

## **PILOT'S MEETING – HORSHAM WEEK 2008**

Meeting declared open at 1pm on 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 08 by Rolf Buelter, Comps Director.

### ***Discussions of last years meeting***

Proposed Tom Van Blaricum, seconded Terry Bellair, that last years minutes be accepted.  
CARRIED

### ***Matters Arising***

Please ensure weak links are incorporated into ropes.

### ***Financials***

Kept as low as possible – this has been achieved, although the \$30 tows will eat into the comp funds.

Financials from last year not yet ready, although RB indicated we were close to breaking even – final statement to be posted during this week.

This comp will reduce the funds. Rolf asked if we wish to revise this for the next year.

Proposed that next year be kept the same, pending fuel costs and other abnormals.

Pilots agree to maintain entry fee and tow cost at the level of the 2008 comps, ie \$100 and \$30 respectively, subject to cost of fuel or any other abnormals. Leave it to comp director for 2009 to make the final call.

David Wilson proposes and Tony Tabart seconds to reduce competition funds surplus by around \$1000 by subsidising launch costs. CARRIED

Note that CASA is recovering costs of \$160 for NOTAM and use of runway.

### ***Registrations and Planning***

3 tugs were selected for this week given expected number of entries. Considered acceptable as fleet is launched < 70 minutes.

RB indicated that he felt the informal registration system worked well and suggested this continue. RB was able to effectively plan for numbers. Advantage is that effort involved in pre-registration is onerous and not doing it was worth it.

Ensure logger serial numbers be made available before the comp, this will ease the load for the scorer.

### ***Scoring***

Would be good to organise a local wireless network to improve the communicating of logger files to the scorer.

Discussed if Brian Woods would like to continue to score. Also looked for others to take over or at least understudy Brian.

Given current situation it is likely that next year will also be a no ballast comp. Handicaps to remain the same.

### ***Cu Sonde***

No need for its use.

## **Web Site**

Well done Bruce Cowan, and he is going to keep it going.

## **Soaring Article**

David Meredith to write article.

## **VIC State Competition**

Benalla indicated that they will be applying to run the VSA comps in Jan 09 before the Nationals.

## **VSA Coaching Week**

Aim to make this an annual event.

This year's event went well, flying every day, well supported by 4 clubs. Hope to see some GCV members next year – its well worthwhile for early cross-country pilots.

Need to ensure people commit to this as early as possible. (1 week is not enough).

## **Marshalling**

System works well.

## **Horsham Week 2009**

Comp to commence first Saturday in Feb 09.

## **Appointments for 2009 Horsham Week (Organising Committee)**

Competition Director	Geoff Vincent
Met	David Wilson
Scorer	Brian Wood
Treasurer	Trevor Hancock
Registration	Jan (but for the last time)
Tug Master	Sigfried Maharfovic
Safety Officer	TBA

All appointments accepted unanimously

## **Juniors**

Fines kitty to continue to subsidise Joey fund. Acknowledge Keith Willis's \$50 donation for the purchase of a flarm.

## **Subsidising Tug Pilots, Scorer and Met Man**

This is an \$800 subsidy. Proposed Gary Stephenson, seconded David Cleeland that the subsidy of \$25 per day continue. CARRIED.

## **Tasking**

Comfortable with run tasks.

## ***Insurance***

No change

## ***Banking***

The pilots appointed the Competition Director, the Treasurer and one other as individual signatories on the Horsham Week bank account.

- The competition director is Geoff Vincent
- The treasurer is Trevor Hancock
- The “one other” remains Peter Buskens.

## ***Competition Rules***

RB proposes that the competition adopts the National Multi-class Rules for Horsham Week with amendments around the following topics:

- Relax the declaration of a lay day requirement.
- Handicaps without water (use club class)
- Allow team flying, particularly when coaching/mentoring. Note that all must still use the one comp chatter frequency – no private channels. Majority voted to allow team flying.
- Addition of Sports Class.
- Aggregate scoring replaced with average score.
- Others TBA.

The past and 2009 CD to work on reviewing the Multi-class rules for publishing in Nov 08.

Seconded Peter Buskens. CARRIED.

## ***Endorsement of Horsham Week as a competition by the GFA***

Required for insurance cover for the comp organiser. Recommend this continue. The conditions include all have a Comps Licence.

CARRIED unanimously.

## ***FLARM***

Gary Stevenson spoke passionately for the use of the instrument.

CARRIED unanimously that FLARM continue to be mandatory for Horsham Week.

## ***Other Business***

Discussed overall numbers and what would be ideal, ie whether it should be kept the same or built up to 50. Feeling was advertising and word of mouth would improve numbers and that 50 gliders would be a good target for numbers. Tow plane availability could be a limit. In the past, the site has had over 70 aircraft.

## ***Meeting Close***

Closed at 1410.

## ***Attendees***

David Cleland  
Noel Vagg  
Paul Dilks  
Geoff Vincent  
Andrew Grocholski  
Olgierd Szemis  
David Wilson  
Mal Crampton  
Gordon Cope  
Steve Jinks  
Terry Bellair  
Bryan Bailey  
John Ashford  
Tony Tabart  
Philip Volk  
Rob Benton  
Ben Loxton  
Mads Leth  
Steve Trone  
Tom van Blaricum  
Peter Buskens  
Keith Willis  
Bruce Cowan  
Wayne Mackley  
Trevor Hancock  
Caleb White  
Jennefer Goldsmith  
Craig Dilks  
David Goldsmith  
Gary Stevenson  
Maxt Hedt  
Christian Trewern  
Duncan Robertson  
David Meredith (Minutes Secretary)  
Rolf Buelter (Competition Director)

Total attendees = 35