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STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE**

TO ALL TECHNICAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

There will be a Meeting of the Council on Saturday 13th March 2010 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

- 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 17th October 2010.
- 5 Matters/Actions Arising from the meeting on 17th October 2010 that are not included elsewhere on this Agenda.

- 6 To review the set agenda for the first meeting of a Technical Committee each year (appended as separate document).
- 7 To appoint the current year representative to the Awards Committee.
- 8 To discuss the CIAM Agenda (**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU BRING YOUR CIAM AGENDA WITH YOU**).
- 9 Nationals updates from the Power Nationals Co-ordinator and Technical Committees to include:
 - a To discuss any flightline problems
 - b Nationals Results requirements
- 10 To receive any reports from Technical Committees. (Preferably in writing and not concerning Agenda Items.)
- 11 To receive a report from the Competition Secretary to include:
 - a Receipt and ratification of any contests for this year's FAI Calendar.
- 12 To receive any reports from Council, Sub-committees or Elected Officers.
- 13 Any Other Business.

Please note: Items for Any Other Business should be handed, or sent, to the Office Manager or the meeting Chairman in writing before the meeting commences. This will be strictly enforced. Any questions asked under AOB that will require detailed replies beyond the knowledge of the meeting should be previously advised to the Office Manager to allow for the preparation of replies.
- 14 Date of next meeting.



Notice to event organisers and club officials

RCHA insurance

Following the recent formation of the Radio Control Helicopter Association we have been contacted by a number of BMFA club committees and event organisers enquiring whether they should accept RCHA membership for insurance purposes at their club or event.

Following investigation into this matter we advise that at this time RCHA insurance is not recognised due to the level and scope of cover provided under the terms of the policy.

Should a member of the RCHA wish to fly at your event or club site then it is recommended that they become either full or temporary members of the BMFA for insurance purposes.

Report on the Full Council Meeting held on 9th January 2010

Appointment of Council

Council Members were formally received or co-opted as appropriate, and Delegates and Members of appointed Sub-Committees were ratified.

Guidelines for the use of Training and Excellence budgets.

The Honorary Treasurer produced a guidance document which will hopefully assist Technical Committees. Council accepted the document.

Ratification of Team Manager, Assistant Team Managers and Teams for 2010 World/European Championships.

F1A, B, C Teams.

F1E Team Manager, Assistant Team Manager and Team.

Senior and Junior Space Modelling Team Manager, Assistant Team Manager and Teams.

F2A, B,C, D Team Manager, Assistant Team Manager and Teams.

F3A Team Manager and Team

F3C Team Manager and Team

F3J Team Manager and Team

F4C Team

F5B Team

F5D Team Manager and Team

2010 Contest Fees

Juniors: All classes/all events Free

Season Tickets: Not available

Centralised: 1st Class £6 Day ticket plus £6 site charge
Subsequent classes Free as all events included in day ticket

Area Centralised: 1st Class £6 Day ticket plus any site charge
Subsequent classes Free as all events included in day ticket

Team Selection: Seniors £20 per meeting or pre-entry for all 3 meetings £40. One fee enters all 3 classes.

Nationals: Registration: £15
1st Class £7 For Championship events
1st Class £4 Non Championship Events
Subsequent classes £7 For Championship events
Subsequent classes £4 Non Championship Events
Unlimited classes £30
Pre-entry requested for all events. On field entry at 50% surcharge.

F1E Meetings Same as Area Centralised

FAIR Site charge only for all meetings including Trials.

CONTROL LINE

Juniors All classes/all event Half price All Speed classes = one fee

Season Tickets: Not available

<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£15 All Speed classes = one fee
	Subsequent classes	£10
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£15
<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£ tba All Speed
	classes = one fee	
	Subsequent classes	£ tba
	Unlimited classes	£ n/a

SCALE RC CL FF Indoor
Centralised Events:

RC	£12
CL	£10
FF	£ 2
Indoor	£10 registration + £3 per class
Season Ticket R/C	£60

Nationals:

All RC classes	£25
CL	£15
FF	£10
Indoor	£10 registration + £3 per class

Team Trials:

F4B and F4C	£15
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Juniors:

50% of adult entry fees

INDOOR

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	None
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available [£]	None

<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	None
<u>TeamTrials:</u>	F1D	£20 entry fee/ £10-£15 per day Depending on venue costs
<u>Nationals:</u>	Entry Fee	£10 per day pre-entry/ £15 on the day
	All Classes	£1.50 per day pre-entry/ £2.00 on the day

SILENT FLIGHT

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	FREE
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	F3B	£N/A [5] single day events
	F3J	£30[4] single day events
	F5B	£N/A [6] single day events
<u>LEAGUE events:</u>	F3B/F5B	£10
And Single days	F3J	£10
	eSoaring	£5

<u>Team Selection:</u>	F3B/F5B	£N/A
	F3J	£N/A
<u>Nationals events:</u>	Two Day	£20
	Single day	£10 (in 2009)
	Half day	£8

RADIO CONTROL

RC Pylon (i/c)

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£15.00
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£40.00
<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£20.00 PER EVENT

RC Pylon (electric)

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£15.00
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£N/A
<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£20.00

RC Helicopter

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	1st class	£30.00 F3C
<u>Team Selection:</u>	All classes	£10.00 PER ROUND TWO ROUNDS

<u>Nationals:</u>	1st class	£30.00 (F3C)
		£25.00 (SPORTSMANS)
		£20.00 (SCALE)
		£20.00 (F3N)

RC Aerobatics

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	F3A	£25.00
<u>Team Selection:</u>		£25.00 PER ROUND FOUR ROUNDS
<u>Nationals:</u>		£30.00

IMAC Aerobatics

<u>Juniors:</u>	All classes/all events	£N/A
<u>Season Tickets:</u>	Not available	£N/A
<u>Centralised:</u>	One day	£N/A
	Two day	£N/A
<u>Nationals</u>		£28.00 ALL
CLASSES		

Ratified British Record Claim

Name Ben Jones/Geb Jones Mem Nos 89029/085217
Class: F3D Pylon
Site: RAF Wittering Date 21st June 2009
Heat: 0 Mins 56.88 secs

Proposals.

