

VATEIR STAFF MEETING

2nd AUGUST 2011



Kilian Thornton
ACCIRL5

Staff Members Present:

Stephen Murphy ACCIRL 1- SM

Daniel Brennan ACCIRL 3- DB

Kilian Thornton ACCIRL 5- KT

Cillian Ó Lúing ACCIRL6- CL

Martin Bergin VATEUD1- MB (An observer for the handover of the third reich to the new Führer SM).

Stephen Murphy chaired the meeting

Kilian Thornton took meeting minutes

CL was in charge of the kettle

DB was in charge of the cookies and shortbread.

Agenda is outlined below:

- General development
- Events
- PR
- Training Department
- Website
- Fly-In
- Shanwick
- Northern Ireland

The meeting started at 20:05 local. A delay of five minutes was encountered as Kilian Thornton's washing mashing was at its climax.

General Development

In general development we discussed the development of traffic figures for Cork, Shannon and the FIR. It is clear that there are more controllers on Cork than Shannon and less traffic going into Shannon. SM raised a point that we could enter Shannon into CTP to get more controllers interested and to raise awareness from the pilot's side. We then concluded that Dublin is the best choice for CTP.

Events

- KT described what he plans to achieve towards the end of this year and next year. Most has already been pointed out in his events update which can be found here: <http://vateir.com/docs/VATEir%20Events%20Update%202011.pdf>
- KT made the proposal of a VFR night which will be work in partnership with our events department. The proposed frequency of this event was passed by all members that it should be a monthly event that the route would vary each week for example one week would be EIKY-EINN, second EIKY-EICK, third EICK-EIWF etc.
- KT brought up the point the numbers are low and that many people aren't taking advantages of our weekly events.
- This led us onto talking about possible sponsorship of prizes for both ATC and pilots attracting more people to participate. An example brought up by SM is the new Generation X scenery as a prize for the VFR Night.
- SM also brought up that we should be publicizing our events more often via our social media on the day of each event.

Public Relations

- KT give an explanation of our current PR projects which included the various different social media we avail of, our banner, upcoming public events we could take part in the end of this year.
- KT also included that he has contacted someone to create a promotional video for the vACC.

Training Department

DB presented what he plans to do to reform the Training Department. It included the possibility of changing from Euroscope Scenario files to TWR Trainer. KT brought the point up that we should have a quicker response to starting students when they apply to join. DB wishes to revise current documentation, publish a new regionals document and create a new grading system. DB also said he would like the possibility of a mentoring system on the new website.

Website

CL give an update of the current progress of the new website and provided screenshots.

Fly In

- KT discussed what he has already planned for the fly in.
- DB suggested that we have a laptop with the VATSIM register page open so we can sign people up straight away. Then SM suggested that we could take that one step further and set up there Euroscope and Teamspeak for them on their laptops.
- CL suggested that we could record some video footage of the fly in.
- SM suggested that instead of them contacting us we could get there email address at the public events and then email them with a starting package.

Shanwick

We established we should review of our agreement between VATSIM-UK, and how we can progress with SCONI to increase staffing numbers.

Northern Ireland

KT give an update of the current status and validated controllers in Northern Ireland and that we should review how to get controllers interested.