

WARREN FARM RADIO FLYERS

APRIL AT RECTORY PARK

FIELD CONDITION

The park has now been mown, and the take-off & landing area appears to have had extra attention. However, there is still a muddy area in the middle of the strip, and there is now a deep pothole which appears to have been dug by a fox. This would destroy any model which ran into it. Flying should be possible from this weekend, weather permitting.

We have also had a meeting at Rectory Park with Brad Decker, from the LBE Ranger West Team. He will be arranging for the pothole to be repaired, and has agreed to look into the reasons why the mown strip has been unusable for such a prolonged period.

Possible solutions may include :-

- a. Spiking the area to improve drainage.
- b. A top dressing of sand to raise the level of the ground and prevent rainwater from pooling.
- c. Rolling the area to eliminate high spots, again to prevent pooling.

We have also agreed to mark out the area which we will be using, and this will then be close mown to assist our activities. We propose to move the area a few metres towards the road in order to avoid the muddy area, which will now be just inside the northern edge of the runway area.

The total area will be approx. 50mts x 20mts, however the northernmost strip (approx. 5mts x 50mts) may remain unusable until such time as the aforementioned works are complete.

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There is no further news to report, however QPR continue to assert that WFRF will be permitted to fly at Warren Farm when their redevelopment is complete, albeit with a very much reduced flying area.

MEMBERSHIP

Many thanks to those members who have stayed with us throughout the trials and tribulations of relocation to our new flying site. Sadly, a number of members have fallen by the wayside, and consequently we have vacancies for new members.

In order to encourage new blood, we have decided to waive the £20 joining fee for any new members who apply on or before 30th June. The annual subscription remains at £38 per year.

If you know of any model flyers who would be interested in joining, please invite them to come and see us. If they have BMFA insurance, they are welcome to bring a model to the field during a Saturday morning flying session.

AND FINALLY

The cricket squares are now being prepared, and we understand that matches may begin towards the end of April. Please make sure you arrive in time to complete your flying before the matches start, which is usually around (or before) 1.00pm.