



AAWHG 2010/11 Update

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Presentation Overview

AAWHG Membership & Purpose

AAWHG activities in 2010/11:

- Formal Recognition
- Projects
- Website



AAWHG Purpose

History:

- Recommended as one of the safety actions from the 2002 ATSB Research report: “The Hazard Posed to Aircraft by Birds”
- Began from a meeting between the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA), the Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB) and the Australian Aviation Ground Safety Council (AAGSC)
- This initial meeting agreed that a national group dealing with national issues concerning bird and animal hazards to aviation was needed
- Working group was formed and continued to meet three times a year
- Name change occurred in March 2007 to the “Australian Aviation Wildlife Hazard Group”



AAWHG Purpose

Aim:

- Provide a reference base for the collection, storage and dissemination of reference material on wildlife hazards to aircraft (MOS Part 139 & ICAO guidelines)
- Provide a consultative forum to all levels of government
- Facilitate a free exchange of information from stakeholders
- Provide guidance in developing new research to reduce wildlife strike risks
- Provide consolidated advice and guidance to industry
- Liaise with other similar groups worldwide (e.g. IBSC, etc.)
- Encourages all industry stakeholders of aerodromes to participate



AAWHG Executive

Membership:

Laurie Taylor	Qantas (Chairman)
Dr Rebecca Johnson	Australian Museum (Secretary)
Patricia McDonell	Australian Defence Aviation and Air Force Safety
Dilip Matthews	Department of Infrastructure
Alex Ananian-Cooper	Virgin Blue
David Wilson	Air Transport Safety Bureau
Darren Angelo	Civil Aviation Safety Authority
Michael Wells	AAA Representative (Burnie Airport)



AAWHG Activities in 2010/11:

Formal Recognition

Letter to Secretary of Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

Request for Commonwealth recognition of AAWHG

Reply from Secretary of Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

- Commonwealth support offered
- Formal request to assist a special working group to review local planning guidelines near aerodromes



AAWHG Activities in 2010/11:

Projects

Bird Strike Risk Assessment Tool

Completed

Provided information to CASA on the development of the Advisory Circular Wildlife Hazard Management at Aerodromes

Wildlife Meeting Calender

Completed (new submissions requested for 2011/12)

National Template for Wildlife Hazard Management Plans

Completed



AAWHG Projects:

National guidelines for wildlife hazard management in the vicinity of airports.

The Group has been given a formal status by the Government agencies and as part of this they have sought advice from the group on the draft “Safeguarding” guidelines which proposes to ensure that land use is compatible with airport planning guidelines.

Flying fox risk assessment

We are looking the possibility of leveraging off other work already done at airports in relation to the risks posed by flying foxes.

The group is encouraging the airports that have a flying fox problem or new flying fox problems to provide information in the form of fact sheets so that a risk assessment tools for each problem flying fox species can be prepared.



AAWHG Activities in 2010/11: Website Layout

Australian Aviation Wildlife Hazard Group

- About the AAWHG
- Events
- Airport Meeting Calendar
- News archive
- Publications and tools
- Useful links
- General Media

Latest news

CASA Advisory Circular: Wildlife Hazard Management at Aerodromes - Now published
The Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA), with the support of the AAWHG, has published its first [\[PDF\] Advisory Circular on Wildlife Hazard Management at Aerodromes](#).
The circular aims to provide information and guidance to the operators of aerodromes to monitor, manage and report their wildlife hazards in accordance with the applicable regulations and standards.

AAWHG Wildlife Management Forum 2011
The Australian Aviation Wildlife Hazard Group is hosting the annual Wildlife Management Forum 2011 in Adelaide on **Tuesday 16th August** at the **Stamford Grand Hotel, Glenelg**.
The keynote address for this year will be given by **Associate Professor David Paton** who is an internationally recognised Ornithologist and a key advisor in the field of wildlife hazard management.
Attendance at the Forum is **free**, however, places are limited so please contact Nicole Seery, Adelaide Airport Ltd, on nseery@aal.com.au or (08) 8308 9211 by Friday 5th August.
Please see the [\[PDF\] final event flyer](#) for more information.

AAWHG meetings 2011
The remaining AAWHG meeting for 2011 has been rescheduled. The meeting will now be held in **Brisbane** on **Friday 18 November** between 1100 to 1300 hours. The change was made to allow our meeting to follow on from the Australian Airports Association annual conference.
To read about previous meetings, please go to [meeting minutes](#).

Australian aviation wildlife strike statistics: Bird and animal strikes 2002 to 2009
The Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB) has released a new report on wildlife strikes in Australia titled: [Australian aviation wildlife strike statistics: Bird and animal strikes 2002 to 2009](#).
This report provides aviation birdstrike and animal strike occurrence data for the period 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2009.
It also describes the results of an ATSB survey of aerodromes concerning current wildlife control measures.

Useful information

Reporting Bird & Animal Strikes
The [ATSB Accident & Incident Notification Form](#) now includes bird/animal strike fields. This information is essential to help better understand the issues with bird and animal hazards.

National Wildlife Meeting Calendar
The [National Wildlife Calendar](#) for 2011 is now available for viewing.
If you would like to see your own wildlife meetings reflected on the calendar, please send an email containing date(s), time, the location and your contact details to info@aawhg.org

Wildlife Hazard Management Plan - Updated Template
The AAWHG together with the Australian Airports Association and Avisure have updated the [Wildlife Hazard Management Plan template](#). (838 kb)
This document is a useful resource for aerodromes wishing to prepare or update their Wildlife Hazard Management Plan. The template has been designed so that the non relevant sections can be removed and the content tailored to suit the size and complexity of the airport.
Detailed instructions for its use are contained within the template. Please contact info@aawhg.org if you have any further questions.

Bird Risk Assessment Model for Airports and Aerodromes
The [Bird Risk Assessment Model for Airports and Aerodromes](#) has now been finalised and is available for use.

ICAO Electronic Bulletin: 2001 - 2007 Bird Strike Analysis (IBIS)
The International Civil Aviation Organization has recently released Electronic Bulletin (EB 2009/37) titled: [\[PDF\] 2001-2007 Bird Strike Analyses \(IBIS\)](#).
To view a copy of the bulletin, please click on the above link.

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AAWHG Activities in 2010/11:

Website

Site information updated:

- Bird Risk Assessment Model for Airports and Aerodromes
- Forum Presentations
- Wildlife Hazard Management Plan - Template
- Latest ICAO and ATSB bird strike reports
- National meeting calendar
- Plus A new media section (great videos for presentations)

Activation of generic email address:

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AAWHG Activities in 2010: Forums

2010 International Bird Strike Conference – Cairns

2011 Wildlife Management Forum - Adelaide



Finally

If you have a good idea or practise

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