

WARREN FARM RADIO FLYERS



MARCH AT RECTORY PARK

FIELD CONDITION AND AVAILABILITY

The field is still in very poor condition, however in previous years the first attempt to mow the field takes place towards the end of March. We also anticipate that the fencing around the cricket squares will be removed in due course, leaving us with a less restricted landing approach. Until then we will still need to restrict flying to hand launch models.

It is our understanding that work on the football development will commence in April, however our contact at LBE is of the view that the building and car park works will begin first, and work on the Astro-Turf pitches with their fencing & floodlights will be later in the project, so flying should be possible until this phase of the work begins.

Of more concern is the visit by Circus Fantasia, which will be on site from 7th to 14th May. This will be in the bottom left hand corner of the park, and will occupy an area of approximately 80mts by 80mts. This will leave us with very little room to fly, unless we are able to move to the right hand end of the field.

Last year the circus had performances on Saturday at 2 p.m, and on Sunday at 12 noon. As this will attract large numbers to the park, it is very unlikely that we will be able to fly on either of these days.

LICENCE RENEWAL

The licence has now been renewed for 3 years at a greatly reduced rate, which is just covered by the subscriptions from our depleted ranks.

ALTERNATIVE FLYING FACILITIES

We are still investigating either a new location at Rectory Park, or alternative flying facilities elsewhere. Neither solution is yet bearing fruit.

We will continue to scour the borough to find a way to enable us to continue flying as we have done since 1997 in spite of all (mainly football) developments proposed by LBE, which risk squeezing us out of existence.

AND FINALLY

We have vacancies for new members, however in view of the greatly reduced flying area it is unlikely that we will be able to accommodate beginners. If you know of any local model flyers prepared and able to fly in a very restricted space, please put them in touch with us.