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CLEAR DOPE



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CHICHESTER AND DISTRICT MODEL AERO CLUB

Chichester and District Model Aero Club

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CADMAC Website - cadmac.co.uk

BMFA Southern Area Website

sabmfa.org.uk

<http://www.southernareabmfa.hampshire.org.uk>

Cover Photo: 'Daddy and Baby P51' The wonderful pedal-car version of Ferocious Frankie was built from a kit by our own Toni Reynaud in preparation for Goodwood's 2008 Vintage Fly-In. Photo: Richard Crapp

Southern Area
BMFA
Invites you to
Planning
for 2009
at Middle Wallop Museum
30 Jan 2009
Free entry to museum
on the night from 17.30
All model flyers welcome

Poster courtesy of Ken Knox - BMFA Southern Area Representative

Please advise your intention to
attend this FREE meeting at
www.sabmfa.org.uk

CLUB DATABASE

from **Keith Wood**

I would be grateful if members could let me know of any changes to their telephone number or E mail address so I can make sure the Club database is up to date. The database is used for circulating information so it is useful if your details are correct otherwise you will miss out. Any changes, let me know on:

keithwood43@btinternet.com



WEB WATCH - RC DON



<http://www.rcdon.com/index.html>

I do enjoy a good read on construction projects, and the above site features some excellently presented ones. Also presented are very useful hints and tips, and some very good videos illustrating the projects. Other videos show models in action. Be advised that some of these are "enhanced" with music, which may or may not be to your taste. Nonetheless, a really absorbing site. Allow plenty of time.

Colin Stevens

WATCH OUT FOR LIPOS

It was a nice day with no wind so I took my electric glider to Butser Hill. After about three flights the glider finished at bottom of the hill. I found after, that one of the servos had stripped a tooth. With the transmitter at the top of hill I removed the lipo battery from the glider, put it my pocket, returned to the top of hill and sat talking like you do! until I felt something hot in pocket. It was the battery which was so hot that it had melted the side of my Mobil phone but as hard as I tried I couldn't make the two leads touch! So I not only had the battery burnt out but my phone as well.



Ron Hemblade

Editorial

John McStea

Clear Dope is very sad to report the passing of a founder member of CADMAC, a dedicated modeller of the 'old school' and a very dear friend to many.

CADMAC members John Riall, Alan Whipp and Norman Thair attended his committal service at the Bosham Roman Catholic Church on Thursday 13th October.

John is pictured alongside receiving his CADMAC Life Membership Award.

Photograph courtesy of John Riall



Events 2008 / 2009

Seaford College Indoor

All Saturdays from 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm

1st hour free flight only.

Dec 13th Jan 24th Feb 21st Mar 21st Apr 25th

Club-night Events in 2009

08th January Talk by BMFA's **Manny Williams**
'What can the BMFA do for you?'

12th February Talk by **Chris Fosse** of 'Wot' fame
Designing, building and flying Models



Minutes of the Committee Meeting Tuesday 4th November 2008 From Toni Reynaud - Hon Sec.

Members Present: Toni Busuttill-Reynaud, Philip Roberts, Bryan Stichbury, Ray Beadle, Allen Miller, Morris Campbell, Bruce Smith, Steve Skinner, Ken Knox, Mike Pinn, Keith Wood, Tony Chant, Derek Honeysett (from 21.00).

Meeting started at 20.00. Chairman's request for the meeting to be held in a formal manner.

Apologies for absence. Ray Andrews.

Matters arising from previous minutes. None

Correspondence. Tony C had an email from John Quinslick, MVSA, with queries about flying on the trundle. Dealt with.

Phone call from John Riall reporting the death of a longstanding member, John McStea. Chairman reminded the Committee that the next Club Meeting is the AGM and to prepare reports for the membership.

Treasurer and Membership Secretary's report. Keith W reported that there is an application from one person, who attended a Club evening in October - Rodger Cox Bersted, Bognor Regis, PO22 9QP electric, heli, beginner. Approval to this member takes membership to 155. One further application is in progress.

The annual Statement of Accounts were presented and discussed. It was suggested that we publish these in Clear Dope as at present, only those attending the AGM see the Accounts. In this way, all members will have an opportunity to understand the Club's financial position. Agreed

There are a considerable number of self-adhesive Club logos in stock. It was decided to distribute two to each member with the new membership cards for 2009.

