

Hartlepool Model Flying Club

**Minutes for the meeting held on
WEDNESDAY 21st January 2026
at South Durham Social Club
(Former Steelworks Club)**

1. Apologies for absence

No apologies received

There were 10/22 members present

2. Matters arising from last months minutes

No matter arising.

3. Chairman's report

Nothing to report

4. Secretary's report

Nothing to report

5. Treasurer's report

The food for the Christmas party cost £90 (around £4.60 / head) and the raffle brought in £93 so once again a big thank you to all who attended and bought tickets, our costs were covered. There's also been a lot of transactions over the past couple of months, collecting fees and paying BMFA etc.

The club finances now stand as follows.

Cash at the bank = £1012.52

Cash in hand = £928.97 (includes the £500 cash for field rent for the farmer)

Total = £1941.49 (£1441.49 after field rent paid)

We also have approx £100 yet to be paid out for CAA fees.

6. Welfare officers report

Nothing to report

7. BMFA delegate's report

Nothing to report

8. Club business

• Flying Field Update

No one has been up the field lately but the last reports were that the strip was in reasonable condition and there were sheep on the field. Gate area was poor so leave your car outside and walk in. Condition will be investigated before the next meeting.

• The Club Mower Update

Paul is still working on the mower and hopefully we will know by next meeting if we need a new one or not.

• Membership 2026

Paid up club membership currently stand at 22 members.

CLUB FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE

• Flyer ID Information from BMFA

We have 18 members with a Flyer ID. If you have a Flyer ID and haven't yet sent the information to Bob please do so. If you haven't got it yet organise it ASAP.

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

- **Email Update**

If you have changed your email address or any other details can you please send details to Bob ASAP. Roger Jones hasn't renewed membership this year and his emails are bouncing back to me. If anyone sees Roger please ask him to get in contact with updates.

All Club communication along with BMFA and CAA info is sent by email. If yours isn't up to date you won't 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 members would be interested in please let me know.

The Hurworth Swapmeet is taking place on Sunday 15th February 9.30 – 12.00. Get there early for the bargains :o) Details can be found below.

<https://events.bmfa.uk/event/hurworth-aeromodellers-swapmeet>

The Indoor Flying season is continuing with both Peterlee Club and Washington Club at Nissan offering sports halls to fly in.

- **Next Months Activities.**

The next Club meeting on 18th February.

Next months activities – Build a Depron Glider night. You will be provided with an approx A4 sheet of 3mm depron. You ask is to design and build and test a glider. We will be timing the flights, the longest time wins. Prize for the winner.

9. AOB

- Paul got a bottle of Jill's favourite to pass on to say thanks for sorting the food for the Christmas party.

Meeting closed at 8.25