

Minutes of Meeting

Date(s): 5 Mar 2016	Start Time: 1030	End Time: 1600	Distribution date: 1 Apr 2016
Title of Meeting: Sixth Competition Committee (CC) Meeting 2015/16			
Location: Lasham		Chair: Liz Sparrow	
Present: Russell Cheetham(RC) Liz Sparrow (ES) Alan Langlands (AL) Andy Cockerell (AC) Paul Crabb (PC) Rich Hood (RH) Graham Garnett (GG) Andrew Mugleston (AM) Justin Craig (JC) Iain Baker (IB)		Distribution: Meeting Attendees + BGA Exec (once approved)	
Apols: Mark Holden (MH) Brian Spreckley (BS) Jon Gatfield (JG)			

Legend		
Type	EVE	Event
	OBS	Observation
	DEC	Decision
	AI	Action Item

No	Type	Due By Date	DESCRIPTION	Resp.
Meeting and Comps Committee Admin				
1	OBS	N/A	<p>Admin – ES opened meeting and thanked Lasham Gliding Society for hosting.</p> <p>Minutes of Previous Meeting – The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.</p> <p>New Members – ES welcomed the new members of the committee.</p> <p>Airspace – An airspace letter was sent out to all pilots from the BGA, endorsed by the CC.</p> <p>Project Eva – CC felt that project eva was not suitable for CC implementation and was better suited to a central and wider BGA incorporation.</p> <p>Rulebook Sign Off – The 2016 competition rulebook was signed off and a version uploaded onto the BGA website</p>	

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3	DEC/ AI	ASAP	<p>Directors Notes Review – Competition Forum Seed Topics</p> <p>FLARM – The wording of FLARM mandate in directors notes was reviewed. It was decided to ask Directors to report list of issues and a vote yes/no in relation to future FLARM mandate.</p> <p>Action – Update wording of directors guide.</p> <p>Field landing safety – AL to amend wording to get ideas and ensure it reads that examples listed are simply thoughts/ideas. ES reported that IGC video use was discussed at the plenum. Use is generally ok, but needs to be controlled to ensure they maintain their impact. IB noted he had been given videos for use at last year’s nationals by BS.</p> <p>Action – Amend wording to get ideas and ensure it reads that examples listed are simply thoughts/ideas. Add additional topic on competition improvement to forum.</p> <p>It was noted that there is nothing in rules that states that a comp has to be 9 days. Regionals are more flexible to number of days/glider types etc. The Northern Regionals is being run as a 7 day competition this year.</p> <p>Action – Add note to comp organisers about flexibility options.</p> <p>Action – Add note about shared crewing to directors notes.</p> <p>Action – Add link to Tim Scott article to directors notes and task setting page of website</p> <p>Flying Safety & Safer thermalling –RC spoke about joining gaggle from side rather than pulling up into a gaggle i.e. pull up to side of thermal and then slot in where appropriate. It was decided to add a topic on “Aggressive thermal entry” to the directors pack, but need resources to give to directors.</p> <p>Action – Ask Pete S about video resources.</p> <p>Nuclear Exceptions – It was decided to produce a standardised set of wording/pictures for nuclear exemption.</p> <p>Action – Produce Nuclear Exception wording based on Lasham/Shenington local rules.</p> <p>NOTAM for Comps – It was noted that Colin Rule chases for information each year. Clubs need to provide this. There also needs to be a better way of handling Regionals applications.</p> <p>Action – Speak to Keith about online form for Regionals application/NOTAM data capture.</p> <p>Compton / Daventry Boxes – It was noted that the airspace committee asked to get this re-implemented.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">AL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AL / PC</p> <p style="text-align: right;">ES</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AL</p>
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9	AI	ASAP	<p>Club Class Handicaps – Tim Fletcher wrote to ES about the minimum handicap and not getting light pilot reduction.</p> <p>Action – RC to formulate response to Tim and forward to ES to send.</p>	RC / ES
10	AI	ASAP	<p>2017 Bid Review – RC reported that the CC were not in a position to review bids. Only 2 were received – Hus Bos and Bicester. Aston Down put in late bid. Lasham will not bid. Tibenham may wish to bid, but want to wait until after their 2016 comp. In future the CC may have to consider other options e.g. airfields which are current gliding sites.</p> <p>Action – Talk to Tibenham and Pocklington about new bids.</p>	RC

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