



Season's Greetings



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

The next club meeting will be

Sunday, 20th January, 2019

*and will be the first
2019 Winter Build Evening
at the Studley Green Community Centre, Wycombe Road,
Studley Green, High Wycombe, HP14 3UJ*

From 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

For further details see inside.

Subscriptions Are Due

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



	Club Subscription	BMFA Fee	Total
Senior	£55	£38	£93
Family Partner	£55	£25	£80
Junior	£16	£17	£33
Family Junior <i>Child of a senior member</i>	£16	£13	£29



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

Payment may also be made through BACS.

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

For more details see overleaf.



Club and BMFA Membership Fees

As a result of the loss of the Flackwell field and as agreed at the Club AGM last month you are being offered two membership options for the coming year. The options are to pay the agreed membership fee and have use of the Towersey field and join in with any organised Club activities or not pay and suspend your Club membership.

Remember that if your BMFA subscription has not been received by 31st December then you will not be insured to fly from 1st January, 2019. If, therefore, you have not yet paid your membership subscriptions then please send them directly to the Membership Rep, Mike Winston at the address given, as soon as possible so that he can to send the appropriate payment on to the BMFA. Note that since we are an Affiliated Club then you will be insured so long as Mike or our bank has received your subs.

If you choose not to pay the subscription then for one year you will remain on the email list and receive Newsletters, although they may not be as regular as in the past. If we find a replacement for the Flackwell field, or at any other time during the year, then you will have the option of reinstating your membership at this year's rate without paying the joining fee again. If you wish to remain a member of the BMFA that will have to be arranged separately and Mike is not yet clear on whether it can be done through the Club, but you can do it easily through their new on line system.

What happens to the membership fees in 2020 will depend on progress

If you do not wish to remain on the email list then you have the right to request that we forget you and your record will be destroyed in accordance with our published GDPR Policy and you will cease to be a Club member and lose the suspended membership rights.

Minutes of HWDMAC Annual General Meeting

Held on 29th November, 2018

Item 1 – Confirmation of Quorum (20% of members minimum)

The meeting opened at 8.10pm when 37 members were in attendance. This exceeded the required 27 members.

Item 2 – Review of year and Committee Members' Reports

The Club Chairman, Steve Berry, could not make the meeting so Daren Brand presented the Chairman's report.

Daren gave an overview of the proposed changes to the running of the club, reduction of committee member numbers and ultimately a change to the Club Constitution.

Full details had previously been published in the Way Forward Document and a slightly amended version was presented to the meeting. There would be no more routine club evenings (although an exception might be the Concours evening), reduction of committee members with a restructure for the running of the flying fields so giving more control back to the members. Club events, which had developed during 2018 would be organised at a more 'local' field level. e.g. BMFA test day, Chuckie Challenge, Warbird Wednesday and BBQ's.

Following on from a question raised by Peter, Daren covered the current situation concerning the loss of Flackwell and the search for a new flying site. Main point to confirm was that Flackwell was a complete loss with Steve having spoken to the owners at some length but to no avail.

Mike also gave a rundown of the current situation of the searching taking place for a new field. There was some discussion of various points raised by members, but the discussion was starting to get off topic and the meeting was brought back to the key items of the AGM.



Members were reassured that the committee were doing everything they could to secure a new field, and members were reminded by Andrew Hatch that it was every members' responsibility, not just that of the Committee, to try and help secure a new site.

Item 3 – Financial report and setting level of membership subscriptions for 2019

Malcolm presented the financial reports – copies are annexed to this report.

Overall the club ends 2018 in a good financial position, but going forward in to 2019 with the loss of Flackwell there will be the anticipation of changes. Following committee discussion and a club survey it is anticipated that the club will initially lose about 50% of its membership. With this in mind and the continued running of Towersey, the membership fees for 2019 were recommended to be set at £55. This will not change for 2019 even if a new field is found and gets up and running. Membership fees for 2020 will be reviewed later in the year.

Costs of setting up of the new Flying Site will come from the clubs 'fighting fund'.

Malcolm proposed acceptance of the financial report and Guy seconded - carried with no objections.

Item 4 – Review of Committee posts and proposal of appropriate Constitutional changes

The 'New Way Forward' document and amendments to the Club Constitution were proposed by Mike Winston and seconded by Malcolm Connell – carried with no objections.

Item 5 – Election of New Chairman

The Committee now resigned their positions and Malcolm temporarily took the Chair. It was confirmed that Steve Berry did not wish to stand again as Chairman so nominations for a new Chairman were called for. Mike nominated Brian Seymour and Bruce seconded. Members voted Brian in with no objections. **New Chairman of HWDMAC is Brian Seymour.** Malcolm now handed the Chair over to Brian.

Item 6 – Election of New Committee Members

Post of **Treasurer** – Bruce nominated Malcom, Guy Seconded. Members voted Malcolm in with no objections.

Post of **Secretary** – Mike nominated Chris Pearson, Charles Seconded. Members voted Chris in with no objections. (Noted Chris was not present but had made his acceptance of nomination known to the old Committee.)

