BourneStormers Model Club



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After a couple of weeks of variable weather, from one or two amazing days to a number of 'maybe not' days (I believe hail was mentioned), there have been some chances to fly even for fair weather flyers like me. The rebuilt Top Dawg has been flown, yes it's still intact, and my little Diamond 600 has found it's windspeed limit (above a ten mph wind, it no longer flys forward) and has been successfully flown in FPV mode.

This month we were back in our normal part of the Wishing Well, which was fortunate really as fifteen members attended the meeting and the Pool room would have been overflowing. Firstly Niall thanked the crowd that turned up last Sunday and replaced the mower shed doors, also hinting at one or two other jobs that may be required in the not too distant future. The old doors went for scrap and earned the Club £11.20. There may be a little more money coming the same way as it was decided to scrap the van, the old (broken) mower and the two (also broken) grass collectors.

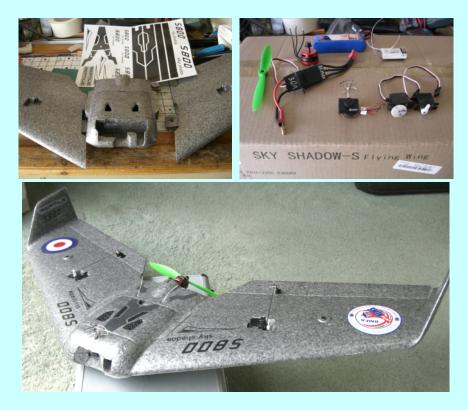
So far our professional mole catcher has removed seventeen moles. There are a few more to go, but soon we will be maintaining a clear field with our own traps, we just might have to buy some more!







The Mower Door working party hard at it, and now we have doors that close properly.



In addition to repairing my Top Dawg this month, I've also managed to 'build' something, so this month's Spotlight Model is my S800 Sky Shadow FPV Racing Wing. The RAFMAA Chairman's Choice comp. for this years Champs is FPV wing racing with a single make model and a standard motor and prop. Being the frugal chap (cheapskate) that I am, I bought the basic kit, motor and motor spacers, about £50 total, all the rest I had available even if the quality was a bit marginal. However, racing FPV wings is a bit like

flying combat, attrition rates are high! This EPP model spans 820mm and comes as a basic kit or 'Plug'n'Play' with FPV kit and a flight controller included (stabilisation plus other tricks). Mine ended up weighing a little over 600 grams (80 grams up front to balance as it's not carrying a second camera). The nice green prop is a 6x4.5 racing quad one from my large pack of spares.

Don't forget about the Buckminster Swapmeet on Sunday, they have improved somewhat since the first one!



Just a couple of pictures of the Top Dawg during the repair, it now has a half inch thick rib forward of the spar.



Finally, as we are now on Summer Time, Thursday evening flying is back with us. Still a little dark at the moment, but Combat Gremlins are being encouraged in addition to training and general flying. Also, please note the new e-mail address for the Newsletter shown below.

Upcoming Events April 2019

Wed 3rd Meeting at the Wishing Well.

Sun 7th

BMFA Buckminster Swapmeet. Sellers - 8am, £6 pitch/table Buyers 10am £2 admission.

May 2019

Wed 1st Meeting at the Wishing Well. Fri - Mon 3rd to 6th Bardney Flyers 1st Invitational 5pm on Fri to 4pm on Mon John Andrews 07908 544199 or e mail events@bardneyflyers.co.uk Sat/Sun 11th & 12th Model-Air MayFly, Old Warden.

