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The Westland & Yeovil District Aeromodellers newsletter

January - 2010

More indoor flying (and a two hour session)

The editor has organised more indoor flying events, at Crewkerne Sports centre.

- Monday 11th January 2010 (2 hours from 7pm to 9pm)
- Monday 25th January 2010 (1 hour 8pm to 9pm)

Unfortunately there is a cricket club using the hall from February 2010, so suggestions for alternative times, dates or locations are invited.

See [Indoor flying Poster January 2010.cdr](#) [CorelDRAW.pdf](#)

Blackdown R/C FC indoor flying (including 10th January 2010)

Blackdown club had a good indoor flying day on 3rd January, and another planned for the 10th January. The church hall they use at Broadway is fairly small, but with the 3hour hire, provides a more relaxed atmosphere; just the right size of the smaller helicopters and Vapor sized aeroplanes. N.B. Please check to see if given a Sunday is defined as "rainy" before making plans.

Blade mSR and mCX upgrade

Jan has found a site selling replacement body shells for the eFlite mSR and mCX, he will be ordering mid January, would like to share the postage costs.

See [Blade mSR and mCX upgrade.pdf](#)

Merriott

The rental has expired, so flying is no longer permitted.

Bearley

The field can be used, but is rather soggy and needs more mowing and rolling.

Possible change of Meeting date

It has been suggested that the monthly meeting be rescheduled to a Monday, perhaps combined with an indoor flying meeting. Would members with opinions on this contact the editor please?

Until this "consultation" is complete, the meeting will remain on the 4th Tuesday of every month (except December) at 20:00 in the Sportsman bar, at the Westland Leisure Complex.

Dortmund 2010

The editor has one of the local travel agents investigating the possibility of a coach trip to the Dortmund 2010 model fair. I expect the trip to be 1 day outbound, 3 days at the show, and 1 day travelling home. My previous experience of this was from Preston via Hull, ferry to Rotterdam, (with a brief stop over at Arnhem); from Somerset the possibilities for stops will be different. The cost will depend on the numbers interested, and will include hotel, coach, ferry and tickets.

No firm commitment required at this stage, but I need an idea of numbers, so would any one interested please call me?

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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)? Please ask me if you prefer paper a paper copy.

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.

Websites & Contacts

Clubs	
Blackmore R/C FC	http://sites.google.com/site/blackdownrcfc/
Bristol Model engineers	http://www.bristolmodelengineers.co.uk/
BMFA (our entry)	http://www.bmfa.org/links/Model_Clubs_UK/index-14.html
Ilminster R/C club	http://www.ilminster.net/
Model Engineers	www.communicate.co.uk/twc/yeovilmodelengineers
New website	http://myweb.tiscali.co.uk/westlandaeromodeller
Newsletter archive	http://www.home9999.plus.com/WHLMAC/news.htm .
Fields / slopes	
Corton Denham	http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=363300&Y=123400&A=Y&Z=120
Merriott	http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=345590&Y=113575&A=Y&Z=120
Westlands	http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=353300&Y=115755&A=Y&Z=115
White Sheet	http://www.artemisdriving.co.uk/whitesheet/index.htm
Bearley (near Tintinhull)	http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/ms?hl=en&ie=UTF8&mea=0&maid=113704047685900907589_0004742ce6b09714a030a3ll=50.982965_-2.720425&spn=0.00872,0.019205&h&z=16
Crewkerne Sports Hall	http://www.somerset.gov.uk/somerset/communityliving/leisurecentres/directory/details.cfm?ID=6
Simulators	
Aerofly	http://www.aerofly.de/
FMS	http://fms.pathbot.com/
Shows	
Eastnor Castle	http://www.eastnorcastle.com/special_events.aspx
Much Marcle	http://www.largemodelassociation.com/eventcalendar.htm
Woodspring	http://www.woodspringwings.co.uk/shows.html
Ezone	http://www.ezonemag.com/

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Flying Times

The permitted flying times are subject to common sense and courtesy :-

Day	Notes	Merriott field	Westland's aerodrome ¹	Bearley
Monday	78dBa or less	Closed	18:00-20:30 ²	09:30-20:00 ²
Tuesday			Evenings ²	
Wednesday	Summer only		17:00-20:30 ²	
Thursday			Evenings ²	
Friday			Evenings ²	
Sat & Bank Holidays			12:00-sunset	09:30-13:30
Sunday			09:30-13:30 ⁴	
Any	Silent flight ³		All day ¹	

Note :-

- ¹ When closed to full sized aircraft.
- ² Flying should cease at sunset on either site.
- ³ NOT all electric models are silent, please be considerate.
- ⁴ Helicopter's only.