



# British Model Flying Association

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*Minutes Ratified at meeting dated 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017*

## *Minutes of Southern Area Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017*

*Venue: - The Ship Inn*

*41 Old Redbridge Road Southampton Hampshire SO15 0NN*

Start Time: 8.00 hrs. pm

<b>Present:</b>	<b>S Area Office</b>	<b>Club</b>
Tony Butterworth FSMAE	Chairman	Waltham Chase
Ken Gale	Vice Chairman/ ASC Co-ordinator	Helipad (ACE)
Terry Weeks	Hon Treasurer/RC S/F	AMC/ASF Delegate
Peter Turley	Hon Sec & RC Fixed Wing	PAM Delegate & CADMAC
David Burstow	Area Delegate & Dorset Area	Eagles Delegate
	Support Representative	
Roger Newman	Vintage F/F Rep. & Special body co-ord	Bournemouth MAC
Richard Sharman		BMFC chairman
Peter Willis		Wimborne MAC
Stuart Simpson		Hayling Helis/CADMAC

### **1.0 Apologies for Absence**

Ken Knox	PRO	CADMAC Delegate
John Thompson	Free Flight Comp Sec	Crookham Contest Modellers
Paul Newell		Hornets MFC
Ginny Newbold		Hornets MFC
Graham Gibson		BVMFA sec.

#### 1.1 Steve Warren Obituary

It is with sadness that we have to report the passing of Steve Warren; he was President of WCA and on this committee as South Hampshire Operations support and previously SA Hon. Sec for many years.

### **2.0 Review of the Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 Area Meeting**

The Previous Minutes review and ratification was deferred until after the meeting.

Proposed: - T. Weeks                      Seconded: - D. Burstow

### **2.1 Matters arising from previous minutes**

#### **2.1.1 (Agenda 3.1) Alternative site for Southern Area fly in**

Tony has found the Sunnydale Camp site, with an adjacent field that we could fly in just West of Hamble in the old Netley Area. The camp site has a shop and toilet/shower facilities and hard standings with electric points that could be used to charge the batteries for electric fliers.



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It was noted that the event would be self-funding by participants booking a place on the campsite if we can arrange a 2 day event – the patrons have been very helpful to date and the prospect looks good.

A site visit has already been carried out by committee members.

It is planned to make contact with the site owners, away at the moment, to agree a date to demonstrate to them model flying, this to ensure they accept such an activity on their site, is planned.

Action T. Butterworth

## 2.1.2 (Agenda Item 3.2) BMFA Long Service Award for 2016

All the clubs in the area are to be contacted asking for nominees for this award, when we have a complete list of Club Secretaries for 2017.

Action P. Turley/K. Knox

## 2.1.3 (Agenda Item 3.3) Merryfield, Middle Wallop and Odiham Aerodromes.

This action is to now review the effect of the Hatton report on Merryfield and Middle Wallop aerodromes.

Points of concern are: -

*Merryfield* Limited access only as previously reported.

*Middle Wallop* Middle Wallop: Change of airfield management has taken place. SAM1066 are no longer permitted to hold free flight events on the airfield. SAM1066 has liaised with SAM35. SAM35 has got a licence to hold 2 RC events, 11<sup>th</sup> June and 8<sup>th</sup> October, a meeting to be held at the end of the month to discuss the events.

*Salisbury Plain* Salisbury Plain – Area 8: Access is available to hold Free Flight events, with permission via BMFA FFTC. SAM1066 has held one such event in 2016. Events planned for 2017 are 17<sup>th</sup> April, 18<sup>th</sup> June, 30<sup>th</sup> July and 30<sup>th</sup> September. Full details are on SAM1066 web site. Southern Area Gala 9<sup>th</sup> September, 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event.

*Odiham* Access has been available for a single Free Flight event in 2016. It is planned to see to seek permission for a single Free Flight event in 2017.

