



NORTHERN
AREA

British Model Flying Association

Patron: **HRH The Duke of Edinburgh KG**

President **Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Alcock.**
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The next meeting of the Northern Area BMFA will be held on Friday 18th May 2012 starting 8.00pm at the Castleford RAFA Club.

The Agenda for the **18th May** meeting will be:-

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Correction and adoption of the **27th January 2012** minutes.
3. Matters arising from the **27th January 2012** minutes.
4. Correspondence from officers.
5. Officer's reports.
6. Comments on officer's reports.
7. Request for Area to fund toilets for two **PANDAS** events.
8. A.O.B.

Un-adopted minutes of the BMFA Northern Area for the meeting held on 27th January 2012

Officers Present

Chairman	Peter Hornby
Vice Chairman	John Thompson
Secretary	Robert Day
Council Delegate/ASC	Andy Symons

Clubs Represented

Dewsbury & District MAC (D&DMAC)	John Thompson
Pontefract & District (PANDAS)	Paul Blakeborough
Carlton MAC (CARMAC)	Andy Symons
Dales Model Flying Club (DMFC)	Peter Hornby
Brighouse MAC (BMAC)	Jack Parker
Huddersfield & District MAC (H&DMAC)	Peter Clare

Voting Strength 6

1) Apologies

Gordon Warburton FSMAE, D. Limbert.

2) Correction and Adoption of 6th January 2012 Minutes

Proposed as a true record of the meeting by **BMAC**, seconded by **CARMAC**. For 4, abstain 2.

3) Matters Arising from 6th January 2012 Meeting

- a) John Thompson (JT) Yorkshire Air Museum, Education Schools organiser Wendy is thrilled that the Area will attend. JT still waiting for proposals for things to do. RTP has already been organised. Andy Symons (AS) has requested more information from JT to pass on to the BMFA Office to see if they want to be involved.
- b) AS let us know that the BMFA stand will be at the LMA seminar at the Richard Dunn Sports Centre, Bradford on the 11th March and will be manned by himself, Manny and Linda.

4) Correspondence from Officer's

- a) Peter Hornby (PH) has received a letter from the LMA asking if we want to have the BMFA stand at the LMA Elvington show on the 11th-12th August. This was agreed and PH to send a reply to LMA.
- b) Catherine/Martin from Club 2000 had sent correspondence and attended the meeting asking if they could stage a Club 2000 event at Dishforth on the 6th May. This date is not on one of the Area's Dishforth flyin dates and after discussion it was decided that PH will send them the details of the Dishfoth Club so they can contact them about this date. It was also agreed that the Area help them to secure this date.

5) Officer's Reports

a) Chairmans Report

Apart from dealing with Dishforth matters and attending Indoor Flying at Horsforth I have not done anything notable.

I received a request from The Welfare Office of 9 Regiment Army Air Corp for Club 2000 to use a Sunday at Dishforth for a competition. Apparently the lady in the Welfare Office has a friend who flies in Club 2000 competitions. She first contacted WO John Earp who agreed to the competition being allowed and suggested she contact me for our agreement and to sort a suitable Sunday. I replied suggesting that a representative of Club 2000 attends our meeting on 27th January 2012.

Those of you who read the Events and Contest Calendar in BMFA News will have noticed that there is no mention of Dishforth in the February edition. Although I sent details through on 6th December 2011 to The Editor he seems to have ignored my request for Dishforth Dates inclusion. I telephoned Leicester, they suggested that I resend my letter. This I have done.

b) Delegates Report

i) Report on areas council meeting 7th January 2012

The 2 proposals from the Control Line Technical Committee were withdrawn as other work on the awards is ongoing and may supersede them anyway.

The proposal from RC Power Technical Committee regarding 50% of the extra increase going to the team travel fund was overwhelmingly defeated. However how to increase the team travel fund will be looked in to.

The next Full council meeting will be held at the Husbands Bosworth Gliding centre on a trial basis.

ii) Areas Council Agenda 28th January 2012

Once again there is very little on the areas council agenda apart from achievement scheme related matters, perhaps its time some consideration is given to the purpose of areas council.

There are 2 ACE's proposals:

Southern Area – Matthew Lodge (144947) ACE (Helicopter). (Deferred from September 2011 Area Council Meeting).

Western Area – Steve Kirby (35375) ACE (FW).

Also a Proposal to accept in principle the Jet C and associated standards and guidelines.

There will also be a discussion on who meets the travelling expenses for ACE's.

c) Achievement Scheme Co-ordinators Report

Paul Blakeborough has cleared William Marshall as a fixed wing examiner for South Leeds and Dave Scholes has cleared Ian Copass as a helicopter examiner for the Beelsby Club.

All future Achievement Scheme Review Committee minutes will be emailed out instead of being posted to ACE's.

The 2012 versions of all the test standards booklets are available to download from the BMFA website.

6) Comments on Officers Reports

None.

7) A.O.B

- a) JT mentioned that the winner of the Area EIM Trophy does not have anything permanent to say that they won, once the trophy is returned the following year. It was agreed that in future years a certificate would also be provided aswell as the trophy for the winner. In light of this a certificate will be given to Connor Stephenson who has won it previously.
- b) JT informed the meeting that the date for the Area swapmeet will be Sunday 28th October 2012. He proposed a price of £5 per table and £2 admission.
- c) Jack Parker sent an open letter to the committee about the decision to hold the swapmeet again at Pudsey and the negative comments about previous swapmeets at Leeds Trinity University. He wanted to point out the cost restrictions for the venue and negative and positive comments he received. The letter was discussed in detail at the meeting. It was decided to not include a copy of the letter in the minutes.

Meeting closed 9.05pm

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