

CRAWLEY AND DISTRICT MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

TURBULATOR

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CADMAC was founded in 1960, and is affiliated to the British Model Flying Association, which is the governing body for all aspects of model flying in Great Britain. The Turbulator newsletter has been produced since 1965, relying on regular reports and contributions from Club members. The Club website is at www.cadmac.org.uk.



Not much of a picture, but what you cannot see is the other six flyers out of the picture!

On a calm Thursday evening in June, 14 members turned up with most flying something. The wind was so light that the freeflighters, flying in the Chuck Glider Contest, made their camp with the RC brigade in the middle of the field, very sociable. Helis and control line models were also being flown on their own part of the field. So if it not raining or blowing half a gale, come along and see how some of us enjoy our Club Nights.

Mind the Lines. From Tony Satchell.

Hi All, I couldn't resist this bit more of info as it takes me back 52 years! I got very interested in making my own fuel at a very early age 17. I purchased the Model Engine Encyclopedia written by Ron Moulton (think that was his name), sadly no longer with us. Anyway, all the info I needed was inside to make some fuel. So off I trotted all excited to the chemist shop in the high street in Crawley just cannot remember the name. I used to know but recently have forgotten. It is the shop that is now a sex shop up near the level crossing. I walked in not really sure of what to expect and was greeted by a gentleman in a white coat who asked how he could help? I asked for some ether and he asked why I wanted it? I said for making model engine fuel to which he replied how much do you want. I said a quart (2 pints in imperial measures). I had to sign for it and thought 'right now I just need some kerosene which I managed to get from the builders that we're building the factory where I worked as a design draftsman, for free. Castrol XL from Halfords as it was vegetable oil and I couldn't afford Castrol M. So just realised I needed some amyl nitrate. So back to the chemist and was asked why do you want that? I replied its dope for the fuel, an ignition enhancer. How much? OK sign here. I bought a few fluid ounces. So back to my lodgings and on Saturday evening started mixing it up and as I counted in the drops my heart suddenly started pounding away 10 to the dozen. I got concerned, opened up the window in my bedroom and stuck out my head and started frantically gulping in huge amounts of fresh air, phew! I thought 'I wonder what that was all about '? I didn't realise it was used if you had angina or problem heart functioning, it was taken in via a small glass phial and when broken you just sniffed it and it opened up your arteries and your heart was stimulated into a very quick rhythm. The reason a private individual cannot purchase ether any ware in Europe now is because to make cocaine you need ether! Saw a program on TV about it. Still we modelers can still purchase it via Model Techniques or Southern Model Craft. Happy flying.
(Reminds me of my young flying days, mixing my own fuel for my ED Bee. Ed.)

Free Flight.

No reports have been received about the regular Ashdown events due to the reporter, John Richardson being on holiday.

Holy Trinity.

The weather has been up and down this month, some days fine and others wet and windy. During the finer evenings the opportunity to fly the Chuck Glider contest was well use by about six members. Times in excess of 40 seconds being achieved by some of the experts!

Powered RC gliders were well to the fore with John and Graham leading the way. As the wind was absent one evening I took my 'Infant 60', a 21 inch span version of the KK 'Super 60' and weighing just 65 gms. I used a micro heli RX/Servo module, bought as a spare part for £8.75, post free and it ran on a 1S 250 Ma/h lipo. Being small I kept it close and it looked like a big model flying higher!

Excuses.

Turbulator is a bit thin this month (and late) due to a lack of input and a domestic problem at the editorial office, preventing me from getting out.

Forthcoming events.

RC Bungee Launched Glider

August to end of September

- Max wingspan 60 INCHES
- 2 channel RC
- Built-up balsa construction.
- Bungee supplied by CADMAC
- Max flying height 100 metres
- Scoring is flight time in seconds plus extra points for spot landing
- Best 5 scores to count

Free Flight Comps

Summer contests on Thursday Club nights for small free-flight models from 7pm to 9pm.

- July - Rubber Scale