

# British Model Flying Association

### Southern Area www.sabmfa.org.uk

Minutes Ratified at meeting dated 20th June 2018

### Minutes of Southern Area Meeting 4th April 2018

Venue: - **The Ship Inn 41 Old Redbridge Road Southampton Hampshire SO15 ONN** 

Start Time: 8.00 hrs. pm

Present: S Area Office Club

Tony Butterworth FSMAE Chairman Waltham Chase

Ken Gale Vice Chairman/ ASC Co-ordinator Helipad

Terry Weeks Hon Treasurer/RC S/F AMC/ASF Delegate

Peter Turley Hon Sec & PRO CADMAC

Peter Willis RC Comp Sec. Fixed wing Wimborne MAC

Stuart Simpson South Hampshire Operations Support Hayling Helis/CADMAC

Richard Sharman BMFC chairman

1.0 Apologies for Absence

David Smith Area Delegate Positive Pitch

Roger Newman Free Flight Comp Sec Bournemouth MAC

### 2.0 Review of the Minutes of the 31st January 2018 Area Meeting

The Previous Minutes were reviewed and accepted, after minor change.

Proposed: - T. Weeks Seconded: - P. Willis

### 2.1 Committee Members listing update

2.1.1 Photos of new members required

Action P. Turley

### 3 Matters arising from previous minutes

### 3.1 (Agenda Item 3.1) BMFA Long Service Award for 2018

Nominations for 2018 will be considered later in the year.

Action T. Butterworth

### 3.2 (Agenda Item 3.2) 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.



Sailsbury 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 SAM 1066 events planned for 2018 are 17<sup>th</sup> June, 16<sup>th</sup> July, 30<sup>th</sup> September

and Crookham Gala 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

Odiham Gala 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> /22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> September Date and Venue subject to

RAF Odiham approval.

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

**3.3 (Agenda item 3.3) Future Show options (**currently we have adequate events 2018)

#### 3.3.1 Yeovilton Model Show future.

After discussion with RN museum during 2017 it appears there is the possibility of a model flying show in 2018.

Action ongoing

### 3.3.2 Bovington Tank Museum Model shows for 2018

The committee and members of the Chesil Club supported the October 2017 Model show.

**Action Closed** 

### Winter Edition 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018

However food for thought and a successful result to the work put in last October -- TB

Chesil club have offered to do a static show for the February event, this being a 2 day event and Chesil being a local club means that transport and overnight accommodation is easier for them.

Tony has contacted the new Bovington event manager and requested to be kept in touch with all future model shows and advising our interest in supporting them, received a very positive reply with invite for second show later in the year.

Hopefully we can persuade them to at least allow us to fly helicopters at the next show. We will continue discussion at future meetings.

**Action Continuing** 

### 3.4 (Agenda Item 2.1.4) Web Site/Southern Area Actions

Submission of Southern Area articles for the BMFA News, Ideas

Terry has submitted article to cover London Model Engineer support by Southern Area – approved by *Manny* 

### SA Web site update

Web Site review—Pete (our webmaster) has obtained some new software that may enable us to enhance our current web site – when we know the capabilities of this new software we can discuss at future meet changes we would like to embody –will circulate more info on software as soon as I am advised –

To be discussed at the next meeting

Action TB to circulate

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### 3.5 (Agenda Item 3.5) Future BMFA/SA activity/meetings (known)

Saturday 12th May 2018 2nd BMFA Full Council meeting

Sunday 20th May 2018 Esoaring Competition

Friday/Monday 26th to 28th May Free Flight Nat's, SAM35 & Space

Monday 28th May 2018 Middle Wallop Wartime Show, SA support has been requested.

Sunday 17th June 2018 Esoaring Competition

Saturday 7th July 2018 Southern Area Gala at Middle Wallop

Friday/Sunday 20th to 22nd July Farnborough International Air Show

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 Esoaring Competition

Friday/Monday 25th to 27th August Power Nat's

Saturday 8th September 2018 3rd BMFA Full Council meeting

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 Esoaring Competition

Sunday 23rd September 2018 Scale flying only event at the Wimborne Club site

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018 2<sup>nd</sup> Area Council Meeting

Saturday 20th October 2018 2nd Technical Council Meeting

Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th October 2018 Bovington Model Show Autumn Edition

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018 Southern Area AGM

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018 71<sup>st</sup> BMFA AGM

Saturday 12th January BMFA 2019 1st Full Council meeting

### 3.6 (Agenda 3.6) Additional ACE's required to support the SA

3 ACE applications have been accepted for Peter Willis, Chris Bradbury and Richard Sharman.

Action Complete

### 3.7(Agenda Item 3.7) possible flying events at Middle Wallop for 2018

### Middle Wallop Wartime event is to be held on Monday the 28th May 2018

Roger is to arrange a date for a show planning meeting. It was agreed that several committee members were happy to support the event.

Peter Willis said that the grass would need to be cut to fly aircraft at the event.

Thanks to Terry Weeks for attending a planning meeting and is liaising with the appropriate personnel.

