

BMFA

Cornwall Sub-Area

6 Copes Gardens,
Truro,
Cornwall.
11th May 2015

Minutes of Area Meeting Held 8/5/15, Clock & Key Inn, Trispen, Truro.

The meeting was opened at 7.10pm. by the chairman, who welcomed members present. Apologies for absence were received from Roly Smith and Bob Allen, Truro MFC.. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as correct; there was no news on the current progress of the air cadet group being assisted by Truro. The chairman commented that the recent spell of poor weather had limited activity and this was acknowledged by all clubs, and the secretary echoed these sentiments; a letter had been written to Bude, and R.C. Cornwall's static show at Camborne recently had been good publicity for our sport. The treasurer reported that we had received our grant for the year of £508 and that the accounts had been prepared for auditing. Delegate Pete Disney commented on the previous documents that had been sent out and distributed copies of the proposal relating to Laws Lawn Farm in Northamptonshire. Members then entered a substantial discussion on the " Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats" to the existing area structure. It was confirmed that our thoughts would form part of the national policy, and during discussion there was much debate on the relevance of the area system to current modellers. A considerable time was spent on the issue of internet purchased models of various types and whether the purchaser would be aware or interested in the legal or safety aspects of their operation. After all views were aired a summary of members thoughts were compiled, and put together these will form our document for submission to Leicester. Our treasurer then asked members to consider his proposal relating to a nominal "expenses" claim for clubs attending each meeting; proposed by Mike Till, seconded by R.C. Cornwall, all clubs agreed a nominal payment of £5 per meeting, paid at year end. Mike also proposed a slight change to the club grant, raising the amount to £60 for open BMFA events; proposed M.Till, seconded P.Disney, agreed by all. Coming events were confirmed as: 23rd May, Chris Foss Day, St.Austell; 26th July Truro Fly-In; Redruth show 2/3 August and St.Austell Open Sport/Scale 26th September. Pete Disney then discussed the proposal that had been distributed, and this provoked much discussion; asked to vote on the principle of a national flying site members voted : For-5; Against-2; Abstain-2. Asked " Does the meeting support the purchase of Laws Lawn Farm" the vote was For-0; Against-6; Abstain-1. Our delegate abstained in both votes. There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm
Next meeting scheduled for 21/8 but date and venue to be confirmed.

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

Paul Greet,
Secretary.