

## Minutes of Meeting

<b>Date(s):</b> 10 Jan 2015		<b>Start Time:</b> 1030		<b>End Time:</b> 1530		<b>Distribution date:</b> 21 Feb 2015	
<b>Title of Meeting:</b> Fourth Competition Committee (CC) Meeting 2014/15							
<b>Location:</b> Bicester				<b>Chair:</b> Mark Holden			
<b>Present:</b> Mark Holden (MH) Russell Cheetham(RC) Paul Candler (PCa) Liz Sparrow (ES) Paul Crabb (PCr) Alan Langlands (AL) Brian Spreckley (BS) by Skype Pete Masson (PM) Andy Cockerell (AC)				<b>Distribution:</b> Meeting Attendees + BGA Exec (once approved)			
<b>Apols:</b> Rich Hood (RH) Graham Garnett (GG) Matt Cook (MC)							

Legend		
<b>Type</b>	EVE	Event
	OBS	Observation
	DEC	Decision
	AI	Action Item

No	Type	Due By Date	DESCRIPTION	Resp.
<b>Meeting and Comps Committee Admin</b>				
1	OBS		MH opened meeting and thanked Bicester for hosting.	
2	OBS		<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> - 21 Feb. Planning Awayday 28 Feb. Aim to hold next meeting at Lasham if it means Graham can attend.	
3	AI		<b>Approval of Minutes</b> - Minutes of meeting 10 Jan were agreed; Mark to send to Exec to publish. We understand that the item re supporting the 20m Champions in the Europeans was a request from the Chair, not the BGA Exec.	MH
4	OBS		<b>Action Log</b> Was reviewed and updated as attached.	
<b>IGC Update</b>				
5	DEC		<b>Voting</b> – see attached.	
6	OBS		<b>FLARM Developments</b> – newsletter this week introduces a privacy setting which will let people opt out; firmware update 31 March will enable the new stuff. IGC has had no official response from FLARM at this point; Brian has chased up and is waiting for an answer regarding the comp safety issue around stealth. Tracking is a separate issue being chased by FAI.	
<b>Competition Rulebook</b>				

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7	AI	13 Feb	<b>Rulebook Wording</b> Handicap edits – ok Internationals – see amended version Competition types edits – ok, needs handicap table from PDF Amendments to 7.2.1 & 7.2.2 – add 20m as suggested to title headers Note in foreword re Club class Show the text changes in the body if possible FLARM paper published. Add comp safety development para to foreword And one for the Organisers' Guide: Instruction to put FAI licence number in right place - scorers not using OnGlide should use a particular field in the Pilot details in SeeYou Competition to store the licence number	AL
8	AI	13 Feb	Note on FLARM paper for rulebook; comp safety development para	MH
9	AI	21 Feb	Update scripts accordingly	PCa/AC
10	AI	asap	<b>DHTs</b> - wording re standard showery TPs	AL
11	DEC		<b>Club Class</b> – we will publish the explanation with the rulebook; consult over the summer at forums and via a survey, rulebook will have a note re the consultation, decision will be taken and wording finalised at first CC of next year so wording published ahead of Nationals entries;	
12	DEC		<b>Cloud Flying</b> –, - revised version document to be published discussing the sporting fairness of cloud flying and seeking further feedback from competition pilots in 2015 via the competition forums and surveys.	
13		Asap	Check revised version of cloud flying doc	ES
14		Now!	Note for rulebook announcing CC and cloudflying developments	ES
<b>Competition Safety / Directors' Seminars</b>				
15	OBS		<b>Competition Safety</b> Alan is meeting Hugh next Friday to consider next steps	
16	AI	31 Jan	Liz to get safety info from comp pilot survey to Alan before next Friday	ES
17	OBS		Pete suggested G could be involved as he'd made some very helpful input to the club class forum re safety	
18	OBS		<b>Directors' seminars</b> – responses from 8 directors for 5 April; 1 no, 5 non-responders so far; 7 directors plus others yes. Brian notes he has a similar subject at IGC meeting – develop during March. Alan and Brian will be there, Mark if possible, others tbc.	
19	AI	21 Feb	Send Mark the invitation email that invited Directors to the seminars	AL
<b>British Team and budget</b>				
20	OBS		<b>Automatic Entry</b> - Brian expects that the 20m champion will NOT get an automatic entry to the next competition – was part of the original intention but not written into Annex A.	
21	OBS		<b>Teams for 2015</b> Club class: Pete has had to pull out – Ian MacArthur is possibility. G is confirmed. Flapped comps: Russell noted that the aerotow fees had been increased over bid values – with IGC to resolve.	
22	OBS		<b>Budget</b> - All liked the new structure. Liz noted concern that we need a proper team training approach and so current estimates will be wrong – Mark expects strategy team to come back with a recommendation	
23	AI	21 Feb	May not be correct figure re juniors team training launch fees	PM

