Minutes of RAANZ AGM 2014

Held at Canterbury Recreational Aircraft Clubrooms

Rangiora Airfield

Saturday 22nd November 2014

- 1 The meeting was **declared open** at 1045 by **Mike Sheffield** (CRAC President) who welcomed members and introduced the guest speaker.
- 2 Guest speaker **Glenn Martin** of **Martin Jetpack** talked about the history, development and status of the Jetpack project. His talk was brought forward due to other engagements he had immediately following.

Mike Sheffield then thanked him for his interesting and informative presentation.

- Rodger Ward (RAANZ President) then chaired the AGM proper and introduced the RAANZ exec members present-
 - Rodger Ward, President
 - Evan Gardiner, CEO
 - Bill Penman, Operations Officer
 - Colin Alexander, Technical Officer
 - Bradley Yorke, Helicopter Officer
 - Stuart Parker, Admin
 - George Taylor, elected member
 - Easwaran Krishnaswamy, co-opted member
- 4 **Apologies** were received from Peter Kernohan, John Bolton-Riley, Colin MacMillan, Frank Koenders, Bruce Norrie, John McCaul, Dave Morgan. (M: Ward, S:Yorke, Carried).
- 5 **25 members** were in attendance.
- 6 **Proxies** were received from the following clubs

BOIAC	John Nicholls	5%
HBMC	Ken McKee	2%
CHBAC	Ken McKee	2%
HBECAC	Ken McKee	2%
CRAC	Mike Sheffield	17%
WRAC	Colin Alexander	7%
SRAC	Bradley Yorke	6%
MMC	Bill Penman	5%
BOPMA	Coin Alexander	5%
FFC	Neil Jepsen	3%
WMLC	Stuart Parker	3%
GYRATE	Colin Alexander	3%
NSMC	??	3%
FAC	George Taylor	2%
GAC	Bradley Yorke	1%

With 66% of members represented in person or by proxy, a **quorum** was declared.

8 Minutes of the previous AGM (AGM2013) were read by Stuart Parker.

Some discussion was held regarding **insurance cover for Instructors**. Stuart mentioned that RAANZ had asked RA-AUS to include the possibility of including RAANZ in their negotiations for 3rd party cover- the outcome was still pending. Stuart also explained that premiums take a major jump when flight risks is considered, and would result in significant increase in member subs to cover that. Colin Alexander commented that provided the Instructor follows the RAANZ approved syllabus, the GAP instructor guide, and exercised due care in flight, they would not be subject to personal liability or negligence claims. Neil Jepsen pointed out that there may be consider legal costs in proving such.

It was agreed that insurance cover should be kept open as an action for the executive.

The minutes were moved for acceptance (M:Parker, S:McKee, Carried)

9 The **President's report** was read by Rodger Ward.

Some discussion about membership, and the **source of new members**. Membership is static and most new members are from the baby boomers pool with discretionary cash to spend.

Also some comments about the need to update the training manual and exam question pools.

The Presidents report was moved for acceptance (M:Ward, S:Yorke, Carried)

10 The **Operations report** was read by Bill Penman.

Considerable discussion re the **role and function of ATOs**, and their visibility to pilots and clubs. Bill explained that the main relationship was between ATOs and their Instructors, and they may not necessarily be visible to the general pilot or club member.

CRAC expressed their view that an **additional ATO** would be useful for their club- for Ops to consider.

The Operations report was moved for acceptance (M:Penman, S:Harvey, Carried)

11 The **Technical report** was read by Colin Alexander.

Discussion around what work the aircraft owner can do, and what constitutes a change requiring a full inspection against routine work that can be done without further sign-off. Agreed that **guidelines for owner maintenance** be added to the RAANZ website.

The Technical report was moved for acceptance (M:Alexander, S:McKee, Carried)

12 The **Financial report** was read by Stuart Parker.

It was queried and confirmed that the **Admin fees category** covers only the Admin fees- other charges are collected in the appropriate categories. Also that **postage** remains a significant and constant expense despite using email as certificates and such will always require mail-out.

The **budget for 2015** was outlined, with a planned slight shortfall in income over expense due to holding both Technical roadshows and likely ATO meetings in this financial year. It was agreed that RAANZ could absorb that deficit and that **membership fees should remain at \$70 per annum.**

The Financial report was moved for acceptance (M:Parker, S:??, Carried)

13 **Election of executive** members.

All exec members competed their 3 year term (Iceman competing his 1 year secondment term), and were standing for re-election. **Nominations** were received for

Rodger Ward Easwaran Krishnaswamy George Taylor Deane Philip

All four were **elected unopposed**. (M;Alexander, S:Sheffield, Carried)

14 **Remits** received

BOIAC- That the **grading on BFR/CMV form** be changed to a simple OK/more practice required.

Bill Penman explained that the current 3-level system reflects best practice and matches that used in the GA and ATC world, and allows for recognition of consistent correct performance against self-corrected deviation from the ideal. Some exercises (eg forced landing) require the pilot to get it right first time.

BOIAC- That the **medical expiry date** off the CMV form be captured in the member database to enable clubs to check medical currency.

It was acknowledged that this information would be a snapshot at the time, and not necessarily be accurate as most medicals are out of phase with BFRs. But it could be easily done, and may be useful. Exec to consider.

15 General discussion

A suggestion that the **AGM be coincident with the national fly-in** to better capture member attendance.

This would require a change to both the financial year close-off (currently 30 Nov) and the Constitution to move to a 30 March/3 month AGM schedule. Doable, but may be an imposition on the limited time at the fly-in.

Agreed for the exec to consider and possibly poll members via RecPilot, etc with a view to a remit for Constitution change next AGM.

With no further items to discuss, the meeting was **declared closed** by Rodger at 1426.