

**HANG GLIDERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.**

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**Minutes of the HGAWA AGM held at the Department of Sport and Recreation, Leederville 14th September 2016.**

**Meeting Commenced:** 1905h

**Present:** Richard Breyley, Fritz Neuman, Peter South, Richard Weston, Corey Wharton, James Weston, Like Fluknell, Dennis Smith, Mark Stokoe, Simon Braithwaite, Rick Williams, Walter Reeves, Ben Ryan, Adam Caly, Shaun Wallace, Cyril, Eliopulos, Sam Skellern, Rob Burnett, Victoria Mannering.

**Apologies:** Mick Gibberd, Peter Covesi, Rodney Gors, Greg Lowry, Keith Lingard, Lewis Winter, Rod Merigan.

**Minutes:**

Previous minutes read by Peter South, accepted by Rick Williams, seconded by Richard Breyley and passed unanimously.

**Presidents Report - Peter South:**

* Attached.

**Treasurers Report – Sam Clark:**

* Attached.

**Financial Plan for 2016-2017:**

* The financial plan is attached.
* Richard Breyley moved that the financial plan be approved, seconded Walter Reeves and passed unanimously.

**Election of the Committee for 2015-2016**

All positions declared vacant. Nominations were as follows.

President – Peter South

Vice President – Walter Reeves

Secretary – Richard Breyley

Treasurer – Sam Clark

Non Club Representative – Sam Skellern

Immediate past President – Rod Merigan

All positions filled unopposed.

**General Business**

**Mt Bakewell**

* A committee has taken over the Mt Bakewell development.

**Sun Memorial**

* An unofficial memorial should be incorporated into signage at the Bunbury launch.

**Videos at the DSR**

**Western Soarers**

* A discussion was held about the future of the Western Soarers. Rick Williams pointed out that the Western Soarers always managed a tow paddock which contributed greatly to pilot retention and development. But the future of the Western Soarers is a club issue for them to solve.
* Should their facebook page be made public?

**Novices**

* Finding it hard to find info about active clubs and sites.

**Bunbury and Cot should be on tomorrow**

**Meeting Closed:** 1955h

**HGAWA PRESIDENT’S REPORT TO AGM**

**September 2016**

**MEMBERSHIP**

HGAWA currently has 204 members, 157 by direct application and 47 via affiliated club membership.

**SITES**

Status of sites managed by HGAWA and affiliated clubs is as follows:

**Cottesloe**

Agreement with Council is in place.

**Mosman Park:**

Agreement with Council is in place. Rarely flown but relatively secure.

**Bunbury:**

Recent agreement with Council. Comprehensive management plan. This is the second year of a five year lease.

**Mt Bakewell**

A team is in place to formulate a plan to secure this site. Some promising options are in train

**Albany Sites**

All well managed by Albany club. Agreements in place and secure.

**Goldfields Sites**

Lake Perkolilli and Westonia tow paddock are managed by the Goldfields Dust Devils club. Site agreement is in place for Lake Perkolilli and it is secure. Westonia is used with the permission of the landowner when the paddock is in fallow.

**Quinns**

A team has been negotiating with the Council for some time. Good progress but it’s complex with a number of stakeholders involved. This will take some time yet to finalise

**Sites secured by Skypirates**

* + Lark Hill (2 sites; a main site and an alternative site)
  + Salt lakes
  + Woodman Point
  + Eden Beach
  + Jindalee
  + Lake Pinjar

Another site, Alkimos Waste Water, is in progress but still 2 to 4 years away. It will also be suitable for HG and PG, directions WSW – NW

**SAFETY.**

Sun Nickerson suffered an in air emergency in March 2016, during the State Competitions. Although he landed safely he passed away the same night. A serious loss to our community. Sun is sadly missed.

**TRAINING**

Mike Duffy’s Hang Gliding and Jiri’s Paragliding schools remain in operation.

**COMPETITIONS**

The State Hang Gliding Championships were held at Westonia between the 28/2/16 and 5/3/16. Once again a very successful competition organised by Dusties.

Several WA pilots participated in interstate competitions and, as usual, did WA proud.

**CLUBS**

The following clubs are affiliated with HGAWA:

Albany HGC

Dust Devils

Hillflyers

Cloudbase

Skypirates

Western Soarers (doubtful, did not re-affiliate last year)

A new club, Southwest Airsports, has recently been incorporated and will be affiliating with HGAWA shortly

HGAWA maintains affiliation with HGFA. Peter South is the Western Australian representative on the HGFA Committee of Management.

**HGAWA**

**Treasurer’s report Financial Year 2015-16**

**Presented to AGM 14 September 2016**

* A surplus of $6,127 was generated for the 2015-16 financial year versus a budgeted surplus of $835.
* The combined balance of cheque and investment accounts at 30 June 2016 was $65,946
* Income was $2,814 above budget due to the timing of membership fees received by the HGFA
* A term deposit was established which generated $933 in income
* Expenses totalled $9,420 for the period which was $3,045 below budget
* Competition support was the largest area of expense, with $2,000 provided for the State Hang Gliding Championships and four pilots awarded sponsorship to compete interstate.
* Sam and Peter met with our DSR representative who confirmed our eligibility for ongoing grants of $5,000 each year, but noted that the selection criteria may change in the future.

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| **HGAWA 2015/16 Financial Statement & 2016/17 Budget** |  |  |  |
|  |  | Budget | Actual |
|  | Budget Description | 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 | 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016 |
| **Income** |  |  |  |
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| Membership Fees | HGFA levy | 8,000.00 | 9,614.01 |
| Grants | DSR grant | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Interest | Term deposit | 933.00 | 933.01 |
| Total Income |  | 13,933.00 | 15,547.02 |
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| **Expenses** |  |  |  |
| Travel | Attendance at committee meetings | 150.00 | 30.00 |
| Postal costs | PO box fees | 125.00 | 121.00 |
| Competition expenses | $2000 State Championships, $1,500 national comps | 4,000.00 | 3,780.00 |
| Club support | Club car license fee costs, events | 1,500.00 | 638.85 |
| Website |  | 200.00 | .00 |
| Advertising and promotion | Gifts to landowners | 1,500.00 | 1,023.15 |
| Site leases | $1100 Bunbury, $1000 Sandpatch, $400 Pinnaroo Point | 3,000.00 | 2,678.50 |
| Training | First aid and parachute re-pack | 1,000.00 | 598.00 |
| Site works | Shelly ramp upgrades $9,000, Bakewell grading | 10,000.00 | 49.20 |
| Functions and AGM costs | Include some for regional clubs | 1,500.00 | 500.98 |
| Total |  | 22,975.00 | 9,419.68 |
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| Gain/ (Loss) |  | -9,042.00 | 6,127.34 |
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| **Current Assets** |  |  |  |
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| Cash at Bank - Commonwealth Bank |  | 4,309.81 | 13,351.81 |
| Commonwealth Bank - Term Deposit |  | 52,593.89 | 52,593.89 |
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| Total Current Assets |  | 56,903.70 | 65,945.70 |
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| Total Assets |  | 56,903.70 | 65,945.70 |
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| Net Assets |  | 56,903.70 | 65,945.70 |
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| **Member's Funds** |  |  |  |
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| **Issued Capital** |  |  |  |
| Members Funds - Opening Balance |  | 65,945.70 | 59,818.36 |
| Accumulated surplus (defecit) |  | -9,042.00 | 6,127.34 |
| Total Member's Funds |  | 56,903.70 | 65,945.70 |