

Provisional Minutes from the RCPTC
Held at the BMFA headquarters Leicester 28th November 2009
Opened at 11.05am

Present:

Wayne Pendleton	(Elected)
Les Eagle	(Elected)
S. Ogden	(Elected)
Keith Barker	(Elected)
Pete Cappleman	(Elected)
Dave Pacey	(AHA)
Dave Lucas	(IMAC)
Geb Jones	(BMPRA)
Richard Cant	(GTBA)
Steve Haywood	(GBRCAA)

The meeting was opened by Peter Cappleman at 11.05am
At this point the meeting had a voting strength of 5

1)

A) Proposal for Chairman

Les Eagle was proposed by Wayne Pendleton and seconded by Peter Cappleman for the position of Chairman

A Vote was taken with 5 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

B) To co-opt a sixth member to the committee

Les Eagle proposed Dave Pacey this was seconded by Steve Ogden

A Vote was taken with 5 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

This brought the voting strength of the meeting to 6

C) Election of Chairman

This item had been covered in item A

D) Election of Secretary

Steve Ogden proposed Dave Pacey as Secretary this was seconded by Les Eagle

A Vote was taken with 6 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

E) Election of Treasurer

Les Eagle proposed Wayne Pendleton this was seconded by Peter Cappleman
A Vote was taken with 6 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

F) Election of Council Delegate

Wayne Pendleton proposed Les Eagle this was seconded by Peter Cappleman
A Vote was taken with 6 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

G) Acceptance of Voting Specialist Body Representatives

- i) AHA Dave Pacey
- ii) GTBA Richard Cant
- iii) GBRCAA Steve Haywood
- iiii) BMPRA Geb Jones
- iiiii) IMAC Dave Lucas

These were proposed by Les Eagle and seconded by Keith Barker
A Vote was taken with 6 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

This brought the voting strength to 10

H) Election of secretary, Treasurer, Council Delegate

This had already been done earlier in the meeting items D, E, and F

I) Election of PRO

Les Eagle proposed Peter Cappleman this was seconded by Keith Barker
A Vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

J) Election of Safety Officer

Les Eagle proposed Steve Ogden this was seconded by Peter Cappleman
Keith Barker Proposed Wayne Pendleton there was no one to seconded this so the
proposal failed
A Vote was taken with 9 in favour 0 abstentions and 1 against

K) Appointment of the Committees Results Officer

Dave Lucas proposed Keith Barker this was seconded by Les Eagle
A Vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

L) Decision on Budget signatory

It was decided that Wayne Pendleton would be budget signatory as his role as Treasurer

A Vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

2) Apologies

David Tappin sent his apologies

3) Correction and adoption of the Minuets of the last RCPTC meeting held 19th September 2009

Correction on page 8 part n)

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Changed to read

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Correction on page 6 part C)

Added to this Geb Jones informed the committee that BMPRA and club 2000 had kissed and made up so to speak from there disputes from last years Nationals.

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Added to this Geb Jones informed the committee that BMPRA and club 2000 had resolved there issues from last years Nationals.

4) Matters arising from the Minuets of the Meeting held 19th September 2009

a) Steve Haywood reported to the committee that the GBRCAA did not want to peruse any discussions with respect to the noise testing it was decided that this would be put on the agenda for the next meeting as there were valid points that had been raised.

5) Miscellaneous Appointments

This item had been covered in the meeting held 19th Sept 2009

6) Disciplines

AHA
JMA
IMAC
BMPRA
GBRCAA
GTBA
BWA
FUNFLY
General sport RC
Electric Flight

7) Council Agenda

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P R O P O S A L F O R M

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Please indicate the appropriate Council Agenda: **FULL** /~~AREA~~ /~~TECHNICAL~~ /~~EXEC~~
(delete those that are inapplicable)

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PROPOSAL: "To formalise the constitution of the Achievement Scheme Review Committee"

REASON: The ASRC appears not to be mentioned anywhere in the BMFA Members Handbook, or in any other BMFA publication. The qualifications of the current members of the ASRC are not appropriate for the full range of the flying disciplines covered, or soon to be covered, by the ASRC.

