

RV Aircraft Australia (RVAA)

Annual General Meeting Southport 17 May 2025

MINUTES

MEETING OPENED at 1405 hrs. Alan Carlisle welcomed the attendees and extended a personal welcome to special guests: President SFC Craig Hobart, Mike Dalton of Agile Insurance, and Representatives from the ATSB and CASA.

APOLOGIES: Doug McCullough, Michael Allen, Wendy Featherstone, Bob Redman, Cliff Princehorn, John Brumpton, Greg Manzie, Martin Susans, Ian Pierce, John Jagodnik, Montie Lester, Gary Latham, Chris Wilson.

Steve Nelson moved that the apologies be accepted, seconded by Shirley Harding.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The attendees were referred to the minutes of the previous AGM, as recently re-distributed via the newsletter. There was no business arising from those minutes.

The motion that the minutes be accepted as circulated was carried. Proposed: Ashley Miller

Seconded: John Siebert.

REPORTS:

The President's report was presented by Alan Carlisle. He reviewed another successful year for the Association and also referred to the sad loss of committee member Zak Zaklan. Another year and another big thanks to Doug McCullough for this website and newsletter work throughout the year. A big thank you for the hard work of our Treasurer Richard Raymond, Richard has given notice that this will be his last year as Treasurer and that we need to look for another member to step up. Membership stands at 214, with more people joining up even today at the AGM. RVAA would like to acknowledge the generous sponsorship of CASA last year and this year in helping our meeting concentrate on the importance of safety. A big thank you

Report moved to be accepted: Ashley Miller. Seconded: David Brown. Carried

The Treasurer's report was presented by Richard Raymond, in which he detailed the past year's income and expenditure and described the RVAA's fiscal status as being stable and sustainable.

RVAA Treasurer's Report, 2025 AGM

Financial year 1 January 2024 - 31 December 2024

Income Individual Membership dues	\$2005.00
Membership dues received from Agile Insurance	\$2880.00
2024 AGM weekend food/merchandise/membership sales	\$4289.78
2025 CASA AGM hosting grant	\$3500.00
Merchandise sales	\$100.00
Total income	\$12774.78
Expenses 2024 AGM hosting food/bus hire	-\$5593.93
Merchandise purchases	-\$994.84
Internet design/domain hosting	-\$480.00
Donations to FYE on behalf of members	-\$205.00
Donation to FYE	-\$738.69
Perpetual trophy purchase	-\$411.91
Bereavement flowers	-\$162.90
Annual submission fees	-\$62.10
Bank fees	-\$10.45
Postage	-\$26.24
Total Expenses	-\$8686.06
Excess Income over Expenditure	\$4088.72
Bank Balance at 01st January 2024	\$7386.93
Bank Balance at 31st December 2024	\$11475.65

Moved that the Treasurers report be adopted: David Brown. Seconded: Rob Chopin. Carried.

ELECTION:

The meeting moved to the Executive and Management Committee Election. All the current management members stood down and a fresh election was held. There were no new alternative nominations for most of the positions, resulting in the following being elected unopposed.

President: Alan Carlisle nominated by Tim Ellerton, seconded by Richard Raymond.

Vice President: John Brumpton, nominated by Alan Carlisle, seconded by Montie Lester.

Secretary: (must be a Queensland resident due to incorporation laws). Tim Ellerton, nominated by Richard Raymond, seconded by Shirley Harding.

Treasurer: Richard Raymond, as nominated Ashley Miller, seconded by Shirley Harding

Committee Positions: Montie Lester, Doug McCullough, Shirley Harding, and Rob Sharples were all nominated by Richard Raymond, and seconded by Tim Ellerton.

Further Nominations: Andrew Schmidt was nominated by Alan Carlisle to a vacant Committee position, seconded by Richard Raymond.

Safety Officer: Montie Lester will continue in this role – nominated by Alan Carlisle, seconded by Richard Raymond.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Montie Lester had previously moved: *“That the RVAA appoint a sub-committee for the purpose of calling for, considering and allocating the annual aviation youth participation grant. That the sub-committee consist of the Vice President, the Safety Officer and an elected RVAA member.”* This motion was seconded by Shirley Harding and was accepted by a show of hands.

2026 AGM. The meeting appointed Andrew Schmidt as the New South Wales Co-ordinator for the 2026 AGM to be held in NSW. Airfield suggestions included Inverell, Scone, Narromine, Temora, Wentworth and Cowra. The selected NSW airfield for the 2026 AGM will be announced in the next newsletter.

MEETING CLOSED: 1427 hrs.

Seminar Presentations:

Before and following the formal AGM, presentations were made by our guest speakers:

- The AvTraffic app for enhanced situational awareness – Andy Burrows, SFC.
- Update on Flight Youth Engineering – Ashley Miller and two student RV builders.
- Aircraft Insurance and Q&A – Mike Dalton from Agile.
- Air Safety update – Rob Chopin from ATSB
- RVs and the joy of formation flying – Adam Surplice, SFC.