

BRITISH MODEL FLYING ASSOCIATION
CONTROL LINE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
MINUTES

of the 40th meeting (wef 02/12/00) held on
6th February 2010
at Langley House, 21 Polegate, Luton, Bedfordshire

Present: Chris Barker (Chairman & TR Rep); Jo Halman (Secretary); Mick Lewis (Treasurer & CFA Rep); Peter Halman (Member & Speed Rep); Vernon Hunt (Council Delegate); Andy Housden (Carrier Deck Rep)

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| <p>(40)1</p> | <p>Apologies for Absence
Apologies had been received from Barry Robinson & John Mealing.</p> | <p>Action</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>(40)2</p> | <p>Confirmation of those with voting Rights
There were five voting members.</p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>(40)3</p> | <p>Correction & adoption of the Minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2009.
There were no corrections and the Council Delegate proposed that the Minutes of the meeting of 12th December be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting. This proposal was seconded by the SpeedCom Rep and voting was: For – 4; Against – 0; Abstentions - 1</p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>(40)4</p> | <p>Matters arising from that meeting that are not on the Agenda</p> <p>(40)4.1 <u>(39)/4.1</u> At his request, Mike Whillance has been sent the CRB application papers.</p> <p>(40)4.2 <u>(39)/4.2</u> The Secretary had sent a 7-week reminder email to the SRB NAC on 4th January but had not had an acknowledgement. She will pursue.</p> <p>(40)4.3 <u>(39)/4.7</u> No update on the Aerobatics MIF trophy.</p> <p>(40)4.4 <u>(39)/16</u> The Secretary still had to design the “overseas information sheet” CL for overseas invitations the Nationals.</p> | <p>JH</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>(40)5</p> | <p>Team Travel Fund Payments to 2010 Team
It was unanimously agreed that the following payments would be made to the 2010 team members from the CL Team Travel Fund:</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px"><tr><td>2 x F2D Mechanics</td><td>£365</td></tr><tr><td>1 x F2D Junior:</td><td>£225</td></tr><tr><td>15 x Others:</td><td>£400</td></tr></table> <p>The Treasurer is to inform the BMFA Accounts office direct.</p> | 2 x F2D Mechanics | £365 | 1 x F2D Junior: | £225 | 15 x Others: | £400 | <p>ML</p> |
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| <p>(40)6</p> | <p>January Council Feedback
The Council Delegate reported that the F2 Team, Team Manager and Assistant Team Managers were ratified as recommended by this Committee.</p> <p>The BMFA Hon Secretary, Robin Sleight, has been tasked with drafting a constitution for the Achievement Scheme Review Committee.</p> | | | | | | | |
| <p>(40)7</p> | <p>2010 Nationals Planning</p> <p>(40)7.1 Budgets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Speed is the same as the 2009 projection; accepted.b) Aerobatics is the same as the 2009 projection; accepted.c) Team Race same is the same as the 2009 projection; accepted.d) Combat’s projection is the same as the 2009 Actual; accepted.e) VTR: without a representative attending the meeting, the Committee agreed to work with the 2009 projection.f) Carrier aims to break-even as usual and this was accepted. | | | | | | | |

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- g) The entry fees are the same as 2009:
- Speed:** One £15 fee covers all Handicap Speed classes; another £15 covers all Vintage Speed classes.
 - Aerobatics:** F2B - £20; subsequent classes - £10; other Aerobatic classes - £15; subsequent classes - £10.
 - Team Race:** 1st class - £15; subsequent classes - £10; Barton B - £15; Mini Goodyear - £10.
 - Vintage TR:** 1st class - £15; subsequent classes - £10.
 - Combat:** 1st class/F2D - £15; 2nd class - £12; 3rd class - £8; subsequent classes - £5.
 - Carrier Deck:** First class - £8, subsequent class - £5.
- Unless indicated otherwise, subsequent classes across disciplines are £10 per class.
The Secretary will inform the BMFA office of the CL class entry fees for the Nationals.

