Hartlepool Model Flying Club

Minutes for the meeting held on WEDNESDAY 15th October 2025 at South Durham Social Club

(Former Steelworks Club)

1. Apologies for absence

Bob Waugh, Rob Walker, Colin & Robert Kitching

There were 7/23 members present

2. Matters arising from last months minutes

No matter arising.

3. Chairman's report

Nothing to report

4. Secretary's report

Information has been emailed to all members regarding CAA changes about Remote ID.

5. Treasurer's report

Our finances are the same as last month and are as follows.

Cash at the bank = £1081.94 Cash in hand = £242.01 Total = £1323.95

6. Welfare officers report

Nothing to report

7. BMFA delegate's report

Absent so nothing to report

8. Club business

Flying Field Update

The field grass is quite short at the moment. The farmer has spread an assortment of muck (pick your own word) all over so watch where you step. There are cows in the field ... and sheep ... and a couple of Alpacas and a horse so you're probably best to park outside the gate for the moment so they don't get too friendly with your cars. And definitely close the gate. But other than that there's been no problem flying there :o)

The latest reports are that the cows have been moved but we'll see how things go.

The farmer is trying to stop late night use of the field road by quad bikes etc. He put a padlock on the step through gate next to the farm house last week and by Wednesday morning someone had superglued it shut so it had to be cut off. He's now put another one on the field gate, hopefully it will last a bit longer. The code for the lock is 1988. If it's already unlocked no problem but if you have any issues with it please let someone in the farm know about it.

The Club Mower

It's nearing the end of it's life at the moment so we will have to dig deep in the funds for a new one at some point between now and the growing season next year.

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 have a Flyer ID it last for 5 years so you should be OK for next year. If you haven't got one please get it sorted.

Email Update

If you have changed your email address can you please send details to Bob ASAP. We have one member, I believe to be Roger Jones who's emails are bouncing back to me. If anyone sees Roger please ask him to contact us with updates. All Club communication along with BMFA and CAA info is sent by email. If yours isn't up to date you wont get it.

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 has now started with both Peterlee Club and Washington Club at Nissan offering sports halls to fly in.

Next Months Activities. The AGM

The AGM will be held on the next Club meeting on 19th November. The BMFA will have held their AGM by then so we should know the new fees for next year and we can all pay them sharpish so I don't have to chase people for money :0)

• Remember, we agreed at the 2024 AGM that ALL Club, BMFA and CAA fees are due to be paid by the end of the year (before the start of the next year) **NOT** carried over to the March meeting. If you aren't paid up by the end of the year you aren't a member!

9. AOB

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Meeting closed at 8.21pm