



MINUTES OF THE 2024 AUSTRALIAN AEROBATIC CLUB AGM

DATE: Thursday 30th January 2025 Via Zoom

AGM declared open at 7.30 pm

Attendees: Adam Gibbs, Peter Townsend, Russell Banks, Moray Clowes, Riley McDonald, Russell Sneezyd, Charles Greatrex, Ray Pearson, David Campbell, Louis Delacretaz, Stjepan Nikolic, Daniel Buttard, Michael Newby.

1. Apologies
 1. nil
2. Minutes of previous meeting (2024 AGM).
 1. Accepted without change PT, Seconded RP
3. Matters Arising from previous Minutes
 1. No actions
4. Presidents' Report (Peter Townsend)
 1. President PT delivered a verbal report. 2024 was a great year with many new and returning members including Phil Unicom and the club continues to encourage new members.
 2. The committee have elected to modify the compulsory intermediate CIVA figures to accommodate Australian conditions and lower powered aircraft such as Pitts to remain competitive.
 3. Ending new members with training camps and discounted fees was discussed.

5. Club Captains' Report (Russell Sneeeyd)

1. Club Captain delivered a verbal report. Changes of section 6, part one noted. Changing time limits to 12 minutes when the aircraft enters the box and not win first sighted.
2. Warmup figures now, any figure in any order, previously each figure only flying once.
3. HZ for flick and spins can be changed to zeros.
4. International competitions. An intermediate and advanced competition in Hungary 2025. Very tight timeline. PT noted competitors will require AAC endorsement which takes some time. Unlimited world competition 2026 in USA.
5. Comment from RP. Data loggers have been trialed to assist or replace judges. They score very harshly usually a one or two, seemingly unlikely to be adopted
6. Noted that CIVA pay an annual royalty to the Aresti family (circa 50K). The AAC pays a fee to ASAC, which in turn pays a fee to the FAI and CIVA to cover these costs. This is part of the annual costs that the club pays to enable access and use of the CIVA Aerobatic Sporting Code and software.

6. Treasurers' report/Presentation of Accounts. (Ray Pearson)

1. RP presented the financial report that is available on the AAC web page and audited independently by Cass Moeller. The club remains in a solid financial position with a \$2,740 surplus for 2024. AAC incurred some additional one-off costs for web development. \$9,821 held in account for WAC activities and \$86,676.91 balance. Anticipate AAC should remain cost neutral with the current membership numbers.
2. CG commented that the web was a fantastic tool, with general acknowledgement from the floor.

7. Motions

1. No new motions proposed

8. Other business

1. Website. Noted that the website was progressing very well. Club documents will move from the public facing website to the members website shortly. CASA are updating their processes which will permit an auto update of members details such as medicals, flight reviews etc. to the webpage A manual data entry option will remain available for members who prefer avoiding automation. Acro scoring; CIVA categories can upload scores and generate a file for on-site scores and results to assist competition organizers. Should be available mid 2025.
2. CG and PT thanked RP for his enormous efforts establishing the new website.
3. Constitution. The revised version will be based on ASAC and available for review this year. RP will present his proposal at the local competitions this year. Noted the old constitution is over 50 years old and needs an update.
4. Webpage. Should be visible for organizers via a QR code and traffic light system system on the webpage to identify document currency of competitors
5. Stjepan noted there was an Aerobatics seminar in Tyab with David Pilkington presenting. SN ask if club representatives should present their vision statement and encourage new members to join our organization. CG commented that David Pilkington was probably best positioned for this purpose.

9. Election of office-bearers and ordinary members of committee

Nominations for positions were received from standing members. CG retired from his role as ordinary member and thanked by PT for his contribution. RB nominated for ordinary member and maintains representation from Victoria. No additional nominations received, and current standing members indicated they accept their current role and were accepted by the members.

President – P Townsend

Vice President – P Bennet

Secretary – D Campbell

Treasurer – R Pearson

Club Captain/CIVA Rep – R Sneyd

Ordinary Member/CIVA Rep – A Deliu (in absentio)

Ordinary Members –

Cass Moeller

A Gibbs

R Banks

Meeting closed 20;30 EST

DECLARATION

I declare these minutes to be an accurate and true record of the AAC AGM meeting held on Thursday 30 th January 2025

David Campbell,
Secretary Australian Aerobatic Association

Signed

Dated this.....31th.... day of January 2025