Shalbourne Gliding

Committee Meeting 4th February 2016

Minutes

Present: Colin Baines, Steve Barber, Steve Ottner, Phil Morgan, Pete Smith, Jon Garner

Apologies: Nigel Burt, Jim Clarke

Correspondence

Phil Morgan advises the committee that we are in receipt of a current permission to launch notice.

Phil Morgan advised the committee that we should be using the official forms as issued by the BGA to capture incidents.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were approved

Matters Arising:

Steve Barber advises that the issue related to ex member (M Hoskins) property remaining on Shalbourne Gliding premises is still ongoing. Steve Barber to follow up with Martin.

Steve Barber advises that we are now in receipt of the radio that can be installed in the winch. A willing competent body to be persuaded to install into the winch.

Steve Barber advises that regarding CASC. We are apparently in receipt of information that will allow us to satisfy the conditions of being a CASC classified entity. Wording is to be added to the website, Steve Barber to provide wording and follow up with the Webmaster.

The committee discussed club rules. Colin Baines to provide previously published rules to all committee members for their information.

Steve Barber solicited feedback from the committee regarding the 12 month deal, should it remain? The consensus is that it should remain but we should revisit the price and possibly change it to £695-

Officers Reports

Airfield Officers Report. (Colin Baines)

We are advised that the trees have been cut.

Colin and the committee would like to thank everyone concerned in helping the effort to clear-up and secure the site after the break-in.

Media and PR. (Steve Ottner)

Voucher sales for Trial Lessons remains good although as an observation, they are a little behind last year's sales at this point in the year.

CFI Report (Phil Morgan)

We were advised that, through feedback from the BGA, most accidents that occur with an instructor on-board on a flight happen with a 'Full Cat' instructor. Phil will take that observation to the instructors' attention.

A number of Aero-tow training sessions were carried out at Keevil which broadens our members' skills base.

The Winch Driving Manual is nearly ready for broader distribution.

The Club expedition is set for Early May 2016

Equipment

Airfield Vehicles – this has been a long discussion where we tackled various issues including the use of a tractor and fitting all vehicles with 'off-road' tyres. The issues mentioned were dismissed as tractors are slow as tow-out vehicles and 'off-road' tyres were felt to be questionable because we shouldn't be using the airfield if the field is so soft that it requires 'off-road' tyres to be used.

The decisions made by the committee are

1. Land Rover to be repaired by mobile mechanic – Phil Morgan to organise.
2. Colin to speak to a 4x4 specialist to determine the most effective vehicle to purchase and then we can source this through a member's relative.

Any Other Business

Southampton University will be purchasing 5 memberships allowing them to have 5 of their members on-site at junior rates.

Open day – this is to be carried out on the 15th May

Open week – 30th May to 3rd June. This is weather dependent and may be rearranged depending on availability

Next Meeting

To be 17th March 2015 at 7.30pm, Venue to be advised.