

BRITISH MODEL FLYING ASSOCIATION SOUTH EAST

MINUTES OF ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING HELD 26TH MAY 2010

PRESENT: KEITH MILLER – VICE CHAIRMAN, TREASURER, COUNCIL DELEGATE, EDUCATION COORDINATOR (TONBRIDGE RADIO FLYERS)
STEVE BROWN – SECRETARY (T.W.R.C.M.)
A.ELLIOTT (E.S.S.A.),
J. PHILLIPS (E.S.S.A.),
T. BRADLEY (SURREY RADIO CONTROL CLUB),
G. STURDY (STANSTED MFC),
R MARPLES (ERFC)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE RECEIVED BY BOB CUTTER, BOB HART, JOHN RICHARDSON, DAVID LAMBERT.

2 Minutes of previous meeting on January 27th 2010 were read, approved and accepted.

3 Matters Arising:

Keith Miller confirmed the date for the Towner Trophy, to be held at Ashurst on 26th September 2010. Allen Elliott reported that there had been a good response for the The North Chailey XC event to be held on Sunday 15th August at 9.00am for 9.30am start. There will be signposts at the car park entrance. So far, there have been plenty of entries and much interest. The trophies have also been prepared in readiness.

Keith Miller reported that the Tonbridge Club had talked to Gatwick Air Traffic Control regarding height concerns over full size aircraft making their approach to the airport. Gatwick A.T.C. stated that aircraft altitude would be at a minimum of 2,500 feet over the Tonbridge Club area and were not concerned at all about model flying there.

John Phillips enquired about the need for competitions to be included on the Long Man License. Keith Miller confirmed that these had never been confirmed on the licence but competitions had been run without any problems since the instigation of the arrangement, so it was suggested that E.S.S.A. should carry on as they have done in the past.

Keith Miller reported that there had been no more news on the RAFA Shield. He also mentioned that so far, he has had no volunteers to man the proposed B.M.F.A. stand at the Southern Model Air Show in September and reminded the meeting that any volunteers would receive free entry to the show and also a mileage allowance for their car expenses.

Finally, it was noted that the B.M.F.A. South East Club list included in error, the Flambirds Model Flying Association, in Essex. B.M.F.A. Head Office have been asked to correct this.

4 Officers Reports:

Chairman – nothing to report

Vice Chairman – report attached

Secretary – report attached

Treasurer – report attached

P.R.O. – nothing to report

Council Delegate – report attached

Ed. Co-ordinator – report attached

5 South East Area Events:

Keith Miller reported that preparations for the Scale Day at the Hastings Field were in hand by Bob Hart, (11th July) and the Crawley Indoor Event had already been booked for next February.

6 Areas Council Agenda:

In the absence of various Area Officials, there was no discussion on this item, but also see item 7.

7 Any Other Business:

Terry Bradley referred to the Area Council Agenda in the current B.M.F.A. Club Bulletin and asked if two representatives in Cornwall is considered to be a fair representation for the number of Clubs in that area, compared with the Home Counties.

John Phillips mentioned that E.S.S.A. were having problems with the National Trust regarding usage of the Crowlink Site.

Roger Marples enquired if the B.M.F.A. could help with expenses relating to flying site planning expenses and Keith Miller said that the Area might be able to assist, but only on a loan basis and would need to consult with Head Office.

8 Date of Next Meeting:

Arranged to be held at the Angel Centre on Wednesday 22nd September 2010, commencing at 8.00pm.

The Vice Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.07pm.