

Meeting Notes

LFC General Meeting 12 February 2017

Around 20 LFC members attended the general meeting, with apologies from:

Theresa MacDonald

General Meetings

The meeting voted to move all general meeting times forward to 1.30 pm. Steve Hitchen to modify the website.

Sausage Sizzles

Members would like to see other events held after the sausage sizzles, such as competitions, special aeroplanes on display and seminars. Other flying clubs will also be invited in the future. Graham Bunn/Bob Irvine to organise the display aeroplanes.

Seminars

The LFC 22 March seminar has been canceled due to a clash with the LFS seminar. The first one will now be Wednesday 21 June. The first seminar will be directed at SPL/RPC/RPL/new PPLs to show them what they can do with their flying career.

New Members

The meeting noted that we must get exposure to potential new members as soon as possible after they get their qualification. Something about the club must be made available at the LFS desk. Action: Steve Hitchen

Polo Shirts

A print swatch from Arid Zone was passed around the meeting for size and colour approval. Production approval will be given immediately.

Hats

Dave Marty will order another 50 LFC hats.

Membership and Finance

Russ Grosvenor briefing the meeting on the current membership. It stands around 55 including 18 LFS members. Many previous members may not realise they haven't paid their 2017 fee. The bank account stands at \$6600 with \$1000 cash on hand. As yet Russ has not been able to access the bank

account via the internet, so he can't tell if members have paid until the statement has been issued. The club has provided Russ with a letter approving his access to the account, which Russ will present to Bendigo Bank.

The bank account is very healthy, and the club members discussed possible use for the funds. One suggestion was to leave it there to form a base for future projects, whilst others thought subsidising some events could be a good idea also. The committee is to discuss the bank account at the next meeting.

2016 Wings Afternoon

Dave Marty didn't think there was a lot of interest in LFC from people attending the 2016 Wings Afternoon and air show. Some members dropped by the table, but we didn't sell a lot of caps.

2017 Lilydale Air Show

Graham Bunn briefed the meeting on preparations for the 2017 air show. It will be separated from the Wings Afternoon and used as a rehearsal for a larger 50th anniversary show to be held in 2018. LFC members have been asked to help out. Steve Hitchen is the club representative on the organising team and will co-ordinate the club contribution.

Air Shows 2017

There was no enthusiasm for a club fly-in to the Australian International Airshow at Avalon.

Kyneton Air Show is on again rescheduled for 23 April 2017. Steve Hitchen to co-ordinate club attendance.

Lake Boga Catalina event is on 17 March. Will have to fly into Swan Hill. Dave Marty to co-ordinate.

Some members liked the idea of a Temora weekend. Steve Hitchen to publish dates of the flying weekends and that of Warbirds Downunder.

Structured Committee

At their last meeting the committee discussed the merits of moving to a proper structure with voted office bearers. The general meeting voted to make no change, but noted that a proper structured committee would be required if the club ever moves to incorporation.

Communication

The club needs a better way of communicating. Peter Holyoake suggested a social media strategy including creating a closed Facebook group. Action: Peter to investigate and develop a media strategy.

Winter Dinner

The Winter Dinner was very popular last year and the meeting voted to do it again this year. The venue of Fergusson's Winery will not change. The date will be a Saturday in July and Graham Bunn

volunteered to speak about his last trip across Northern Australia. Steve Hitchen to co-ordinate the dinner with Jock Folan and Louise Fergusson.

Trivia Night

The meeting decided they would like another trivia night in 2017. Bob Irvine to MC and Phil Anthony to organise triviamaster.

Next Meeting

The next general meeting is scheduled for 14 May 2017 at 1.30 pm.

All members should note that there is no sausage sizzle for March because it collides with the long weekend and the LFC fly-away to Mount Beauty.