



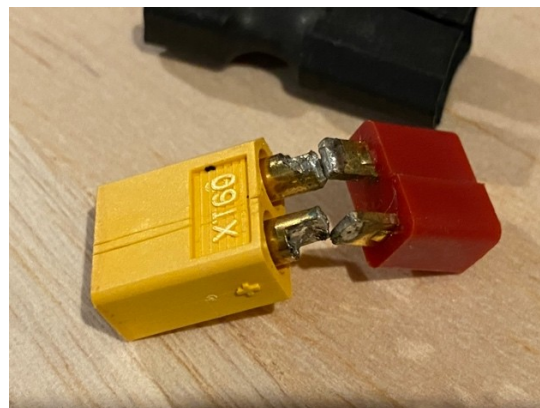
Photo of Graham Stones' recently completed Typhoon from a Brian Taylor Plan, at projects night (very nice).

Welcome to our March newsletter 2022. February was a mixed bag of events. We had our projects evening at the golf club. Environmental Health Officers (EHO's) at Pickering. Flying at both fields and several storms to put up with. Also, two indoor flying sessions, out of the wind.

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. I have noticed one aircraft with the ID inside a model, under a wing that is fixed with screws, this is not permitted (no tools must be needed to access the operator ID).

Parish Notices- There has been some reports of problems with transmitters and electric equipment. After further investigation we have found a number of "dry joints" in the soldering of wires. So, on the Thursday 12th May Skills night, at the golf club, we will be carrying out some tuition on soldering dos and

don'ts. The following picture shows a shop purchased battery adaptor and the problem; the soldered joint was hidden from view with some heat shrink. The fault was only detected after this was removed.



100 years of the BMFA.



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.

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.

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 acknowledged our previous suggestions for Pickeridge being "electric only" This with the view of our application then going before the planning committee, most likely now in April. On the Friday 25th Feb we had a meeting with the EHO to carry out noise checking etc at Pickeridge. We had four aircraft, two helicopters and one drone, all in the air at the same time. There were also two planes tested on the ground, at measured distances. This once Mat had figured out how to turn his on! The testing was done to help prove that electric powered aircraft were under the permitted sound levels and all tests obviously passed with flying colours (excuse the pun). We also had four electric cars driving around and it was deemed that these weren't an issue either. They didn't only take readings from on the airfield they went off site, to the main road, to the West of the field.

The weather conditions were good, nice and bright and the mown area was in really good condition, considering the time of year. Felix was on hand with hot coffee. We also had one of the EHO's have go on the buddy with our Mathew for a quick flying lesson. She picked it up very quickly and enjoyed it. There was a debriefing in the Fox & Pheasant afterwards for some of the members involved. A big thankyou to all of the members that attended to either fly, drive or assist.





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.



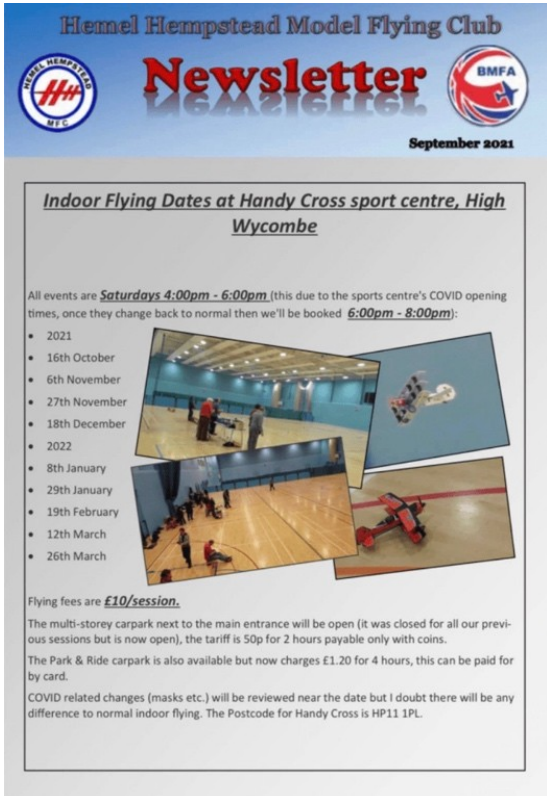
We are now running a competition to find who has the longest Screwdriver to remove the wing section (see following photo with the current leader). Also, we have now had a rumour that we are going to be using “Electric Bikes” to launch some unpowered gliders. Our very own John Fowles has been in training for the position of Chief Launcher, Mike was also showing some interest.



Winter Projects – On the 10th of February we had our indoor meeting at Uxbridge golf club. This was a night to bring anything you had been working on over the winter. There was a nice selection of aircraft on display.



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.** We had a notification from Cliff Neighbour from Hemel that there will only be Four aircraft in the air at on time. The 11/03/2022 and 01/04/2022 Are confirmed booking's I have been asked to contact intact you all to see if you want any more in April May I require a yes or no before making these decisions.

Up and coming Events

	Event	Location	Description
Thursday 10th 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 14th April	Club meeting	Uxbridge Golf Club	The Balsa Bash
Thursday 12th 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