

Bourne Stormers Model Club



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We've reached early July and we currently have a general election, Wimbledon, UEFA Euro 2024 (football, I think) and, this weekend, the British Grand Prix going on. But all that is irrelevant because Sunday is the Midlands Area Fly-In at Buckminster. The new Cafe is open so bacon butties are available, also our new Club gazebo will be in use in case of showers or excessive sunshine and the flying is free - what's not to like?

We had thirteen members attend the, reasonably brief, Club meeting this month. If anybody going to the Club Summer Meal has not let Derek know their starter and main course choices please do so now, he needs to know by Friday 5th July.

Jon is still planning to visit the Air Cadet meeting soon and some ongoing events may result. Last month's FunFly, although interesting on it's own, was boosted by the Polaris Event where we had seven aircraft lined up for a whizz round the sky.



Lots of Polaris (Polaris?) ready to commit aviation at our second Polaris Event.



The model
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together
as it was
bought.



This month's Spotlight Model has been seen by most, mainly because of it's undercarriage failure during it's first take-off attempt. The model is a Hobbyking Spitfire 60 with a 65" wingspan and intended for a .60 2 stroke glow engine. I bought it at a Buckminster swapmeet from the BMFA stand simply because it came with a suitable electric motor, 100A ESC, servos and electric retracts and, more importantly, was very cheap. When I rebuilt (and strengthened) the undercarriage, a second attempt proved that the recommended aileron throws were about twice what they should be. It's currently running on a 5 cell, 5000mAh LiPo pushing out 860W with a 14x8.5 prop, which is just about enough for the 9.5lbs it weighs. Although the shape is, at best, sport scale, the paint scheme is genuine, from a Spitfire captured early in the war.

Finally, just for fun and to prompt some more pictures, here's a panoramic view of my model storage room. Anyone more crowded?



Upcoming Events

July 2024

Sun 7th

Midland Area Fly-In, Buckminster

Fri/Sun 12th to 14th

Buckminster Warbirds Festival.

Sat 20th

Summer Meal, Waggon & Horses.

Sun 21st

Club FunFly Event.

Sat/Sun 27th & 28th

Old Warden Modelling Weekend.

Aug 2024

Wed 7th

Club Meeting at the Wishing Well

Sat/Sun 10th & 11th

Elvington LMA.

Sat 17th

Melton & District Model Club

Open Day/Swapmeet/FunFly.

Buckminster FunFly Nationals.

Sat 18th

Club FunFly Event.

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