



WHIRLWIND FIGHTER PROJECT

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 5th of October, 2019 at East Kirkby.

Apologies.

Rob Bowater	Dave Brocklehurst
Matt Painter	David Eadsforth
Stuart Hawkins	Colin Smithson
Mike Eastman	Ian Walton
Mike May	Steve Vizard
Patrice Moreau	

10 members were present

Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes were accepted as read and all were in favour.

Chairman's Report

There was no Chairman's report due to unforeseen family issues.

Secretary's report

The Secretary explained to those present that the new website was now up and running and that anyone wishing to become a member could now join up via the site.

Also, the news that the project had teamed up with the Kent Battle of Britain Trust, who are prepared to help finance the build of the Whirlwind and give it a home. It will form part of a growing exhibition as sub-assemblies are added.

It was also explained that Airframe Assemblies were now in the process of completing the fuselage.

The secretary is to write a Letter of Thanks to LAHC, East Kirkby for looking after us so well.

Treasurer's report

Please find attached summary of figures

WFP ACCOUNTS SUMMARY– OCT 2018 – SEPT 2019

Overview

Start of previous 12 months	£4129.75
Balance immediately before AGM	£6370.22
Outgoings	£3395.59
Income	£5634.86

Major expenditures:

May:	Airframe Assemblies	£460.80	Fuselage skins rolling and forming
September:	Airframe Assemblies	£1846.44	Fuselage structure build first phase

Primary Incomes:

Shop sales	£675
One-off donation, Adyen BV	£649.86
One-off donation, Mike May	£1,000
Aviation Heritage UK Loan	£3,000

Selection of Officers.

The committee did not stand down this year as there were only 3 members present. Our new membership secretary Peter Lancaster was introduced to those present.

AOB

Brian Barnes explained the difference between the radio systems carried in the Whirlwind Fighter and the Whirlwind Fighter Bomber these were the TR9d and the TR9h the whirlwind also carried IFF type 1 equipment.

Matt Bearman asked if anyone knew of any tyres that were going that would fit the Whirlwind.

Would it be possible for the Jet Age museum to do castings for the project?

It was nice to meet Peter Smith and his wife Alma. Peter offered to do some work for us and his offer was taken up with a great deal of enthusiasm.

Thanks go to.

Alan Taylor who represented the BBMF, for his talk on the subject also telling us of a meeting that he had with the Westland family, the secretary asked if the family would be interested in supporting the project build.

We, as a project have an invitation to visit the BBMF at Coningsby,

Thanks also to Jim Munro for telling us more about his film project "Ghost of the Whirlwind".

The meeting was closed at 14.30hrs.

Date and place of next year's AGM TBA.