

Skyline



Sedgemoor RC Flying Club – Newsletter January 2012

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Editorial

Happy New Year to all – and thanks to Ian, Dave and Andrew who have retired from the committee, for their valuable contributions to the club, and welcome to Adrian and Paul and John, who have joined. See notes on the AGM.

Former vice chairman Phil has (reluctantly) taken over as chairman!

Try to make the Wednesday club meetings at the George, the first is on 4th January – come along and pay your subs.

Chairman's intro - Phil Wilson

I've been flying on and off for 37 years, having started with a Mercury Matador and homemade single channel radio. I flew mostly sports models for many years, then migrated on to helicopters, and now tend to fly large scale aerobatic fixed wing models. I have done a few competitions in the past, flying the large scale aerobatics and free style 3D with IMAC.

I enjoy building models, as well as flying them, but have recently got interested in making aero engines, so metalwork has

rather taken over from balsa. I'm not quite sure how I ended up as The Club Chairman, because I'm not really a committee sort of person, but I'll do my best to do a good job, and I am lucky to be chairing a very strong committee.



I certainly have got some large shoes to fill, and I think Ian's superb diplomacy may well be missed. But look on the bright side - You can always vote me out next year :-)

We've had some great developments in The Club over the last year or two, with lots of friendly competitions and events, and hopefully we can continue to build on this. Do give feedback to the Committee.

Good luck flying this year, Phil

Membership Secretary's intro - Paul Bearman –.



I have been in the club for 18 months and only started flying at the end of summer 2010. I am still working towards my A certificate assisted by son, Matt who passed his A last year. Since joining the club I have found everybody to be very friendly and helpful to a complete beginner and I wanted to contribute by assisting in the running of the club, having been involved in several clubs prior to moving to Somerset from Hampshire where I was Treasurer to a sailing club.

Thanks, Paul, please send him your subs at:

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Don't forget to visit the club website at <http://www.srcfc.org.uk/>



Jeff's Aichi Val by YT International, built for the new club scale competitions.

Treasurer's intro - Pete Ross – (has done it for the last three years!)

Started flying in July 1975 in self-defence soon after getting married! Have been flying fixed wing for all of that time - until 2 months ago when I bought a Blade 120SR indoor heli. Since then I've built a Trex 250 clone kit and really enjoy these small helis.

Over the years I've flown many different disciplines - i.c power, electric, slope soarers and flat field gliders and have really enjoyed all aspects of the hobby, both in building and flying.

I bought the manufacturing rights to Howard Metcalf's fabulous Crossfire kit and sold about 300+ kits, just before the ARTF thing really took over. (still one or two kits available!)

I love the atmosphere within the club both at the field and or now regular monthly meetings at the George (we do need you to come along as well!) and our indoor sessions at Junction 24, where I'm really hooked on these little helis that I spoke about.

See you soon, Pete

Calendar:

Club meeting	Wed 4 th January
Indoor flying	Wed 25 th January
Club meeting	Wed 1 st February
Indoor flying	Wed 22 nd February
Club meeting	Wed 7 th March
Indoor Flying	Wed 28 th March
No flying, NSA (motorcycles)	Sat 12 May, Sun 13 May
No flying, NSA	Sat 30 Jun, Sun 1st July
No flying, NSA	Sat 11 Aug, Sun 12 Aug
No flying, NSA	Sat 6 Oct, Sun 7 Oct

Indoor flying – this is at Junction 24 Ltd at Sedgemoor Auction Centre
Market Way
North Petherton
Somerset, TA6 6DF.

Bring your indoor model, or come and get inspired to buy or build one! Do you want more sessions booked for the summer?

Club Competition Dates – to be agreed soon!

Notes from the minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 7th December at The George Inn, Middlezoy

There were 33 attendees

- Matters Arising: - Weather Station. The microlight club will host the equipment and provide the necessary power, telephone and internet links if we (SRCFC) provide and maintain the weather station equipment. The approximate cost

to the club should be £1500.00 with an annual cost of £50.00 for maintenance. This agreed.

- Ian reiterated the club policy ref solo flying without holding an 'A' certificate and congratulated the members who had achieved this status during the year. The few remaining members who did not hold the required qualification had been written to explaining this element of club rules which will be enforced during 2012.
- The 2011 membership totalled 77. This was four down on the 2010 total of 81.
- 2012 Fees

Full Senior:	£73.00
Full Junior:	£43.00
Full Family Junior:	£35.00
Associate Senior:	£43.00
Associate Junior:	£27.00
Associate family Junior:	£23.00

- The SRCFC committee for 2012 is as follows.

Chairman	Phil Wilson
Vice Chairman	John Wright
Gen Secretary	Adrian Kidd
Treasurer	Peter Ross
Membership	Paul Bearman
Secretary	
Safety Officer	Paul Mancini
Communications	Jeff Cosford
Officer	

- 2012 Events

Airfield work party March 2012 .

Craftsman cup.

Fun Fly events.

Scale events

Jet meet, September 2012 same format as 2011.

Sedgemoor open event to be discussed by the 2012 committee.

- 'A' Certificates. These were presented to Peter Farley, Matt Bearman, Adam Pitman and Gary Grant.
- Most Improved Flyer: Matt Bearman

FOR SALE:



Pitts 12, forerunner of the Python, with radial engine. This is a Falcon Aviation 63" ARTF with recently serviced Moki 135, and 8 servos. Fly before you buy! £160. Contact jeff.cosford@tiscali.co.uk

FOR SALE

John Bransgrove has a couple of Laser 75s for sale. One has older ST type carb and the other the newer Irvine type carb. Both have the later single piece exhaust. They look to be in good nick. £65 each, call John at jbransgrove@virginmedia.com

FOR SALE:



Alan Brown fun fighter Mustang, this is the top spec racer with fibreglass fus and epoxy balsa skinned foam wing, built for the pylon racing class. It comes with OS 32, hardly flown, £95. Contact: Jeff.cosford@tiscali.co.uk.