

## **Minutes of a Meeting of the BGA Competitions and Awards Committee**

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Venue: Online Zoom Meeting

Present: Chris Luton – CL, Fran Roberts – FR, Jim White – JW, Ben Hughes - BH, Russell Cheetham – RC, Werner Stroud – WS, Paul Crabb – PC

### Meeting Admin & Apologies

Max Lazenby apologised for his absence.

### Previous Minutes & Action Review

The Minutes from the meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2023 were approved by the committee.

### Budget 2024 and Australia Overspend

The committee considered the budget for 2024 and the issues affecting the glider transport costs to Australia and back. As the CC has a retained reserve sufficient to cover these, the committee decided to approve an overspend against the original budget expected to be between £5,000 and £8,000.

### Venue for 2024 Club Nationals

RC reported that both Dunstable and Nympsfield had expressed interest. The committee considered the available dates, of which none can be deconflicted because of the postponement of the Europeans to August. The following dates were approved and will be offered to the clubs:

25<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
1<sup>st</sup> June – 9<sup>th</sup> June  
20<sup>th</sup> July – 28<sup>th</sup> July  
27<sup>th</sup> July – 4<sup>th</sup> August, and  
3<sup>rd</sup> August – 11<sup>th</sup> August

RC will report back.

### Pilot Conduct Outside Competition

The committee considers that they have implemented adequate rule changes for handling and deterring unsporting behaviour during competition and that it is for the BGA Executive to manage this problem out with. The committee decided that it would support the creation of a BGA Code of Conduct if it contained effective sanctions and the BGA Exec was committed to using them.

Another potential solution proposed was the establishment of a Board of Selectors for the British Team independent of the CC. This will not be put forward at this time.

### Rule issues that members that need consideration

JW has published a call for input from competition pilots through the BGA and reminded Directors to submit their 2023 reports. These are being circulated as they come in. Members were asked to review these and submit topics for the Rules Sub-Committee to consider by 15<sup>th</sup> October.

### AOB

With no other business, the meeting was concluded.