



General Meeting of the BKFA

**held at Lamb Inn, Lambs Conduit Street, London
on 2 December 2018, commencing at 2 pm.**

Present: John Dobson (Herrington, secretary), Jerry Swift (NEKF, chairman), John Usher (Essex), George Webster (NEKF), Gareth Williams (KKF, treasurer), Mike Lowe (Bognor Regis).

1. Welcome

The chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mark de Roussier, Vince Wilson, Jon Caton, Bill Souten.

3. Minutes of the last AGM and Matters Arising

The minutes of the 2017 AGM were accepted (proposed John Usher, seconded George Webster). There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere in the Agenda.

4a) Chairman's Report

Jerry Swift gave the Chairman's report. A copy is appended to these minutes.

b) Treasurer's Report

Jerry Swift gave the Treasurer's report. A copy is appended to these minutes. The report was accepted (proposed George Webster, seconded John Dobson).

c) Secretary's Report

2018 had been a quiet year for BKFA. For the first time, no queries had been raised by non-members. The main business had been the forthcoming possible changes in regulation, and (another first) a communication (written by Jerry Swift and John Dobson) had been accepted for publication in *The Kiteflier* which outlined the present and possible future situation.

5. Membership Fees

It was agreed to maintain the membership fees at their present level (proposed George Webster, seconded John Dobson).

6. Affiliations to Other Institutions

a) Sport and Recreation Alliance.

SRA had produced some helpful documentation on the General Data Protection Regulation and templates for various other policies required by legislation. Jerry had made contact with the British Model Flying Association and the British Gliding Club through a conference organised by SRA on GDPR.

b) Royal Aero Club.

RAeC are still keen, for historical reasons, to keep us in membership, and have in previous years agreed a reduction in membership fees to £75 in view of our small membership and limited resources, which we hope will continue. Subject to this reduction, it was agreed to continue our subscription.

It was proposed to continue our subscriptions to both organisations (proposed George Webster, seconded John Dobson).

7. Risk Assessment and Reporting

We have been notified informally by White Horse Kite Fliers of an incident at one of their events. We are disappointed not to have received a written report giving further details and consider that our Risk Assessment cannot be updated until more information is available. John Dobson reported an observation which suggested some slight amendments to the text to stress that consideration be given to the strength of ground stakes in relation to the soil, and to the provision of a defined launch area for kites. It was also pointed out that a staked line should have a marker at eye height. Jerry Swift will review.

7. Insurance

The insurance situation is now stable. Premiums rose slightly in 2017 due to the increase in Insurance Tax. It is too early to say what the increase for 2018 is likely to be since the period of cover does not begin until May. In future, the treasurer will try to seek an early indication of likely premium for clubs so that clubs can confirm numbers and invoices can go out earlier than last year.

9. Election of Committee

The remaining Committee members present agreed to continue. Jerry Swift will check with Julie White, Jon Caton and Bill Souten.

10. Any Other Business

Following a discussion of the desirability or not of having a Facebook presence, it was agreed not to involve BKFA in social media as it was felt that there was little of immediate interest to communicate. However, member clubs will be asked to indicate that they are members of BKFA on their social media presence and websites. Action: Jerry Swift.

11. Date of Next meeting

The next AGM would take place on Sunday 8 December 2018 at the Lamb Inn.

The meeting then closed at 3.15 pm and was immediately followed by a short Committee meeting.

Minutes of the Committee of the BKFA
held at Lamb Inn, Lambs Conduit Street, London
on 3 December 2018, commencing at 3.15 pm.

Present: John Dobson, Jerry Swift, Gareth Williams.

1. Appointment of Officers

The following officers of the Committee were appointed:

Chairman: John Dobson

Secretary: Jerry Swift

Treasurer: Bill Souten, subject to his consent in light of his health condition.

The meeting then closed at 3.20 pm.

British Kite Flying Association

Income & Expenditure to September 2017

Income

White Horse Kite Flyers	50.00
Midlands Kite Fliers	75.00
STACK	25.00
North East Kite Fliers	50.00
Essex Kite Group	50.00
Kent Kite Flyers	50.00
Loddon Valley Kite Flyers	50.00
Herrington Kite Club	25.00
Brighton Kite Fliers	50.00
North Hants Buggy Club	25.00
Bognor Regis Kite Fliers	50.00
CAIF cover from clubs	1,903.05
Insurance cover for clubs	1,833.00
CAIF payment WHKF last quarter	3.00
Less payment to Perkins Slade 2016	(32.60)
Total income	4,206.45

Balance bought forward	714.91
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Total income	4,921.36
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Expenses

Royal Aero Club	75.00
Sport & Recreation membership	198.00
Perkins Slade Insurance of which	3,929.11
BKFA insurance	837.00
Club insurance	1,523.00
CAIF cover	1,569.11
Young & Co – room hire	60.00

Total expenditure	4,262.11
Cash in hand and at bank c/f	659.25

Creditors

Nil

Debtors

Nil

Margins

Margin on CAIF cover	18%
Margin on Club cover	17%
Overall margin	5%

Jerry Swift
Chairman
3rd December 2017