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SECRETARY PLEASE NOTE**

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PLEASE NOTE THAT AN UPDATED COPY OF THE "EVENTS AND CONTEST CALENDAR" IS AVAILABLE FROM CHACKSFIELD HOUSE ON RECEIPT OF A STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE

TO ALL AREA COUNCIL MEMBERS:

There will be an Area Council Meeting on Saturday 4th October 2003 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.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.
2. Request for Permission to be Absent.
3. Correction and adoption of the Minutes of the Areas Meeting held on 14th June 2003.

4. Matters/Actions Arising from the 14th June 2003 Meeting which are not included elsewhere on this Agenda.
5. To receive a proposal from North West Area that Tom Anyon (30455) ACE FW becomes in addition ACE Helicopter for the North West Area.
6. To receive a proposal from North East Area that Jim Edwards (58674) be appointed Area Chief Examiner for Helicopter for North East Area.
7. To receive a proposal from Chris Bromley FSMAE, Technical Secretary that the following alterations are made to the Achievement Scheme section of the Member's Handbook:

The Radio Control Achievement Schemes

Page 35, column 1, Chief Examiners, para 6

~~Generally, all Chief Examiners must have held an Examiner rating in the discipline for which they are appointed for at least twelve months although exceptions may be allowed by the Areas Council in certain special circumstances.~~

Replace with,

All Chief Examiners must have held an Examiner rating in the discipline for which they are appointed for at least twelve months.

8. To receive a proposal from Northern Area Delegate on behalf of Achievement Scheme Review Committee, that Areas use a special form when asking Areas Council to approve the appointment of Area Chief Examiners. A suggested alternative proposal form is attached.
9. To receive reports from the Achievement Scheme Controllers.
 - a) Power
 - b) Silent Flight
10. To receive an update on County Based Structure.
11. To receive any reports from committees or co-ordinators related to the business of this meeting.
 - a) Achievement Scheme Review Committee
 - b) BMAC
 - c) Education
12. To receive reports from Area Committees. (Please ensure your Area prepares a maximum of 1 x A4 page synopsis of your report for the meeting. Photocopying facilities are available at Chacksfield House if required.)
13. Any Other Business.
 Note: Items for Any Other Business must be handed to the Chairman of the Meeting **IN WRITING** before the meeting commences. This will be strictly enforced.
14. To confirm dates of Areas Council meetings 2004.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Three giant Scale planes – P47 Thunderbolt, 7 foot wingspan with new 40cc motor; Neuport 24 1/3 scale with 40cc motor (new); Zlin 50L with 20cc motor (6 foot wingspan). Price £1300 for all three. Call Glen Conwell on 01243 530984.

CLUB RECRUITING

Bramhall Area Thermal and Slope Soaring Society (BATS) needs new members experienced or novice, Thermal or Slope Soaring Gliders, E400 duration and Electric powered sports flyers.

Originally formed in 1978 to encourage Slope Soaring and participation in BARCS Thermal League competitions, the club affiliated to the BMFA following its start up.

We have a flat field site for thermal gliders in Bramhall, and a field near Lyme Park in Cheshire for sport electric models. Plus access to many local slopes.

Our monthly club magazine BAT CHAT has been in circulation since 1978, with local news and hints and tips, and we hold monthly meetings through the winter months. All this for a club membership fee of £11 per annum on top of your BMFA subscription. What a bargain. Why not come and join us.

Please contact membership secretary Bill Loxley by E Mail at bill.loxley@ntlworld.com or by telephone on 0161 485 3873. You will be most welcome.

DIARY DATES

OXFORD MFC – 17th October 2003 - Inaugural Oxford MFC “Gerry Johnson Memorial Lecture – The Dam Busters” Raid speaker Jim Shortland FBAS, with AV presentation and memorabilia display. St Edward’s School, Oxford, OX2 7NN at 7.30pm. Tickets £5, including refreshments, available from Peter Shanks, Meadow View, Beech Lane, Woodcote, Reading, RG8 0DX. SAE with cheque payable to Oxford MFC please. For further information call 01865 873020.

WALTHAM Chase Aeromodellers Swapmeet – Saturday 25th October 2003 10am – 2pm – Otterbourne Village Hall, Otterbourne, Hants.

Admission £1.50 adults, accompanied children free. Further details contact Alan Wallington – tel 01489 573141. To book tables (£5) – contact Chris Carr tel 023 8043 7805.

LEAFIELDS MAC Autumn Swapmeet – Sunday 26th October 2003 – Pinxton Miner’s Welfare, Pinxton, Derbys. Tables £3. Entry £1. For more info contact Eric Platts on 07817 258753 or 0115 944 7495 or email ep130562@aol.com

DOUBLE TRAGEDY!

John Balance received a double blow recently when he was unfortunately burgled not once but TWICE! within a few days. Details follow:

Items stolen:

This was in a 'return visit' in the early hours of 5/9/2003, 2 nights after first theft early on 3/9/2003 (between 0140 and 0730):

1: Xtreme Lite fuselage with engine and radio gear: red with yellow control surfaces. including: ASP FS61AR 4 stroke glowplug engine, alloy spinner and prop. 2 chamber silencer. Sanwa 35MHz radio receiver, ch 79 crystal. 2 servos (black futaba) and fuel tank. 4 cell NiMh battery pack 1.5AH aa cells.

2: WOT 4 wings with fitted servo. Orange / green bright coloured covering covering missing one end.

3: Metal tool 'suitcase' with a multitude of tools and model fittings. Includes: 'H' support for holding model when starting. Wire strippers. 1/4" square and hex socket and driver set. Larger Roses sweet tin containing large quantity of fittings and tools/small pliers, etc. Helicopter balljoint pliers.

4: Husqvarna 225/H75 2 stroke petrol hedge trimmer. Orange plastic body. (Husqvarna colour) - This may have disappeared on in related robbery 2 days earlier (WO/03/1776).

5: Car battery charger

6: Unopened gallon container of CoolPower 10% nitro glowplug fuel. This is a circular plastic container with thin blue/green contents.

7: ASP S40All model R/C gloaero engine with silencer, spinner and prop.

8: additionally

Seven further servos ..

GWS R/C 7/8 channel 35MHz receiver (channel 67).

Sanwa RD6000 35MHz rx (blue).

Two further 4 cell receiver battery packs NiMh 1.5AH.

One further 4 cell receiver battery pack NiCd 0.7AH

Large 12hr epoxy glue pack (500ml)

Yuasa NPL38-12 12v gell cell battery .. grey with red and black writing.

Set of drill and screwdriver bits.

4 or 5 packs of Cyano Acrilate modelling glue.. various thicknesses.

If anything comes to light, please either phone me on 01728 748408, or 07976 295923, or dial 999 and contact the Suffolk Police and report that you have spotted (or otherwise) some of the goods on crime reference WO/03/1776 or its related one on 5th Sept.