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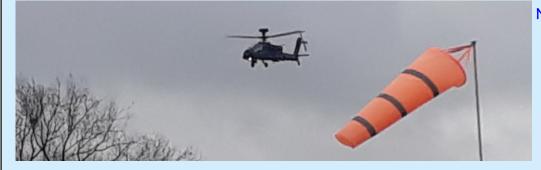
DECEMBER 2022

December has come around again and we've had the warmest Autumn ever, which promptly ended with sub-zero temperatures just before our AGM. This year's AGM had a little more to sort out than usual, hopefullly I've noted it all correctly but if I haven't I'm sure someone will let me know. Speaking of which, the Me262 that I said was Simon's new model last month, was in fact, Malcolm's and it's at least a year old. Sorry Malc.

Back to the AGM. After some discussion, two new Club membership levels have now been introduced. Firstly a Non-Flying Member who pays a small membership fee, doesn't fly, has voting rights and can hold a Committee post. They must also be a BMFA Member (who also have a Non-Flying Member option). Secondly, for partners and others who come along or help out with Club events, an Associate Membership has been agreed. Associate Membership is free, non-flying and with no voting rights but they may attend events as a Club member.

Club Fees. It was decided that an across the board increase of £5 would be necessary to offset recent price rises and to make sure we had a usable reserve fund. It's the first increase since the end of 2018 but, unfortunately, may not be the last. Along with the increase in BMFA fees the new breakdown looks like this:

<u>Club Fees</u>	<u>BMFA Fees</u>	CAA
Junior £55	Junior £20	£10 (May increase in April)
Senior £88	Senior £42	
Veteran £78	Family Partner £29	
Non-Flying £10	Family Junior £15	
	Non-Flying £20	
	Membership Card (with Rewards) £5.50.	
	Rewards Scheme Access	(no Card) £3.20



Not connected with the AGM but the picture fits the space. Be aware of low flying military helicopters. They're allowed lower than this one that came near the Field in mid November. About this point of the meeting we were interupted with some sausage butties and chips. Very nice they were too. After the snack break it was time to present this years Club Awards.

Our main award, The Coleman Trophy for outstanding contribution to the Club, was jointly awarded to Derek Bailey and Jon Cole for their continuing efforts in maintaining both the Field and the mowers.





Derek also received the award for Most Improved Flyer .



Andrew Riley wasn't present but, for his hard work, he received the new 'Mole Reduction Agent' award.



With a proper trophy this year, Steve White was the winner of the FunFly League.

One other item for discussion was our Winter Meal. It has been provisionally set for Saturday 4th February at 7 for 7:30pm at the Wishing Well. Menu to be arranged.

Finally, I have recently had to renew my CAA Flyer ID and take the new theory test. Along the way I found a website with a complete list of the questions and answers. Here's the link. skykam.co.uk/caa-drone-theory-test-questions-and-answers-2022-update-2 Finally, finally, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope to be out flying on New Year's Day - whether permitting (whether or not I'm allowed to, that is!).

Upcoming Event/ December 2022

Wed 7th Club AGM at the Wishing Well

Tues 6th & 13th Indoor Flying - Newark Showground. Website: nifc.club January 2023

Wed 4th Club Meeting at the Wishing Well

Sat 7th Buckminster Model Aircraft & Engine Auction - Online Only



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Sun 18th Pylon Racing at Buckminster