



My room!



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Newsletter

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WLMAC Expeditionary Force visits RC Hotel

It's a dirty job but someone's got to do it. That was the view of the Expeditionary Force before they visited Corfu's RC Hotel for 5 days in May. After a week spent under blue skies, hot sun and a great big sky RC Hotel gets a great big thumbs up. So much so, there is already talk of a return visit next year.

RC Hotel is run by Spiros and is a normal hotel but with a huge fleet of planes and a runway for you to use. After checking your ability to fly, you are allowed to select virtually any plane and fly. Everything that you may need is included in the price. His radio's are Futaba and are set up for Mode 1 or 2 for every plane. Flying is from 9 am until 1 pm, then there is a break for lunch and relaxation. Flying starts again at 5 pm until 8 pm, then it's dinner and ice cold beer.

We paid for full board and to be honest, the food is excellent and we never set foot outside the Hotel all week.

Flying standards vary and to cater for that, instruction is available for both plane and helicopter flying at 25 Euros an hour.



You simply walk into the hanger, select a plane, collect the correct transmitter from the rack, fuel the plane and fly! If it's an electric plane, choose a battery from a big stack, when you've finished, place it in the 'empty' pile. They charge the batteries for you!

The Expeditionary Force eating and drinking at lunchtime, this would be followed by relaxation around the pool.





By the dress code, swimming trunks, this is an early evening session. Good sunglasses are essential.



Two Wot 4's joined at the hip, a Wot 8?



There were some bigger models that you could fly on a buddy box system. Stuart was flying the Storch when it went dead stick, even Spiros the owner, gets it wrong sometimes, he hit a tree on the glide in! This was our first afternoon too!



The Expeditionary Force relaxing in the heat and taking a break, Roger was off flying a heli. In the hanger is a large fridge with soft drinks and water so there is always something to drink.

The Black Horse Bf 109 on landing approach, flown by Spiros.



The result of a mid air!

Steve Emmanuel recently passed his A test at the field with Stuart Whitehouse examining, well done Steve!



On Sunday 8th June at 12.30 the Tri Club Competition kicks off at High Wycombe Club in Flackwell Heath. The competitions are Cut the Streamer and Touch and Goes, so, dig out your older models and rag 'em around the sky in the name of fun!

Directions

The Field is located in Hard to Find Farm, Heath End Road, Flackwell Heath, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP10 9QH. The entrance to the farm is directly opposite the Junction of Heath End Road and Abbey Barn Road. Once off the main road, drive up the lane to the farm until you come to a locked gate. This will have a combination padlock on it. Code 8888. Let yourself in and please re-lock the gate. Follow the track around the right of the barn in front of you where you will find the parking area and will be able to see the field. Cars are not permitted onto the field itself.

Field BBQ

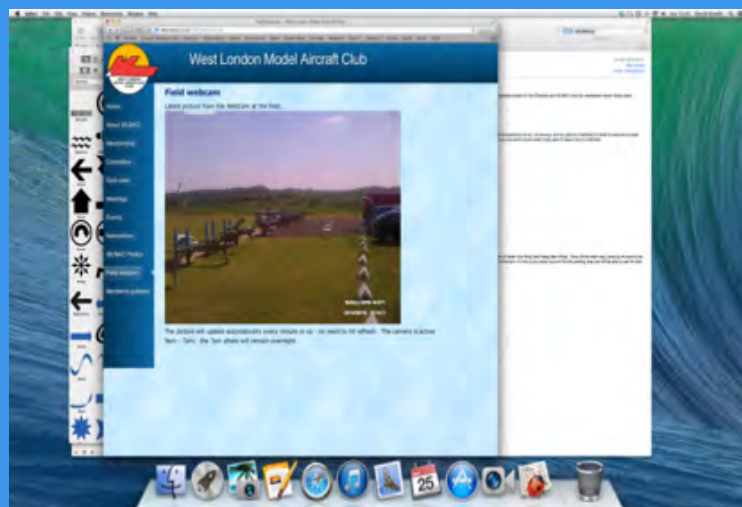
The Summer months Club BBQ's at the field recommence on Wednesday 11th June from 6.30 pm onwards. Remember, its electric models only after 7 pm so bring both if you are there for the afternoon too. We'll supply the food but this year we will NOT be supplying any alcohol. If you want a small beer/glass of wine or two, bring your own. Two reasons really, one being cost. If we don't supply booze we can continue to buy the food without charging members. Secondly, it seems a bit wrong for us to supply booze when both flying and driving are not happy bedfellows with alcohol.

Club Web Cam

The Club has recently installed a web cam into the end wall of the Club hut. The idea being that it will transmit a picture that will show the pits. You'll be able to look at the WLMAC home page to see what and who is at the Club before you leave home.

However, due to computer glitches, the web cam is yet to be reliable, watch this space, we'll let you know when it becomes reliable.

The image below is what it can show when it works.



Scale Day, Sunday 6th July 2014.

Scale Day approaches and here is a reminder of everything that you need to know for the day.

General Flying is allowed from 10:00 until 13:00
Solo Flying is from 13:00 until 14:00
The Competition is from 14:00 until 16:00

Pilots feeding at 12:30, followed by 'the rest'.

The Gate combination will be changed to the normal one we use, this will be sent by e mail in advance. These newsletters are available for all to see view on the web site which is why we don't publish the number here.

If there is poor weather during the week before the postponement decision is made on the Friday night, keep an eye on the web site or your e mails if the weather looks 'iffy'.

Competition Classes.

In an effort to reduce the Small Warbird class to a more manageable size, we have decided to trial a new class this year.

This was mentioned in the Newsletter earlier in the year to give you a chance to build a show stopper.

The Classes are:

Small Civil.

Large Civil.

Large Military.

Small Military Friend.

Small Military Foe.

99% of all planes will either be British, Italian, German, American or French so it's obvious wether they be Friend or Foe. If you do turn up with a Finnish, Romanian, Swiss or Kurdikstan based model, please accept our apologies if we don't immediatley know which class to enter the model into.



Work Party

We need to hold a work party on the Saturday before to ensure that our Club looks the best, we invite friends and families to the Club so we want them to see it at its best.

Please help out and lend a hand on the day, last years turnout was particularly poor. The work party will start at 10:00 and lunch will be provided.

In a similar vein, please earmark some time at the end of the Competition to help tidy up and help put everything away.

Benches.

Please be prepared to share a bench on Scale Day, there are not enough to go around on such a popular day. So, share with a mate or two or bring an old fashioned restraint and peg the model into the ground.



2013 Winners.

Please bring last years trophies back and leave them in the Club Hut over the next weeks, they need to be ready for the new winners.

Peter Emmanuel is the Competition Compere for the day, he did such a good job last year!