

Memorandum

12 Wing Shearwater

5545-1

15 June 2026

Dist List

12 WING MESS GENERAL MESS MEETING
HELD FRIDAY 13 MARCH 2026 AT 1100 HRS

Chairperson

Capt John Zinck, PMC (outgoing)

Committee Members Executive

WO Michael Hoddinott, V/PMC (absent)

MCpl Tisha Carruthers, Secretary

Committee Members

Sgt Tamas Kallai, Financial Rep

Cpl Chris Landry, Entertainment Chair (outgoing) (absent)

Maj McPherson Improvements Chair (absent)

Sgt John Samms, Sports Chair

Marketing Chair (vacant) (absent)

Professional Development Chair (vacant) (absent)

MWO Peter Cook, Associate Members Rep (absent)

Ex-Officio

Michelle Baumhour, Mess Manager

LCol Deschamps, CO 406 (M) OTS

LCol Sutton, CO 423 (MH) Sqn

CWO Dean Marche, SCWO 406 (M) OTS

Item	Topic	Action
1	Call to order and introductory remarks. 12 Wing Mess General Mess Meeting called to order at 1100.	PMC

	PMC Started off by quickly mentioning there were sign in sheets going around and then moved into administration points. PMC mentioned missing the fall GMM for the mess. PMC kindly asked membership to stay off the WIFI so that it does not affect the bandwidth to be degraded with the members on teams. PMC stated that they will be standing down as PMC, as well as the V/PMC. No replacement to PMC and V/PMC has been identified for appointment and no candidates were forthcoming.																						
2	Mess Committee composition PMC explained briefly the composition of the Mess Executive, the Mess Committee, unit reps. Identified Mess position vacancies. PMC reminded members that Mess functions are based on the will of its membership and members are encouraged to take a more active role in the Mess. PMC spoke that it has been proposed to have two Entertainment Chairs since the role is so busy for one member only. Mentioned that updates within the Squadrons of Entertainment Reps is required to be updated. PMC stated if there are no candidates forthcoming for PMC and V/PMC the interim PMC until the fall will be PO2 Frankie Gosse. No candidates were forthcoming. <table border="1"> <tr> <th>Mess Executive</th><th>Current</th><th>Upcoming</th></tr> <tr> <td>PMC</td><td>Capt John Zinck</td><td>> VACANT <</td></tr> <tr> <td>V/PMC</td><td>WO Michael Hoddinott</td><td>> VACANT <</td></tr> <tr> <td>Secretary</td><td>MCpl Tisha Carruthers</td><td>> VACANT <</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="3"></td></tr> <tr> <th>Mess Committee</th><th>Current</th><th>Upcoming</th></tr> <tr> <td>Financial Rep</td><td>Sgt Tamas Kallai</td><td>> VACANT <</td></tr> </table>	Mess Executive	Current	Upcoming	PMC	Capt John Zinck	> VACANT <	V/PMC	WO Michael Hoddinott	> VACANT <	Secretary	MCpl Tisha Carruthers	> VACANT <				Mess Committee	Current	Upcoming	Financial Rep	Sgt Tamas Kallai	> VACANT <	PMC
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	Marketing Chair	> VACANT <	> VACANT <	
	Improvements Chair	Maj Neil McPherson	Maj Neil McPherson	
	Sports Chair	Sgt John Samms	Sgt John Samms	
	Professional Development Chair	> VACANT <	> VACANT <	
	Associate Members Rep	MWO Peter Cook	MWO Peter Cook	
3	Review of previous minutes: Previous GMM minutes from 28 Mar 2025 were put forward to the Mess Membership by the PMC to vote. Motioned: Cpl Taylor Seconded: Cpl Doucet Approve: All in attendance. Reject: Nil. Abstain: Nil. Motion passed			PMC
4	Financial Report Sgt Tamas Kallai explained the breakdown of Mess dues and how they impact the budget. Bank account sits around \$368,793 as of March 2026. Entertainment Budget has not been spent yet for the fiscal year yet. Mess bank account is on a downward trend but still healthy. The bar revenue that was projected is approx. \$21,000 short as of March 2026 however we are still on trending towards target for the year. The current bar revenue is \$69,847.73. Members may see a small increase to bar prices due to inflation. Briefed total number of mess members, which is 888 currently. Depreciation will cost the mess 2x on physical items bought for			Financial Chair

	the mess. Also noted, if the account for the mess falls below \$100,000, mess dues will need to be increased. Motion to accept Moved: Maj McDermot Seconded: Capt Frederick Motion to approve 26/27 budget Motion will be sent to membership for approval vote. Approve: 213 Reject: 10 Abstain: 18 Financials approved Moved: <i>The Financial Chair position is not eligible for election this cycle, with no candidate's forthcoming to challenge. Sgt Tamas Kallai remains the Financial Chair.</i>	
5	Entertainment Report Past events PMC listed off events over the last year. Mentioned Gift Card giveaway, TGIF's, Movie & Wing, Bingo nights to membership. Halloween and Christmas parties were mentioned as successes. Briefly mentioned the Hops and Stops and the planning for this year's event had not yet begun but is still planned to happen. Mentioned increasing budget for the event due to popularity. Upcoming events Poker tournament planned for March 20th (Gift Card prizes to be won. Rep for event was not present to brief details, but PMC mentioned the date, time and how to sign up.	PMC

