



**AIRPORT NOISE ABATEMENT CONSULTATIVE (ANACC)  
MEETING**  
Minutes of Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary  
(Sawery Room)

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**Attendance**

Rob Porter (Chairman)	Gold Coast Airport Pty Ltd
Lia Raimondo	Gold Coast Airport Pty Ltd
Elissa Keenan	Gold Coast Airport Pty Ltd
Bill Pinkstone	Banora Point and District Residents Association Inc.
Geoff North	Gold Coast Hangar Pty Ltd (General Aviation)
Ian Bruner	Bilambil Progress Association
Peter Barrett	Tugun Progress Association
Wilf Ardill	Tugun Village Community Centre Association Inc.
Laurie Ganter	Tweed District Residents and Ratepayers Association
Martin Simpkins	Air Services Australia
Scott Summers	Air Services Australia
Barry Jephcote	Representing SECCA
Craig Elliot	Justine Elliot (MP Richmond) Office
Rob Anderson	Virgin Blue Airlines
Stuart Russell	Tweed Shire Council
Peter Long	Air Gold Coast
Roger Savage	Bilinga and Tweed Progress Association
Christopher Davis	Gold Coast City Council
Alex Elder	Representative from the North Committee
Garth Trefall	Friends of Currumbin
Rod Bates	ACCA

**Observers/ Other Attendees**

Len Wallace	Kingscliff Progress Association
Julie Murray	Kingscliff Ratepayers and Progress Association Inc
Helen Twohill	Resident of Fingal Heads
Dawn Walker	Resident of Fingal Heads
Darren Morrison	Resident of Fingal Heads
Rob Bradford	Resident of Fingal Heads
Karen Morrison	Resident of Fingal Heads
Kay Bolton	Resident of Fingal Heads
Fran Rabbitts	Resident of Fingal Heads
Paul Fagan	Resident of Fingal Heads
Roger Mulckey	Tandom Sky Dive

**Apologies**

Julie Shanahan	East Banora Residents Association (East Banora Residents ABSN)
Peter Douglas	Jetstar
Margaret May	Federal Member for Mcpherson
Leah Fogarty	Department of Infrastructure
Jim OMara	
Vince Connell	Tweed Shire Council

**Proxy**

Rod Bates for John Alcorn	ACCA
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## 1. Opening and Welcome

Meeting opened at 9:05am

R Porter provided an update on airport activities he advised of the airports new terminal opening on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January that was opened by Minister Albanese.

### **Airlines**

- There has been a growth of international flights. 450 000 total passengers in February which is an 18.5% increase on the same month of last year. Jetstar introducing 35 more flights per week during March, Virgin are gaining more than 50 Aircraft, some are replacing older stock. Flights to Tasmania and Perth are being sort after. Tiger is going well – more than 50 000 passengers last month.

### **New Carpark**

- As you come into the airport, the first turn on your left is where the additional 900 car parking spaces will be.

### **Runway Resurfacing**

- Will be commencing in late March. Will take six weeks in duration, followed by six weeks of grooving.

## 2. Apologies / Proxies

Refer to apologies listed above.

## 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting Amendments

The minutes of the previous meeting were raised and RP asked for approval.

Rod Bates asked for an amendment from the December meeting under the RNP presentation:

- J Alcorn inquired if instruments approach procedure currently used for aircraft approaching the runway become obsolete. P Kirk advised that the two separate instruments have their limitations.
- Airservice Australia assured the meeting that the present criteria of approach procedures can be contained.

Bill Pinkstone asked for an amendment under item number 10 'Ms Judith Easterman's complaint'

- B Pinkstone Advised Ms J Easterman documented a full month of reports.

