

Minutes from the RCPTC
Held at the BMFA headquarters Leicester 29th Dec 2008
Opened at 11.10am

Present:

Pete Christy	(Elected)
Les Eagle	(Elected)
S. Ogden	(Elected)
Keith Barker	(Elected)
Pete Cappleman	(Elected)
Dave Pacey	(AHA)
Dave Lucas	(IMAC)
Geb Jones	(BMPRA)
Darron Rodrigues	(UK F5D)
Gerry Harrison	(B.W.A)
Nigel Barker	(BMFA Pro) Observer

Apologies:

Andy Prime	(GBRCAA)
Richard Cant	(GTBA)
David Tappin	(JMA)

1) Election of officers

1a) Election of Chairman:

Peter Christy was proposed by Peter Christy and seconded by Steve Ogden
Les Eagle was proposed by Les Eagle and seconded by Pete Cappleman

A vote was taken with 2 votes in favour of Les Eagle and 3 in favour of Peter Christy

(Only the 5 elected members of the Committee could vote at this point)

1b) Co-options

Peter Christy proposed and Keith barker seconded that Darron Rodrigues be co-opted as F5D Adviser

A vote was taken with 4 in favour 1 abstention and 0 against

The voting strength now stood at 6

1c) Election of Secretary.

Dave Pacey was proposed by Les Eagle, and seconded by Peter Christy

There were 6 votes in favour, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

1d) Election of Treasurer

Darron Rodrigues was proposed by Peter Cappleman and seconded by Peter Christy
There were 5 votes in favour 0 against and 1 abstention.

1e) Election of Council Delegate.

Steve Ogden was proposed by Steve Ogden there was no one to seconded it
Les Eagle was proposed by Les Eagle and Seconded by Peter Christy.

There were 6 votes Les Eagle. 0 against 0 abstentions.

Les Eagle was therefore elected as Council Delegate.

1f) Acceptance of voting Specialist Body Representatives.

Representatives were present from the AHA, BMPRA, IMAC, and UK_F5D , BWA

Absent from the meeting were representatives from
GBRCAA,
JMA,
GTBA
BWA

Specialist Body Representatives was proposed by Les Eagle, and seconded by Darron Rodrigues.

There were 6 votes in favour, 0 against and 0 abstentions.

This brought the voting strength of the meeting up to 10.

1g) Election of PRO.

Peter Cappleman was proposed by Les Eagle, and seconded by Dave Lucas.

There were 10 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions.

1h) Election of Safety Officer.

Steve Ogden was proposed by Les Eagle, and seconded by Peter Cappleman.

There were 10 votes in favour, non against and no abstentions.

1i) Appointment of Committee Results Officer.

Keith Barker was proposed by Les Eagle, and seconded by Darron Rodrigues.

There were 10 votes in favour, non against and no abstentions.

It was decided that the Treasurer should be the budget signatory for the Team Travel Fund, and there were 10 votes in favour, non against and no abstentions.

2) Apologies:

Andy Prime	(GBRCAA)
Richard Cant	(GTBA)
David Tappin	(JMA)

3) Minutes form the previous meeting

The minutes form the last meeting were proposed for adoption by Les Eagle and seconded by Keith Barker

A vote was taken with 9 in favour 0 against and 1 abstention.

4) Matters arising

4a Show line

The Accident at this years Nationals had been dealt with and the cause of the incident had been attributed to a receiver battery becoming disconnected soon after take off. It was mentioned that perhaps the BMFA Handbook should include the recommendations of using tape to secure all connections in the model including the battery and crystals. Dave Pacey mentioned he was aware of an electronic company who were in the process of developing a unit that in this case would have cut the engine if this had happened.

It was also pointed out by the Chairman that flight line cd's will receive a cd's pack from Chris Bromley / Manny Williams. It was pointed out that the CD's briefing had not taken place this year at the Nationals and this should not be repeated.

