

READING AND DISTRICT MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

COMMITTEE MEETING 13th November 2017

MINUTES

1. Attendees – Andy Warlow, Dave Grey, Martin Dance, Richard Williams, Steve Fleming, Edward Lawrence, Joe Dray.

Apologies: Ron Parker.

2. Approval of minutes of meeting 4th September 2017: Approved.
3. Outstanding actions – See attached Actions Log for closed/outstanding actions.
4. Finance/Membership update

Excellent Treasurers report produced for AGM pack. Year-end accounts complete and audited.

Committee approved the three proposals in the Treasurers report :

- re-election of Mike Kenney as auditor
- that the accounts be adopted
- consolidate senior and retired membership into one senior class of member at £28 per year.

Membership cards and membership forms produced by Steve were also approved. The BMFA is proposing to increase their subscription by £1 at their AGM on Nov 18th. Assuming this will be agreed, Steve will reflect this increase in the 2018 club renewal forms.

Handover of Membership Secretary from Joe to Steve complete. **Action Andy** – update BMFA website to add Steve and remove Joe from this position.

5. Flying field matters

No plans for flying field search in 2018. Felt that all possibilities have been exhausted.

Incident forms do not show any theme other than the occasional engine failures and resulting dead-stick landing outside normal flying area.

Action Andy – remove Andy Stretton name from incident form and add Martin Dance.

Use of restraints was discussed. Felt that restraints must be used where possible. If arming on the strip, care must be taken over safety of other fliers at the strip. **Action Andy** – send out email to members.

Low flying issue was also discussed. Following the email from Andy to members, the problem still exists with members appearing to ignore warnings. Need two officers at strip to have a word with these member(s) as current situation not acceptable. **Action – Andy, Martin, Richard.**

6. Web site/Google mail

No issues.

7. Programme of events for 2017

Indoor flying now being managed by Steve. Number attending first meeting not as high as was expected.

AGM preparations well in-hand with venue and catering booked and paid for, and all documents ready for inclusion in AGM pack so just waiting for Chairman's invitation message before invites are sent out.

Committee agreed that the Membership secretary position does not need to be ratified at AGM as this is a committee position, not an officer. AGM Agenda will be corrected to reflect this.

The committee noted that AGM invites should be sent out one month prior to the AGM meeting, which would not be the case this year. Committee meeting prior to the 2018 AGM needs to be held late October if we are to maintain this one month notice period.

Invites must be sent to all. Three members believed to require invites sent through post. Steve has list of members and email addresses which he will send to Andy. Members requiring postal invites are believed to be :

John Bennett, Jim Hubbard and Dave Whitlock.

8. AOB

9. Date of Next meeting

Monday 15th January