

Adelaide Soaring Club



A meeting of the committee of the ASC held on
Tuesday 24th February 2026
via Google Meet
commencing at **7.00 PM**

Agenda & Minutes

1. Opening of Meeting and Welcome

Present: Tony Lewis (Chair), Bradley Leksas, Paul Marshall, Ali Swart, Steve Pegler, Marcin Nowina-Krowicki, Sue Ingham, Mark Ferraretto, Brian Rau, Josh Brown

Apologies: Noah Beckmann

In Attendance: Tom Leech

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 27 January 2026 were accepted as a true and correct record. **Moved: Ali, seconded: Bradley,**

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes – 10 mins

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

Still waiting on CASA.

3.2 Supervision of minors on airfield – Tom, Paul

Tom and Tony made some amendments to members' application form. Mark will take a look at the form. Will report back next month.

3.3 Gliding instructor numbers and commitment – Paul

Working through instructor cohort. Getting quite aged. A number thinking of retiring.

Working on training three new AEIs.

3.4 LSA instructor scholarship - Sue

Have a preferred candidate. More work required in flying the Jabiru.

3.5 Use of \$3k grant from ORSR - Ali

Funds cannot be used retrospectively, therefore CCTV installation not eligible.

Flooring for kitchen was agreed as an appropriate use of the funds.

3.6 Arkapeena airstrip maintenance – Ali

SAGA reps met a few weeks ago.

Agreed SAGA will fund 50% of the maintenance cost, with the clubs that attend Arkapeena paying 50% on the basis of a fee per pilot attending.

SAGA will pay for the maintenance cost up front, and receive reimbursement from the clubs.

3.7 Indemnity insurance for instructors – Tony

Geoff Wood recommends keeping a digital copy of student logbooks, to ensure retention of training records and evidence that training has been carried out properly and completely.

LSA team keeps comprehensive records of each student's activities, flying and ground. Students sign each page, co-signed by Sue. Based on an RAAus template.

Good record keeping will help mitigate risk of a claim of poor training.

Mark has approached a couple of insurance brokers. No awareness of PI insurance for flight instructors; and a view that need and demand for it is not particularly high.

CASA Part 141 regulations outline what student training records must be maintained. This could be a good place to start. RAAus Ops Manual sets out the records that should be kept, and they should be retained for five years. Gliding Australia MOSP does not have any guidelines specified at all.

Simple declaration when a student goes solo, when they reach GPC or RPL, to the effect that they have been trained adequately in the relevant modules. Signed by both instructor and student.

Action: Mark will get together with Geoff Wood to write up a paper and recommendation on indemnity insurance for instructors.

Action: Paul, Sue, Tom and Tony to discuss and confirm mechanics for recording and retaining student training records for both LSA and Gliding.

4. Strategic items – 20 mins

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

- Runway upgrade sub-committee
- Replacement toilet block
- Master airfield plan – on hold until runway upgrade options are exhausted

No further discussion.

Action: Ali and Tony to determine what strategic item to bring to the next meeting.

5. New Business – 30 mins

5.1 Active Skies Fun Run grant - Ali on behalf of COG

COG looking to apply for a grant through the Heart Foundation to run an event to walk, bike or fly at the airfield.

Potential to partner with Park Run, who hold their event on Saturdays. Trying to get people from the local area to an event on both Saturday and Sunday may be a big ask.

Would be good to include LSA in the program as well.

Action: Ali to send email out re Active Skies grant application.

Action: Tony to confirm with COG if the Active Skies grant application has been lodged.

5.2 Office staff structure and recruitment - Tony

Office staff will be changing as of early May. Potential to restructure the role.

Tom will proceed with the restructure, advertise the role, etc

6. Reports – 30 mins

6.1 General Management

Reports – 10 mins

Infrastructure & Admin – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Evidence of white ants in the decking. Murray's quoting treatment.

New mogas nozzle and installation. Tom authorised to proceed with the new nozzle. Potential to install ourselves if it's a simple job.

Action: Tom to determine if there is a legal requirement to have the mogas nozzle professionally installed.

No new LSA members in Jan or Feb. May be linked to TIFs not being offered for a while. Potential to offer special deals.

Action: Tom and Steve to work together on some special pricing for LSA TIFs.

Marketing & Promotion – Tom Leech

As per GAM's report.

