Hartlepool Model Flying Club

Minutes for the meeting held on WEDNESDAY 20th August 2025 at South Durham Social Club

(Former Steelworks Club)

1. Apologies for absence

No apologies

There were 7/23 members present

2. Matters arising from last months minutes

Nothing brought up.

3. Chairman's report

Nothing to report.

4. Secretary's report

Nothing to report.

5. Treasurer's report

Our finances are fairly static at the moment and they stand as follows, the same as last month.

Cash at the bank = £1081.94 Cash in hand = £246.36 Total = £1328.30

6. Welfare officers report

Nothing to report

7. BMFA delegate's report

Paul was absent so nothing to report.

8. Club business

Flying Field Update

The Farmer has cut and baled the flying field. He should be collecting the bales shortly if he hasn't already done that. Remember to close the gate.

Membership 2025

Club membership currently stand at 23 members.

Flyer ID Information from BMFA

We only have 17 members with a Flyer ID. If you have a Flyer ID and haven't yet sent the information to Bob please do so ASAP.

If you haven't got a Flyer ID and the Operator ID on your model you can't fly at the club field.

Under the new laws that are now in place a Flyer ID is now compulsory. (It's FREE)

If you've got a Flyer ID then good, if you haven't please sit the BMFA RCC test and get one.

BMFA Achievement scheme

Anyone wanting to take the BMFA A or B competency certificate please see Mike or Bob.

Club Merchandise

We have club hats, caps & sun hats for sale after the meeting.

Events on the club website

There are a number of events posted on the club website, if anyone knows of others that club member would be interested in please let me know.

The Indoor Flying season with be starting at the beginning of September. Peterlee starts on 6th September with Washington Nissan the following week.

Club Badges etc.

I've investigated the possibility of buying either sew on or iron on club badges for hats, coats etc. Unless we invest a small fortune in them and buy a hundred or more the costs per badge are too high to make it worth while and that along with the general lack of interest from club members (No one has contacted me about this) means this idea will have to be dropped.

Next Months Activities

For the September meeting we are going to hold a Build a Depron Glider Competition. We have a longer room than last time so hopefully we can get longer times.

You will be provided with an Approx A4 size piece of 3mm thick Depron and it's up to you to come up with a design that flies for the longest time. This year we're adding a theme to the build. The theme for this event is Birds (feathered sort). You don't have to follow the theme.

We will have Club Hats as prizes for the longest time in the air and the most bird like.

9. AOB

• Congratulations to Martin for winning the Fun Fly Nationals at BMFA Buckminster last weekend. He becomes British champion ... again :o) He was the overall winner for all of his events and set the record of 75 touch and goes in 2 min.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm