

PNGC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – Tue 1 Nov 2022

MINUTES of the meeting by MS Teams

Committee Members		
Name	Role	Initials
David Durston	Chairman	DD
Barney Wainwright	Hon Secretary	BW
Tony World	CFI/General Manager	TW
Neil Shaw	Safety Officer	NS
Jay Stewart	Treasurer	JS
Siggi Ingasson	Admin/Website	SI
Jim Chapman	Membership	JC
Sam Hepburn	A/C Maintenance	SH
Simon Gutman	Ground Maintenance	SG
Lee Allinson	Tugmaster	LA
Tom Chapman	Junior member	TC
Jonny Mion	AT Course Rep	JM

1. Apologies - DD, SH
2. Minutes of last meeting were agreed.
3. Outstanding Actions

Date	Item	Action	Update
14/9/22	Social Programme	SG/JC/SH	Ongoing
14/9/22	Summer Course Report	DH	Summary presented to MC
15/2/22	Tractor replacement study	SG	Ongoing
15/2/22	Minibus issues	DH	Disposal plan ongoing
15/2/22	Dyneema Repair Demonstration	SG	1 conducted, further req'd
15/2/22	Fuel Bowser Training/BFI permissions	TW	To be arranged in near future
28/06/22	Mazda - To be booked into the garage - suspension bush replacement	TW	TBC ASAP

4. MW site progress (DD)
 - a. Groundwork pending bid outcome.
 - b. TW to arrange Dig Permit
 - c.

5. Planning & Events (DH)
 - a. 2023 RN AT weekends: 1-day courses on each of the following:
 - Mar 4 & 5
 - Apr 1 & 2
 - May 6 & 7
 - Jun 3 & 4
 - Jul 1 & 2
 - Aug 5 & 6 TBC
 - Sep 2 & 3
 - Sep 30 & Oct 1
 - b. 23 Jul 23 Wallop Wings & Wheels (no gliding)
 - c. 24-28 July 23 Motorglider course
 - d. 19-25 Aug 23 Summer Course

6. Safety (NS)
 - a. There have been NO reported or observed Safety Incidents in this period.

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- b. The tragic accident at Parham led to precautionary Safety-Bulletin re-emphasis on rigging procedures, and independent checks. Like the rest of the gliding community – PNGC can be better at this, both for club and private gliders. Improvements have been observed in recent weeks - we must keep a strong focus.
- c. It was good to see us take a strong safety-first approach regarding the wing-issue on N7 and make it u/s until it can be properly inspected.
- d. At Sutton Bank, a short "Safety Forum" was run amongst a subset of Members one evening. Matters raised included tractors (some debate); winch-signalling light intentions; First Aid training; Fire-extinguisher training, and a generic bunch of non-Safety matters (locking gate; glider tie-downs; airspace, minibus status etc).

7. Air Ops, Training

(TW/AN)

- a. JM has completed the A & B modules of ASCAT trg.
- b. TW corresponding with BGA re Instructor Coach status.
- c. TW stated we need to get more RN personnel on w/e courses
- d. AN reported on the successful exped to Sutton Bank. There were a good number of firsts, qualifications and achievements.

8. Air Engineering

(TW in SH absence)

- a. Glider fleet all serviceable other than N3 and N7
- b. N3 going to Tim Clark for ARC annual and rectification work.
- c. When trailer is free then N7 to Sultan for wing inspection.
- d. ZZ is 'S'
- e. FUGG is still U/S, awaiting parts for brakes. The a/c has been u/s for nearly half the year. NS recommended that we need a 'Motorglider manager'.
- f. Winter Maintenance plan to be promulgated by SH

9. Ground Equipment

- a. PNGC winch radiator to be welded Action:TW
- b. Bus generator u/s – Chris Hensman to repair
- c. Tractor battery replaced

10. Estates

- a. Old MT office at SULTAN needs to be cleared ASAP. Action - DH

11. Membership

- a. Membership application form should require applicants to indicate their skills appropriate.
- b. New members since Sept: 2 Cadets & 4 RN.
- c. 27 members from 2020 will 'fall off' the membership list, resulting in a 68% Service membership.

12. Finance

- a. Audited accounts delivered and explained by JS.

13. Admin & Website

- a. Flight logs now split into years.
- b. Membership email distribution & web access lists being scrubbed.
- c. Customer face of the website now substantially updated – thanks to Emre Mutlu. Any suggestions for further improvement can be sent to Emre or Sigg.

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- d. 63 Trial Lessons completed since Mar 22; SI urged caution regarding too large an increase vs capacity available.
- e. Proposal to reduce BI slots to 75 mins was agreed, starting at 1030.

14. Comms & Media

- a. Emre Mutlu has volunteered to lead on Marketing strategy which is currently weak.
- b. SI proposed putting fliers at the AAC Museum.
- c. Club name: DAEDALUS GLIDING CENTRE was suggested JM as a new name for the club which removed 'Portsmouth' from the title. The committee agreed but other factors need to be considered and ultimately it is a Board decision. TW to propose to the PNGC Board.

15. AOB

- a. Club rates need to be amended to reflect increased costs, particularly the price of fuel which has increased from approx £1.50 to £2.00 per litre. Therefore, rates from 1 Jan 2023 will be:
 - i. Aerotows:

1500	£30
2000	£33
2500	£37
3000	£41
3500	£45
4000	£49

Then an additional £1 per 100ft thereafter.
 - ii. Soaring fees: 40p/minute, max 3 hours.
 - iii. Trial Lesson fee: £120 (2500ft aerotow)
 - iv. Motorglider: £85/hour
 - v. Tug £90/hour
- b. Installing hitching posts: TW has purchased 14; working party required.
- c. Minimum/Maximum age/weight/height for flying – no BGA policy – PNGC should have a policy; criteria to be established. Action: NS
- d. One AIRPOL parachute is still missing. 6 parachutes have been repacked.
- e. Lasham now has an A/G examiner available.

16. DONM **Saturday 14 Jan at 5pm at SULTAN.**

Barney Wainwright
Cdr RNR, Hon Sec PNGC