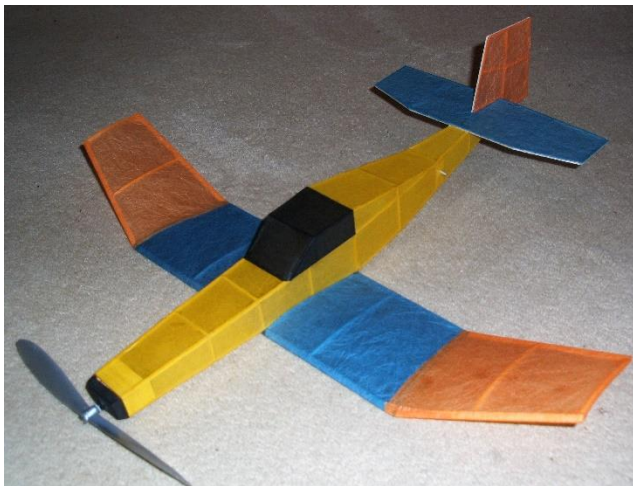


## Akro competition

This was held at the Saturday event in the big hall on 24<sup>th</sup> November and attracted a decent turnout of 8 competitors.



Chris Strachans winning Akro. 0.073 Rubber 1.4 times the length between hooks. 1500 turns increasing to 1650 as the motor ages. Flight times 76, 78 and 78 sec.



Bruce Lindsay's 2<sup>nd</sup> place model



David Leech's 4<sup>th</sup> placed Akro

The full results of the Akro competition were –

- 1<sup>st</sup> Chris Strachan
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bruce Lindsay
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Clive Anderson
- 4<sup>th</sup> David Leech
- 5<sup>th</sup> Phil Bailey
- 6<sup>th</sup> Hugh Stevenson
- 7<sup>th</sup> Phil Haines
- 8<sup>th</sup> Roger Rooke

There had been some quite serious (and in some cases secret) practicing going on over the preceding weeks, so it wasn't surprising that all the models flew very well.

## Christmas Party

This was held on 20<sup>th</sup> December and 50 people came along for a very enjoyable evening of festive fun!! The annual prizes were awarded (see photos and more details on last page).

**Malmstrom Bow Tie Trophy** for a Ray Malmstrom design – Chris Strachan

**Ren Cup** for P30 FF at Newmarket – Hugh Stevenson

**Cooke Cup** for overall outdoor FF – Chris Strachan

**Indoor Cup** for overall indoor FF – Bruce Lindsay

**Malmstrom Cup** for Control Line Aerobatics – Brian Turner



## RC Limbo Competition

This was held on 6<sup>th</sup> December and was a lot of fun. Despite the general ineptitude, one winner rose from the ashes of incompetence!

Luckily we set the rope reasonably high, so most pilots were able to get under it and once again it shows that it is worth trying to fly accurately as it improves our flying skills.

The results were –

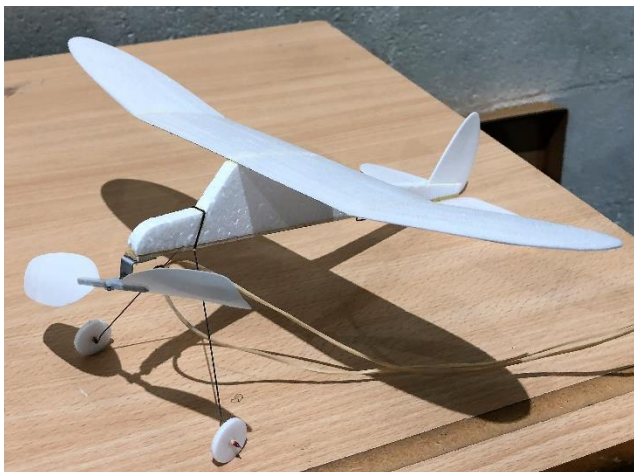
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mark Frogley	Vapor	17
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alan Paul	Spacewalker	16
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trevor Sexton	Inductrix FPV	15
4 <sup>th</sup> =	Tony Husbands	Vapor	7
4 <sup>th</sup> =	Mark Frogley	Eachine 101	7
6 <sup>th</sup>	John Clarke	Crack Laser	5
7 <sup>th</sup>	Mel Wing	Ember	4



Limbo winner Mark Frogley with his Vapor

A video of the hooliganism can be seen [here](#)

## Tradfly model kits



6 of these kits are on order at £8 each.....