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(40)7.2 (a) Trophies

Considerable discussion took place on this item. The consensus was to continue with the glass trophies in the same format for this year although a new supplier nearer to Mick Lewis will be used.

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(b) Prizegiving

Considerable discussion took place on this item, too with reference to comments on the prize-giving in the email from the VTRSIG Chairman (see item (40)7.7). The consensus was that there was no practical alternative to the prize-giving being held at the end of the TR Finals. It was noted that using unclassified trophies for the presentation with the competitors collecting their boxed trophies immediately afterwards from the "collection table" managed by Peter Halman, had considerably speeded up the 2009 presentation which finished a lot earlier than usual and would have finished even earlier if the tables that were needed for the trophies had not been collected before the presentation and it took some while to locate them and have them delivered back to the presentation area. The order of presentation need not be the same year on year.

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(40)7.3 Classes

- Handicap Speed
 - Vintage Speed
 - Stunt - F2B, Class 2, Vintage & Classic
 - Team Race - F2C, F2CN, British Goodyear; Open Goodyear, 1/2A; Barton B, Mini Goodyear (Seniors & Juniors)
 - Vintage Team Race - A, B & 1/2A
 - Combat - F2D, F2E, Vintage, Oliver Tiger, 1/2A
 - Carrier Deck - Basic Carrier Deck & Class 1 Carrier Deck
- The bad weather in 2009 had prevented Barton Classic A being run (as an unofficial class) but it was intended to schedule it again for 2010. The Chairman is to confirm the CD.

CBk

(40)7.4 Contest Directors

- Handicap Speed - Jo Halman
- Vintage Speed - tba
- Stunt - Overall CD: tba; Assistant: Ray Lloyd ; Others: tba
- Team Race - F2C: Dave Rudd; Domestic CD: tba. Line-check: tba
- Vintage Team Race - Dave Finch; Other officials: tbc
- Combat - Overall CD: Mick Lewis; F2D & F2E: John James; Vintage: Richard Evans; Oliver Tiger: Richard Herbert; ½ A: Roger Fisher; Other officials as 2009.
- Carrier - Overall CD: Andy Housden; Other officials as per list submitted.

It was noted that:

- (i) The Overall Aerobatics CD Assistant was a non-financially supported post and this Committee greatly appreciated Ray Lloyd's help in 2009. StuntCom will notify the names of the other CDs and the Judges after the Judges & Pilots Training Day scheduled for 18th April.

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- (ii) Colin Brown may again assist with Team Race Jury duties. The Chairman is to confirm both this and the Line Check official and let the Secretary know.
The Secretary will contact Dave Finch, VTR CD, regarding the names of his officials.

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Additionally, the Speed CD said that it was no longer possible to run Vintage Speed within Handicap Speed for a number of reasons. She had already been in contact with Dick Roberts (Vintage Speed) to explain this. Dave Finch the VTR CD had said that the VTR cage could be made available at certain times for Vintage Speed. However, the Technical Secretary in his role as Power Nationals Co-ordinator agreed that Vintage Speed could be run in a circle immediately to the west of the CL Scale circle. The Secretary is to liaise with Dick Roberts.

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(40)7.5 **F2B Judges**

See the item (40)7.4 (i).

(40)7.6 **Special Requirements**

- a) Combat & Carrier grass cutting the same as last year with a request for the MGY circle or rectangle to also be cut. CBk & AH at FoF to accurately locate the MGY circle and give the dimensions to Peter Halman for the CLTC map. The Secretary is to ask the Technical Secretary to add the MGY circle to the Power Nationals map that he generates and which is given to everyone who enters the airfield.
- b) The Carrier Representative reminded the meeting that in 2009 the Carrier circle had been moved further west and that he would accurately calculate the new location and give the dimensions to Peter Halman for adding to the CLTC map.
- c) The Carrier Representative requested access to Barkston Heath on the Thursday as last year.
- d) Grass vacuuming was new for 2009 for Combat & Carrier but has to be done prior to the Saturday morning and for MGY too (see (a)).
- e) Ensure that the tables at Team Race are not taken away until after the CL prize-giving is finished.
- f) Ensure that the new rope & equipment bought especially for the CL flightlines is not used by the roping crew for other flightlines.
- g) Laminated notices regarding litter for each flightline and reinforced in the CD notes.
- h) The Secretary is to organise portable garden coil spring refuse containers in which to put the black plastic bags in an effort to encourage people at the flightlines to properly dispose of rubbish.
- i) The Secretary is to make a "roping crew extract" from the BMFA order form.

