

PRELIMINARY AERO CLUB RE-ESTABLISHMENT MEETING

THE VICTORIA HOTEL, BATHURST ROAD, ORANGE

TUESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1998

PRESENT: Bob Nash, Stuart Porges, Ross McLennan, John Pierce, John Ellis, Phillip Wyatt, Wade Mahlo, Anthony Coward, Phillip Martin, Charles Thompson, Peter Heath, John Slade, John Swain, Gavin Cook, Leon Corcoran, David Bray, John Pritchard, Don Wright, David Ferguson, Andy Armytage, Tim Heron, J. McGrath, Ken Pidcock, Peter Grey, Laurie Chapman, Adele Cook

APOLOGIES: John Payne, David Pfanner, Gerald Ingham, Robert Allford, Peter Carman, John Hazelton, Brett Mahlo, Hayden Murray, Barry Hearne, Jim Yates, Robert & Cindy Corkery, Rob Williams.

Meeting commenced at 8pm and there were discussions by Wade Mahlo on his offer to have our club house temporarily based in his building at the airport and we would need to have a working bee to upgrade it and the possibility of Glstar being available at a reduced rate for a training plane.

John Pritchard discussed the need for incorporation and re-opening the old books of the previous Aero Club.

Phillip Martin stressed the need to own an aircraft.

John Ellis and John Pritchard also stressed this.

Leon Corcoran emphasized the need to have a Club environment to encourage flying among the younger generation.

Ross McLennan discussed the advantages of competition flying to encourage people towards further interest in flying, together with improved flying standards.

There was a proposal by Ross McLennan, seconded by John Pritchard that the Orange Aero Club be re-established.

There was consensus to form a steering committee to re-establish the Orange Aero Club and stationery would be available from John Pritchard.

Initial steering committee is to consist of the following:

Initial Chairman: Bob Nash, proposed Stuart Porges, seconded Bob Pritchard.

Initial Secretary: Stuart Porges, proposed Bob Nash, seconded Peter Grey

Other committee members appointed as follows:

Peter Grey, Ross McLennan, Leon Corcoran, Adele Cook, Gavan Cook, Phillip Martin

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VENUE OF FUTURE MEETINGS. It was noted meetings could be held at the Victoria Hotel meeting room free of charge where necessary or at our proposed new Aero Club building in the Wade Mahlo office at the airport as it becomes more useable. Executive meetings could be at the back of Stuart Porges surgery at 93 Byng Street.

FEE STRUCTURE: It was decided that we have an initial contribution of \$100 to be made up of \$60 annual fee and \$40 joining fee.

Bob Nash to undertake discussions with the CWD to develop some publicity.

Our first committee meeting would set up a committee executive. This is planned for Friday, 20th March at 6.30pm at 93 Byng Street.

Discussion on the method of setting up a sporting body and David Pilcher was to be contacted to see if we could receive help on an honorary basis regarding these legal requirements.

Credit Union Account is to be established.

Letter is to go to Council regarding the setting up of our Aero Club.

A letter is to go to all proposed members with an application form, inclusive of invoice and encouragement for copies of this membership and application form to be passed on to any other pilots which were not included in this initial mailing contact.

Bob Nash is to contact Bathurst Aero Club to insure we did not have any conflict with the Club or clashes of flying days etc.

The next meeting was proposed (apart from the executive meeting) to be at Brett Mahlo's office building at the airport at 2pm on Sunday, 29th March. On this day, we hope to have available for inspection a training plane which interested parties could inspect if they feel they are in the situation to make a contribution to purchase this aircraft as a club training plane.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

 ACME SECRETARY