



NORTHERN  
AREA

# British Model Flying Association

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

President: **Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Alcock**  
GCB, KBE, DSc, FENG, FIMechE, FRAeS.

**The next meeting of the Northern Area BMFA will be held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2014 starting at 20:00 at the Castleford RAFA Club.**

The Agenda for the 29<sup>th</sup> August meeting will be:-

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Correction and adoption of the **16<sup>th</sup> May 2014** minutes.
3. Matters arising from the **16<sup>th</sup> May 2014** minutes.
4. Correspondence from officers.
5. Officer's reports.
6. Comments on officer's reports.
7. Discuss proposals to dispense with BMFA Areas.
8. Proposed change of registration for attendees at Dishforth Flyins.
9. A.O.B.

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**Un-adopted minutes of the BMFA Northern Area for the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**Officers Present**

|                                 |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Chairman                        | Peter Hornby |
| Secretary                       | Robert Day   |
| Vice Chairman/Auditor           | Philip Kent  |
| Delegate/Education Co-ordinator | Neil Cooper  |

**Clubs Represented**

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Pontefract and District (PANDAS)          | Philip Kent     |
| North Leeds MFC (NLMFC)                   | Peter Hornby    |
| Carlton MAC (CarMAC)                      | Neil Cooper     |
| Brighouse MAC (BMAC)                      | Jack Parker     |
| Dewsbury & District MAC (D&DMAC)          | Martin Lynn     |
| Wharfedale & District Aeromodellers (WDA) | Andrew Watson   |
| Calderdale MAC (CalMAC)                   | Mike Fitzgerald |
| Huddersfield & District MAC (HDMAC)       | David Limbert   |
| York MAS (YMAS)                           | Oliver Holmes   |
| Don Valley MAC (DVMAC)                    | J. Stones       |

**Voting Strength      10**

**1) Apologies**

Chris Bish, Andy Symons, Paul Blakeborough

**2) Correction and Adoption of 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013 Minutes**

Proposed as a true record of the meeting by **D&DMAC**, seconded by **PANDAS**. For 6, abstain 4.

**3) Matters Arising from 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013 Meeting**

David Limbert informed the meeting that HDMAC would be having a swapmeet on Saturday October 4th 2014 and asked that the Area do not hold their swapmeet on the same date. Jack Parker who is arranging the swapmeet agreed to this and will let everyone know when it is agreed. Jack also asked for more volunteers to help run the swapmeet.

**4) Correspondence from Officer's**

Neil Cooper received thanks from the Keighly Club to the BMFA for the use of the simulator trailer and the Area for supplying BMFA kits which were built at their event.

## 5) Officer's Reports

### a) Chairmans Report

We are still short of committee members but fortunately our regulars do contribute hugely to the area by providing indoor and outdoor flying for BMFA members.

We must thank Jack Parker for providing the membership with superb indoor flying at Horsforth and Phillip Kent for the indoor flying in the Brighthouse area. With the help of Jack I arrange for flying at Dishforth, which this year has been frequently disrupted by either rain or strong winds.

You will see that these first two paragraphs are almost identical to those in my 2013 Annual Report.

Our committee members are all hard working and I must thank Neil Cooper for his work at the Model Engineering Show in Harrogate. We were let down by Leicester as we did not receive any banners or similar items to promote the BMFA, which is what our stand there is about. Lou Rex, the organiser, asked if we could show some indoor flying. We agreed we would and John Carby Hall, Paul Crawshaw and Shaun Garrity all flew and were thanked by Lou for their participation. Again Chris Bish (Thirsk) and Geoff Quinn (Pandas) came to help as stewards.

The show was a success and the Simulator again attracted many visitors. As Jack Parker was ill and I was involved at the show Allan Muir (North Leeds) volunteered to run the Dishforth flying, but to no avail as strong winds and rain prevented even the thought of flying.

This year so far has been as bad as last year. Out of the five dates only two have been suitable for flying.

