

## Avalon Amateur Radio Club Committee Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019

### Minutes

### Glastonbury Scout Hut 19:30 to 20:30

#### Present

Matt M3MMZ Chairman

Mike M6FCT Vice-Chairman

Chaz G6UVO Treasurer

Martin G5FM Press/Examinations Secretary

Richard G7LEE Secretary

#### Informal Committee Meeting

To follow on from the EGM last week and pick up any new ideas.

#### Bank Account

Chaz G6UVO tells us that Barclays can only do the paperwork for the Community Account at Bridgewater branch on a Thursday. Once you apply for the account you have about four weeks, you can only find out what the required ID is after they send you the paperwork. Current proposal is for Matt M3MMZ, Mike M6FCT and Chaz G6UVO to be signatories and get this to be any two of the three to get resilience

AP1 Chaz G6UVO to arrange this – all signatories have to be present in Bridgewater Barclays on the mutually agreed Thursday, with documentation (TBD as per Barclay paperwork)

#### RSGB Affiliation

Matt M3MMZ asked if there is general agreement to go with RSGB Affiliation and there was unanimous agreement that this was the best way forward. We should note that the RSGB affiliate insurance was Third Party only – i.e. one's own radio equipment is **not** covered. This was noted and understood. For reference: [RSGB FAQ](#) refers to section 10 (Public Liability) of the [policy document](#).

A prerequisite for RSGB Affiliation is to get the Constitution ratified. Mike M6FCT will send (via email) M3MMZ the Constitution he drafted last year which is based on the RSGB proforma. Proposal from M6FCT is to set the Committee quorum to 3 which is the minimum to avoid problems of inquorate meetings, there was general agreement.

AP2 Mike M6FCT to email Matt M3MMZ his Constitution from last year, Matt to amend as necessary to propose at the EGM date TBD

#### Upcoming activities/opportunities

##### Exercise Blue Ham 19 (16-17 March 2019 08:00-18:00 UTC)

Martin proposes this as an opportunity for the Club. Details are on the [RAF Air Cadets website](#) and seek to make contact with Full Licenced amateurs. Presumably MX0IOA operated by Foundation & Intermediate ops is good provided there is a Full Licensee present (as would be to run the Club

station). We have established a rig that can do 60m and the folded G5RV antenna in the Scout hut should cover this frequency

Obvious loose ends are:

- Arranging use of the Scout Hut or alternative accommodation (hilltop? ;),
- do we rig a separate aerial for this?
- rostering operators and Full licensee supervision if necessary
- Modes, frequencies – PSK31 is acceptable on 5.363, SSB [RSGB recs?](#)
- Confirm Club callsign/op requirements
- upissued [2019 ver of the Blue Ham datasheet here](#)
- Learning the lessons of [last time](#) which did not appear to have been an unqualified success

AP3 Martin to confirm/develop plans? There is about a month to go

## RITS

I believe Mike M6FCT said something about this, but I failed to catch it. Mike to clarify?

## Fundraising

Mainly by subscriptions. It's not clear exactly how many members the club has at this stage, particularly once they are asked for subs ;) From the mailing list the estimate seems to be between 10 and 20.

Possibly members to donate spare equipment for a club sale at Yeovil or Frome rallies. Frome would [appear to be on the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2019](#), Yeovil have a [QRP convention](#) that seems to have some trading on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April

AP4 Matt to table at Aims & Goals meeting?

## Liaison With Scouts for providing accommodation

There was discussion of what the Scouts get for letting us use their facilities FOC. TBD

## Club Callsign MX0IOA

Is allocated to Martin G5FM, but there are two other signatories, Martin Odam G7LVN who is at a senior level in the Scouts and a good connection to retain given our use of the hall. Another signatory is Chris? Martin raised the question should this change.

AP5 Matt to table this item for the EGM or Aims & Goals meeting

## Contact info for the Club

Mike M6FCT is happy to be one, Matt M3MMZ happy to be another

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## Records

The minutes of meetings should be something any member of the Club can see. There may be sensitivities about the location of equipment. We could keep these records on the Club computer at

the Scouts, or as paper in a folder at the Scouts, which would address the need to keep the records in a secure environment but available for all members to consult.

I will put the minutes as paper in the Club box, but circulate these to the Committee members by email for comment/corrections. Please don't put these on unrestricted Internet accessible places.

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