

Impington Village College Model Aeroplane Club

Based near Cambridge we fly Free Flight, Radio Control and Control Line aircraft



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Old Warden July event

Several members were at Old Warden for the fabulous Modelair events in July. If you haven't been, try it next year.



Paul Burling with his free flight Walrus. Powered by a small electric motor and using a timer he can get 20 or so flights of various durations from the on board LiPo battery. This model flew really well and drew approving comments from the appreciative crowd.



Gordon Hannah campaigned his Great Lakes biplane using a CO2 propulsion system. Again this was a great flyer and did well in the light winds and clear skies at Old Warden.

Gordon also won the Masefield trophy with his "Mr Smoothie" for the 3rd year in a row despite his wives appeal to give it to someone else!!



Habu or not Habu?

That was the question Norman Atkin must have been asking after letting an unnamed club member fly his Habu jet at Cottenham – no names no pack drill but the guilty party lives in the same village!!



The Habu looking a bit sorry for itself. Landing LOL. Needless to say it was soon repaired and back in the air the following day.



The repaired model ready for another flight.

Back in the Sports Hall

Well, the summer is flying by and our last Friday outdoor session will be on 6th September.

There is another Round the Pole session in the sports hall on Saturday 7th

Our first indoor session will be on Saturday 14th and this will be a mixed session with RC from 1 to 3pm and FF from 3 to 5pm. Check the website calendar!!

Chris Strachans models

Christine asked us to review the amazing collection of models that Chris has built over the years plus various kits. We offered them for sale to club members and raised over £700 for charity – mainly from his amazing scale FF models but with a contribution for a few of his RC models which he liked to fly on the field. The remaining models will be sold at the Buckminster auction in September and it's hoped that over £1,000 will be raised in total.



Gordon packed his car with Chris's FF models and kits for sale at the Birthday Bash.



Club members pick and choose from the vast selection.



A fine selection of Chris's skills as a modeller!! Name them..... We hope to see many of his models flying again at Impington.



A detailed inspection



A fantastic selection of unbuilt kits

Birthday Bash fly in

This was held in very nice weather on the 4th August and at one point I counted 30 cars on site – most parked on the field. Over the day over 40 people came along. Greg strapped a camera to his Fun cub – see the video [here](#)



Is it running a bit rich? No, that will lean off in the air!!



Just launch it – What could possibly go wrong?



Paul and Jon ready for a picnic.



If the devil cast his net now..... FF lives on at Impington



Clive with his half scale Wakefield KK Gipsy which is one of several he has scaled down. It flew beautifully of course.



Alan in the RC pits with a few of his models



We didn't know Andrew could bend that far as he fettles his model.



Nigel and Jon - far too much relaxation going on in the RC pits.

We were going to have an RC Limbo competition but everyone was far too chilled out so we just abandoned that idea!!



Senior club members relax in the sun – Bob and Tony enjoy a drink.



Jon and Jacob with their amazing 3D printed Cub. Jacob took it for a test flight and it seemed to fly reasonably well but was a bit twitchy. Made from lightweight PLA it took over 20 hours to print from a free set of files.

The jury is out on whether this is the future or not as 3D printed models do not relish anything other than a very smooth landing!!

RC Trainers



This is the latest RC trainer that we have tried out – it's the FMS Easy Trainer and can be bought as a Plug and Fly or as a RTF with a transmitter, battery and charger – everything you need to get started.

Others that members have tried and tested include the Easy Star from Multiplex (best but expensive) and the 1.2m span Aeroscout from Hobbyzone.

There is a full guide to the trainer options on the documents page of the website.

From the Archives..... The Ray Malmstrom guide to CL

Extracts from his book "The Eagle book of Model Aircraft" owned by Chris Hinson in July 1959

