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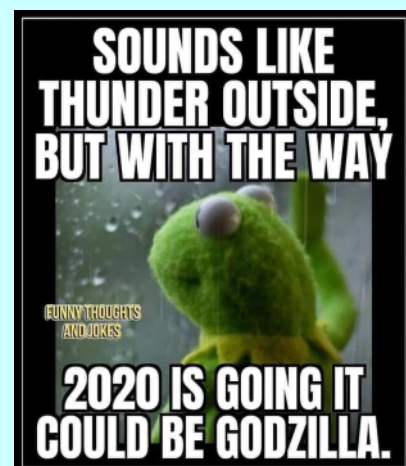
Every once in a while an August comes along that lives up to it's promise. The weather is warm, it's mostly dry and not too windy. With the way this year is going, this August is probably not going to be one of those!

Our Club meeting was via Zoom again this month and we had a slight increase with ten members participating. Apparently however, Zoom has returned to it's fifty minute free meeting policy so, as the time ticked away, we rounded up the meeting with a just few seconds to spare.

The main focus of the meeting was the improvement of the Field, initially with a suitable weed killer then a fertilizer application. Steve Mason had spoken to a local trade supplier and had received some good advice and an estimate for the the weed killer, a knapsack sprayer with a six foot spray nozzle and some liquid fertilizer in the future. The general consensus was that it was an acceptable cost, so the Club may well go ahead with it.

Our September BBQ/Funfly comp was also discussed and, as gatherings of up to thirty people are allowed, it was decided that it would be possible to go ahead with the event in a modified format. The plan is to have a BBQ going, with a volunteer chef, but for people to bring all their own food and drink (none will be provided). We will, of course, be expecting people to maintain Social Distancing guidelines, so expect be a little more spread out than usual.

Malcolm's Sunderland takes to the air, the onboard sound system imitating a brace of Bristol Pegasus engines.



I think Kermit has this year summarized pretty well.



As I have run out of other people's models, this month's Spotlight Model is one of mine.

In 2009 I designed and built my little blue and yellow Imp, which most will have seen. It seemed to fly quite well so I decided to build a bigger one. Now, finally, here it is. I finished the design in 2016 and bought the wood in 2017. Only

when everything was cancelled and we weren't allowed to go anywhere, did I finally get around to building it. With a 55" wingspan and weighing just under 5 pounds, my ImpXL is an 'adequately' sized model that has to go on the passenger seat in my car. The 4 cell, 5000mAh battery and Turnigy motor top out at a healthy 725 watts and give a normal flight time in excess of ten minutes. This larger version also has wheels, so I don't have to throw it, and a different layout for the tailplane/fin so I can spin it (the small one doesn't spin). With a few flights completed it's worked out well and is a pleasure to fly. Next, I may add a camera to it for a little FPV action.

Niall is currently selling his Black Horse Chipmunk. It comes fully equipped ready to bind to a Hitec transmitter, and includes two 6 cell, 5000mAh batteries. All for a very reasonable £300.

Finally, please only put burnable items in the oil drum, as winter is not far off this will help to keep us warm. Also, our bird scarer, Eddie the Eagle, has been joined by the lighter Eddie Junior as a little back-up.

Eddie Junior
in action.



Upcoming Events

August 2020

Wed 5th

Meeting on Zoom

Sat/Sun 8th & 9th

Achievement Scheme Fly-In.

Buckminster 10am

Thurs 20th to Sun 23rd

Blades over Buckminster. 10am

September 2020

Wed 2nd

Meeting on Zoom

Sun 13th

Club FunFly Event & BBQ

Fri 18th

UK Classic Aerobatic Fly-In.

Buckminster, Standard charges

Sat/Sun 19th & 20th

ModelAir Festival of Flight

Old Warden

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