



Manx Model Flyers

Flypaper – January 2017.

First of all, on behalf of the Chairman, A Happy New Year to everyone, and a good New Year's flying!

Last Saturday got off to a flying start—literally. There were over a dozen up flying on the Extension, one of the best Saturday turn-outs for a long time.

Although a bit damp with a low cloud base to start with, the weather slowly improved. Dave Harris had his turbo-prop model in the air as the cloud lifted while others also made the most of the conditions. Alan had some good flights with his large Breitling and with a bit of coaching from Dave Harris, his landings were perfect.

Kyril, had some glider practice with his Walrus before going up with his electric Apprentice on two occasions. Soon there were 4 or 5 in the air at one time, both John Martin and myself keeping our eyes closely on our identical aircraft, albeit slightly different in size. John Webb was flying his Barnstormer when unfortunately, his silencer blew virtually off and will have to have some plastic welding as a short term measure.

Poor Jeremy Killey, he came all the way from Port St Mary with his new Meridian to find he had left the wing joiner behind! We have all done the same at some time. However, all was not lost as Marty lent him a wing joiner when he had finished flying but then he had radio issues with new set-up. Again not all was lost as Miles, who was wandering around socialising as usual [although he did have one flight!] spent some considerable time helping Jeremy with the intricacies of the TX. That's what being a club member means.

The only crash of the day [by lunchtime!] was Nigel's electric which went into the runway in a spectacular way in the course of doing some aerobatics. Alan kindly offered a bin liner but the bits could have gone in a small plastic bag.

During the course of conversation, mention was made of a previous session just before Xmas which saw apparently 10 crashes! Certainly, five had occurred before lunch but it continued! It may be time to keep a log of 'kills'. Anyway, Nigel is the only serious contender so far for the crash award this year although there is a long way to go!

As Treasurer, can I remind members to pay their subs before the end of January as there is a £10 default payment for membership under club rules. Remember you cannot fly on Jurby from the 1st of Jan past unless you are paid up. At present we have 33 paid up, including 4 new members.

The situation regarding getting back on to Jurby main field has not been clarified as the film people are still tidying up. As soon as we are given the all-clear you will be notified.

There is a Committee meeting scheduled for this Wednesday evening so if you have anything you want bringing up then contact any of the Committee.

Indoor flying was well supported at Peel last night, and will be on again in a fortnight's time.

On Wednesday the 18th we have one of our old favourites, the Swap Meet and coffee at the Creg. Dig out your old bits, rubbish always sells well at the right price!

No doubt there will be some new dates and info after the Committee meeting, in the meantime—keep flying!

Brian King