Graham Clarke joined the meeting at 12.15pm to represent Club 2000

4b) Dave Pacey (AHA) asked if there had been any progress with regards the Team Travel Fund situation. The AHA had put forward as requested its four year estimates but were concerned how good they would be in the future. It was left for Darron Rodrigues to lease with the outgoing Treasurer John Barker with further discussions to take place at the next meeting.

4c) Les Eagle again expressed concerns at the use of Email votes. The AHA had been forced to request an e-mail vote due to the timing of their AGM. The CIAM rep had been changed at that meeting, and the new F3C CIAM rep was Steven Roberts. Because of FAI rule changes being proposed by the AHA, it was felt imperative that an experienced competitor represent F3C at CIAM.

5) Miscellaneous Appointments

There were no Miscellaneous Appointments

6) Disciplines

This had effectively been dealt with under 1f.

AHA (Helicopters F3C), BMPRA (Pylon F3D), F5D, GBRCAA (aerobatics F3A), BWA (water-planes), IMAC (large scale aerobatics), JMA (jets) and GTBA (gas turbine builders association).

7) Council Agenda

There were no proposals put forward.

8) Nationals de-briefing and pre-planning

8a) Nationals de-briefing had taken place at the last meeting.

8b) Club 2000

Graham Clarke attended the meeting arriving at 12.15pm and proceeded to outline his complaint about what had happened at this year's Nationals with regard to the allocation of flying times. He believed that the revised flying slots allocated to Club 2000 were insufficient, and did not feel that his objections had been sympathetically received by the F3D organisers. He had therefore protested to the Nationals co-ordinator, who had passed the matter on to the BMFA Comp. Sec and the RCPTC Chairman. He was concerned that his objections were still not given the attention they deserved, though he conceded that he had not made this clear at the time.

Les Eagle asked Graham Clarke if Club 2000 had completed all the rounds at the Nationals they had set out to achieve. Graham Clarke confirmed that they had been able to get all the necessary rounds in which indicated to the committee that their time allocation had been sufficient. This effectively undermined Club 2000's complaint to not being given enough flight time at the Nationals this year as they were able to complete all these rounds in the allocated times.

Geb Jones passed round to all the committee the lay out for the flying slots for the 2007 and 2008 Nationals and this showed that in at least the last two Nationals flying slots had not changed and all the timings were the same as they had always been. Starting time in the mornings had been changed to start earlier this year to accommodate team trials as they needed to run 12 rounds for team selection. Flying started earlier in the morning to enable this to happen.

Dave Pacey asked Graham Clarke why this had not been discussed by both sides at the BMPRA AGM as Club 2000 had been advised by the BMFA to attend the BMPRA AGM and he was aware that they had not attended for three years. Peter Christy had personally asked Frank Fletcher (Club 2000 Chairman) to attend or send someone in his place. Graham Clarke informed the Committee that he did not know where or when the BMPRA AGM was. Dave Pacey brought to Graham's attention that in a letter he had written with respect to the Club 2000 complaint he mentions when it is held. Dave Pacey also pointed out that there was little excuse not to attend as Graham Clarke had himself served for several years on the BMPRA committee.

It was also mentioned that Club 2000 had not paid its subscriptions to BMPRA for several years.

Les Eagle recommended that Club 2000 join the BMPRA and attend their AGM's in future.

There was still no answer to why Club 2000 had not attended the BMPRA AGM as requested to do so and as invited to do so by the BMPRA Chairman. Every effort had

been made for Club 2000 to attend with three people informing the BMPRA Chairman that they would yet none of them attending or sending replacements.

Pete Christy having listened to both sides recommended

- 1) Club 2000 pay up their subscriptions to the BMPRA.
- 2) Club 2000 should attend BMPRA meetings and this should be some one with authority to speak on their behalf.
- 3) That Club 2000 have an open invitation to RCPTC in April (Nationals Planning Meeting)

Graham Clarks last part of his complaint was that the crowd line had been moved back 50 Meters

This had been discussed by RCPTC last year and approved by Chris Bromley as a request from BMPRA and had been done for safety reasons. Graham Clarke's complaint to this was their PA system no longer had sufficient reach.

