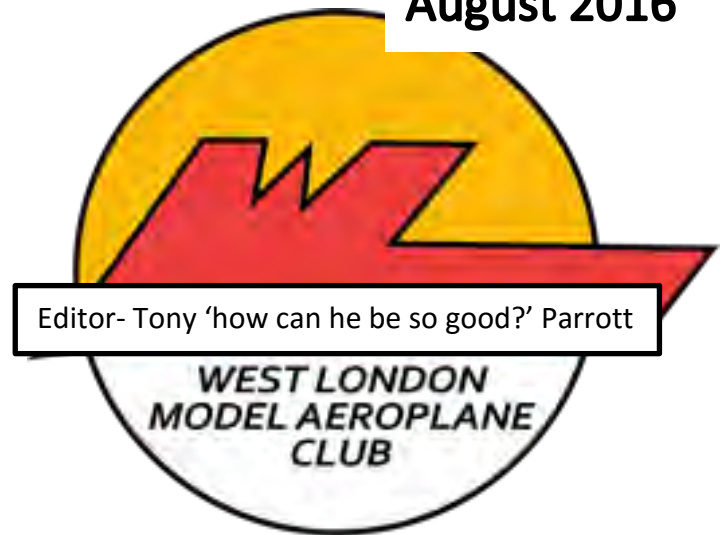


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**What? More changes.
New BBQ format rolled
out without consultation.
Chairman warned after
the event 'some of the
members are revolting!'
Apparently he knew that.**



'My sausage has teeth marks in it!' 'I can't get the lid off the butter' and 'I think my trousers are on fire!' These were just a few of the comments overheard by a reliable source during the recent July bbq. This level of confusion and disquiet becomes fully understandable when you stop to consider the gravity of the changes forced upon the members at this the club's most recent social event.

Without any prior warning the attending members were informed by their much loved, hugely respected and softly spoken membership secretary, that from this moment forth they would be expected to cook their own food at club bbqs. Okay so the food had been bought, laid out and the bbq lit. But that still meant members having to expose themselves to cooking utensils and a naked flame.

Fortunately Tony 'Pit Master' Bloomfield stepped up the hot plate mumbling something along the lines of 'not wanting anyone handling *his* buns or squirting mustard on *his* sausage'. As a result he did most of the cooking.

Bill Mercer did his bit by doing most of the eating.

Meanwhile despite a rather lack-lustre turnout, due to windy weather throughout most of the working day, this particular bbq was the best club one I've ever been to. People had no choice but to congregate around the food rather than spreading themselves along the pits. And the wind dropped to just above nothing which made for ideal flying conditions. Let's do it again next month.



**Tony prepares a light snack.
Nobody touches *his* sausage!**

Seeing Double

Just a few short weeks ago, I was the sole club member who could claim to have a 1.5 metre, composite fuselage Fantasista in their hanger. Now, thanks to Felix finishing his there are two of us. For sure it doesn't make the model any less brilliant but it has just become a little bit less exclusive. What's more I know of one other club member that will probably have ordered a slightly different offering, but very much from the same stable by the time you read this. Wanna join in? Check out the range at www.bondaero.co.uk

And there are deals to be had if you bundle in servos and/or power train. Why am I telling you this? I dunno, maybe, just maybe there's something else in the range, possibly larger, that's just taken my fancy.



A new Appointment

With Dave Orrells still enjoying his stay in Eastern Europe and Mike Pugh due to give up his seat at the top table at this year's AGM the hunt was on to find a new Committee member. Top of the list was frequent flyer, and 2015's most improved flyer, Mike Faul.

Fortunately he's accepted the position and that means, with immediate effect, he is entitled to use three benches during his visits to the field. As my entitlement extends to four there's not a look left for you lot. So be prepared to double up or work off the floor.

Obviously you should not speak to him unless he speaks to you first and as he was my number one choice his suitability remains beyond question.

Zooming in, or probably not

As many of you will have noticed the field camera is once more having issues. Now that he's back from his hol's, Mat's wiped it down with an oily rag and it's back up and running. Just how long it'll run for in this hot weather is anybody's guess. So, if you're checking who's at the field make a point of also checking the date on the screen. You might just be looking at an old picture.

Put it away

Just a quick reminder regarding using the club house chairs outside. They may have legs but they won't walk back into the hut on their own. You get it out, you put it away!

For Sale

Young Andy Blackburn ([REDACTED]) is having a bit of a clear out, I wish I could do that, and has unearthed a bag full of DSM2 receivers that he no longer needs.

3 x AR7000 + remote: £15 each

4 x AR6200 + remote: £12 each

5 x AR500 : £2 each

1 x AR9000 + 2 remotes : £55

1 x AR9000 + 1 remote : £50

1 x JR RD921 + remote : £60

1 x EA101 remote + 600 mm lead : £5

The field as seen from the heli patch.

Picture shot from Dave Whiteley's

Phantom 3 drone 26/7/16.



And Finally

The Colne Valley Festival takes place this very Sunday (31st July). Sadly, due to most of the Committee being away on holiday, working or attending other flying events WLMAC will not be represented this year. However, that doesn't mean you can't go. Check out the attached poster for details.