

Minutes of Pilots meeting South Island Regionals 2018.

Meeting started at 10:45am 16.11.2018

Attendees:-

Item 1 – Tasking (Keith Essex)

General discussion.

Item 2 – Debrief (Sabrina Schels)

Debrief at the end of each day was done last year for the racing class as a coaching season with Justin Wills and it was really good. Why not this year?

Lack of resources. General agreement that it would be good in the future to have a debrief at the end of each day as a coaching season for the racing class.

Item 3 – Class names.

Alex McCaw

- Regionals – Novice and Experienced.
- Nationals – Open and Racing.

Philip Plane

- Big and Little

Trevor Mollard

- First division and Second division

Derek Kraak

- Pro racing and racing

General agreement that classes based on task size suited and worked well at the South Island regionals.

General desire that at Nationals level in the South Island the small wing gliders had a competitive class that was separate to novice class.

Item 4 – Handicap limits (Alex McCaw).

Remove handicap limits from racing and open class for regional level competitions.

General agreement.

Item 5 – Handicaps (Terry Jones).

BGA handicaps are hard on some gliders (ie ASH25), and proposed the Australian handicaps be considered.

General discussion.

Max Stevens offered to rescore historic competitions with various different handicap systems and to share the results with the SRC for consideration.

Item 6 – Turnpoint types (Dan McCormack).

Why not use 90deg sectors (rather than always using 0.5km beer cans) as turn points on some racing tasks?

General discussion.

Nick Oakley suggested also considering Thistle turnpoints for some racing tasks.

Item 7 – Competition Finish (Alex McCaw).

General discussion.

Competition finishes are more spectator friendly (Derek Kraak).

Other non-competition pilots in the circuit (Grae Harrison)

USA has gone back to competition finishes (Keith Essex). Keith to share with the SRC the USA completion finish rules for consideration.

Item 8 – Airspace penalties (Gavin Wills).

Gavin highlighted that the airspace penalties had changed

Item 9 – General discussion.

None.

Meeting closed 11:43 am