Membership renewal fees cannot be decided until the BMFA decides and disseminates theirs, so we will be unable to let the members know what the 2009 fees will be at the AGM. We will decide them at the next Committee meeting (December) and collect at the December Club meeting as planned. Morris C asked if we could get the Thorney Island renewal set earlier. K W and Tony C said it was highly unlikely.

Social Secretary's report. Meetings for the rest of the year are as per programme – AGM and Subscription Collection. No *main* additional items to be arranged, but background activity such as model movies and slide shows, Chairman's Chat, Jerry Devenish model judging and member's models on show will take place.

2009 – January 8th – Manny Williamson, BMFA Development Officer – What the BMFA can do for you. He would like us to contact other local clubs to get as wide an audience as possible. Feb 12th – talk by Chris Foss on his models – design, build, flying, and all things in general. Will have models along with him – must assume that he would like to sell a kit or two on the evening.

This meeting to be advertised also the updating of the handbook is essentially complete.



VICTOR LUDORUM

George Fridlington - 3rd, Tony Chant - 2nd and John Riall - 1st



JERRY DEVENISH TROPHY

John Riall



3 MANOEUVRES COMPETITION

Tony Chant - 2nd, Steve Skinner - 1st and Ray Beadle - 3rd



MOST IMPROVED SENIOR PILOT

George Fridlington

A few minor amendments still to be incorporated. A quote for printing/binding/stapling/trimming 200 copies obtained locally, but the cost of £698 was considered to be far too expensive. Toni B-R to liaise with Bryan S to agree a time for production.

Webmaster: Mike Pinn gave a report on his activities over the year

BMFA representative's report. Ken K reported that the AGM for the Southern Area is at Middle Wallop in November – see the website. Some clubs have been putting their newsletters on the website. The website is being updated, and it's worth a look to see what is on offer. He suggested a copy of CD be put on the website – discussion ensued, no decision made.

Safety Officer's General report and site accident report

One reported minor incident – general Club flying has been quite good of late. Weather has not been good for model flying this month.

Porthole Farm representative report.

Steve S – Weather has not been good for model flying this month. The new pit scheme seems to be working well. Tony C emphasised that pit position needs to be changed at every permanent wind direction change.

Porthole non-member application forms. Nothing to report.

Porthole general use. (update section).

Rafe has donated a mower. This one is to be kept in a more secure location.

Editor's progress on production of Clear Dope.

Bruce S reported that there have been no problems with the production of November CD and he has material in hand for next month. He will send a PDF copy to Ken K for inclusion on the SABMFA website as appropriate and possible

Email to Rob Wildeboer, Goodwood Engineering Manager, asking if CADMAC are likely to be requested to take part in organising any model displays on the Goodwood Estate in 2009. The reply was that things are changing and there may be opportunities.

Publisher's progress on production of Clear Dope.

Bryan reported that Staples of Chichester quoted for producing 160 copies of CD each month – total for printing and producing labels is £572. With colour on back and front covers only, the cost would be £220, or about £1.30 per copy. As the present method of doing it in-Club is about £1 per copy, it was decided to stay with it.

Competitions Secretary report.

Ray B reported that all Certificates have been printed and cups engraved for presentation at the AGM. Jerry Devenish judging to be carried out at the AGM, with voting for the models carried out by a show of hands.

Indoor Flying representative report

Allen M reported that including the November meeting we will have had 9 indoor meets this year. Attendances have been varied, from 17 to 27. About 20 – 23 is best and manageable. Four-hour meetings are working well. Finances are healthy. Profits have been passed to the treasurer. He is trying to get slots for 2009, but staff changes at the college are slowing the process. Provisional dates are 24/1, 21/2, 21/3 and 25/4. Allen is away for the December meeting – Bryan S volunteered to run that meet, including eats and a basic competition. Allen and Bryan to liaise on this.

Trundle hill representative report.

Nothing to report this month. Some activity has been noted.

Thorney Island representative report.

Derek H reported that it had been quiet of late, probably because the weather has not been good. No big incidents, but one mid-air when only two people were flying! It was noted that next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday, so we should not fly - A note is to be sent to Mike Pinn for inclusion on the website. Derek to talk to the gatehouse to request that they refuse entry on Sunday. An email shot is to be generated to try to broadcast the fact.

A working Party was requested for clearing the runway on Saturday 25th. Two people turned up – better advertising next time, or directly call regular flyers to attend early to do clearing.

