AGM Minutes for the 17th November 2022 Hartlepool Model Flying Club meeting

1. Apologies for absence

Robert Walker, Peter Rowbotham

There was 9/27 members present

2. Matters arising from the November 2021 AGM minutes

The 2021 AGM minutes were emailed to all members in the last week as a reminder of what took place last year.

There were no matters arising.

3. Chairman's report

Nothing to report

4. Secretary's report

It's been quite a good year for the club. Membership has been static at 27 and apart from attendance at meetings tailing off as the year went on everything seems to have gone well. I'd like to thank everyone who attended and helped with the world record attempt earlier in the year. Also I'd like to thank Paul for maintaining the club flying strip and the mower, We would be knee deep in grass without his attention.

5. Treasurer's report

The Club's finances are as follows, Money in the bank = £1193.16 Cash in hand = £79.98 Giving a total of £1273.14

A full breakdown of the Club's finances sheets was circulated around members present.

The club is in a slightly better financial position than last year so I would recommend the £25 club fee remains the same for 2023.

6. Welfare officers report

Thankfully there were no incidents or requests regarding welfare issues brought to my attention this year. My duties as a club committee member have been to support the other committee members on general matters associated with general club administration.

Since I am now retired I hope to be more active down the flying field and will explore some ideas for social / flying events aimed at trying to bring members together every now and again for a bit of fun in 2023. Watch this space.

7. BMFA delegate's report

The BMFA delegate was absent so nothing to report.

8. Proposed Motions

There have been no proposed motions to bring the the members.

9. Changes to the Club Constitution

Following a year of fairly poor attendance at club meetings an alteration was proposed to 13.1 of the club constitution regarding the number of club meetings that must take place. Instead of monthly meeting being mandatory the proposal was for a minimum of 4 meetings plus an AGM to take place over the year if the situation deems to be necessary. We would aim to keep the 12 monthly meetings as they are now but have the option to reduce them if the situation dictates.

Proposed by Mike Bell

Seconded by Paul Hewson

The alteration was carried unanimously.

10. Election of Club Officers

The club officials for 2022 consists of the following,

Chairman – Paul Hewson Secretary – Bob Waugh Treasurer – Bob Waugh BMFA Delegate – Paul Breckon Welfare Officer – Mike Bell

All of the officials are prepared to re-stand for 2023 if the membership agree. The proposal that the club officials be re-elected was by Dave Taylor Seconded by Richard Atkins

The re-election of club officials for 2023 was carried unanimously.

11.AOB

Communications with members

Communication from Officials to club members is by email as the easiest and cheapest method or post if necessary but that's around £30 a mail shot. Unless there are problems we'll continue with this method. If you change address, email address or phone number please let us know asap.

Club meetings attendance and activities

Over the year the attendance at club meetings has fallen (5 at the October 2022 meeting). To keep meetings running we need members to attend. Our poor attendance has already been noted by the NALGO club and if it continues we may be looking for another venue. If there are any suggestions for activities to take place during meeting nights that might boost attendance please get in touch with the club officials and we'll see what we can organise.

No other business was brought up.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm