



Saturday 11th October was a glorious sunny day with hardly a breath of wind. Consequently, there was a full house at the field with every bench in use.

Mehdi has opened an Instagram account on behalf of the Club. Now I'll be the first to admit that I don't have an Insta account, to be fair I'm unlikely to either. But I know lots of people do, so take a look, join, send a Tweet or whatever it is you do on Insta!

Well done to Charles who passed his A test on Saturday 18th October. It was a good news/bad news day for Charles. After passing his test he landed but the plane nosed over by the long grass, off to the left. Charles ran off to collect it only for it to start smoking. Unfortunately the smoke turned to flame and the whole plane was destroyed as it was a foamy. The cause was not clear, the plane had landed normally so it's believed that the lipo battery chose that moment to give up. A salutary lesson for all about the dangers of lipo batteries.

The good news is that Charles passed his test and gets to choose a new plane, courtesy of his Mum and Dad.



Winners!



Club night on the 9th was Quiz night and it saw four teams of five competing for first prize. Each winner received crisp £10 note, with second place earning a fiver each. Well done to the winners!



Runners Up

Club night on Thursday 13th November

Guest speaker is Charlie Orrells giving a talk. Many years ago he was a member of WLMAC and learnt to fly and quickly surpassed my flying skills. His style was that of a typical 15 year old, flown with gusto and without fear. Plus he never had to fix them!

Charlie now flies Airbus A320's with British Airways and will move soon to the Boeing 777 fleet. Charlie will give a talk on his career path from WLMAC member, to bin lorry driver to RyanAir and then BA. He'll answer any questions about flying and the weird things we see all see at Heathrow. Come early and enjoy a meal before the meeting too!



Thanks to everyone who stayed away from Harefield over the weekend to allow the Airsoft boys the whole site. As it turned out the weather wasn't that great so there was not a huge turnout at Pickeridge either.

The Airsoft boys had predicted a huge weekend for themselves, the first big event they had organised. We were told to expect 350 people, tanks and armoured personnel carriers would be there for a weekend Airsoft fest. We were slightly sceptical of these claims but only time would tell. As it turned out, Mat was told that there were only 80 people max. Mat checked on the field, our car park and mown area and they remained clear. As expected the Airsofters were far more interested in the overgrown areas.

The field owner has started to store skips on the field. These have been placed off to the right, well out of our way. The lorries delivering the skips have churned up the field but we don't drive down there so again, it will have very little effect on us.



The webcam continues to frustrate and test Mehdi's skill and patience. The aerial has been added, together with a device to smooth out any fluctuations in the power supply. However, it still continues to give up the ghost occasionally until kicked back into life by a physical reboot. Weirdly, it's working as I type this.

We've added a new line into the Shop in a Shed as an experiment. There are some tins of Heinz Big Soup for sale at £1.50 each. These will come in handy should you forget your lunch or need a bit more than a Cup of Soup. You'll need a key holder to access them, if they don't sell, I'll eat them. If they do sell, I'll buy some more to keep them in stock over the Winter.

Here's a snap that not many people have seen before, Tony 'I love an engine' B with his own electric plane!



Roger D has been back at the end of October with his digger, moving tons of earth around on the outfield. This is to ensure a safe passage for the topping tractor.



Mick Powell bought his Flair Bristol Fighter out for it's maiden flight. It flew but suffered some damage on landing. Thanks to Mat for being the test pilot.
And doesn't it look great!

It's that time of year again when the Committee is up for election. If you fancy helping out and joining the Committee, fill out the form below and get it to Roy.

The Club AGM is on **Thursday 11th December** and the Committee is up for election. If you would like to join the Committee, use the attached nomination form. Keep the date free for the Christmas meal, details to follow next month.

COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM
Candidate name (and Email address, please).

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I agree to serve on the Committee for one year.

Signed.....

Date.....

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