

Adelaide Soaring Club



A meeting of the committee of the ASC held on
Tuesday 29th April 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, Bridgette McAllister, Brian Rau,

Apologies: Marcin Nowina-Krowicki, Noah Beckmann

In Attendance: Tom Leech

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

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

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes – 10 mins

3.1 Progress on members doing the NIF training – Sue/Paul

Gliding instructors - All have completed.

LSA instructors - Two instructors have not completed the training. They will be taken off the instructor roster, and will need to complete the NIF before they come back on.

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

Correspondence from CASA. Next ERSA deadline date 15 May. CASA are working towards providing ASC with feedback prior to this deadline.

Clubrooms booked for 24 May to present an update to members.

3.3 Digital Presence Working Group - Tony

Survey re website has been constructed, and sent out to members. 20-25 responses have been received. Mixed responses, most consider the website needs to change to some extent.

Action: Tony to re-send survey re website to members with request to respond.

3.4 Briefing room feedback from LSA Training Panel – Sue

Issue raised with Training Panel. No responses received.

Air conditioning of the small briefing room and the two bunk rooms will proceed. Cost \$1508 per room.

Motion: Proceed with airconditioning the small brief room, and the two bunk rooms, along with making the western bunk room into a mixed accommodation/briefing room. Total cost \$4524. **Moved: Steve, Seconded: Paul, Carried**

3.5 Maintenance by a pilot – Bridgette

Paper put together by Marc Michell sets out the maintenance items that a pilot may carry out, and the general rules that apply.

If pilots are trained and competent in particular maintenance activities, then they will be permitted to carry them out.

Action: Bridgette to take back to LOG the Committee's position that if a pilot is trained and competent and has the right tools for a particular maintenance activity, then they will be permitted to carry it out.

3.6 Air conditioning for hangar where LSA maintenance is carried out – Brad

Will not proceed.

4. Strategic items – 20 mins

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

Virtual gliding -

Gliding Australia is working on a virtual gliding program with Andy Davison from Gliding Club of Victoria. Andy has other priorities in his life, and is not focusing on the virtual gliding. Gliding Australia has taken the decision to cease pursuing virtual gliding until Andy is in a position to take it up again.

The Young Guns are positive about having a simulator set up at the Club.

Funding could come from the Young Guns foundation, and/or from grants.

Action: Ali to discuss with James Nugent (after end June) requirements and costs around setting up a virtual gliding set up, and bring back to Committee.

Maintenance succession -

The Club has broad contingency plans in place for both LSA and gliding maintenance. Nothing specific will be actioned until it is needed.

5. New Business – 30 mins

5.1 LSA Aircraft Availability and Maintenance – Sue/Tony

Refer correspondence from/to Matthew Johns. Frustration at aircraft not being available.

Richard could be more pro-active at marking aircraft unavailable in Goboko when they are out for maintenance.

Action: Tom to arrange with Richard and office staff a process for ensuring aircraft under maintenance are marked as unavailable on Goboko.

Action: Tony to respond to Matthew Johns to advise that action will be taken to ensure aircraft under maintenance are marked as unavailable on Goboko.

5.2 LSA maintenance

Change pending in arrangement by which LSA are maintained. Rates and terms to be determined.

Action: Tom to discuss LSA maintenance arrangements with Richard.

Action: Tom, Steve and Tony to discuss and draft a contract for LSA maintenance with Richard.

6. Reports – 30 mins

6.1 General Management

Reports – 10 mins

Infrastructure & Admin – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Requests to hangar aircraft from David Bradshaw, Christian Forsyth, and Jake Nicholas were approved.

Guy Freeman's request to grow a passionfruit vine over his hangar was denied.

Three non-responsive hangar owners do not have a current lease, they are operating on a holding over basis.

Action: Tony will send a demand to comply to each of the three hangar owners who do not have a current lease.

Marketing & Promotion – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Finance – Steve Pegler

Treasurer's report presented by Steve P.

Mid-year increase of flying fees to be 1.5% (estimate of half CPI for the full year), and take effect 1 May 2025.

New prices are in red in the table below.



Annual Subscriptions (1 November to 31 October – Non-Refundable)

Flying Member	\$624	Calculated pro rata for new entrants
Flying Spouse	\$416	
Concession Member	\$416	Commonwealth Pensioner Pension Card to be produced
Junior Member (under 18 years)	\$208	
Student Members (under 26 years)	\$208	Student card to be produced
Social Member	\$63	
Temporary Member (1 Month)	\$63	
Temporary Member (3 Month)	\$188	

New Flying Member Joining Fee \$57

Flying Charges: All ASC Sailplanes – Maximum charge per flight is 3 hours (except LBP's engine).

Single seat gliders:	FQQ	Grob 102	~~\$1.02~~ 1.04 /min	Junior/Student members	~~\$0.51~~ 0.52 /min
	IUN	Discus	~~\$1.26~~ 1.28 /min	Junior/Student members	~~\$0.63~~ 0.64 /min
	GFC	LS8	~~\$1.52~~ 1.54 /min	Junior/Student members	~~\$0.76~~ 0.77 /min

Twin seat Gliders:	GPF	Grob 103	~~\$1.24~~ 1.26 /min	Junior/Student members	~~\$0.93~~ 0.95 /min
	ZDG	DG-1000	~~\$1.82~~ 1.85 /min	Junior/Student members	~~\$1.27~~ 1.39 /min
	GER	DG-505	~~\$1.71~~ 1.74 /min	Junior/Student members	~~\$1.28~~ 1.31 /min
	LBP	Dimona	~~\$1.57~~ 1.59 /min(air)	Junior/Student members	~~\$1.18~~ 1.19 /min
			~~\$2.56~~ 2.60 /min(engine)	Junior/Student members	~~\$1.92~~ 1.95 /min