The ASRC is dominated by fixed wing power, with only two relatively inexperienced helicopter pilots on the Committee and no jet pilots whatsoever.

The Committee Chairman is appointed by the Area Council. He then chooses the members of the Committee. Naturally, the Chairman is likely to choose people he knows and trusts, and since the current Chairman is primarily a fixed wing power pilot, it is not surprising that those he chooses are from a similar background.

With the blossoming of disciplines such as helicopter and jets it is time for a reappraisal of the formulation and composition of the ASRC and for its remit and terms of reference to be formalised.

As an appointed body, it must be constituted in such a way that it contains appropriately experienced members from each of the disciplines which the Achievement Scheme covers or is likely to cover insofar as is possible.

As an elected body, under the authority of Area Council, it could then have a direct representative on Area Council thus relieving the Technical Secretary from (a) the obligation to act on behalf of the ASRC and (b) any possible conflict of interest.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: R/C Power Technical Committee

Date of Meeting: Voting Results: For Against
Abstentions

Date: _____ Signature of Committee
Secretary: _____

This proposal was discussed and it was decided that it would be looked at and discussed at the next RCPTC meeting Les Eagle said he would contact the party's who put the proposal together and look at rewording the proposal with the consultation of Steve Ogdan.

This proposal was not voted on or put forward by the Committee.

8) Nationals de-briefing and pre-planning

This had been covered in the meeting held 19th Sept 2009

9) Teams

F3C

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PROPOSAL:

2010 European Championship Team for F3C

Pilots: Steve Roberts BMFA No:43791
Mark Christy BMFA No:59602
Dave Fisher BMFA No:S031112

Reserve Pilot: Matt Reuben BMFA No:S045735

REASON:

These were the pilots who came 1st 2nd 3rd and 4th at the end of the two team trials held this year.

ELECTED OFFICERS

Proposed by:

Elected Post:

Date:

Signature of

Officer: _____

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: **Dave Pacey (AHA)**
Power

Technical Committee: **RC**

Date of Meeting:

Voting Results: For 10
 Against 0
 Abstentions 0

Date:28/11/09

Signature of Committee Secretary:

F5D

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PROPOSAL:

2010 World Championship Team for F5D

Pilots:

Rob Ashley-Roche - S80677

Darron Rodrigues – S78992

Ollie Witt - A121620

Callers:

Mark Van-der-Velden - S43072

Rod Holmes - S13609

Mark Diggle - S45658

Reserve Pilot:

Ben Jones - S89029

REASON:

Team Pilots selected by league results – Top 3 pilots selected, 4th reserve.

4 competition results counted from 7 competitions run.

Callers nominated by Pilots (one per pilot).

ELECTED OFFICERS

Proposed by:

Elected Post:

Date:

Signature of

Officer: _____

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: **Dr Geb Jones
Power**

Technical Committee: **RC**

Date of Meeting:

Voting Results: For 10
Against 0
Abstentions 0

Date:

Signature of Committee Secretary:

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F3A

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PROPOSAL:

REASON: F2A Euro Team John Harrop S89390
Austria 24th Aug - Richard Christopher S36195
1st Sept 2010 Keith Jackson S22351
TOP 3 IN CENTRALISED LEAGUE Reserves
Kevin Caton S72281
Matt Hoyland S30848

ELECTED OFFICERS

Proposed by: _____ Elected Post: _____
Date: _____ Signature of Officer: _____

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: STEVE HAYWOOD Technical Committee
Date of Meeting: 26/11/09 Voting Results: For 10
Against 0
Abstentions 0
Date: _____ Signature of Committee Secretary: _____

AREA COMMITTEES

Proposed by: _____ Club Signature of Club Delegate*: _____
Seconded by: _____ Club Signature of Club Delegate*: _____
Date of Area Meeting: _____ Voting Results: For
Against
Abstentions
Date: _____ AREA: _____

