

## Retford Model Flying Club 2011 AGM

### Babworth Rd Sports & Social Club

19th January 2012

The meeting opened at 1940hrs with 36 full members in attendance.

Apologies received from : P Phillipson ; I Padley ; P Padley; P Lewis; C Metcalfe:

#### Minutes of the last meeting

Trustees matter was resolved before the meeting

Everyone now has a copy of the 2012 constitution & rule booklet which was kindly proof read by Derek Kellard which I would ask you to read.

Minutes were then agreed:

Proposed by John Morton - Seconded By Dave Noar

#### Secretary Report

CA informed the meeting that membership for 2012 is full with 5 on our waiting list. The Chairman and committee have had to make some difficult & strong decisions to safe guard air space for our club to survive. A site had been identified at Gringley and with JB gaining permission for us to fly at pro turf if the field could not be completed on time so everything was in place. As we all know now the wind farm plan has been rejected so its business as usual at our Leverton flying site.

I was disappointed to learn a member had invited an ex member down to the field. You are allowed to bring a visitor 3 times a year but not someone who has been asked to leave and had membership withdrawn. I hope this situation will not happen again.

Horses, pedestrians and cycles use both the road and bridle path at each end of our site. The club was alarmed to hear from the husband of a lady horse rider whose horse had been spooked by one of our planes. It turned out she was down the road towards the farm and had to dismount. Please can you all be aware of anyone passing the field and fly at the opposite end until they have passed as we do not want any complaints being sent to the local council It was agreed to invite a guest speakers Steve Dunning & Simon Parker to our club nights.

Swap meets were both successful events and will continue in 2012 as will the Family & scale days. Steve Dunning donated a Buddy training aircraft to help us continue to promote model flying at our club, Steve has always been a big supporter of RMFC and the club thanks him for his continuing support.

#### Election of officers

Chairman DN withdrew his nomination and with no further nomination John Bridget was elected for a further 2 years in office  
Proposed Chris Anderson Seconded Dave Noar

Secretary Not required too stand till 2013

Treasurer Nomination of TM was withdrawn, John Young agreed to continue  
Proposed CA Seconded JB



Grounds man Mick Cole  
Proposed JB Seconded D Lynett

Committee A vote for committee was carried out under the scrutiny of Mrs. M. Dixon with the candidates elected  
Simon Codd - Steve Course - Dave Noar

Andy Jeffery although not elected was asked to take over the we site update

The members thanked Marian Ainsworth, Dave Lynett & Brian Haines for their dedication and help over the last few years in office and hoped they would continue to support us in 2012.

### Chairman's report

JB gave an update as to how the wind farm situation had now ceased to be a threat. The club had a plan in place to move to a new site at Gringley or fly at pro turf if the deal had not been completed.

It was agreed by the meeting that we asked Ian Albans to look into the possibility of buying the field to the east of our flying site, he will report back to the committee his findings.

The chairman also backed CA stance regarding ex members that had been asked to leave the club being invited back, this is unacceptable although guests are welcomed 3 times in a year.

### Treasures Report

JY gave an account as to the club finances. Two thousand has been moved to the mower account and there is three thousand in the bank. He proposed that there should be no increase in club fees the BMFA being as advised.

### Groundsmans report

The meeting was given a proposed budget for 2012

Road topping

Ground spiking & rolling

Electrical rewire club house

Hedge cutting

Mower maintenance

Alarm update

£1500 budget

Mike and his team will service the mower whilst Phil Welsh & Minty Morton will take care of the club house rewiring project.

IA is looking into the cost of topping the drive; a work party will be required to help on the day of delivery.

JB has asked pro turf for a quote to spray our field

After a debate it was agreed to leave the grass as at present.

The shelter on the flight line had many possibilities but as whether it would stand the test of time & wind was another matter. The club house only if a key holder is on the field. If member wants responsibility of opening the club house then please forward your request for agreement at a committee meeting.



## Events

CA gave the meeting a list of planned events for 2012, these will be posted on the RMFC web site

## Any other business

Whistle discussion was withdrawn

Simon Parker requested that helicopters (Scale only) could be allowed to fly at the family day & scale day events. A long debate took place with a vote being in favor of this proposal. However after the meeting SP withdrew his request as helicopters flying at Leverton is against the constitution of RMFC and any request to change the constitution has to be on the meetings agenda not under any other business. SP requested this request to be placed on the 2012 AGM agenda.

It was agreed to continue the current 2 meetings a year with guest speaker.

Clarification of flying circuits can be found in the BMFA handbook but on days with no wind direction it must be agreed with other pilots as to take off direction and circuit flown.

Meeting closed at 2155

2012 AG will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2013