

Adelaide Soaring Club



A meeting of the committee of the ASC held on
Tuesday 28th July 2026
Virtually on Google Meet
commencing at **7.00 PM**

Minutes

1. Opening of Meeting and Welcome

- 1.1 Present: Steve Pegler, Bradley Leksas, Brian Rau, Mark Ferraretto, Josh Brown, Tony Lewis, Sue Ingham, Noah Beckmann, Peter Smith, Paul Marshall, Daniel Maik, Tom Leech
- 1.2 Apologies: Nil

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to accept previous minutes with amendment to name of previous meeting: **Moved:** Mark
Seconded: Tony: **Carried.**

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes – 10 mins

- 3.1 Update to ERSA and By-law 7 – **Paul**
 - 3.1.1 Still awaiting outcome between CASA and Ops Manager and Safety Managers from Gliding Australia.
- 3.2 Sir Ross and Sir Keith Smith Foundation – **Tom - RESOLVED**
 - 3.2.1 **Successful candidate identified - Josh Friend. Awaiting his start to training.**

4. Strategic items – 20 mins

- 4.1 Master airfield plan - **RESOLVED**
- 4.2 Update on Runway discussions
 - 4.2.1 Tony, Steve Pegler and Tom - Met with the local Federal MP (Matt Burnell), discussed CFS damage to gravel runways. Member reflected sympathy to our situation and offered to provide support. Recommended meet with state local member (member of One Nation Party) and SA Minister for Emergency Services.
 - 4.2.2 Matt's advice was to still go through a grant, but will have MP support
 - 4.2.3 One Committee member had positive feedback from Matt Burnell at the National Labour conference
 - 4.2.3.1 **ACTION:** Write letter to MPs and arrange meeting with them.
- 4.3 **Runway sub-committee**

5. Previous New Business – 30 mins

- 5.1 Golf buggies - **Tony**
 - 5.1.1 Has been ordered, about 3 weeks away.

- 5.1.2 Members forum - last Saturday, Peter Sachs advised grant won for \$1,000, intended for work on golf buggies or equipment to help towing the gliders.

5.2 LSA Member Survey - **Sue/Tony**

- 5.2.1 LOG are discussing survey in next meeting. Survey submitted for review.

- 5.2.1.1 Committee discussed various concerns around the survey. These concerns included but were not limited to:
- 5.2.1.2 Still not clear to the Committee what the purpose of the survey is or how LOG expect to create outcomes from the responses
- 5.2.1.3 Not being inclusive of all power pilots (LSA only)
- 5.2.1.4 Survey seemed too long
- 5.2.1.5 Questions around the Gliding register when release of the Gliding App is imminent
- 5.2.1.6 Should this be done in consultation with GOG?
- 5.2.1.7 The Committee believes they need more information.
- 5.2.1.8 **ACTION ITEM:** Tony to reach out to Chris Penfold and seek clarity around purpose of survey. Also, attend LOG meeting to discuss committee perspective on survey

5.3 Monday Mob equivalent on Friday

- 5.3.1 Open Fridays as a flying day with social activity following. - **RESOLVED**

- 5.3.1.1 Tony - David Bradshaw has put his hand up to instruct on these days.
- 5.3.1.2 Paul Marshall - communication will go out advising gliding training on Friday, and looking to arrange a start date for this.

ACTION ITEM: Paul to arrange starting date and socialise Friday glider training with members.

5.4 Information Session and BBQ for Volunteers - **Tony Lewis - RESOLVED**

- 5.4.1 Members Forum. Power outage through the event. Paul, Sue, Tom and Tony spoke at the event. Complimentary feedback received with appreciation for facilitating the event. Approximately 30 in attendance.

6. New Business

6.1 AGM Election Process and candidates (including AGM date)

- 6.1.1 Mark Ferraretto - Indicated he will nominate to join Committee as he is currently filling a casual vacancy.
- 6.1.2 Peter Smith - Indicated he will nominate to join Committee
- 6.1.3 Daniel Maik - Indicated he will nominate to join Committee
- 6.1.4 Require 1 more member to join (replace Marcin's position). Awaiting to see who raises their hand.
 - 6.1.4.1 It was noted that it is considered ideal if we get equal representation on the Committee from both gliding and LSA

6.1.4.1.1 ACTION ITEM: Tony / Steve to approach some gliding members

6.1.4.2 Tom Leech - Members need to have nominations in by 14th August. If we have more nominations than positions, we have to go to election in AGM.

