WLMAC Newsletter March 2019



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Field Marshall TP with his winter project and Tony's second maiden on the patch this year

Parish Notices

Very little to report back early on this February. Fortunately, for all of us the later part of February has been more like May with very mild weather no rain, little wind and plenty of sun. The field has been well attended with members flying their new and old models.

We have replaced the two light switches in the hut with movement timed sensors, we intend to install a separate switch in the toilet. At the moment it comes on with the two lights by the sink.

The main reason for installing these timed sensors is that there have been occasions where the lights have been left on, flattening the batteries.

The lock at the top of the hut door is broken and has been taken off to be repaired.

It appears that some members are coming to the field without keys to the hut. Some may have simply left them behind and others have not been given a key since joining. If you do not have a key, can you please contact Mathew who will arrange to give you a briefing and will supply you with a key. If you have a faulty key, can you please advise Mathew and he will arrange a replacement. For those who have left their keys behind, please MAKE SURE you always have them with you when you come flying (perhaps keep them in your transmitter box). Remember the last person to leave the site is responsible to make sure the hut is closed irrespective to whether or not you opened it in the first place. Obviously, this would include putting away the solar panel and wind sock and checking the gas has been turned off.

A work party will be held on Saturday 23rd March weather dependant for routine maintenance. Please come along to help.

Next month's meeting we will have a drone flying session. Roy had arranged with Kaiyo for a talk on first aid which had to be postponed, a future date to be announced. Roy also mentioned that this year he has purchased more batteries for our drones to make sure they will last the evening.

NEW BMFA REGULATION

Please look at the BMFA website concerning flight restriction after the recent drone incidents close to UK airports. Please also look at the following website for flight restriction zones http://www.noflydrones.co.uk/

The committee discussed the usage of WhatsApp as an aid to help members communicate and decided that we will start off by setting up a group for the committee. Other groups could be set up for anyone willing to join with groups such as Flying Today, Training, Buggy Racing Wednesday or just a general one for WLMAC.

Top Tip of the Month

MORE TOP TIPS NEEDED SEND ME YOUR FAVOURITE TIPS

Using a Laser level to line up a canopy by Tony Bloomfield.

You have just spent hours building your latest model. Motor or engine fitted perfectly and now you have to fit the Cowl. Hoping you don't drill the mounting holes in the wrong place you carefully mark it out. I don't know how many of you have used a laser level for DIY work, it's a

perfect tool for accurate marking. Tony has used it to mark up the canopy holes by fixing the fuselage to the table, lining up the laser with the holes in fuselage and then placing the cowl as desired. The laser light will shine on the exact spot on the cowl for drilling. Repeat for all the other fixing points.

Mathew also uses a laser level for aligning the tail section with the wings before fixing using the vertical and horizontal lines.

Club Meetings



Andy Hopper had a sale of his modelling equipment, as he has given up the hobby

Winter Projects

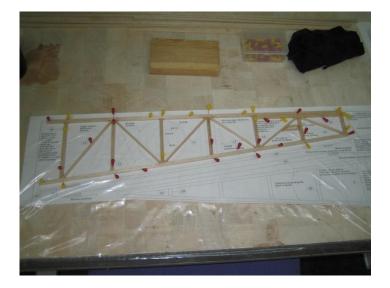
Frank Dalby-Smith ongoing project update

A brief update and a couple of pictures.

Not had a lot of time recently so progress has been slow. Main construction of wings is now done. Still servo mounts and horns to fit for wing stays. Put aside now to build the rest of the structures. Once done I'll return to finish the wings mounted to the fuz as reference to the correct location of the other bits.

Started with Fuz the rear part is fun it's nice to build a stick structure again!

See pictures below



Franks Flair Puppeteer 11



Puppeteer 11 wings

Projects Evening



Glen King with his Sebart Mini Avanti Jet 540



Tony looking as if he's piloting his Pilot Edge



Mat's Tony Nijhuis Designs Mustang



Mat's Flightline Spitfire



Graham Motley's re-furbished Wot 4



My Gangster 52 built from old templates



Mat's Losi buggy

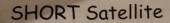


Tony P FMS Foamy Extra, superb finish



Tony P's FMS Fox maiden flight





By Dave Chinery 1924 Lympne Trials entry 30ft span, 34hp Douglas Dragonfly engine. Monocoque aluminium fuselage made of short sections of single-curvature sheet, hence the bands to represent the lap joins. MODEL $\frac{1}{2}$ scale, 90" span. Interchangeable nose, 65 electric or 20cc Saito radial.

I hope to complete it for the summer.

New members



Craig Blake (above) joined late last year, he is an experienced hele flyer but now prefers to fly fixed wing.

We also have two recent new members Pete Ledger who is a novice and will be undergoing training and Darron Rodrigues who has certificates and is a Pilot racing champion. Hopefully we will have their pictures next month.

Events

Date	Event	Location	Description
Thursday 14 th	Club	Uxbridge Golf Club	Drone flying
March	meeting		
Saturday 23 rd	Work	Harefield	Routine Maintenance
March	Party		
Thursday 11 th	Club	Uxbridge Golf Club	The Balsa bash
April	meeting		
Thursday 9 th May	Club	Uxbridge Golf Club	Skills night
	meeting		
Sunday 9 th June	BMFA	Harefield	BMFA scale day
Wednesday 12 th	Club	Harefield	BBQ at the field
June	meeting		
Saturday 13 th	Work	Harefield	Prepare the site for Fun Day
July	party		
Sunday 14 th July	Fun Day	Harefield	Annual family Fun Day
Wednesday 14 th	Club	Harefield	BBQ at the field
August	meeting		
Wednesday 11 th	Club	Harefield	BBQ at the field
September	meeting		
Thursday 10 th	Club	Uxbridge Golf Club	Guest speaker
October	meeting		
Thursday 14 th	Club	Uxbridge Golf Club	Quiz night
November	meeting		
Thursday 12 th	AGM	Uxbridge Golf Club	Membership renewals
December			
Thursday 12 th	Christmas	Uxbridge Golf Club	Partners are welcome but are required to pay
December	meal		full price of meal