



NEWSLETTER

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LOTS OF SUNNY DAYS AT THE FIELD

We have again been blessed with good weather for our June 2006 evening meeting. Although it was a little cooler and there was more wind than last year, over 25 members and guests turned up to enjoy an excellent barbeque put together by Roy Lanning. The poor weather of May has given way to some excellent flying weather and the field has been busier than ever. Our next field meeting, planned for 12th July, will be our last for this year, so please try to get there. Our new mowing contractor has completed his first cut and the grass is very short and ideal for all types of models.

Mike Sullivan



Another summery scene in the pits during a big turnout on Friday June 16th

Mike Sullivan



BMFA TESTING

The club examiners were at Harefield on 17th May and 3rd June. Ron Stephens passed the 'B' test. Des Wheatley passed his 'A' test and is now preparing for his 'B'. If you are interested in having a go, or want more information, call Leon Taylor on 01494 674002. Remember if you have a BMFA certificate then you qualify for the reduced WLMAC membership

Leon Taylor



Brian Lee's Super Cub, pictured on an outing during June 2006.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting on **Wednesday, 12th July** at the Flying field at Harefield will be an "Electric Model Fly-in". Weather permitting, the meeting will commence at 6.30pm. We'll have the BBQ as we did last month, so bring your Friends and Family

DIARY DATE

3rd Sept 2006 **Scale Day**

HARMON ROCKET GOES ELECTRIC

Several members have purchased the popular Harmon Rocket and successfully flown them on glow powered engines. But of course they have to stop flying at the 7 – 0 pm curfew hour! David Whiteley, however, can fly on because he has successfully converted his Rocket to electric power. With his chosen set-up he finds take offs, loops and rolls all require only half power. Is this the way forward? Take your pick from the following offerings at Peter Emanuel's Brentford model shop:-

E-Flite Power 46 Outrunner Brushless Motor (eflite46) - Ideal for 40- to 46-size airplanes 4- to 7-pounds (1.8-3.2 Kg), 25- to 40-size 3D airplanes up to 5-pounds (2.2 Kg), or models requiring up to 800 watts of power **Price: £84.00**

Castle Creations Phoenix 80A Brushless ESC RC Price - £85

4 cell 14.8V 4250MAh Lipoly Battery Price - £145.00

All the items and plane are to be listed as a package deal on Brentford RC's Website. Build information and installation can be obtained from David Whiteley or soon from www.brentfordrc.co.uk



Those of us who have watched in awe as model jet turbines whistle their way across the sky at Harefield have sometimes wondered what would happen if the engine went into self destruct mode. Well the received wisdom of the model world is that the casings are too thick and strong to yield to a disintegrating turbine wheel. Not so with the full size. This is what happened at Los Angeles airport in June when the turbine wheel on a Boeing 767 decided to give up the ghost. It made an efficient circular saw, carving its way across the underside of the fuselage and tearing into the other engine on the port side. There was a big fire and a big repair bill. Fortunately the plane was empty and on the ground at the time.

Leon Taylor



Peter Murphy's Cub about to get airborne

CLUBHOUSE PAINTING

On June 10th a small work party got cracking on the rust spots on the clubhouse and after a couple of hours a new two tone paint scheme emerged. Once this new paint has cured we will give the whole clubhouse an overcoat of new paint. Thanks to Roy Lanning for the loan of the Generator, and to Des Wheatley, Peter Nielsen, David Whiteley, Leon Taylor and Peter Dorow for their help.

CRYSTALS FOR SALE

We are encouraging members to offer for sale to fellow members any spare good crystals they may have. To kick this off Leon Taylor offers a variety of Futaba crystals, all used but reliable at £2 per crystal.

It is two years since we published our analysis of the members' use of the Aero RC frequency range. It is compiled to help new members pick a frequency that is lightly used or unused. An updated list, taking into account recent leavers and joiners, is included with this newsletter. If you have changed your choice of frequency please let us know. This is Leon Taylor's list of crystals for sale:-

Tra	Rx	Rx
ns	SC	DC
		62
		63
65		65
68		68
	69	69
70		70
72		
75		75

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