

Touchdown



The Westland & Yeovil District Aeromodelers newsletter

September 2005

We got our planning Permission

The minutes of the meeting where we the permanent planning permission was granted are now available.

R/C Simulators

Are

Computer programs to simulate radio control flying, some can also act like flight simulators, while others can help design custom models.

Differ from flight simulators

R/C simulators show what you see from the ground; flight simulators show you the view from inside the aircraft.

N.B. Most R/C simulators can switch point of view to inside your model.

Cost

Free (FMS)

€30 Aerofly

£130 (reflex)

Why

Practice with-out breaking real models,
Introduce beginners to basic concepts of orientation etc,
Hover practice for helicopters.

What do you need

A PC with a fairly good graphics card

A transmitter interface to connect your TX to the PC as a joystick

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Flying Times

The permitted flying times remain :-

| Day | Merriott | Westlands | Notes |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Monday | | 18:00-20:30 | 78dBa or less |
| Tuesday | 12:00-20:00 | | |
| | | Evenings | Silent flight only |
| Wednesday | 12:00-20:00 Cancelled | 17:00-20:30 | Summer only |
| Thursday | | Evenings | Silent flight only |
| Friday | 12:00-20:00 | Evenings | Silent flight only |
| Sat & Bank Holidays | | 12:00-sunset | |
| Sunday | 10:00-16:00 09:30-13:30 | | |
| | | All day | Silent flight only |
| Any | All day | Evenings | Silent flight only |

Note :- Flying should cease at sunset on either site.

Note :- Please apply common sense and courtesy.

Note :- Version 1 of the this newsletter missed out the Tuesday PM flying at Merriott.

Site changes (Merriott)

Mowing

We are in the process of agreeing mowable areas with the landlord; clarification will follow shortly, so see John Stevens before mowing.

Locking the gate

Please remember to do this, (the possibility of travellers camping on the field really worries the farmer). We are aware that not every body has a key so :-

If you do have a key and are leaving please check those left behind also have a key, if not kindly lend them yours, they can drop it off at the shop if need be.

If you don't have a key, and are flying late, please borrow a key **before** you are the only one left.

If you are the last one and don't have a key, please phone some-one, one of us will have to nip down and lock up.

Newsletter distribution

This newsletter is meant to be for all members, but currently I just post a copy on the web and email every-one; this means people not on the net don't get to see it. From now on I will be printing a few copies, to bring to club meetings and the flying patch, there will also be a copy or two with Richard at the shop.

Does any one have a better way of doing this (apart for letter post which we can't afford)?

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Diary Dates

Nothing Please send me any details.

Wanted

Large(ish) trainer without motor

Suitable for "A" certificate, for quick electrification with a .50 equivalent brushless.
Talk to the editor.

For Sale

Frequency pennants

Waterproof and fold proof, with velcro strips to hold them around the aerial. £1 each
(specify your frequency). See the editor



Futuba transmitter

T66-FM35, Limited Edition 50th Anniversary Special Edition, a field force 6 with 6 channels, computer mixing, 6 memories etc. Inc Nicads only; contact Dave Wilkins 01935 422029

Websites

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| Daniel's website | http://www.whlaeromodellers.tk/ |
| Newsletters | http://www.home9999.plus.com/WHLMAC/news.htm . |
| Ezone | http://www.ezonemag.com/ |
| FMS | http://fms.pathbot.com/ |
| Aerofly | http://www.aerofly.de/ |
| Planning | Minutes for Area west meeting on September 2005 |

Meetings

The Club nights are on the 4th Tuesday of every month (except December) at 20:00 in the Watercombe suite, Westland Leisure Complex.
We meet in the sportsman bar for a drink before (particularly when it's cold).

Articles, cartoons, notices, better photos & other contributions

If any of you have anything interesting, amusing or informative that you would like to share in the newsletter please send it to me, by e-mail is best (my address can be found here :- <http://www.home9999.plus.com/contact.html>). But any material will be gratefully accepted, at a club nights, or on the field. I can also be contacted on 01935 445311 or 01935 823409.