Tony was to raise a "Safety Risk Assessment"

### SA Gala was to be held on Saturday 7th July 2018 Southern Area Gala at Middle Wallop

Roger was not sure, what the MOD licence for the event would cost. He said that a FF licence was £150.00 plus vat.

Tony was to talk to Roger about getting the Licence for the event.

Various proposals were discussed and it was agreed to have a Gala for the BMFA members only, with three flight lines:-

Helicopters

Fixed wing (Jets, Scale, Sport and Gliders)

SAM35 (Control line flying)

Tony was to contact the Airfield Manager, with our proposal also contact the MW Flying Club for their support and then arrange a dedicated planning meeting.

Also raise a "Safety Risk Assessment"

Action T. Butterworth



### 3.8(Agenda Item 3.8) What Controls are required at club level to limit models over 7kg from flying above 400ft.

Peter Willis advised us that the BMFA Buckminster site to AIS Pilots map.

Peter requested David Smith to get the topic added to the Agenda if the Area Council meeting to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Peter said that he would like to carry out a review of local clubs, to ask what controls are in place to limit models over 7kg to below 400 ft.

### 3.9 (Agenda Item 3.9) Request received from BMAC to help cover costs of Indoor events.

Copy of letter attached to these minutes

After a discussion it was agreed that Roger would contact BMAC advising them that we would review the costs of running the event at the end of the year to see if they made a loss again and not give an upfront donation.

Action Roger Newman

CADMAC donation for the Trundle was a Public site where a Licence has to be obtained from the Goodwood estates.

WCA indoor support was to be reviewed, from an Annual donation of support, in case a loss was incurred with the Havant indoor events. The events should be planned to break even.

Action T. Butterworth is to talk to WCA representative.

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

### 4.1 Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018 Area Council Meeting report, see page 4 of the Agenda

Attendance at Area Meetings remains relatively low, with the same regular faces in attendance each time. However, although member clubs may not attend, they do communicate and become involved.

Committee unchanged from 2017, with the exception of David Smith replacing Dave Burstow as Area Delegate.

Three new Area Chief Examiners have been proposed to maintain an adequate complement of ACEs in all disciplines around the Area.

The 35<sup>th</sup> annual Balsa Brain quiz night was held on 3 November 2017. Six clubs fielded teams, which was a good result considering the last-minute change of date. Thanks to Sussex Model Centre and Flitehook for supplying raffle prizes.

The Area has a very active indoor winter event schedule.

Our Club Support evening talks advertised on our web site are gaining support - Peter Willis is booked for two talks and Barrie Lever recently did a talk on pulse jets at the Chichester club.

Since the last Areas Council meeting we have supported the following events:

South West Model Show at Bovington Tank Museum, 7-8 October 2017.

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- London Model Engineer Exhibition, Alexandra Palace, January 2018, assisting London Area. We supplied 13 models and supported assembly of stand, manning over the weekend, and disassembly at the end of the event. We have submitted a report for inclusion in BMFA news.
- South West Model Show at Bovington Tank Museum, 10-11 February 2018. Many thanks to Chesil and Weymouth clubs for their work for a successful BMFA presence at the show.

The following events will be supported during the remainder of 2018:

- Wallop at War, Museum of Army Flying, Middle Wallop, Bank Holiday Monday 28 May. The invitation this year included a request to increase the model flying show at the event last year the trial flying show was well received.
- SABMFA invited to stage a RC Gala day at Middle Wallop on 7 July
- SABMFA Free Flight Gala at RAF Odiham 23 September, subject to the award of a DIO licence
- South West Model Show, Bovington Tank Museum, 13-14 October

### 4.2 Saturday 12th May 2018 Full Council Meeting, SA preparation

To be attended by SA Delignate.

### 4.3 University of Southampton - Year 2 UAV Sponsorship E-mail received.

Tony has replied to the e-mail and no further action is required.

**Action Closed** 

### 5.0 (Agenda Item 6) Officers Reports)

### 5.1 Tony Butterworth Chairman

Having missed last meeting herewith my report for year so far --

Attended the Model Engineer exhibition, initially arriving on the Thursday to help set up stand and deliver several models for the display. We completed the set up and this year the southern area supplied some 11 models for the stand which when completed displayed a wide variety of models. Also helped main the stand on the Sunday, interest was high with particular interest shown for Barry levers Pulse jet speed model which was on display.

The public attending show lots of interest generally in our sport and it was good to see numerous youngsters visiting with their parents many of whom were past modellers. Only received 3 questions on drones, however all 3 related to the racing side of this particular activity.

In March attended the Chichester club talk with Barry lever who was presenting a talk on Pulse jets, again a good evening that was well received by the club with one member actually bringing along a vintage pulse jet of unknown heritage.

My purpose of attending this event was also to meet a Chichester club member who had requested a club examiner test. This was achieved and I was able to ensure that the candidate was offered any help that he felt necessary to ensure he could prepare for the test. It was

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agreed that we should wait for the current weather to pass before setting a date for the test however the expectation was that late April early May would be a good time to aim for.

Recently received notification from Southampton University of a UAV project, will keep communication open and have offered support if and when we are able - always good to work with such organisations.

