



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 at 20:00 on Friday 5th May 2017 at the Castleford RAFA Club.

The Agenda for the **5th May** meeting will be:-

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Correction and adoption of the **6th January 2017** minutes.
3. Matters arising from the **6th January 2017** minutes.
4. Correspondence from officers.
5. Officer's reports.
6. Comments on officer's reports.
7. A.O.B.

Un-adopted minutes of the BMFA Northern Area for the meeting held on 6th January 2017

Officers Present

Chairman	Tim Haigh
Secretary	Robert Day
Vice Chairman/Auditor	Phillip Kent
Treasurer	Paul Blakeborough
Achievement Scheme Co-ordinator (ASC)	Andy Symons
Delegate	Martin Lynn

Clubs Represented

Morley & District MAC (M&DMAC)	Paul Blakeborough
Pontefract and District (PANDAS)	Robert Day
Brighouse MAC (BMAC)	Phillip Kent
Huddersfield & District MAC (H&DMAC)	Phil Cox
Dewsbury & District MAC (D&DMAC)	Martin Lynn
Blackstone Model Flyers (BMF)	Alec Barber
Keighley & District MAC (K&DMAC)	Howard Mansley
Wharfedale & District Aeromodellers (W&DA)	Mervyn Jones
Skelbrooke Model Flyers (SMF)	Mike Sollitt
West Yorkshire MFC (WYMFCA)	Stephen Greenwood

Voting Strength 10

1) Apologies

Chris Bish, Mike Fitzgerald.

2) Correction and Adoption of 11th November 2016 Minutes

Proposed as a true record of the meeting by **H&DMAC**, seconded by **D&DMAC**. For 8, 2 abstain.

3) Matters Arising from 11th November 2016 Meeting

None.

4) Correspondence from Officer's

None.

5) Officer's Reports

a) Chairmans Report

Contacted the Chairman of PANDAS Adrian Appleyard about the Northern Area Flyin. Agreed with Adrian to hold the flyin at PANDAS over the weekend 22/23rd July with camping available and general flying with airplanes, helicopters, multirotor and control line. To be free and open to any BMFA member.

b) Treasurers Report

Outgoing : (Current Account)

16/11/16	P Kent	Batley Indoor	20.00
17/11/16	Blackstone MFC	Indoor Support (2 x Events)	100.00
23/11/16	KADMAC	Club support (Drainage Issue)	300.00

Incoming: (Current Account)

21/11/16	R Day	Indoor 17/09/16	20.00
21/11/16	R Day	Indoor 29/10/16	22.00
21/11/16	R Day	Indoor 03/09/16	32.00
21/11/16	R Day	Indoor 15/10/16	36.00

Accounts:-

Current	-	6686.76
Deposit	-	4856.66
Cash	-	68.02
Total	-	11611.44

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 2017 I will not release funds without one.

Expense/Income report slips should be sent to:

15 Castle Lodge Gardens
Rothwell
Leeds
LS26 0ZL

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c) ASC Report

The examiners workshop at Winterton was well attended. The Achievement Scheme Roadshow will be held in the Area on the 25th February at BMAC. Happy that we have ratified two new Area chief examiners but we are now short of helicopter examiners. Anyone interested please contact myself.

6) Comments on Officer's Reports

None.

7) A.O.B

- a) Andy Symons pointed out that the Electric Indoor Masters is on the 14/15th January.
- b) Phillip Kent asked if the Area would fund four 2 hour sessions @ £20 per hour at Batley Sports Centre during the school holidays. This was proposed by **BMF** and seconded by **H&DMAC**. For 10, 0 against.
- c) Andy Symons asked that when the minutes of the meetings are sent out recipients are bcc (blind copied) instead of cc (copied) so that the recipients cannot see other recipients addresses.
- d) Andy Symons pointed out the BMFA is compiling a list of drone friendly clubs to put on the BMFA Web Site.
- e) Mike Sollitt discussed scale flying competitions and pointed out that they can be boring for spectators to watch. He proposed to get spectators involved by asking them to judge flights and those nearest to the judges scores win a prize. So **SMF** proposed that the Area fund two prizes of £100 for the Skelbrooke and PANDAS scale events. This was seconded by **D&DMAC**. For 10, 0 against.
- f) Mike Sollitt proposed that there should be scale model competitions for smaller models. The meeting discussed this.
- g) Mike Sollitt is doing a scale model talk at **D&DMAC** on Thursday 9th March.
- h) Andy Symons raised that the Area should be using social media to publicise itself and Area events more. Rob Day has already set-up an Area Facebook site. Rob Day to give Andy Symons admin access to the Facebook site and both to complete the set-up of it. Also it was suggested that more of the committee be given access to post on the Facebook site to spread out the work required to run it.

Meeting closed 8.50pm

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