

# **SOCIETY OF MODEL AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERS LTD**

(T/A British Model Flying Association)

## **TO ALL AREA COUNCIL MEMBERS**

There will be an Area Council Meeting on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2011  
at 11.00am at Chacksfield House, 31 St Andrew's Road, Leicester LE2 8RE

Tel: 0116 2440028 Fax: 0116 2440645.

## **A G E N D A**

- 1 Apologies for Absence.
- 2 Request for Permission to be Absent.
- 3 Correction and adoption of the Minutes of the Area Council Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010.
- 4 Matters/Actions Arising from the meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010 that are not included elsewhere on this Agenda.
- 5 Election/Ratification of members to fill ASRC vacancies.
- 6 To appoint a representative to the Awards Committee for 2011.
- 7 To receive a proposal from the following Area to appoint a Chief Examiner:  
*Northern Area that Andy Symons, Membership Number 126421 is appointed Area Chief Examiner (Fixed Wing) for Northern Area.*
- 8 To receive reports from the Achievement Scheme Controllers.
  - a) Power
  - b) Silent Flight
- 9 To receive reports from committees or co-ordinators related to the business of this meeting.
  - a) Achievement Scheme Review Committee
  - b) Flight Challenge
  - c) Education
- 10 To receive reports from Area Committees. (Please ensure your Area prepares a maximum of 1 x A4 page synopsis of your report for the meeting. Photocopying facilities are available at Chacksfield House if required.)
- 11 To receive any reports from the Office and any Elected Officers specifically relating to Areas Council.

- 12 To confirm date of the next meeting. *24<sup>th</sup> September 2011*
- 13 Any Other Business.  
Note: Items for Any Other Business must be handed to the Chairman of the Meeting **IN WRITING** before the meeting commences. This will be strictly enforced.

Linda Harding  
Office Manager.  
7<sup>th</sup> January 2011

**CIRCULATION:**

All Council Members  
SAA Delegate  
All Area Chairmen  
All Area Secretaries  
RNMAA Chairman  
All Area AS Co-ordinators  
PAS Controller  
SF AS Controller  
All Tech. Comm. Chairmen

Fellows (as requested)  
Club Bulletin  
Office Manager  
Accounts Manager  
BMFA News Editor  
Flying Site Adviser  
Development Officer  
Chief Executive  
Club Support Officer

Area Chief Examiner Proposal Form. Area Northern

Date 26/11/10

At the Area Meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2010  
the committee approved the nomination of

Name Andrew Symons

BMFA No S 126421

To become Area Chief Examiner for Northern Area Fixed wing  
(State Fixed wing/Helicopter/Silent Flight).

Signed P.L. Davis Area Achievement Scheme  
Coordinator.

Signed John Thompson Area Chairman.

Signed Robert Day Area Secretary.

Number of members attending meeting 9 Voting figures. For 9 Against 0  
Abstentions 0

Please state candidate's existing qualifications in Fixed Wing 1876 examiner number  
For how long 5 years

Helicopter \_\_\_\_\_ For how long

Silent Flight \_\_\_\_\_ For how long

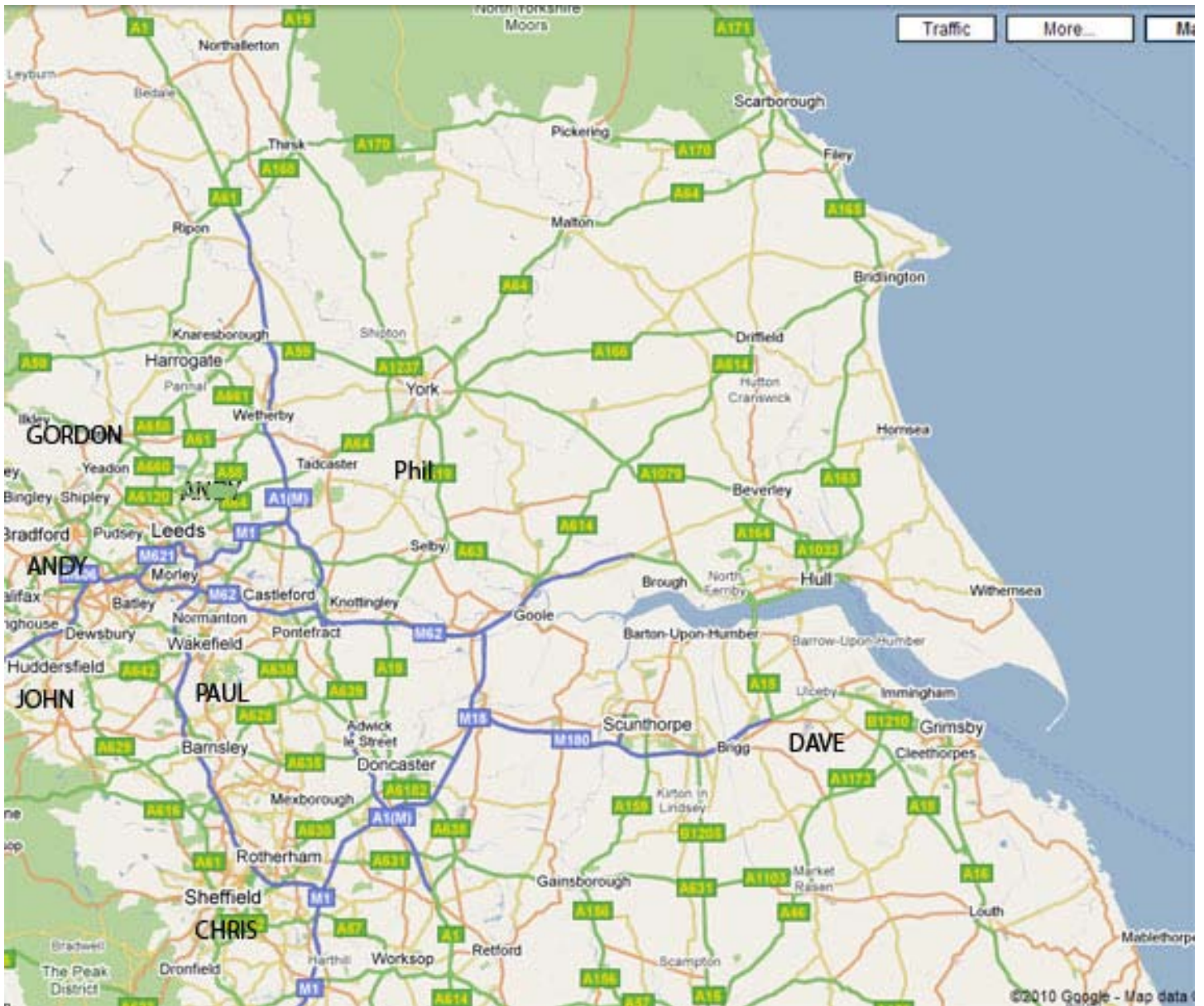
Number of Area Chief Examiners in your area for the appropriate discipline 5