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10) Team Managers

F3C

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PROPOSAL:

2010 European Championship Team Manager for F3C

REASON:

Voted by Team Pilots at the AHA AGM

ELECTED OFFICERS

Proposed by:

Elected Post:

Date:

Signature of

Officer: _____

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: **Dave Pacey (AHA)**
Power

Technical Committee: **RC**

Date of Meeting:

Voting Results: For 10
Against 0
Abstentions 0

Date: 28/11/09

Signature of Committee Secretary:

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PROPOSAL:

*2010 World Championship Team Manager for F5D
Mark Van-der-Velden - S43072*

REASON:

Voted by Team Pilots, ratified at UKF5DA AGM.

ELECTED OFFICERS

Proposed by:

Elected Post:

Date:

Signature of

Officer: _____

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: **Dr Geb Jones
Power**

Technical Committee: **RC**

Date of Meeting:

Voting Results: For 10
Against 0
Abstentions 0

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PROPOSAL:

Team Manager F3A Alison Harrop S89395

Euro Team FAI Licence GBR 089395

REASON: 24th Aug - 1st Sept 2010

ELECTED OFFICERS

Proposed by:

Elected Post:

Date:

Signature of Officer: _____

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Proposed by: STEVE HAYWOOD Technical Committee

Date of Meeting:

28/11/09.

Voting Results: For

10

Against

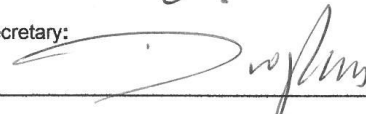
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Abstentions

0

Date:

Signature of Committee Secretary: _____



AREA COMMITTEES

Proposed by:

Club

Signature of Club Delegate*: _____

Seconded by:

Club

Signature of Club Delegate*: _____

Date of Area Meeting:

Voting Results: For

Against

Abstentions

Date:

AREA:

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11) BMFA Competition Fees

RADIO CONTROL

RC Pylon (i/c)

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£15.00
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£40.00
<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£20.00 PER EVENT

RC Pylon (electric)

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£15.00
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£N/A
<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£20.00

RC Helicopter

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£30.00 F3C
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£10.00 PER ROUND TWO ROUNDS
<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£30.00 (F3C) £25.00 (SPORTSMANS) £20.00 (SCALE) £20.00 (F3N)

RC Aerobatics

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	F3A	£25.00
<u>Team Selection:</u>		£25.00 PER ROUND FOUR ROUNDS
<u>Nationals:</u>		£30.00

IMAC Aerobatics

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	One day	£N/A
	Two day	£N/A
<u>Nationals</u>		£28.00 ALL CLASSES

12) Technical committee Annual Return

The Return was passed round and filled in

13) Safety Review

Les Eagle informed the committee that Council had instructed that representative must attend events to monitor safety but this seems not to have happened at some major events.

Keith Barker pointed out he was of the opinion it was only a suggestion there should be some one sent rather than a must.

Les Eagle said he had recommended they visit Weston Park and Hop Farm but no one had attended either of them in an official capacity.

14) Technical Committees other Agenda Items

a) Dave Pacey (AHA) proposed and Steve Ogden seconded the New Scale Helicopter rules for inclusion in to the 2010 BMFA Rule book copies had been circulated prior to the meeting.

A Vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

b) Dave Lucas (IMAC) proposed and Keith Barker seconded new rules for IMAC for inclusion in the 2010 BMFA Rule book copies had been circulated prior to the meeting.

A Vote was taken with 9 in favour 1 abstentions and 0 against

c) Geb Jones (BMPRA) proposed and Les Eagle seconded new rules for F3D for inclusion in the 2010 BMFA Rule book copys had been circulated prior to the meeting.

