

Westland and Yeovil District Aeromodellers Club

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

29th November 2016

Opening

The Annual General Meeting of the Westland and Yeovil District Aeromodellers Club was called to order at 2007 hrs. on 29 November 2016, in The Arrow Public House, by the Chairman.

Present

Mark Pope (Chairman), Dave Garret (Treasurer), John Peedle (Secretary), Jan Bassett, Bob Horne, Jack Mitchell (Newsletter), Douglas Phillips, Adrian Wakely, James Moon.

Apologies

Ray Bowden.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as read.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that the new arrangements for grass cutting were working well, and that any problems should be reported to him. He also reported that he had received a request from the Pilot's Office for a copy of the Club Rules and Constitution. Finally, he presented his apologies for his lack of attendance this year.

After discussion, it was agreed that no one had seen a copy of the Club Constitution for some time. Members were requested to search diligently for any historical versions of the Club Constitution, and to pass such to the Secretary by Saturday 3rd December 2016. If none was available, then the Secretary would investigate what was available through the BMFA as a starting template and prepare a draft. Once the draft was complete an Extraordinary General Meeting would be held to approve the draft.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year, which were accepted unanimously.

The Treasurer presented his recommendation for the 2017 budget and subscriptions. Given the current financial position of the club, and the small possibility of the club needing to make any substantial expenditure in the next year, it was his recommendation that again, other than the BMFA subscriptions due from each member (published at £33 by the BMFA), no club subscription should be levied for 2017 for existing members. The

new member fee would remain at the previous level of £20. This is to be reviewed at the next Annual General Meeting and, subject to any decision at that future meeting, this arrangement is to run for 1 further year.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report and recommendations was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Bob Horne, and carried unanimously.

Election of Officers

Having received no nominations from the floor, the committee members were individually invited to continue in post. Individual votes for Mark Pope as Chairman (proposed by John Peedle, seconded by Bob Horne), John Peedle as Secretary (proposed by Mark Pope, seconded by Bob Horne) and Dave Garret as Treasurer (proposed by Mark Pope, seconded by Jan Basset) were all carried unanimously.

Jack Mitchell kindly agreed to continue as Club Newsletter Editor.

Any Other Business

A suggestion was raised by Dave Garret, that the historical practice of presenting the grounds staff who cut the patch, with a case of beer, should be reinstated. There was immediate agreement, with a budget proposed of £20. A motion to allow Dave Garret (Treasurer) to carry this out was proposed by Dave Garret, seconded by Jack Mitchell, and agreed unanimously.

John Peedle (Secretary) raised the topic of allowed entry times to the airfield. After some discussion it was agreed that the Rules of Conduct should be amended to reflect the following:

Day	Time	Model types
Sunday	0930hrs – 1230hrs	IC Helicopters and any craft meeting the club noise requirements for Silent Flight
Sunday	1230hrs - dusk	Any craft meeting the club noise requirements for Silent Flight
Monday	1800hrs – dusk	IC Helicopters and any craft meeting the club noise requirements for Silent Flight

Day	Time	Model types
Tuesday	1800hrs – dusk	Any craft meeting the club noise requirements for Silent Flight
Wednesday	1800hrs – dusk	Any IC, electric or other model meeting the club rules for noise
Thursday	1800hrs – dusk	Any craft meeting the club noise requirements for Silent Flight
Friday	1800hrs – dusk	Any craft meeting the club noise requirements for Silent Flight
Saturday	1230hrs - dusk	Any IC, electric or other model meeting the club rules for noise

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2044 hrs. by the Chairman. The time and location for the next Annual General Meeting will be promulgated by the Treasurer in early November 2017.

John D. Peedle

Secretary

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