

Cotswold Radio Control Society

Committee Meeting

Thursday 28th March 2013 at Aston Down Control Tower

The Chairman, Mario Malecki, opened the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

1. Present

Members present :

- Eric Brownbill.
- Mario Malecki.
- Bob Maltby.
- Doug Garland.
- Gordon Bishop.
- Terry Clarke

Apologies :

- George Ford.
- Jon Parker.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the February Committee Meeting of were read by the Secretary, Eric Brownbill.

- Proposed : Doug Garland.
- Seconded : Terry Clarke.

The minutes were unanimously approved by the meeting.

3. Matters Arising

- Audit of Accounts : There had been several queries from members on the progress of the audit. The Chairman clarified the situation by explaining that the agreement was that the accounts should be audited in time for the next AGM.
- The Treasurer : The Treasurer stated that he was unhappy with the way in which the matter of the audit had been handled, and that as a result, he intended to resign from the committee at the next AGM in November.
- John Dobson : The Chairman reported that the cheque to the memorial fund had been sent.
- New Committee Member : Terry Clarke was officially co-opted on to the committee.
- Wroughton Club : A further discussion took place on the status of the Wroughton club, and general concern was expressed that the members of this club might attempt to join the CRCS, en masse. This could result in more members than the CRCS could reasonably cope with and potential problems over members wanting to fly gas turbine models. It was agreed that the situation should be regularly monitored, and that, for the time being, the CRCS should impose a limit of 60 members.

4. BMFA Interactive Club Map

Notice had been received from the BMFA, that they had completed their interactive club map which would be available on the internet. The BMFA had asked all clubs to check their details on this site. The Chairman undertook to do this.

5. Status of the CRB

Andrew Evans had been in contact with the BMFA concerning the renewal of his CRB certificate. He had forwarded to the Secretary a copy of the note he had received from Manny Williamson, explaining the changes that were taking place in the system. The BMFA intended to send out a letter to all clubs on a new Child Protection Policy later in the year.

6. Richard Parker

It was reported that Richard Parker had been flying at Aston Down, even though he had not rejoined the club for the 2013 season. He was not entitled to do this, because the ruling that non members were entitled to 3 visits before being required to join the club only applied to people who were new to the hobby and had not been members before. It was agreed that this rule should be mentioned in the forthcoming edition of the Broomstick.

7. The Broomstick

The Chairman was intending to publish a new edition in the next few weeks.

8. Chedworth Fly In

Chedworth club were planning a fly in for 19th May, following the same format as the successful fly in organised by the CRCS in 2012.

9. A & B Certificates

Due to the bad flying weather, the Chairman had not made any progress on obtaining examiner status. He stated his intention of putting in his application as soon as possible, even though he had not been able to do much practice, and seeing what happened.

It was also reported that Steve Holland was now back from Afghanistan, and was intending to apply for Chief Examiner status.

10. CRCS Flyer

The Chairman reported that he was still working on the club flyer and hoped to have it completed soon. The intention was to be able to send this to anyone making a membership enquiry.

11. Membership

The Treasurer reported that, at the last count, there were 42 members.

12. April Club Meeting

Bob Maltby would give a talk on CAD and laser cutting for model aircraft.

13. First Person View (FPV)

Doug Garland raised the subject of FPV. Although there was currently no demand for FPV flying from club members, he felt that it was only a matter of time before it became an issue. For this reason, he felt that the committee should consider the matter and had a policy which could be recommended to the membership.

14. May Club Meeting

A short discussion took place on the subject of the May meeting. It was proposed that either the Chairman would give a talk on the building of his latest project, or that it could be a 'Bring a Model' evening.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55p.m..

Minutes Approved by

- Chairman :
- Secretary :