

WARREN FARM RADIO FLYERS



JULY AT WARREN FARM

NEW WFRF WEBSITE

The big news this month is that the club has at long last established a website.

This is still under development, but can be accessed at <https://wfrf.bmfa.uk/>.

The website includes a PowerPoint presentation of our activities, with a PDF alternative for those unable to access PowerPoint. There is also a link to our club rules (which we plan to update shortly) and a history of the club.

Planned future developments include a gallery of members models and a map to help potential new members to find us.

Any suggestions for additional content would be much appreciated.

NEW MEMBERS

We are delighted to welcome two new members to the club.

Wayne Stevenson has a variety of both electric and I/C models, and has joined us from a club with more restrictive flying times and a smaller area. He has already demonstrated an ability to fly in wind conditions which would ground some members.

Sam Burford, an experienced model flyer, has returned to the hobby after a long break, having been introduced to the club by Paul Notley.

We have also had approaches from several other potential members, and hope to welcome them into the fold very soon.

SAFETY REMINDER

As flying resumes after a long pause, it is a wise idea to check the safety of our models.

For radios equipped only with a throttle failsafe, the setting agreed between the CAA and the BMFA is for I/C models to throttle back to a slow idle, and for electric models to stop the motor.

If your radio is equipped with failsafe on all channels, it is a good idea to set the failsafe to give enough up elevator to slow the model down.

Please check the airframe for any damage in storage, and cycle the batteries to ensure that they have not lost capacity over the lockdown. This is especially important for conventional NiMh batteries, which can self-discharge to an unrecoverable level if left for a long period. Low Self Discharge batteries (i.e. Vapex or Eneloop) are much better in this respect.

FIELD CONDITION

The runway has again been mown by our friends at AMEY, and remains in great condition.

We hope to have the toilet back in action in the next week or two. It will be chained to a tree to prevent it from being overturned again, and it will be essential to ensure that the chain is secured & locked when we leave the field.

We are also investigating the possibility of relocating the toilet to the stables compound if further vandalism occurs, however we have not had a response.