



**Minutes of the Australasian Tribe of the ICS
General Meeting
Narromine
26th October 2024**

Attendees:

Lawrence Paratz, Tony van der Spek, Jan van der Spek, Ken Holdsworth, Manfred Melloh, Jim Barry, Graham Bunn, Ken Harris, Trevor Reading, Matthew Reading, Ken Lapham, Roger Lenne, John Michell, Bill Bryant, David Miller, Nigel Wettenhall.

Apologies:

John Van Bladeren, Barry Payne, Ian Thomson, Danny Georgeson, John Moore, Vincent Mollica, John Ward, William Forrester, Jeff Hutchinson, Jim Peters, Michael van der Spek, Ossie Miller

Attending via ZOOM:

John Macknight, Jim Mullett, Trevor and Lynette Nixon, Danny Georgeson, Tony Read.

The meeting was opened at 1430 hrs by Chief David Miller.

Declaration of Proxies:

Proxies were received from Ian Thomson, Vincent Mollica, John Moore, Richard Nicholson, Barry Payne, Michael van der Spek, Danny Georgeson, John Ward, Ossie Miller, Tony Read, Chris Wright, John Macknight.

Minutes of the last GM:

Moved Graham Bunn seconded Ken Harris that the minutes of the last GM be accepted. **CARRIED**

Business arising from minutes:

None

General business:

International ICS:

It was explained by Tribe Chief David Miller that a workshop was held recently to discuss the Tribe's future. ICS International continues to decline and to a degree our Tribe is subsidizing the International Organisation. Our Tribe is stable, and we now represent 14% of the total ICS membership. It was therefore important that we look to our own future. We have approached the International ICS on several occasions about

converting the Comanche Flyer Magazine to an electronic format and nothing has been done.

Lawrence Paratz did a presentation which showed that the International ICS is on a definite downward trajectory, and they are doing nothing about the problem. Several senior members of our Society recently held a two-day workshop considering all aspects of this problem and have presented a report. This report will be posted on our website. David and Nigel reported that they have stated to the International ICS that we will not Continue to pay our current fees at the current level beyond June 2025. Lawrence stated that the ICS International could recover their financial situation if they reduced their magazine to four issues per year and went to an electronic version.

Motion:

That this meeting supports the strategies and initiatives put forward in the document "ICS Australasian Tribe – Multiyear Strategic Plan October 2024" as presented at this General Meeting of the Australasian Tribe .

That this meeting authorizes the Board of ICS Australasia to undertake actions in accordance with the above to ensure the viability and independence of the Australasian Tribe.

Moved: Nigel Wettenhall

Seconded: Roger Lenne

CARRIED UNANAMOUSLY

It was further suggested that the Board investigates 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.

Fly Aways:

Ossie Miller stated that he would like to resurrect the concept of a fly away in November 2025 at Shell Harbour Airport in association with a visit to Historical Aviation Museum (HARS).

As there was no other business, **David Miller closed the meeting at 1551 hrs.**