

W.A. MODEL AIRCRAFT SPORTS CENTRE (Inc.)

**Minutes of the Council General Meeting of the W.A. Model Aircraft Sports Centre (Inc.)
Held at the Atlas Steel Canteen Room (407 Victoria Road Malaga) on the 17th of March 2010**

The Chairman Mr Cameron Roberts opened the meeting at 8.03 PM.

Attendance Harvey Trezise, Cameron Roberts, Craig Brooks, Pete Francis, Warrick Mitchell, Noel Cahill, Ross Cant, David Evans, Michael Henry, Eddie Robbins, Michael Sultanowsky and Eran Smith

Apologies Trevor Letchford, David Brookes, Michael Patterson, Graeme Cooke,

Visitors Peter Brien, Bill Davies, Peter Gardener, Jeff Gitos, Steve Maitland, Michael Sonneman, Gerard Kleps, Kevin Hooper

Previous Minutes

Motion "That the Minutes of the February 2010 General Meeting are a true and correct record of the meeting."

Proposed Eran Smith Seconded Pete Francis

Motion Carried.

Business Arising

Nil

Treasurers Report Currently WAMASC has \$40598.24 (\$34,435.01 Main Account, \$5581.06 Canteen Account, \$582.17 Project Account).

Motion "That the Treasurers report for March 2010 General Meeting are a true and correct record of the meeting."

Proposed Dave Evans Seconded Craig Brooks

Motion Carried.

Correspondence In

WAPC – On Road Car Club

Request for clarification – apparent conflict between MOP's

Whiteman Park – What's happening

Letter from Harvey Trezise regarding Synthetic Vision and the Central Pilot Holding Area

Chris's Mowing – Advising due to health issues he has sold the business. New owner will continue mowing our field as previously done.

IGA Distribution (WA) PTY Limited – Specials at IGA Distribution

Correspondence Out

Display Director, Display Permit, Ceiling Height forms sent to AWA for WAJAMS Jet Rally 2010

Letter to Gerard Kleps regarding Dangerous & Intimidating Flying

New DRAFT Procedural Manual was sent to all delegates for review

WAMASC gate padlock is currently broken

Motion "That the Inwards and Outwards Correspondence be accepted."

Proposed Pete Francis Seconded Ross Cant

Motion Carried.

Business Arising

WAPC - The council would like to thank Tony Belts, Malc Nicklin, Peter Brien, Cameron Roberts, Craig Brooks and Dave Evans, for their assistance in meeting with WAPC to discuss the location of the On-Road car club and resolve our safety concerns with WAPC.

General Business

Unsafe Flying Complaint regarding Gerard Kleps

Kevin Hooper lodged an objection to the recording of this meeting.

Kevin Hooper read a letter dated 4th Dec 2009 that was not addressed to Gerard but claimed it was indirectly directed to Gerard Klep, however the letter was not signed.

Kevin Hooper then read his letter dated to the WAMASC 1st of Feb 2010.

Kevin confirmed that Gerard received all the letters of complaint and the letter requesting Gerard's attendance from the WAMASC Secretary

Kevin then read out Jeff Gitos – Letter dated 12/12/09

Kevin then read out Gerard's response to this letter.

Cameron Roberts asked to see the letter that Kevin Hooper had on the 4th Dec 2009. Kevin showed the letter he was reading from.

Kevin read a letter written by Gerard relating to the incident in November 2009 – Received from Eran on 6/12/2009

Kevin read a letter written by Peter Brien dated 3/12/09

Kevin then read out Gerard's response to this letter by reading a letter from Gerard dated 22/11/09.

Kevin read an email from Nigel Ruffle dated 23/12/09

Eran asked if we had received an updated letter from Nigel Ruffle on relating to a dated incident, the Chairman confirmed he had contacted Nigel Ruffle, however Nigel could not confirm when the incident took place.

Kevin then read out Gerard's response to this letter.

Kevin then went on to produce the WAMASC Visitor log book, explaining that Nigel Ruffle was not a member of WAMASC and should have been signed into the Visitors book.

Several of the WAMASC council expressed concerns over the fact the book had been removed without permission.

Kevin then went on to explain that Gerard felt frustrated due to various safety issues he has witnessed.

Kevin confirmed to the secretary that he is going to forward a copy of Gerard's responses to the secretary but had not brought a copy with him that night.

Gerard was asked if he had anything further to add to the council deliberations after Kevin Hooper had addressed the council on Gerard behalf. Gerard replied that he did not have anything further to add.

The council then asked for all non-delegates/visitors to leave the room, whilst the council deliberated the matter.

The council decided to ignore Nigel Ruffle letter of complaint from it's deliberations as the incident was not dated and when Nigel was subsequently requested to recall when the event occurred he could not.

The council voted on “Was Gerard verbally intimidating and did he fly to intimidate other members in this instance”

Vote For: 9/11

Vote Against: 2/11 (Eran Smith and Noel Cahill)

The council unanimously voted not to expel Gerard from WAMASC.

At which point the following motion was put together from input from all delegates.

Motion: The WAMASC council resolves to suspend Gerard’s flying privileges for 3 months, after which time Gerard will have to fly under supervision with another experienced pilot from the SWAN MAC club (who must accompany him on the flight line at all times) for a further 3 months. Gerard is then subject to a further 6 months probationary period without any proven infringement of any WAMASC or MAAA manual of procedures. Any infringements during above described 12 months could result in Gerard being expelled.

Vote For: 11/11

Vote Against: 0/11

Motion: The WAMASC council also strips Gerard of all safety officer responsibility.

Vote For: 11/11

Vote Against: 0/11

The secretary is to send Gerard the notice of decision via registered Post.

The council agrees not to publish the minutes prior to the next meeting to afford Gerard time to process and received the letter from the council.

Vote For: 11/11

Vote Against: 0/11

Procedural Manual Review

Postponed to next meeting.

WAJAMS Jet Rally 2010 volunteers

Mike H – Will man the canteen over the Jet Rally

Synthetic Vision

Everyone was happy with the current MOP and use at the field.

Central Pilot Holding Area

To be discussed at the next meeting with Procedural Manual Review

Canteen Manager

Cameron reminded us that Noel will run the canteen on Sunday’s.
Cameron also had a chat with a Boomerang member’s wife and they are thinking about managing our canteen.

New Padlock on WAMASC Gate

\$50 for a new lock from Houdini – Harvey will get from Houdini on the councils behalf.

Red Survey Report

Craig gave a brief overview of the proposed changes. Andy is going to provide us a quote on upgrading the runways.

Other matters arising

Eran raised a question regarding safety fence. To be discussed at the next meeting.

Harvey raised that clubs members are not emptying the toilet bin. Delegates to remind their club members to clean up after themselves.

The fence is going to go back up but it will be directly to the Beechboro Road from the south west fence heading west. Gerry Deagon is going to talk to Cameron on Friday.

Gerard Kleps complaint regard Alex Genovese. The council has not received an update to our request for more information. As such the council will not pursue the matter further unless Gerard provides more information.

Meeting Closed: 11:10 PM

Next meeting Wednesday 7th of April 2010.

Cameron Roberts _____

Date _____