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**Additional Information from the Area.**

**Please give reasons for above request. A map of your area with locations of existing ACEs would help.**

Andy would be a huge asset to the Examiner Team Northern Area his geographical location makes him well placed to take over from some of our Elder Chief examiners one who expressed a desire to stand down. Andy's addition to the team for the moment would bring our team back up to 7 in the region after Dave kerswell resignation due to ill health. Please see map below



**Comments from Achievement Scheme Controller.**

Signed P. L. Davis

**This form is to be completed and sent to the appropriate AS Controller at least six weeks before the Areas Council agenda deadline.**  
**AS Controller to pass to Leicester office with comments in time for inclusion in Areas Council agenda.**

**Full Name** Andrew Symons

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**Telephone No Daytime** 07976 548010

**Evening** 07976 548010

**Date of Birth** 10/06/1969

**Membership Number** 126421

**Club Number** 0193

**Year Started RC Flying** 2001

**Examiner Number** 1876

**Current Primary Flying Interest**

Flying RC Helicopters

**Administration and Organisational Experience (100 word limit)**

Dewsbury & District Secretary & Membership Secretary	2003 -2009
Pontefract & District Secretary	2010 - Present
Northern Area Secretary	2004 – 2008
Northern Area Delegate	2009 – Present
ASRC member	2008 - Present
Nationals Safety Officer	2008 – Present
BMFA Classifieds Admin	2009 – Present

Also run my own Cash Register and EPOS Business

**RC Experience – Types Flown to a significant extent.**

Fixed Wing aerobatic types up to 50cc  
Indoor Aerobatic Models  
1/3<sup>rd</sup> Scale WW1 Models with “The Dawn Patrol”

Currently concentrating on learning to fly RC Helicopters. A cert in 2011 (Hopefully)

**Experience as Examiner and/or Instructor.**

Examiner since July 2005  
12 Fixed Wing A Tests, 6 FW B as Lead examiner, 4 FW B as second examiner  
1 Helicopter B as second examiner  
2 C aerobatic as second examiner.

Assisted the Northern Area ASC in organising 2 examiner workshops.

Introduced “Training” evenings at Dewsbury & District MAC where I have instructed since 2003

**Other Relevant Information**

I consider the Achievement scheme to be one of the best assets of the BMFA and a great vehicle for improving general standards of flying and safety, and wish to continue to help move the scheme forward.

Comments for Areas Council regarding Andy SYMONS,. BMFA membership number 126421, Examiner number 1876 for the post of ACE (FW) for the Northern Area.

Andy was appointed as a Club Examiner on 23 July 2005 for the Pontefract & District Aeros, having passed his B Fixed Wing on 25 May 2003. AFW was passed on 14 April 2002.

The records show a total of twelve A Fixed Wing candidates successful. As first Examiner, six B Fixed Wing have been passed, with four B Fixed Wing as second examiner. Also two C Fixed Wing Aero as the second examiner.

As there is a comprehensive CV accompanying the application, there is little I can add; apart from saying I have always found Andy to be a very enthusiastic member of the BMFA with a high regard for the Achievement Scheme.

With drive and determination, Andy has demonstrated what can be achieved within a relatively short period (in BMFA terms ☺ ), so I am pleased to be able to recommend this application to Areas Council.

Peter Spurway  
Controller RCPAS  
6 January 2011.