

# Meeting 2021A of the BHPA Executive Council

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Meeting held on Saturday 13th March 2021 by GoToMeeting commencing at 12pm.

Present Marc Asquith Martin Baxter Bill Bell Gareth Bird Jenny Buck Ed Cunliffe

Paul Dancey Julie Drake Martin Heywood Angus Langford Angus Pinkerton Tom Prideaux-Brune

In attendance: Michelle Lanman Joe Schofield Mark Shaw

Apologies:

#### ITEM 1: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Exec members were present at the meeting.

#### **POST AGM ITEM 2:**

- 2.1 Marc Asquith asked if anyone wished to take on the role of chairman, as there were no volunteers he was elected for another year.
- 2.2 Marc asked if there were any volunteers to take on the role of RAeC Representative. After discussion it was agreed that Jenny Buck, as she works in London, would be available to act as a stand in if needed.
- 2.3 Marc expressed his thanks to Adrian Thomas and John Welch who had stepped down from the Exec.

#### **ITEM 3:** ITEMS ARISING FROM AGM

- 3.1 Julie Drake asked why the BHPA were not supporting Flyability. Marc Asquith explained that we normally do but a decision was made not to transfer funds in 2020 as we were concerned about BHPA finances. Flyability's finances were healthy at the time the decision was made.
- 3.2 Marc Asquith asked how the association should move forward with support for schools and Instructors from 1st April 2021. After discussion it was agreed that the matter should be referred to F&GP.

FOR ACTION: (2021 - A1) F&GP to agree on support for schools and instructors from 1st April 2021.

#### **ITEM 4: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Amendments made to items 6 and 12.

#### ITEM 5: **MATTERS ARISING**

| 2018 – B1  | Continuing |
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| 2020 - A11 | Continuing |
| 2020 - C1  | Continuing |
| 2020 - C2  | Continuing |
| 2020 - C3  | Continuing |
| 2020 - C4  | Closed     |
| 2020 - C5  | Closed     |
| 2020 - C6  | Closed     |
| 2020 - C7  | Closed     |

#### **ITEM 6: EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY**

The question of gendering in incident reports had been raised and potentially the ability to identify the parties involved.

Mark Shaw explained that gender is no longer used in FSC incident reports, however accident statistics are gendered. Angus Pinkerton commented that it would be extremely unlikely to identify someone from statistics.

Joe Schofield explained that occasionally the parties involved are identified in Skywings, although this is handled sensitively if it is perceived that it may cause problems.

### ITEM 7: REPORTS

### 7.1 Finance

Nothing further to report.

#### **7.2 FSC**

Nothing further to report.

### 7.3 Insurance

Nothing further to report

#### 7.4 Sites

Nothing further to report.

### 7.5 Skywings

Nothing further to report

### 7.6 Website

Nothing further to report

## 7.7 Competitions

Nothing further to report.

## 7.8 External representation

Nothing further to report.

## 7.9 School Liaison

Nothing further to report.

### 7.10 Paramotor Liaison

Nothing further to report.

## 7.11 Admin

Nothing further to report.

## **ITEM 8: ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

8.1 It was noted that a number of Club Pilot rated members had received the CAA's Electronic Conspicuity Rebate when it was supposed to be restricted to Pilot rated and above

A number of pilots have taken up the offer of a £250 rebate to get a new instrument, with little interest in the EC (Flarm) capability. The majority haven't applied for the WTA licence (FRTOL exempt) required to operate said devices at a cost of £15pa.

This matter had already been raised outside the meeting and agreement made that Mark Shaw would speak to his contact at the CAA.

FOR ACTION: (2021 – A2) Mark Shaw to speak to the CAA regarding the Electronic Conspicuity Rebate Scheme and checking applicants ratings.

Marc Asquith commented that APPI have approached the CAA to see if they could also take advantage of the rebate scheme. The CAA currently have no plans to allow this. Marc had informed them that this could potentially discourage people from joining the BHPA.

8.2 Marc Asquith gave an update on EHPU. A submission paper from EHPU was submitted to Europe Airsports (EAS). As a result, when EAS was invited to attend an EASA Working Group meeting on EC on 16<sup>th</sup> March, EAS asked EHPU to provide one of the Delegates. Marc A (in his position as EHPU's EAS representative) attended the online meeting as one of a panel of three experts representing EAS members in front of EASA. The meeting was a positive step – both EASA and EAS now have a better understanding of the specific needs and limitations of HG and PG. EHPU pays EAS a substantial amount. The benefits of the recent interactions should enable EHPU to realise the value of the contributions it makes to EAS and assist EAS in its support of HG and PG.

- 8.3 Joe Schofield welcomed Gareth Bird and Jenny Buck to the Exec.
- 9.3 Paul Dancey asked if all members could review and update their bio's on the website.

FOR ACTION: (2021 – A3) Exec members to review and update their bio's held on the website.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 1pm.

# **ACTIONS – OPENED, CONTINUING**

| WHO   | NUMBER     | WHAT   | STATUS     |
|---|------------|--|------------|
| Marc Asquith /<br>Angus Pinkerton<br>/Michelle Lanman | 2018 – B1  | Marc Asquith, Angus Pinkerton and Michelle Lanman to review the GDPR policy document.  | Continuing |
| Marc Asquith /<br>Michelle Lanman                     | 2020 – A11 | Marc Asquith and Michelle Lanman to set up a working group to look at closer working relations between the BHPA and the BGA. | Continuing |
| Ed Cunliffe   | 2020 – C1  | Ed Cunliffe to include a disclaimer on Facebook.   | Continuing |
| Ed Cunliffe   | 2020 – C2  | Ed Cunliffe to contact the RSPB.   | Continuing |
| Marc Asquith  | 2020 - C3  | Marc Asquith to progress the update of the Pilot Hand Book with Mark Dale  | Continuing |
| F&GP  | 2021 – A1  | F&GP to agree on support for schools and instructors from 1st April 2021.  | Open       |
| Mark Shaw   | 2021 – A2  | Mark Shaw to speak to the CAA regarding the Electronic Conspicuity Rebate Scheme and checking applicants ratings.            | Open       |
| All Exec  | 2021 – A3  | Exec members to review and update their bio's held on the website.   | Open       |