

# WLMAC Newsletter November 2019

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Winners of our October Quiz at the Uxbridge Golf Club. From the left Graham Stone with his wife, Andy Turner, Dave Wilshere (Wayfarers), Felix Scicluna and Ray King.

## Parish Notices

**Openreach Springwell Lane closure** – Please be aware of the notice in Springwell lane for two Sundays from 10<sup>th</sup> November 09:30 – 15:30. Either travel to the site outside these times or come in via the Harefield Hospital end.



**Up and coming Club night** – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November, guest speaker John Herman who will be presenting a talk on model jets / gas turbines.

**Club AGM and Nominations** - Members of the committee who organise, regulate and run the club are not self-appointed - they are elected by the membership at every Annual General Meeting, which this year is on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

So, once again we invite volunteer members to give their serious attention to the Club's routine business. The club constitution calls for 21 days' notice for an application for membership, so the application form is shown below. Put yourself up for a year's service on the Committee by getting yourself a proposer and a seconder from among your fellow members, filling in the form overleaf and firing it off to the Secretary, Roy Lanning.

We will be having our Christmas meal once again at the golf club as we did last year which was very successful. Members can bring their partners but will be required to pay the full price for them.

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**COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM**

Candidate name (and E Mail address, please).

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Proposer.....Seconder.....

I agree to serve on the Committee for one year.

Signed.....Date.....

PRINT THIS PAGE AND RETURN FORM TO

Roy Lanning. WLMAC Secretary. 5 Thellusson Way, Rickmansworth WD3 8RB

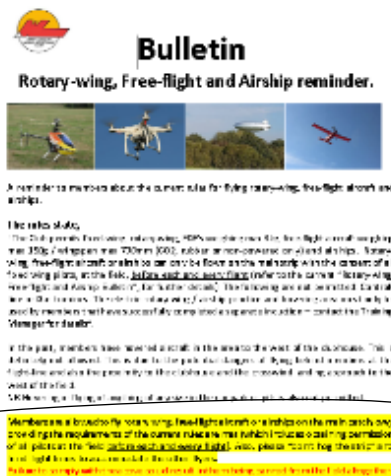
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**Permission requested to fly small Rubber-Powered Scale Models (free flight) –** Mathew was sent the above request. The committee gave the request serious consideration and responded positively, firstly for safety implications and secondly its effects on other flyers, deciding to allow the request with the following rule change:

## **A GENERAL FLYING**

1. The Club permits fixed-wing, rotary-wing, EDF's weighing max 4kg, free-flight aircraft weighing max 150g / wingspan max 700mm (CO2, rubber or non-powered only) and airships. Rotary-wing, free-flight aircraft or airships can only be flown on the main strip with the consent of all fixed wing pilots, at the field, before each and every flight (refer to the current "Rotary-wing, Free-flight and Airship Bulletin", for further details). The following are not permitted: Control-line or Gas-turbines. The electric / rotary wing / airship practice and hovering area must only be used by members that have successfully completed a separate induction – contact the Training Manager for details.

The club bulletin displayed in the field hut will include the following note:



**Members are allowed to fly rotary wing, free-flight aircraft or airships on the main patch, only providing the requirements of the current rules are met (which includes obtaining permission of all pilots at the field before each and every flight). Also, please "don't hog the strip" and limit flight times to accommodate the other flyers.**

**Failure to comply with the above could result in them being banned from the field altogether.**

**Outer Field annual cut** – The field has been cut to the left and the right of the Patch and is looking cleaner than ever.



**Winter Work party** – Mathew is requesting the help from members who have the use of a chain saw or hand saw to assist in cutting down the sapling trees growing around the field mainly to the left of the patch. Please contact Mathew if you can assist. Anyone needing any firewood can help themselves to any of the cut trees. Mathew will send out an email and a WhatsApp message when the November date has been decided.



**Field hut locks** – In spite of the new locks, we are still having problems with certain keys. Can anyone who hasn't done so recently, please go to the hut and make sure your key operates all 3 locks smoothly, even if it only slightly binds slightly on any of the locks, advise Mathew and he will either adjust the key or give you a new one. We want to minimise the chance of any more keys breaking in the locks.



**Club Hut stocked up with soups** – Winter warming soup packets have been purchased and are waiting to be consumed for the winter months. Help yourselves to your favourite flavours.

**Ben Colman Is training for his commercial pilot's licence** – Alan Colman, Ben's father has sent in a photo of Ben who is in training for his commercial pilots licence, both are members of WLMAC. Good luck Ben, please keep us updated.



