

# Retford Model Flying Club

## AGM Minutes 2007

24th January 2008 @ Babworth Social Club, Babworth, Nr. Retford, Notts

27 Members were in attendance and 2 visitors.

The meeting was opened by the chairman at 19:30.

### **Apologies**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **Minutes of previous AGM**

The minutes of the previous AGM were read and agreed.

### **Matters Arising**

Correspondence was read out to the assembled members, many threats were made to both committee members and the club as a whole. The chairman asked if anyone would like to second a proposal to allow helicopters again, there were no replies.

### **Chairmans Report**

The chairman reported on the work done to the Ransomes mower namely the engine transplant carried out by Steve Coarse. The chairman also reported on the generator that has been purchased which supplies heat and light to both containers. Further completed projects included the alarm system, access ramps and roadway.

### **Secretarys Report**

A proposal was made that a late payment fee of £20 would be levied to existing members who did not pay subs by 31st December. 21 voted in favour, 1 against.

A lengthy debate took place on how new members should be charged, the final decision being £20 joining fee + BMFA if applicable. When the 3 months trial is completed, if their application is successful they then pay the pro rata membership rate back dated to their joining date. 18 in favour, 2 against.

### **Treasurers Report**

The accounts were discussed in detail, 2008 payments to outstanding parties regarding road and container work of £1000 has been agreed to be paid out of 2008 subs.

### **Safety Officers Report**

A discussion took place regarding a mid air collision that occurred during the year and everyone was reminded to fly in the circuit direction when at circuit height.

A discussion also took place regarding the position of the pegboard and the pilots box.

Discussion continued with a detailed explanation of the problems Futaba are having with their 2.4GHz systems and how we should avoid problems at our club by simply doing a cross channel check between all Futaba 2.4GHz systems on the field at any time.

## **Training**

Chris gave an update on the numbers of trainee's, successful achievements etc. A question was asked who is allowed to train members. After a discussion it was agreed that any competent person could act as a safety pilot but should not undertake the teaching of new aspects of flying, this should be done by club or approved instructors.

## **Changes to constitution**

3 changes to the constitution were proposed, the first being that the committee could apply for a loan or mortgage on behalf of the club following a carried proposal at an EGM or AGM for purposes such as buying an additional field etc. 22 in favour, 1 against  
The second change was that any committee member not attending and not sending apologies for three committee meetings in succession will be automatically resigned from the committee. 25 in favour, 0 against.

The third proposal was to be able to offer payment to members for work undertaken at the field. A lengthy discussion took place regarding potential insurance problems, it was agreed to look into the situation and report back to members.

## **Changes to RMFC in it's current entity.**

The proposal was discussed at length with advantages and disadvantages being put forward by the membership. 16 in favour, 4 against. This item will now be investigated further and legal advice sought. Members were also asked how many would be interested in the suggested format, 7 members (approx 26%) expressed an interest .

## **Election of officers**

<u>Chairman:</u>	John Bridgett *	<u>Vice Chairman:</u>	Ian Albans
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Tony Maltson *	<u>Secretary:</u>	Christian Anderson
<u>Training Officer:</u>	Christian Anderson *	<u>Child Welfare Officer:</u>	Marian Ainsworth
<u>Groundsman:</u>	Steve Course	<u>Press Relations Officer:</u>	Peter Lewis
<u>Committee:</u>	Stuart Wordsworth / Brian Haines/ Mick Cole * Dave Lynett * Dave Noar		

\* = re-elected, un opposed

Any Other Business

There was no other business

Meeting Closed at 23:20