

Bourne Stormers Model Club



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During the last month the CAA have, at last, been e-mailing out Operator IDs to those members registering through the BMFA. As you know, these must be shown on the models you are responsible for, in accordance with the rules shown on the CAA website here 'register-drones.caa.co.uk/labelling-your-drone-or-model-aircraft'. As long as the label conforms, it can be as basic or as flamboyant as you wish. Please remember though that your Operator ID may change every year so, however fancy your label is, be prepared to change it annually.

This month's meeting started a little quietly. Derek had some questions about the plan for the model he was building and was soon receiving advice from multiple directions, most of it was even consistent! Niall pointed out a couple of jobs needed on the mower shed and these got slightly closer to being completed with people offering to try and get some suitable supplies. The current lack of moles at the Field was put down to them either drowning, freezing or, more likely, Andrew's ongoing anti-mole campaign.

Steve Mason brought notice from the BMFA about some Achievement Scheme Fly-In events being held at Buckminster on 30-31st May and 8-9th August offering information and practise for the tests. Also mentioned was the lack of Helicopter examiners for 'B' certs in the Area and a possible test day being organised at Buckminster for any up and coming chopper pilots. Better get my Eco8 set up again - and get a lot of practise in!



This Friday was an unusually pleasant day at the Field. It may have been chilly but the sun was shining, the breeze was light and our new Club member, Dean, turned up to test run his petrol engine. Welcome to the Club Dean.

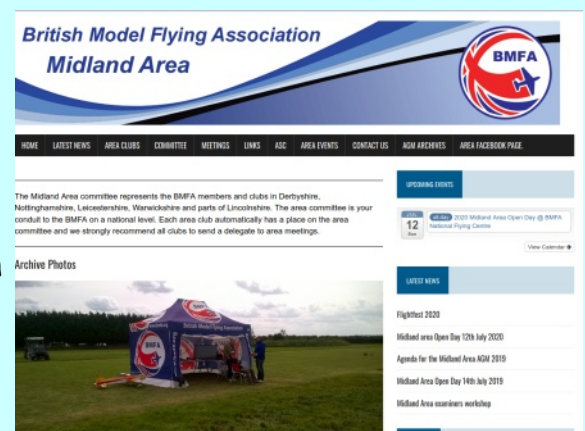


A diddy Spotlight Model this month. I'd been looking for a decent small helicopter for indoor flying, and found this at the BMFA Champs Swapmeet. It's a Walkera V120D02S and it came with a normal size, Devention Devo 7 transmitter, all for a modest £30. Within it's 12 inch rotor span it has

'proper' helicopter controls (collective pitch and a shaft driven tail rotor). It's electronically stabilized (flybarless) so it's a bit easier to fly, and powered by a single cell 750mAh LiPo. Just to make life a bit more interesting, it's also the first non FrSky model I set up on my Taranis via the Multiprotocol Module I recently fitted.

BMFA FlightFest. For those who may not be familiar with it, FlightFest is the BMFA's way to raise the public awareness of responsible model flying in the UK. May is the chosen month for FlightFest events around the country and we will be participating by inviting the public, or specific groups, to our Field on Sunday 3rd May for some simulator and buddy box flying. Details are yet to be finalized, but please make a note of the date if you are able to help out.

If you haven't been to the BMFA National Flying Centre at Buckminster yet, here's a reminder about the Midland Area Fly-In there on Sunday 12th July. The day will include a meeting for members to discuss points to put forward for the Area AGM, so you can find out what the Midland Area can do for us and put forward some ideas. For information see the Midland Area website at midland.bmfa.org.



Finally, a note about the 'Upcoming Events' below, the year is building up and I can't always fit it all in, there's usually more on the BMFA's Event page, especially for further afield events.

Upcoming Events

March 2020

Wed 4th

Meeting at the Wishing Well

Sun 1st, 15th & 29th

Sleaford Indoor Flying. 2pm, £5.

Northgate Sports Hall NG34 7DD.

sleafordindoorflying@gmail.com

Sun 29th

Osbournby Scale. NG34 0DL

Newcomers welcome. Steve

Jackson, 07551969683.

April 2020

Wed 1st

Meeting at the Wishing Well

Sun 5th

Fenland Swapmeet, Sutton St

Edmunds. 8am for sellers

Sun 5th

BMFA Swapmeet, Buckminster.

8am sellers, 10am buyers.

Fri to Sun 17th to 19th

Newark Fly-In. www.nadmfc.co.uk

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