

14 August 2009  
ATT - Chris Fogg - HFGA  
SUBJECT - HGFA board nomination

Hi Chris,

Following is a brief resume of my experience, involvement and vision for the HGFA organisations future.

I wish to sit on the management committee of the HGFA and present my nomination for consideration.

Best Regards  
Lee



## NOMINATION FOR HGFA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - LEE PATTERSON

### Details

Name - Lee Patterson

Member since - March 1999

Tel - 0417 025 732

Email - lee@hangglidequeensland.com.au

### Background

My Partner Kathy Kelly and I started hang gliding in 1999.

We have been active members in the hang gliding community since joining the HGFA and have enjoyed many experiences of flying both competition and free flying throughout Australia and overseas during this time.

I realised I had passion for teaching and obtained my flight instructors certificate in 2003.

I have been actively teaching hang gliding with South East Queensland Hang Gliding School from 2003 to present.

I own and fly a Bailey-Moyes Dragonfly ultralight plane and have obtained my tugmasters endorsement so I could aerotow and assist hang glider pilots into the air at aerotow competitions and free flying days in and around my local area.

Previous to teaching hang gliding I worked as an operations and maintenance manager at Perisher Blue - the largest ski resort in the southern hemisphere for 8 years. This involved running day to day operations and maintenance of the ski area.

### Endorsements, Ratings, Licences and other Experience

- Hang glider pilot - 690 solo hours, Personal best of 200km
- Hang gliding Flight instructor - 6 years
  - Aerotow, Ground Tow, Tandem Instructional, SSO, Tugmaster
- Have a current RA Aus licence with 315 hrs
- Commercial pilot with Grade 3 Instructor rating and aerobatics rating with 250 hrs
- Currently doing airline pilot transport pilot licence subjects



## NOMINATION FOR HGFA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - LEE PATTERSON (cont.)

### Involvement in the sport

- I am the current Vice president and Senior Safety officer (SSO) for the Canungra Hang gliding Club
- I have been involved in all aspects of the sport including
  - aerotowing
  - car towing
  - winch towing
  - hill launching
  - taking instructional tandem flights
  - competitions; as competitor, organiser, volunteer
  - world record encampments
  - hang gliding tours - help to organise, retrieve and flown
  - retrieve driver in both hang gliding and paragliding competitions
  - tug pilot at aerotow competitions
  - flying at numerous sites both overseas and throughout Australia
  - flying paragliders and trikes in the past
  - teaching and passing on my knowledge to all my students
- I have introduced many people into the sport by teaching them how to fly hang gliders, many of which have joined the local club and the HGFA. These pilots have now also progressed in the sport to fly in competitions and freely regularly to enjoy the camaraderie of hang gliding.

### Reasons for wanting to be a member of the board

I have a good understanding of CASA and understand the requirements CASA has put in place for Sports Aviation.

I am a member of other organisations such as RA Aus. and my experience within the GA industry requires me to have a sound knowledge of the regulations put in place by CASA.

My experience with these organisations and my management skills will see that I can make good decisions for the membership as a whole.

I have a family of 2 children with my partner Kathy and believe I have the maturity to make good judgements for the direction of the HGFA.

The main reason for wanting to be a member of the board is that after 10 years of being a HGFA member I thought it was time to put something back in to the sport I have acquired so much from. I feel fortunate to have experienced the joy of free flight and understand that it is a privilege to fly and we need an organisation such as the HGFA so our sport will progress and prosper far into the future.

### Vision for the organisations future

I would like to see the HGFA continue to grow and ensure that its membership is given the best value for their dollar.

I would like to work on the safety aspects of the sport and to see it that decisions are made for the best interest of all members regardless of their discipline.

