

**BRITISH MODEL FLYING ASSOCIATION
CONTROL LINE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

**of the 29th meeting (wef 02/12/00) held on
3rd February 2007**

at Langley House, 21 Polegate, Luton, Bedfordshire

Present: Chris Barker; Jo Halman; Mick Lewis; Peter Halman; John Bonner; Duncan Bainbridge (VTRSIG);
Andy Housden (Carrier)

(29)/1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Martin Paffett (PRO).

(29)/2 Confirmation of those with Voting Rights

There were six voting members.

(29)/3 Correction & adoption of the Minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2006.

Corrections were:

(28)/13 (c) delete "publication"; insert "publicity"

(28)/15.1 delete "diplay"; insert "display"

delete "pursueing"; insert "pursuing"

(28)/15.4 delete "budge"; insert "budget"

Peter Halman proposed that the Minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting of 9th December 2006. This proposal was seconded by the Chairman with voting: For: 5; Against: 0, Abstentions: 1.

(29)/4 Matters arising from that meeting that are not on the Agenda

(29)/4.1 (28)/4.1 **Vintage Team Race:** Rule changes ongoing.

(29)/4.2 (28)/4.2 **Team Race:** F2F/F2CN comparison ongoing.

(29)/4.3 (28)/4.3 **CL Training Budget Holder:** Based on the proposal submitted by this Committee, the BMFA Council decided that the Technical Committee Treasurers would be the budget holders for their respective Training & Excellence Budgets

(29)/4.4 (28)/4.5 **Aerobatics:** F2B tie-break & score normalising ongoing.

(29)/4.5 (28)/4.9 **John Oliver:** Mick Lewis had been ill and unable to visit John to present his certificate. Mick posted the certificate and John replied by letter how very delighted he was to receive it.

(29)/4.6 (28)/9.1 **Teams:** All the teams had been ratified by Council and each team member had notified this Committee's Secretary that he would accept his place. All the reserve team members had responded that they would be on standby and would attend if required.

(29)/4.7 (28)/10 **Team Managers:** John James and Val James had been ratified as Team Manager and Assistant Team Manager by the Competition Secretary under the authority conferred on that post by Council.

(29)/4.8 (28)/13 **Goodyear Ballot:** James Pinkerton had sent his Scottish Goodyear club rules in case these might be of interest to the CLTC. The Secretary passed them to Chris Barker.

Additionally, the Committee noted that the article "Team Race News" by Malcolm Ross contained three factual errors: (a) this Committee had not asked him to apologise to those Goodyear fliers who had not entered the Nationals and had, therefore, not been included in the recent Goodyear Ballot. This Committee has an agreed policy of using Nationals entries for CL ballots; (b) he is quite wrong when he states that "only suction fuel feed can be used in this class at the 2007 Nationals". Open Goodyear will not be run at the 2007 Nationals, however a **Provisional Goodyear** class based on the Open Goodyear rules but using suction fuel feed will be run; (c) podium place trophies plus a one-off trophy will be awarded.

Action

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CBk**

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	The Secretary is to write to Malcolm asking him to (a) place a correction in his next column; (b) asking him to check with this Committee if he wishes to place specific information from this Committee in his articles and (c) to place a boxed note in the next BMFA News if (a) is not practical.	JH
(29)/4.9 (28)/13 c)	British Goodyear: The Secretary is still to write to Martin Worgan & Tony Eifflaender to ask if they would run British Goodyear at the Nationals.	JH
(29)/4.10 (28)/15.1	Team Race Display Boards: Chris Barker had sourced more information on these and it was agreed to pursue the matter commercially and that Peter Halman would contact Bill Lee (to reply to Chris Barker) regarding the electronic display boards that Bill had made for the 2004 F2 World Championships.	CBk/ PH
(29)/4.11 (28)/15.2	Aerobatics Training Programme: The Committee considered the email from Roger Ladds regarding some of the rules for this Programme, along with a verbal report from John Bonner which he presented vigorously and comprehensively. The Programme is based on the CLAPA programme with some changes that are necessary because it is now a CLTC (which is, itself, a sub-committee of the BMFA Council) initiative. However, it was agreed that at 2.2 the phrase "in the same period" should have read "at least once in each two-year period" and should be changed. At 2.4 the phrase "and possess current FAI licences" should be deleted as this was not an FAI requirement for international judges. These changes would apply immediately. Acknowledging these changes, the Committee unanimously decided to leave the rules as they otherwise are and to invite both Roger Ladds and Peter Jackson to a CLTC meeting to discuss any issues they have with the Programme.	JH
(29)/4.12 (28)/15.3	Flying Site: The Secretary was still pursuing new venues for competitions.	
(29)/5 2007 Nationals Planning		
(29)/5.1	Budgets	
	Speed: Fees to remain as last year; accepted and estimated to make a small surplus.	
	Aerobatics: Unanimously agreed that an increase in fees was necessary to prevent the loss that Aerobatics makes each year. The fees were agreed as: F2B @ £20; first class @ £15; second class @ £12. (In cases where an F2B flier entered a second class, then F2B would be considered his first class.)	
	Team Race: Fees to remain as last year; accepted and estimated to make a small surplus.	
	Vintage Team Race: Fees to remain as last year; accepted and estimated to make a small surplus.	
	Combat: Fees to remain as last year; accepted and estimated to make a small surplus.	
	Carrier: Fees to remain as last year; accepted and estimated to make a small surplus.	
(29)/5.2	Trophies: The Secretary, as CL Nationals Co-ordinator (CLNC), will organise the labels for the podium trophies according to the classes to be run (see below).	JH
(29)/5.3	Classes: The only changes to the classes are in Team Race where Phantom & Open Goodyear will not be run and the provisional new Goodyear class will be run. Note that this class still requires a name. The Nationals CL entry form will be updated accordingly.	CBk JH
(29)/5.4	Officials:	
	Speed: <u>CD:</u> Jo Halman <u>Judge:</u> Peter Halman	
	Aerobatics: <u>CDs:</u> Overall CD: Ray Lloyd; Tabulator: Jim Hatch; other CDs as necessary. <u>Judges:</u> F2B - John Bonner confirmed; others required; Vintage, Classic & Class II: volunteers so far: Bill Smith & Mick Castell; others required. It was noted that the appointed Overall CD is normally responsible for recruiting the judges for all the Aerobatics events and the CDs for Vintage, Classic & Class II as necessary.	JB JH
	Team Race: <u>F2C CD:</u> Dave Rudd <u>Domestic CD:</u> Andy Daglish; Line Check: Brian Winstanley. A CD for Mini-Goodyear is still required.	CBK

