

BMFA

Cornwall Sub-Area

6 Copes Gardens,
Truro,
Cornwall.
12th May 2014.

Minutes of Area Meeting Held 9/5/14, Clock & Key Inn, Trispen, Truro.

The meeting was opened at 7.00pm. by the chairman who thanked everyone for attending. There were no apologies for absence, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as correct and no matters arising from them. Giving his report, chairman Pete Lander advised that the Chris Foss designs day at St.Austell had been blown out, but this had not stopped two junior flyers from flying early in the day and collecting the only awards made! He also discussed the spread of solar farms in open spaces and felt we should all be aware of the implications of their proximity to some flying sites. The secretary had attended the Chris Foss day and sympathised with the host club's plight. Notices of our planned events for the year had been posted to all clubs and also to the main shops within the county. Our treasurer advised that our Area grant had not yet been recieved and therefore proposed that we maintain our current expenditure levels for this year. Payments for both Area and club events were discussed and Truro proposed that both club and Area grants should be at £50, with trophy costs to remain at up to £40(for Area events); all clubs voted in favour of this change which would be "cost neutral". Delegate Pete Disney had no meetings to report on since our last meeting, however he would be attending the full council meeting next week and invited comments on two agenda items; the purchase of a van for use towing the BMFA trailer was discussed and agreed, also the purchase of a new copier was discussed and agreed as necessary to help serve members needs, however members had reservations about the costs involved. There then followed a discussion on the proposed feasibility study into the purchase of a national exhibition site or centre and after due consideration members agreed to the principle of this and instructed Pete accordingly. Confirming our events schedule for the year, copies of the aerobatics schedule were distributed by St. Austell and scale by Truro; members were advised that the Truro Vintage Rally would now be held on Sunday 31st August and not 28/9 as advertised. Members were informed that Andrew Hothersall had resigned as Area Chief Examiner, also from the role of achievement scheme co-ordinator. After discussion Mark Milne offered his services for both roles, leading to the proposal that he be appointed A.C.E., proposed by Pete Disney(Culdrose), seconded by Mike Bundy (Davidstow), 7clubs in favour, none against, no abstentions. Mark was then proposed as A.S. controller by Truro, seconded by St.Austell, 7clubs in favour, none against, no abstentions. There was some uncertainty whether this might be presented at the next Council meeting and Mark would provide further details to Pete in a few days time. The subject of A.C.E. eligibility had led to much discussion and we agreed that the county really needed a further one to cover the north of the area; a possible candidate was available who we would consider for next year. There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm. Our next meeting will be on Friday 3/10.

Clubs present: Truro; Davidstow; St. Austell; Culdrose; C.V.A., Redruth; R.C.Cornwall.

Paul Greet,
Secretary.