6.2 Grant Application – Clubs SA - Tony

6.2.1 Clubs SA - will provide funds via a grant. Looking at submitting application based on doing work on the clubhouse via this grant. Tom received a quote for \$20,000. May have to identify 2 additional quotes for the work, to submit with the grant application.

6.2.1.1 General opinion that \$20,000 was excessive to replace a door.

6.2.2 Tom - members have identified floor and doors as priority to be fixed in clubrooms. Committee supports to repair the door, based on grant being won.

6.2.3 Members suggested S and P Barossa and Brenton Swart for additional quotes.

6.2.3.1 ACTION ITEM: Tom Leech to contact Brenton Swart and S and P to discuss.

7. Reports – General Management – 10 mins

7.1 General Management

7.2 Infrastructure & Admin – **Tom Leech**

7.2.1 GAM Report. - Tom Leech

7.2.1.1 Matt Wood - Requested 23m x 12m hangar.

Members discussed a few concerns over the placement of the hangar including but not limited to:

- Keeping the line of the rear of the hangars even on the carpark roadside
- Would the width of the taxiway still be acceptable with a hangar this size?

ACTION ITEM: Tom Leech to investigate further prior to giving approval.

7.2.1.2 Andrew McKee - Request to hangar Tecnam P2008 - MK2 Registration 23-2050. - Approved

7.2.1.3 Gary Coombs sold hangar to Peter Smith. New lease required for Peter Smith. - Approved

7.2.1.4 Trotting Track lighting.

7.2.1.5 Committee has been made aware that the Trotting track are exploring the idea of light towers.

7.2.1.5.1 concern about limitation of influence as an ALA to prevent impeding works from occurring around airfields.

7.2.1.5.2 Action item: Tom Leech to speak with contact at Light Regional Council flagging our concerns

7.2.2 Gliding App - Tom

7.2.2.1 Getting moved over to new app this weekend. Tom to review and check prior to releasing to members broadly.

7.2.2.2 PREVIOUS ACTION ITEM: Review *terms and conditions* for breach of hosting contract. Currently reads that ASC is liable for the costs of the remaining contract, even if the host breaches the contract - **Tom Leech**

7.2.2.2.1 Tom: Clause has been removed from contract. - **RESOLVED**

7.2.3 Committee queried International tourists, visiting ASC.

7.2.3.1 Tom - This is facilitated by SA Tourism. Possibility of good marketing, but concern around management if this “opens the floodgates” of non-english speaking tourists seeking AEFs

7.2.4 Information/Induction Sessions (meeting was scheduled following last committee meeting). Will be online.

PREVIOUS ACTION ITEM: Tom & Bridgette to arrange online videos for this.

7.2.4.1 Bridgette wanting to do the video, though currently overseas in America.

7.2.4.2 Tom - Awaiting to hear back from Bridgette via email, to confirm a time to next meeting in August.

7.2.4.3 ACTION ITEM: Tom to arrange time via Bridgette for next information session.

7.3 Marketing & Promotion – Tom.

7.4 Finance – Steve

7.4.1 Finance Report submitted (in shared drive).

7.4.1.1 Distortion in comparing figures due to insurance payout in gliding operations in 24-25FY, realistically comparable to current FY.

7.4.1.2 Overall loss from most areas of operations.

7.4.1.3 Membership income has dropped approximately \$8,000 from previous financial year (inclusive of inflation reflects 9% membership income drop).

7.4.1.4 Overall club finances remain in a healthy position.

7.4.1.5 Insurance costs have increased \$4,000, also due to the extra Jabiru, Jabiru 2260. Will receive insurance credit from sale of 5086.

7.4.1.6 MOTION: That the proposal from Arthur J Gallagher for renewal of club insurances for 2026-27 at a cost of \$61,377 be accepted.

