



MINUTES OF CLAS MEETING 12th February 2024
Venue: General Bourke, Parramatta. NSW.

Meeting opened at 8.12 pm.

Present: *G.Tansley (Pres.), M.Comiskey (VP), B.Eather, J.M.McIntyre, P.Turner, R.Towell, D.Keyyssecker, G. Van Kampen.*

Apologies: *M.Howell (post meeting)*

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting have been circulated to Club Secretaries for distribution to members.

Following the reading of the minutes by the President, it was moved D.Keyyssecker and seconded M.Comiskey the minutes be accepted. Carried.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

Any matters to be moved to General Business by consensus.

Correspondence.

Correspondence. In from MAAA.

Rhyll. MAAA Secretary. Advice of future Council Meeting dates.
Copies of various MAAA correspondence for Membership Team.
MAAA President nomination form.
CASA Authorisation form information. Update on CASA approvals.
WC calendar for various disciplines.
Re Wingspan Feb/March 2024.

Other than MAAA.

Brian. Confirmation of financial details for Treasurer's report.
Brian. CLAS Calendar v2.
Rob Fitzgerald. Request for various discipline results. At this time, not received by Secretary.
Blacktown Council. General field bookings open.
MDMAS. Request for Certificate of Currency. Sent.
G.Tansley. Updated format of CLAS Calendar v2.
KMFC. Advice of closure dates at St. Ives field.
M.Comiskey. Combat results from WW.
Harry Bailey. ACLN. Request for Aerobatics results and CLAS Calendar. Complete.
M.Comiskey. Request for Slow Combat Rules proposal. Processed. Also contact details for Rob Fitzgerald.

Frank Battam. Sad passing of Denver Harvison. Also, reminder of SAT F2B competition. Forwarded to members.
R.Owen. Re SSME event. Sent to membership.



Peter Whitely. Nth NSW. Re planned competition with involvement of C/L fliers. Forwarded to Gary Tansley for CLAS response.

R.Owen. Cancellation of Combat event. Forwarded to members.

Neil Alleyn. Request for CLAS Calendar. Forwarded.

Warren Leadbeatter. Forward of QLD CLASII Calendar. Forwarded to membership.

Bruce Hoffmann. Re account for Website and request for possible support for Juniors.

To be raised at February meeting.

Correspondence Out.

Minutes of December meeting. Forwarded to Club Secretaries for distribution.

Notice of February Meeting. Sent to Club Secretaries for distribution. 2nd reminder sent to members.

All relevant correspondence forwarded to members.

Phone call to Manager at General Bourke to confirm meeting venue for 12th February 2024.

(This meeting will be held downstairs in the Bistro area).

Secretary has responded to all emails requiring a response.

Verified CLAS email address for VMAA.

Response to emails.

Moved G.Tansley and seconded B.Eather that Correspondence be accepted. Carried.

Business Arising from Correspondence.

To be moved to General Business.

Treasurer's Report: **See Annex. (last page)**

GENERAL BUSINESS:

MAAA Issues.

Mainly related to Radio control flying.

Gary has attended Council meetings as the CLAS representative.

State Championships.

Matters raised regarding hire costs of Whalan no.1 field by Brian in his Treasurer's report. These will be followed up with Council.

Matter in relation to keys: Doonside Club has keys for the gate and toilet facilities about which Council is aware. Access to clubhouse has been discussed as at previous events. Paul will advise on this.

Brian Eather raised the issue of the field hire costs for the State Championships. Hire fees had risen substantially last year and it is anticipated that fees may rise even more. Entry fees have remained unchanged at both State events for some time. There will need to be a discussion on Entry fee costs for both State Championships events at the next meeting once field hire costs for this year are received from Blacktown Council. Secretary to contact Council for information on hire fees.

Entry Forms and Programmes need to be discussed at the next meeting, also. There is a need to speak with Andrew Heath in relation to the Speed and racing organisation and Entry Forms.



Juniors Fees.

A letter was received from Bruce Hoffmann, advising junior Cadets were being encouraged to build and fly model aircraft with Doonside members, and whilst under the Visitor policy of the MAAA a visitor may sign in and fly on three occasions at any Club, the question was put to ascertain whether CLAS could assist with covering the MAAA component of the joining fee. CLAS does not have a fee for Juniors. It was also asked for the age of Juniors in Australia to be checked in the MAAA Statement of Rules. It was suggested that Doonside club may wish to pay the club joining fee for the ½ year for those juniors.

The account about which Bruce also enquired, had already be paid.

West Wyalong Nationals.

President Gary Tansley congratulated Reg Towell on being awarded raw score Flyer of the Year. The President also thanked all those who had assisted in any way with the running of the Nationals. It was mentioned that the running of this event had been a 50/50 venture and that the finances and payments to organise equipment and mower had still to be sorted out with FFS.

At this point in time, CLAS is not in receipt of any financial statement from the joint nationals. A breakdown of income and expenses is required to ascertain how best to plan for any future event. Michael Comiskey has been asked for a receipt for his Combat purchases, but so far, no payment has been made to Michael.

It was mentioned that entry numbers for Free Flight and Control Line were evenly split. CLAS had been involved in Programme organisation and Entries and representatives had also interacted with the various authorities regarding fields and the preparation thereof and it had been agreed that any profits from the event would be split. Costs for the transportation of the SAT mower are still to be paid.

General Discussion.

A general discussion ensued in response to queries about the possibility of fliers entering two models or perhaps being permitted to enter in both Advanced and Expert for those who fly Advanced and when an Advanced flier be reclassified as Expert. Mention was also made of the Classic and Vintage events. Brian proposed that one pilot be allowed to enter twice with 2 different model in both Classic and Vintage Stunt. It was put to the meeting that these proposals be discussed at the next meeting of CLAS and perhaps this idea be put out to the general membership for comment and feedback.

Michael Comiskey referred to the proposed Slow Combat Rules, which have been circulated.

A formal proposal will be prepared to go out to all Clubs and membership for discussion with a date provided for responses.

CLAS Records.

Discussion on matter of CLAS files and correspondence being held by the Secretary in hard copy. It was noted that with modern technology, having documents kept in digital format would be the way to go. Offers were made to assist with the transference of files to a hard drive, which have been gratefully accepted. Once this is done, paperwork from many years ago can be destroyed at the Secretary's discretion. This was put forward in a motion by Mike Comiskey and seconded by Gary Tansley. Carried.



Future State Titles.

A proposal was put forward by Gary Tansley, following general discussion, that we should give the option to other clubs within CLAS to nominate to host the various State Titles disciplines. (Aerobatics/Speed and Racing/Combat). CLAS would supply the trophies and clubs would run the events.

A formal motion will be put forward at the next meeting of CLAS.

An email had been received from Peter Whitely, relating to a possible event, which could include Control Line, and asking for advice on field requirements. This was passed on to the President, who has responded to the email.

Matters relating to CLAS had been raised informally to the Secretary at the West Wyalong Nationals. It was agreed that any matters of concern in relation to CLAS procedures would be better brought to a CLAS meeting for general discussion.

Next Meeting. Notice of Meeting will be emailed to membership the week prior to the next meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 10.20 pm.

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NOTE: A reminder of the next meeting of CLAS will be advised to members by email.



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