

REPORT ON SEPTEMBER 2015 LAA BOARD MEETING

At our September Board meeting the Board welcomed Steve Slater to his first meeting since taking up the role of CEO. The changeover has inevitably delayed work on some outstanding issues but he has hit the ground running and was able to brief the Board on progress in finance, engineering and membership in the year so far.

We discussed recent events, such as the Rally – another great event – and the release of the Jodel from Plymouth and its implications for any similar occurrence.

We also discussed the new LAA Wings scheme initiative, which is open to non-members, the progress on our new Exposition under BCARs, and our progress on reducing the modifications backlog. We heard that our application for BCAR A8-26 approval was about to go to CAA.

It was confirmed that the introduction of ADS-B – the connection of a non-certified GPS to a mode S transponder to give improved traffic information – would be treated as a mod but one for which there will be no charge.

We went on to discuss the first of what we hope will be many events to celebrate the Association's 70th year.

Sir John Allison, our President for the last 9 years, has come to the end of his term of office and was warmly thanked by Board members who voted to award him Life Membership of the Association. Roger Hopkinson accepted the Board's invitation to take on this important and high profile role

We also discussed the arrangements for this year's AGM and a paper on future arrangements following the cessation of the National Council.

We voted to allow the use of proxy voting for Board members who were unable to attend a meeting where a matter of importance was to be considered.

Our CEO has a number of outstanding matters in his in-tray and faces a busy and challenging time ahead. Fortunately, he's tackling these with enthusiasm and energy.

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