

Minutes of a Meeting of the BGA Competitions and Awards Committee

Date: 20th September 2023

Venue: Online Zoom Meeting

Present: Chris Luton – CL, Fran Roberts – FR, Jim White – JW, Max Lazenby - ML, Russell Cheetham – RC, Werner Stroud – WS, Paul Crabb – PC

Meeting Admin & Apologies

Ben Hughes, Brian Spreckley, and Matt Davies apologised for their absence.

Previous Minutes & Action Review

The Minutes from the meeting on the 22nd of March 2023 were approved by the committee.

Thanks to Alan

JW and the whole committee would like to thank Alan Langlands for his many dedicated years both as a committee member and chair of the committee. Alan is a dedicated volunteer, very knowledgeable and incredibly hardworking.

The committee expressed concern and believe that it is totally unacceptable that such a willing, dedicated, and capable volunteer was hounded out of the position of chair by the actions of people within the gliding community.

Tasks and priorities for 2023/4

The committee ran through the activities required for the 2023/24 season of meetings. The task list in priority order is as follows:

Number	Task	Due Date	Who
1	Aus Team funding	27/09/2023	WS
2	2024-28 Budget Review	30/11/2023	WS/All
3	Identify / agree venue for Clubs 24	31/10/2023	RC
4	Ideas on encouraging better pilot conduct to Exec	27/09/2023	All
5	Publish Ratings for 23/24	15/10/2023	RC/PC
6	Forward ratings to IGC/FAI	15/10/2023	RC
7	Review competition reports - define issues	15/10/2023	All
8	Consider / Propose rule changes	15/11/2023	JW/RC/PC
9	Review handicaps	01/02/2024	RC/PC/CL
10	Nationals / comp licence pricing	15/12/2023	All
11	Team vote results review with CC		RC/WS
12	Review and publish 2025 competition dates	30/04/2023	All
13	Identify award winners	01/01/2024	ML/RC
14	Send Invitations for 2025 Nationals	15/12/2023	RC
15	Agree draft rules for review by Exec	01/01/2024	All
16	Annual report for Exec	15/01/2024	All
17	Publish proposed rules	01/02/2024	JW/RC/PC
18	Review OBNs and OG	01/04/2024	All
19	Identify Nationals 25 venues	30/03/2024	RC
20	Review pilot feedback and publish rules	01/04/2024	All
21	IGC reports and decisions		BS/RC
21	ICL arrangements		CL

The committee discussed Alans resignation and are looking at rules that could be implemented on top of the rules introduced at the start of the 2023 season for unsporting behaviour. The committee discussed that the Exec will be taking actions and will lend the committee whatever support is needed. The committee believes that whatever actions take place need to come from the Exec committee, but understand that they are keen for the comps committee to come up with ideas to pursue.

Rule issues that members are aware of that need consideration

There are a number of rules issues submitted via email to the committee email that need consideration. These will be forwarded to the rest of the committee and will be discussed by the rules sub committee

AOB

With no other business, the meeting was concluded.