

WLMAC Newsletter February 2022

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Welcome to our February newsletter 2022- January has been a bit of a quiet month. There have been some pilots venturing out into the cold. Training on Saturdays has been getting back into swing.

CAA Operator ID Reminder – By now most of us have placed our ID on our models. If you are bringing a model out that has not been used for a while, please remember to check it has your current ID, clearly labelled in accordance with the CAA instructions. It can be located on the outside of your model or inside a compartment that you don't need to use a tool to open it.

Parish Notices- This is the 100th year anniversary of the BMFA. There will be many clubs throughout the country organising special events to celebrate this. We are helping two other Clubs with a special indoor flying event at the High Wycombe Leisure Centre. Brian from the Wycombe club has been in the driving seat for this. The other club involved is Hemel Hempstead Model Flying Club. Put the date in your diaries – 20th March.



BMFA 100 Indoor Flying Extravaganza!

Indoor flying event

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Upcoming Events

BMFA 100 Indoor Flying Extravaganza!

Wycombe Leisure Centre
HIGH WYCOMBE

Sun 20 Mar 2022,
12:30PM – 7:00PM

If anyone has any other suggestions, as to how we could celebrate 100 years of model flying, please let a member of the committee know.

So far, there has been one other suggestion. We could attempt as a club, to eat a 100 hot dogs, at one of our BBQ's. These will be lovingly prepared and cooked by our very own 10star chef Mr Andrew Turner. Watch this space for further 100year anniversary activities.

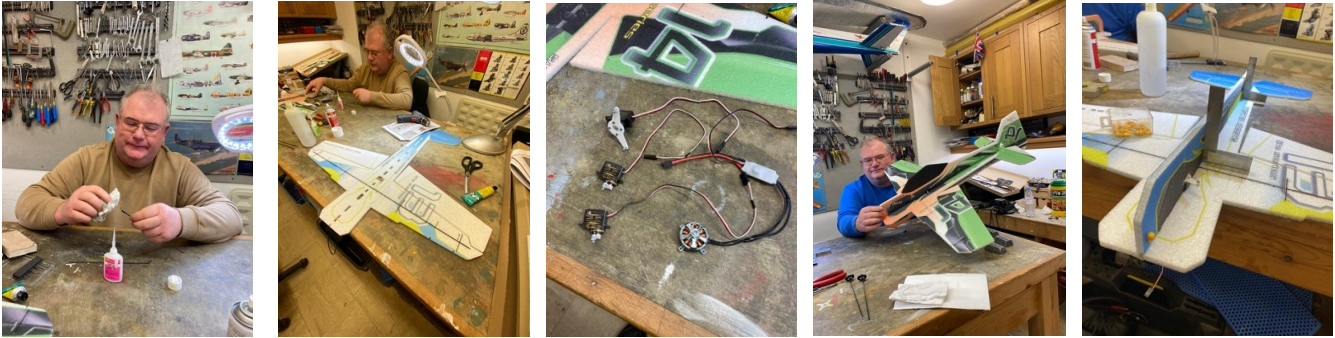
Pickeridge Farm- At last, some movement. After Mathew chased the planners again, they finally got back to him and suggested that an online meeting take place, to go through and try and resolve the EHO's concerned regarding noise. This took place on 25th Jan and seemed fairly positive. They have now acknowledged our previous suggestions for Pickeridge being "electric only" and the EHO will soon attend the site to witness/ assess some model aircraft and cars in action. This with the view of our application then going before the planning committee in either March or April. NB Some club volunteers will be required to help with the demonstrations and Mathew will be in touch a bit nearer the time with further details.

At the field (Harefield)– I've had a request from TB Tuning (Tony Bloomfield). If anybody wishes to get some help with their IC engines, at his IC Workshop on Saturdays, he would really appreciate it if you would contact him in the week before to discuss any issues, rather than just turn up on a Saturday. Depending on the issue Tony might ask you to remove the engine from the plane beforehand, to save time at the field.

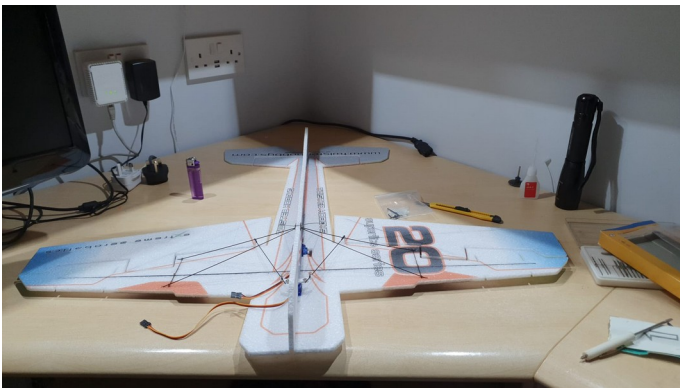
On Sunday 30th Jan, Tony was out with the mower and has given the grass area its first trim of the year.

