

The next club meeting will be

*Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2015*

*At the Chinnor Field*

*NO7 at the Royal British Legion.*

*From about 7.30pm until dusk or 9.00pm*

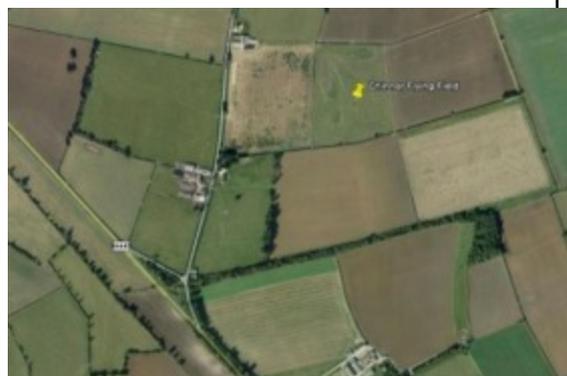
This will be the usual July gathering at the field.

If you do not normally fly at Chinnor or come to Club meetings then try to get to this meeting and perhaps also meet some of the other members that you may have missed in the past.

Flying at Chinnor is a little more restricted than at Flackwell but Monday is a power flying day and action is allowed until 9.00 pm.

The location of the Chinnor (Towersey) field is:

Westbrook Farm  
Henton  
CHINNOR  
OX39 4AE



There is a sign near the road gate indicating whether or not you can take your car onto the flying field which depends mainly on the recent weather and the state of the path. The sign must be obeyed. If parking on the field is allowed then please use the parking area, not the pits. If parking on the field is not possible, then park sensibly near the farm buildings and do not obstruct the farm vehicles.

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**The following meeting is to be a Summer Fly-in at the Flackwell field and will be on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. If the weather is bad then 6<sup>th</sup> September. Hopefully there will be a barbeque going.**

Still looking for a holiday idea? See next page.

## A Holiday with a Difference, and you can win it

Unfortunately, due to a change of circumstances, the member who won the auction for the holiday at the RC Hotel in Corfu can no longer go so we are re-offering it.

This is a family run hotel aimed at RC flyers and their families. Apart from the usual facilities such as swimming pool, restaurant, bar etc., the owner is an RC enthusiast and has a large fleet of models you can fly, using his facilities. You can buy a flying package that covers the use of most of the available planes, fuel and batteries. All you need are sunglasses. All planes have a pre-allocated 2.4GHz Tx that can be mode 1 or 2 and are well maintained so there is no waiting for setting up. There are choices of ic or electric. There is also a resident instructor if you need a little help.

The idea is that you can spend the morning flying with or without your partner, then spend the rest of the day together doing your own thing, or going on one of the organised excursions provided. There is then an evening flying session available. Several of our members have already been there and highly recommend it. A group from West London MAC went earlier this year and had great fun. It was their second visit so it must be good.

This is a **one week B&B holiday** for a lucky club member and partner or friend and is worth around £280.

**The holiday will go to the highest bid received by midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> of July.**

Bids of at least £100.00 should be sent to Mike Winston by e-mail to [mike\\_winston@totalise.co.uk](mailto:mike_winston@totalise.co.uk). If you do not use e-mail then please telephone Mike on 01494 520545.

There will of course be some additional costs such as flights, extra meals and a charge for the hire of the models, but this is an excellent opportunity to do something a little different at a bargain price, with sunshine thrown in! What's more the cost of flights has dropped considerably recently and the euro exchange rate is the best for some years.