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24	AI	ASAP	Difficulty with Graham not able to attend Saturdays – option to move meeting time / date / skype / teleconference	MH
<b>UK Competitions</b>				
25	AI	21 Feb	<b>Surveys - Feedback to Organising Clubs</b> - Liz will send a follow up email to encourage positive receipt of the info!	ES
26			<b>Learning from the surveys and developing comp types:</b> Liz asked how Mark anticipated taking forward the learning from the survey and we concluded it should be as part of, but perhaps as a subgroup of, the strategy work. There was a short discussion on various issues around this and Alan mentioned the possibility of a height-loss restriction to try to help either start or finish safety.	
27			<b>Juniors</b> – all going to plan, 26 entries so far which is ahead of schedule, lot of first-time entries and two-seat applications.	
28			<b>ICL</b> – Andy reported that main work will start after strategy meeting. He pointed out that the comp survey showed big demand for mini-comps. Discussion on motivation; regionality, encouraging mixing. How can we support centrally? Run as Ladder/OLC or online league table or suchlike.	
29	AI	21 Feb	Follow up with chap who does Cross-country soaring – OLC comp Alexander Georgis (?)	AC
30	AI	Now!!	Get Keith to put something in BGA newsletter asking for ICL contacts	AC
31	AI	Now!!	Bicester need to submit a GP bid document today even if not complete, don't need to bid a date.	?
32	AI	ASAP	Nationals entries looking better than at this time last year – comp in all classes. Russell will liaise with the BGA office to get the entries onto the website next week.	RC
33	AI	21 Feb	Russell agreed to draft the 2016 comp timetable; noted the need to integrate GP and Lasham's desire for a pre-Europeans – see below.	RC
<b>Lasham Europeans 2017</b>				
34	OBS		<b>British Team funding</b> - Funding for Lasham comp doesn't require travel element at same rate which may give us some funding options for our team pilots.	
35	OBS		<b>Competition Planning</b> - To date, the Comps Committee has not been involved in the discussion that has happened although Mark reports that he believes there is an agreement between Lasham and BGA. Liz raised her concern about this. Brian reported that Andy Davies/Pete Harvey are talking to Lasham and noted that officially it is the BGA who have made the bid and are hosting the comp. He noted that IGC will soon appoint the Chief Steward who will be looking to see that they are getting things organised eg scrutineering, weighing, etc. Mark is the CC formal link but is not getting updated.	
36	OBS		<b>Pre-Europeans</b> – Lasham want to run a pre-Europeans in 2016 and the CC support this in order to maximise the chance of delivering an excellent comp in 2017, although Brian noted that a 'pre-Europeans' doesn't have a formal existence in IGC terms. Balancing the need to get a large entry with the need for other clubs to run National competitions, our draft intention is to assign the Open and 15m Nationals simultaneously at Lasham alongside an open 18m pre-Europeans non-Nationals. The 18m Nationals would not be at Lasham. Date needs to be nailed down so we can programme 2016 timetable. CC are concerned about cost – Lasham will need to price appropriately to ensure a decent entry list. The Pre-Europeans in Hungary is E115 entry fee with E35 aerotows.	
<b>5 Year Plan</b>				

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37	OBS		Meeting 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb at Lasham; agenda is the 5-year draft doc. All CC invited plus other relevant contributors.	
<b>Website</b>				
38	OBS		No detailed update; Rich is working on it.	
<b>Cambridge Airspace</b>				
39	OBS		Mark updated us that there are communications between a sub-group from the BGA and Cambridge to improve understanding of each others' operations. Likely to result in a local agreement with Gransden. Mark and Alan attending meeting 16 Feb; will update us thereafter.	
<b>Any Other Business</b>				
40			Developing the other actions arising from safety stuff and comp surveys – items to put on agenda for next meeting	MH

### Attachments:

IGC meeting voting decisions  
 Cloud Flying Document latest revision