

Touchdown



The Westland & Yeovil District Aeromodellers newsletter

January 2006

Annual General Meeting

The editor has left reporting on this for so long that he can hardly remember it, so has abandoned the idea.

Phone

Ashley reports having found a mobile phone at our field, sometime before 12th March.

Murphys law (R/C model corollaries)

Trees

A cry of "Dead stick" is taken as a challenge by all trees, they then move to intercept your glide path.

P.S. It is hypothesised that "Engine out" may be less offensive to our woody neighbours

Visitors

The arrival of potential new members, is always followed by "we don't usually have any crashes".

Camera

Whatever the event (tree releasing model or editor landing smoothly), it will finish seconds before the shutter clicks.

New Models



Dave Davis new own design electric using an AXI outrunner & LiPoly – first flight on Sunday 23rd April shows it flies very well.

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Chris's Samba, with a brushless motor and LiPo battery, this model will handle wind and the aerobatics has Ted reaching for his wallet.



Robin looking stunned at all the attention to his own design biplan



Ted Saddler's Multiplex Mk2 Twinstar, this already popular electric ARTF flew well with the supplied motors and an average battery pack.

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Dave Garrett's CAP 232 not electric – Is it just me, or aren't we building some many I/C planes these days?



The editor's rather small two channel (throttle & differential thrust) toy, with TX for scale. Probably better indoors, but very crash resistant.

Diary Dates

19th August

Norton and Chiselborough Flower show;

Tentative, until we can check the site.

20th & 21st May

Sandown Model Symposium, Esher – Contact the Editor if you want to share petrol costs.

18th June

Weston Park model air show

1st & 2nd July

Woodspring Wings

8th July

Yeovilton Airshow

8th & 9th July

Weymouth Maritime show – Free, great for model boats

15th & 16th July

Cosford - "The Big One" (Large Model Association)

29th & 30th July

Wincanton Wings funday

19th & 20th August

Eastnor castle model airshow

20th August

Woodspring E-Fly – Contact the Editor if you want to share petrol costs and entry.

2nd & 3rd September

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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.

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 from letter post which we can't afford)?

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Wanted

Nothing

Please send me any details.

For Sale

6 channel TX

Sanwa Vanguard 6 channel radio set including 4 servos.
Still in box with instructions. Dual rates and training socket. £45 ono.
Contact Phil Bennett 01935 423715



Websites

Daniel's website

<http://www.whlaeromodellers.tk/>

Newsletters

<http://www.home9999.plus.com/WHLMAC/news.htm>

Ezone

<http://www.ezonemaq.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.