

P&DARCS General Meeting Minutes



Date: 05 August 2026 **Time:** 7.30 pm **Loc:** Zoom **Meeting:** #01-2026/27

Committee 25/26

Officers		
President	Keith Quigg	KQ
Vice President	David Law	DL
Secretary	David Gibbs	DG
Treasurer	Peter Harris	PH
Registrar	Simon Ventevogel	SV
Member Positions		
Facilities Manager	Norm Morrish	NM
Field Manager	Keith Quigg (Int)	KQ
IT Manager	Daniel Jenkins	DJ
SIG Coordinator	John Van De Waterbeemd	JV
CFI	Keith Quigg	KQ
Ordinary Member	Melissa Law	ML
Ordinary Member	Phillip Singh	PS
Ordinary Member	Chris Eeles	CE
Other Positions		
Editor	Liz Ventevogel	LV

Meeting Chair: KQ

Apologies: John Quayle, John Brann, Rob Barbuto, David Law, Mel Law, Ian Slack

Note: Meeting held immediately prior to AGM 2025/26

Topic no.	Notes:
1	Welcome from Committee - Meeting opened: 7:30 pm - Attendance: 21
2	Acceptance of Previous Club Meeting Minutes - Held on 3rd June 2026 - Moved: Keith Quigg - Seconded: Simon Ventevogel



	Secretarial Update • Member correspondence: - 20260604 – NOTAM 4 – General Meeting Debrief - 20260611 – Renewal Advice; General Meeting Minutes Published - 20260613 – New Member Advice - Danny Rapisarda - 20260615 – Member Upgrade – George Fury - 20260611 – Membership renewal advice (carry over) - 20260615 – George Fury membership upgrade (carry over) - 20260623 – Membership renewal reminder - 20260624 – New member advice – Rowan Chang, Amber Davison - 20260627 – 60th Anniversary invite - 20260708 – Field Coordinator position - 20260709 – New member advice – Alexander Rampono Kelly, Samuel Evans - 20260713 – AGM Notice (2 parts) - 20260715 – New member advice – Sean Ashton - 20260720 – Don Klein, 60th Update - 20260801 – AGM – Invite and President's report - 20260801 – AGM – Finance Reports (Full Members Only) • Committee correspondence / discussions - Covered under portfolio reports where relevant.
3	Issue and Action Register • Prior Meeting: - No Actions Arising from June Meeting • New this Meeting: - Noted through minutes and added in Attachment 1
4	Committee Reports • President Report - See NOTAMs and Newsletter • Treasurers Report - PH outlined the trading receipts and expenses for the year to date – noting we are 5 weeks into the new year and at 95% of our membership budget. This will likely balance out towards the end of the year. • Registrar Report - SV noted the club has 136 financial members, down from 148 peak last year. DJ noted this compared favourably to 134 this time last year, reflecting a few habitual late payers. - KQ noted the member retention initiative being proposed by the MAAA that he and DG are reviewing. It would require significant funding from



the MAAA and State Associations and leaves many questions still to be answered. It will be taken to Club Committee once better understood.

- KQ also noted SV was thrown in the deep end as new Registrar late last financial year and congratulated him on a sterling job.

- **Facilities Manager**

- Still learning about maintenance of the John Deere Fairway mower – particularly the back lapping process. Service people are coming next week to go through the process again.
- Also needed to call service people on the Kubota front deck mower – found and repaired fuel filter blockages.

- **IT Manager**

- No new updates from DJ.
- DG reminded the meeting of the Issue Register link on the website for reporting any maintenance issues spotted at the Club.

- **Safety Officer**

- Nothing significant to report.

- **SIG Coordinator**

- Note the 60th Anniversary Lunch on August 30th – make sure you book your tickets before August 11th cut-off.
- JV referenced the SIG Calendar to year end (Attachment 2) and noted:
 - o No flying events scheduled until November.
 - o Scratch and Build Rally (8 November)
 - o IMAC State Championships (14/15 November)
 - o F3A Competition (5/6 December)
 - o Christmas BBQ and Scale Day (19 December)
- DJ raised the F3A Master's event scheduled for March next year. JV and NM went on to clarify this is a prestigious, national event being the 50th Anniversary of the F3A Masters in Australia – the first being in Camperdown in 1977. The competition itself will take place over 4 days, with plans for related activities pre/post the event open to wider Club membership to experience F3A models and disciplines.
- KQ highlighted this was a prestige event for the Club and positive for all of us.

- **Newsletter Editor**

- All contributions to LV as our Editor please

- **Calendar Updates**

- As per the SIG Update above and Attachment 2



5	General Business: Field Coordinator - KQ advised he was in active discussion with a member to take on the Field Coordinator role advertised by email. This role will assist the mower team, Facilities Manager and others on field maintenance and upgrades. Expect further announcements over the next few weeks. 60th Anniversary - Don Klein, as Working Group Chair, provided a brief update from his hospital room. - Everything is arranged for a casual, fun, and engaging luncheon. - Andrew Sill will be roving MC and help us celebrate with members past and present and their guests. - KQ thanked Don for his efforts under difficult personal circumstances and led a round of applause. DJ suggested he explore a possible Zoom facility if Don could not physically make it to the lunch (Action: DJ) - DJ finished with another appeal for all tickets to be purchased by the August 11th deadline.
6	Next Meetings Next Committee Meeting: 19 August 2026 Next General Meeting: 7 Oct 2026 (and Coop AGM)
7	Meeting close: 8.00pm

Attachment 1 – Action Summary

ID	Tag	Period	Subject	Who	Status
270	GL	202608	Don Klein 60th - Zoom option	DJ	New

Attachment 2 – SIG Events

ID	Event Name	Group Name	Request Status	Event Date	Duration
57	APA F3A Masters	Australian Pattern Association	Approved - Awaiting Event	5/03/2027	4
49	ASA & P&DARCS XMAS BREAK UP AND GENERAL FLYING	ASA - Scale	Approved - Awaiting Event	19/12/2026	1
46	f3A Precision Aerobatics	VPA - F3A	Approved - Awaiting Event	5/12/2026	2
56	IMAC Vic State Champs	ASAA	Approved - Awaiting Event	14/11/2026	2
44	ASAA 2026 Nationals	ASAA - IMAC	Cancelled	13/11/2026	3
48	P&DARCS Scratch / Kit Built Rally	P&DARCS	Approved - Awaiting Event	8/11/2026	1

