

Bourne Stormers Model Club



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It looks like a model flying Summer has finally arrived. The air is warm, the sun is out and the wind is usually below 15mph. I am even, occasionally, wearing shorts, but don't let that put you off going down the field.

For those of you that read RCM&E, in this month's edition, the report on the Ullswater Fly-In has some pictures of Malcolm and a couple of his models - form an orderly queue for autographs please! This month's meeting started with a quick update on our mole issue, the traps are working and we are catching some. With a few traps out on the Field, some are being marked with the red and white hazard tape instead of the small poles, it was decided that this was a good idea for the takeoff/landing area, where the poles tend to act as model magnets. The mower is now fixed and working well, with that and our (repaired) bird scarer, the grass is starting to look better. Malcolm brought along some of the pilots he had made with his new 3D printer. Some were about nine inches tall, made from multiple bits and printed in ABS. They looked very good although Malcolm said they took about a day to print on the high quality setting.

There was a discussion about the BBC's Horizon program 'Britain's Next Air Disaster? Drones'. It was agreed that it was 'somewhat biased'. For me, the impact test proved that if you break up a multicopter and mould it into a bullet, it could cause slightly more damage than a bird! DJI have published an open letter to the BBC's Director General, Tony Hall, which can be read here:-

www.commercialdroneprofessional.com/in-full-djis-open-letter-to-the-bbc

and is due to be followed up by an official complaint on the 'impartiality and accuracy' issue.



Malcolm Styles carries his Boddo original out for another flight.



A Boddo original, the 55" span Aquabat flew well, of course.

Part of this month's RCM&E report on the Ullswater Fly-In.

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bit more glue on it. (This fact discovered about two seconds after this photo was taken!)

The Spotlight model this month was a bit short notice. Eddie had his new Ultimate Biplane out on Thursday night (I tend to write this on Friday) and Malcolm test flew it for him. Surprisingly, I got a reasonable picture of it in the air, then promptly forgot to ask Eddie for any details about it. We do know that it flies okay but the ailerons are a 'bit twitchy' and the undercarriage plate needs a

Thursday night flying is starting to pick up. This was last night at the Field. As time went on the breeze dropped to virtually nothing. Both training and general flying took place. Just need a few more Gremlins to turn up for a bit of combat!



Finally, the grass cutting days have moved to Wednesday and Saturday mornings to hopefully get a few more helpers. Please come along if you can. It tends to start about 10am but it helps to keep an eye on our Facebook Group.

Upcoming Events

July 2019

Wed 3rd

Meeting at the Wishing Well.

Sat/Sun 6th & 7th

LMA Cosford

Sat/Sun 13th & 14th

ModelAir Scale, Old Warden

Sat/Sun 27th & 28th

Melton & District Model Show

mdmc.bmfa.org.

August 2019

Wed 7th

Meeting at the Wishing Well.

Sat/Sun 10th & 11th

Scale Fly-in at Bardney Flyers

To book call John 07908 544199

or go to www.bardneyflyers.co.uk.

Sat/Mon 24th & 26th

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