# BourneStormers Model Club



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As we continue to slowly ease our way out of Covid 19 restrictions a few events are starting to appear on the calendar. Unfortunately the BMFA Power Championships is no longer one of them, it's officially been cancelled for this year. Looking forward to the rest of the year, it appears that the ModelAir Scale Weekend at Old Warden (moved to the 19th & 20th September) is now the big show of 2020. There are some events at Buckminster that are apparently still going ahead, including the Midland Area Fly-In and Meeting on the 12 July. A quick look at the National Flying Centre website (nationalcentre.bmfa.org) will give more details on these events.

This Wednesday we held our second 'virtual' Club meeting on Zoom with nine members tuned in. Most of the discussion was about the Field, in particular, the centre patch and how to level it a bit and improve the quality of the grass. We now have the yellow mower working again and have bought a ride-on cylinder mower with a 'human weighted roller' which is great for the patch (This was pretty much paid for by the models donated to the Club and sold by Steve through his shop). The rough plan is to use a paddock weed killer then, later in the year, a paddock fertilizer and possibly some grass seed to help the grass on the patch. Plans to smooth the patch by adding topsoil were also discused and may happen if we can get enough soil.



The recent addition to our mower fleet.

The 'Human Weighted Roller' should help to smooth the patch.



As well as combating the moles, Andrew has repaired our Bird Scarer - again.



Currently the last of the Lock Down model builds I have information on. the Spotlight Model this month is Alan's Clean Sweep 36.

In his own words. "Having just been furloughed, finally had a bit of time to complete this Clean Sweep 36. Bought the wood pack from SLEC at the Nationals last year and it's been a pleasure to build in fits and starts. Don't look too closely at the canopy, had to drink 2 litres of cider to get a bottle to form. Unfortunately it

didn't form very well so will have to drink another bottle and another until I get it right. Just need to add a receiver and it's ready to go, (if I can sober up long enough to fit it!)." Thanks Alan. I'm looking forward to seeing this fly as I have considered building one myself. If you wanted a tinted canopy, Morrisons do a 2.5 litre bottle of cider in a brown plastic bottle!

>>>>>> Congratulations to Nathan for passing his Solo Test. <<<<

Finally, a different (real) aircraft has been seen flying around recently, something with fancy wingtips and an un-Cessna sounding engine. A little research has found it to be a Grob Prefect, the new RAF basic trainer which will replace the Grob Tutor's we see buzzing around. The engine is a turboprop (jet with a prop on the front) which accounts for the different sound.



The new Grob Prefect. No more piston engines.

# Upcoming Events **July 2020**

Wed 1st

Meeting on Zoom

### Sun 12th

BMFA Midland Area Fly-In, Buckminster. 10am

Area Meeting during lunch break. Achievement Scheme Fly-In.

# August 2020

Wed 5th

Meeting on Zoom

Sat/Sun 1st & 2nd

Robert Mahoney Memorial Electric Fly-In. Buckminster 10am

Sat/Sun 8th & 9th

Buckminster 10am

Thurs 20th to Sun 23rd

Blades over Buckminster, 10am

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