Dave Pacey suggested they get an extension lead and they should keep themselves up to date with what is going on. They would have know this was going to happen if they had attended the BMPRA meetings.

9) Teams

Team proposals

a) F3C Put forward by the AHA

- 1) Steve Roberts BMFA number: S43791
 - 2) Mark Christy BMFA number: S59602
 - 3) Dave Fisher BMFA number: S31112
- Reserve Roger Mayo BMFA number S125835

The team was proposed by Les Eagle seconded by Darron Rodrigues
A vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 against and 0 abstained

b) F3D Put forward by BMPRA

- 1) Ben Jones BMFA number: S89029 + Geb Jones BMFA number: S85217
 - 2) Paul Bardoe BMFA number S83373 + Barrie Lever BMFA number: S80934
 - 3) Bruce Illingworth BMFA: number s74670 + Mick Illingworth BMFA number: S79899
- Reserve Paul Board BMFA number: S79899

The team was proposed by Dave Pacey seconded by Steve Ogden.
A vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 against and 0 abstained

c) F3A Put forward by GBRCAA

- 1) John Harrop BMFA number: S89390
 - 2) Richard Christopher BMFA number: S36195
 - 3) Kevin Caton BMFA number: S72281
- Reserve Mathew Hoyland BMFA number: S30848

The team was proposed by Steve Ogden seconded by Les Eagle
A vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 against and 0 abstained

10) Team Managers and assistances

a) F3C Nominated by AHA

E Oliver BMFA number: S142849

A team manager was proposed by Dave Pacey seconded by Peter Christy
A vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 against and 0 abstained

b) F3D Nominated by BMPRA

D Cline BMFA number: S117131

A team manager was proposed by Les Eagle seconded by Geb Jones.
A vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 against and 0 abstained

c) F3A Nominated by GBRACC

A Harrop BMFA number: S89395

A team manager was proposed by Peter Christy seconded by Peter Cappleman.
A vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 against and 0 abstained

11) Competition Details

RADIO CONTROL

RC Pylon (i/c)

Juniors: All classes / All events £ N/A

Season Tickets: Not Available £ N/A

Centralised 1st class £15.00

Team Selection £40.00

Nationals 1st class £20.00 per event

RC Pylon (electric)

Juniors: All classes / All events £ N/A

Season Tickets: Not Available £ N/A

Centralised 1st class £15.00

Team Selection League based N/A

Nationals 1st class £20.00 per event

RC Helicopter

Juniors: All classes / All events £ N/A

Season Tickets: Not Available £ N/A

Team Selection F3C £10 (per round / two rounds)

Nationals F3C £30.00

Nationals Sportsman's £20.00

R C Aerobatics

Juniors: All classes / All events £ N/A

Season Tickets: Not Available £ N/A

Centralised F3A £25.00

Nationals £30.00

IMAC Aerobatics

Juniors: N/A

Nationals:£28.00

12) Technical committee Annual Return

This was filled in and returned. Two Members of the committee still had to contact Linda at the office to give their BMFA numbers.

13) Safety Review

a) Les Eagle and Peter Christy had attended the safety review committee and a report had been issued and the Chairman would be circulating a copy of the report.

b) Concerns had been expressed at the SRC meeting concerning the safe retrieval and operation of "live" electric models. Gerry Harrison stated that the BWA had concerns about the hazards of retrieving potentially "live" electric models in (inflatable) boats!

14) Technical Committee's Other Agenda Items

There were no other agenda items.

15) Any Other Business

There was no other business as the Club 2000 issues had been discussed at some length earlier in the meeting.

16) Date and Venue of the next meeting

The dates for the next meetings were set

24th Jan 2009 11.00pm BMFA headquarters Leicester
4th April 2009 11.00pm BMFA headquarters Leicester
19th Sept 2009 11.00pm BMFA headquarters Leicester
28th Nov 2009 11.00pm BMFA headquarters Leicester

The meeting was closed with no other business at 2.50pm