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CALENDAR" IS AVAILABLE FROM CHACKSFIELD HOUSE ON RECEIPT OF A
STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE**

TO ALL FULL COUNCIL MEMBERS

**There will be a Meeting of the Full Council on Saturday 19th May 2012 at 11.00am which is to
be held at: The Gliding Centre, Husbands Bosworth, LE17 6JJ**

A G E N D A

- 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 Full Council Meeting held on 7th January 2012.
- 5 Matters/Actions Arising from the meeting on 7th January 2012 that are not included elsewhere on this Agenda.
- 6 To receive a financial report from the Honorary Treasurer to include:
 - a Progress towards the year end Accounts.

- 7 To receive a joint report from the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer.
- 8 To receive a report from the Vice-Chairman to include the following proposals: (Background notes/minutes of Team Support Working Group meeting held 31st March 2012 available at Council Meeting if required).
- i *A Central Team Support Fund is established. Income to this fund will be from various agreed sources, but will not draw on members' subscriptions further than the existing (and continuing) Team Support budget. This fund will be used to make additional payments to all GBR team members entered in CIAM World and European Championships (including Juniors) and approved by the BMFA Council or Competition Secretary. (Executive Summary also appended).*
- *The fund will be a rolling fund in order to cope with fluctuations in income and expenditure;*
 - *Technical committees will submit a "team member's budget", on an agreed pro-forma, no later than the end of January each year;*
 - *These submissions will be reviewed for reasonableness by the Competition Secretary and Honorary Treasurer, to ensure that all team members are treated fairly;*
 - *The Executive will agree a standard percentage to be applied to all submissions in any year, to establish the payment to each team member;*
 - *The fund should not pay more than 50% of the total cost, and together with the team support payment will not exceed 80%;*
 - *The team member should still be expected to make some personal contribution;*
 - *Any dual role team manager/team member only received the team manager's allowance, there are no further payments from any BMFA source;*
 - *Additional funding continues to be available from the technical committees' TTFs, from specialist bodies, areas and non-BMFA sources;*
 - *BMFA, through existing Team Support Budget, continues to fund in full: entry fees, closing meal and all reasonable team managers and assistant team managers expenses.*
- The fund would start to be built from any surpluses in 2012/13 financial year, with the first payments being made for 2013 championships.*
- ii *Any surplus made from sales of Saleable Good, from financial year 2012/13 onwards, should be transferred into the Central Team Support Fund. (This is budgeted to be £4,500 in the financial year 2012/13).*
- iii *The proportion of Bank Interest that relates to the Development Reserve should be transferred into the Central Team Support Fund. This should start with interest received in the financial year 2012/13.*
- iv *Any balance of sponsorship received from the Insurance Brokers, not allocated to other purposes, should be transferred to the Central Team Support Fund. This should start with sponsorship received in the financial year 2012/13.*
- v *Any donations made to BMFA, that do not have a specific use identified by the donor, should be transferred into the Central Team Support Fund. This should start with all donations made in the financial year 2012/13.*
- vi *A proportion of any operational surplus from the Power Nationals should be transferred into the Central Team Support Fund. The current arrangement of 50% of the operational plus all contest surpluses being transferred to the relevant disciplines Team Travel Funds should continue. The Nationals Finance Meeting (consisting of the Honorary Treasurer, Nationals Coordinator, Chairman, CEO, Accounts Manager and Office Manager) shall decide on an annual basis what proportion is required for the Power Nationals Reserve, and any remainder will be allocated to the Central Team Support Fund. This will start with any operational surplus from the 2012 Power Nationals.*
- vii *Any part of the annual Team Support budget that is not needed to meet the allowance payments to team members and team managers, should be transferred into the Central Team Support Fund. This will start with any unspent budget from financial year 2012/13.*

