



*British Model Flying Association
London Area*

Minutes of the London Area Meeting for 11th January 2018
At The Pedham Golf Centre, London Road, Swanley, Kent. BR8 8PP

Present: Bob Ryan (Bickley) Terry Rounce (Bretons) Dave Chinery (Hayes) Dave Warren (Concord) Steve Brett (Bickley) Martin Dilly (Croydon). John Lewis (North Weald). Colin Lyons (Concord) John Veasey (Bickley)

Chairman opened the meeting [at 8pm](#).

Apologies: Bill Wheeler (Bickley MFC).

Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting. These not being available the minutes of the AGM were used.

Corrections: None recorded.

Matters Arising: None.

Chairman's Report; Request were made from a member from central London who wishes to take his FW A certificate. Details will be sent to the secretary to coordinate. Support for the BMFA stand at the Model Engineering Exhibition was offered from the meeting 3 persons on Friday, 6 on Saturday and 2 on Sunday.

Vice Chairman's Report; No report

Secretaries Report; Bob Ryan commented that he would continue as secretary for the time being but did not feel he was suitable for the task. He will remain in the office until a replacement person is found.

Treasurers Report; A request for £100 to support the Wakefield Cup from Don Tomson of Croydon Club was considered and approved by all present.

The accounts are as follows Current account £1718.94p Deposit account £00.36p

Ach Scheme Co-ordinator; A Road show was Workshop has been confirmed at Pedham place [on 7th April](#).

Dates and location for examiners workshop to be confirmed.

A helicopter chief examiner was required for London Area. Bob Ryan offered his services.

Area Delegates Report;

The Area supported the proposals regarding Annual Dinner invitations to Achievement Scheme people, and to appoint a group to fully investigate Charity status.

In discussion it was mentioned that, as a director of the Society, an Area delegate might not vote in accordance with his Committee's brief in the event that new matters arose at Council that his Area would reasonably agree should alter his brief.

P.R.O. Report;

The London Area website will be up-dated with the new Area committee members and the PRO apologised for this omission. It was agreed that Hayes would handle the PR for the Bob Mahoney Memorial event and the Hayes Fly-in at Middle Wallop.

Safety Advisors Report;

No events noted.

Education Officers Report.

Martin Dilly reported: There will be an RAeC conference on Youth and Education at Buckminster [on Feb. 27](#); all with an interest in this are invited.

Silent Flight; As in previous years, I am planning to hold the Robert Mahoney Memorial Fly-In at Middle Wallop [on August 4th/5th](#), and will request sponsorship from the LA. I will also be organising a similar event [on May 19/20](#) under the auspices of Hayes & District MAC, reinstating an event which ran annually through the 1980s and 1990s at other sites. This year I will be enhancing publicity for the events and we should benefit from access to the large tarmac runway at the venue.

This year, I hope to attend not just the Bickley Electric Fly In but also local Electric Glider events if run, providing they don't clash with other commitments.

Helicopter Report; No report.

R/C Power Report; No report.

Fixed Wing Turbine; No report.

Free Flight;

Croydon will be running Wakefield Day on Area 8, Salisbury Plain, [on April 2](#), and thanked the Area for a donation towards expenses for this.

London Area Webmaster;

Bill Wheeler (Secretary of Bickley MFC) has offered his services for this post but was unable to attend this evening due to ill health.

A.O.B.

A discussion took place into possible ways of improving representation of clubs at London area meeting. It was considered that moving the meeting to alternative locations occasionally may help.

Chairman closed the meeting [at 9:15pm](#).

Date of next meeting [8th March 2018](#).

Regards,
Bob Ryan