

**Great Britain Slope Racing Association 9th Annual General Meeting via ZOOM,
14th Dec 2023 at 7:30pm**

Present Jon Edison, Chairman & Secretary
Mark Treble, League Coordinator & Treasurer

Peter Gunning, Mark Redsell, Ian Mason, Joel West, Paul Stubley,
Mike Evans, John Philips

Apologies - Stefan Bertschi, Mike Shellim

Minutes of last AGM -

Minutes of the 2022 AGM were read and approved as a true record,
Proposed Jon Edison, seconded Pete Gunning. Unanimously agreed.

Matters Arising - None other than agenda items.

Chairman's Report - The Chairman thanked the meeting for all their continuing support. Special thanks to all the Committee members for their hard work throughout the year. This was not a particularly brilliant year weatherwise for Slope contests. The GBSRA continues to be well represented on the BMFA, with two members on the SFTC Committee.

Treasurers Report - The Treasurer presented an overview of accounts describing the income and outgoings sustained by the GBSRA competitions. These showed a balance of £4266 with a further £1479 still in an orphan account. It was agreed to empty the orphan account as payments could be made from it.

League Co-coordinators Report -

Calendar for 2024 has been compiled, and will be available when the League Coordinator receives confirmation from the hosting clubs and organisers.

Election of Committee -

As not all the remaining committee had indicated that they were willing to stand again, several re-elections for individual posts were necessary.

The role of league coordinator was available. Ian Mason offered to stand, and was proposed by Mark T, seconded by John P. voting was all in favour.

The role of PRO had also been relinquished. Jon E proposed Ian Mason. Ian accepted the proposal and was seconded by Mike E. Voting AIF, as there were no other nominations, the remaining current

committee was re-elected. Proposed by Jon Edison, Seconded by Peter Gunning.

The Committee for 2024 is therefore :-

Chairman	- Jon Edison
Treasurer	- Mark Treble
Secretary	- Jon Edison
League Coordinator	- Ian Mason
SFTC Rep	- Nigel Witchalls
PRO	- Ian Mason
Digital Marketing	- Mike Shellim

Jon pointed out that Nigel had indicated that he would not be standing again and that this would be his last year.

Changes to the BMFA league Format.

No changes were proposed to the league format. Some discussion centered around increasing the number of events to cater for possible use of the Scottish hills once again in 2024. The League Coordinator to review the possibility.

Changes to league rules.

Changes to the Rules were confined to the FAI rule changes designed to improve Female and Junior participation. At the request of the BMFA, the SFTC has redrafted the Team Selection process for ALL Silent Flight disciplines. Jon E present the proposed wording for the F3F inclusion. They follow the criteria for previous years but included a Female category. The meeting accepted the premises for Female participation and hoped that the current lack of females flyers could be improved upon in future years.

Course Equipment

Mark T pointed that the numbered bibs Nos 1-20 were beginning, due to wear and tear, to look a little tatty. The meeting agreed that Mark should source some replacement Bibs.

AOB CAA CAP2610 Proposals

Jon E outlined the insidious erosion of Model Aircraft flyers freedoms brought about by the continuous restrictions being imposed on Model Aircraft by the CAA. The latest worry is the requirement for models to carry transponders to give 'remote ID' information to other air users, which in particular would be Commercial Drones. The meeting reflected the concerns of the modeling community, some felt that compliance was probably the only

way to respond. Some issues remain unclear however and these could be exploited to the flyers advantage. These lay around the definition and registration of flying sites where the CAA proposal is indicating that transponders would not be necessary in those locations. The meeting agreed to explore those possibilities in order to set up as many 'legitimate' flying sites as possible. Jon E to report back on his proposed meeting with the BMFA.

Trophies. The whereabouts of the various trophies was question by Paul S, in particular the 'Most Improved Pilot'. Jon E admitted he had been handed the trophy by the last recipient and it was available to be presented once again. Mark T to locate the other trophies. The process of presenting the most improved trophy was to be re-instated, ie annual vote by the flyers.

Jon E thanks everyone for their attendance.

Meeting Closed at 21.00pm
Minutes taken by J Edison