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20241205-RAFGSA Execs Mtg RoDs 29 Nov 24

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RoDs of the RAFGSA Executive Committee Meeting held via MS Teams, 29 Nov 24

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| Present | Gp Capt Peters | Chairman | Chair |
| | Gp Capt Atkins Wg Cdr Hobson Wg Cdr Watson Sqn Ldr Williams CT Craney Cpl Amor | Strategy Member Safety Member Treasurer Operations & Expeditions Member Competitions Member MCT Member | |
| Apologies | AM Stringer Sqn Ldr Swan Flt Lt Dale CT Hunton AS1 MacNeil | President RAFGSA Trustee Marketing Member Dep Fleet Manager Dep Publicity | |
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| Secretary | Flt Lt Wightman | Secretary | Sec |

| Item | Minutes | Action / lead |
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| 1. Notice, Apologies & Quorum | a. The meeting was opened at 1300 and a quorum was noted. | |
| 2. Interest and/or proposed transaction with the Company | a. Mendip GC have expressed interest in leasing/buying a winch if one from the RAFGSA becomes available. Communications through the Chairman. | |
| 3. Chairmans Address | a. Nil Actions. | |
| 4. Matter Arising from previous minutes | <p>a. Handbook wording for 3rd age reporting under review by the Air Safety Member and edition due release in the next quarter- <i>Ongoing</i></p> <p>b. Meeting to be arranged between RAFGSA, MCT and RAF Sports on the merger of administration functions and the effect it will have on the MCT ownership- <i>Ongoing</i></p> <p>c. Small fund for fast-tracking go-solo and club scholarships to be available and set amount agreed- <i>Ongoing</i></p> <p>d. Review of funding amount from £300 to £500 for supporting Scholarships due to inflation. Regular MCT meetings to be scheduled with trustees to discuss- <i>Ongoing</i></p> <p>e. Mr Pete Stratten invited to the ASSWG- <i>Closed</i></p> <p>f. BGA Levy rebate for Service persons only added to the Agenda- <i>Closed</i></p> | <p>Safety Member</p> <p>Treasurer</p> <p>Marketing Manager</p> <p>Chairman/ MCT Member</p> |

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| | g. MOD Aircraft Waivers distributed to Clubs by Fleet Manager- <i>Closed</i> | |
| 5. Secretary | a. Sec to request club stats return from clubs for the last 6 months of 2024 for accounting and levy payments. | Secretary |
| 6. Fleet | <p>a. R19 still missing original FLARM. Competitions Member to engage with Martyn Pike for ex 2FTS Vigilant PFLARM to be transferred to Cranwell GC AinU.</p> <p>b. R12 ARC & Annual due. Chairman to approach Tim Davies to ask about potential to complete engineering works with R12 not currently operated by any club.</p> <p>c. Chilterns are discontinuing operation of the GSA van. Clubs to be emailed if anyone will take the van for use at the club if not, it will be sold/scrapped.</p> <p>d. Cranwell Turbo Falke motorglider G-CN requires new engine before it reaches Life Ex. Exec agreed to place an order for a new 914 rotax engine (14 month waiting list). Fleet manager to make enquiries for deposit/upfront cost and place an order.</p> <p>e. Shawbury motorglider G-KE motorglider to be re-positioned to Cranwell if engine enquiries find substantial work required. Cranwell GC require a tug for aerotow operations over Winter. Engine assessment to determine decision.</p> <p>f. Kestrel motorglider G-GA has flown since confusion over agreed usage. Treasurer awaiting tacho hour confirmation to backdate engine levy payments to RAFGSA.</p> | <p>Comps Member</p> <p>Chairman</p> <p>Chairman</p> <p>Fleet Manager</p> <p>Fleet Manager</p> <p>Treasurer</p> |
| 7. Club Overviews | <p>a. Club updates and feedback form to be setup on MS Forms/SharePoint so RAFGSA Exec can easily track requests.</p> <p>b. Bannerdown: Re-position back to Keevil seems positive, discussions over RAF Brize Norton ownership ongoing.</p> <p>c. Chilterns: OIC Rob Sadler promoted to Sqn Ldr and posted. New OIC identified but needs to be agreed.</p> | Chairman |
| 8. Finance | <p>a. Hospitality Register required for recording all 'gifting/invites' for RAFGSA engagement.</p> <p>b. RAF Sport Policy on Gifting/invites to be confirmed with Nikki Graesk and included in the next update of the RAFGSA Handbook.</p> | <p>Secretary</p> <p>Treasurer</p> |
| 9. Operations | a. Bigger push in 2025 from Ops Member to communicate more effectively with all Club CFI's. | |
| 10. Safety | a. Increased threat of drone activity across MOD Sites to be pushed out to clubs for reporting unusual activity. No DASOR to be raised and correct process to be highlighted in email to clubs. | Safety Member |

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| 11. Expeditions | <p>a. No Chile FACH return visit to UK for 2025/2026 due to budgets.</p> <p>b. President hoping to attend as participant for the UK visit to Chile in Jan 2025.</p> <p>c. Sisteron Exped funding approved.</p> | |
| 12. Strategy | a. Further meeting to be scheduled with RAFGSA Motorglider strategy vs Eurofox. Agenda item for next Execs meeting in 2025. | Strategy Member/ Sec |
| 13. Marketing & Publicity | a. Nil Actions. | |
| 14. Malcolms Club Trust | a. Nil further actions. | |
| 10. Competitions | a. ISRGC Team selection to be noted as Agenda item at the next RAFGSA Execs. | Secretary |
| 12. AOB | <p>a. Inspector training to be followed up after payment made from the RAFGSA earlier in the year but no-one has attended any courses. Chairman to chase Tim Dews and names to be nominated from clubs to attend.</p> <p>b. RAFGSA Exec intend to submit bid for Eagles scheme funding at Kestrel for week-long course. Meeting to be arranged between Robson Academy and RAFGSA Chairman.</p> <p>c. RINGSA have contacted the Comps member to ask if they could loan a Duo Discus for their expedition the week after Sisteron. Fleet Manager to email clubs to ask for appetite in loaning an aircraft.</p> <p>d. Sec moving to RAF Odiham on Posting and joining Kestrel GC as a Club Committee member.</p> | <p>Chairman</p> <p>Chairman/ Comps Member</p> <p>Fleet Manager</p> |
| 13. Next meeting | a. The next RAFGSA Execs meeting is Fri 14 Feb 24 at 1300. | |

[Electronically Signed]

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