

# Touchdown



## The Westland & Yeovil District Aeromodellers newsletter

July - 2012

### Visitor from Germany

Dave's friend Temo from Germany dropped in last Sunday cleverly choosing the only good weather we have had for a month :-



The ME109 (late version with radial engine) is actually for combat (the editor deduces great confidence is his flying skills to risk such a great model that way).

N.B. The Shooting Star of Dave's was so fast the only shot the camera man could get was on final approach (thus the hedge green background), but the ME109 had easily twice the endurance.

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## Event Shelter

Given the variable weather we have been enjoying /suffering recently, it has been proposed that the club buy an Coleman event shelter which we can put up and then retreat into during rain showers :-



Note :-

1. Suggestion is the 15" (≈4.5m) @£124 (inc P&P, but no accessories), but there is a 12" version @£106.
2. Side panels @£15 and ground sheet available (suggestion is for 2 side panels)
3. Apparently fabric can be easily repaired, but spare frame rods are not available.
4. Not suitable for windy conditions, but fairly rain resistant, and great as sun shelter.
5. Assembly time being quoted as 10minutes.

Any thoughts on this? Contact Hugh Mathews

## Other photos

Chris is feeling very proud of successfully landing his alpha 60, and the Editor is flying recon with a 720HD video camera (image is a grab of Bearley lane and our car park) :-



## Regular Indoor flying (2 hours on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays each month)

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

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- **Generally 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays each month** until at least 3<sup>rd</sup> September.
- 2 hours 7pm to 9pm
- Maximum cost now £5/hour
- Juniors half price

See Indoor flying Poster June 2012 in the newsletter archive.

## **Bearley field**

**Grass** – The patch is short enough for most models to fly easily, but you may wish to clean an area with a trowel before sitting down.

**Frequencies** - There is a small group flying from a field about a mile away, so to avoid frequency clashes on 35MHz, we have agreed to use only channels 64 and above, while they use channels 62 and below.

**All weather parking** – The area inside the 1<sup>st</sup> gate, is so always mud free.

**Normal Parking** – The area inside the 2<sup>nd</sup> gate, is usually dry enough for safe parking.

**Closer Parking** – Check with Andy (the farmer), but parking beyond the 2<sup>nd</sup> gate is sometimes possible.

**Peg Board and trowel** – This is stored in the hedge by the final gate to the field.

## **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. I also print a few copies, to bring to club meetings and the flying patch.

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 a paper copy.

## **Websites & Contacts**

Clubs	
Blackmore R/C FC	<a href="http://sites.google.com/site/blackdownrcfc/">http://sites.google.com/site/blackdownrcfc/</a>
Bristol Model engineers	<a href="http://www.bristolmodelengineers.co.uk/">http://www.bristolmodelengineers.co.uk/</a>
BMFA (our entry)	<a href="http://www.bmfa.org/links/Model_Clubs_UK/index-14.html">http://www.bmfa.org/links/Model_Clubs_UK/index-14.html</a>
Ilminster R/C club	<a href="http://www.ilminster.net/">http://www.ilminster.net/</a>
Model Engineers	<a href="http://www.communicate.co.uk/twc/yeovilmodelengineers">www.communicate.co.uk/twc/yeovilmodelengineers</a>
New website	<a href="http://myweb.tiscali.co.uk/westlandaeromodeller">http://myweb.tiscali.co.uk/westlandaeromodeller</a>
Newsletter archive	<a href="http://www.home9999.plus.com/WHLMAC/news.htm">http://www.home9999.plus.com/WHLMAC/news.htm</a>
Fields / slopes	
Corton Denham	<a href="http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=363300&amp;Y=123400&amp;A=Y&amp;Z=120">http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=363300&amp;Y=123400&amp;A=Y&amp;Z=120</a>
Westlands	<a href="http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=353300&amp;Y=115755&amp;A=Y&amp;Z=115">http://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=353300&amp;Y=115755&amp;A=Y&amp;Z=115</a>
White Sheet	<a href="http://www.artemisdriving.co.uk/whitesheet/index.htm">http://www.artemisdriving.co.uk/whitesheet/index.htm</a>
Bearley (near Tintinhull)	<a href="http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/ms?hl=en&amp;ie=UTF8&amp;msa=0&amp;msid=113704047685900907589.0004742ce6b09714a030b&amp;ll=50.982965,-2.720425&amp;spn=0.0062,0.019205&amp;h&amp;z=16">http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/ms?hl=en&amp;ie=UTF8&amp;msa=0&amp;msid=113704047685900907589.0004742ce6b09714a030b&amp;ll=50.982965,-2.720425&amp;spn=0.0062,0.019205&amp;h&amp;z=16</a>
Crewkerne Sports Hall	<a href="http://www.somerset.gov.uk/somerset/communityliving/leisurecentres/directory/details.cfm?ID=6">http://www.somerset.gov.uk/somerset/communityliving/leisurecentres/directory/details.cfm?ID=6</a>
Simulators	
Aerofly	<a href="http://www.aerofly.de/">http://www.aerofly.de/</a>
FMS	<a href="http://fms.pathbot.com/">http://fms.pathbot.com/</a>
Shows	
Eastnor Castle	<a href="http://www.eastnorcastle.com/special_events.aspx">http://www.eastnorcastle.com/special_events.aspx</a>
Much Marcle	<a href="http://www.largemodelassociation.com/eventcalendar.htm">http://www.largemodelassociation.com/eventcalendar.htm</a>
Woodspring	<a href="http://www.woodspringwings.co.uk/shows.html">http://www.woodspringwings.co.uk/shows.html</a>



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Bristol Model Engineers	<a href="http://bristolmodelengineers.co.uk/exhib/exhib.htm">http://bristolmodelengineers.co.uk/exhib/exhib.htm</a>
Ezone	<a href="http://www.ezonemag.com/">http://www.ezonemag.com/</a>
Event shelter	<a href="http://www.coleman.eu/uk/p-23473-event-shelter-15-x-15.aspx">http://www.coleman.eu/uk/p-23473-event-shelter-15-x-15.aspx</a>

## **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 monthly meeting, or on the field. I can also be contacted on 01935 445311 or 01935 823409.

## **Flying Times**

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

Day	Notes	Merriott field	Westland's aerodrome <sup>1</sup>	Bearley <sup>5</sup>
Monday	78dBa or less	Closed	18:00-20:30 <sup>2</sup>	09:30-20:00 <sup>2</sup>
Tuesday			Evenings <sup>2</sup>	
Wednesday	Summer only		17:00-20:30 <sup>2</sup>	
Thursday			Evenings <sup>2</sup>	
Friday			Evenings <sup>2</sup>	
Sat & Bank Holidays			12:00-sunset	09:30-13:30
Sunday			09:30-13:30 <sup>4</sup>	
Any	Silent flight <sup>3</sup>		All day	

Note :-

- <sup>1</sup> When closed to full sized aircraft.
- <sup>2</sup> Flying should cease at sunset on either site.
- <sup>3</sup> NOT all electric models are silent, please be considerate.
- <sup>4</sup> Helicopter's only.
- <sup>5</sup> Channels 64 upwards only on 35MHz (no limitations on 2.4GHz)