

Unadopted Minutes of the BMFA North Eastern Area Meeting held on 4th July 2018 at Burnmoor Cricket Club, Burnmoor, Co.Durham, DH4 6EX



Officers Present

Y	Chairman: Terry Bailey (Fellow)	N	P.R.O.: Position Vacant
Y	Vice Chairman: Martin Johnson (Novocastrians)	N	Delegate: Tom Jones (Teesside MFC)
Y	Secretary: Gary Armstrong (Newcastle MFA)	Y	Education Co-ordinator: Allan Weighell (Fellow)
Y	Treasurer: Tom Walker (Sunderland & DMAC)	Y	Competition Secretary: Allan Weighell (Fellow)
Y	Achievement Scheme Co-ordinator: Gary Armstrong (Newcastle MFA)		

Clubs Represented (eligible to vote)

Newcastle MFA; Peterlee MAC; Cleveland Indoor; Teesside MFC; Chester-le-Street RMC; Novocastrians; Tyndale MFC; Sunderland & District MAC; Weardale MGA;

Apologies for Absence

Tom Jones (Delegate);

Corrections to Previous Minutes

None;

Adoption of Minutes

Proposed: Dave Errington (Teesside MFC)
Seconded: Peter Franklin (Weardale MGA)

Matters Arising

None;

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report;

Secretary's Report

The Secretary received a thank you letter from Gerhard Fehringer (GB F3A Team Member) for the donation received from the NE Area towards the cost of attending the F3A European Championships in Belgium. Gerhard had put the money received towards the cost of hiring Buckminster for a team training day on 1st July. The delegates present felt that Team Training was something that should be funded by the BMFA and not the individual Team members, and was something that should be followed up by the GBR Team Manager.

Subsequent to the meeting the Secretary was in contact with Gerhard who confirmed that after the training day had taken place the Team manager had been in contact to say that funding for the training day and attendance of the UK FAI F3A World Cup event would be available through the Training and Excellence budget and claim forms were being sent to the Team Members.

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer reported on expenditure during the last month and the receipt of this years' Area Support from the BMFA which was slightly less than the previous year due to slightly fewer clubs and members in the NE Area.

Education Co-ordinators Report

Allan Weighell reported that following on from last month's meeting the Middlesbrough ATC have changed tack again and instead of building BMFA Vulcans they have switched to the Gymminie Cricket. Fortunately they had some part built examples and were able to combine the best built bits to produce two complete models in time to do some basic trimming before there competition which is for duration and/or longest distance.

PRO's Report

Nothing to report;

Delegates Report

Nothing to report;

Flying Disciplines Officers Report

Free Flight

Nothing to report;

Radio Control

At the GBRCAA League event held at Ashbourne (Derbyshire) on 10th June Gerhard Fehringer (Blyth Valley RMC) placed 4th in the FAI "P only" event. The UK FAI F3A World Cup took place on 22nd/23rd/24th June at Woodchurch Airfield near Ashford in Kent where Gerhard placed 19th.

Forthcoming events are a GBRCAA League event at Ashbourne on 12th August, and the BMFA Nationals on 25/26/27th at Barkston Heath.

Control Line

At the recent F2D centralised (combat) held at Albemarle Barracks, Graham Ives (Novo's) placed 1st, the GB Team depart for the European Championships in France on 12th July.

As an aside the system for accessing Albemarle does work, but you need to be patient as the military do things at their own pace.

Indoor

Allan Weighell reported that flying at Nunthorpe would resume on 7th July having missed a month due to the hall being used for exams. The indoor Nationals are on 16th – 18th September.

Any Other Business

Allan Weighell gave a clearer explanation of how he had the donation received from the NE Area towards his trip to the Indoor European Championships as Team Manager deducted from his Team managers funding on the Instruction of the BMFA Competition Secretary.

Dave Errington thanked the Area on behalf of the Teesside MFC for the support given to them in the form of sponsorship of the toilet hire for their model show. The show had gone well but would benefit from more support from local pilots and public.

Tony Oliver raised the subject of the new ANO which is due to come into force at the end of the month, in particular the change to the 400' rule.

The Secretary replied that negotiations were under way with the CAA for an exemption from the 400' height limit for members of nationally recognised modelling bodies (BMFA/LMA/SAA and FPVUK) for models under 7kg (excluding multi-rotors). It is hoped this exemption will be in place before the ANO comes into force.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm

The next meeting will be at 8pm on 1st August 2018 at Burnmoor Cricket Club, Burnmoor Co.Durham, DH4 6EX.

Club Secretaries and PROs please note: if you have an event to publicise, give the details to either;

Tom Jones, Area Delegate: tom.jp11@gmail.com

Gary Armstrong, Area Secretary: garyarmstrong13@virginmedia.com

The details of your event can then be distributed with the Area minutes in Forthcoming Events* if there is sufficient time and posted on the Area web site and Facebook page.

Date	Event / Host Club	Venue	Other details
1 st Saturday of month	Indoor Flying* PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES & FEE	Nunthorpe School	5 to 9 pm £5, children free Contact Allan Weighell Allan.weighell@btinternet.com
2 nd Saturday of month	Indoor Flying, Newton Aycliffe	Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre.	FF, RC (lightweight & heavyweight) Time 1200-1600 Hrs, Proof of insurance required. Contact Mark Shipley 01325 316141 or Allan Weighell allan.weighell@btinternet.com
29 th July	GBRCAA F3A	Warboys	www.gbrcaa.org
22 nd July	Informal Fly-in	Guisborough MFC	Peter Farnell pwfarnell@aol.com
12 th August	GBRCAA F3A	Ashbourne (Derbyshire)	www.gbrcaa.org
25/26/27 th August	BMFA National Championships	Barkston Heath	www.bmfa.org
23 rd Sept	F2D Combat	Albemarle Barracks	Dave Riley
14 th Oct	F2D Combat	Albemarle Barracks	Dave Riley

*Please note: As the indoor events are held at School premises you are advised to check prior to attending meetings in School holiday periods