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TO ALL TECHNICAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

**There will be a Meeting of the Technical Council on Saturday 17th October 2015 at 11.00am
which is to be held at: Chacksfield House, 31 St Andrew's Road, Leicester LE2 8RE. Tel:
0116-2440028 Fax: 0116-2440645. Email: admin@bmfa.org**

AGENDA

(To download the Technical Council Agenda Ctrl + click on the link below, or copy the link below)

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- 1 Apologies for Absence.
- 2 Request for permission to be absent.
- 3 To verify the voting strength of the meeting.
- 4 Correction and adoption of the Minutes of the Technical Council Meeting held on 21st March 2015.
- 5 Matters/Actions Arising from the meeting on 21st March 2015 that are not included elsewhere on this Agenda.
- 6 Website.

- 7 Technical Secretary's reminder to Technical Committees that the very latest that they may submit rule changes is the end of the first week in January but he expects rule changes to be submitted between now and the end of November.
- 8 To receive proposals for FAI Rule changes: **None received in time to be included on the Agenda.**
- 9 To ratify the following British Record Claims:
- a David Smith (001784) F21 – 29/08/15
 - b David Smith (001784) Vintage Speed – 30/08/15
 - c David Finch (040864) Weatherman Speed – 29/08/15
 - d Mark Greenwood (Pitman)/Martin Daghish (Pilot) (177262/079915) – F2CN – 29/08/15
 - e Tom Stallan (160966) F5 Open (Electric Motor S) – 24th July 2015 (*Dossier provided which is appended as a separate document to the Agenda due to the size of the file or click the following link https://www.bmfa.org/Home/Minutes-Agenda?Command=Core_Download&EntryId=1434)*

- 10 a) To receive **FAI/CIAM Technical Sub-Committee List** recommendations from Technical Committees & RCP Specialist Bodies –

Free Flight (Includes Indoor) – Ian Kaynes FSMAE (021003) Free Flight
Nigel Bathe (063592) Space

Control Line

R/C Power

F3 Aerobatics

F3 Helicopter

F3 Pylon Racing

F5 Pylon Racing

R/C Silent Flight

F3 Soaring

F5 Electric

Scale

Space Modelling

- 10 b) To receive the FAI Delegate's recommendation for the **FAI/CIAM Education Sub-committee**.

- 11 To receive **FAI/CIAM Judges List** recommendations from Technical Committees & RCP Specialist Bodies –

Control Line

F2A

F2B

F2C

F2D

R/C Power

Aerobatics

Helicopter

Scale

Space Modelling - Stuart Lodge (079141)

- 12 Barkston Heath Bookings 2016.
- 13 To receive a proposal from the Records Officer that we create new UK record classes for Multirotor models. (As appended)
- 14 To receive:
- a De-briefing reports on this year's National Championships from Technical Committees.
 - b A report from the Power Nationals Co-ordinator.
(Reports should be brief, preferably in writing & in advance.)
 - c Updates on the results from this year's National Championships.
- 15 To receive any reports from Technical Committees. (Reports should be brief, preferably in writing & in advance and not concerning Agenda Items.)
- 16 To receive a report from the Competition Secretary to include:
- a Receipt and ratification of any contests for next year's FAI Calendar.
- 17 To receive any reports from Council, Sub-committees or Elected Officers. (Reports should be brief, preferably in writing & in advance and not concerning Agenda Items.)
- 18 To receive the list of nominations that the Competition Secretary has submitted to the BMFA Chairman for re-presentation of International Awards at the BMFA annual prizegiving dinner. (Invitations are at the discretion of the Society Chairman and depending on the numbers, not all nominees may be successful.)
- 19 To receive the dates of the 2016 Technical Council Meetings:
- 1st Technical Council – Saturday 19th March 2016
 - 2nd Technical Council – Saturday 15th October 2016
- 20 Any Other Business.
- Please note: Items for Any Other Business should be handed, or sent, to the Office Manager in writing before the meeting commences.*
- Any questions to be asked under AOB that require detailed answers should be previously advised to the Office Manager to allow preparation of replies.*
- i) AOB item from David Varallo Chairman of Technical Council:
Discussion document - Changes/additions to the General Rules. (Details appended)
- 21 Date of next meeting.




Safety Bulletin :- Noise Testing procedure improved guidance

Following a serious injury received when a propeller detached while an aircraft was being tested for noise, new recommendations have been issued to help mitigate this risk. These recommendations apply to the element of the test with the model pointing directly at the meter.

- 1) Always check the security of the propeller before conducting any noise testing. Guidance on the integrity of multi-bolt attachment of large propellers will be issued following further investigation of the incident.
- 2) Use a tripod mounted sound level meter (SLM) with a memory function that can store the maximum A weighted sound pressure reading.
- 3) If the SLM operator has to stand in front of the model, use a “catch” net (see picture below) placed at the midpoint between the aircraft and the SLM. We have conducted trials using cricket practice netting 2m by 2m constructed of 50mm (2") square mesh black polyethylene of 2mm gauge (cost 12.90 inc P&P) .
(www.knowlenets.co.uk/leisure/cricket.htm)
The trials showed no significant effect on the SLM measurements





AIRMAGEDDON

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Airmageddon, a brand new CBBC entertainment show where YOU get to customise & fly your own drone, is looking for fearless 9-14 year olds, and their friends, to take part!

- Do you like flying radio controlled drones?
- Do you want to customise and fly your own drone?
- If you think you have what it takes to compete in a brand new drone based battle of skills then apply now!

Please email apply@airmageddon.co.uk for an application form.

Closing date is **16th October 2015**

We are producing a brand new series called Airmageddon for CBBC, a brand new, large-scale, entertainment show where you get to customise and fly your own drone! We are searching for fearless 9 - 14 year olds from across the country, to take part. Each child will have a Wing Man or Wing Woman in their team, who can be a friend or relative of ANY age!

