

THE WYCOMBE FLYER

The next club meeting will be

At some, presently indeterminate, date in the future!

For the foreseeable future, due to the present Covid-19 emergency, all Club meetings remain postponed or cancelled.

However, although the World is not yet back to normal the situation is improving slightly and we can go flying again so long as everyone complies with the published National guidance.

Meanwhile...

Some good news...

The planning application for the new flying field has been approved! There have had to be a few adjustments to our original application to take account of objections and other requirements, but essentially we have permission to fly at the site from 10am to dusk in accordance with BMFA rules and recommendations and a couple of other conditions.



One major condition is that we do not overfly the footpath across the adjacent field so we have to change the layout of our proposed area. We are presently in discussion with the farmer to agree a layout that gives us good runway lines while not causing difficulties to his cultivation. Fortunately, although modern farm machinery is huge it can be guided very accurately by GPS so our area will just be programmed to be avoided. At the moment we are looking at a predominantly NE-SW strip with a N-S leg.

The crop presently in the field should be harvested by mid-September and, assuming that we agree a layout, the farmer will seed our area ready for next year when it will be up to us to maintain the grass.

We must record massive thanks to Chris Harvey who led the Application and did the all important negotiation with the Council Planning Dept., and Nigel Keats for liasing with Kensham Farms.

Looking further forward...

Although we will not be flying on our own field until next year there is still the possibility of indoor flying at Wycombe Sports Centre over the winter. We are very much in the hands of the Centre for availability together with whatever the Government is recommending at the time regarding social gatherings. But we live in hope.

If you are considering indoor flying then you may be interested in Microaces' new twin engined offering the Percee. See here for some detail and pre-order information. A short video of glide testing of a prototype can be seen here.

(Actually that's a good demonstration of what NOT to put in a marketing video.) Jon Porter's <u>video update</u> is now on line and is very interesting. Why not subscribe. If you do purchase a Percee please let us know how you get on, particularly with the new covering material.



A Hornet Twin

Many of you will remember the Hornet winter build project of a couple of years ago (no, I haven't finished mine yet either). Those who have flown the model are generally approving of it and reckon it flies well. It was inevitable that people would personalise it in some way, well it's what builders do, and Guy Pickett has produced a



twin engined version that has just had its maiden flight. Guy says that it flew very well needing hardly any trim



adjustments although the motors may need a bit more down and side thrust as the plane climbs rather too much on power.

Every model with a transparent cockpit needs a pilot of some sort but that one looks worrying!

There's always something from YouTube

This is just what you need when you have misjudged the height of a tree. Shame we cannot see the student's face when he is told what to do. https://youtu.be/j6RDS64Z6ug

Great view of four warbirds flying low along a Swiss canal. Turn up the volume! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gl-aUbN3b5c

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My thanks to those members who have contributed to this and other Newsletters recently.

Have <u>you</u> got something that you could contribute?

Meetings and Events in 2020

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