

Hi again everyone, hope you're all getting some flying done, in spite of the changeable weather! Please remember, our next (last of the Summer) Evening Flying, is coming up on Monday evening next, 5th Sept. Hopefully the weather will be OK and we can hope for a good turnout again

The flying patch is looking fantastic, thanks in no small part to Jason who was recently out treating the few weeds that had stubbornly re-seeded. It was also cut last Thursday, just before our Scale Day and is in very nice condition.

Talking about the Scale Day, we had a small but enthusiastic turnout, comprising 6 fliers with Scale models, and another two with trainers. Most had several flights, and some small goodies were handed out at the end of the day: firstly to the "Flier of the Day", Paul Pichel and also to Laurie for "Model of the Day". All other fliers were also invited to pick a small something from the "Scratch Box" so all went home with something.

The conditions were quite windy and cool, though most coped well. We had a couple of incidents, comprising a takeoff cartwheel (Paul's Stearman got a crosswind on liftoff) and Laurie got out of shape with his "Queen Bee" twin resulting in many bits of broken balsa and ply. Hope you'll get it back together soon Laurie! The Stearman received only cosmetic damage to a wingtip & a broken prop.

The models were: 1/6 Scale Stearman/ Laser 300V twin; 1/6 Scale Hurricane/ Laser 150; tiny Spitfire V (leccy); Queen Bee twin leccy; Goldberg Cub/ OS .52; Vans RV8/ Laser 70; Hangar 9 Mustang/ OS .91 (not flown due wind); PT19 Flight Trainer/ OS .70; leccy powered Puss Moth; Easy Rider (stand way off sorta scale!); and last but not least, a sweeeeeeeet Grumman F9F Panther foam EDF that went really well. Unfortunately My Comet Racer didn't make it out as I had a back spasm so chickened out.....Maybe on Monday pending weather. So well done to all and thanks for the support!

On Members' News, I can report that Mike Moylan is not too good at the moment, with a dodgy leg infection that requires him to keep it elevated so typing, housework, modelling, and any sort of work, is out for a while. Get well soon Mike, we're missing the Newsletter already!

Roger Bramley is recovering well from an unfortunate incident which resulted in some damaged digits and it was good to see him flying at the Scale Day. Mark Pearce continues his F3A campaign with a solid showing at the Nationals in the FAI Class in very difficult conditions. I've been flying my 50cc Extra a bit more, having entered the High Alpha Shootout Competition this coming weekend, but I seem to have more enthusiasm than ability at this point! The Extra has been hammered a bit more than the poor thing's used to! Alistair is now flying "on-line" as a Co-Pilot for CityJet, based in Dublin, so we won't be seeing very much of him either.

Well that's about all the news I know of, for now. Please do let me know if/when there's anything to comment on, report, or otherwise take to pieces!

Bill Michie