



*The Committee wish all Club Members the very best for  
Christmas  
and a Happy New Year.*

Please note that there is no club meeting in December.

The next Club event will be the traditional

## NEW YEAR'S DAY FLY-IN

at the Flackwell field. Come along from late morning and try out that nice new plane that you got for Christmas. Or if you haven't actually built it yet just come along and brag about it anyway. Why not bring your wives, husbands, girlfriends, boyfriends, partners or friends (does that cover it?) and work up an appetite for later. There may possibly even be a barbeque, some mince pies and a few drinks available.

### Subscriptions

The subscription rates for the coming year are set out below:



	Club Subscription	BMFA Fee	Total
Senior	£78	£32	£110
Junior	£16	£17	£33
Family Junior	£16	£13	£29

**Remember that if your BMFA subscription has not been received by them by 31st December then you will not be insured to fly from 1st January, 2015. If, therefore, you have not yet paid your subscriptions then please send them directly to the Membership Rep, Mike Winston at the address below, as soon as possible so that he has time to send them on to the BMFA.**

Make cheques payable to HWDMAC and include a stamped addressed reply envelope and a note of your e-mail address if you have one.

Send to: Mr M Winston, 22, Disraeli Crescent, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP13 5EJ

**Future Club Meetings**

As explained in last month's Newsletter the formal Club meetings will be moving to the Royal British Legion, Common Road, Flackwell Heath next year. Meetings will generally be on the 4th Monday of the month except in May, when it would coincide with a Bank Holiday, and except for the on-field meetings will start at 8.00 pm. The dates are shown below and the programme is, as usual, on the back page. Note that there is no meeting planned for January or December, 2015.

February	23rd	Not 4th Monday Flackwell Field Chinnor Field  AGM
March	23rd	
April	27th	
May	18th	
June	22nd	
July	27th	
August	24th	
September	28th	
October	26th	
November	23rd	

The Committee will also be moving its meetings to the same location and will generally be meeting on the first Monday of the month except in April and May and again will not be meeting in January or December.

Committee meeting dates	February	2nd
	March	2nd
	April	13th
	May	11th
	June	1st
	July	6th
	August	3rd
	September	7th
	October	5th
	November	2nd

There is plenty of free parking at the new location, but remember when you leave that Common Road is one way.

**The Club in the News**

Have you seen the article in the current BMFA News about the Club's WW1 Flying Display? Well done Alan for getting us the publicity.

**Flying Anecdotes and Miscellany.**

*(Thanks to Ian Scottow who has sent a huge collection that we will dip into as space allows.)*

- *You know that your landing gear is up and locked when it takes full power to taxi to the terminal.*
- *When one engine fails on a twin engine airplane you always have enough power left to get you to the scene of the crash.*
- *Navy truism: There are more planes in the ocean than there are submarines in the sky.*
- *The three most common famous last words in aviation are: "Why is it doing that?", "Where are we?" and " Oh \*\*\*\*!"*
- *Mankind has a perfect record in aviation; we never left one up there!*
- *Flying the airplane is more important than radioing your plight to a person on the ground incapable of understanding it or doing anything about it.*
- *When a flight is proceeding incredibly well, something has been forgotten.*

### Christmas Hamper Competition Results

The 2014 Christmas Hamper Competition took place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December and 10 members turned up to compete. A weather forecast of bright sunshine, with clear blue sky and with moderate winds was not exactly what we got!

At about 1pm we had a cold winter shower at which time, the new clubhouse came in to its own and it was from here that John Quelch served hot chicken soup. With about 15 of us huddled either in or around the clubhouse, finding shelter, the soup was a great addition - I think we should do the same next year!!  
(*Absolutely - Ed*)

With only 10 competitors, there was a high probability of winning a prize and with blue skies restored, we continued with the competition. This year we flew 3 laps per round.

The hampers were well stocked and delivered in their festive boxes, thanks to Malcolm Connell and Andy Smith.

So, competition commenced with myself doing the timing, Darren brand shouting the turns. The two flag men, Andy Smith and Bruce Austin did a superb job, remaining at the boundary hedges for the entire competition, no doubt energised by the chicken soup!

#### The results

Entrant	1st Run	2nd Run	%Diff (first run)	Position
Brian Seymore	91s	91s	0	1st
Jon Harper	84s	85s	1.19	2nd
Darren Brand	64s	66s	3.13	3rd
Geoff Lyon	90s	86s	4.44	4th
Graham Stone	60s	57s	5	5th
Reece Smith	67s	63s	5.97	6th
Ken Beachus	87s	78s	10.34	7th
James Beck	84s	71s	15.48	8th
Roger Haslett	93s	Void	n/a	9th
Ian Scottow	Void	Void	n/a	10th



Steve does the maths



"It's dead Jim..."

Unfortunately Roger had a bit of a problem on his second run and Ian found something more than fuel in the tank which his engine could not burn. Probably some of that sticky mud that seemed to be everywhere.

Steve Berry



2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Jon Harper

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Brian Seymore

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Darren Brand



5<sup>th</sup> Place - Graham Stone

4<sup>th</sup> Place - Geoff Lyon

6<sup>th</sup> Place - Reece Smith

## Instructor and Examiner Directory

		Instruction			Contact	
		I/C Plane	Electric Plane	Helicopter		
Alan	Bristow	A			Details removed for web site	
Dick	Edmunds	A & B				
Roger	Gillett	A & B				
Jonathan	Harper *	A & B				
Gareth	Hatcher	A & B		A & B + E		
Kevin	Hitchen	A				
Andy	Hopper	A & B + E				
Glenn	King	A & B				
Neil	Rice	A & B		A & B		
Graham	Stone	A & B				
Ian	Thompson	A & B + E				
Andy	Trevena	A & B				
Stuart	Whitehouse	A & B + E	A & B			
Mitch	Mabbutt	Instructs in FPV flying				

+ E = also examiner. \*Club Training Co-ordinator

## Committee Members for 2015

Office	Name	Telephone
Chairman	Stephen Berry	Details removed for web site
Deputy Chairman	John Quelch	
Treasurer	John Compton	
Secretary	Andy Smith	
Membership Secretary	Mike Winston	
Competition Rep	Darren Brand	
Training Rep	Jonathan Harper	
Flackwell Rep	Ron Spencer	
Chinnor Rep	Stephen Bowdrey	
BFMA & Safety Rep	Mitch Mabbutt	
Newsletter Editor	Malcolm Connell	

## Meetings and Events in 2015

Date	Event
23 February	Talk - Speaker and subject to be advised
23 March	Table top sale
27 April	Concours
18 May	Talk - Speaker and subject to be advised - <i>Note date is not 4th Monday</i>
22 June	At Flackwell Field
27 July	At Chinnor Field
24 August	Possible Summer fly-in
28 September	Possible auction
26 October	Talk - Speaker and subject to be advised
23 November	AGM and Subs payment



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