

BMFA
FREE FLIGHT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING 4th September 2013

				Action
Present	Mike Woodhouse	MW	Phil Ball	PB
	Chris Strachan	CS	Trevor Grey	TG
	John Carter	JC	Dave Phipps (part time)	DP
	Stuart Darmon	SD	Ian Kaynes	IK
Absent	Nigel Bathe	NB		
Note	These minute to be read in conjunction with MINUTES OF MEETING (to first meeting set agenda) 21st November 2012 see below as Appendix A			
Minutes of 16.06.13	Accepted			
Matters Arising	<u>Rules</u> Following a discussion on the need for stability and a minimum of rule changes SD undertook to write a piece suggesting an approach and circulate it to the members for discussion			SD
	<u>RAFMA Trophies</u> MW still chasing.			MW
Contest Calendar	<u>2014 Calendar</u> Version V1b is the latest with some clerical alterations from V1a . TG to circulate. TG pointed out that some Plugge events have ended up with 4 classes in order to keep a balance.			TG
	<u>Barkston situation</u> It was agreed that with the importance of Barkston to Free Flight the Committee should appoint a Barkston liaison officer. PB was proposed for the position Proposed TG Seconded JC Elected unanimously			PB
	DP reported that the current situation is that our wish list has gone to Cranfield and is being considered along with those of other users. He awaits a response			DP
	<u>Rissington</u> CS reported that he has heard rumours that Devonaire activity at Rissington may have reduced. DP undertook to find out the latest situation on RAF control of the site and ATC activity prior to CS making further investigations.			DP CS
Nationals	<u>2014</u> Following on from the discussion at the previous FFTC and in the intervening period the following points were agreed			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DP will take on the co-ordinating role for all preparations before the event. 			DP
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PB will take on the overall co-ordination role. 			PB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The support for the CD on each day will be provided by 2 FFTC members who, if they fly, will ensure that one of them remains available to the CD at all times. Initially agreed as CS plus TG on Saturday, PB plus ANO on Sunday and ANO plus SD on Monday 			CS TG PB SD
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW will prepare the budget and JC will be budget controller 			MW JC
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most other roles will be as before, as shown in the Nats documentation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed that the Nationals Championships will be operated to the new rules produced by PB who will send copies to SD for News and to TG for inclusion in the Competitors Notes. It was also agreed that the fourth power class will be FIJ (BMFA1/2A flyers being free to fly in F1J if they so please) 			PB SD TG

SAM 35 Relationship	<u>SAM 35 at the Nats</u> Now that the initial organisation is in place DP will call a meeting with SAM 35 which MW will attend. The purpose being to agree a suitable SAM presence and cost approach. It was suggested that SAM members should be expected to pay the standard gate or preregistration fees and contribute £5 per competitor day in their events to cover licence fees. Any other charges they make to their competitors to cover prizes, CD costs or whatever will not touch the BMFA accounts. A contribution from SAM to administrative costs also should be agreed.	DP MW
Officer's Reports	<u>Treasurer</u> JC reported that all accounts are OK. He proposed a revised entry fee structure for 2014 which was discussed at length and agreed as documented in Appendix B	JC CS
	<u>Council Delegate</u> MW having taken over as Council delegate had nothing to report in addition to the report already circulated after the October Technical Council meeting.	
	<u>PRO</u> Nothing to report. TG will help him with the circulation of News	
	<u>Results Officer</u> PB reported that all 2013 results are now complete except for the Junior Championship, which presents no problem. He intends to get a piece in BMFA asking for addresses from those who would like to get copies of our results which may help to spread interest. TG and PB agreed to check and amalgamate their circulation lists	PB TG PB
	<u>Safety Officer</u> PB reported upon the incident at the first team selection meeting at Sculthope which has resulted in a claim for damage to a radio model which is now being paid. This did not feature at the last safety committee but will presumably feature at the next. MW commented that there are lessons to be learned for control on a shared site.	
	<u>Rules Officer</u> All rule changes for 2014 have now been sent in and with the new Technical secretary not yet in a position to be pro-active a list of the changes has gone to the office. The meeting agreed that this list should be placed on the BMFA website as a temporary amendment awaiting full rulebook publication, TG to action.	TG
International Teams	<u>F1A,B,C teams for 2014</u> The team selection has been completed and the team members are	
	F1A John Carter 050520 Grantham Brain Baines 051191 Grantham Peter Williams 052853 Richmond	
	Reserves Richard Jack 108315 Tynemouth John Williams 063375 Birmingham	
	F1B Mike Woolner 057957 East Grinstead Peter Martin 045729 Tynemouth Russell Peers 027418 Grantham	
	Reserves Mike Woodhouse 034262 Vikings Peter Brown 153422 Country Mem.	

