

P&DARCS General Meeting Minutes



Date: 07 Oct 2026 **Time:** 7.30 pm **Loc:** Zoom **Meeting:** #02-2026/27

Committee 26/27

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
IT Manager	Daniel Jenkins	DJ
SIG Coordinator	John Van De Waterbeemd	JV
General Member	Phillip Singh	PS
General Member	Chris Eeles	CE
General Member	Vacant	
Other Positions		
Editor	Liz Ventevogel	LV
Field Coordinator	Chris Eeles	CE
CFI	Keith Quigg	KQ

Meeting Chair: KQ

Apologies: John Quayle, Norm Morrish, John Van De Waterbeemd, Trevor Garey

Note: Meeting held immediately prior to Coop AGM 2025/26

Topic no.	Notes:
1	Welcome from Committee - Meeting opened: 7:30 pm - Attendance: 17 (Attachment 3)
2	Acceptance of Previous Club Meeting Minutes - Held on 5th August 2026 - Moved: Keith Quigg - Seconded: Paul Van Tongeren



	Secretarial Update • Member correspondence: - 20260811 – Vale Ian Slack - 20260817 – New Member – Sibina Bodiet (Student) - 20260824 – New Member Application: Ian Hanlon (Probationary) - 20260827 – New Member Applications: ○ Mark Tatti (Probationary) ○ Darren Shandler (probationary) - 20260826 – 60th Reminder Email - 20260912 – Updated Rules Email and Document - 20260930 – NOTAM – Control Line Circle - 20261007 – Member Upgrade: Gordon Trotter • Committee correspondence / discussions - Covered under portfolio reports where relevant.
3	Issue and Action Register – Attachment 1 • Prior Meeting: - August item completed – Don Klein 60th attendance • New this Meeting: - No new Actions from this meeting
4	Committee Reports • President Report - See NOTAMs and Newsletter - KQ noted the success of the 60th Anniversary Lunch, the privilege of having many of our formative members present to share the celebrations. He congratulated and thanked Don Klein and Andrew Sill for their role leading its organisation - KQ confirmed that Mel Law had stepped down from the Committee after many years' service and thanked her for her contributions - KQ reinforced the importance of the Operating Procedure updates discussed in our August meeting and circulated to all members in mid-September. These were mainly driven by need to align with our CASA Area Approval conditions • Treasurers Report - PH outlined the trading receipts and expenses for the year to date – specifically noting: ○ The 60th Anniversary event came in on budget at \$2,000 cost to Club ○ \$3,300 expense for the new Husqvarna mower (after trade-in of the old one)



- **Registrar Report**
 - SV noted the club has 141 members
 - KQ advised this now included Liz Ventevogel who was made an Honorary member at the 60th Event in recognition of her commitment to our Newsletter
- **Facilities Manager / Field Coordinator**
 - In absence of Norm Morrish, Chris Eeles provided the update.
 - All going well
 - Thanks to Gavan Sexton for picking up some extra shifts while people are away, and to Gordon Trotter who is joining the mowing team
 - Grass is currently a bit long given wet weather stopped mowing – but still quite flyable
 - New Husqvarna mower is big improvement in safety and comfort over the old one
 - KQ and CE jointly noted we are currently considering a change to the rollers on the new John Deere mower – swapping from angled to straight to help avoid grass build up on them. One has been exchanged so far (original incurred damage), others to be planned
 - CE has worked with the mowing team on PPE availability and use and will buy three additional safety vests for team use
 - Daniel Jenkinns is scheduled to run the roller over the runways tomorrow, ahead of mowing on Friday
- **IT Manager**
 - DJ advised that the Committee has chosen to remove PayPal as a payment option for membership fees. On the back of Government changes, PayPal have banned recovery of fees from payees using PayPal – shifting a 3% of value charge to the Club. On a \$500 membership payment this is significant and not something the Committee sees equitable to absorb
 - Our PayPal account will remain in place for incidental payments at events, and other situations where the fee can be recouped
- **Safety Matters**
 - Following a couple of incidents requiring use of fire extinguishers, the members were reminded to report any use directly to the Committee, or via the Issue Register, so the used extinguishers can be replaced / recharged
- **CFI**
 - KQ noted we are standardising on Seagull Boomerang 40 electric trainers for pilot training, supported by a flow of used batteries from the F3A cohort
 - KQ also advised we had been invited to present to the Moorabbin Airport Committee in November, as part of our program to build better



	understanding of our activities within the Moorabbin Airport Training Area (Danger Area 315 as it is known) • SIG Coordinator - JV absent, see Calendar and Attachment 2 for latest status. • Newsletter Editor - All contributions to LV as our Editor please • Calendar Updates - Events for the balance of this year are: ○ Scratch and Kit Built Rally – 8 November ○ IMAC State Championships – 14-15 November ○ F3A Aerobatics – 5-6 December ○ Club XMAS break up; ASA Event – 19 December - Events currently shaping up for next year include: ○ Australian Pattern Association (F3A) 50th Anniversary Masters from on weekend of 6th March ○ Monty Tyrrell on weekend of 16th April
5	General Business: • Control Line Circle - KQ noted the Control Line Circle request for input that had been circulated to all members, and the Committee awaits any proposals • Any Other Business - There was no other business raised from the floor
6	Next Meetings • Next Committee Meeting: 21 October 2026 • Next General Meeting: 2 Dec 2026
7	Meeting close: 8.00pm



Attachment 1 – Action Summary

No new actions from this meeting

Attachment 2 – SIG Events

ID	Event Name	Group Name	Request Status	Event Date	Duration
62	Monty Tyrrell Scale Rally	ASA	Approved - Awaiting Event	16/04/2027	3
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

Attendees

- Brann, John
- Eeles, Christopher
- Gibbs, David
- Gurney, Hugh
- Harris, Peter
- Jenkins, Daniel
- Law, David
- Law, Melissa
- McPherson, Frank
- Quigg, Keith
- Raw, Brian
- Sexton, Gavan
- Smallridge, Andrew
- Trotter, Gordon
- Van Tongeren, Paul
- Ventevogel, Simon
- Walsh, David

