

# Hartlepool Model Flying Club

Minutes for the meeting held on  
WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
at Stranton Social Club

## 1. Apologies for absence

Robert Walker

There were 6/24 members present

## 2. Matters arising from last months minutes

No matters brought forward

## 3. Chairman's report

Well done to those that turned up on Sunday for the world record attempt. Thanks for all the help with the catering on the day as well.

## 4. Secretary's report

I would like to thank Mike for organising the world record attempt on Sunday. A big thank you to Paul, Lillian and family and Mike and Nic for providing nibbles and drinks on the day. The weather was good and despite a poorer than expected turnout, the day was a success.

## 5. Treasurer's report

There have been very few transactions over the past month so the figures are fairly static but healthy. The farmer's £500 field rent has been paid so this means our finances stand as follows.

Cash at the bank - £1101.50

Cash in hand - £175.88

Total - £1277.38

## 6. Welfare officers report

Nothing to report.

## 7. BMFA delegate's report

Delegate absent, no information to pass on.

## 8. Club business

### • Field rent paid.

Myself and Mike called on the farmer to pay our £500 field rent. Jeff (the farmer) seems quite happy with the way things are going with us. We asked about the possibility of putting an electric fence around the strip during the winter to keep the animals off it. He's informed us he has acquired the next field down and he plans to keep his animals on that over the winter but if things change we are welcome to put a fence up or maybe even link it into his own electric fence. We will deal with that if needed later in the year. He also told us he has plans to improve the entrance to the field at some point so we live in hope :o)

### • Last months Paper Plane Competition

The rules were simple. Make a paper plane from 1 sheet of A4 paper. Test fly it then enter into 3 rounds of the competition.

Each round was timed for the longest flight with the winner being the one who could keep it up the longest. All 3 rounds times added together.

1<sup>st</sup> place Bob Waugh with total time of 7.50 seconds

2<sup>nd</sup> place Paul Hewson with 6.49 seconds

3<sup>rd</sup> place Colin Kitching with 6.43 seconds

Thanks to Martin Bell for laser cutting the winners trophy :o)

- **BMFA World Record Attempt information - 14<sup>th</sup> May**  
The results haven't been posted yet. We'll let you know the final totals when the information comes through.
- **BMFA Achievement scheme**  
Mike and myself are available for anyone wanting to take the BMFA A or B competency certificate.
- **Club Merchandise**  
We have the new sun hats as well as club hats and caps for sale after the meeting.
- **Events on the club website**  
I'm adding events to the club website that might be of interest to members. If you know of any other modelling events please get in touch and I'll add them.  
Forthcoming events to add to your diary  
LMA Teesside at Redmarshall Saturday/Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> June

## 9. AOB

Club web site photos – I still haven't got any more. If anyone has any photos of their models to put on the club website can they email them to me and I'll add them. We could do with some of the photos that are on there updating with more recent ones.

The BMFA round the world charity event takes place in July. This is a sponsored distance record. Hopefully the information will be available to pass on to you at the June meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

The meeting was followed by a small model flying session in the room. Small drones whizzing round. Fortunately with not too many people turning up there were no casualties :o)