Vintage Team Race: CD: Dave Finch
Officials: Terry McDonald, Roger Reese, Stuart Robinson.

Combat: CDs: Overall CD: Mick Lewis; other CDs as 2006.
Officials: as 2006

Carrier: CD: Andy Housden
 Officials: as provided.

(29)/5.5 F2B Judges

See previous item.

(29)/5.6 Special Requirements

- (a) It was agreed that all six disciplines make best endeavours to have information boards on their discipline at their locations.
- (b) Vintage Team Race (VTR) asked if the circles could be arranged differently but other airfield requirements, runway surface & CL discipline specific requirements meant that this was not possible.
- (c) Team Race (TR) and VTR agreed to mark the centre of each practice circle and ensure that all TR & VTR fliers and CDs were aware that TR & VTR practice could only take place in those designated circles.
- (d) **SAFETY:** TR & VTR practice may only take place in unfenced circles if those circles are to the west of the Speed cage. As caged practice circles for TR & VTR practice are impractical then no TR & VTR practice may take place at any other point on the CL runway other than in the TR & VTR cages.
- (e) The TR CD table must be outside the TR cage.
- (f) When the Chairman has all the information appertaining to electronic display boards for TR he is to draft a funding proposal.
- (g) The Secretary is to request that for 2007 and future Nationals, the portable loos at the southern end of the north/south runway be located at the same place as at the 2005 Nationals and not as close to Combat as they were last year.

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(29)/6 2007 CIAM Plenary

- (29)/6.1 It was unanimously agreed that the F2 Subcommittee member, Peter Halman, should attend CIAM Plenary as an interim F2 meeting had been scheduled to deal with safety issues in F2D. There were also a number of other F2A & F2B clarification proposals on the agenda and it was especially important to support their passage through Plenary.
- (29)/6.2 An advance copy of the CIAM ABR & F2 rules was scrutinised and Peter Halman is to speak to John James regarding the "fly-away" proposals.
- (29)/6.3 In due course, the Secretary is to forward to the FAI Delegate voting directions on the F2 & ABR rules.

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(29)/7 Topics for Technical Council

Defence Estates (DE) licensing was discussed. Certainly with respect to RAF Cottesmore, each BMFA Technical Committee or Specialist Body raises a licence for its own event. In effect this means that DE is paid duplicate administration fees. In an effort to reduce the costs of each licence it was agreed that this topic be put onto the Technical Council's agenda for discussion with the other Technical Committees. Commonsense dictates that the national body (BMFA) should be supplied with the dates agreed by the sub-groups and then the BFMA raises a single licence in the name of "model flying".

JH

(29)/8 Any Other Business

- (29)/8.1 F2D venues. An email from Mike Waller was discussed. Because of the lack of F2D venues in the south of England, southern F2D fliers find it particularly difficult to attend the required number of F2D team selection events. After a brief discussion it was agreed that the current number of qualifying competitions is the optimum for selecting a team and a reduction in the number would not be advisable.

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However, it was agreed that the Secretary & Peter Halman would look at some venues local to Luton and see if anything was available for F2D. The Secretary was also to contact David Phipps, BMFA CEO regarding Upper Heyford and Peter Halman was to investigate Santa Pod.

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- (29)/8.2 Duncan Bainbridge advised that the availability of Croydon meant that the F2CN & British Goodyear competition scheduled for 8th April had to be changed to 1st April. The Secretary is to issue an updated CL Contest Calendar and to inform Chris Bromley for the BMFA Contest & Events Calendar.

JH

The next meeting was confirmed as 19th May at Luton.

The meeting closed at 18.15 hours.

Signed: *Signed copy on file*

Chris Barker, Chairman

Dated: 19th May 2007

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