F1C Alan Jack 056873 Tynemouth
 Ken Faux 052579 Vikings
 Neil Allen 039572 East Grinstead

Reserves Mick Lester 089683 Birmingham
 John Cuthbert 051781

Acceptance proposed by PB, seconded SD, 5 in favour and one abstention

Single applications for team manager (Mike Woodhouse) and ATM (Peter Brown) had been received,

Acceptance proposed by JC, seconded by CS, 5 in favour and one abstention

F1E team for 2014

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Team members

D Bartle 06766 Morley
 I Kaynes 021003 Croydon
 S Philpott 064218 Birmingham

Reserve

P Fynn 009010 Country Mem.
 No second reserve available

Acceptance proposed by CS, seconded SD, 6 in favour

Single applications for team manager (Ian Kaynes) and ATM (Steve Philpott) had been received,

Acceptance proposed by CS, seconded by SD, 6 in favour

Rule changes are now in place. Entry form to be published in early January.

Team Selection 2014

Stonehenge Cup 2014

JC to contact Peter tribe about the new entry fees

JC

Equinox Cup 2014

Nothing to report

PR on BMFA and FFTC websites

BMFA

Andy Simmons to be invited to the next meeting to discuss website.

CS

FFTC

CD Guidelines to be added, action CS. The separate FFTC website might be usefully combined with the main BMFA site. CS and TG to consider

CS

CS TG

Events

A future event

No event currently planned for 2014

AOB

Expenses

Overnight allowance to be increased to £65

JC

Proposed JC, seconded CS, 6 in favour

Next meetings

Dates

Wednesday 29th January 11.00 am at Chacksfield House.

Critical dates for FFTC

BMFA News Copy dates	March 2014 Issue– early Jan 2014 (estimated)
Full Council	11 th January Agenda deadline 9 th December 17 th May Agenda deadline 22 nd April
Technical Council	23 rd March Agenda deadline 24 th February
FFTC meetings	29 th January

Appendix A

FREE FLIGHT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING (to first meeting set agenda) 4th December 2013

Present : M Woodhouse, C Strachan, T Grey, J Carter , P Ball, Stuart Darmon, I Kaynes

Absent : N Bathe

1a :	<u>Initial voting strength</u>	5
1b :	<u>Chairman.</u>	Mike Woodhouse
1c :	<u>Co-Options</u>	Stuart Darmon
1d:	<u>Full voting strength</u>	6
1e :	<u>Chairman. (2)</u>	NA
1f :	<u>Secretary.</u>	Chris Strachan
1g :	<u>Treasurer.</u>	John Carter (also holder of the Team Travel Fund).
1h:	<u>Council Delegate.</u>	Mike Woodhouse
1i :	<u>Specialist Body Reps.</u>	FAIR (Space Modelling) Nigel Bathe
1j :	<u>Final voting strength</u>	7
1k :	<u>Chairman</u>	NA
1k(ii)	<u>Temp Chair</u>	NA
1l :	<u>Unfilled offices</u>	NA
1m :	<u>PRO.</u>	Stuart Darmon (assisted by Trevor Grey)
1n :	<u>Safety Officer.</u>	Phil Ball
1o :	<u>Rules Officer</u>	Trevor Grey
1p :	<u>Results Officer</u>	Phil Ball
1q :	<u>Budget Holder - TTF.</u>	John Carter (also holder for training and excellence) Nigel Bathe for FAIR (Space Modelling) TTF and training and excellence
2	<u>Apologies</u>	Nil (Nigel Bathe absent without apology)
3	<u>Minutes of previous meeting</u>	See minutes below at 14
4	<u>Matters arising</u>	See minutes below at 14
5	<u>Miscellaneous appts</u>	Ian Kaynes. Free Flight technical expert to CIAM Nigel Bathe Space Tech sub Com and Judge Stuart Lodge Judge- Space CIAM
6	<u>Disciplines</u>	All Non-Scale outdoor Free Flight Space modelling (FAIR only)
7	<u>Council Agenda</u>	No proposals other than teams (see main minutes)
8	<u>Nationals De-brief</u>	De-briefed at FFTC meetings 19/06, 18/09 Final report to office 30/08. Planning for 2014 already commenced

<u>Centralised:</u>	Single charge	£10
	Includes site charge and all class entries	
<u>World Cup:</u>	As Centralised but pre-entry required	
<u>Area Centralised:</u>	Site Access Charge	As set by Area
	Single charge	£6
	Includes all class entries	
<u>Team Selection:</u>	Seniors	£10 per class
	(pre-entry mandatory) for the single meeting spread over two weekends	
<u>Nationals:</u>	Airfield Pass:	£10 for three days
		£5 for one day
	1st Class	£10 For Championship events
	1st Class	£5 Non Championship Events
	Subsequent classes	£10 For Championship events
	Subsequent classes	£5 Non Championship Events
	Unlimited classes	£45
	Pre-entry requested for all events.	
	On field entry at 50% surcharge.	
<u>F1E Meetings</u>	Single Fee	£8
	includes site charge	
<u>FAIR</u>	Site charge only for all meetings including trials	

Ref Minutes of FFTC meeting 04/12/13
C Strachan for FFTC
05/12/13