



# **British Model Flying Association Southern Area**

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Minutes to be ratified at the next meeting

## **Minutes of the meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

Venue: - Held Via Zoom Meeting

Start Time: 7.30 hrs pm

### **Present:**

Tony Butterworth FSMAE  
Smith  
Tom Wood  
Terry Weeks  
Richard Sharman

### **S Area Position:**

Chairman  
Vice Chairman / Area Delegate  
Hon Secretary  
Hon Treasurer / RC SF Rep / Web  
West Hampshire Opp's Support

### **Club(s):**

Waltham Chase David  
Helipad  
BADMAC  
ASF; Skylarks & MVSA  
BMFC.

### **Apologies:**

Dave Burstow  
Roger Newman

ASC Co-Ord / Dorset Opp's support  
Free flight Rep

Eagles  
Bournemouth MAC

Those listed above constitutes the Elected Officers for 2020.

### **1.0 Finance**

An updated file will be sent round, including the new gazebo and pole bags that have been purchased prior to the meeting.

### **2.0 Abingdon**

The original event at Abingdon has been cancelled due to the Corona virus, any future events planned to replace the Abingdon event will be held at RAF Odiham due to a lower cost. We will maintain contact with Abingdon in case the need arises, however, Odiham will be the 'go to' location for any events.

As well as making plans for a free flight event, there will be an exploration of the potential for holding more events at Odiham of different flying disciplines, including restrictions.

### **3.0 Popham**

The Popham flying event will take place on the 8/9<sup>th</sup> of May, 2021. A meeting to discuss the SABMFA's involvement in the event will be arranged for the week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> July.

In the meeting, we should aim to discuss the style of event Popham wish to hold, be it an air show, a 'fly-in', or a different form of event. We should also discuss what the SABMFA's involvement will be for the organisation and running of the event, and also what Popham are doing, to ensure all aspects of the event are under control. Finally, we should discuss how the event will be promoted in order to get the best footfall for the event.

#### **4.0 Trundle**

Due to the slope no longer being advertised on the Southern Area website, it is no longer considered a public site, and therefore the SABMFA have decided that supporting the slope can no longer be justified.

#### **5.0 Encouraging local clubs to visit website**

To promote visits to the SABMFA Website, an email will be sent around to club secretaries, advertising the launch of the new Facebook page, and encouraging members to visit. Once the meeting at Popham has taken place, there will be more news spread advertising the event, and informing the Southern area about the event and how they can get involved

#### **6.0 Balsa Brain**

The 2020 Balsa Brain event has been cancelled due to the corona virus, and will now be postponed until 2021. A plaque for the trophy will be made to explain the situation, and absence of a winner on the trophy.

#### **7.0 Increasing activity of Southern area**

All details regarding this item were discussed during item 5

#### **8.0 Corona Virus Measures**

With clubs being opened for several weeks during the lockdown, clubs already have measures in place in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19

#### **9.0 2020/2021 events calendar**

We will start filling the events calendar for the end of 2020, and 2021 with all events available, and use the SABMFA Facebook page and website to advertise the events. To add an event to the calendar, contact Terry Weeks.

#### **10.0 Reports**

No matters arising

#### **11.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> September, with the venue still to be decided. Depending on the circumstances regarding COVID-19, there is a possibility that the meeting will be held via zoom.

However, depending on the outcome of the Popham meeting, there may be an extra SABMFA meeting to further discuss the event with the area.

#### **AOB**

Nothing to report

**The next meeting to be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> September at the ..... At 7:30 pm**