W Ardill moved the minutes be accepted

## 4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

### **Action Item 1:**

- The quarterly ASA reports are available on the Airservices website.
- Additional detail that is not available on the website, members can contact the noise enquiry unit and request specific information
- B Pinkstone requests the action stay open, as the members should not have to look up the reports themselves.
- R Porter agreed that the Item is still open

### **Action Item 2:**

- R Porter to follow up with Paula McMahon on providing the last 3 years for the distribution of RPT jets.
- R Porter agreed that the Item is still open

### **Action Item 3:**

- A Jones changed and noted the amendments to previous minutes.
- Item closed

### **Action Item 4:**

- R Porter wrote to Air New Zealand to thank them for Philip Kirk's attendance at December meeting.
- Item Closed

**Action Item 5:**

- Still awaiting the CD from Captain Kirk.
- R Porter agreed that the Item is still open

**Action Item 6:**

- M Simpkins has requested the military movements and the statistics for how many aircraft utilise the last hour of operations.
- Will be sent out with these minutes.
- Item Closed

**Action Item 7:**

- R Porter has not received any feedback from Paula McMahon.
- R Porter sent an invitation to the senior management of Airservices Australia that they provide a more senior member at ANACC so that the issues get heard.
- Airservices wrote to R Porter advising that they intend to attend future ANACC meetings
- R Porter agreed that the Item is still open

**Action Item 8:**

- R Porter contacted Alexander Elder from Neighbourhood Watch to represent the Northern end.
- Alexander Elder was at attendance in this meeting
- Item Closed

**Action Item 8:**

- Sub committee is looking into the review of runway 14 departure track down the golf course at Banora Point
- R Porter agreed that the Item is still open

Note: R Porter will be setting up generic email address, for correspondence from the ANACC meetings.

**5. Correspondence**

INWARD

- Stuart Russell (Tweed Shire Council) – 11/12/2009
- Martin Simpkins (ALM) – 20/01/2010

OUT WARD

- Janet Clark - 21/01/2010 (from Rob Porter)
- Minister Albanese - 22/02/2010 (from Rob Porter)
- Mr and Mrs Attridge – 02/02/2010 (from Rob Porter)
- Mr J Stewart – 04/02/2010 (from Rob Porter)
- Ms Nancey Parker – 02/02/2010 (from Rob Porter)
- Jenny 'jspragg4@bigpond.com' – 01/03/2010 (from Rob Porter)
- Senate and Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee – 05/02/2010 (from Rob Porter)

**RNP Explanation**

- RNP stands for Required Navigation Performance
- It ensures that aircrafts fly more compliant tracks; aircraft can deviate and move with the wind, RNP will assist with this.
- With RNP aircraft and RNP qualified pilots, they can fly far more compliant tracks.
- Assists with noise matter, as the aircrafts are not accelerating up, will be more consistent, power settings can be set



at a lower level.

- RNP will make arrivals and departures more accurate
- Information on RNP is on the Airservices website - <http://www.airservicesaustralia.com/>
- Lessening the drift that causes most of the noise complaints.

## 6. General Aviation Update

- G North advises that everything is on track in the GA area; the main concerns are to do with the aircraft parking issue that is being discussed within the General Aviation Committee meetings.
- Tower Road upgrade will be happening shortly
- No complaints since last quarter
- R Porter advises that in 2007 there were 27,926 small light aircraft operations, Nov 2009 they increased to 67,360 light aircraft movements. Massive growth in flying school students.
- Currently working on improving the parking in the GA area.
- Went from 11,000 to 42,000 helicopter operations.
- M Simpkins advises that the Wings Academy have taken a lease on a hanger down at NSW Casino and are moving some of their operations down there, may reduce the impact of the light aircraft movements.

## 7. Military Operations

These figures were not available at the meeting, M Simpkins has provided them following the meeting. Below are the figures that have been provided.

