



# CLUB BULLETIN 158: 05-2007

This monthly bulletin is aimed mainly at club contacts/secretaries. It usually covers administrative topics and news from the Executive Council. General interest items are repeated in Skywings magazine for the information of all members.

*If you require further information on these items please contact:*

## 1: Course Dates

### 2007 Course Dates

Autumn Coach dates.

Organisers please note that there are two changes; club coach course fee is now £30 per participant, £20 for a retake.

Also all organisers MUST speak to Dave Thompson before a date can be allocated. (0179 2469 244).

October 20-21 Wessex Contact Sean Staines Tel 01256 473346 Eves 01344 751673 Daytime E-Mail sean.staines@virgin.net

The following dates are available for Clubs to book:

November 17-18  
January 12-13 2008  
February 9-10 2008  
March 29-30 2008

Senior Instructor  
November 6-7 (2007)

Instructor  
Please note that an additional course is proposed for this year :

October 6 - 8 2007 Tbc.  
April 12- 14 2008

## 2: EPPSL Examinations and Course

Bill Morris is carrying out examinations at JSHP, Crickhowell on Sunday 8th July. There will be a further day of examinations in the Peak district to follow at a later date, details to be announced. Any candidates ready for examination who would like to make use of this opportunity please contact Bill and submit an application to the office. The examinations will be preceded on the 7th July by a day of revision and practice packing, highly recommended but not compulsory. Please note that those attending will need to organise their own accommodation and meals.

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We also have a provisional EPS Course in October 2007 (Date and venue to be arranged ). Please let us have contact details if you are interested. Existing applicants will be kept up to date.

### 3:Membership

#### Introductory Membership Certificates

Schools should be aware that once an Introductory Membership Certificate is issued it cannot be cancelled - even if the weather changes and the student is not able to fly. Therefore certificates should not be issued until the student is ready to start training.

Could Schools please make sure that they give only the half of the certificate that shows the certificate number to the student. The Membership Certificate should be sent in by the school and **NOT** the student. The cover sheet along with certificates and all payments due must be returned together.

#### Members living overseas

Please be aware that overseas memberships incur an extra postal charge. To obtain the correct fee we advise you to ring the BHPA office when signing up students from abroad. As a non UK resident, the member also needs to be made aware that the BHPA insurance only covers them for flying in the UK.

#### Student Discount

When sending in 'FME' (Educational Discounts, School and University Students) memberships to the BHPA office, please make sure that documentation showing proof of student status is enclosed, as the membership will not be processed until this is received.

### 4: Foreign Pilots and BHPA ratings

Recently we have had a couple of foreign pilots contact us wishing to join and gain a BHPA rating at short notice. They were advised by their clubs that all they needed to do was copy to us an IPPI card. THIS IS NOT CORRECT!

Please note that the way in is as laid out in the Technical Manual (Alternative Entry to the PRS), 3.4.1. The Technical Manual is on the website at:  
<http://www.bhpa.co.uk/members/schools/index.php>

For all pilots, whatever their level of accomplishment, an examination is necessary!

Either the Club Pilot exam or the Pilot exam can be ordered and invigilated by an appropriately qualified Club Coach.

Obviously with the best will it will likely take two to three weeks to get a person BHPA membership and a rating, so last minute applicants before a competition will be disappointed.

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