- 9 To receive a report from the Honorary Secretary to include:
- a To receive the Affiliated Club List.
 - b To receive dates for Council Meetings in the year 2013.
 - c To receive the following proposal:
That this Council decides that any nomination for re-election from the Competition Secretary or the Records Officer may go forward (if they wish to stand for re-election to the same position), as a candidate for such re-election.
- 10 To receive a report from the Technical Secretary.
- 11 To receive a report from the Competition Secretary.
- 12 To receive a report from the Records Officer.
- 13 To receive a report from the Public Relations Officer.
- 14 To receive a report from the FAI Delegate, to include acceptance of the report on the recent CIAM Meeting from the FAI Delegate.
- 15 To receive the following proposals:
- i *From North West Area:*
Code of Conduct for Directors and Fellows of the Society
*Amend the section 14.2 as follows; Replace 'Comprise three members of the Executive' with 'Comprise three non-Executive Fellows and these will be chosen by a **random draw** of three names of those who qualify under this criteria.'*
 - ii *From North West Area:*
Code of Conduct for Directors and Fellows of the Society
In 14.3: Delete the paragraph in its entirety, as it is both untenable and unfair.
 - iii *From North West Area:*
Code of Conduct for Directors and Fellows of the Society
Add, in the section to whom the code applies the following.....
'This code will apply to all elected and co-opted officials of any committees formed and run on behalf of the Society.'
 - iv *From Control Line Technical Committee that the cut-off date for nominations for the BMFA "Pilot of the Year" trophy should be the end of third week in October in the year of achievement.*
 - v *From Control Line Technical Committee that the cut-off date for nominations for flying related RAeC and FAI awards should be the end of third week in October in any year notwithstanding the specific rules of the RAeC and the FAI.*
 - vi *From Control Line Technical Committee that the following section be added to the General Rule Book.*
2.5.7 Extreme Weather Conditions at the RC, CL & Scale and the Free Flight British National Championships.
In the case of extreme weather conditions at either of these events, competition classes may be postponed and flown at a later date.
This rule may only be implemented under the following conditions.
 - (a) *It must be shown that attempts were made to fly the class concerned at the original event.*
 - (b) *The Class may be postponed only by:*
 - (i) *In the case of the RC, CL & Scale National Championships, the Nationals Co-ordinator, on the advice of the class CD.*
 - (ii) *In the case of the Free Flight British National Championships, by the Overall CD of the day in question.*
 - (c) *The class must be re-flown no later than the fourth Sunday in October of the same year.*
 - (d) *Results must be received by the BMFA within 48 hours of the competition being held.*
 - (e) *Only competitors who had attended the original Nationals and had entered the postponed class may re-enter the re-run of the class.*
 - (f) *No entry fees will be levied on the re-run of any class.*

If the conditions above are not complied with in full, the class will be considered void for the year.
The existing Rule 2.5.7 to be re-numbered as 2.5.8.
- 16 To receive updated briefings and reports from the Technical Committees & the Power Nationals Co-ordinator for all the BMFA National Championships.

- 17 To receive any reports from the following Delegates (reports should be brief, preferably in writing and in advance).
- a Royal Aero Club (RAeC)
 - b General Aviation Safety Committee (GASCo)
 - c Joint Air Prox
 - d Sport + Recreation Alliance (formerly CCPR)
 - e General Aviation Awareness Council
- 18 To receive any reports from the following Committees (reports should be brief, preferably in writing and in advance):
- a CAA Team
 - b UK Radio Control Council (UKRCC)
 - c Education Working Group / Flight Challenge
 - d Computer Sub-Committee
 - e Safety Review Committee
 - f Achievement Scheme Review Committee
 - g BMFA News Publishers

19 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. This will be strictly enforced. Any questions to be asked under AOB should be previously advised to the Office Manager to allow preparation of replies.

20 Date of next meeting.

**The Royal Aero Club Annual Awards Ceremony will be held at
The RAF Club, 128 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PY
on Thursday, 17th May 2012**

His Royal Highness The Duke of York, KG, GCVO, ADC will be presenting the awards.

Tickets cost £35 per person.

Download ticket booking form from: <http://www.royalaeroclub.org/awardbooking12.pdf>

This should be sent, with the fee, to the General Secretary.

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Announcing!!

The British Model Flying Association

Electric Indoor Masters 2012

Sat 1st & Sun 2nd December 2012 at

**The Richard Dunn Sports Centre,
Rooley Lane, Bradford.**

See www.f3p-uk.org.uk for details.

Model flying, Farm Animals & Horses.

In general farm animals and horses are completely disinterested in our activities, however we are often asked by clubs for evidence of this. Could any club which flies in close proximity to farm animals email/post a brief summary of their "interaction" with farm animals and horses to the office. A report can then be compiled and made available to clubs when required.

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