



Manx Model Flyers

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Hi to all members,

A quick update on Saturday's scale comp/fun day:

What a great day it turned out to be! The weather couldn't have been better, except for being in summer! There was no wind whatsoever and gorgeous sunshine. The lack of wind resulted in several fast arrivals, as we have got used to the braking effect of the Jurby wind!

It was the best turnout of members and subsequently models for a couple of years, pity you couldn't make it Mike! We thought of you.

With the flight line well established by the time I got there, [I was looking out for ice and ducks], I quickly got flying with my glider on a trial run for the timed glide, while everybody else was fettling their IC/electric motors. Mike White was first on the official timed glide, followed by Kyril and myself. The results will be announced at the dinner. With everybody flying off-the-cuff it was decided to have the static scale comp during the dinner break at one o'clock. In the mean-time John Webb had an inadvertent go at the spot landing as a result of a dead-stick landing.

While sandwiches were being opened, the models were lined up on the runway ready for judging. All members present were given a slip of paper to complete their choice. The aircraft looked spectacular in the sunshine, and some great photos were taken. The traditional kit and scratch-built were combined, with 5 entries, also 5 in the ARTF and 2 in the classic. These results will also be announced at the dinner. The models did not have to fly although most did during the course of the afternoon. The Raven of Dave Harris was spectacular with full 'smoke-on' and completed 3 flights. Ivan's Spitfire was the second one to stand out, the only thing lacking was a real Merlin!

While fixed-wing flying was taking place on the runway—or over it, the helicopter boys were off to one side having their fun, while Tim Magee gave a full-on helicopter display on the main runway.

A great afternoon which appeared to be thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

A reminder that the Creg is closed on Wednesday for some work to be carried out, so we are meeting up there on Thursday this week.

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