

READING AND DISTRICT MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

COMMITTEE MEETING 3rd October 2022

MINUTES

- 1) Attendees: - Andy Warlow, Steve Fleming, Dave Grey, Tim Jones.
- 2) Apologies: - Ian McConnell – on holiday.
- 3) Approval of minutes: - of meeting 6th June - Approved at time of issue.
- 4) Outstanding actions: - See attached Actions Log for closed/outstanding actions.
- 5) Finance/Membership update.

Financial position remains excellent.

Currently 73 members, 2 of which are junior. A further 5 perspective members based on email enquiries.

6) Flying field matters

I accident form received/reviewed. Engine failure resulted in landing outside the permitted area. Landing was safe and away from the general public.

Currently 9 members who require training. 4 of these are not actively being trained, 4 have allocated trainers and one member is yet to be in a position to start training.

Harjinder Obhi passed his 'A' certificate exam.

Trevor Blake attended an examiner training weekend at the BMFA in Buckminster and passed his training exam at that weekend so we now have 3 examiners in the club.

7) Web site/Google group update

All web site updates are complete.

Google group is up to date and being maintained by Steve in-line with membership changes.

8) AOB

The proposed new club constitution has been reviewed by the committee. The disciplinary procedure contained in the proposed constitution was considered fit for purpose. The document will now go to members to be approved at the AGM.

Andy explained what is happening with the TVP licence. There is no hardcopy version of the licence so one will have to be created, the cost of which will fall to the club. Waiting on TVP management to provide estimate of that cost. Now that TVP management have provided a scanned copy of the licence, we can see that our flying times vary from those in the licence and the move of the hovering patch is also not reflected in the licence. This has been raised with Oracle and there has been no

adverse feedback. Hopefully, the creation of the new version of the licence by Oracle solicitors will reflect the current flying times etc. so we can then move forwards with a valid, up-to-date licence.

Joe Dray has advised that he is interested in the club secretary position. Andy has thanked Joe for his interest and told him that this will form part of the AGM process.

CAA article 16 splits drones into two categories, those weighing up to 7.5Kg and those above this weight. The heavier drones require more separation from the general public which is not possible so the club will change its flying field rules to have an upper limit of 7.5Kg for drones at the field. This will need to be ratified at the AGM.

It was proposed that for the AGM, the treasurer sets next years licence fee to break even based on a club membership of 70 members.

The food order for the AGM will be based on 20 attendees. Andy will investigate menu options, work with Ian to agree the spend per attendee for the food order and keep the committee advised.

9) Date of Next meeting

To be agreed post AGM when new secretary is in post.