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sessions are attended by at least one committee member, whoever is there at the time should always oversee the session to make sure the spotting is done correctly.

6. Flying Training **MM**

- a. A 'Train the trainer' session will be organised as soon as weather permits so that all the trainers can agree on a general format for training members.
- b. BMFA A & B certs **PS, BC**
 - i. Now that everyone is back from holiday our flight line safety procedures can be assessed and any improvements identified.
 - ii. Recently PS arranged a flying session to coach a few members in preparation for them to take the 'B' certificate. The members soon discovered it is not as easy as it seems and all agreed it was a very worthwhile exercise and needs to be repeated asap.

7. CGC Bonfire event on 28-Oct

- a. CGC has invited us to put on a model static and flying display. We will decline the invitation for the following reasons:
 - i. There will be no area under cover for the static models.
 - ii. The risk of poor weather conditions is too great.
 - iii. The event is essentially for the public and therefore we are not in a position to put on a public flying display..

8. Vintage Gliding Club

- a. The VGC were so impressed with our model flying display during the VGC Rally at AD that they want to award the CRCS



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with a medal and invited us to send a representative to their awards dinner in Eastbourne, See 'VGC Letter' below.

- b. None of the committee are available so we have declined the invitation. The organisers will send the medal to MM and we will ask Robin Birch who is a committee member of the CGV to present the medal to us so we can have a photo taken.

9. Scale Day

- a. There was no realistic option of holding the event during the summer due to weather.
- b. We will look to organise an event sometime during October and it will be at short notice if the weather permits. Essentially it will be a scale flying session with flying slots of 10mins each organised the same way we have done it in the past.
- c. Send a message to members to notify them **ACTION MM**

10. Club meetings

- a. The following meetings have been decided on.
 - i. Thursday 5th October 8:00pm - Bring a project, have a chat and a beer.
 - ii. Thursday 2nd November 8:00pm - AGM - see an email to be sent shortly.
 - iii. Thursday 7th December 8:00pm - Quiz Nite - Hosted by Doug our long standing and excellent quiz master.
 - iv. No meeting in January



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- v. Thursday 1st February 8:00pm - Yearly bring and buy and show off a project - A chance to get rid of stuff you have been accumulating!
- vi. Thursday 7th March 8:00pm - Format yet to be decided.
- vii. Thursday 4th April 8:00pm - Format yet to be decided.
- b. Contact Douig Garland to see if he is available as quizmaster for the Quiz Nite and as he is no longer a member of the CRCS, buy a couple of bottles for him as a thankyou. **ACTION MM** - Update: Doug is available and would like a lift so that he can have a drink or three.
- 11. AGM
 - a. The next committee meeting at the end of October will be dedicated mainly in preparation for the AGM.
 - b. Any update for the CGC subs needs to be sought from them before the next committee meeting. **ACTION BC**
- 12. Site maintenance
 - a. The cabin and the area around it needs a tidy up, and things like the old mower needs to be disposed of. MM to book his van into Horsley tip and arrange a day and help from members. **ACTION MM**
- 13. Club documents archive - do we need them? **MM, BC**
 - a. All unnecessary paperwork has been disposed of and all financial paperwork has been retained from 2017 onwards.



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- b. From 2022 onwards no paper copies of any club information will be saved as everything is stored on the club website. Current membership details and accounts are stored on a Google Drive under MM's Google account. Also as we are using a Lloyds Banking app, all bank transactions are easily available.
 - c. A statement for the club Coventry Building Society account needs to be acquired before the AGM. **ACTION BC**
 - 14. Constitution - NFA to date
 - a. Update to reflect the way we hold meetings
 - b. Online voting
 - 15. AOB
 - a. CAA Registration
 - i. We will not manage members registration from the end of the year. The two reasons are:
 - 1. The renewal dates are different for each member which makes it difficult for BC to manage paying them on time.
 - 2. The competence certificates expiry dates are different for each member.
 - 3. If the committee takes responsibility for CAA renewals, most members will assume everything is in order and not check their current status regarding 1, 2 above. Therefore it is in the best interests of members that they take full responsibility for their own CAA approvals.



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- ii. The BMFA has advised that the CRCS will not be held responsible if any member's CAA renewals are out of date, but the committee will send occasional reminders to prompt members to check and action their CAA renewals. **ACTION MM, PS.**

No date has been set for the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked all who attended and closed the meeting at 7:35pm

VGC Letter

Dear Mario

I would like to thank the aero modellers that displayed and flew their models at the Vintage Glider Club 50th International Rally in August. Such an array of amazing aircraft.

I am writing to let you know that one of our awards is for the Best Model flown or displayed at a Vintage Glider Club International Rally. This is voted for by members attending the rally. Our members could not choose a particular model as they were all so beautifully built and flown. It has therefore been decided to award the medal to the Cotswold Radio Control Society.

The medal is presented at our annual dinner, which this year is in Eastbourne at the View Hotel. It would be lovely if you and or your members that flew that evening could join us.



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The dinner is on the evening of 14th October - the cost of the dinner is £48.00 per person.
The hotel rooms can be booked either direct or via Booking.com.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Chris Whittaker

Chairman

The Vintage Glider Club Ltd