

Alton Silent Fliers

15th November 2016

2016 / 2017 AGM Minutes of the Alton Silent Fliers.

1. Apologies:

Steve Cope.

2. Secretaries Report:

Terry said it had been a good year with most competitions / leagues being run even though this had required additional dates being added. The final "Foamy" date being the 27th November and the Esoaring dates the 20th November and the 11th December. The site has been improved by the addition of a mown strip, but Ferris is still working to improve this. Fixed wing aircraft can now be flown as mentioned at club-nights but only using the same type of flight patterns we use with our gliders, no flying up and down the strip at all.

The meal and prize-giving event was very well supported and enjoyed by all, this has already been arranged to be repeated, the date being the 24th January 2017.

Finally 3 of the planned 4 National Esoaring events went ahead, one being lost due to the weather amongst other things, Terry will report on the income from this activity.

3. Treasurers Report:

Terry presented the balance sheet and said it had been checked by Tony.

It showed the account to be in a healthy position with good income being received both from the subscriptions and the National Opens we had run during the year.

No increase in subscription levels are proposed either for the ASF or BMFA so please refer to the web-site for the various subscription levels.

We are steadily increasing our balance and the aim is to reach a balance of £4000.00, once achieved the subscription levels will be reviewed in order to no more than maintain the situation.

Accounts approval: Proposed – Martin Gilbert, Seconded - Roger Stacey and they were accepted unanimously.

4. The Committee:

We continue to run the club on an informal basis. For 2017 we suggest that we continue with just Terry Weeks and Terry Pelling covering the day to day administration and the rest of the members being consulted at club nights for the general running of the club and its activities.

5. Membership:

Terry P reported the membership level in 2016 was 28.

The BMFA Fee for 2017 has been confirmed at £33.00 (subject to Ratification at the BMFA AGM but it has never been known to be changed).

Our current fee of £56.00 is to remain as mentioned above for the coming year there being no need to increase it.

6. Club Night: Proposed to remain as the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Three Horseshoes adjacent the club site in East Worldham.

7. Rulebook: No changes but refer to the web-site for the up to date copy.

8. Website: This year has been maintained and organised by Tony who has done a great job in keeping us all up to date, Thanks Tony. – www.altonsilentflyers.co.uk.

9. Calendar of events: To be confirmed tonight.

- a. National Esoaring dates already set as follows:
Sunday 21st May 2017; Sunday 11th June 2017; Sunday 23rd July 2017 and
Sunday 24th September 2017.
- b. Esoaring Club League: 7 rounds planned / best 4 to count.
- c. Esoaring Club Open: 4th June 2017 6 rounds with a discard if all rounds flown.
- d. Pete Cope Memorial Trophy, Foamy League: 9 rounds planned / best 4 to count.

Suggested Calendar presented by email prior to the AGM.

10. A.O B:

- a. Next meeting 20th December 2016, please ensure renewals are received if not already paid in November.
- b. For information Terry Pelling and Tony Ridler are confirmed as Club Examiners / Instructors and Terry Weeks as an Area Chief Examiner / Instructor all approved for Silent Flight.
- c. The meal arranged for 24th January: The full menu to be made available but your choices to be ordered & paid for in advance so we can all eat together. The Menu is to be made available on or before the December meeting.
- d. **Calling notice:** The 2016 AGM will be on the 15th November 2016.

There being no other business raised the meeting closed