

Bourne Stormers Model Club



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As the 'Beast from the East' disappeared, it was replaced by mist and rain, which means that the weather has returned to normal and we can go and fly again, just as soon as we can see both ends of the Field at once!

At the meeting Steve Mason told us about the new way that BMFA membership is going to be controlled. Basically, an online membership management company called Go! Membership is going to handle it. Amongst other benefits, Club Membership Secretary's will be able to carry out their tasks online rather than by post. Individually we can choose to pay our membership fees through it and print our membership cards if we want, although those with smart phones can use them to prove their membership status. If you would like to know more, best to get online and have a look at www.gomembership.com and find out what they do. The BMFA have also started hosting club websites for free, so our own website is in the process of moving over to it at the new address of bournestormers.bmfa.org. The old website will remain for a while, probably until our current hosting fees run out.

And now for something completely different. Our Club meal on the 10th February went very well. The atmosphere was convivial and the food was tasty and more than adequate without being excessive. Thank's must go to Eddie for his organisation skills, especially as the Wishing Well management and menus kept changing.



Two tables full enjoying the
Club meal in February.





Not really a Spotlight Model this month, but here's my completed Top Dawg just prior to its test flight (always take a picture before the first flight). The pilot is Muttley, if you don't know who that is, type 'Stop the Pigeon' into your preferred search engine and watch some You Tube videos. (Dick Dastardly flies my Magum Reloaded). This is meant as a little encouragement to complete your's as I'm normally a slow builder.

Not really connected with the Club, but of general modelling interest, the RAFMAA has a Chairman's Choice competition at the annual championships. Last year it was a bomb drop, this year, with more notice, it's a specification for an indoor model. Basically it must have at least a 600mm span, weigh less than 110 grams and be powered by a 1S 400-500mAh LiPo, the more interesting/unusual the better. I know there is a Ju52 with full interior being built, so I thought I'd better up my game from my original profile model idea to a scale model of this:



It's a Terrafugia Transition roadable aircraft, it's real and undergoing flight testing in America. I hope to have folding wings (manual, not powered) and maybe front

wheel steering. I'll let you know how it goes, if I'm not carted off in a straight jacket first.

Finally, we extend a warm welcome to Richard Aldiss who came along to the meeting and is currently in the process of joining the Club.

Upcoming Events

March 2018

Wed 7th

Meeting at the Wishing Well.

Sat/Sun 24th/25th

Jet Modellers Assoc. AGM at National Flying Centre, Buckminster. 9:30am to 5:30pm.

April 2018

Wed 4th

Meeting at the Wishing Well.

Sun 15th

Buckminster Spring Swap Meet £6 a table, £2 admission. nationalcentre.bmfa.org.

Sat 28th

IMAC UK Training Day Buckminster (Min A-cert).

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