**October 10<sup>th</sup> quiz and club night** – We had an excellent turnout of members and a couple of guests from the Watford Wayfarers. Many members came in early for an evening meal, the golf club laid on a very good menu and the bar area was full. Andy Blackburn did an excellent job with the questions and together with Stuart Whitehouse they placed members into teams to give each team the best chance possible. Andy and Stewart adjudicated the event, there were a mixture of some easy and brain taxing questions. There was a generous prize for the winning, second and third place teams. All in all, a very good evening and a good start to our winter season indoor events.



Members dining before the quiz at the bar



Teams seated and ready



Quiz masters ready to go

Runners up from the left Andy Todd (Wayfarers), Dave Mathew and Mike.

Before the Quiz Mathew obtained a Piper Cub, for sale, which was bought by Sasha – money received was donated to club funds.

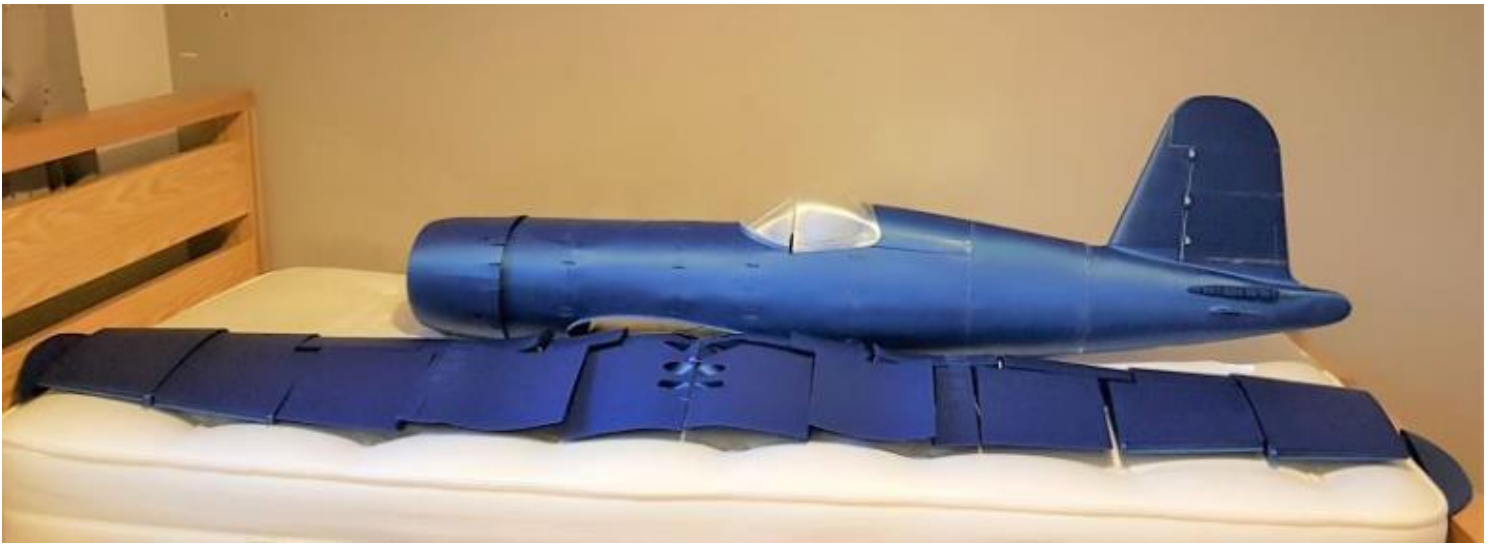




**New Member John Simpson** – John is no stranger to our hobby and holds a BMFA B certificate, he came over to the field last Sunday with his very well scratch built Canberra. John took his Canberra to the air and it flew very well with its twin 70mm ducted fan units powered with 6S 5000mah LIPO batteries, it will fly's for approximately 6 minutes. All the sections are laser cut, details are all on John's website <https://www.englishelectricmodels.co.uk/> The Canberra along with other kits John produces which can be purchased details on the Website.



**Projects – 3D printed Corsair by Felix Scicluna** - After the successful 3d printing of a Spitfire by Mathew, I thought the Corsair will be an interesting build or should I say print as there is not much building skill required. The design is by 3D Labprint (<https://3dlabprint.com/>) and the whole design is downloaded from the internet. Every part of the build has been thought of with each individual GCODE file ready to copy onto an SD card for printing, including the Wheels and tyres. I have so far printed both the wings and Fuz which is now glued together using CA glue. Apart from a user guide, there are a number of videos covering each stage on Youtube which makes the whole project easy to follow. 1.9m wingspan 1.5m Fuz. It's taken up over 4kg of PLA plastic so far and hours of printing.



## Events

Date	Event	Location	Description
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Club meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	Guest speaker John Herman
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	AGM	Uxbridge Golf Club	Membership renewals
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas meal	Uxbridge Golf Club	Partners are welcome but are required to pay full price of meal