

NORTH EAST VICTORIA HANG-GLILDING CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 30 OCTOBER 2010

AGENDA ITEM	MEETING OPEN: 9.00 p.m.		ACTIONED
	<p>PRESENT: (Committee) John Chapman (President) Greg Jarvis (Treasurer) Bill Oates (Secretary)</p>	<p>Barb Scott (Committee)</p>	<p>LOCATION: Outdoor Inn Bright</p>
	<p>OTHER ATTENDEES : Peter Broughton Carolyn Dennis Peter Condick Garret Verway Phil Ling Stephen Johnson Dario Marini Adam Young Cameron MacRae James Elder John Twomey Paul Larkin Steven Poole</p>	<p>Morgan Evans Guy Langton Mark Dobson Colin Jeffrey Steven Leak Lawrence Pozzani Gabriel Toniolo John Hancorne John Bachelor Karl Texler Jnr. Eric Oberhead Saul Dixon</p>	
ITEM 1:	<p>APOLOGIES : Joe Rainczuk (VHPA Rep) Bill Brooks (Committee) Alex Morgan (Committee) Kerryn Schultz Brian Webb (memberships)</p>		
ITEM 2:	<p>MINUTES 2009 AGM : John Chapman summarized and presented the minutes which were accepted. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Full report on NEVHGC website) John summarized past years activity as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Commercial tandem fee increase from \$3 to \$5 2. Online Memberships 3. Constitution changes 4. Income for year \$20,000 Spending to date \$14,000 5. Major road improvement to come \$5,000 now that road is wet. 6. New tandem instructors Andrew Horchner and Bill Oates Current issues & events: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land Swap deal 2. Club carpark sign 3. Helipad Mystic Launch 4. Swing & Fling 5. License upgrades 6. VHF radio endorsement </p>		<p>JC</p>

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ITEM 3:	<p>SECRETARY'S REPORT : (Full report on NEVHGC website) Bill gave a summary of the committee's activities over the past year, including the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Site officers nominated for NE sites 2. DSE - Buffalo launch harness & sign 3. Road maintenance Mystic 4. Emergency locators 5. Website summary <p>Gabriel Toniolo raised the issue that Ray Kinder (Mt. Buffalo site officer) knew nothing about the harness for launch. Also raised the problem of what to do with harness when everyone has launched? Agreed to discuss with committee at next meeting.</p>	BO
ITEM 4:	<p>TREASURERS REPORT : (Full report on NEVHGC website) Greg presented a report on the club's finances for the financial year to July 10. He also noted the amount of voluntary work by locals which keeps Mystic running. His report is summarised as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$4,000 equity in bank as at 30 June, 2010 2. KT raised issue of pines being accounted for as an asset. 3. GJ suggested we need to consider these as not only an asset, but also as a liability for the cost of harvesting in future. 4. Debate ensued with Garret and Karl regarding the likelihood of harvesting of pines whether or not they should be considered an asset. <p>Garret also raised the issue of past agreement to amortize \$4,000 per year for next 10 years to cover maintenance of Mystic launch. JC suggested this had not been done this year as there were still outstanding loans being repaid to both VHPA and HGFA of \$3,000 per year. BS agreed to raise this at next committee meeting with the aim of reinstating allocation of funds annually to future Mystic repairs.</p>	GJ BS
ITEM 5:	<p>SENIOR SAFETY OFFICER REPORT : (Full report on NEVHGC website) Karl emphasized the importance of pre-flight safety checks in the light of recent events. He has had success in negotiating raised airspace around the pines. JC asked KT how many incident reports had been lodged this past year. Only 3 HGFA reports lodged.</p>	KT
ITEM 6:	<p>COMPETITIONS REPORT : (Full report on NEVHGC website) Bill Oates noted that competitions had attracted fees from 180 - 200 pilots. Emphasised that fees are put back into maintaining and improving sites.</p>	BO
ITEM 7:	<p>CONSTITUTION CHANGES: John Chapman recommended to the membership the following changes :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increasing the committee to seven members 2. Allowing email contact as the primary means of member communication with postal contact as an option to members. 3. Reduce the mandatory face to face meetings per year of the 	JC

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	<p style="text-align: center;">committee to 2 in acknowledgement of the group email system we use allowing almost constant communication.</p> <p>Motion to accept the changes proposed by John Chapman, seconded by Barb Scott - motion passed unanimously by members without comment.</p>	
ITEM 8:	<p>COMMITTEE ELECTIONS: John noted that the current committee members are prepared to run for another year. He called for any other nominations from the members present. None were forthcoming, so current committee was declared re-elected:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">John Chapman (President) Greg Jarvis (Treasurer) Bill Oates (Secretary) Karl Texler (SSO), Barb Scott, Bill Brookes, Alex Morgan (Committee)</p> <p>also Joe Rainczuk re-elected as VHPA Rep</p>	JC
ITEM 9:	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS:</p> <p>Website - John stated that Brian Webb happy to continue handling memberships but is no longer able to manage the website. John Chapman agreed to take this on.</p> <p>Mystic financial management - John again raised the issue of handing of financial management of Mystic to VHPA in order that it should become a free user site. Garret provided some history of previous discussions for new members. Extended debate established that the bulk of members are happy to pay for use of Mystic and maintain management locally. It was agreed maintain status quo, but John will continue discussion on forum.</p> <p>VHF Radio - John Twomey clarified that most pilots will not need the endorsement unless flying near airfields. Radios cost around \$350 and endorsement required if intending to fly near airfields. Bill O asked about special channels. JT confirmed that HGFA is currently in negotiations for 6 channels for our exclusive use. Bill Oates is currently organizing VHF endorsement sessions with either Steve Ruffels or Ted Jenkins.</p> <p>Land Swap - Karl Texler outlined what NE club needs in order to make a land swap with the Mystic LZ plantation area as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3 ha. will allow 60% of pines to be removed from LZ 2. 5 ha. will allow 100% of remaining pines to be removed from LZ 3. 27 ha. (10 ha. of which would have to be flat) would mean ownership of 22ha of land in lease, plus 5 ha. of remaining pines. The advantage of this being that we would have ownership of all launch and LZ land and therefore no road closures on Total Fire Ban days. 	<p>JC</p> <p>BO</p> <p>KT</p>
NEXT AGM MEETING	<p>Melbourne Cup Weekend 2011 Venue - Outdoor Inn Date and time to be notified prior to meeting.</p>	JC
	MEETING CLOSED 10.18 PM	
MINUTES:	Barb Scott	BS
DATE:	SIGNED:	JC