



NEWSLETTER

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CRASHING MODELS MAKES MONEY!

Have you seen that television commercial showing a young woman deliberately crashing her boyfriend's RC model aeroplane in revenge for his rough treatment of her treasured Toyota Yaris motor car? Peter Emanuel provided the models from his collection at Brentford Radio Control and fellow WLMAC member Stuart Whitehouse did the flying – diving no fewer than four models into the ground in front of the camera at Wormwood Scrubs. The film makers wanted four crashes to choose from! Wormwood Scrubs was cordoned off, film crews and their directors wore safety helmets, police and council "Health and Safety" officials kept spectators at a distance and the surrounding roads were choked with film unit vehicles, including the "location catering" bus. All for the flying shots which took up less than ten seconds of the total commercial! What fun it must be to crash models deliberately and get paid for it!



Safety helmets all round for the film unit!

Adam Parkes



Peter Emanuel with one of his doomed models.



Stuart Whitehouse gets into the air one fine day in February

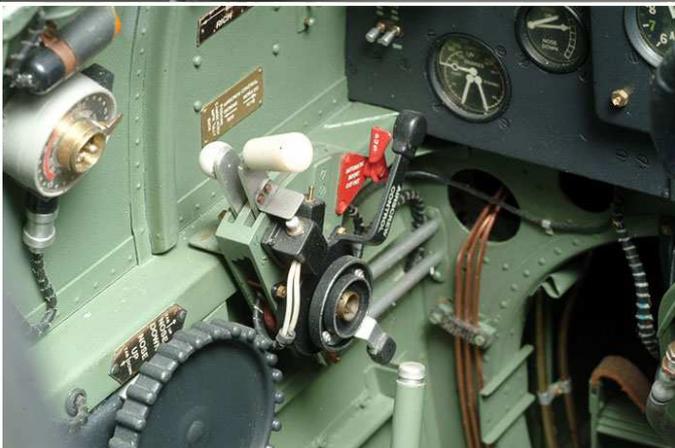
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FLORIDA REPORT

On a recent visit to Florida Tony Taylor saw one of the members of Sarasota RC Squadron flying this quarter scale, clipped wing Cub from the SIG kit. Powered by an OS Gemini and fitted with spats it really caught the eye but interestingly with the amount of power available, the pilot was flying it like a 3D model - spins, tumbles, prop-hanging, the lot! He reckoned it was by far the best Cub on the market and also the most difficult to build. At nearly \$2 to £ the temptation to buy was irresistible. Tony came home with an OS 120 Surpass for \$320! Prices for OS were - 90 \$249; 70 \$209; Saito - 125 \$340; 100 \$280; 82a \$255; 56 \$194 all plus local sales tax, of course, but a real snip!



Supermarine Spitfire MK 1



NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting at the Battle of Britain Club on 8th March will be the talk and DVD showing the details of the new 2.4GHz Spectrum RC system that was planned for February. Peter Emanuel will bring a transmitter and receiver to the meeting and demonstrate the system working. Brentford RC Centre will be present with their Sales Table.

This one fifth scale, non-flying Mk I Spitfire, which has been doing the rounds of the internet, took Cambridge modeller David Glen three years to build. If you want to drink in its fine detail you'll find it in the RAF Museum at Hendon. David is now working on a P51D Mustang!