We need to monitor the situation of Airfield access for model flying. Action continues

### MOD flying sites

The Southern Area seems to be more dependent on MOD Airfields than the other Areas

Info gained from discussion with BMFA – we have agreed to wait until further information is provided by BMFA on airfield review and then decide best way forward. Currently we continue to make good progress in improving communication with local airfields – we will review action we should take going forward (contingency plans) when more is known.

Action continues.



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## 2.1.4 (Agenda item 3.4) Middle Wallop Museum

Roger reported that a request for support for Wartime show Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> May 2017 had been received and has been suggested that we provide a model flying display to support the event.

It was also suggested that we get the BMFA Flight Simulator (we still have lap top flight sim available). Roger to submit proposal to MW and attend meetings on our behalf to keep us informed – and advise us on the progress.

The next meeting with the Museum is on the 31<sup>st</sup> March.

Roger has held a very positive first meeting – agreement reached in principle on flying display, the next steps are:-

Obtain copy of risk review document for Middle Wallop use	Action Complete
Complete risk review presentation for M. W. by the end of March	Action Complete
Roger to submit risk review presentation, when complete to M. W.	Action R. Newman

After submission of review presentation, then meet with airfield management and museum to clarify and resolve any concerns that may exist – then update plan with any changes finalise and re-submit

Action Complete

Roger is to attend final meeting with event organisers and airfield management to formally agree all details have been accepted by appropriate authorities and take any arising questions prior to show on the 4<sup>th</sup> May

Action R. Newman

We have drafted a display that will consist of 2 slots with RC Scale helicopter (12 minutes each slot) and a third slot (30 minutes) for appropriate flying display – suggestion is e-soaring, electric aerobatics and scale models. End the event with a children's chuck glider And flying session for models they have built during the day.

Action R. Newman

## 2.1.5 (Agenda item 3.5) the latest EU "prototype regulation" current up-date".

D. Phips will be attending the CAD/DFT meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March and the report is expected to be issued by the end of March, now due 4<sup>th</sup> May.

Ongoing

## 2.1.6 (Agenda item 3.6) Future Show options

### 2.1.6.1 Yeovilton Model Show future.

David Burstow reported that no Future Model Show events will be held this year but after talking with RN museum it appears there is the possibility of a model flying show in 2018.

Dave is to monitor situation and arrange a meeting between ourselves and management at Yeovilton, to explore opportunities.

Action Dave Burstow



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## 2.1.6.2 Bovington Tank Museum future options

It was agreed that a meeting was set up, for the 25<sup>th</sup> May to arrange a model flying demonstration to the Museum and what we could offer at the planned Model day on the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Action D. Burstow

As before a flying display that combines with other events to provide additional interest to museum visitors.

- Flying display that supports a theme of the museum exhibits
- Flying display to commemorate important historical events
- Hold an open competition for area event, national event and or European event
- Debate and collect ideas

## 2.1.6.2 Blackbushe Air show, in July 2017

Terry Weeks has identified that there is to be a Blackbushe Air show on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July and agreed to contact the management to offer a static model show. Action T. Weeks

## 2.1.7 (Agenda Item 3.7) Web Site/Southern Area Actions

The following topics were discussed.

- Review how we can improve communication with member clubs during 2017.-  
Send request to all member clubs to send us copies of their newsletters; draft letter has been composed ready to send to the committee member for approval, prior to sending out, when the club contact list has is complete for 2017. Action Complete
- What about clubs who do not have a newsletter – how do we gain information?  
Need further review
- Is the current data on our web up to date ref club recruitment etc.
- Submission of Southern Area articles for the BMFA News, Ideas Action All
- We need to further improve the information on our web site.

Consider a section on club support activities ie we have members now prepared to give talks on several subjects, we have equipment available free for clubs to borrow, we still provide financial support to help clubs run events etc. - we should advertise this to member clubs in a new club support page?.

