

# NSW Hang Gliding And Paragliding Association

## November 2011 AGM Minutes

The meeting opened at 7:55pm Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 2011, at Brighton Fishos 100 Bestic Street - Brighton Le Sands, NSW 2216.

### **Attendance :**

10 current members present:

#19067 ; #19563 ; #11690 ; #19134 ; #33684; #16807 ; #10274 ; #16868 ; #89039 ; #18364

### **Apologies:**

Apologies were received from absent members: Ray Firth (outgoing Secretary) and Brett Coupland (outgoing Vice President)

### **Previous AGM Minutes Read:**

The minutes of the previous AGM were read by the Meeting Chair, Bruce Wynne, and were unanimously accepted by the meeting.

### **Presidents Report:**

The President, Bruce Wynne, presented a report summarising matters of importance from the previous year (attached).

### **Treasurer Report:**

Bank balance as of 30/06/2011 is \$161,603.00. The treasurer, Graeme Cran, presented the annual financial report. A Copy the financials can be obtained by the members on request.

The association's status as a Non for Profit Body has been formally resolved and the relevant authorities have been notified.

### **General Business**

- The association commends Brett Coupland for his initiative in creating and developing the NSW Sky Hawks Club for the motorised fraternity.
- The association formally announces that: Any NSWHPA member completing an accredited first aid course or VHF Radio Certification is eligible for funding to the cost of \$50 or \$15 respectively. We prefer that application for the funding be done via a club or as a group. Contact the committee for further information or assistance.
- Tony Sandeberg raised the issue of further insurance for pilots. The newly elected committee should investigate the matter further.
- An agreement has been negotiated between the NSWHPA and NSW clubs, in which NSWHPA members will no longer need to pay fees when visiting sites throughout NSW. It has been achieved by subsidising the bulk of the club's outgoings for site maintenance and development. It will still be necessary for pilots to conduct themselves according to local

site rules. An official announcement will be circulated to the members in the next few weeks.

- Paul Cox suggested presenting members with distinction awards in recognition of their notable input. The newly elected committee to implement for the following AGM.
- Tony Denis has suggested that the NSWHPA should encourage its affiliated instructors, to seek sponsorship for activities, that will enrich the knowledgebase of existing members as well as promote and expose the sport to the broader community, thus, resulting in an increase in membership. The newly elected committee should look in to this issue further.
- We thanked the committee members who served in the past year, thereafter the 2010-2011 committee stood down.

### **Nomination of new members to the Board of Executives**

Total of 10 members (some not present) were nominated and ALL were accepted by the meeting.

### **Election and Appointment of new committee**

The revised Executive Committee are:

- President - Bruce Wynne
- Secretary – Paul Cox
- Treasurer - Graeme Cran
- Public Officer & Vice President– Nir Eshed
- Committee - Brett Coupland
- Committee - Tony Dennis
- Committee - Ray Firth
- Committee – Chris Clements
- Committee – Ralf Gittfried
- Committee – Michael Roelens

The meeting closed at 9.55pm.

Minutes captured & submitted by Nir Eshed.