



**Queensland Recreational Aircraft Assoc. Inc**  
Incorporating **Warwick Aero Club**

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**Minutes – Committee Meeting, 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2020**

**(Zoom Meeting)**

**Present:** John Reid, Louise Neil, Wal Chapman, Graham and Liz Hawthorne, Danny and Lyn McCartin, Phil and Mary Goynes, Kelvin and Julia Hutchinson, Doug McCullough (with a cameo appearance by Robyn).

**Apologies:** Mark Brandsen,

**Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed on the motion of Doug, seconded John. All in favour. Carried.

**Business Arising:** No business arising.

**Correspondence – In:**

- From Warwick Credit Union – Statement
- Various emails relating to the use of Zoom for a meeting platform.

**Out:**

- Letter to SDRC re lease on terminal building. Phil contacted the council to see what was happening with the lease and they advised that they needed a request from us, in writing.

Correspondence - Moved Phil, Seconded Kelvin. All in favour. Carried

**Treasurer's Report:**

Lyn reported a balance at 19 <sup>th</sup> April, 2020 of	\$ 4,527.17
Plus Deposit (Memberships)	\$ 500.00
Less Withdrawal (fees)	\$ 282.82
Balance at 19 <sup>th</sup> April 20 (Working acc)	<b>\$ 4,744.35</b>
Balance at 19 <sup>th</sup> April 20 (Term Deposit)	<b><u>\$12,713.89</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL (19.04.20)</b>	<b><u>\$17,458.24</u></b>

Moved Lyn that the report be accepted, seconded Julia. All in favour. Carried.

**Memberships:**

Julia reported that so far seventeen memberships have been received. A second letter as a reminder will be sent in a week or so.

Moved: Julia, Seconded: Louise. All in favour. Carried.

**Safety Report:** As Mark was absent, no report was presented. It was noted that there have been no incidents as flying has been restricted anyway.

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**General Aviation:**

Wal updated pilots on things to check when returning to normal flying activities, e.g.

- Ensure your health is right.
- Ensure Electronic Flight Bags are up to date.
- Be aware of extensions to BFR's and Medicals (as per CASA)
- Check aircraft are airworthy before flying after a prolonged break.
- Check there are no insects or birds blocking vents.
- Check for any changes in airspace requirements.

The main thing is not to be complacent.

John advised that the Paul Bennett Air Show will be live streamed via the RAAus website on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June for members for free.

Phil advised that the Visual Flight Rules have been updated. Check for updates.

Moved: Wal, Seconded John. All in Favour. Carried.

**Administration:**

Danny reported that all insurances are up to date.

Moved Danny, seconded Doug. All in favour. Carried.

**Events:**

- Hervey Bay is back on the radar. Liz and Graham to organise once Doug is back flying after his surgery.
- A few of us flew to Watts Bridge for lunch recently. We met up with Bob and Robyn Dennis and were able to adhere to social distancing rules thanks to their breakfast area.
- Heck Field is being thought about.
- Caboolture for day trip and lunch in their clubhouse. Once Doug is up and going again.
- Evans Head – Mary suggested this. Once state borders are re-opened, we will plan a flight to Evans Head for morning tea and lunch.
- Phil recently met a pilot who called in to Warwick and is from Boonah with a property at Condamine. He used to work at the Hermitage in 1964. Phil suggested we could perhaps plan a flight to Boonah to meet up with him.
- During Phil's conversation with this fellow, he mentioned that he had been to Horn Island and Coconut Island. Wal advised that quite a few islands have their own strips, but landing there isn't as easy as it sounds. We would need to ensure all bases are covered.
- Kelvin advised that under a Covid Safe Re-start Plan, there are grants available. Perhaps we could apply to get some funding for the club. Kelvin to investigate.
- Trip to Milani (by van or plane) to be included in future events once the weather warms up.

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**General Business:**

- Warwick Aerodrome: Phil reported that it is busy at the moment with lots of planes, helicopters and even a jet doing circuits.
- Council are currently working on the airfield completing the new runway on the southern side of the bitumen one.
- Power is almost complete on the western end of the aerodrome.
- No updates on the repairs to the roadworks at this stage.
- Someone needs to approach council regarding the price of Avgas in Warwick which is currently \$2.29/L as opposed to Caboolture, which is \$1.93.
- Phil to follow up with SDRC to see if they are applying for grants available to regional airports.

**Next Committee Meeting:** To be 17<sup>th</sup> July. If NSW members are unable to travel, we can hold it via Zoom.

President:..... Date:.....