

Newsletter 04-08-2016

Dear Members,

1. It has been some time since our last club newsletter was compiled, probably late March, due to the serious illness suffered by your usual scribe, Steve Warren, who is fighting lung cancer and therefore, unable to compile some events news for you. I am sure we all wish Steve well at this difficult time for him and his family.

2. Gordon Hamilton

WCA Member Gordon Hamilton has had a serious skull operation. He is a tough old chap, but at 87 this is quite serious. We wish him the speediest of recoveries.

3. Glider Comps

We have only held two glider competitions, so far this year, the first on 22nd May, with only two competitors and the second on 19th June, with four competitors. The 17th July event was cancelled due to too strong a wind and only two entrance. The next competition is on Sunday 21st August and it would be appreciated if we could have a reasonable turnout. Your chairman is in possession of all the stop watches and will oversee all future competitions.

4. Big Model and Vintage Day BBQ

Other events held this year were the "Big Model" day and the annual club barbecue and Vintage day. Both were on the slightly breezy side, but some models made it into the air. Safe to say, both events were enjoyed by members who attended and I was pleased with all the help given to set up the barbecue and run the event.



Flair tiger Moth, Built by Kevin Howard & Richard B Lumbers Skyward



Relived builders and pilot



The prototype Tiger Moth, based at Shoreham



Bill's RedBull Heli



Ian Mathew's Wots Wot



A Vintage Model (sorry don't know who or what)



Big (ish) models at TVF, including Ed's Lanc



Mike Luff's Super Cobra



Dave Reynold's Kawasaki Hein



Pete Stanton's plan built Sea Hornet

5. No Lone Flying!

Our landlord, Mark Gregory, has reported to me that we have had another solo flyer. I will not go on about this, apart from it is strictly against club rules and horribly dangerous. We will be attaching a notice to the gate and on site as a reminder. The committee will have no hesitation in withdrawing membership from any member who breaks this rule.

Mark also pointed out that there have been a couple of occasions when members have not acknowledged being given space to pass in Tangier Lane by farm residents, so please give a cheery wave, when you are waved to pass, we are guests after all.

6. Breakfast at TVF

The club committee are arranging a special breakfast event in honour of Steve Warren, which we hope to hold at Tangier View Farm, on 14th August from 10:00 am. If Steve is not well enough it will be postponed to 21st August. Bacon rolls, eggs etc., will be available free and we would love a good turnout for Steve, one of the founder members of our wonderful club, who has given sterling service for over forty years.

7. Other Up Coming Events

14th Power comp Sportsman and Masters (schedule to be published soon) 21st 100" glider comp 27th Multimotor comps 28th Warbird theme day

8. More Photo's From This Summer



Turbine powered Sea King at Helipad



Biplane at a summer sunset



Bell Griffin at Helipad

Kind regards, Peter Sanders - Chairman 04-08-2016