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BMFA Nationals Planning Meeting:

Fire Lanes: The fire lanes that are also used as access roads from the peri-track across the grass were not sign-posted well enough with the consequence that caravans and tents parked in them restricting the access even further.

Solution: Better more appropriate notices at the entrance & stake & ropes to 30' deep on each side of the fire lane. Fire lanes opposite runways plus the one at the approx middle of the Speed cage.

The camping area across from the Speed cage was three rows deep and this brought the tents, caravans and people far too close to the Speed cage.

Roadways: The roadway entrance opposite Carried Deck had cars parked in it which blocked access.

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(40)7.7 Vintage Team Race & Barton B

Although this item had been brought forward from the 12th December 2009 CLTC meeting it was addressed during the discussion of an email received from Mick Orchard, Chairman of VTRSIG. No representative from VTRSIG had attended the meeting to support the case that VTRSIG was making and this Committee unanimously felt that in the circumstances a representative from VTRSIG should have attended the meeting. Nonetheless, the Committee carefully studied and discussed each point in the email and concluded that the points made were either personal opinion based on misconceptions or statements that were simply wrong. The Chairman is to write to Mick Orchard, Chairman VTRSIG, with a detailed reply.

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The Committee felt very strongly that VTRSIG would have a better understanding of the principles that the Control Line Technical Committee applies to its Nationals structure if a representative attended at least the CLTC Nationals Planning meeting held each year. In 2007 VTRSIG had attended two out of the four CLTC meetings, one of which had been the CL Nationals Planning meeting; in 2008 there had not been a VTRSIG representative at any of the four CLTC meetings; in 2009 after an initiative by the Treasurer in February, John Mealing of VTRSIG attended the next CLTC meeting in October (the usual April/May CLTC meeting had been cancelled).

(40)8 TRDU (standard agenda item)

No progress to report

(40)9 Technical Council: items for discussion

(40)9.1 None although there was a query over the establishment of the voting numbers in the early part of the agenda.

(40)10 Rules Update

The 2010 rule books have now been published, including the re-structured Team Race rules and all the Technical Committee members except the Secretary and Peter Halman had received their copies. The Secretary to organise the missing copies.

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(40)11 F2CN/F2F (standard agenda item)

There are CIAM F2 Sub-committee proposals for the CIAM Plenary agenda to run other than Championship classes at World Cups & F2F alongside F2C at Championships. If this is approved then we would need to run F2F in UK and need to change either F2F to F2CN or vice versa. The Team Race Representative is to examine both classes and prepare recommendations for this Committee.

CBk

(40)12 Any Other Business

- a) The Combat Representative is going to look at the order and numbering of the Combat classes. The Secretary suggested that the VTR rules in the BMFA rule book should undergo restructuring similar to that successfully undertaken for Team Race. The action was allocated, in his absence, to John Mealing, VTR Representative.
- b) The StuntCom Rep had advised the Secretary that Bill Grieve's personal circumstances had changed and he had requested to be removed from the FAI International Judges List. The Secretary will inform the BMFA office who will then contact the FAI office with the request.

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(40)13 Date of Next Meeting

The next meetings were confirmed as **27th February and 24th April** at Luton.

The meeting closed at 15.45 hours.

Signed: *Signed copy on file*

Peter Halman,
Chairman of the meeting

Dated: 27th February 2010

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