8 x C-17 Heavy Jets (mostly overshoots didn't land)

6 x Blackhawk Medium Helicopter

2 x VIP Medium Jet

2 x BE 20 Light Turboprop

## 8. Air Services Update – Martin Simpkins

- Changes to RTCC, the new date is 03.06.2010
- This procedure is not optional, CASA is enforcing the new procedure.
- The current minimum height is 1500, new height will be 1800.
- Major changes will be at night, night time operations will be mostly conducting instrument approach's. new descent profile makes conducting a visual approach unsuitable.
- For runway 14 this will see most Aircraft flying the VOR 14 or RNAV-Z 14 approach.
- Aircraft could fly the RNP-P RWY 14 as at present
- For runway 32 most aircraft will fly the RNAV-Z 32 approach. Some aircraft may require the VOR 32
- A330 will not often fly on the offset approach
- **Runway 32 Departure**
- Current Northern departure procedures are unusable
- Revised SID will be domestic jets heading south.
- The turning point on the BCGDP DME procedure. If the aircraft gets to 700ft prior to 1.5DME the aircraft can commence the turn to 100° as soon as they pass 1.5DME.
- This is the best achievable outcome within the current design rules and needs to be implemented for safety reasons.
- The Northern members expressed their concern of this new procedure. Hasn't changed the flight path. Still within the agreed corridor

Note: The draft procedure plates for the RWY 32 departure have been attached with these minutes

Action: R Porter to produce the Lat Longs of the turning paths, and send out to committee

Note: if there is a further drift to the north, northern members are concerned, need a report back regarding the affect it may or may not have.

Note: M Simpkins noted that the procedure needs to be fixed. It will be published and they will be flying it possibly within a month but no later then 3 June 2010.

## 9. Noise Enquiries

- Correspondence tabled at today's meeting have been taken on notice.
- Increased complaints from the south in the last 3 months
- R Porter encourages members to use the noise complaint line to voice all complaints.
- Growing airport means growing airport noise.
- Mr Anspat from Banora Point's main complaint is regarding the skydiving. Not happy with the lack of response from his complaints, has had dialog with the local community.
- B Pinkstone emphasises the lack of response that is happening with regards to the noise complaints coming from Banora Point residents.
- E Keenan advises that the department is aware and concerned with the problem regarding complaints not getting followed up.
- S Russell tabled two letters of correspondence

## Tandem Skydive – Roger Mulckey

- Tandem Skydive does not get to choose where their climb areas are or their decent areas are, they are set by ATC.
- They take off to the west, climb in the one direction until reach 5000f
- Have reduced power setting on takeoff to try to reduce the noise.
- More power settings come on after 2000f
- Do not circle in the one area, if they ever do circle in the one area it is over water.
- Eliminate shock-cooling, descent – using the least amount of power possible to reduce noise.
- An agreed procedure between Airservices Australia and Tandem Skydive has been established and the procedure is consistently followed.
- There are other planes that make a similar noise, not always Tandem Skydive.
- B Pinkstone is not happy with R Muckley's explanation, believes that they do circle.
- Circling is not a climbing manoeuvre stated R Mulckey
- Webtrak is updated every 20-40 minutes so residents can track the skydive operation - <http://www.airservicesaustralia.com/aviationenvironment/noise/webtrak/locations.asp>
- R Porter thanks R Mulckey for coming to the ANACC meeting

## 10. General Business

### Fingal Head Runway Proposal – Barry Jephcote

The motion put forward by SECCA, on behalf of *Fingal Head Community Association* is:

In reference to jet aircraft departing R14 to destinations including New Zealand, Japan, Kuala Lumpur, Townsville, Cairns and other departures north and east:

Following are the proposed options for any trial undertaken, set out in order of preference:

- Option 1: Left turn commencing immediately after 2DME between H020 to H090.

Note: Option 1 must be initiated prior to passing 3DME and must hold course heading until at least 2 nautical miles over water before altering course.

- Option 2: (existing procedure): If traffic conditions dictate, hold runway H140 until established over water.



The proposal put forward to ANACC today is to consider these options as a trial only, to be undertaken for a period of 4 months only from commencement date of trial. Community feedback can then be assessed following conclusion of the trial.