7.4.1.6.1 **Moved:** Steve Pegler . **Seconded:** Tony. **Motion Carried**

7.4.1.7 Payments of wages and creditors

7.4.1.7.1 Steve - Moving to payment of wages and creditors both fortnightly.

8. Reports – Fleet, Maintenance, Safety, Training – 10 mins

8.1 CFI LSA – Sue Ingham

8.1.1 Not much to report. Spoke to pilot involved in damage to J230 (nose wheel spat damage issue).

8.1.2 Noticing an increase in new students.

8.2 CFI Gliding – Paul Marshall

8.2.1 Undercarriage damage to gliders being reported.

PREVIOUS ACTION ITEM: Will remind students to be careful with ASC assets.

8.2.2 Gliding member started practicing for junior worlds.

8.2.3 4 pilots have recently gone solo.

8.3 Tugs – Steve Pegler

8.3.1 Not much to report. BOT is going well. PIT is still down at Parafield.

8.3.2 **ACTION ITEM:** Steve to follow up re PIT

8.4 Glider Maintenance – Tommy Kalsbeek

8.4.1 Maintenance reports submitted.

8.4.1.1 Accepted as read.

8.5 LSA Maintenance – Richard Young

8.5.1 Maintenance reports submitted.

8.5.1.1 Accepted as read.

8.6 Safety – Andrew Wright

8.6.1 Report submitted.

8.6.2 Items to be closed off from safety report. Paul was on leave.

8.6.3 Tony Lewis - Raised by member; we don't publish "lessons learnt" from incidents that occur, as part of closing out safety incidents.

PREVIOUS ACTION ITEM: Tony to follow up.- **RESOLVED**

Tony - Discussed in member's forums. Safety matters are published in e-News.

9. Reports – Community, Culture, Inclusion – 10 mins

9.1 History Team – Tom

9.2 Social and House – Tom

9.2.1 August 1st - Not my problem fly-in day.

9.2.2 September 12th - AGM. Megan Gabell to provide catering

9.3 New Members – Secretary

9.3.1 LSA

9.3.1.1 New Member Application:

9.3.1.1.1 Matthias Hultgren (LSA)

Motion to Accept Applications for new members. **Daniel Maik** raised motion. Seconded: **Tony Lewis**. Carried

9.3.2 Gliding

9.3.2.1 New Member Application:

9.3.2.1.1 Quinn Donaldson (Gliding Junior)

9.3.2.1.2 Hamish Glasson (Gliding Junior)

9.3.2.1.3 Richard Clarkson (Gliding - going from term member to Full Flying Member)

Motion to Accept Applications for new members. **Daniel Maik** raised motion. Seconded: **Tony Lewis**. Carried

9.3.3 Social - None

9.3.4 Resignations - None

Name	Gliding	LSA	Reason
None			

10. Review of action items – 10 mins

Short Term Tactical Actions	Responsible	Completed
drive online history portal after end 2025	Ali	On hold
Follow up meeting with CFS for financial support	Runway sub-committee	
Letter to MPs Matt Burnell), state local member (from One Nation Party) and SA Minister for Emergency Services, relating to runway damage due to CFS activity.	Tony and Tom	
LOG Survey - Discuss with Chris Penfold / attend LOG and seek clarity regarding purpose of survey	Tony	
Seek gliding members for potential ASC Committee Members Nominations (balance LSA/Gliding members on committee) Nominations Due 14th August 2026	Tony / Steve	
Clubs SA Grant - Replace clubroom sliding door. Require additional quotes.	Tom	
Member requests hangar to be built. Require to check distance from proposed hangar to road and taxiway.	Tom	
Trotting Park lighting. Escalate concern with Light Regional Council ~~operations~~ .	Tom	
Schedule time with Bridgette for next information session	Tom	
PIT still at Parafield. Follow up on progress.	Steve	
Review financial viability of operating Dimona	Steve	

11. Any Other Business – 10 mins

Tony Lewis - Consider sale of Dimona.

ACTION ITEM: Steve Pegler will be looking at financial interest in Dimona or evaluation economics of selling instead.

12. Next Meeting

Tuesday 25th August at 7pm – Face to Face

13. Close

28/07/2026 at 8:35pm.