We have just begun the casting process, and are reaching out across the country for potential contestants to take part. We'd love to hear from anyone who might be interested as soon as possible. If you have any questions I'd be more than happy to answer these and chat about the show.

You can find us on the CBBC website here:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/airmageddon-2015-be-on-a-show>

We hope you'll be as excited about the new series as we are, and are really looking forward to hearing from you.

Airmageddon will use bespoke custom made octocopters built by highly qualified specialists from within the U.A.V industry. No contestant will be involved in the actual making of the drones but they will have a hand in customising the appearance under the strict supervision and advice of our specialists. The technical team will be at hand at all times during filming, ensuring the drones in use are operational to the highest and safest standards and that our contestants get expert advice/coaching on piloting.

Pilot training will be provided by the production for all contestants before filming, including the use of the latest state of the art drone simulators along with a variety of different quad and octocopters.

All contestants will pilot their drones from within a specially constructed safety control tower preventing any physical access to the drones whilst flying and the drones will have fail safes in place to ensure contestant safety further.

Contestant safety is the production's paramount concern and no contestant will be put in a position that jeopardizes this.

Rosie Knott | Airmageddon | Assistant Producer

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Achievement Scheme Review Committee Vacancies

Four members of the existing Achievement Scheme Review Committee (ASRC) will retire by rotation at the end of this year, although they may apply for re-election. There are therefore vacancies on this important committee; do you think that you could be a useful member? If so, get in touch with the BMFA office at Chacksfield House who will give you details and a pro-forma CV. Potential members should be experienced flyers, preferably with background as scheme Examiners and/or Instructors, and they must have a real interest in the aims and objectives of the Achievement Scheme. Successful applicants will be invited to join the ASRC and will be required to attend at least two meetings per year at Chacksfield House. CV's are required to reach the BMFA office no later than the end of October.

Robin Sleight MBE,
BMFA Honorary Secretary

Achievement Scheme Controller Vacancies

The BMFA's Achievement Scheme Controller position becomes due for election at the end of this year, although the existing incumbent may apply for re-election. The period of service following election will be for two years. If you would wish to apply please get in touch with the BMFA office at Chacksfield House who will give you details and a pro-forma CV. You will be required to submit your CV to Full Council for consideration. Potential members should be experienced flyers, preferably with background as scheme Examiners and/or Instructors, and they must have a real interest in the aims and objectives of the Achievement Scheme. Successful applicants get a standing seat on the Achievement Scheme Review Committee and will be required to attend at least two meetings per year at Chacksfield House. CV's are required to reach the BMFA office no later than the end of October.

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SOCIETY OF MODEL AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERS LIMITED

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, EXHIBITION AND ANNUAL DINNER/PRIZE GIVING
21st NOVEMBER 2015

This year the AGM will be held again at HINCKLEY ISLAND HOTEL, Watling Street, Hinckley, Leicestershire LE10 3JA. Signing in will be from 10am.

Exhibitions of models from the various Technical Committees will be on display. Lunch will be available from 12noon until 1.00pm.

The AGM will start at 1.30pm.

The Dinner and Prize-giving will be held in the evening commencing at 7.15pm.

Dinner Tickets will be £26 and the overnight room charges will be £55ppn for a single room and £80pn for a double room all including full English breakfast. **To be sure of taking advantage of the preferential Hotel rates, bookings must be with the Hotel before Friday 23rd October.**

Dinner Ticket and overnight booking forms will be available from the BMFA office from the 11th September 2015.

Toasts and short after dinner speeches will be made and the presentation of the Society's Trophies to the current years' winners will take place. It is quite a spectacle to see all the gleaming trophies lined up – if you have never seen it, you do not know what you are missing!

After the excitement of the Award presentations, we adjourn to the late bar to help things along.

The Free Flight Forum starts at 10am on Sunday morning 22nd November 2015, or you could visit the Sports Centre in the hotel, so why not make a weekend of it.

We look forward to seeing you there.

ANNUAL DINNER 7.00 for 7.30 pm

Menu

*Prawn & Smoked Salmon Roulade
With mango salsa*

*Vegetarian Alternative: Parsnip & Apple Soup
Topped with root vegetable crisps*

*Baked Chicken Breast wrapped in pancetta & sage
Served with creamy chive mash, steamed carrots & red wine jus*

*Vegetarian Alternative: Roast Root Vegetable & Mixed Bean Hot Pot
Topped with flaky puff pastry served with creamy chive mash &
Seasonal vegetables*

Lemon Cheesecake

Freshly Brewed Tea or Coffee

2015 AWARDS PRESENTATION

**HAVE YOU AND YOUR CLUB MEMBERS SIGNED THIS PETITION YET??
IF NOT PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU DO.**

YOU CAN ALSO ACCESS THE LINK BELOW (CTRL + CLICK LINK BELOW)

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/106779>

Petition

KEEP AIRFIELDS GREENFIELDS.

Review Airfield Classification as Brownfield Sites

In 2003 an 'administrative oversight' led to the deletion of planning protection from airfields being classified as brownfield sites. As a result, airfields are being closed by developers, breaking transport links and destroying significant areas of natural habitat within airfield boundaries.

▼ More details

The UK aerodrome network is regarded by DfT as an important part of the national transport infrastructure and there is strong evidence that airfield sites offer low-insecticide, low-herbicide, sanctuaries for plants, insects and associated wildlife.

We demand a review of the brownfield designation of airfields for redevelopment, in recognition of their economic benefit and importance as environmental "green spaces", and that Government Planning Policy reverts to that previously in place.

[Sign this petition](#) (Ctrl + Click to open link)

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100,000

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At 100,000 signatures...

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