

Community Aviation Consultation Group (CACG) Meeting Minutes

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| Date | Monday 17 November 2025 |
| Objective | Community Consultation |
| Facilitator | Rex Mooney |
| Minute Taker | Ilma Thorne |
| Attendees | Rex Mooney, Tony Schulz, Ilma Thorne, Bill Low, Bec Byrnes, Joe Dhollande. On Teams: Hannah Johnson, Brad Geddes |
| Apologies | Adam Gladman, Megan Thomas, Colin Dawson, Andrew Wilsmore, Danial Rochford, Andrew Bridges |

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| Welcome Rex Mooney | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rex welcomed all to the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves |
| Previous Minutes Rex Mooney | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last meeting minutes accepted |
| CACG Member Feedback Brad Geddes – Chamber of Commerce | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As it was Brads first meeting it was explained what the meeting was about. He had no issues to raise from the community today, however, is happy to include this forum as part of conversations with members of the Chamber going forward, to make sure if there are any concerns, they are heard |
| Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Communication Bill Low | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rex sent a letter on behalf of the CACG members to the Department about not participating in future CACG meetings. No response was received and a follow up was sent also with no response ADG has joined the 3rd tranche of the PFAS Management program. This will provide some cash into the Airport Management system for looking after PFAS. Airservices have done a really good job of cleaning up at the training ground, which was the main source of contamination. The Federal Government is taking a protective defensive point of view and is trying to get it under control and get rid of it. Through the PFAS Management programs cooperation between the airport, Federal Government and Airservices a management plan will be made for the remaining minor issues Buffel Grass is an ongoing issue, fires can happen anywhere and anytime. Buffel Grass being a primary concern with the potential of fuel for fire. The cattle did do a great job, and Bill is glad they will be returning soon |

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| Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Communication (cont.) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure Reports and Aviation Group have been developing the regulatory side of the Airport Environmental Officer Role. The larger airports have their own management programs and are dictated by economics and their shareholders. NT airports being smaller have an advantage and is more interested in the performance and looking after the environment and educating people |
| Airservices Australia Hannah Johnson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No complaints or feedback from the community regarding aircraft movements relating to Alice Springs |
| ASP Airport Managers Report Tony Schulz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passenger numbers continue to rebound slowly, with good results in our last report. October figures show 35,000 plus through the terminal, an increase of 5% from this time last year There are currently close to 40 aircraft at the Aircraft Storage Facility with 5 of them due to be scrapped. The facility is now more maintenance than storage The Airport keeps in contact with local police on security and current risks and are in a good space We have had several audits conducted recently. A Safety Audit by CASA with good results. A couple of issues which have been dealt with and awaiting on the final acquittal. Four inspectors from Department of Home Affairs (CISC) carried out their Security audit last week. The exit meeting was positive and awaiting the final report. Due to the size and complexity of this airport they hadn't seen a better result in the last 7-8 airports. Also, internal audits carried out for access, property, facilities process audits and asset audits this week Ground staff training for ARO duties continues to work well, a lot of redundancy built into the team, we have coverage for when staff are sick or on leave, eliminating need for back up from Darwin Alice Springs Airport are an alternate for most airlines that fly across Australia. The Aerodrome Emergency Plan (AEP) was activated in July for a medical diversion. It was an A330 Viet Jet, Melbourne to Hanoi with 331 passengers plus crew on board. A male on board was suspected of having a stroke. 150 miles north-west of Alice Springs the plane turned around and made a rapid decent, landing within 20 minutes of notification. The man and his wife were taken to ASP Hospital where he later passed away. Border Force now understand that we are a Domestic airport with no Border Force facilities. We had good communications Good rains of late with high growth. Long grass attracting insects and birds. No bird strikes due to good management practices. Biodiversity have helped with statistics on managing birds. Results are great in comparison with previous years, 50 plus bird strikes as opposed to 5 this year Annual Technical Inspection has been completed |

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| <p>ASP Airport Managers Report (cont.) Tony Schulz</p> <p>Joe Dhollande</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Aero Club sustained some damage during a recent storm. It lost the roof and the front of their building collapsed. It will be repaired over the coming months. The 7 Mile generator shed roof had sheets of iron come lose and some gable markers and cones were blown around on the field. A plane on the GA Apron blew around but undamaged thanks to Bec and teams for getting it under control • Emergency Tabletop Exercise was held in August • Joe observed absence of Council representation and was curious of their plans to address tourism and welcoming of visitors • Over the next 12 months we are looking at refreshing the toilets throughout the terminal • The RPT apron currently having a lot of crack sealing works. It is trending towards end of life. Balancing budget against slightly rebounding passenger numbers, as to what repairs can be done • Want to replace the baggage collection carousel with new system • Minor upgrades to plant equipment and replacement of old tractor • Full Grounds team now. All have completed ARO training, radio and firearms licences and can assist with redundancy • Possibly reintroducing cattle into the Northern Paddocks. This helps reduce Buffel Grass and fuel load management. With recent rains, there is plenty of growth. The use of cattle is better than back burning and potentially causing damage to trees and the land |
| <p>Meeting Dates</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently there are two meetings a year, scheduled for March & November • Rex requested the March meeting to be pushed to mid-April as he will be away. Bill requested meeting time be changed to 12 noon |