Finance – Steve Pegler

Treasurer's report presented by Steve.

MOTION: That Evi Pessios's membership with the ASC be terminated and that we offer her a refund of \$1,417. **Moved: Steve, Seconded: Tony, Carried**

6.2 Fleet, Maintenance, Safety, Training

Reports – 10 mins

CFI LSA – Sue Ingham

Per Sue's report

Latest ERSA prohibits straight in approaches to Gawler. Wording was supposed to be "discouraged".

Action: Sue and Paul to discuss appropriate wording around straight in approaches, and have ERSA entry amended if necessary.

CFI Gliding – Paul Marshall

Gliding ops running well.

Gliding Australia tidying up some documentation in the background.

Tugs – Steve Pegler

PIT out of the air while repairing the left hand window.

Glider Maintenance – Tommy Kalsbeek

Per Tommy's report.

Question around the serviceability of the glider trailer tyres. Brian will take up with GOG.

LSA Maintenance - Richard Young

Per Richard's report.

MOTION: That cold start kits including installation be purchased at a cost of \$600 per aircraft for four aircraft, a total of \$2400. **Moved: Bradley, Seconded: Josh, Carried**

Safety – Andrew Wright
As per Andrew's report.

6.3 Community, Culture, Inclusion

Reports – 10 mins

Update on COG – Tony

COG forum to be held 28 Feb, all members invited to attend. Tony will attend.
Quiz night being planned.
Want to get quotes to have work done on the outside area of the clubroom.

History Team – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Social and House – Tom

As per GAM's report.

Sports & Events – Tom

From the Events calendar:

- Mar 14 - Information and induction session (presenter Andrew W)
- Apr 11 - Information and induction session (presenter TBA)
- Apr 11-19 - Flinders camp

New Members – Ali

- LSA
 - none
- Gliding
 - Oran Walker - Gliding - 15 yo Junior
 - Noah Hulme - Gliding - 16 yo Junior
 - Jesse Regan - Gliding - RAAF
 - Callen Hardie - Gliding - Engineer
 - Bella Gale - Gliding - 15 yo Junior
 - Pedro Moreno - Gliding
- Social
 - none

Motion: That the committee accept the applications for membership from Oran, Noah, Jesse, Callen, Bella and Pedro. **Moved: Ali, Seconded: Paul, Carried**

Resignations

Name	Gliding	LSA	Reason
None			

7. Review of action items – 10 mins

Short Term Tactical Actions	Responsible	Completed
discuss with James Nugent (after end June) requirements and costs around setting up a virtual gliding set up, and bring back to Committee	Ali	on hold
drive online history portal after end 2025	Ali	On hold
take to TP how to encourage existing gliding instructors, and grow new instructors	Paul	ongoing
advise instructors that they need to advise minors when sanctioned Club activities are complete	Paul	ongoing
take the requirement for supervision of minors to the LSA Training Panel	Sue	ongoing
take a close look at the wording of the supervision of minors documents	Mark	underway
create a subcommittee to strategise an approach to government/politicians and any other options we may have re runway upgrade	Tony	ongoing
explore if ORSR grant can be used retrospectively for the CCTV installation	Ali	done
Consider options for use of ORSR grant funds	All committee	done
follow up with Geoff Wood and go through all of the relevant policies to explore indemnity insurance for instructors further	Mark	ongoing
send a letter to the members involved re getting approval in advance before spending club funds	Tony	done
let the member requesting the sink in the LSA hangar know the outcome	Tony	done
update Bylaw 9 and the Membership Categories Summary to reflect the changes to temporary membership categories	Steve	done
start the process of pursuing James Niederle and Darrin Tulk for their outstanding debts through the Minor Civil Claims Magistrates Court	Steve	done

8. Any Other Business – 10 mins

8.1 Proposed modification to the glider ballot system - Tony

Came up at GOG meeting. Means of allocating club gliders amongst members wanting to fly them. Minor change to the process to require that members wanting to fly need to register their interest on the gliding register no later than 10pm the night before. Still need to be at the field by 9am on the day to take part in the ballot.

Action: Tony to advise Geoff Wood that the change to the glider ballot system to require that members wanting to fly need to register their interest on the gliding register no later than 10pm the night before has been agreed by committee.

9. Next Meeting

Tuesday 24th March at 7pm – in person, Enfield Community Centre

10. Close

9.36 pm