I will be helping at the Heavy Lift Challenge at Elvington on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of June and there will be a BMFA stand at the LMA Show at Elvington on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> August which will be manned by Northern Area. Volunteers are required. We are again expecting Andy Symons to bring the large tent and the two simulator trailer.

### b) Treasurers Report

#### Outgoing: (Current Account )

|          |               |                |        |
|----------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| 03/12/13 | Whitcliffe    | Indoor Support | 240.00 |
| 11/12/13 | Don Valley    | Loo Hire       | 120.00 |
| 24/01/14 | Leeds Trinity | Indoor Support | 750.08 |

#### Incoming : (Current Account)

|          |                |                  |        |
|----------|----------------|------------------|--------|
| 25/11/13 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 90.00  |
| 25/11/13 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 96.00  |
| 25/11/13 | R Day          | Swapeet Income   | 189.00 |
| 29/11/13 | P Blakeborough | Indoor Income    | 120.00 |
| 08/01/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 85.00  |
| 08/01/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 90.00  |
| 08/01/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 95.00  |
| 10/03/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 88.00  |
| 10/03/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 120.00 |
| 10/03/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 135.00 |
| 11/03/14 | P Hornby       | Dishforth Income | 80.00  |
| 31/03/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 105.00 |
| 31/03/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 115.00 |
| 31/03/14 | R Day          | Indoor Income    | 145.00 |
| 29/04/14 | P Hornby       | Dishforth Income | 20.00  |

#### Accounts:-

|         |   |         |
|---------|---|---------|
| Current | - | 5396.69 |
| Deposit | - | 4836.27 |
| Cash    | - | 81.02   |

Total - 10313.98

**IMPORTANT:-**

**Please make sure that all requests for expenses/funding or proceeds from events are authorised firstly through the committee and minuted, then sent to me accompanied by an expense/income report slip. This report should include a concise breakdown of expenses/income etc. NOTE: I MUST HAVE A SIGNED EXPENSE SLIP TO RELEASE FUNDS !!!! If you haven't got a copy, send me an Email I'll send you one. In 2014 I will not release funds without one.**

Expense/Income report slips should be sent to:

15 Castle Lodge Gardens  
Rothwell  
Leeds  
LS26 0ZL  
[pblakeborough@zoho.com](mailto:pblakeborough@zoho.com)

c) **Delegate/Education Co-ordinator Report**

Not received.

**6) Comments on Officer's Reports**

None.

**7) A.O.B**

- a) Neil Copper informed the meeting that the years accounts have to be sent to BMFA head office before the yearly money the Area receives from the BMFA will be sent. Neil Cooper will contact the treasurer to make sure this has been done.
- b) The meeting discussed rumours about a document circulating in the Areas proposing changing how the Areas work within the BMFA written by Robin Seight. Neil Cooper is to find out more information about this and get hold of a copy. When Neil gets a copy this will be distributed to attendees of the meeting by the Secretary.
- c) Peter Hornby **NLMFC** proposed that the Area fund toilets for the NLMFC Open Day on 20<sup>th</sup> July up to a total of £120. This was seconded **D&DMAC**. For 10. Against 0.
- d) The Chairman let the meeting know that he is not willing to continue in his post after 2015. He also pointed out that he will not be able to continue running the Dishforh flyin, help at the BMFA Elvington Heavy Lift Challenge and organise the stand at the Horrogate Model Engineers Exhibition. He asked that the meeting to consider replacements for the position of Chairman and people to take over running the other events discussed.
- e) Andrew Watson WDA raised a complaint from a West Yorkshire Model Flying Club (WYMFC) member who complained about Jack Parker's colourful language at one of the Horsforth Indoor flying events he attended. Jack Parker asked Andrew to apologise to the WYMFC member for his language and he will try to tone it down. Rob Day pointed out that this is the only complaint we have received and that he was at the event and the WYMFC member was disruptive and did not want to follow some of the safety rules and has not attended since.
- f) Neil Cooper **CarMAC** proposed that the Area purchase a Northern Area BMFA flag to be used to publicise the Area at shows and events we attend. This was seconded by BMAC. For 10. Against 0.

Meeting closed 9.15pm

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