



Manx Model Flyers

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Hi All,

Well we have had a sudden rush of flying of late due to a change for the better in the weather, although as I write the forecast is for a change for the worse next week. However, we have had enough flying to keep us going over the next few days.

Most of the regular flyers have dusted off their 'club' models and there has been nothing exotic in the skies. Having said that, Dave Harris had his turbo prop in action in glorious sunshine and nearly became disorientated as a result. It could have been a disaster but a rapid recovery saved it! I seem determined to hold onto the 'crash' trophy having written off the homemade 'ugly-stik while trying aerobatics too close to the ground! This was followed by the 'old' Spacewalker two weeks later due to radio failure—by that I mean I did not do a range check before flying—with disastrous results—the engine did survive however!

Chris Smart was up flying his Acro-Wot XL complete with petrol -engined four-stroke, a new development. After some more running -in , he took to the air for some 'experimental' flying which went well until landing in the cross wind. However, the only damage was to the prop and Alan had a spare and Chris was soon back in the air.

Kyrill had been to Germany and back and collected a 'buy' from E-Bay which he test flew last Saturday. As an electric Junior 60 it is a great next step for his flying and so it proved. He went on to his Walrus immediately afterwards with confidence. Ivan, Alan and Marty got some flying in with their 'regulars'. I did see Miles on the field but I don't recall seeing him flying! Kenny was up with his electric turbo-fanned Habu and after some taxiing trials it was take-off time. Unfortunately it just did not lift off despite some long runs at speed which eventually resulted in damage curtailing further attempts.

Now to club happenings for the next few weeks.

The indoor flying is being very well supported, and with two more sessions to go on the Sundays 4th and 18th March at Peel. Nigel has just purchased an indoor model complete with TX for £30 which he flew up at Jurby last weekend. Although a little fast it should be good in a dog-fight!

Ivan has been busy resurrecting some old club film, taken in the days of Super 8 cine which he making into a club DVD to show one Wednesday in the immediate future—so stand-by! You will be notified by e-mail.

The clock goes forward on the 24th March so Wednesday evening the 28th could see us up on the slopes before meeting in the Creg. Buurr! Who's going to be the brave one?

A club committee meeting was held last week and apart from the aforementioned events, other business was and update on club membership, now being 49 paid up. Further attempts are being made to get our club Chief Examiner to meet up with two nominated 'would-be' Examiners ready for the new 'season'. Easter weekend has been suggested but has yet to be confirmed, A club 'fun comp' is to be held over the Easter weekend-weather permitting! Further details later. Much time was spent discussing the transfer of club signatories for the club accounts. The paperwork to be signed is unbelievable to prevent money-laundering!

So that's all for now folks, keep flying.

Happy and safe flying!

Brian