Aerotow/Tug Charges ~~\$8.80~~**8.93**/min

Flying Start (Ten flight introductory package)

Adults	~~\$1,785~~ 1,810
Full time students	~~\$1,560~~ 1,585

Gliding Advanced Payment Scheme

- Scheme 1 – Individual - prepay \$2,000 and receive 20% bonus, ie, \$400
- Scheme 2 – Individual - prepay \$3,000 and receive 30% bonus, ie, \$900
- Scheme 3 – Family - prepay \$4000 and receive 30% bonus, ie, \$1200

Glider Air Experience Flights (aerobatic flights and normal) \$379~~385~~ per flight

Dimona Air Experience Flights	Barossa Valley	30 min	~~\$422~~ 428
	Barossa Valley and More	50 min	~~\$600~~ 609
	Barossa Valley and River Murray	80 min	~~\$628~~ 637

Hire of club aircraft for overnights away from Gawler: Standard flying fees. CFI approval required.

Light Sport (powered) Aircraft	Training	Hire & Fly
Jabiru J-170	~~\$203~~ 206 per hour Tacho	~~\$174~~ 177 per hour Tacho
Non Flying Members	~~\$305~~ 309	~~\$261~~ 266
Jabiru J230	~~\$236~~ 240	~~\$207~~ 210
Non Flying Members	~~\$354~~ 360	~~\$311~~ 315

Airfield User Charge to members: \$3.12 per pilot per day (instructors & tug pilots exempt while carrying out these duties). Annual charge of \$80 for private aircraft with self-launch capability.

Bunkhouse Accommodation: Members \$25 per night Non-members \$37 per night
Linen fee \$35 per set

Caravans & Camping:

Permanent Site:	\$675 per annum		
Casual Sites Daily:	Members	\$25 powered	\$20 Unpowered
	Nonmembers	\$38 powered	\$30 Unpowered

Hangar Sites Infrastructure entry fee \$2,500, annual leases as per individual leases

Visiting Powered Aircraft: Non-complying \$20 per engine Complying \$5

MOTION: That Committee approves increasing prices for flying fees by 1.5% per listing above. effective 1st May 2025. **Moved: Steve, Seconded: Bridgitte, Carried**

Insurance Officer, Geoff Wood, has reviewed insurances, and has been able to obtain renewal terms for the Club's Hangar Keepers Liability policy at the same cost as last year.

MOTION: That Committee renews the Hangar Keepers Liability insurance policy through HDI for the period 30 Apr 2025-30 Apr 2026 at a cost of \$1303.50 as recommended by ASC's Insurance Officer. **Moved: Steve, Seconded: Ali, Carried**

6.2 Fleet, Maintenance, Safety, Training

Reports – 10 mins

CFI LSA – Sue Ingham

The training of two new instructors is coming along well.

CFI Gliding – Paul Marshall

Successful Flinders camp. A lot of Young Guns participated.

Instructor and AEI training commencing 9/10 May.

LS8 wing tip is damaged. All other gliders are serviceable.

Tugs – Steve Pegler

Both tugs passed the NDT eddy current testing. PIT is back in service.

BOT is still waiting on some repairs to a rear spar.

It is looking positive that the time interval for eddy current testing will be increased for pawnees involved in glider towing activities only.

Glider Maintenance – Paul Clift

Dimona in for annual inspection. Rudder cables need replacing every 6 or 10 years; they have been replaced today.

ER winglet damage is ongoing 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

Minutes from COG meeting of 1 April were tabled.

Investigating grant funding to apply for.

History Team – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Social and House – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Sports & Events – Tom

From the Events calendar:

- May 3 – Information and induction session (presenter Bridgette)
- May 4 – Young Guns spot landing day
- May 10-18 – Glider instructor training course
- May 31 – Information and induction session (presenter Paul M)
- Ju1 26 - Information and induction session (presenter Tony)
- Aug 2 – Not my problem fly in
- Aug 30 - AGM

New Members – Ali

- LSA
 - Christian Forsyth
 - Jamie Allan (junior)
 - Jake Nicholas
- Gliding
 - Max Schmidt (junior)
 - Isei Waibuca (junior)
 - Timothy Porter
 - Braidyn Reid-Bedford (junior)
- Social
 - Kobi Buckingham (waitlisted for LSA)

Motion: That the committee accept the applications for membership from the above members.

Moved: Ali, Seconded: Brad, 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 - COG items, virtual gliding	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	done
chase up LSA instructors to complete the Safeguarding Children training	Sue	done
follow up LSA instructors to do the NIF training and send a copy of the credential to the office for recording	Sue	done
work out how to publicise the changes to circuit procedures to the membership	Paul/Sue	done
take the request for use of J170 at Pt Pirie to LOG	Sue	done
facilitate getting an air conditioner installed in the small briefing room	Tom	in progress
take Steve Miranda's comments re briefing room to the LSA Training Panel for their input	Sue	done
send to committee list of maintenance items RAAus pilots can carry out	Bridgette	done

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	Bridgette	in progress
ask Richard to put a business case together if he wishes the Club to support the installation of air conditioning in his hangar	Brad	done

8. Any Other Business – 10 mins

8.1 None

9. Next Meeting

Tuesday 27th May 2025 at 7pm - Enfield Community Centre, Meeting Room 2

10. Close

9.10pm