

Clear Dope

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Club Meeting for 14th March 2019

Club Auction

Not much for CD this Month's CDe so here is one
from the Archives Derek'd Multiplex Solaris on it
first flight taken on 31st May 2014



Toni Reynaud wrote

On a recent holiday in New Zealand, I was able to visit the flying field of the Far North RC Fliers at Kaikohe Airport. The contact (organised by my sister after seeing a small ad in a weekly paper advertising a flying session) was a chap called Graham Knox. Following instructions received from him by text, we made our way to Kaikohe Airport on sunny Sunday morning – not as easy as it sounded because on first appearance it all looked a bit derelict and the entry point wasn't obvious to us. However, we eventually got to the patch and were welcomed by Graham and four other model flyers.



Kaikohe is an emergency landing field used by a few private plane owners, a couple of gliders and the modelling club. It is a big flat expanse of short grass with their patch at one end out of the way of what little full size activity there is. The strip is about 100 x 25 metres of short mown grass, of billiard table smoothness – absolutely beautiful to see. The nearest trees were behind the pit area, and the next nearest were 300 or so metres away in front – lots of clear flying space. We had a brief chat on the type of models they fly (everything, just like us) then I went to stand by Graham's shoulder while he flew. His plane was an electric powered

foamy scale aerobatic ship (shame on me – I forgot to ask exactly what it is!) of about 48" or so with a sizeable 4cell LiPo and a 3-bladed prop. We waited while Greg, another member, got clear, then Graham was away. There's plenty of room for big circuits and manoeuvres, and Graham used it all. In conversation while flying it turned out he either wrote or helped to write the New Zealand equivalent of our A, B and C achievement tests, which was a fair task. Greg finished his flight and landed, then Graham followed suit. After more chatting in the pits, Graham offered to put his plane back in the air and let me have a go on the sticks. Unfortunately his plane misbehaved – every time he fitted the safety plug, he got all the right beeps from the ESC, the controls all waggled, then all went dead, twice in a row! Slightly disappointing, but also a bit of a relief. After all, it's not nice to accept a flight then bend someone else's plane. However, Greg came out with his again and offered to let me have a go, and as it



looked very similar to the Travelair I fly at Thorney, I was a little more relaxed about it. His Tx is a new model of some sort, small and square and yellow and very light, somewhat different to the Spektrums, Futabas and JRs we are all used to.

Greg took his electric low-winger plane out to the strip, and told me it's history – the biggest change was the fitting of retracts because he likes the look of it with the wheels tucked away while it's in the air, but it also had a gyro Rx in it set so that if he switched it on, the plane would go straight and level hands off. This setting also

deadened the aileron and elevator response a bit. Greg got it into the air and three mistakes high, then unclipped his Tx and handed it over. I did a couple of circuits, and found it a little more difficult than I had expected with the aileron response somewhat dead. Greg then switched the gyro off, and it immediately suited me better. I did a few big circuits, tightened up into a couple of figure eights, then tried a roll – a bit wobbly on the exit. "Try it a bit faster." Greg suggested, so faster it was and the exit was nice and straight and level. A couple of big loops followed, then a reversal or two, then my nerves gave out and I handed the box back to its owner who did a couple more circuits and landed. Relief all round!

That about completed the visit as the chaps were packing up to go home for lunch. It had been very convivial, and had I not got a bit lost on the entry we could have had a lot more chat, but I came away comfortable in the knowledge that aeromodelling is the same all over. My thanks to the Far north RC Fliers for the invitation and the visit.



More Pictures of a
lovely day at the end
of May 2014



Southern Area BMFA Gala

Middle Wallop on the 14th July 2019

Entry from 10:00 am @ £5.00 per car plus £5.00 per pilot on registration, under 16's enter free, entrance gate to be advised.

Open to all BMFA Members & Families

All pilots must either hold an "A" Certificate or be accompanied by a competent flyer (can be supplied if required) to ensure the safety of the flight. This is to make the day available to all levels.



Helicopter, Glider and Fixed Wing flight-lines

Come along and enjoy a day out with your fellow modellers, have a fly and watch others fly on this excellent site.

All types of models are expected from large scale to fun-fly models including IC, Vintage, Electric and Gliders.

Toilets and refreshments are available in the Museum Restaurant.

Competition Calendar



July Sat 27th	Bungee Thermal/Electric Glider Round 1 Thorney
Aug Sat 31st	Bungee Thermal/Electric Glider Round 2 Thorney
Sept Sat 28th	Bungee Thermal/Electric Glider Round 3 Thorney
Oct Sat 12th	Bungee Thermal/Electric Glider Round Reserve Day Thorney
Nov Sun 10th	Poppy Day Bungee Thermal/Electric Glider

Club Program 2019

14th March	Club Night	Auction
11th April	Club Night	Talk by Rod Dean -The Spitfire and Seafire
9th May	Club Night	Light Flight & C/L or indoor flight (Weather related)
13th June	Club Night	Light Flight & C/L or indoor flight (Weather related)
11th July	Club Night	Light Flight & C/L or indoor flight (Weather related)
8th August	Club Night	Light Flight & C/L or indoor flight (Weather related)
12th September	Club Night	Talk by Tim Kerss - Flying a full size Airbus A380
10th October	Club Night	Andrew Gibss' Quiz Night
14th November	Club Night	AGM 8 0'clock start
12th December	Club Night	Subs Night and tabletop sale

Other Key events around the country

June 14th-16th	Weston Park Model Airshow - Weston Under Lizard, Shropshire. TF11 8LE
June 29th-30th	Wings & Wheels Model Spectacular - North Weald Airfield, Epping, Essex. CM16 6AR
July 6th-7th	Cosford Large Model Airshow - RAF Cosford, Shifnal, Shropshire. TF11 8UP
July 13th-14th	Woodspring Wings Model Airshow - Yatton
Aug 10th-11th	Elvington Large Model Airshow - Yorkshire Air Museum, Yorkshire. YO41 4AU
August tbc	British Nationals - Barkston Heath
Aug 31st - Sep 1st	Much Marcle Large Model Airshow - Herefordshire. HR8 2LX

The club Facebook page is now in its fourth year. It has over one hundred members. It contains many contemporary site reports, and has a wealth of photos in its archives.

Administered by Nick Gates. and David Hayward

Here is the link:-

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Chichesteraeromodellers/>

Other Events

Sat May 4th	Static Display - Tangmere Aviation Museum
Sat 18th May	Scale Day Thorney
Sat 25th May	Goodwood Opening of new Flying Club HQ Static 10am-16.00 Flying from 18.00
Sat 15th June	Warbird Day Thorney
Sat/Sun 6th/7th July	Static Display @ Beachlands Hayling Island
Sat 14th July	Southern Area BMFA Gala — Middle Wallop
July - date tbc	BBQ at Porthole Farm
Date - tbc	Families day - Thorney
?	Evening Flying at ~Goodwood
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?	Air Cadets at Thorney

Flying alone on Thorney is not recommended however pilots are requested to concentrate on flying within the grass area to the west of the runway.

The Commander at Baker Barracks Thorney and the MOD have decreed that there shall be NO drone flying whatsoever

When flying at Thorney please keep an eye out for traffic(all kinds walkers, horses, bikes, runners, and low flying aircraft) coming from behind the flyers and inform them accordingly

When Driving Around Thorney be aware of young children on bikes

Please Try to leave Porthole as tidy as possible, making sure no fuel is left on site