

BMFA
FREE FLIGHT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Agenda
Wednesday 11th March 2015
11.00am at Chacksfield House

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| 1 | Apologies for absence | |
| 2 | Minutes of previous meeting (28 January) | |
| 3 | Matters arising (not detailed below) | |
| 4 | Contest Calendar | 2015 Calendar (exp meeting date) FFTC Contest fund- Income and costs planning |
| 5 | Flying fields | Barkston North Luffenham Salisbury Plain Use of Decentralised sites Previous survey (request from Steve Philpott) |
| 6 | SAM 35 Relationship | Anything to report |
| 7 | Nationals | 2014 Final financials 2015 Planning |
| 8 | Officer's Reports | Treasurer (Donation) Council Delegate PRO Results Officer Safety Officer Rules Officer |
| 9 | International Teams | 2015 Teams Progress reports F1's CIAM Proposal progress and limited entry numbers. (Details of CIAM agenda not yet available) Junior Euro Champs progress |
| 10 | Space Modelling | Report on STEM (Ken Faux) |
| 11 | Stonehenge and Equinox | Progress report |
| 12 | Rules | Anything to report |
| 13 | Free Flight Info. | BMFA and FFTC Website Andy Symons |
| 14 | Events 2015 | Future of Free flight meeting (MW paper attached below) |
| 15 | FFTC Deliverables | Check of latest version. |
| 16 | Any other Business | (including Correspondence not covered in the above items) |
| 17 | Date of Next Meetings | Confirm 29 th April and 10 th June |

Paper for item 14

Future thoughts and planning day.

The day to cover the planning and practical aspects of the future UK free flight. We set up a day to involve the community.

We can do two things, these being what we fly and how we fly them. We have to act now in order to be able to continue with free flight.

Free flight will change, free flight has to change in order to retain its relevance and participation. Free flight has always changed to meet prevailing circumstances and opportunities. We know that there is a challenge we have to recognise that challenge in order to meet it and adopt what is required.

The issues

These are based upon the situation with respect to:

- The space in which we can do it, the consideration of the fields that we have available to us
- The performance of the leading edge models
- The age of the free flight community

What is happening now

- Issues with current sites being managed
- Papers and thoughts already published
- Experimental events
- Proposal to CIAM
- Asking this question in itself is progress – a recognition of what is happening.

The shape and content of the programme:

Brainstorm of what is required using yellow post it notes

- Classes
- Containment of models/performance
- Management
- Location

Radio dethermalisation (RDT):

- Homebuilt systems
- Commercial systems Stand alone or part of complete set up

Radio assist free flight

- What is it?
- Do we adopt? If so how?

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