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1. FT&SC safety management

EG has been working on the documents with a legal advisor. EG will have a draft document to circulate to the BoD prior to the 2008 BoD meetings. Dan Cook and EG will prepare a note for *free flight* indicating the progress with this project. During the discussion, it became apparent that an article for *free flight* would be of valuable concerning liability and how clubs and individuals use, follow or deviate from what would be considered 'standard practices'. It may also encourage clubs to follow the FT&SC documents during training and flying activities. Dan Cook will prepare a checklist for the clubs to continue the process of implementing the Safety Management System. *Action: EG, Dan Cook*

2. Web site

JM and EG provided an update. Cost and the lack of knowledge concerning the technical requirements for this project has slowed progress. A letter from Gabriel Duford concerning the direction of the FT&SC for an online resource and his recommendations to tie the SAC web site with the FT&SC was reviewed.

SB will contact Gabriel Duford with the results and advise him to contact JM as the SAC web site Liaison. Once the project is underway, contact CAS to see if they are interested in placing their web site under this umbrella. *Action: SB, JM*

3. Promotional material

Copyright issues were discovered concerning adopting existing documents that could be modified for use nationally. Some documents in the SAC office were circulated and discussed. It was decided that the website is the best form for promotion, and videos could be added or linked to other web services already available. There are some materials in the SAC office available to clubs.

4. Insurance update

Keith Hay e-mailed his report and called into the office on speaker phone. He expects little change for next year. There is still a concern with very high value gliders (\$180k+). Because these occur infrequently, we will attempt to find solutions on a "one-off" basis. Keith will speak with Jones Brown concerning ultralight towing and Recreational Pilot Permit tow-pilots. Keith mentioned that a Private Pilot Licence holder may continue to tow after the PPL privileges expire on the Recreation Pilot Permit but must request and receive approval from the insurer.

Liability coverage for course directors and instructors were reviewed. The coverage is

associated with the aircraft involved (club two-seater \$2M liability). Legal fees do not affect the liability coverage.

Action: Keith Hay (JT)

5. AGM and CAS

Discussion about the format of the 2008 AGM. We would like to coordinate with CAS at their cross-country clinic in Montreal. We would like to have the AGM from 9-10 am on Saturday morning. FT&SC would like to have a presentation on flight simulation, interactive displays and demonstrations on Sunday morning. SB will look into hotels. JT will discuss the coordination of dates and activities with Dave Springfield.

Dates: Try to arrange for 15 March 2008, otherwise the first weekend in April (some clubs may be flying?) *Action: SB, JT*

6. FAI Airspace Commission

Jim presented a request to FAI members forwarded to us from the Aero Club of Canada requesting representation on a newly established FAI Technical Commission to handle questions relating to airspace and navigation. Since we have a strong and knowledgeable airspace committee, it was decided we should ask Ian Grant and Scott McMaster if they would be willing to represent Canada on this Commission.

7. Update to SAC policy manual

This project requires a fresh approach. Jim will send the current bylaw documents to Robert Wappel for review and amending. Will attempt to have a revised document for review at the March BoD meeting.

The policy manual Table of Contents will be distributed for review by the BoD to determine chapters still relevant. Jim will send an e-mail identifying what has been completed to date. The objective is to get the chapters we want updated into electronic format for editing and distribution. *Action: Jim, BoD*

8. Possible re-alignment of zones

EG and SB will discuss this with their member clubs. *Action: EG, SB*

9. Free Flight changes

Discussion concerning the change to the *free flight* cover. The cover will return to the original "Free Flight - Vol Libre" until a more appropriate French equivalent can be determined. SB will circulate the question to the membership requesting suggestions for the French language title. *Action: SB*

10. Airspace committee update

Ian Grant provided an update from the Airspace committee concerning their activities and future plans. The BoD had the opportunity to discuss initiatives and options concerning gliders and other airspace users. The BoD also recognized and thanked the Airspace committee for their professionalism

while working with NavCanada and Transport Canada. This professionalism reflects well on the entire soaring community.

Ian was asked if he would be willing to represent Canada on the FAI technical commission concerning Airspace and Navigation. This is subject to the Aero Club of Canada.

11. Funding of Worlds

The BoD reviewed the funds available for supporting the World Team. Interest from the Wolf Mix fund will be transferred to the World Contest fund.

An idea first circulated on the Roundtable for a National day of support and fund raising for the World Team by providing fam flights and donating the proceeds to the World Team. This was strongly supported by the BoD and attempt to use this day as a National PR day for soaring.

12. Event dates

SAC AGM	2008	Montreal
	2009	London (to be contacted)
	2010	Silver Star (Vernon)
Cdn Nats	2008	Gatineau
	2009	CVVQ
	2010	North Battleford
Western Instructor course		
	July 21-25	Innisfail (to confirm)
SAC BoD	AGM	Montreal
	Nov 8-9,	2008 Ottawa

13. Committees, etc.

They were reviewed - only the changes are recorded.

Historical DC will also put his daughter in contact with Tony concerning *free flight* archives.

Medical EG will talk with Real LeGeoff concerning a position on this committee.

Safety Review Board SB will find a French member for this committee.

FT&SC Dan Cook is looking for interested, hard-working individuals to fill one vacant position on the committee.

Aero Club representative EG will look for a candidate.

COPA insert Go ahead again this year in May.

Coupon idea for fam flights

Focus on the National Team, describe the venue, the team members etc, tie in a Canada-wide "Fam Flight Day" fund raiser. Dan Cook will prepare a booklet for COPA concerning Power Pilot to Glider Conversions and Tow-pilot requirements. *Action: Dan Cook*

SAC membership

Names and funds need to get to the SAC office in a more timely manner and with accurate information. Discussion concerning timing for insurance coverage when becoming a member of SAC. Is the individual covered when the club accepts the application and cheque, when the SAC office is notified, or when the SAC office receives the funds? JT will contact Keith Hay for clarification. *Action: JT* ❖