

**CRAWLEY AND DISTRICT
MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB**

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The end of Gary Oulds' Ashdown Forest outing as his A1 glider is damaged during recovery from the trees at the February meeting.

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Editorial.

The flying season has got underway for the hardy members of our Club. Free-flighters were out at Ashdown (not many of them from Crawley unfortunately) and reported fine weather. My Grattons correspondent reported that the ground had been very muddy and wet so flying had been restricted there. However, the demon flyers in Hazelwick have been hard at it with the RC models performing well. With the weather getting a bit warmer and dryer we should be having more outdoor flying.

Forthcoming events at Holy Trinity.

The **Wally Barnes** competition for static models takes place on 2nd April, at Holy Trinity. Get those models out of the loft and give the regulars a run for their money.

The usual **Bring and Buy Sale** will be the week after on 9th April, while you are in the loft looking for models, sort out some junk that might be of use to someone else and bring it along.

In May the **BMFA Dart** contest takes place. These simple rubber driven models are great fun.

June sees the interest change to chuck gliders, both **hand launch and catapult launch** (better for us old codgers).

Scale rubber driven models are the rule in July; a keenly fought contest takes place all the month.

The last of the free-light HT contests is the **precision contest for rubber driven models**, in August we count the turns and check the stopwatches!

The 60 inch Bungee Launched Glider competition runs from June 4th until 24th September. Here is a chance to show your skill at keeping an un-powered model up and landing it close to the target.

Over at the **Grattons** the Control Line members will be tuning up for the **Speed Competition**. The Classes are 1.5cc and 2.5cc. Date to be announced.

John Dart has asked for suggestions for any **RC competitions at Dovers Green**. Please contact him on 01293420830 with any ideas.

Mind the Lines!

Flying at the Grattons is getting under way; some new models have appeared during the winter.

Below are the repaired Fox21 powered Pacemaker of Dick Stepney and the Topsy Moth recently acquired by Dick James. Tony Setchel flew his combat model with a Forna diesel motor which peaked at 18,000+ revs in the air!



Free-Flight Matters.

1st Area free Flight Ashdown 8th Feb 2015. This report from John Oulds.

On Sunday we went to Ashdown, I think we got there a bit later than usual 9.45-ish. When we drove into Bushy Willows Car Park, north end of the Forest, East Grinstead had just about finished setting up for the day's flying so we hadn't missed much. It was pretty cold and windy in the first hour or so. Ken and Rob flew during a windy spell, Ken Flew his Lulu which i think ended up OK but well down the hill and Rob broke his Senator when it winged in on launch. Gary, flying glider, waited for a lull in the wind and got away OK, it looked a good flight at first anyway. Not long after that the conditions started improving as the day went on. It generally just got better and better, warm and bright with sunny but cloudy skies and much lighter winds. By late morning we had good to perfect flying conditions, wind direction NNE to NE and models landing generally safe mid forest..

East Grinstead certainly made the most of the good weather but Gary had bit of bad luck. He and dad John spent the rest of day searching for and recovering his F1A Glider which had ended its first flight hanging high up in a tree. Neil Allen and Rob Taylor made the fly-offs in the National contest in Mini Vintage Rubber, Rob was Flying a Large looking glider called an UPPAT and Neil his trusty Dynamite rubber powered model, Unfortunately neither found that much useful air at the fly-off, but did well and were best from our Area so well done to them. Ken Taylor Flew a Lulu glider early on and then switched to F1G coupe and together with Neil Allen later they helped secure a few extra points and East Grinstead a good start in this year's RAFA Club Championship after the 1st meeting.

RAFA results, East Grinstead 22 points, Crawley 1.

2nd Area free Flight Ashdown 1st March 2015

This time Ashdown had much better weather; in fact the National result sheet shows that the local lads had the best in the country. That meant that despite the terrain John Oulds lead the field in the National F1H contest!



In this same contest Gary Oulds came 3rd and Terry Knight 5th.

Mike Cook flew in the Hand Launched Glider competition coming 1st in the Area event and 5th in the National event.



Mike giving it a big heave at Ashdown.

These 4 flyers held off the opposition from East Grinstead to win the day at 16 points to 12, bringing the total so far to East Grinstead 34 and Crawley 17.

Dover's Green Flying.

Nothing to report.

Hazelwick.

Indoor flying continues to be popular, both RC and Free-flight. The 2D slot is particularly busy with a number of slow flying models in the circuit. Collisions are not common although I managed to prang Gary's 'Night Vapour' with my Tiger Moth 75 when only two of us were flying in the later session. The 'Tiggy' came off worst and will need some TLC to get it flying again.

The K2 SE area Indoor BMFA Meeting.

Most people who attended this premier event will say that I was very successful. When I arrived all the tables and chairs were arranged around the sports hall (15 badminton courts in size). The flying was well organized and the program well balanced with time to fly for the non-competitive flyers. The ceiling height is about 24 feet so hang ups in the plumbing and wires were common. I managed to achieve this distinction 3 times, but the blokes with the experience had the long poles and retrieval was possible except in one case when Daniel over

wound his model and it was returned next day by John Dart after the K2 staff had brought down the basket ball goal system from the ceiling.

The Crawley contingent did well with Terry Adams, Alex Cameron and John Oulds winning their respective events. Ken Taylor managed a couple of 2nd places and Daniel Senior won the Junior event. (Some confusion amongst the officials there!). I had to leave early but I understand that the RC flying was popular in the evening.



Daniel with his trophy and prize, his Mum won 2 raffle prizes, lucky lot!

Turbulator input.

If you have any pictures or articles, particularly RC that we could put in the Turbulator please send them to me in any mode, email, snail mail or back of an envelope, it would help to spread the word.