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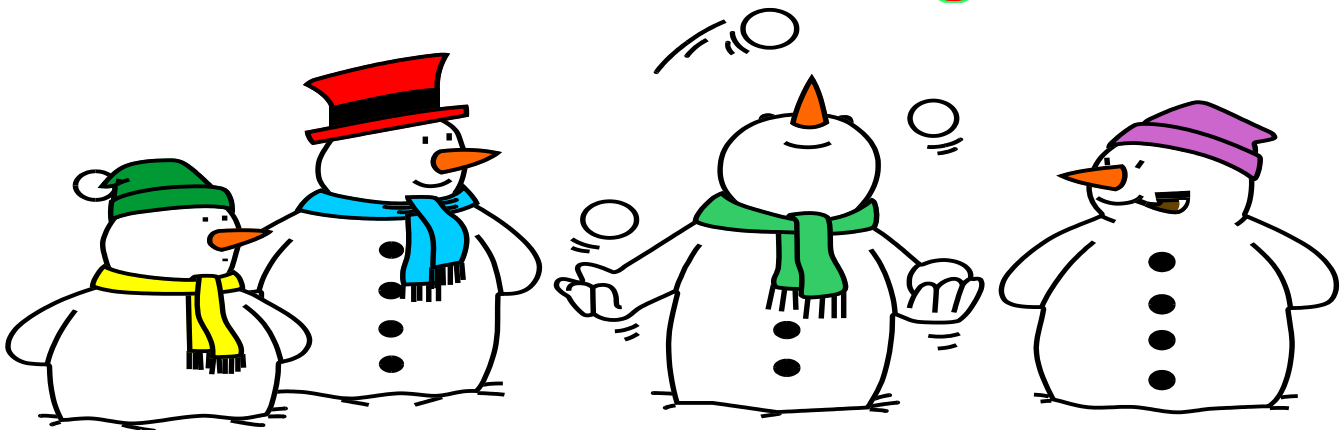


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CALENDAR" IS AVAILABLE FROM CHACKSFIELD HOUSE ON RECEIPT OF A
STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE**

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR OFFICE HOURS

**Please note the Office will be closed from 2pm 24th December until 9am on Monday 30th December
and
Closed from 3pm on 31st December until 9am on Thursday 2nd January**

There will be a Meeting of the Full Council on 11th January 2020 at 11.00am
which is to be held at the Holiday Inn Leicester – Wigston
299 Leicester Road, Wigston, Leicester LE18 1JW

A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies for Absence.
- 2 Request for permission to be absent.
- 3 To formally receive the following delegates:
 - a The RNMAA Delegate
- 4 To formally receive the Area Delegates to Council.~
- 5 To verify the voting strength of the meeting.
- 6 To co-opt Technical Committee Representatives to Council.~
- 7 To verify the final voting strength of the meeting.
- 8 To:~
 - a Note names of the Technical Committee Chairmen.
 - b Ratify Alternate FAI Delegate.
 - c Ratify the BMFA Delegates to other organisations.
 - d Ratify Council appointed sub-committees.
 - e Ratify Council appointed posts.
- 9 ASRC:
 - a To notify the result of a ballot for the election of members to fill ASRC vacancies. (Ref: ASRC ToR item (c))
 - b If necessary, the co-option of the ASRC Delegate to Council (if a Council Member is not already a member of the ASRC). (Ref: ASRC ToR item (a))
 - c Election of the Power Achievement Scheme Controller. (Ref: ASRC ToR item (h) (ii))
- 10 Correction and Adoption of the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 12th September 2019.
- 11 Matters/Actions Arising from the meeting on 12th September 2019 that are not included elsewhere on this Agenda.
- 12 To receive a financial report from the Honorary Treasurer including the following proposal:
 - a That Council approves the expenditure of £830 from the development reserve for the purchase of equipment to be used by Areas to promote model flying within their respective Areas.

Northern Ireland Area			
2	24" computer monitors (for flight Simulator)	£100 each =	£200
1	PA System		£370
	Table runners (showing BMFA and NIAA)		£ 60
North West Area			
1	Projector		£200

