

MINUTES FROM THE 2017 AUSTRALIAN AEROBATIC CLUB AGM
Held on Saturday 25th February 2017
At the Border River Flying Club, Tocumwal

Opening: The President declared the meeting open at 1.25 pm (Vic & NSW time) 12.25pm (Qld time). and welcomed those in attendance.

David Clemence – AAC President
Martyn Woodhouse – AAC Secretary/Treasurer (via Skype)
Charles Greatrex – AAC VIC Chapter President
Adam Gibbs – AAC WA Chapter President
Simon Stone – AAC SA Chapter President
Lee Gordon-Brown
Marinus van Onselen
Ray Pearson
Russell Sneyd
Brendan Reidy
Kingsley Just
David Pilkington
Peter Williamson

Apologies: Grant Piper

Minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the 2016 AGM, held on 12th March 2016 at the Boarder River Flying Club, Tocumwal were accepted as being a correct record of that meeting.

Matters Arising from previous Minutes: Nil

Presidents' Report:

Dave Clemence (DC) indicated that the AAC was in good shape, which was reinforced by the robust field of 49 competing pilots at the 2016 AAC Nationals. The benefits of engaging with the aerobatic and flying schools contributed to the significant interest and attendance at the Nationals.

DC noted that a team of up to four pilots will be competing at the World Aerobatic Championships in South Africa later this year along with Russell Sneyd entered in the Yak 52 World Aerobatic Championships in Russia and Ian Smith in the European Advanced Aerobatic Championships in the Czech Republic.

DC Noted Dieter Ebeling has advised he is standing down as CIVA delegate. Dieter has played an active part and has been proactive in this role and attended many of the CIVA meetings.

DC indicated that he would be standing down from his position as President. Grant Piper has stepped up to take on the Presidents role. DC would be standing as Vice-President to support Grant.

The challenge remains to get volunteers to help at comps and we still want dedicated judges at our competitions.

DC paid special tribute to Jeremy Miller for his significant contribution and efforts in organizing the 2016 Nationals and the long list of activities he has helped with over the year. Jeremy has stepped back for a break.

DC thanked Adam Gibbs for attending the Vic comp, for being on the national committee and for his contribution with the WA chapter.

DC welcomed Scott Yates as a new nomination and member to the AAC national committee.

Club Captains' Report: Nil

Treasurers' report/Presentation of Accounts:

The Treasurer tabled his report, attached at Annex A, and addressed the key issues.

It was noted that the stock value (\$7K) had been written down to zero value and the current stocks should be disposed of as the club feels appropriate. There is no one to manage the merchandise so it cannot be managed correctly which has financial implications regarding adequate stock control. It was therefore agreed at the last committee meeting that due to the cost and effort required to manage the merchandise effectively there would no longer be any generic stock held by the AAC.

It was determined that merchandise would be produced specifically for each national comp event and funded through sponsorship as what Jeremy Miller (to his credit) had arranged at the 2016 National Comp

The entry for Miscellaneous expenses included those costs associated with judges travel, computer costs and complimentary entry fees.

The costs associated with the bookkeeping fees were in relation to the keeping of the AAC accounts. There was no legislative requirement for the AAC to engage a registered auditor and hence the Treasurer completed an audit of the accounts as provided by the bookkeeper.

Finally, the Treasurer indicated that an actual surplus had been achieved, except that with the write down of stock (\$7K), this would appear as a deficit on the Profit and Loss statement.

The President thanked the Treasurer for his tireless efforts. The meeting endorsed the President's comments.

Motions – The President proposed to increase the national body membership portion of the AAC membership costs to \$100pa (an increase from \$50pa). The FAI portion will remain unchanged at \$12pa. The Chapters would continue to manage their membership fees as they see fit.

The Motion was defeated. DC proposed an increase of \$10 pa to \$60pa. 2nded by Charles Greatrex, all in favor. Effective with all 2018 memberships.

New CIVA Delegate required: Nil nominations

Election of office-bearers and ordinary members of committee:

All positions were declared vacant.

The following nominations were made and there being no other nominees, each was declared elected.

President – Grant Piper

Vice President – David Clemence

Secretary/Treasurer – Martyn Woodhouse

Club Captain – Vacant and no nominations

Six Ordinary Members

- Adam Gibbs
- Brad Mulcahy
- Scott Yates
- Cass Moeller
- Vacant
- Vacant

Closure of AGM:

The meeting thanked David for his efforts, commitment and enthusiasm during his term as President.

The meeting was declared closed at 2.30 pm.