Hand out distributed for review, by those present. Tony is to circulate the document after the meeting, for comments. Action All

Identify when each of the web site pages have been updated. Action Ken Knox



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## 2.1 8 (Agenda Item 3.8) Review of ARC roadshow last Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

After a discussion, it was agreed that the Southern Area should hold an examiners workshop this year.

Peter Wills suggested that the Popham Club could be a more suitable venue to hold the event with indoor and outdoor facilities. Action Peter Wills

Add to our web site, our intention to hold an examiners workshop in 2017. Action K. Gale

It was agreed that we would need to contact all of the examiners in the area. Action Peter Wills

## 2.1.9 (Agenda Item 3.9) Balsa Brain 2017

Request has been made to hold the event on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

Action T. Butterworth

## 2.1.10 (Agenda Item 3.10) Future BMFA/SA activity/meetings

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May BMFA Full Council Meeting  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July BMFA Area Council Meeting, TBC  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> to Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August BMFA National's  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September BMFA Full Council meeting  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October Bovington Tank Museum Model show, supported by SA  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November Southern Area AGM  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Southern Area Balsa Brain TBC  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November BMFA AGM

## 3(Agenda Item 4) New Topics for Discussion)

3.1 Agenda Item 4.1) BMFA Full Council Meeting Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Review of Agenda received and sent out to the committee 27<sup>th</sup> April.

## 5.0 (Agenda Item 6) Officers Reports)

### 5.1 Tony Butterworth Chairman

Attended Steve Warrens funeral, this was a very well attended event showing the large number of individuals who had enjoyed Steve's company during his life. Steve popularity spread across many walks of life and it was nice to recall memories with many of his friends.

Progress continues to be made with increasing our presence at public shows this will be an important step in improving communication with local modellers in the future. It is also important to recognise that we have been receiving a very positive reception from the organisers at all the venues visited and this shows that aeromodelling still attracts the public interest. It also shows that our team are able to present a professional approach when dealing with these many organisations and this can only give additional confidence when considering additional projects in the future.

The key now to ensure that we complete the club support web pages on our web site and then send out newsletter to all our member clubs to update them with progress.



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## **5.2 Ken Gale Vice Chairman**

I attended Steve Warren's funeral, burial and wake.

Trickle of enquiries for testing.

## **5.3 Terry Weeks Hon. Treasurer**

Please refer to the balance sheets provided tonight, as you will see I have paid both WCA and CADMAC their respective £100.00 grants as agreed at the last meeting, but I have to say am disappointed that no thanks or acknowledgement of receipt have been received from either party.

I have claimed £31.48 for a ream of paper and an ink cartridge; this is my first claim for 4 years and will cover at least this year and next year.

The grant from BMFA HQ has yet to be paid but will be for £1658.16 this is around £14.00 up from the average of the last 3 years, it was suggested that we would receive it last week.

### **Notes on the accounts:**

1. Looking at the above figures we continue to work within budget and this year the prediction now shows an increase in our end of year balance of c£340.82 this obviously does not take into account any additional expenses taken on.
2. The 2017 Balsa Brain is budgeted to cost the Area around £385.00 but this is likely to be reduced to £235.00 when taking into account the raffle and entry fee collection (See note below on timing).
3. As mentioned above the usual subsidies to CADMAC and Waltham Chase have been paid at a cost of £200.00.
4. As agreed the set aside allowance of £647.00 has been maintained and not increased, we felt there would be no need to increase it.
5. Peter has invoiced £360.00 for maintaining the web site and this has also been paid.

## **5.4 Peter Turley Hon. Sec. report.**

I attended Steve Warrens, Funeral, burial and wake, with Stuart Simpson other members of the SA committee. Have notified the BMFA of the passing away of Steve and they have said that I do not have to send an updated Area Return form.(Area Return Rev 2 available if required).

Have notified the BMFA of the passing away of Steve Warren and they do not need the Area Return to be updated.