Post of **Membership Secretary** – Mitch nominated Mike, Bruce Seconded. Members voted Mike in with no objections.

Post of **Communications Representative** – Malcolm nominated Mitch, Bruce Seconded. Members voted Mitch in with no objections.

Field Rep for Towersey – Ian nominated Neil Rice, Bruce Seconded. Members voted Neil in with no objections.

Item 7 – Any other business

There was no other business so the meeting ended at 9.15.

(Copies of the financial reports accompany this Newsletter.)

A few bits from YouTube

Not necessarily model flying but nonetheless directly transferable lessons.

First a reminder to check and check again before you fly. Is everything alright? Who was at fault here?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLBJA8SIH2w>

Some lessons every pilot must learn, again just as applicable to our models.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QaxYgHbPjss>



Winter Build 2019

By popular demand we will be having another series of model aircraft building themed evenings over the Winter. The build meetings are as much a club social as a club workshop so feel free to come along even if you aren't into building; there will be tea and coffee available. The hall is available for 4 hours on the meeting dates so you are free to come and go as you please



Last Winter's build centred on building the Pegasus Models Hornet, this year there will not be a common model as folk have expressed wishes to choose different Winter projects. This Winter's meetings will be more of a communal workshop with a range of projects including: finishing off their Hornets, micro indoor models, plan builds, laser cut kits, ARTF models, and repairs/alterations to existing models.

A couple of people are intending to resurrect stalled projects from years back. This is a pretty good idea as, from personal experience, projects stall when they get to a stage that is unfamiliar or we just can't fathom how to do it. *(Or the shed is full of other stuff and the dining room table is wanted for lunch - Ed.)* With a room full of fellow builders, it is likely that someone else will have done something similar and will be able to assist, otherwise getting someone else's interpretation may inspire ideas of how to go about the job.

If you are stuck for a plan or ideas then we have got, thanks to Mike, the free plans and build articles from the RCM&E magazine issues from 2006 until 2015. There is a good range of projects in these plans: big, small, ic powered, electric powered, scale or sport. Most are built from balsa and ply but there are a few that are built from foam or Depron. Building from plans is probably the most time consuming project as you have to make all of the components but for some plans there are laser cut wood packs and vacuum formed moldings available from companies such as Sarik Hobbies, <https://www.sarikhobbies.com/>. Sarik Hobbies also have other plans available as well as scale drawings which are handy for folk wishing to add extra detail to their models or even design the model themselves.



A little easier than plan builds are kit builds, these contain a comprehensive kit of parts required to build the models as well as detailed instructions. These are still some way off the simplicity of ARTF models but little by little they come together and often fly better than ARTF models. There has been a resurgence in kit building over recent years and even Hobby King stock several kits at very competitive prices. A nice little kit is the Warbird Replicas Spitfire which builds into a great flying model which really looks the part, John Compton's model won

this year's Concours "Best in Show"!

The venue is the Studley Green Community Centre (<http://cc-sg.brandkits.co.uk/HP143UY>) which is the venue we used earlier this year for the 2018 Winter Build. It is an ideal venue and has its own car park right outside the door so lugging models and tools in and out is pretty easy. Dates for the build meetings are:

- Sunday 20th Jan 2019 5:00pm – 9:00pm
- Sunday 17th Feb 2019 5:00pm – 9:00pm
- Sunday 10th Mar 2019 5:00pm – 9:00pm



Prize Giving

Following the AGM business we managed to lever people away from the food for a few minutes to present the prizes from earlier in the year. Small organisational error here as I took the photos but have just realised that I omitted to note what the awards were for.



However, I think they are Stuart for Winning Chuckie Challenge, John for Concours Best in Show and Daren for Best Scale.

Since it's Christmas here is a bit of fun. I want him on my next flight!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KqUqXZVM0NQ>

Committee Members for 2019

Office	Name
Chairman	Brian Seymour
Treasurer	Malcolm Connell
Secretary	Chris Pearson
Membership Secretary	Mike Winston
Newsletter Editor	Malcolm Connell
Web Site and Communications	Mitch Mabbutt
Chinnor Rep	Neil Rice

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My thanks to those members who have contributed to this and other Newsletters recently.
Have you got something that you could contribute?

Meetings and Events in 2019

Date	Day	Event	Location
20 January	Sunday	Winter Build 1 - 5.00pm to 9.00pm	Studley Grn Com Cent
17 February	Sunday	Winter Build 2 - 5.00pm to 9.00pm	Studley Grn Com Cent
10 March	Sunday	Winter Build 3 - 5.00pm to 9.00pm	Studley Grn Com Cent
? April		Possibly BMFA Test Day, possible Concours comp.	Towersey
24 April	Wednesday	Possibly Concours comp.	TBA
7 July	Sunday	Chuckie Challenge	Towersey
8 September	Sunday	General flying competition day; scale, fun fly, etc.	Towersey
27 November	Wednesday	AGM and Subs payment	TBA

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As promised last month here is the plan for Stuart's winning Chuckie Challenge design. Sorry, no instructions but lay it out on a sheet of balsa of appropriate size and it will be fairly obvious how it all goes together. All measurements are something metric.

