# HALE HALL MODEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



**JUNE 2022** 



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Hale Hall YouTube channel - HH YouTube

Welcome to the June newsletter. This month we have reports on our summer solstice event and the Weston Park model show, some achievement scheme news and more hints and tips. Finally a few dates for your diary.

### **Summer Solstice event**

The evening of Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June was warm and sunny, perfect for our summer solstice event. A happy band of Hale Hall members turned up to enjoy some late in the day flying. The barbeque was available on a 'cook what you bring' basis so a good time was had by all.



The happy band – not a Druid in sight!



The barbeque.



Bob enjoying some dusk flying.

## For Sale

More items for sale this month.

#### First from Mick Young.

Warmliner Electric Glider CMPro Kunlun 2000E Wing Span 2000mm Fibreglass Fuselage Overlander 3536/5 1450Kv outrunner motor Hi-Model 60Amp ESC Qty 4 Tower Pro MG90 servos 10x6 folding prop





Good overall condition £40 ono Contact Mick 01772-709162 or 07968379629

#### Next from Dave Ringland

Max Thrust Easyglide Aggressor 1800mm wingspan

As new condition – 2 flights only Requires receiver and a 2200 3S Lipo to be flight ready



Cost New £149 from Kings Lynn Models

£100

Contact Dave Ringland 07482 289281 or david@dcmringland.plus.com

### Weston Park model show 2022

The weather forecast for Saturday 18th June was frequent showers for the Weston Park area. That didn't deter a merry band of Hale Hall members who were determined to enjoy the day, rain or shine. Neil Skinner and I arrived first; by the time we had put a few of Neil's items in the swap meet Andrew O'Neill and Steve Barlow had arrived. We made our way to the show line to get a much needed coffee; luckily there was a convenient marque where we could shelter from the rain. The show pilots were hardier than us and continued to fly through the showers.

Next up was a trip around the trade stands, slightly up on last year, but still well down on the halcyon days of huge stands and plentiful bargains. I expect those days will never return, killed by the internet! Everyone displayed significant self-restraint and no large purchases were made (although Andy and Neil were tempted!)

Food was next on the agenda, again a reduced selection so it was bacon or sausage barms all round. While we were eating Andrew O'Neill suddenly claimed he could see Bob Welton standing at the flight line. The rest of us disagreed, so Andy decided to ring him. The lonely figure in the distance duly reached into his pocket for his phone! Andy was correct! Bob, who was camping all weekend at Weston, wandered over to say hello.



Smiling through the rain!

The weather was improving slowly with only the odd sprinkle of rain, so we got our chairs and watched the flying for the rest of the afternoon. The flying display was good, not spectacular. I expect many of the pilots decided not to fly because of the rain. The Reds duo performed their Red Arrows syncro display, the fun fighters had several mid airs and a 13 year old performed manoeuvres most of us could only dream of! At about 4 o'clock we went back to the swap meet to check if Neil had sold anything. Luckily he had so he took the money and we headed back home. A few photos of the day:





60% piper cub duo – AZ Aerosports



Love the registration!



Turboprop PC 21





The reds duo



## **BMFA Achievement scheme**

The BMFA achievement scheme certificates are coming thick and fast this year. Clive is the latest club member to attain his A Certificate, achieved on 20<sup>th</sup> June with Dave Ringland as his examiner. Well done Clive.



## Hints and tips

As a follow on to my article last month on using an engine inhibit switch with electric models, Jack has sent me a previous article on the subject specifically aimed at implementing the function on older transmitters.

How many times does this happen? I bet we have all done it at least once. You forget to ensure that the throttle stick is at minimum before you connect the plane battery and the motor starts unexpectedly. Or when you pick up your transmitter with a live model you accidentally knock the throttle stick. I was right wasn't I? Yes, we've all done it...

As a by-product of setting up the flaps on my Walrus, I have found an easy way to make this much less likely. It may already be available on t'internet (most things are !!) so I may be preaching to the converted, but if it helps someone avoid an accident then I make no apologies for sharing wisdom.

All you have to do is find a spare transmitter mix and an unused transmitter switch. This will be available on most modern transmitters and you proceed as follows.

- 1. Set up the mix for Throttle > Throttle
- 2. Set the minimum value to -100%
- 3. Set the maximum value to -100%
- 4. Set the offset (or neutral) to -100%
- 5. Allocate this to your selected switch (preferably in the off or up position)

And it is done! Check it out by using your transmitter's monitor screen (with your model switched off just in case!). When the switch is off, the throttle should be forced to minimum. Move the switch to on and the throttle will work as normal. It just adds one more layer of safety to your motor setup and you can be sure the motor will stay dead until you are ready to fly or after you have landed. Easy to implement and it may save some fingers!

I have got this to work on my Futaba FF9 and my Spektrum DX8 so it will probably work on most transmitters. Happy programming!

Andrew O'Neill has sent me a money saving tip:

Aluminium wing tubes – Wickes sell various sizes of aluminium tube which are suitable to use as wing joining tubes, they fit many of the ARTF manufactures offerings. Mr O'Neill obviously needs to buy in bulk!!!

## What's on

Summer is here so it is time to plan some days out.

### **Hale Hall Events**

The club have the following events planned this year, exact dates may be weather dependent!

Following some discussions we have decided to combine the Warbirds event with our fun day this year.

Fun day – Late July/Early August

Mince pie meet – Late December

### BMFA - In the air tonight

The BMFA continue to host webinars that cover a wide range of modelling activities. <u>https://itat.bmfa.uk/</u>

#### Full size and model shows

Model show – LMA - Cosford 2<sup>nd,</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

Full Size - Shuttleworth - Old Warden, Fly Navy, Sunday 3rd July

Full Size – Duxford – Flying Legends 11,12th July

Full Size – RIAT – Fairford 17, 18,19th July

Model show – Beer & Warbirds – Buckminster 15, 16, 17th July.

- Full Size Southport Air Show 9, 10th July
- Full Size Royal International Air Tattoo 15-17th July
- Full Size Farnborough International 18th 22nd July
- Full Size Duxford Flying day The Americans Saturday 23rd July
- Full Size Duxford Flying day Young Aviators Monday 1st August
- Full Size Shuttleworth Old Warden Family Airshow, Sunday 7th August
- Full Size Blackpool air show 13,14th August
- Model show LMA Elvington 13,14th August.

Model Show - LMA – Much Marcle - 3rd , 4th September.

Full Size - Duxford - Battle of Britain Air Show - 10, 11th September

Full Size – Duxford – Flying Finale Saturday 8th October

Full Size – Duxford – Flying day – BMFA model aircraft centenary Sunday 9th October

### **Parting shot**

So that is the end of another newsletter, I hope you found it interesting. For future newsletters I would like to include as many of your projects and especially first flights as possible. So please document the occasion with a few photos or contact me and I will try to come down with my camera. I do have some ideas for future articles, but the success of the newsletter will only continue if you, the members, provide me with some copy. Anything aircraft related will be more than welcome, days out, trips, build logs, full size or something for the Curiosity Corner.

Don't be shy; if you don't fancy writing a full article, just send me a few notes and I will do the rest.

If you have any suggestions on subjects to be included in the Newsletter, drop me a line.

In these days of data protection we need to ask members if they have any objection to be included, either by name or photograph, in the Newsletter. If you do not wish to be in the Newsletter please let me know.

Cheers,

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