- Fingal Heads is not saying 'don't fly over my house', they are saying 'fly over us but in different ways'
- Tweed Shire Council raised concern regarding the clarification of the environmental issues of the new proposal.
- The residents of Banora Point would like to advise that they have been complaining for years that planes, Jetstar in particular, have been flying too low, height over Banora Point has been an issue. They do not believe that they are flying lower over Fingal Head than they are over Banora Point.

Note: Prior to tabling the motion Barry expressed his concern that the interested parties: such as the State Member and other interested parties have not had the opportunity to study the details and ramifications of this Motion

Note: Flight paths and Flight tracks are not the responsibility of the Airport, they are the responsibility of Airservices Australia. The management and community consultation is the responsibility of Airservices Australia.

L Ganter Second the motion, vote conducted and the motion is carried.

- R Porter thanks Barry, Martin and the residents of Fingal Head for taking up this issue
- Paper written by John Sweeney on the 10 years of ANACC committee was tabled.

Action: send out a copy of John Sweeney's report to all committee members.

### Runway Overlay

- As discussed in the opening, the runway requires a new surface.
- Noisy machinery will be operating on the runway in the curfew hours, 2300 – 0600 QLD time.
- Take roughly 6 weeks for resurfacing and another 6 weeks for grooving.
- Strengthening the runway in sections, relaying the runway. Letter to the community was distributed to the committee, will be distributed to 11,000 residents in the Tugan, Bilinga, Kirra, Coolangatta, Tweed Heads, Tweed Heads West, Bilambil Heights.
- Designated noise line will be set up, the phone number is in Gold Coast Airport office and will be diverted to a mobile every night.
- Ads will be taken out in Tweed Daily News and Gold Coast Bulletin to inform the community also.

### Sub- Committee Report

- M Simpkins is providing sub-committee with information regarding the change of flight path over the Banora Point golf course, which has been in ANACC for the past two years.
- Correspondence was received from Joy Bates regarding aircraft emissions that may have lead to an increase in cancer sufferers.

Note: Member from the Fingal Community thanks R Porter and the committee for allowing them to attend the meeting, and also to B Jephcote for representing them so well.

Note: R Porter thanks everyone for attending the meeting, and also to the residents of Fingal Heads.

Note: Name tags and table tags need to be present at all future ANACC meetings.

Note: J Murray would like to show her appreciation to Rob Porter, Martin Simpkins and The Gold Coast Airport for the tower tour that was provided after the last ANACC meeting.

### 11. Date for Next Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> June 2010

## **12. Close of Meeting**

12.30pm

## **13. 2010 Meeting Dates**

- **11<sup>th</sup> March 2010**
- **10<sup>th</sup> June 2010**
- **9<sup>th</sup> September 2010**
- **9<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

## ACTION ITEMS

### ANACC Committee Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> December 2009

Action	Responsible Personnel	Status (Date)
Paula McMahon to provide an additional report would be included in the quarterly ASA noise report that would show the distribution of RPT jets on each runway.	Paula McMahon, Ian McLeod (R Porter to follow up)	Open
Paula McMahon to provide statistic on the last 3 years for this distribution	Paula McMahon, Ian McLeod (R Porter to follow up)	Open
L Raimondo to distribute the video file that P Kirk used in his presentation to Committee.	L Raimondo	First USB lost in mail, sending a new one over. 29/04/2010
R Porter to follow up with P McMahon for a 3 <sup>rd</sup> temporary noise monitoring station.	R Porter	Open
Follow up with Air Services Australia regarding the outstanding motion to request a review of 14 departure track down the golf course at Banora Point if it wasn't possible to fix that track then a review would be required seeking feed back with their progression.	R Porter	Open
R Porter to produce the Lat Longs of the turning paths, and send out to committee	R Porter	Open
Send out a copy of John Sweeney's report to all committee members.	R Porter	CLOSED 29/04/2010
Airservices Australia to advise committee of the environmental issues regarding SECCAS proposal, and the time frame of when the trial can occur.	Airservices Australia	Open