Having organised a team to support the camp site organisation at the Power Nationals for many years now, I have received notification that at least 2 members of this team are now unable to help due to health reasons. Graham Way and John Paton have been stalwart members of the campsite team and their efforts over the many years have been considerable in ensuring that support has been available to ensure facilities (toilets and showers), water supply - traffic signs - etc. are all in place before the event starts. Many of the Southern area team will know these gentleman and their efforts will be sorely missed.

#### 5.2 Ken Gale Vice Chairman

Nothing to report

### 5.3 Terry Weeks Hon. Treasurer

Please refer to the balance sheets provided tonight, it shows the predicted balance of £3477.23 as at the end of March 2019 assuming the money we are holding for the Odiham Rally has been withdrawn. A decrease of £112.03 over the previous year's total. I have estimated the value of the 2018 grant to be £1650.00. This loss is nothing more than we have planned for as the S A Gala is to go ahead.

### Notes on the accounts:

- 1. As can be seen we are holding £125.00 for the 2018 Odiham Rally that was deposited after last year's event.
- 2. The 2018 Balsa Brain event has been budgeted to cost the Area around £385.00 but following the expected raffle and entry fee collections I anticipate the actual cost will be in the region of £235.00, similar to the 2017 event.
- 3. The usual subsidies to both CADMAC and Waltham Chase have been allowed for at a cost of £200.00 but I believe we need to discuss this tonight see note 4.
- 4. Something that has troubled me since the last meeting is that we decided not to subsidise the BMAC indoor event following their request for fear of that these requests could snowball once word got round that we have done this, there being many other indoor events run within the area. Our general policy for providing a subsidy has always been to cover an <u>unplanned</u> loss beyond an event organiser's control. (e.g.: A Scale event being rained off.)

I believe this needs to be looked at so as not to be inconsistent in our actions.

- 5. I have paid Peter Robinson for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 until the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 the sum of £360.00, no change from previous years.
- 6. I have added in a £250.00 allowance for the 7<sup>th</sup> July event assuming £150.00 for the licence and paying for 20 pilots at £5.00ea.

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

I am still supporting the indoor events at Wickham and Havant, run by WCA. Thanks Alan.



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Still awaiting BMFA HQ in order to complete the update of the Club contact listing for 2018. Of 67 clubs, we have 61 updates and the awaiting 6 re affiliation and the 2 youth groups

Attended the CADMAC talk given by Barry Lever on Pulse Jets with Tony Butterworth visiting to liaise with prospective candidate who had requested a Club Examiner test.

### 5.5 ASC co-ordinator Ken Gale

See Para 3.1.2

### 5.6 Peter Turley PRO

I am still awaiting receipt of the 2018 club listing from BMFA.

### 5.7 David Smith Area Delegate

See para 4.1

### 5.8 Roger Newman Free flight comp.

As previously mentioned, I'm sorry I can't make this meeting.

Have attached brief report, below on activities - as you will see, much curtailed by weather! Note also that I will not be at War time Wallop as I am attending the Free Flight Nat's

It's a very quiet start to the season due to poor weather.

We managed to hold the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Area meetings with reasonable attendance, even so conditions underfoot for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Area meeting at Beaulieu were probably as wet as they have ever been, ending up with a few waterlogged models!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Area meeting & the Easter Monday Salisbury Plain meetings were cancelled due to excessive snow & rain respectively. Rescheduling is a possibility, currently being discussed.

Encouragingly we have seen a slight increase in the number of Beaulieu permits issued this year for free flight. We look forward to a much improved spring.

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

Once again the Alton Silent Flyers plan to run four S.A Esoaring competitions, planned for 20<sup>th</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 22<sup>nd</sup> July and the 23<sup>rd</sup> September, these dates now passed on the our webmaster.

Manny Williamson emailed to thank us for the LMEE report sent to him and he said he had passed it on to the BMFA News editor.

Sadly I will miss the 2018 Wartime Wallop due to a planned holiday, but I attended the "Wartime Wallop" meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> March to assist in the planning of this and the new event planned for the 7<sup>th</sup> July that I will be attending. Report / notes issued and NOTAM's requested. I have agreed with Dave that I will deliver both Marquis and the S A BMFA banners to him on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

I am available for any other events planned for 2018 once details are known.

I currently have 6 Esoaring pilots lined up to do my proposed "Mock" Esoaring competition slot on the 7<sup>th</sup> July. All 6 pilots to launch simultaneously to compete in a 10 minute slot and land as



time conditions allow within that slot, this could be repeated a second time if required on the day.

### Aldershot Model Club & Alton Silent Flyers Club-deligate reports.

No significant changes since the last meeting.

5.10 Peter Willis Fixed Wing Comp. Sec. report.

Peter, is to hold a Scale flying only event at the Wimborne Club site on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018

6.0 Any other Business

The meeting finished at 10.40 pm.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday TBA

7.30pm for 8.00pm

Venue: - The Ship Inn

41 Old Redbridge Road Southampton Hampshire SO15 ONN

(Meeting will be in the skittles room)

Peter Turley BMFA SA Hon. Sec



### BMFA Southern Area committee meeting Attendees dated 4th April 2018

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