

**Minutes of the London Area meeting 8th March 2010 held at
The Olympic, Beechenlea Lane, Swanley, Kent. BR8 8DR**

Present. Terry Rounce (Bretons MFC) Chairman and Secretary
Dave Warren (Concord) Vice Chairman
Peter Spurway Treasurer and Achievement Scheme Coordinator
Martin Dilly (Croydon) PRO Area Delegate and F/F
Robert Mahoney (Hayes) Safety Officer West and Webmaster
Alistair Newman (Eynsford)
Dave Chinery (Hayes) Silent Flight
Steve Waller (Three Kings)
Steve Brett (Bickley) Fixed wing Power and Gas Turbine
Dave Stewart (Concord)

Apologies: Robin Willis (Epsom F/F User Group)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 2005hrs the Minutes of the November 2009 were accepted with no corrections. Prop D. Chinery seconded M. Dilly unanimous.

Matters arising: None.

Chairman's Report: The Chairman explained that he had called off the Jan meeting not so much because of the bad conditions on the roads but because the roads Authority seemed unable to deal with the hazard, he did not feel justified in calling the members out.

V. Chairman: No report

Secretary: No report

Treasurer's report: Peter asked for signatures for four cheques for member's expenses which were dealt with. He also asked the meeting to authorise changing over to Internet Banking to handle our account, The Alliance and Leicester had an account which seemed to serve our purpose, it can be looked at by members via the Internet, we will still have statements and it will eliminate cheques and speed up payments which are due. The Area authorised the Treasurer to set it up, the PRO and V. Chair will monitor it for the Area.

Achievement Scheme Coordinator: Peter supplied booklets to the four Club Examiner Helicopter applicants from the Eynsford club which he thought might be helpful to them, now that we have an A.C.E. Helicopter Examiner within the Area these four can be tested when they are ready. He said the Helicopter `B` changes were in operation since the 1st of Jan

2010 and that the paperwork was in the hands of the BMFA Tech Sec Chris Bromley. The meeting congratulated Peter on gaining his Are Chief Examiner Helicopter status.

The Concord club will be hosting an Achievement Day in June and requested the Area donate £150 toward expenses and refreshments. This was voted on and accepted by the meeting.

Area Delegate: Martin informed us that Keith Miller from the South East Area had been elected onto the Awards Committee. He also said the applicants for ASRC would be elected by Areas Council from this year on, members would be chosen on their CV.

P.R.O. Martin thanked all who attended Alexandra Palace to help with the Model Eng Exhibition, it was a great success. Area 8 is now being used by all the areas. Landmark Agency (was the MOD) are now saying no children under 16 and no dogs allowed (health and safety get in everywhere). CIAM Agenda is now out; this could affect YOU so check it out on the Website. The Royal Aero Club do is on 27th April the Duke of York will be there.

Safety Officer West: Bob had nothing to report.

Education Off report: The year is just kicking off; with Martin and Dusty Miller help we will be attending schools in the area over the next two weeks.

Silent Flight: Dave had no report but Bob reported an aero tow event at Baldock, North London MFC on 14 March next. He also asked if we wished to make the Middle Wallop event on 3rd and 4th of July a London Area event, the meeting was in favour, Bob will make his wishes known at our May meeting.

F/F report: Martin said his club (Croydon) would be running two events this year on April 5th (Wakefield) and Dec 5th (Coupe Europa International) and asked the Area for sponsorship which was agreed by the meeting.

Fixed wing power: Steve notified us of a meet at Bickley on 23rd May (electric only) and the Scale meeting on 1st August.

Gas Turbine: Steve said there would be no jet meet at Bickley this year.

Web Master: Bob thanked the Treasurer for the cheque and explained that he had managed to secure over two years rental for the price of one, the

meeting expressed their gratitude. He made his usual plea for more input from the members.

A.O.B. Eynsford Helicopter Club will be running a scale day during the summer, when they present the Len Mount Trophy, Alistair may ask for some funding for this event, he will outline his aspirations at the May meeting.

Alistair and our V. Chair Dave with several others flew out to the Arab Emirates recently to demonstrate some novel R/C kites; they flew the flag, took in some rays, mixed with the super rich and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, good luck to them.

The meeting closed at 2140hrs.