

IMPORTANT

CAA MOSE S TRANSPONDER CONSULTATION

The following message is from the BGA's Chief Executive, Pete Stratten, and is pretty self explanatory. The meetings should be particularly of interest if you live in, or within traveling distance of, Fife, Hampshire, or Yorkshire.

Many apologies for the extremely short notice.

Tom Hardie
19th March 2008

The recent mode S meeting with CAA at Turweston was attended by 35 air sport pilots. Although the questions from the floor made some impact, the low attendance will not have gone unnoticed by CAA. It is very clear that feedback to CAA on the current mode S proposals is extremely important – even the DAP team agree with that point.

With this in mind, please can I ask you to circulate the following text to your members? The meetings described below are open to all, and those from air sport who attended a meeting at Lasham in 2006 will recall the significant and effective impact that can be made with the regulator when people are willing to stand up and be counted.

Mode S Meetings - 2008

BGA dubs are hosting a number of open meetings with the CAA to hear about the current Mode S consultation process. ALL ARE WELCOME.

The meetings (all 7pm) will be at:

Portmoak (Scottish Gliding Centre) Thursday 20th March
Lasham Friday 4th April
Pocklington (Wolds GC) Friday 11th April

Directions to all dubs is available through the BGA web site at
<http://www.glidering.co.uk/findadub/dubdirectory.htm>

These meetings are a great opportunity for members to engage with the rulemakers and further clarify our airspace needs. We will shortly be providing guidance on how to respond to the consultation, but these meetings will help you to develop your own personal view on how to respond. We are calling on all glider pilots to make a response as was done to such great effect during the first round of consultation and, as such, the BGA urges ALL pilots to try to attend one of the meetings.

More information on the consultation process is on the BGA web site at
<http://www.glidering.co.uk/bgainfo/airspace/modes2008.htm>

Thanks

Pete

Pete Stratten
Chief Executive
British Gliding Association

IMPORTANT