A Vote was taken with 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

d) Steve Haywood announced there would be rule changes for F3A but due to the dates of there AGM being after this meeting there had not been voted on by the GBRCAA yet

It was decided if he circulated them as soon as possible an email vote could be used in this case to approve them.

This course of action was voted on 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

e) Dates for the next RCPTC Meeting

January 23rd 2010 11.00am BMFA Headquarters

March 27th 2010 11.00am BMFA Headquarters

September 18th 2010 11.00am BMFA Headquarters

November 27th 2010 11.00am BMFA Headquarters

f) Practical Limits

Steve Ogden expressed a concern that some events and shows did not have any limits on the number of aircraft flying together and in most cases lots of pilots flying together who have not flown together before. He had in one case been in the position where he had been asked to fly with thirteen other pilots he had not flown with before. Due to this Steve thought it was a good idea that there be recommendations put in the BMFA Handbook for event organisers to follow recommending limiting the number of aircraft flying at one time. Steve Ogden also pointed out he felt it was different when it was a display team was flying as there were use to fling with each other.

Keith Barker said in his opinion it should be up to the event organisers and flight line directors to decide on the limit of aircraft flying together.

Les Eagle thought there could not be a rule that would work written that could not be misinterpreted but there should be recommendations put to council that a C/D should be made aware of there responsibility's when covered by the BMFA,s insurance. Les Eagle suggested that a C/D should confirm to the BMFA that they understand there responsibility's and they should be following how this happens at the BMFA Nationals regarding how the C/Ds are run.

Dave Pacey mentioned that in his opinion it was up to the pilot them selves not to fly if they did not like of feel safe in the environment they were flying in. If they felt uncomfortable with the number of aircraft they should not fly as even if there was a limit imposed some would not feel confident flying with certain sized of type flying at the same time despite the number of aircraft.

15) A.O.B

A) A short discussion about enlisting specialist knowledge for the ever expanding electric flight situation. The committee had received an offer from Paul Bardoe who is very closely linked to the battery manufacturing side of the model industry covering all aspects of electric and electric flight technology. Paul had also expressed a future wish of becoming an BMFA elected member to RCPTC but due to time scale was not able to do that this year. This was put forward to the committee for consideration for him to attend RCPTC for 2010 as a permanent guest but with no voting rights This was proposed by Dave Pacey and seconded by Les Eagle

This course of action was voted on 10 in favour 0 abstentions and 0 against

b) David Tappin sent in a written report that was read out as he was un-able to attend

Hi Dave,

Thanks for your time this morning, I was very pleased to learn that you are willing to continue as our secretary. If there is a vote of thanks to be sent to Pete Christy for his valuable work during his chairmanship I wish to be associated with it.

Again my apologies to the RCPTC for not making the meeting tomorrow, the police take a dim view of cars without headlights (very dim!).

The points arising for the previous minutes which I would appreciate being given an airing are:-

3)e The ASRC's contention that the JMA did not respond to the Jet C discussion document is without foundation. A written reply was sent to the ASRC Secretary and copied to the BMFA. Also I had a 'phone conversation with Terry Raunce in which I explained the JMA's position in detail.

As previously stated, the JMA are in discussions with the LMA through Dave Johnson and Tony Hooper (and reference to Paragraph 3)l, will liaise with the GTBA) on a basic joint Code of Practice. Dick Spreadbury (JMA) and Tony Hooper (LMA) are working on a common document of some worth.

3)h The JMA strongly support the ex Chairman's view that that the ASRC should become an elected body, along the lines of the existing Tech Committees.

The JMA considers that the terms of reference for the operation of the ASRC should require that Specialist bodies be consulted on proposals involving their particular disciplines before the publication of draft recommendations. This will not only save time but also avoid the work of the ASRC attracting open and unhealthy criticism.

Whatever the outcome of the election for our new chairman I wish him luck in his new post and assure him of my support as JMA representative.

I also would like to take this opportunity to wish you and my fellow RCPTC members the complements of the season.

Regards,

David Tappin

The Meeting was closed at 3.00pm