	<i>The Entertainment Chair position is eligible for election this cycle. Cpl Chris Landry is stepping down as the Entertainment Chair. There was no candidate's forthcoming.</i>	
6	Marketing Report Vacant position. PMC briefed the open position and called for nominations. None were given. <i>The Marketing Chair position is eligible for election this cycle, with no candidate's forthcoming to challenge. The Marketing Chair remains vacant.</i>	PMC
7	Golf Simulator Report In absence of the golf sim rep the PMC talked briefly about the mess purchasing 3 sets of clubs brand new. Somehow all three sets are broken and have aged 50 years from people switching out their own broken clubs with the mess's sets. Informed membership that the mess will no longer purchase clubs for the simulator. <i>The Golf Simulator Rep position is a volunteer and not subject to elections. The position can be held by multiple members at once, just like with unit reps. There is no Golf Simulator Rep and no other volunteers were forthcoming.</i>	PMC
8	Improvements Report Improvements Chair was absent. PMC briefly talked about the upcoming flooring replacement and the air conditioning being fixed the upcoming week. <i>The Improvements Chair is eligible for election this cycle, with no candidate's forthcoming to challenge. Maj Neil McPherson remains the Improvements Chair.</i>	PMC
9	Sports Report Sgt John Samms recently took over the position. They had no updates.	Sport Chair

	<i>The Sports Chair position is not eligible for election this cycle, with no candidate's forthcoming to challenge. Sgt John Samms remains as Sports Chair.</i>	
10	Associate Members Report MWO Cook was not present. No information to report. <i>The Associate Members Chair is not eligible for election this cycle, with no candidate's forthcoming to challenge. MWO remains as Associate Member Chair.</i> There is an Associate Member applicant: Tom Wall Moved: Cpl Taylor Seconded: Cpl Doucet Approve: All in attendance. Reject: Nil. Abstain: Nil. Motion:	PMC
11	Old Business To allow access to 12W mess members after hours to utilize Golf Simulator (ie: when the mess is closed and outside of bar hours). PMC stated that this is not approved due to licences and the recent theft of the golf clubs from the mess.	PMC
12	New Business Motion #1 – MCpl Brown submitted a proposal to revamp the Eagle's Nest, requesting up to \$50,000 in funding to improve the atmosphere. Moved: MCpl Brown Seconded: Cpl Gibbs	PMC

Approve: 252

Reject: 18

Abstain: 9

Motion approved.

Discussion 1 – The discussion was raised for the idea of an all-ranks golf tournament, referencing the Junior Ranks tournament that has been held annually. In discussion, the PMC noted that the former Junior Ranks tournament has since transitioned into the Spring Classic, which is entering its second year. As such, this event may already be meeting the intent of a broader, more inclusive golf activity.

Discussion 2 – The PMC suggested the potential value of introducing a Senior NCMs vs Officers Golf Tournament, similar in spirit to the hockey game conducted during the Christmas period. It was noted that this type of event should be organized by the entertainment committee for planning and execution.

Discussion 3 – A discussion is to be held regarding increasing the availability of taxi chits to provide members with a safe ride home in exceptional circumstances, beyond the current once-per-year limitation. It was noted that determining an appropriate limit presents challenges, as allocating a large or unrestricted budget could result in disproportionate usage by a small number of members.

Potential options include incorporating taxi chit costs into event budgets during the planning process or arranging volunteer drivers to support safe transportation. It was also noted that taxi chits currently have a fixed dollar value, with members responsible for covering any costs exceeding this amount. This will be discussed amongst the Exec and presented in a subsequent GMM.

Discussion 4 – A member suggested investigating the purchase of a 3D printer and T-shirt printing machine with mess funds so the membership can use for their own projects. An email to gauge membership interest should be sent prior to a vote at a subsequent GMM.

13	Adjournment PMC reminded members that Mess functions are based on the will of its membership and members are encouraged to take a more active role in the Mess. PMC and V/PMC positions are vacant as of the spring. PMC stated the next GMM is to be held in October 2026. PMC thanked the membership for attending and will ensure the MS Teams is running for the next GMM. Motion to adjourn Moved: WO Butler Seconded: Cpl Taylor Meeting adjourned at 1132.	PMC

Turner, VR
(Civilian)
720-1934

Date: _____

Hoddinott, MD
WO
12 Wing Mess A/PMC
720-3246

Date: _____

Recommended/~~Not Recommended~~

Andrezyk, CJ
(Civilian)
Deputy PSP Mgr
721-8709

Date: _____

Recommended/~~Not Recommended~~

Berryhill, TA
Cdr
BAdmO
721-8611

Date: _____

Approved/~~Not Approved~~

Wallace, MA
LCol
CO 12 OSS
A/WComd
720-1284

Date: _____

Approved/~~Not Approved~~

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