



## Minutes of 2015 DMHC Annual General Meeting

### Attendees

Nev Logan  
Farhad Khatir  
Stuart Dean  
Chris Morris  
Steve Morris  
Derek Evans  
Ian Ruby  
Ian Stokes  
Ross Adams  
Ryan Adams  
James MacKenzie  
Nick Hunt

Apologies received  
Chris Barrow  
Andy Denahy  
Pete Johnson  
Paul Hedgeland

Meeting started at 19:00

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (2015)

Thank you to you all for attending this year's AGM.

The field maintenance has not been trouble free this year with club mower now positioned at the field and having required repair number of times however this has saved the club money last year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the few members that have so kindly gave up their time and helped out with repairs of the mower and cutting of the grass.

Taking to consideration that we started the year with low number of members we have progressed well during the year to end up with 26 members and hopefully we will continue to build upon this next year.

We have offered members a setup workshop this year which did not take place due to low interest, we still do not have any BMFA examiners associated to DMHC however the club will continue to help members as much as possible regarding practice and taking 'A' and 'B' helicopter tests.

We had a very enjoyable and successful open day this year and I would like to thank all whom contributed to organisation and running of the event hope that we will have another good open day next year.

Adrian with assistance of Paul has continued to work hard this year with the running and development of our club website and our club forum which is working well and very important to the club.

My aim as the club chairman has been to ensure that the club remains in financially sound situation and that we will retain the flying field by having a good relationship with the land agent whom managing the flying field on behalf of the owner and also to ensure that we do not disturb the neighbours and local community by keeping a low profile, to this end the club is financially sound for another year and we have signed the field licence with the land agent on behalf of the land owner.

Thank you for your support during 2015.

Farhad Khatir  
**Chairman**



## **Stand down & Election of Committee**

All of the existing committee were to stand down with all positions up for election. The following persons were nominated, seconded and voted into the positions by all members at the meeting.

Chairman Farhad Khatir

Secretary/Treasurer Neville Logan

Ian Stokes

Ross Adams

Paul Hedgland

Many thanks to the committee members for their work during the year.

## **Membership Numbers and Fees**

It was agreed after much discussion that the membership fees for 2016 would increase to £65 per year with reductions for joining later as shown below.

Joining between .... Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> to Mar 31 <sup>st</sup> .....	£65
April 1 <sup>st</sup> to June 30 <sup>th</sup> .....	£60
July 1 <sup>st</sup> to Sept 30 <sup>th</sup> .....	£55
Oct 1 <sup>st</sup> to Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> .....	£45

It was also agreed that the joining fee of £20 will still be payable by new members and by existing members whose membership has lapsed by more than one calendar month.

Membership renewals need to be returned no later than 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2015. The DMHC and BMFA membership fees will be able to be paid online using online banking details will be posted on club website.

It was also agreed that the membership limit of 30 members would remain as we have not reached the limit in previous years. This will be reviewed should membership numbers increase.

### **Flying Times**

A request for an earlier start time was discussed and it was thought that to save upsetting the locals then the flying start time would remain unchanged.

### **Mower Stand**

It was suggested that we buy a stand for the mower to help with the servicing Nick suggested that it may be possible to make a suitable stand Farhad agreed to look into the cost difference between buying an off the shelf product and having one made and will report to the committee to decide the best way forward but it was agreed that something is needed.

### **A.O.B**

A suggested change to the end of flying time to enable some night flying. The proposal was to enable flying till 19:00 all year round (currently only allowed till dusk). It was thought that this may need a change to the clubs constitution and although everyone at the meeting agreed that this would be a good idea further work would be needed to check the club rules. Note after the meeting Farhad checked and it would not need a change so the committee have agreed the change and an announcement will be published on the club website.

A suggestion from James to try and sort out the entrance and track to the field.

All at the meeting agreed that it would be good if something could be done. James will work out how much it will cost to carry out the work for both sorting out the entrance and also to make a track to the pits area. This will of course need the landlords permission which Farhad will try and get should the cost not be too high.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 19:55