# Minutes of the AGM Contest Pilots meeting 8 June 2013

## **Agenda**

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- Chairman's report
- Confirmation of incoming committee
- Minutes of previous meeting (9 June 2012)
- Minutes from pilots' meetings at competitions
- Matters arising
- Remits
- Rule changes
- Competition venues & dates
- Selection of pilot representatives for the international representative selection panel
- General business

Meeting was opened at 10:22am

Chair of the meeting was Maurice Weaver, as chair of the SRC, minutes were taken by Brett Hunter

## Attendees:-

Trevor Terry, David Austin, Brett Hunter, Grae Harrison, Brian Sharpe, Warwick Bethwaite, Kevin Bethwaite, Martyn Cook, Peter Thorpe, Terry Jones, Karen Morgan, Nigel Davy, David Jensen, Bill Mace, Steve Wallace, Ralph Gore, Steve Care, Ross Anderson, Tim Hardwick-Smith, Frank Saxton, Tony van Dyk, Stewart Barton, Graham White, Tony Passmore, Vaughan Ruddick, Alan Belworthy, Warren Dickinson, Peter Miller, David Moody, Max Stevens

## **Apologies:-**

Dane Dickinson, Ben Flewett and Mike Oakley.

# **Chairman's Report**

Chairman's report was "taken as read", based on email to all contest pilots and AGM booklet. Proposed M Weaver, seconded T Terry, carried

## **Confirmation of new SRC members**

Mike Strathern was confirmed as the incoming committee member and Maurice Weaver as departing.

Current committee status is:-

Dane 2 years to go
Ross 2 years to go
Roy 2 years to go
Ben 1 year to go
Edouard 1 year to go
Mike 3 years to go
Maurice term expired

## **Incoming committee**

Dane Dickinson, Ross Gaddes, Roy Edwards, Ben Flewett, Edouard Devenoges and Mike Strathern.

# **Minutes of Previous AGM Meeting**

Minutes of the Annual Contest Pilots Meeting held at the James Cook Hotel, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2012 accepted as true and accurate record of that meeting moved, Grae Harrison, seconded D Jensen

## **Matters arising**

MSC has arranged an advanced XC soaring course to be held in the week prior to the NI Regionals, to be conducted by Peter and Lisa Trotter, from Australia

## **Minutes from Contest Pilots' Meetings**

Minutes of the pilots meeting held during the Multiclass National Championships in Omarama, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 were taken as read moved T van Dyk, seconded A Belworthy

Minutes of pilots meeting held at Club Class National Championships, Taupo, 11th February 2013 were taken as read moved M Weaver, seconded T van Dyk

## Any matters arising?

Edouard explained that a junior challenge event will be organised in conjunction with Multiclass Nationals in Matamata in December and will be announced more formally later in the year with details.

#### Remits

#### Classes Remit

The chair decided that this remit was actually five individual issues and that each should be voted on individually:-

1. Deletion of Sports Class, 8 for, 10 against, **motion rejected**, it was agreed to allow the sports class to remain dormant in the event that there was more interest in the future. Deletion of the class was deemed not necessary at this time.

- 2. Amended to "creation of 20m Two-seater class" moved M Weaver, seconded G Harrison, **motion carried**. Second amendment, "that the SRC sort out the details at a future date", moved R Gore, seconded T Terry, **motion carried**
- 3. Permanent subsumption of the Standard Class into the 15m Class, 9 for, 12 against, **motion rejected**
- 4. Club, 18m, Open Classes retained as status quo, **motion carried**.
- 5. Changing the minimum number of entries required to constitute a competition class
  - a. At a Regional championships, the minimum number for a competition class shall be six (6), instead of the present minimum of four (4)
  - b. At national championships, the minimum number for a competition class shall be eight (8), instead of the present minimum of four(4), **motion rejected**

#### Airspace remit

Any violation of Controlled airspace will result in the contest flight being scored as a landout, at the point of violation. The exceptions to this rule are:-

- Infringements less than 200ft vertically inside airspace shall not be penalised
- 3.6.2 of the contest rules

K Bethwaite stated that IFR traffic are flying closer to boundaries and we need to observe airspace requirements.

R Gore read out a statement from T Mollard,

I fully support Maurice's proposal to amend the contest rules to reduce the lateral tolerance of airspace incursion without penalty to ZERO. (Down from the current 3000m).

We can no longer maintain the fiction that pilots are obtaining ATC clearance to legally go a little bit out of bounds with little or no penalty, the risk to the movement overall is too great from an airspace perspective. Because this issue affects the entire gliding community I believe the Executive should direct the Sailplane Racing Committee to promulgate rules that are in compliance with the Laws of the Land. It seems obvious but to date we haven't been doing it!

Amendment to remit, "Delete the 200ft buffer to designated airspace" moved M Cook, seconded W Bethwaite, **motion lost** 

Original remit put to the meeting, 24 for, 2 against, motion carried

#### Flarm Remit

There was confusion regarding the correct wording of this remit. M Stevens read out the wording in the AGM booklet.

The remit was," As from 2015, during all GNZ National Multi-class events a Flarm device operating on the New Zealand (*not Australian as presented*) standard Flarm frequency will be mandatory in all competing gliders. It must be functioning and serviceable with the audio alert functioning at all times during the competition flight. **Motion carried** 

#### **Rules Changes**

None were proposed other than those required by the above remits

## **Event Venues and Dates**

Event	Location	Dates
Central Plateau 2013	Taupo	2/11/13 to 9/11/13
South Island Regionals 2013	Omarama	16/11/13 to 23/11/13
Northern Regionals 2013	Matamata	23/11/13 to 30/11/13
Youth Soaring Development Camp	Omarama	TBA
Multiclass Nationals 2014	Matamata	27/12/13 to 9/1/14
Junior contest 2014	Matamata	2/1/13 to 9/1/14
Club Class Nationals 2014	Omarama	TBA
Central Districts 2014	Waipukurau	9/2/14 to 15/2/14
Drury 2014	Drury	15-16/2/14, 22-23/2/14
Drury Championships	Drury	TBA
**Club Class Nationals 2015	Drury	21/01/15 to 31/01/15
International events		
Junior Nationals, Australia	Narromine, Australia	7/12/13 to 14/12/13
Australian Multiclass Nationals	Kingaroy, Australia	14/10/13 to 25/10/13
2014 World Gliding Championship,	Leszno, Poland	21/7/14 to 10/8/14
Poland		
Junior Worlds, Australia	Narromine, Australia	1/12/15 to 12/12/15
2017 FAI World Gliding	Benalla, Australia	8/1/17 to 21/1/17
Championships , Australia		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ross Gaddes stated that the Auckland club would be seeking to hold the Club Class Nationals in Drury in 2015. He also stated that Sports Class Nationals could be run at the same time if there is interest to do so.

# Selection of pilot representatives for the International Representative Selection Panel

Tony van Dyk and Max Stevens nominated, moved M Weaver, seconded B Hunter, motion carried

# **General Business**

Recommendations from the Contest Directors were discussed.

One motion was put to the meeting that, "rules and penalties associated with calling start times to be deleted", proposed M Weaver, seconded B Hunter, **motion rejected** 

Meeting closed 12:22pm