



General Meeting of the BKFA

held at Lamb Inn, Lambs Conduit Street, London

on 3 December 2017, commencing at 2 pm.

Present: John Dobson (Herrington, secretary), Jerry Swift (NEKF, chairman), John Usher (Essex), George Webster (NEKF), Bill Andrews (KKF), Bill Souten (MKF), Gareth Williams (KKF, treasurer), Mark de Roussier (Lodden Valley), Jon Caton (MKF).

1. Welcome

The chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Julie White, Vince Wilson.

2. Minutes of the last AGM and Matters Arising

The minutes of the 2016 AGM were accepted with one correction: Jon Caton was also present (proposed John Dobson, seconded Bill Andrews). There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere in the Agenda.

3. Chairman's Report

Jerry Swift gave the Chairman's report. A copy is appended to these minutes and will be placed on the new website, expected to be online shortly.

Treasurer's Report

Jerry Swift gave the Treasurer's report. A copy is appended to these minutes. It was agreed to accept the statement (proposed John Dobson, seconded George Webster).

4 Membership Fees

In the light of the fact that income minus expenditure is leaving very little balance, it was agreed to increase the membership fees as follows: up to 25 members, £30; up to 50 members, £60; above 50 members, £85 (proposed George Webster, seconded Jon Caton).

5. Affiliations to Other Institutions

a) Sport and Recreation Alliance.

SRA had produced some helpful documentation on future data protection regulation and templates for various other policies required by legislation. Jerry had made contact with the British Model Flying Association and the British Gliding Club.

RAeC.

RAeC are still keen, for historical reasons, to keep us in membership, and have in previous years agreed a reduction in membership fees to £75 in view of our small membership and limited resources, which we hope will continue. Subject to this reduction, it was agreed to continue our subscription. Jerry Swift will follow up on an invitation to talk to the RAeC about kite flying.

It was proposed to continue our subscriptions to both organisations (proposed George Webster, seconded Mark de Roussier).

6. Risk Assessment and Reporting

There have been no incidents noted during 2017. The risk assessment now includes potential hazards arising from the presence of drones, and particular risks associated with very large kites. It was noted that CAA regulation for drones is currently under consultation.

7. Changes in Air Regulations

The regulations in CAP393 have now been simplified for small (up to 2kg) kites, but for larger kites there is still some confusion and further discussion with CAA is required. Jerry will speak to CAA about a number of outstanding issues including the treatment of kites over 2kg and over 150kg.

It was noted that the line markers required under certain circumstances detailed in the regulations are now commercially available.

8. Insurance

The insurance situation is now stable. Premiums rose slightly in 2017 due to the increase in Insurance Tax. It is too early to say what the increase for 2018 is likely to be since the period of cover does not begin until May.

9. Election of Committee

The remaining Committee members present agreed to continue. Jerry Swift will check with Julie White.

10. Any Other Business

Following a discussion of the desirability or not of having a Facebook presence, Jerry Swift undertook to have a discussion on the topic with Julie White.

11. Date of Next meeting

The next AGM would take place on Sunday 2 December 2018 at the Lamb Inn.

The meeting then closed at 3.37 pm and was immediately followed by a short Committee meeting.

Minutes of the Committee of the BKFA
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Present: John Dobson, Jerry Swift, Jon Caton, Gareth Williams, Bill Souten.

1. Appointment of Officers

The following officers of the Committee were appointed:

Chairman: Jerry Swift
Secretary: John Dobson
Treasurer: Bill Souten

The meeting then closed at 3.38 pm.



Profit and Loss Report for British Kite Flying Association

Account	1 Dec 2016 to 30 Sep 2017	
	Expense	Income
OTHER INCOME		
CAIF Insurance fees		1,873.45
Club Insurance fees		1,833.00
Membership fees		500.00
Other Income (total)		4,206.45
Total Revenue (Turnover)		4,206.45
DIRECT EXPENSES		
Club Insurance fees	2,360.00	
CAIF insurance fees	1,569.11	
Membership fees	273.00	
Direct Expenses (total)	4,202.11	
Gross Profit / (Loss)		4.34
INDIRECT EXPENSES		
Hire of meeting facilities	60.00	
Total Expenses	4,262.11	
Net Income		(55.66)



Balance Sheet Report for British Kite Flying Association

Account	30 Sep 2017	
	Asset	Liability
LONG-TERM ASSETS		
Long-term Assets (total)	0.00	
CURRENT ASSETS & LIABILITIES		
Bank account	659.25	
Current Assets & Liabilities (total)	659.25	0.00
Net current assets (liabilities)	659.25	
Total assets less current liabilities	659.25	
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Long-term Liabilities (total)		0.00
Total net assets (liabilities)	659.25	
CAPITAL & RESERVES		
Balance on P&L		(55.66)
Capital & Reserves (total)		(55.66)
OPENING BALANCES		
Opening Balances		714.91
Total assets	659.25	659.25

