

Minutes for the Thursday 17th February 2022 Hartlepool Model Flying Club meeting

1. Apologies for absence

Ken Ridden, Derek Smith

There were 10 members present

2. Matters arising from last months minutes

Nothing apart from the change to a Thursday for the meeting seems to have gone well.

3. Chairman's report

Nothing to report

4. Secretary's report

Nothing from me except there is some BMFA business that's covered in Club business

5. Treasurer's report

The number of club members fully paid up with BMFA **AND** Club fees is currently 20

Some people still have BMFA/CAA fees to pay.

Remaining Club fees (£25) are due this month or by the March meeting.

Cash in hand £899.89 (of which £500 is to be paid to the farmer for field rent soon)

Cash at the bank £811.66

Total = £1711.55 (£1211.55 after field rent paid)

6. Welfare officers report

Nothing to report.

7. BMFA delegate's report

Paul hasn't been to the meeting but nothing to report from the emailed minutes.

8. Club business

• Government consultation – Nitromethane

The BMFA have sent out a link to a consultation about the Government plans for limiting the use of Nitromethane (amongst other poisons / explosives) which might affect Club members if you use high nitro content fuels. The current rules allow up to 30% but could be reduced to 16%. If you wish to make comments on it please follow the link below.

<https://bmfa.org/News/News-Page/ArticleID/2774/Possible-amendments-to-Poisons-Act-1972-Affects-users-of-fuel-containing-nitromethane-Please-respond-to-the-consultation>

• BMFA Centenary

The BMFA is celebrating it's centenary this year. There is a link to the centenary website below. The BMFA is going to attempt a world record for the most number of model planes in the sky at any one time (not all in the same place) We can take part in this or other activities if we wish but we will need to get that organised over the next month or two. Any thoughts about it? Have a look at the site below and we can discuss it next month.

<https://100.bmfa.org/>

• BMFA Achievement scheme

Mike and myself are available for anyone wanting to do the fixed wing A or B certificate.

• Events on the club website <https://hartlepoolmfc.bmfa.uk/events-2022>

I don't think much more has been added since last month but please note the following.

- **The Hurworth Swapmeet**
The Hurworth Swapmeet is on this Sunday 20th Feb. Buyers from 9.30. Sellers get there sooner.
<https://events.bmfa.uk/event/other-hurworth-aeromodellers-swapmeet-2>
- **The National Model Engineering Show**
The May Model Engineering Show at Doncaster has been cancelled for yet another year. Nothing happening so far with that in 2022.
<http://www.thedoncastershow.com/>
- **BMFA Nationals**
Still waiting for a date for the British Nationals show in August at Barkston Heath.
<https://nationals.bmfa.uk/>

9. AOB

No other business was brought up.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm