



**Minutes of the Australasian Tribe of the ICS
General Meeting
Narromine
25th October 2025**

Attendees:

Tony van der Spek, Jan van der Spek, Trevor Reading, David Miller, Nigel Wettenhall, Jeff Hutchinson, Ossie Miller, Kevin Rankmore, John Moore, Andrew Robertson, David Smith, Cathy Smith, John Macknight.

Apologies:

Danny Georgeson, Ken Holdsworth, Richard Nicholson, John Ward, George Mills, Roger Lenne, Graham Bunn, Alastair Mullett, Harry Mullett, Gil Forgan, George Hobi, Gordon Pickering.

Attending via ZOOM:

Jim Mullett, Jim Peters, Mark Sareff, Ken Harris, Lawrence Paratz, Barry Payne, Jim Mullett, Jim Barry.

The meeting was opened at 1421 hrs by Chief David Miller.

Declaration of Proxies:

Proxies were received from George Mills, John Ward, Richard Nicholson, Gordon Pickering.

Minutes of the last GM:

Moved Nigel Wettenhall seconded Ossie Miller that the minutes of the last GM be accepted. **CARRIED**

Business arising from minutes:

David Miller spoke at length about the lack of action by the ICS International and that the Committee felt that our Society had gone in the correct direction to go our own way but to leave options open in case the international body can improve their game. David reported that they have not acknowledged that the Australasian Tribe has parted ways with them.

Jan van der Spek questioned if we now have to change our name and logo. David Miller and Nigel Wettenhall both reported that this is not required at this stage.

Engineering Report:

Ossie Miller reported that the demand for Australian Trunnions was probably increasing and that the welding process being done in the USA can only be done once and the welded trunnions seem to be cracking again so we have a bright future for our

trunnions. Our main problem at the moment is the long lead time for new manufacturing and discussions are underway to address this problem.

The stabilator horns continue to be in demand and there may be a possibility that we can get an EASA STC for our horns.

David Miller commented that although we have a healthy bank balance we will possibly be looking at new aircraft parts such as the nose leg and it will take considerable funds to facilitate this process. Kevin Rankmore also stated that we will have to make provision for taxation in reference to our parts' sales.

General business:

Fly Aways:

There had been some discussion re a fly away to New Zealand but so far very little expressions of interest. Lawrence Paratz suggested that this could be combined with a Coral Sea Safari. Barry Payne stated that he would be happy to organize this but the trip would take several weeks, and it would need to be a small group due to the logistics involved. It was agreed that we would call for expressions of interest with our next newsletter.

The Spring Fly away to Rylestone has been postponed until Spring 2026.

Pilot Proficiency Program:

It was suggested that an Avplan seminar might be incorporated in the next PPP at Deniliquin.

ZOOM:

It was suggested that the Board investigate the provision of electronic voting with the objective of putting a motion at the next special meeting of the ICS Australasian Tribe to change the Articles of Association to allow electronic voting.

Special thanks to David and Cathy Smith for setting up the ZOOM equipment and to Lawrence Paratz for the loan of his electronic equipment.

As there was no other business, **David Miller closed the meeting at 1527 hrs.**