

## **Stansted Model Flying Club NEWS**

Our next meeting will be on the 2nd February 2015 at 8pm in Ugley Village Hall. A general get – together, but bring anything of interest along, and share sorrows!

The weather has been awful of late, but I did venture forth over the Christmas period to meet some other brave folk, but we came to the conclusion that the hobby wasn't an endurance test so perhaps we should look forward to the spring instead.

At the village Hall meeting in January Rod Brister showed us his latest creation called A "Ripper" which is an Aussie word for something nasty, and perhaps violent. His son now lives in Australia, where the original started life as a slope soarer, which was so quick that someone suggested putting a powerful electric motor in front to see what happened!

Rod demonstrated the effect by giving a brief burst of power at 40,000 revs! Which made us all flinch and wonder if hard hats will be needed at Hadstock! Apparently, the design has been adopted by "Hobbyking Australia., much to Craig's satisfaction it is a shoulder wing design and looks quite menacing. Although the model shown next by Paul which is a foamie pylon racer from Hobbyking UK is a low winger with hard bits underneath to avoid landing damage, is probably going to be just as fast. Paul reckons it might last for one season (100 mph is likely to make things difficult!). However, at less than £100 fully finished it looks good value, and it might respond to a gentle approach with less power for an old duffer like me!

I jest, so don't get nervous!

Cheers Dears

Mike