The Chairman informed the meeting that due to an oversight a second name should have been listed on the agenda for consideration for the post of Alternate to the FAI Delegate. Therefore there were two nominees as listed below and copies of CV's for both candidates were made available.

Proposed by the retired FAI Delegate Jim Andrews FSMAE that Mike Francies be elected to the post of Alternate to the FAI Delegate for 2010.

Seconded by RNMAA

Proposed by the current FAI Delegate that Dave Cline be elected to the post of Alternate to the FAI Delegate for 2010.

Seconded by PRO

The FAI Delegate put forward a suggestion that he would like to see more people involved with being the Alternate FAI Delegate because the more people we get with experience at CIAM the more chance we have of influencing the results of technical votes and just generally getting it to be an improved organisation.

He would like to see a different Alternate appointed next year and he would take along an Alternate who happened to have a Technical Meeting in the year in which he was Alternate. That way he would get knowledge on the Plenary Meeting and also he would get experience of the Technical Meeting.

Scale suggested that we appoint two Alternates with the agreement that they attend in the year in which there is a Technical Meeting for their discipline. This met with the favour of Council and Scale was asked to make a formal amendment to the original proposals.

Scale proposed an amendment that two Alternates to the FAI Delegate are appointed. At the discretion of the FAI Delegate one of them will attend the Technical Meeting in the relevant year for their discipline.

Seconded by Vice-Chairman

Carried unanimously

Proposal from Jim Andrews FSMAE 2009 FAI Delegate that Mike Colling FSMAE be elected to the post of Education Delegate to the FAI for 2010.

Seconded by FAI Delegate

There was no other contender for this post therefore Mike Colling FSMAE was elected to the post of Education Delegate to the FAI for 2010.

Proposal from Free Flight Technical Committee to revise the allocation of the Junior Kit Rubber and Junior Kit Glider trophies at the Free Flight Nationals. We propose that these two trophies should still be allocated to the novice event which will continue to be a combined rubber/glider event for nominated models.

There was a drafting amendment to the above wording in the proposal to replace "novice" with "Junior".

**The revised trophy allocation will be:
Junior Kit Rubber to the highest placed rubber model
Junior Kit Glider to the highest placed glider model**

In the event of there being no entries in a particular discipline then that trophy will not be awarded in that year.

Seconded by Competition Secretary

Vote: For: 19
Abs: 0
Ags: 1

Carried by a majority vote

Proposal from South Midland Area to formalise the constitution of the Achievement Scheme Review Committee.

The Chairman suggested a way of implementing the above proposal is that we charge the Honorary Secretary to come back to Full Council with a suitable paper to cover formalisation of the ASRC. It would be necessary for Full Council to ratify the document.

South Midland Area was happy with this action.

Scale seconded the above proposal.
Carried unanimously.

The Alternate for Chris Bromley FSMAE Director vigorously opposed the proposal. He believes the premise on which the proposal is based is flawed

It was pointed out that having a formal document will eliminate the destructive in-fighting that has been going on now for several years.

2010 CLUB CHAIRMAN'S CONFERENCE

We have recently written to the Chairmen of affiliated clubs in the Southern region i.e. Southern, South Midland, Mid-West, Western, South West, South East and London Areas inviting them to attend the 2010 Club Chairman's Conference to be held on Saturday March 20th in Basingstoke.

This Conference follows the resounding success of the previous two Club Chairman's Conferences in the Midlands and Northern Area. Whilst aimed primarily at the Southern region it does not preclude clubs in other areas from attending. Should any club outside the seven Areas listed above wish to attend please contact the Leicester office and full details will be sent immediately.

Members Personal Accident Cover

As part of the BMFA membership package members are provided with two separate types of insurance cover.

The primary cover is the third party and civil liabilities cover which protects members in the event of a claim being made against them; there are no age limits on this cover.

The second policy is a personal accident policy and the best way to think of this is that it is predominantly to cover members for things that they do to themselves (fingers in propellers being a prime example).

Below is a summary of the benefits that the personal accident cover provides and details of the "sliding scale" system.

The age range on the policy is from 3 years to 85 years.

The benefits are:

Death - £5,000

Permanent Total Disablement - £25,000

Permanent Disabling Injuries - Up to £25,000

Dental Injury - Up to £500

The benefit in respect of Permanent Total Disablement does not apply to persons aged 70 and over. The benefit amount and the maximum amount payable in respect of Permanent Disabling Injuries and Dental Injury shall reduce by 50% in respect of persons aged 70 years and over.

The definition of Permanent Disabling Injury shall mean disability which has lasted for at least 12 months and from which the insurer believes the person will never recover.

Permanent Total Disablement shall mean a Permanent Disabling Injury caused other than by Loss of Sight in both eyes, Loss of Speech, Loss of Hearing in both ears or Loss of more than one Limb which stops the person, if in gainful occupation, from carrying out their usual occupation or, if not in gainful occupation, from gainful employment of any and every kind.

It should be borne in mind that personal accident cover is extremely difficult to purchase for persons over the age of 65, however we have managed to negotiate terms with our insurers based on the fact that we have a substantial proportion of members over this age.

In most cases payouts on this policy are deferred for a 12 month period to await a final medical report or summary.

Manny Williamson
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