

BourneStormers Model Club



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It looks like Spring has finally sprung and we are now getting an increasing number of suitable flying days. Some are unexpected (usually weekday ones) and others are reasonably well forecast.

Surprisingly for a bank holiday, the upcoming Easter weekend is looking pretty good.

With the improving weather comes the opportunity to get some of the shed and field maintenance jobs done. A couple may be coming up over the next few months so please don't be shy in coming forward to lend a hand.

We now have a functioning YouTube Channel, thanks to Derek and Rog for getting this sorted. It's set up as a private Channel so an invitation is needed to join. If you are interested you will need to set up your own YouTube log-in, then contact Derek, Rog or this Newsletter with the e-mail address used, to receive your invite to join the Channel. Everyone will be at 'Admin' level so you can add your own videos as well as look at other peoples.

Next month the BMFA will be repeating it's Mass Fly record attempt to try and break last year's record. The chosen date is Sunday 14th May at 12:00. We are hoping to participate again and hope to improve on the seventeen models we got into the air last year. At the meeting it was suggested that we could have a BBQ on the same day, so save the day in your calendars.

A last little bit of Admin news. The CAA Operator Registration fee has increased to £10.33 as of the 1st April. It was due to go up to £12 but was changed after a relatively large number of responses from model flyers to a CAA consultation at the end of last year.

Steve's T33 gets
away smoothly from
the 'short' bungee
and ramp launch.
Saves all that hand
launch effort.





A few of us have already seen bits of this Month's Spotlight Model but it has not reduced the impression made when seeing it complete and painted. Thanks to Malcolm for sending in the details of his, almost complete, B17 'Flying Fortress'. This model is all 3D printed and although Malcolm

has done this previously with other models, they were not on this scale. With a wingspan of 7ft and powered by 4 x 3536 motors driving a brace of 8x6 3 bladed props, Malcolm is currently trying to obtain some stronger springs for the undercarriage. We all look forward to it's successful test flight but Malcolm ended his notes with " Not sure how long it will last as it feels a bit fragile and heavy".

The first Buckminster based RAFMAA Warbirds was deemed a reasonable success last weekend. Forty two aircraft were present on the Sunday and, hopefully, similar dates will be made available at Buckminster in the future. The largest/heaviest model flown was an over 25kg Spitfire, and the smallest/lightest, was your scribe's very own RC combat Mustang at 265g.



Finally, a reminder that our first FunFly event happens on Sunday 30th April and will include an optional 'Bomb Drop' competition. Two stand-alone bomb drop units will be available.

Upcoming Events

April 2023

Wed 5th

Club Meeting at the Wishing Well

Sun to Wed 9th to 12th

Buckminster Easter Fly-In

Sun 16th

Buckminster Swapmeet

Osbornby R/C Scale Day

Sun 30th

Club FunFly Event

May 2023

Wed 3rd

Club Meeting at the Wishing Well

Tues/Wed 9th & 10th

Buckminster Mid-week Jet Fly-In

Sat/Sun 13th & 14th

ModelAir MayFly - Old Warden

Sun 14th

2023 BMFA Record Attempt

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