Having e-mailed, BMFA with the list of the missing re-affiliation forms not received on the 29<sup>th</sup> April, now received a further 2 copies of the Club re affiliation forms, making 61 received and awaiting 4 copies, of the signed re affiliation forms, which the BMFA have not received.

This ye have two new clubs and two that did not re affiliated.

## **5.5 ASC co-ordinator Ken Gale**

Please see para 4.2, Vice Chairman's report





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## **5.6 Ken Knox PRO/Web site**

Apologies received, Keeping Club contact listing up to date.

## **5.7 David Burstow Area Delegate**

Preparation are complete to attend the Full Council meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> May.

## **5.8 John Thompson Free flight comp. (Apologies received)**

Not much to recount this time. A couple of reasonably successful competitions have been held; one at Salisbury with SAM1066/ Croydon even had good weather!

I have applied for the MOD Licence for the 9th September, which date RAF Odiham has confirmed is available to us to hold the 70th anniversary event.

## **5.9 Terry Weeks Aldershot Model Club & Alton Silent Flyers, Club-delegate reports.**

### **Silent Flight & S A Committee Member Reports.**

I have requested that Peter update the map of clubs on the web-site to bring it into line with the loss of the AMC flying site and re-name the East Worldham site to show ASF, it was still AMC. This has been done.

The first of the 4 Esoaring National Opens is due to take place on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, the other three dates are all included on the web-site events listing.

As mentioned in my last report: I intend to attend the 2017 "Wartime Wallop" event at Middle Wallop to assist in the provision of a flying / static display. Roger is to advise if there is a need to visit on the Sunday pm to erect the gazebo, this might be preferable due to the delay experienced last year due to access being limited first thing due to full size aircraft movements. I also intend to attend the preparation meeting for this event on the 4<sup>th</sup> May (tomorrow).

I also expect to attend the Odiham Families day this year with Peter Carter and several members of the Aldershot model club to put on a static display, hopefully it will be as impressive as it was last year where we had 41 quality models on display, we will again be pushing to put on a flying display as well.

I will be available to attend the Bovington Tank Museum model show on the 8<sup>th</sup> October to assist, fly, and help man the static display, again a pre-meeting has been arranged late in May (25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>), to be confirmed by Dave, that I will attend.

A reminder that due to my holiday (22/11 until 16/12) I have requested that the Balsa Brain 2017 be run on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November one week earlier than usual as I would like to attend as usual to assist?

### **Aldershot Model Club & Alton Silent Flyers Club-delegate reports.**

The Aldershot Model Club continues to seek a new flying site.

The Alton Silent Flyers continue to thrive and all is well on that front, especially as the farmer is also getting interested in flying models.



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## **5.10 Peter Turley Fixed Wing Comp. Sec. report.**

No activity

## **6.0 Any other Business**

None

The meeting finished at 10.55 pm.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017

7.30pm for 8.00pm

Venue: - ***The Ship Inn***

***41 Old Redbridge Road Southampton Hampshire SO15 0NN***

(Meeting room/Skittle Alley)

*Peter Turley* BMFA SA Hon. Sec





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## BMFA Southern Area committee meeting Attendees dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017

Name	Committee Position	Club membership
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Name	Committee Position	Club membership
P. C. TURLBY	WOM SDR	DARTMOUTH MAC
PETER WILLIS		WIMBORNE MAC
Dave Buntlow	Area Delegate / ACE	Eagles FA & Cheril MFC
TERRY WEEVES	Treasurer + S/F REP	AMC, ASF & TVSF.
ROGER NEUMAN	VIST REP	BMFA / SA 41066
Ken GALE	V-CHAIRMAN / ASC	Heli Pad
T BUTTERWORTH	CHAIRMAN	W.C.A
Stuart Simpson		Hayling helis & CAMAC
Richard Sherman	(Beaulieu Model Flying Committee)	BMFC