

**MINUTES OF THE PIAKO GLIDING CLUB HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.30PM**

**Present:** Iggy Wood, Steve Care, Nigel Brinkworth, Joan Wine, Bob Gray, Julian Mason, Malcolm Piggott, Tony Davies, Tim Bromhead.

**Apologies:** Dave Dennison.

**Minutes 18 January:** The minutes of the meeting were read and are a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved Joan Sec Steve

**Carried**

**Matters Arising:**

1. MoU – still ongoing.
2. Club Rules have been lodged with the Inc. Society and put on the website.
3. XP's trailer – done.
4. Bar fridge has gone kaput yet again. Malcolm and Bill will sort out the vent, but perhaps the thermostat needs looking into. **Action Malcolm.**
5. Hangar construction – A plan of action needs to be written as to what action PGC requires to ensure we get a good result out of this. Bob, Iggy and Dave to action and present to Grant Horn. **Action –Iggy, Bob, Dave.**

**Inward Correspondence:**

- Email from Bill re corporate day 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> March
- Inland Revenue – GST not paid – gst had been paid, and Bob contacted IRD
- BNZ – deposit amount differs
- Email from Andy MacKay re reciprocal flying - approved
- NZTA – relicence renewal for caravan
- Fleet Maintenance offer from Ben Stimpson
- Companies Office – receipt for filing of Club Rules.
- GNZ – notification of Nielsen survey for GNZ members

**Outward Correspondence:**

- Email to Bruce Langland's re landing fee waive for DYA

**Financial Report: Bob Gray: Attached.**

Accounts were presented for payment.

The following payments will not be made due to discussions with the businesses.

Solo Wings \$932.77 – re carbon monoxide in the cockpit.

Sailplane Services - \$2938.48 – ailerons were not working upon receipt of glider, many hours were spent to correct this. Also the account seems extremely high and work was done that was not authorised. **Iggy to action both.**

Bob to contact Ralph Gore and Paul Castle re power account for the Walsh.

**Action Bob.**

All other accounts were passed for payment.

Moved Bob Sec Malcolm.

**Carried**

**CFI Report- Julian Mason:** Attached.

The condition of NI is now serious and the aircraft could be grounded due to this. Malcolm is going to talk to Lindsay Stevens, and involve Roger Brown in the discussion. **Action Malcolm.**

Some discussion was held around student pilots in training. We need to retain these pilots and perhaps set up some mentoring scheme and training days for them. Julian will discuss with the Instructors. **Action Julian**

Moved Julian Sec Tim

**Carried**

**Chief Tow Pilot Report: Iggy Wood:** Report attached.

133 tows at Raglan this year, down on previous years.

Moved Iggy Sec Nigel.

**Carried**

**Maintenance Officers Report- Neil Raymond –** Attached.

A working bee needs to be held to do some work on the winch. Dave to contact members and set a date with Neil. **Action Dave.**

Moved Bob Sec Julian

**Carried**

**Club Captains Report – Dave Dennison:**

18-19 March: Hamilton ATC SQN – approx. 30 cadets x 2 flights over 2 days. Need winch driver, instructors (winch qualified) etc. There is one booking on 18 March before I could turn off booking of twins. Hopefully, we can accommodate this flight amongst ATC activity. I suggest leave tow pilot on roster for singles and private gliders.

8 & 9 March: Corporate event – 1 afternoon of winching; I can't remember which of the two days is for flying. Bill needs volunteers to help run the day.

4 & 5 March: X – Country weekend: need task setters/briefers, instructors, official observers etc. Anyone willing to organise dinner would be good also.

I put presentation on twin gliders on the website. Iggy was going to add some notes on the discussion at the meeting. I believe that there was broad support for offering to buy one or two of Tga Puchacz's, we might as well get on with it.

Eric Gosse was going to take club parachute to Auckland for repacking: please add \$75 to \$100 to accounts for approval, so we can pay for this when the invoice comes in.

Moved Joan Sec Iggy

**Carried**

**Bar Managers Report – Bill Mace:** No report.

**Users Committee Report: Dave Dennison:** No Report.

### **General Business**

1. **Glider Options** –After the meeting which was held for all club members on the 5<sup>th</sup> February we have decided to make an offer on the Puchacz

owned by the Tauranga Gliding Club. This will be for PZ not EO which we have presently. Iggy to make an offer of around \$30,000. **Action Iggy.**

2. **Equipment from Shuttleworth Family** – There is a ride on mower, with the blades removed and a push mower which have been offered to the club. Bill Mace will pick up the push mower and Steve and Julian will arrange for a new battery to be put in the ride on and pick up from the hangar. Joan to send a thank you letter. **Action Bill, Steve, Julian and Joan.**
3. **XP Repairs** – There is strong issue with the way we received XP back from Sailplane Services. A form needs to be filled out, as the glider had no aileron action when it was returned. Iggy to contact as per Financial Report.
4. **Offer from Ben Stimpson** – After some discussion we have decided not to go for the monthly option. We could perhaps have a mix of Ben and S/S depending on what needs to be done. **Julian to talk to Ben.**
5. **Tirohia Wind Farm** – Three gliding clubs will be affected by this if it is approved. Tauranga, Auckland and Piako. There is a meeting to be held at the Tirohia School on 16<sup>th</sup> March and Tim will represent MSC and Bob will represent Piako.

Meeting Closed 9.30pm

**NEXT MEETING: 22 March 7.30PM**

**Apology from Iggy – Nigel to chair.**

**Agenda for next meeting** – Private gliders for club use.