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The Westland & Yeovil District Aeromodellers newsletter

June - 2012

Flying over the Jubilee bank holidays

We plan to fly on Monday & Tuesday (4th to 5th July) at Bearley field from 09:30 onward just like Sunday.

Regular Indoor flying (2 hours on 1st and 3rd Mondays each month)

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

- **1st & 3rd Mondays each month (except around bank holidays)** until at least 16th July.

- 2 hours 7pm to 9pm
- Maximum cost now £5/hour
- Juniors half price

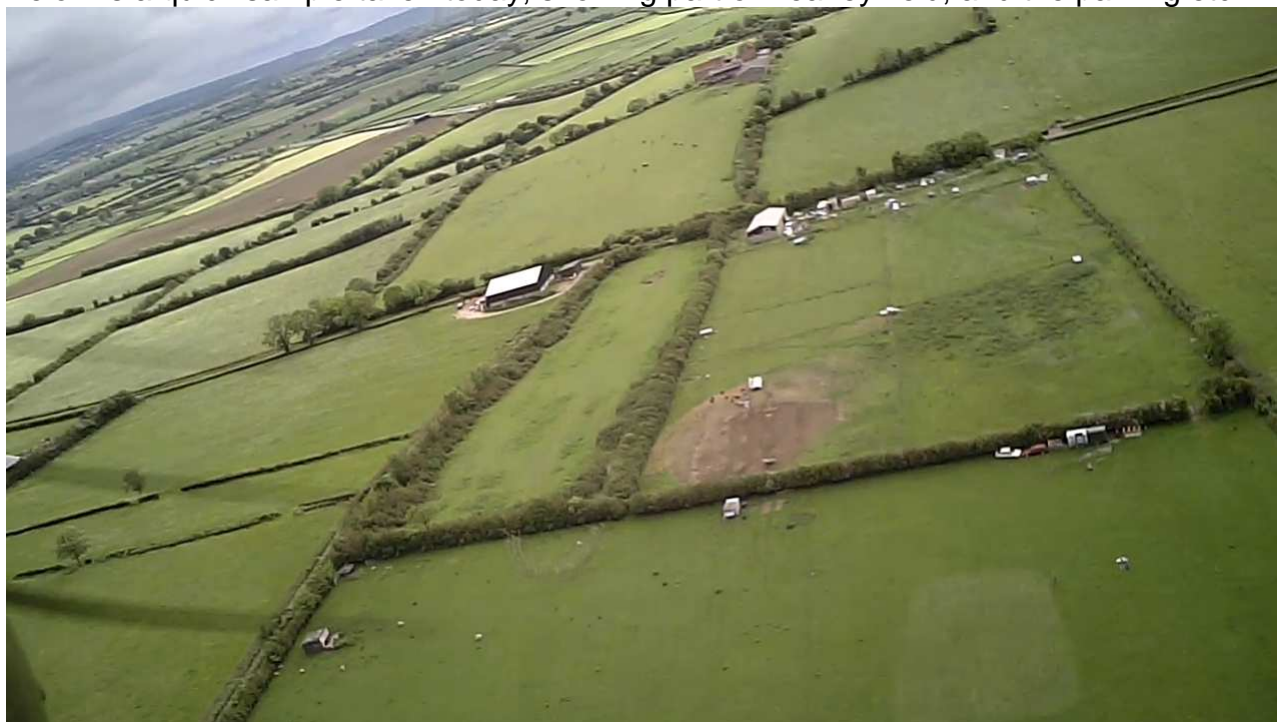
See Indoor flying Poster June 2012 in the newsletter archive.

Light weight HD Video camera

The editor has just received a small (17gram) HD video camera which records to Micro SD cards.

This is light enough to be carried by my mxq quadcopter, attached with just hook and loop. So far I have flown this on the mxq, and on the Diamond 2.5m glider fastened to top of a wing.

Below is a quick sample taken today, showing part of Bearley field, and the parking etc. :-



N.B. The shadows on the lower left are an effect of looking through the spinning propeller.

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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 1st gate, is so always mud free.

Normal Parking – The area inside the 2nd gate, is usually dry enough for safe parking.

Closer Parking – Check with Andy (the farmer), but parking beyond the 2nd 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

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| 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 |
| 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&msa=0&msid=11370404768590907589.0004742ce6b09714a030b&ll=50.982965,-2.720425&spn=0.0062,0.019205&t=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 |
| Bristol Model Engineers | http://bristolmodelengineers.co.uk/exhib/exhib.htm |
| Ezone | http://www.ezonemag.com/ |

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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 ¹ | Bearley ⁵ |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 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 | |

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.
- ⁵ Channels 64 upwards only on 35MHz (no limitations on 2.4GHz)