Much more information is available on the RC Hotel website <http://rhotel.com>



## KI 45 Dragon Slayer

The Japanese twin started life as a Ripmax Harmony. When flying one day and coming in to land I hit a bit of turbulence just before touching down which slammed it into the ground hard and broke the fuselage but the wings stayed intact. Sitting at home pondering what to do with the model I began to browse the Internet for World War 2 twins, when I came across this twin engine Japanese fighter. I could not believe my luck, the wing shape was almost identical to the Harmony wing, apart from the nacelles. The KI45 had radial engines so I began work and replaced the nacelles. When finished I began to look for some engine cowls and found two paint kettles from Screwfix for £2.50 a pair, perfect size and fit, they have got to be the best engine cowls ever. I made a completely new fuselage and tail based on the KI45, fitted the retracts out of my old Skyraider and completely recovered the air frame and hand painted the green camouflage dots which took me two days. I must have been mad. The only thing missing from the original KI45 was a guy behind the pilot with a single barrel gun facing rear-wards. Back to the original KI45 it was developed as a high altitude fighter to combat the B29 Super Fortress bombing mainland Japan. I don't think it worked as they lost!!



Graham Stone *(Photos by Mike Winston)*

## Do you want an auction in September?

Traditionally we have held an auction at the September meeting when members could sell off spare models and equipment ready for the winter replacement season. This also gave others an opportunity to pick up a bargain. Unfortunately over the last couple of years the event has not been seen as the success that it used to be; there was too little to sell and not enough people bidding realistic sums.

Consequently the Committee would like to know if you want an auction this year. If you would support an auction in September as either a buyer or seller then please click on the appropriate link below. This will open your e-mail program addressed to the "Yes" box. If you would not support an auction then the other link will register in the "No" box. In either case you can just send the e-mail to be counted or let us have a comment.

**Yes** I would support an auction in September.

**No** I am not interested in an auction.



Please let us have your votes by 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

## Warbird Wednesdays

Dear readers,

As your unofficial field clown and warbird wizard of the airways, I'd like to introduce you to something that we have christened 'Warbird Wednesday'.

As the name suggests a few of the members get together once a month to fly warbirds of various ilks, exchange ideas and information, and scoff at others' feeble landing attempts.

Ostensibly this would be on a Wednesday strangely enough, but in reality it's any evening when the weather isn't totally pants!

I would suggest this would be an ideal opportunity for anyone either flying, or interested in flying warbirds to come on down, have a laugh, and 'ahem', ask the experts so to speak.

Warbirds and attractive friends of any description are welcome.

Sport plane owners will be severely chastised and placed atop their burning model!

Small yappy dogs will be tolerated by previous arrangement only!

Oh, and, Jon 'Top Gun' Harper has asked me to inform you all that anyone 'scoffing' at his landings will be gunned down with high velocity cannon fire.....so there!

Anyone expressing an interest in joining us can contact me at [brand.daren@gmail.com](mailto:brand.daren@gmail.com) and I will add your name to the mailing list.

Daren Brand

## Extremely low flying

As he mentioned in last months Newsletter Steve Berry has an alternative model interest (no, not that!) and your Editor had the pleasure of filming some of the activity. You can see a little bit by clicking on [this link](#).

## Chinnor Flying Times

There have been a few small changes to the agreed flying times at Chinnor. The currently agreed schedule is as follows:

Day	Aircraft Type	Authorised times
Monday	Power flying	10:00 - 21:00
Tuesday	NO FLYING	-----
Wednesday	Power flying	12:00 - 21:00
Thursday	Silent flight only	12:00 - 21:00
Friday	NO FLYING	-----
Saturday	Power flying	12:00 - 21:00
Sunday	Power flying	10:00 - 18:00
"	Silent flight	18:00 - 21:00

Flying ceases at dusk if earlier than 21:00.

## Instructors and Examiners

The Club has a number of quality trainers and access to examiners at A and B level. If you would like to take advantage of our structured training then please contact our Training Co-ordinator Jonathan (Jon) Harper. Otherwise you will often find Jon at the Flackwell field on fine evenings.

## Committee Members for 2015

Office	Name
Chairman	Stephen Berry
Deputy Chairman	John Quelch
Treasurer	John Compton
Secretary	Andy Smith
Membership Secretary	Mike Winston
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## Meetings and Events in 2015

Date	Event
27 July	At Chinnor Field
23 August	Summer fly-in at Flackwell. Note: no Monday meeting
28 September	Possible auction
26 October	Talk - Speaker and subject to be advised
23 November	AGM and Subs payment