

# The Royal Aero Club of the United Kingdom

OFFICIAL NOTICES TO MEMBERS

## THE COMMITTEE—OCTOBER 26

**Present** :—Lieut.-Col. Sir Francis K. McLean, A.F.C. (in the Chair); Griffith Brewer; Lieut.-Col. M. O. Darby, O.B.E.; E. J. B. How; Lieut.-Col. M. O'Gorman, C.B.; Major H. A. Petre, D.S.O., M.C.; Capt. C. B. Wilson. Harold E. Perrin, Secretary.

Minutes of meeting held on September 14, 1927, were confirmed and signed.

**Election of Members.**—The following new members were elected :—

J. C. Cantrill.  
P. Coombes.  
H. S. Kevill-Davies.  
W. Fenton.  
S. D. Heron.  
Pilot Officer W. E. P. Johnson.  
Flight-Lieut. A. H. H. MacDonald.  
Flight-Lieut. L. G. Paget.  
L. O. Short.  
Capt. H. M. Yeatman.

**Aviators' Certificates.**—The following Aviators' Certificates were granted :—

8149	Laurence William Gibbens	London Aeroplane Club.
8150	Lewis Rivers Oldmeadow	Henderson Flying School.
8151	Charles Florance Young (Jr.)	Henderson Flying School.
8152	Robert George Cazalat	Midland Aero Club.
8153	Aage Jes Rasmussen	Newcastle-on-Tyne Aero Club.
8154	John Herbert Veasey	London Aeroplane Club.
8155	Thomas Walter Mitchell	De Havilland School.
8156	Eric Herschel Fisher	Lancashire Aero Club.
8157	Geoffrey Clarence Bonner	London Aeroplane Club.
8158	Salim Sassoon Daniel	Henderson Flying School.
8159	William Frederick Buchanan	De Havilland School.
8160	Dagny Hansen Berger	De Havilland School.
8161	Hamilton Jackson Starke	De Havilland School.
8162	Herbert Abraham Pank	R.A.F. Cranwell.
8163	Sidney Horace Smith	Midland Aero Club.
8164	John Edward Tratman	Bristol & Wessex Aeroplane Club.

8165	Oliphant James Philipson	Henderson Flying School.
8166	Geoffrey Frederick Simond	De Havilland School.
8167	Richard Davenport Bednell	Midland Aero Club.
8168	Robert Henry Slater	R.A.F. Graduation Certificate.
8169	Eric Alexander Boyd	Henderson Flying School.
8170	John Alexander Anderson	Lancashire Aero Club.
8171	William Partridge Cubitt	Norfolk & Norwich Aero Club.

**World's Records : Two-seater Light Aeroplanes.**—The report of the National Physical Laboratory, giving the height attained by Mrs. Elliott-Lynn on October 8 as 5,268 metres, was answered. As this did not exceed the existing record held by the Hon. Lady Bailey, no action was taken.

**Schneider Race.**—The recommendations of the Schneider Committee, 1927, were considered and referred to the Schneider Committee, 1928.

The following Committee was appointed for the Schneider Race, 1928 :—

Royal Aero Club : Lieut.-Col. M. O'Gorman, C.B.; Lieut.-Col. W. A. Bristow; Lieut.-Col. M. O. Darby, O.B.E.; Capt. C. B. Wilson, M.C.

Air Ministry : Wing-Commndr. S. W. Smith, O.B.E.; Major J. S. Buchanan, O.B.E.

Society of British Aircraft Constructors : Three representatives to be nominated by them.

**Exhibition of Winning Schneider Seaplane.**—The arrangements for the exhibit of the Supermarine S5, together with the Schneider Trophy, in the Horse Guards Parade were reported and approved.

**Affiliation of the Aero Club of Africa.**—The affiliation of the Aero Club of Africa was confirmed.

The application for affiliation from the Aero Club of Kenya was considered and approved.

**Petroleum Distributors' Committee Fund of £1,000 to Assist Light Aeroplane Clubs.**—The application from the Yorkshire Aeroplane Club for the last £200 donation from the above Fund was considered and agreed to.

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3, CLIFFORD STREET, LONDON, W. 1.  
H. E. PERRIN, Secretary.

## ASSOCIATED CLUBS' GENERAL COUNCIL

The first meeting of the Associated Clubs' General Council will be held at the Royal Aero Club on Tuesday, November 29 next, at 11 a.m.

Several important matters are down for discussion, including the fixing of a definite Racing Programme for 1928, and the revision of the Tests for an "A" Licence.

The following Clubs are represented on the General

Council :—The Royal Aero Club, Bristol & Wessex Aeroplane Club, Felixstowe Light Aeroplane Club, Halton Aero Club, Hampshire Aeroplane Club, Lancashire Aero Club, London Aeroplane Club, Midland Aero Club, Newcastle-upon-Tyne Aero Club, Norfolk & Norwich Aero Club, Royal Aircraft Establishment Aero Club, Suffolk Aeroplane Club, Yorkshire Aeroplane Club.

### The Royal Aeronautical Society and the Institution of Aeronautical Engineers

AN informal discussion and house dinner will be given on November 15 at the Royal Aero Club. The dinner will be given at 7.30 sharp, and the discussion will be closed at 10.30. The number of seats available is strictly limited to 60, and the price of the dinner will be 6s. per head, which will be collected from the members at the conclusion of the dinner. The discussion, on "Are Aero Engines Reliable?" will be opened by Mr. Foord, of the Air Ministry, and opposed by Mr. A. E. L. Chorlton. Members who wish to attend must give early notification on account of the limited accommodation.

### No. 3 Squadron, R.F.C., and No. 3 (Fighter) Squadron, R.A.F. Fourth Annual Re-union Dinner

THE above dinner will be held at the Trocadero at 19.45 for 20.00 hours on Friday, December 2. Air Marshal Sir John Maitland Salmond, K.C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O., will take the chair. Tickets at 12s. 6d. (wines extra, gratuities included) will be obtainable at the dinner. Former

members of the squadron wishing to attend are requested to inform the Secretary, Re-union Dinner Club, No. 3 (Fighter) Squadron, Royal Air Force, Upavon, Wilts.

### The Royal Air Force Memorial Fund

THE usual meeting of the Grants Sub-Committee of the Fund was held at Iddesleigh House on October 20. Mr. W. S. Field was in the Chair, and the other members of the Committee present were :—Mrs. L. M. K. Pratt-Barlow, O.B.E., and Sqdn.-Leader Douglas Iron, O.B.E. The Committee considered in all 19 cases, and made grants to the amount of £161.

### Royal Air Force Flying Accidents

THE Air Ministry regrets to announce that as the result of an accident at Leuchars to a Fairey 3D machine of Royal Air Force Training Base, Leuchars, on October 20, Flying Officer William Harvey Osborne Rumbitt, the pilot of the aircraft, was killed. No. 364080 Aircraftman Herbert William Furness and 364328 Aircraftman Francis William Tomlinson, passengers in the aircraft, were seriously injured, and the latter died of his injuries the same evening.