the applications for membership from James. **Moved: Ali, Seconded: Brad, Carried**

In 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	
work with Tom and the CFIs to make up some posters re care of Club aircraft to put up in the hangars.	Tom	not done

organise update to bylaw 7, update to ERSA, briefing to members re the new circuit procedures	Paul	ongoing
chase up LSA instructors to complete the Safeguarding Children training	Sue	ongoing
follow up LSA instructors to do the NIF training and send a copy of the credential to the office for recording	Sue	ongoing
provide updated By-law 7 to Ali, who will arrange for it to be uploaded to the website	Paul	done
work out how to publicise the changes to circuit procedures to the membership	Paul/Sue	date to be set
discuss with COG whether any member of COG would be prepared to join the Digital Presence Working Group	Megan	done
discuss with Scott Crew if he would be prepared to join the Digital Presence Working Group	Tony	done
convene an initial meeting of the Digital Presence Working Group	Tony	done
follow up with Marcin Nowina-Krowicki to see if he is interested in the filling the casual vacancy	Tony	done
take the request for use of J170 at Pt Pirie to LOG	Sue	not done
respond to Dave Scutchings and advise his request for funding of his loops attempt is outside policy and has been denied	Steve	done
investigate government funding for equipment and clothing for children participating in sport	Megan	done
respond to the email from the Young Guns secretary	Steve	done
respond to Dave Scutchings re his uniform queries	Tom	done
facilitate getting an air conditioner installed in the small briefing room	Tom	not done
take Steve Miranda's comments re briefing room to the LSA Training Panel for their input	Sue	not done
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	Steve	done

8. Any Other Business – 10 mins

8.1 Vice President of the Committee

Bradley has nominated. His is the only nomination, so duly elected. Congratulations, Bradley!

9. Next Meeting

Tuesday 29th April 2025 at 7pm - Enfield Community Centre, The Hall

10. Close

8.37pm