On Sunday 2nd November, wind was northerly and a microlight landed over the top of the patch, One member was upset by this. A committee member spoke to the pilot and passenger – no problem – they knew flying was in progress and were keeping a lookout. Tony B-R to check wording of handbook and amend if necessary to cover this situation.

Thorney non-member flying forms.

None.

Thorney Island general use. (update section).

Box for the mower to be provided and secured in place. Ongoing

Junior Members' representative report.

Nothing to report this month – more junior members would be nice.

Any other business

All Committee members present agreed to stand for re-election at the AGM. Copies of last year's AGM to be printed for distribution at the AGM.

Keith W stated that he might not be able to attend the AGM and proffered apologies.

Derek H stated that he would be late for the AGM due to work commitments

After some discussion of a minor incident, it was decided that the phone number of the gatehouse needs to be displayed on the equipment boxes or pegboard.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday evening 2nd December 2008 at 20.00

.Meeting ended at 21.50.

Toni



SCRAMBLE COMPETITION

George Fridlington - 2nd, Steve Skinner - 1st and Ray Beadle - 3rd



SCALE FLYING

John Riall - 3rd, George Fridlington - 2nd and Bruce Smith - 1st




ELECTRIC GLIDER

John Riall - 3rd, Tony Chant - 2nd and George Fridlington - 1st



OPEN GLIDER


Don Biles - 3rd, Tony Chant - 2nd and John Riall - 1st



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Statement of Accounts 2007-2008

The Statement of Accounts shows the income and expenditure for the year together with the asset value of the Club.

Expenditure during the year was principally on normal running costs such as the annual licence cost of our flying sites, Fishbourne Club membership, Clear Dope, general postage and stationery and other routine overheads.

"One off costs" were the EGM, Goodwood VFE event and a display banner for CADMAC. If these costs are deducted, then total expenditure was £ 8,370.66. Note therefore that our income from subscriptions (£8,408.00) just covers our overheads and we rely on fund raising activities and donations to produce any surplus, which this year was +£393.71.

The Accounts show that the asset value of the Club is £8,078.61 (compared with £7,500.85 for the previous year). Of this, £6,293.61 is cash in the deposit and current accounts and in petty cash. Stock in hand (£400) includes £325 of unused Cartridges/toner for the Club CD printer. These will be used during the coming year.

Book assets of £1,215.00 listed in Section3 are the depreciated value of the equipment which the Club owns, such as grass cutters, printer, various monitors and so on.

Membership at early November was 155; an increase over the last six years.

If any member has any questions on the Accounts, then please contact me at keithwood43@btinternet.com or by telephone or post. Details are on the inside cover of Clear Dope.

Best wishes for the coming year.

Keith Wood

Treasurer and Membership Secretary
05 November 2008



COMPETITION AWARDS 2008



CLIMB & GLIDE

Fred Minay - 3rd, Tony Chant - 1st and Colin Stevens - 2nd - not present.



BOMB DROP

Steve Skinner - 3rd, Tony Chant - 2nd and John Riall - 1st.

A.G.M. Thursday 13th November

The following committee was elected to serve the club in 2009

Chairman	Tony Chant
Secretary & Social Sec.	Toni Reynaud
Treasurer & Membership Sec.	Keith Wood
Safety Officer	Morris Campbell
Competition Sec.	Ray Beadle
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Income		Expenditure	
Members subscriptions	8,408.00	BMFA Subscriptions	3,504.00
Auction revenues	165.10	Fishbourne Club	876.00
Pick a plane comp	219.10	Rents - Thorney Island licence	828.57
Donations	181.00	- Porthole Farm	250.00
AGM raffle	7.50	- Trundle licence fee	176.25
CD sales	4.00	Goodwood VFE event	152.61
Indoor flying receipts	100.00	Indoor flying costs	10.00
		Skittles buffet +prizes	95.00
		AGM photocopying	10.00
		EGM printing and postage	100.05
		Clear Dope - cartridges/toner	1,664.19
		- paper/envelopes	244.57
		- postage	256.20
		BMFA meeting attend. costs	79.50
		General postage+stationery	140.27
		Book token R.Shrub	25.00
		Trophy engraving	54.00
		CADMAC display banner	100.00
		Sundries	156.59
Total Income	9,084.70	Total Expenditure	8,722.80

2. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2007-2008

Income		Expenditure	
From above	9,084.70	From above	8,722.80
Bank Interest	31.81	Surplus +	393.71
Total Income	9,116.51	Total Expenditure	9,116.51