Winter Projects- The growing amount of interest with indoor flying has seen a new “flock” of planes under construction. RC Factory produce various suitable kits including a Crack Yak Lite and a Superlite. <https://www.rc-factory.eu/>

The build time is approximately 12 to 15 hours, this allows for drying time as well.



The two planes under construction, above, belong to Mathew and Tony B. I have also constructed one of these. Great model to build and fly. Felix has been busy building a Crack Yak Superlite.



Another nice selection suitable indoor plane kits are available from Microaces.

<https://microaces.myshopify.com/>



Microaces IS Making History

Home › Microaces R.A.F. SE5a › Microaces SE5a 'RAAF Post War' Kit



Home › Microaces Scrappee Classic Micro Trainer Kit



Mr Dave Chinnery.

Sent this in. [A BLAST FROM THE PAST!](#)

In 1967, I built a Ripmax Lowboy from a kit. Fitted it with an OS Max H 40, it flew well for many years. In the '80s, I converted completely to electric, and the model languished in the loft. Sometime later, I gave it to Andy Turner, who converted it to electric, and has been flying it at the Field until its unfortunate encounter with a tree in 2020.

Andy was going to burn the remains but gave them to me for old time's sake, to refurbish and to fly again. A major change in my family circumstance saw the model side-lined, and I have now returned it to Andy for him to refurbish. My go-to winter model is my Artizan foamy, but it is sometimes a bit too exciting, and I needed something a little gentler for relaxed afternoons. I loved the Lowboy, so have built a re-imagined a Mark 2, 55 years after the original. It flies beautifully on 3S power with Snoopy in charge! The original had veneered foam wings and the new ones are blue foam with a vertical 3mm balsa spar web. Strip wood in the fuselage is sourced from rocket sticks recovered during my walks around the houses during November. The strip ailerons and elevators are hinged with the covering material, and the servos (thoroughly tested) and ESC are recycled from previous wrecks. I look forward to giving Snoopy many more airmiles!



Indoor Flying Invitation- There are lots of videos of these events on Facebook and Youtube, uploaded by Hemel Hempsted Model flying club.

Hemel Hempstead Model Flying Club
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 September 2021

Indoor Flying Dates at Handy Cross sport centre, High Wycombe

All events are **Saturdays 4:00pm - 6:00pm** (this due to the sports centre's COVID opening times, once they change back to normal then we'll be booked **6:00pm - 8:00pm**):

- 2021
- 16th October
- 6th November
- 27th November
- 18th December
- 2022
- 8th January
- 29th January
- 19th February
- 12th March
- 26th March

Flying fees are **£10/session**.

The multi-storey carpark next to the main entrance will be open (it was closed for all our previous sessions but is now open), the tariff is 50p for 2 hours payable only with coins.

The Park & Ride carpark is also available but now charges £1.20 for 4 hours, this can be paid for by card.

COVID related changes (masks etc.) will be reviewed near the date but I doubt there will be any difference to normal indoor flying. The Postcode for Handy Cross is HP11 1PL.



The invitation from High Wycombe for us to attend their regular indoor sessions on Saturdays with the new times of 6.00 – 8.00pm.

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We have also now been invited to attend the Hemel Club's indoor flying at a venue in Aylesbury. **If you want to be added to their contact group/ receive details then please contact Mat and he will arrange this.**

Up and coming Events

	Event	Location	Description

Thursday 10 th February	Club meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	Projects evening
Thursday 10 th March	Club meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	Darren Bloomfield will give a talk on RC Cars and how he got into the sport.
Sunday 20 th March	Special Event	High Wycombe Leisure Centre	100years Anniversary Indoor Event
Thursday 14 th April	Club meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	The Balsa Bash
Thursday 12 th May	Club meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	Skills night
TBC	BMFA Scale	Harefield	BMFA Scale Heat
Wednesday 8 th June	Club Meeting	Harefield	BBQ at the field
TBC	Fun Day	Harefield	Club event.
Wednesday 10 th August	Club Meeting	Harefield	BBQ at the field
Wednesday 14 th September	Club Meeting	Harefield	BBQ at the field
Thursday 13 th October	Club Meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	Will possibly be another Quiz Night.
Thursday 10 th November	Club Meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	Will be Drone Racing Night.
TBC	AGM	Uxbridge Golf Club	Membership renewals
TBC	Christmas Meal	Uxbridge Golf Club	Partners are welcome but are required to pay full price of meal