

BMFA
FREE FLIGHT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING 2nd April 2014

				Action
Present	Mike Woodhouse	MW	Phil Ball	PB
	Chris Strachan	CS	Trevor Grey	TG
	John Carter	JC	Ian Kaynes	IK
	Stuart Darmon	SD	John Jacomb	JJ
Minutes of 29.01.14	Accepted			
New member	MW welcomed JJ as the new FAIR representative			
Matters Arising	<u>Rule Stability</u>			
	SD stated that he will write a piece on this subject within 7 days.			SD
	<u>Season tickets</u>			
	JC stated that 26 have been sold.			
	<u>Copy dates for BMFA News</u>			
	CS to email editor for a list of dates			CS
Contest Calendar	<u>2014 Calendar</u>			
	Version V1c remains current			
	<u>Trials location 21/22 June</u>			
	MW reported that Sculthorpe will not be suitable for the trials in June due to restrictions on access to a large part of the site due to nesting birds. TG to see if Salisbury is available on those dates and if so to change the Calendar.			TG
	<u>Area Entry Fees</u>			
	The reversion to 2013 fees has been widely publicised and well accepted. SD to repeat the announcement in the next edition of News.			SD
Space Models	Following the meeting on 5 th Feb the organisation of the Space Models Specialist Body has been resolved. JJ reported as follows:-			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The team for Bulgaria has been sorted' • John Ellins has attended the team managers meeting • JJ will attend CIAM as agreed with Peter Halman • Comments on 26 proposed changes have been passed to the CIAM Space chairman • JJ has had difficulty changing some of the Space entries in the BMFA Calendar. He was advised to contact Andy Symons. • JJ to write a piece for News explaining the relationship between FAIR, SERFS and UKRA. • JJ reported that he will be running a rocket meeting for Essex County Council at Stowmaries and suggested that the site may be of interest to the FFTC. MW agreed to have a look. 			JJ MW
SAM 35 relationship	PB to speak to David Phipps to sort out the charging arrangements for SAM's competitors to contribute to the airfield licence charge. A contribution of £5 from each SAM flyer who has not already paid for pre-entry would be appropriate			PB
Nationals	PB reviewed the following points with the meeting			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competitors pack and programme all done • Motorised retrieval is not permitted at the Nats. This will be stated on 			

competitor's notes and at control. To minimise driving on site bollards will be used to direct traffic to Control.

- No parking on runways and drains will also be emphasised
- Gliders now based at Barkston which are flown out am and returned pm are a potential problem to be discussed with David Phipps
- BMFA loudspeakers to be checked with David Phipps
- Grantham Club members to have free access to spectate
- CDs all sorted except Bowden. CS to speak to Brian Lever to see if problems can be resolved
- The BMFA chairman has asked what he can do to help. PB to speak to him about prize giving on Saturday or Sunday
- Aeromodeller are sponsoring the wine purchase and would like to do the Sunday prize giving
- CD expenses. All prepared by JC
- Roy Wright's friend who has provided the caravan at the gate has recently died suddenly. Roy will arrange for a portacabin for the gate helpers. The cost will be in the about £350
- A set of certificates are needed for kit scale
- A phone number for emergency contact to be provided at control. PB to obtain.

PB

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CS

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Officer's Reports

Treasurer

The forum report is expected to provide £1500 for the TTF

It was agreed that separate contest accounts should be combine into the main contest account.

JC

Council Delegate

MW had circulated a report after the March Technical Council meeting. The key points are:

- Separate copies of results should be sent to the Competition Secretary
- The indoor rule book will be separated from the FF rule book and TG is working on a tidy up of the FF book
- JJ to liaise with the Competition Secretary about the state of the Space Models rule book
- CIAM want notice of World Cup calendar additions earlier than before but FFTC practice already predates this

PB

TG

JJ

PRO

Nothing to report

Results Officer

Bad weather at the first two Area meetings lead to reduced entries but any pressure to move dates will be regarded as ill advised

Safety Officer

Nothing to report other than concern about the control of motorised retrieval at the Nationals See above.

Rules Officer

A query has been raised on the lack of specification of fly off times at Centralised events. To be considered for clarification in the 2015 rule book.

TG

The correction of an error on the number of flights for 1/2A in the 2014 rule book has been publicised. TG to check that the rule book master has been are corrected.

TG

The idea of a rule change moratorium was mentioned but no consensus has been reached. To be carried forward.

ALL

International Teams

F1A,B,C

Final entry forms are not yet available. To be chased up at CIAM

IK

F1E team

Team members are not yet committed. Payment has to be made by end of April. IK to follow up. IK

Space team

See earlier in the meeting

Overseas Insurance

Now fully in place for all teams

Team 2014

Selection See under calendar above

Entries are coming in

Stonehenge Cup All preparations in place. Entries are coming in slowly JC

Equinox Cup Nothing to report

Rules CIAM

The items listed on Peter Halman's voting record were discussed and voted upon. In all cases the vote was unanimous and the completed form is attached as appendix A. In addition 3 items in the general rule section were discussed as follows;

B.9.1

We wished the proposal to be amended to ---and the team manager **and** the assistant team manager. Agreed and TG to raise at CIAM

B.13.6 We wished to vote in favour

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All decisions to be passed to Peter Halman CS

PR on BMFA Website

BMFA and We are using the website for the Calendar

FFTC Website

websites TG has started preparing for transfer to the BMFA site TG

Events 2015

It was agreed that an event along the lines of a show and tell should be held at Husbands Bosworth at late January/early February. All members to develop ideas.

AOB Nil

Next Dates

meetings Wednesday 7th May

Wednesday 25th June

FFTC 03/04/14

Critical dates for FFTC

BMFA News Copy dates June 2014 Issue– copy date 24th April
August 2014 Issue– copy date 19th June
October 2014 Issue– copy date 3rd September
December 2014 Issue– copy date 25th November

Full Council 17th May Agenda deadline 22nd April
6th September Agenda deadline 11th August

Technical Council 18th October Agenda deadline 22nd September

FFTC meetings

9th January

7th May

25th June

Appendix A

2014 CIAM PLENARY MEETING VOTING RECORD						
Voting from FFTC						
ITEM NO	SUBJECT	Proposed by	VOTING			
			For	Against	Abstain	Amendment ??
15.5	FREE FLIGHT					
	F1C					
b)	3.3.2. Characteristics of Model Aircraft with Piston Motor(s) F1C	F1 SC	X			
	F1E					
c)	3.5.8 Classification	F1SC	X			
	F1Q					
d)	3.Q.2 Characteristics	F1 SC				X ref TG
e)	3.Q.2 Characteristics	FIN		X		
f)	3.Q.2 Characteristics	ITL		X		
g)	3.Q.2. Characteristics	USA		X		
h)	3.Q.2. Characteristics	USA				X ref TG
i)	3.Q.2. Characteristics	USA				X ref TG
	F1S (new Class)					
j)	Class F1S	F1 SC		X		
	Championship bids for voting					
	2016 Continental Championships					
	F1A, F1B, F1C Seniors	Serbia (firm) Romania (firm) FYR of Macedonia (firm)				Macedonia
	F1E (Seniors and/or Juniors)	Serbia (firm) Romania (firm)				Romania
	2016 World Championships					
	F1A, F1B, F1P Juniors	Romania (tentative) FYR of Macedonia (firm)				Abstain (no UK team)
	F1D (Seniors and/or Juniors)	Serbia (firm)				Not FFTC