Having been very impressed by Tony Harpers slow flying example last month, I have ordered 6 slightly larger 400mm span versions from Steve Midson at Mid Air Models so will have them available for club members to buy for £8 each – saving you the postage. We could have a mass fly off – last man down's a sissy!!

## Bruce's ultralight Cricket

I was intrigued to see Bruce's recreation of the Gyminnie Cricket with an ultra lightweight construction, cambered wing section and film covering. It weighed in at just over 3 grams and flew extremely well.

Funnily enough, having seen Bruce's effort, another one turned up at a Saturday event a few days later and they happily circled one another!



Bruce with his lightweight Gyminnie Cricket

A video of a test flight of over 2 minutes in the gym can be seen [here](#)

## What's this then?



Answer at the end of the newsletter.....



## Indoor flyers

A few models spotted at recent events



Clive with his Zero



Terry with his Dart



Chris with his Gyminnie Cricket



Hugh with his Avro Baby



Clives Draine Turbulent





Bruce with his Pennyplane

## Name that model?

In the last newsletter we reported on Richards rescue from a bonfire and asked if anyone could identify the aircraft.....



Martin Skinner from Peterborough MFC writes I think the aircraft "Almost From the Ashes" is a Morane Type L parasol. Semi Scale but looking good. I think David Boddington had one like this in the 1970s.

It was a plan by Mike Hollison in RC Modeller from ages ago when it was in Black and White. At 47" span with a 9" chord and Clark Y section it seems to fit the bill for the photo.

## Beancraft Banana!!



Alan Hunter with his very nice Bostonian Beechcraft Bonanza – the aptly named Beancraft Banana!! It flew nicely too.

## Dates for your Diary

**Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Dec** – FF and RC mixed session in the Sports Hall 2pm to 5pm

**Thur 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2019** – First Thursday evening session of the year

**Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Jan** – RC only session in the Sports Hall 2pm to 5pm

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Jan** – FF and RC mixed session in the Sports Hall 2pm to 5pm

**Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Jan** – FF and RC mixed session in the Sports Hall 2pm to 5pm

**Special note** – the mixed sessions in the Sports Hall are really for slow flying RC that can keep down one end and give way to FF models if they drift down to the RC end. The RC only sessions are "anything goes" and are more suitable for fast models etc!!



## Caption Competition



Continuing my series of dodgy model rescue techniques, Gordon shows how to do it, but can you come up with a suitable caption?

## Answer to What's this then?

It's an "Honest John" tactical nuclear missile spotted at IWM Duxford. This was used by the British and US armies in Germany between 1953 and 1974. It had a range of just over 20 miles, so it would have been a pretty desperate situation that required its use!!

## Raffle winner!!



Mark won a helicopter at the Christmas Party and we hope to see it flying in the New Year

## Annual Prizegiving

As reported earlier, the annual prizes were awarded at the Christmas party on 20<sup>th</sup> Dec. The winners were –

**Malmstrom Bow Tie Trophy** for a Ray Malmstrom design



Chris Strachan receives the Bow tie from Michael Marshall. The competition was flown during the annual summer "birthday bash" at Impington and was for any of Rays numerous designs.

**Ren Cup** for P30 FF at Newmarket



Hugh Stevenson receives the Ren Cup from Michael Marshall.

This was for the annual event on Newmarket Heath for P30 or under 25" rubber duration models.



**Cooke Cup** for overall outdoor FF



Chris Strachan receives the Cooke Cup from Michael Marshall.

This is awarded for the overall winner of all the outdoor FF competitions combined and is decided by some fiendish formula that Michael uses!! It gives more points for competitions where there are more entrants.

**Indoor Cup** for overall indoor FF



Bruce Lindsay receives a suspicious brown paper package from Michael as the winner of the combined indoor FF competitions. I must have missed taking a picture of the cup, but there definitely was one!

**Malmstrom Cup** for Control Line Aerobatics.

This was won by club member Brian Turner in open competition with flyers from all over the country at Girton in the summer. Brian was unable to be there on the night, but John Copsey collected the trophy for him.

**Spitfire Trophy** for the most improved CL aerobatic pilot



This was won by our own John Copsey. It's not a club trophy, but open to all competitors at CLAPA events. Well done John!!

**No whining.....**



Chris receives one of many bottles of wine



Garry Flack joins the celebrations