



# **Minutes of the Reconvened Council Annual General Meeting**

**held on 5 February 2006  
at Selway Moore House, 169 Basingstoke Road,  
Reading**

## **1 Welcome by the Chairman**

## **2 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from John Arnott, Mark Bowlas, Pete Dawson, Jill Ferrer, Bernie Gooch, Colin Jackson, David Montague-Smith, Doug and Linda Richardson, John Welborn.

## **3 Minutes of the Previous Council Meeting**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 October 2004 were accepted as a true record.

## **4 Matters Arising**

It was noted that the risk assessment document was available.

Channels of communication with KSGB had been agreed in principle, and Jerry Swift would draft a report to go in the next issue of The Kiteflier.

## **5 Chairman's Report**

The Chairman set eight objectives for the Association in 2006

- (i) To utilise the benefits of membership of the Royal Aeronautical Club, in particular help with insurance matters and the Sports Council recognition.
- (ii) A prize consisting of a trophy would be awarded to the maker of the best British kite shown at the Bristol kite festival in September 2006.

To this end,

Andrew Beattie would approach Avril Baker for advice and support on publicity;

Jerry Swift would approach RAeC about supporting the new prize;

John Dobson would investigate specimen rule sets from other sources and in the light of these would draw up our own rules.

(iii) Code of Practice

Andrew Beattie would draft a code of practice based on material to be supplied by John Dobson and Jerry Swift.

(iv) BKFA Presence at Kite Festivals

It was agreed that there should wherever possible be a BKFA presence at major kite festivals beginning with Weymouth (29 April - 1 May).

To this end,

Francesca Caton has kindly offered to prepare a pole banner with the BKFA logo on;

Jon Caton would prepare an A1 information sheet based on material to be sent to him. This would then be put on laminated boards.

(v) Press Release

Andrew Beattie would prepare a press release and obtain a media list from Avril Baker or elsewhere.

(vi) Insurance

Jerry Swift would investigate the insurance position with a legal expert from RAeC.

(vii) Getting Information back to Clubs

Information would be sent back to clubs on these objectives once some progress had been made in achieving them.

(viii) Website

It was noted that Andrew Beattie had taken over responsibility for the BKFA website and all information for it should now be sent to him.

## **6 Treasurer's Report**

A copy is appended. It was noted that Association currently has £485 in the bank.

## **7 Review of Constitution**

Jerry Swift introduced a number of amendments to the constitution which were circulated before the meeting. These were approved unanimously.

In addition, the following amendments were proposed and approved:

**Clause 6.6** replace the quorate number of eight by "at least half the member organisations".

**Clause 7.2** replace the committee size of eight by "at least six and not more than ten".

John Dobson would prepare a new constitution document incorporating these amendments.

The meeting then considered and approved the formation of a new section to consist of individuals unattached to any member club, in accordance with the provisions of the new Clause 5.9. Andrew Beattie declared himself representative of that section.

## **8 Affiliation to Royal Aero Club**

It was noted that the Association was affiliated to the Royal Aero Club for the calendar year 2006.

## **9 Membership Fees**

It was agreed that these would be unchanged for 2006.

## **10 Questions to the Committee**

There were no questions to the Committee.

## **11 Election of New Committee**

The following were elected to the Committee for 2006:

Andrew Beattie (individual section)

Pete Dawson (STACK)

John Dobson (NEKF)

Jill Ferrer subject to consent (GOKF)

Michael Lowe (SKF)

Phil Scarfe (WHKF)

Jerry Swift (MKF)

[Note: at a subsequent meeting of the new Committee, the following officers were appointed: Chairman Andrew Beattie; Secretary John Dobson; Treasurer Jerry Swift.

The Committee also co-opted Jon Caton (MKF) to serve on it.]

## **12 Any Other Business**

There was no further business.

## **13 Date of Next Council Annual General Meeting**

This was set for the Sunday after One Sky One World Day 2006 (i.e. the meeting will be on 15 October 2006)