

Hartlepool Model Flying Club

Minutes for the meeting held on
WEDNESDAY 19th July 2023
at Stranton Social Club

1. Apologies for absence

Mike Bell,

There were 9/24 members present

2. Matters arising from last months minutes

No matters brought forward

3. Chairman's report

Nothing to report

4. Secretary's report

Nothing to report

5. Treasurer's report

There have been very few transactions over the past month so the figures are fairly static but healthy.

Our finances stand as follows.

Cash at the bank - £1101.50

Cash in hand - £172.19

Total - £1273.69

6. Welfare officers report

Nothing to report.

7. BMFA delegate's report

BMFA Scotland area has now been made official. Albemarle A&B testing day is now probably 3rd September. The survey conducted by BMFA about changing membership to a rolling one has come back with keeping the status quo the same with membership starting at the beginning of the year.

8. Club business

• **BMFA Distance Challenge – Around the world in 8 hours - 2nd to 8th July**

From Mike

- We failed to record any contribution to the BMFA distance challenge due to a combination of farming activity in our field and unfavourable weather over the two weekends of the qualifying period. It may have been physically possible to fly in those periods, but probably not too enjoyable.

• **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 Elvington on 12th & 13th August, just before the next club meeting.

- **Prospective new member**

We've had interest from Paul Phelan wishing to join the club. This came through directly from BMFA as he is a BMFA member. An invitation has been sent for him to attend the meeting.

Paul hasn't replied to the two emails I sent him nor has he returned the club application form. He hasn't made any contact with the club and didn't attend the meeting so his application to join the club via BMFA has been turned down.

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.

Mike has suggested that he would like to postpone the unlimited design club room glider competition until later in the year when there may be fewer distractions from holiday activities etc. He says he will finalise the details and communicate them nearer the time.

From the Chairman. Just so you are aware, metal detectorists have been digging holes in the flying strip and filling them.

Washington Club has an indoor session organised for Saturday 29th July 2 – 4 pm at the sports hall at Nissan.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm