



Cotswold Radio Control Society

Committee Meeting Minutes

Date / Time 23-Aug-2023 / 6:30pm

Location Club Hut, Aston Down

Present Mario Malecki, Bill Cousins, Frankie Palomo, Richard Brooke, John Veitch,

Paul Swinscoe

Apologies

Agenda

1. Minutes from the meeting of 17-Feb-2023 were reviewed and approved.
2. Matters arising.
 - a. No matters arising.
3. Membership
 - a. New member enquiries
 - i. John Burton - In process waiting for an invite for an initial visit.
 - ii. James Ewence & son - reply sent, have not heard back yet.
 - iii. Mike Burlington - non flying member - Joined 23-Aug 2023
4. Finances Update
 - a. Club finances remain in good shape.
5. Safety Issues
 - a. No additional issues reported.
6. Flying Training
 - a. Training Sessions
 - i. Member training is going well with MM doing the most instructing. We will encourage other instructors to get more involved when they are available.
 - ii. If the weather improves we will try out training days with as many instructors available as possible.
 - iii. We need to ensure all members who are receiving training read the 'A Flying Start' booklet from the BMFA. Send a copy to all trainees. ACTION MM
 - b. Invite Paul Swinscoe to discuss A & B certs.
 - i. Paul is a current BMFA examiner and is fully up to date on the current safety directives issued by the BMFA.



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- ii. Paul has assessed our methods of operating and training and feels there is room for improvement in some areas, and has offered to take a lead role together with Bill in directing the club to better adopt all BMFA guidelines.
 - iii. Paul and Bill will work together to define guidelines and ensure they stay up to date with any future changes made by the BMFA & CAA. They will report back to the committee with their recommendations at the end of September or early October.
 - iv. Paul will be a real asset to the club given his knowledge and experience and we all thank him.
 - v. 24-Aug-2023 The committee has co-opted Paul onto the team so welcome Paul.
7. Large model testing
- a. It looks like we will not see the owners of the big FW 190 come back to AD, which is good given our reservations about some aspects of the model. Given our experience with our permission for the testing of a large model by people not belonging to the club we will not do so again.
8. Club documents archive - do we need them?
- a. The paper documents are of no value to the club as most contain notes that cannot be referenced in any cohesive way. Therefore, given that the club has a good repository of records in the website, MM to have a look through them and destroy any that are not particularly relevant.
9. Constitution
- a. The constitution will be updated at some point to reflect the way we hold committee meetings.



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- b. Online voting needs to be considered due to the lack of club engagement with attending important meetings. At some point in the future we will need to open a discussion within the club to explore methods of dealing with important club voting. It should be noted that there is very little that needs to be changed now that the club Constitution and Airfield Safety Rules are up to date are fit for purpose for the foreseeable future.

No date has been set for the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked all who attended and closed the meeting at 7:30pm