3.ASSETS AT NOVEMBER	2008	ASSETS AT DECEMBER	2007
Deposit account	4,211.19		4,179.38
Current account	1,990.46		1,642.97
Petty cash	91.96		88.50
Book assets	1,215.00		1,170.00
Unsold logos	170.00		170.00
Stock in hand	400.00		250.00
Total assets	8,078.61		7,500.85

4. MEMBERSHIP									
2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	
155	151	143	131	144	153	141	127	127	

Prepared by Keith Wood, Treasurer and Membership Secretary, 04 November 2008

2008 Indoor Duration Nationals

19th, 20th & 21st September 2008 - RAF Digby, Lincolnshire.

from Bryan Stichbury

Having been to the Dutch and French Indoor meetings, then attendance at our own National Championships was mandatory.

I duly used the Internet to find out where Digby is and how to get there. Whilst doing this I browsed the net for information on Lincolnshire.

In Noel Cowards play, " Private Lives," is the well known expression, "very flat Norfolk".

Well I can only assume that the playwright had never to Lincolnshire, because it (Lincolnshire) is flat, most of the county being only a few yards above sea-level.

And if Sweyn Forkbeard, Viking King of both Denmark and England, had not fallen from his horse (in Gainsborough) and died, then his son Canute would not have become king, and his attempt at turning back the tide at Bosham may never have occurred. Just goes to show, stick to what you are good at. Vikings were good at rowing, not very good at National Hunt events.

Likewise, if King John had used the A1, instead of the mud flats of the Wash, he may not have contracted dysentery, which caused him to stay at Sleaford Abbey, where he was poisoned by a monk ,dying later at Newark.

Enough of what ifs.

RAF Digby is the oldest station in the RAF, having been established in 1918.

Home to a Canadian squadron during WW2, the station is now a communications link as well a training school.

By kind permission of the Station Commander, the BMFA have use of the gymnasium For indoor scale and duration flying. The gymnasium is housed within a WW2 hangar, with an excellent floor, plenty of space and a 30' ceiling.

I had entered three classes. F1M, F1L and LRS.

In the F1M class I was flying a new model, "Bigfoot" designed by Derek Richards. Class spec. is span 46cms, minimum weight 3gms and a maximum rubber weight of 1.500 gms. I have found a source of light indoor wood and managed to get Bigfoot down to 3.8gms. This is still 0.8 Gms above minimum weight of 3.0gms but it is a step in the right direction. Luckily for me Derek was at the meeting and I was able to benefit from his design and trimming philosophy.

Six contest flights were allowed in each class, with the two best times to count.

The Nationals is not the best place to trim a new model, but it is a far from perfect world. Each flight would be another step on the learning curve.

Shame and embarrassment for me, when on my second flight my model was put in the "Parc Ferme" for scrutinizing, and the motor was found to be overweight. Class rules stipulate a maximum rubber weight of 1.50 gms, mine weighed 1.59gms.

Undeterred by this setback, I cut a new motor, made sure it was within limits, and re-entered the fray.

My two best flight times were 6mins 21 secs, and 6 mins 41 secs, which gave me second place overall, thirteen seconds behind the winner, Mrs E Robinson from Ulster.

In F1L my two best times of 6 mins 04secs and 7 mins 01secs put me in seventh place, no match for Bob Baileys 'winning' times of 14 min. and 13 min 04 secs.

LRS is a frustrating class. Wing span of 7" and minimum weight of 0.43 Gms. The challenge is to stop them going through the roof and yet record a decent flight time.

My model weighs 0.5gms and my two best times were 3mins. 03 secs and 3min.08 secs which put me in fifth position.

Ron Wilson won the class with times of 6min.04 .secs and 5 min.47 secs.

In the F1D class Mark Benn's winning time was 26min 36 secs, and I do not intend to even contemplate building for that class.

All told a most enjoyable and educational weekend.

Bryan Stichbury (CD print & Distribution)

Bryan



2009 Subscription Renewal

Just a reminder that BMFA and CADMAC subs need to be paid on or before 31 December this year.

Any member not renewing by this date will not be covered by the BMFA insurance scheme and therefore may not use the Club flying sites.

Flying without insurance is contrary to Club rules and it goes without saying, exposes the individual to considerable personal risk.

Keith Wood

Keith

Treasurer and Membership Secretary"

