

Summer is still here (with a vengeance sometimes). So our next meeting will be at Hadstock on Monday 4th August 2014. There are some notices on the road to Hadstock (Little Walden road) about Road repairs, so be warned, take it easy. See you at the patch; come when you can, stay till dusk.

Saturday 26th July saw our "Scale Day" which was blessed with a lot of sun, and quite a few models. The biggest of which must have been Rob's Extra 300 at 40%? A most impressive model, with a performance to match! When Mark's Suchoi was also flying, there was little room for a little one! Oh! Before I forget! I've found my model (or the bits left by the Farmers combine, as he harvested the Rape). The machine even chewed up the engine!

So, that will teach me NOT to fly into the sun and get disorientated. "I reckon I'm' old enough to know better" I said to Alan. Who looked at me with that wry grin of his and said "I think you're old enough to get worse!" Oh well something to look forward to I spose? Anyway, on with the scale day. There were some very nice models, so Bill's efforts did not go unused.

There were some well flown biplanes (Martin's Cirrus Moth handled the wind very well, all on a 48 fs, Kevin's SE5 was very quick, and overtook Jack's Spitfire!

Steve unfortunately followed in Bader's footsteps, and slow rolled into the ground, thus causing the sad demise of his very nice "Liberty"(which will be repaired, I've been told) Chris Stuart came along, and flew his ~ scale Tiger Moth (aided and abetted by Howard) Chris managed to get the model down just before the gusty wind took over (lucky).

Bill was in much demand, and flew just about every model including Tony's P40 and Mustang. He even gave Gerry's Tornado an airing. The Fiesler Storch belonging to Peter Slater was demonstrated by Bill with it's short take-off, and landing, and unusual flight path, the 33cc petrol tugged it around very well.

Brian had a very nice little T28 Trojan which suddenly went wild, out of control, and crashed. At the inquest Brian discovered that the battery lid on the tranny was loose, so with little or no signal from the tranny it is no wonder it crashed. However, it looked like a job for some Gorilla glue, as all the important bits were still working. So here's hoping.

So, a very good day out, and thanks again to Bill for organising another club event. We had a Bar-B-Q, a pagoda to hide from the sun, and entertainment from each other, what more could you want? Mark and Linda worked on the burgers in the hot sun, thank you!

We had a vote afterwards, which gave a prize (wine) to Peter Slater for the most interesting model, the Fiesler Storch, and the most popular pilot who had lots of sweeties who was Kevin. Bill also got a round of applause for his efforts.

Cheers Dears, Mike