- 13 International Teams for this year's World and European Championships:
- a The ratification of Teams as at Agenda Appendix 13a).
 - b The ratification of Team Managers and Assistant Team Managers (where permitted) as at Agenda Appendix 13b).
- 14 Confirmation of the status of SAA and LMA insurance (Ref General Rule 2.1.6 Entry to Competitions.)
- 15 National Centre Update.
- 16 To receive a joint report from the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer.
- 17 To receive a report from the Vice-Chairman to include the following proposals:
- a General competition rules.
2.1.3
Insert a new sub paragraph c) and renumber subsequent paragraphs
(c) All technical committees and specialist bodies which intend to recommend teams for World and European championships shall notify the dates and venues of their team selection competitions to the BMFA competition secretary by the 1st week of March each year. The spring technical Council will then ratify the team selection competitions.
 - b Amend the Council Handbook 3.2, insert new sub paragraph (c) and renumber subsequent paragraphs.
All proposals to amend all Rulebooks, Handbooks and the Articles of Association. Deleted text to be shown in strikethrough, new text bold and underlined.
- 18 To receive a report from the Honorary Secretary.
- 19 To receive a report from the Technical Secretary to include the following proposal:
- a **Council Handbook**
Appendix G – Formation of, and Terms of Reference for, Technical Committees. Section 1 – Formation
Divide paragraph (a) into two for clarity and add a new paragraph (underlined and in bold text) as follows:
(a) Definition
The Council of the BMFA may set up and dissolve Technical Committees, as required, to deal with the various specialist model flying disciplines required to be covered by the Society's mandate.
Each Committee shall consist of not more than six directly elected representatives, not more than two from any one affiliated club, plus one representative from each of the recognised Specialist Bodies linked to that Committee.
Not more than two members of a particular Specialist Body may be elected or co-opted to a Committee. If two are elected or co-opted then one of those two must act as the representative of the Specialist Body.
It is a requirement that each such Committee must have a Full Council member as one of its members (Article 46). Council complies with this Article 46 by normally co-opting a representative from each of the Technical Committees to Council at the January Council meeting each year and to allow a channel for the Technical Committee to contribute to Council discussions.

- 20 To receive a report from the Competition Secretary to include:
- a The receipt and ratification of any late contests for this year's FAI Calendar.
 - b The receipt of this year's BMFA contest fees as at Agenda Appendix 20b).
- 21 To receive a report from the Records Officer to include the following Record Claims:
- a Thomas Goodwin (194117) – Catapult Launch Glider – 07/09/19 Lee Valley Athletics Centre – 42.6 secs
 - b Nigel Frith (81659) – F2G (Speed) – 13/10/19 Barton Area Centralised – 278.4 kph
 - c Anthony Hebb (035650) (*Originally presented to September 2019 Full Council Meeting*) – F1R Duration – 28/04/19 Thames Valley Athletics Centre – 26 mins 33 secs
 - d Simon Bargery (205791) (*Originally presented to September 2019 Full Council Meeting*) – CLG Duration – 2/7/19 Wickham Community Centre – 26.9 secs.
- 22 To receive a report from the FAI Delegate.
- 23 Update on Charitable Status (*Presented by Simon Vaitkevicius- Records Officer*)
- 24 To receive a proposal (*all proposals from any other source to go here - There are no proposals.*)
- 25 To receive any reports from the following Delegates (reports should be brief, preferably in writing and in advance).
- a Royal Aero Club (RAeC)
 - b General Aviation Safety Council (GASCo)
 - c Air Prox
 - d Sport & Recreation Alliance
 - e General Aviation Awareness Council (GAAC)
 - f General Aviation Alliance (GAA)
 - g European Model Flying Union (EMFU)
- 26 To receive any reports from the following Committees and personnel (reports should be brief, preferably in writing and in advance):
- a CAA Team
 - b Education Working Group
 - c Payload Challenge
 - d Computer Sub-Committee
 - e Safety Review Committee
 - f Achievement Scheme Review Committee
 - g BMFA News Publishers
 - h BMFA Archivist
 - i Club Support Officer
 - j PR Consultant
- 27 Any Other Business.
- Please note: Items for Any Other Business should be sent or handed to the Office Manager in writing before the meeting commences. This will be strictly enforced.*
- Any questions to be asked under AOB that require detailed answers should be previously advised to the Office Manager to allow preparation of replies.*
- 28 Date of next meeting.

Model flying coverage on BBC Countryfile, Trial Flights and Flight-fest 2020

After the coverage of model aircraft flying shown on BBC Countryfile on Sunday 15th December we are receiving quite a few requests from people looking for somewhere to have a trial flight.

We would like to build a specific data base for this along with a specific website. If your club is in a position to give trial flights to interested individuals could you please complete the form at

<https://try-flying.bmfa.uk/trial-flights>

The web map for trial flights is still under construction but you can see its current status at

<https://try-flying.bmfa.uk/>

Find a Model Aircraft Trial Flight

Use the map to the right to find somewhere to have a trial model aircraft flight, as seen on BBC Countryfile



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If you haven't seen the Countryfile episode yet it can be viewed at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000cfpr> the segment on model aircraft flying is at about 44 minutes.

We are also about to launch Flight-Fest 2020 and would like to encourage as many clubs as possible to hold a Flight-fest event in 2020, Flight-fest has proven to be an excellent way for clubs to attract new members and introduce model aircraft flying to the wider public.

Contact the club support officer Andy Symons andy@bmfa.org for more details about flight-fest