



Affiliated to the British Model Flying Association Club No. 561

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2014

CHANGE OF DATE - NEXT CLUB MEETING THURSDAY 6th MARCH 2014 AT 8PM Venue: BACA (Old Falmer School Campus) INDOOR FLYING SESSION

Website: www.brightonradioflyingclub.co.uk

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BRFC Committee Members for 2014 are:

Nick West	Chairman
Andy Murdoch	Vice-Chairman
Ian Smith	Honorary Treasurer
Gitta Horan	Honorary Secretary
David Rayner	Committee Member
Ken Norman	Committee Member
Marcus Smith	Committee Member

Contact details are on the Website

COMMITTEE NEWS

Events Calendar for 2014 – Key dates:

Saturday 12th April - Indoor Flying at BACA
Sunday 13th April – Glider Competition and Mass Launch
Sunday 11th May - Fun Fly Competition
Sunday 8th June - BMFA Tests
Sunday 6th July - Family Day

For other planned events, please check the Website.

Club Memorabilia

Baseball caps and Beanie hats are on sale now! We have a limited number available, so don't miss out. Only £10 each, embroidered with new club logo. These are available from the Secretary or at all Club meetings.

FROM THE COMMITTEE:

This is your Club! – If there is anything you would like the Committee to organise then please let us know. All ideas/suggestions will be considered. We hope that you will enjoy the events we have organised for 2014 and will take part in whatever way you can.

The Club is there for you, so make the most of your membership this year.

Club Nights

Support your Club – Why not come along to our next meeting?

The Committee have organised some interesting talks for Club meetings in 2014. We can guarantee you will not be disappointed! Come along and see for yourself.

We are sure everyone who attended the February meeting enjoyed the presentation by Rod Dean on his 39 year involvement with the Hawker Hunter. He will be returning later in the year to talk on another topic.

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members who have recently joined:

Alan Doddington
Steven Chamberlain
Jaime Brazier
Grahame Pearson
Mike Davies

This brings our membership numbers to 67. If you see any of our new members at the field, please make them welcome.

<p>Fuel Order 2014 Fuel prices remain the same as last year. All orders should be placed with the Chairman by the May Club meeting. Delivery in June. Order forms will be e-mailed to all members or can be download from the website.</p>	<p>Let's Take Flight We hope that the weather continues to improve over the coming weeks so that more of us can enjoy spending time at the field.</p> <p>So dust off those models that have been tucked away over the winter months and take them to the skies. We are lucky to have such a great facility, so we need to be using it when we can!</p>
<p>Indoor Flying</p> <p>ALL MEMBERS WELCOME</p> <p>DATE: Saturday 15th March 2014 TIME: 4.00pm – 5.30pm VENUE: Brighton Aldridge Community Academy (BACA), Old Falmer School Campus, Lewes Road, Brighton BN1 9PW COST: Flyers - £6 per session Spectators - Free.</p> <p>Future Dates for your diary: 12th April 2014</p> <p>Great for Night Vapours, indoor light aircraft, helicopters and quadcopters. It's a fun way to spend an afternoon, especially while the weather is so bad. Come along and see for yourself?</p>	<p>AT THE FIELD . . .</p> <p>Safety A supply of Incident Report Forms are located in the spares box in the field shelter for all members if needed. Any accidents or incidents should be recorded and passed to a Committee member.</p> <p>Sound Testing The Chairman will be carrying out sound testing of models at the field. Maximum noise level for all aircraft is 82db.</p> <p>New Signs These are now in place at the flying site. The map grid reference for the site is now included on the main gate sign. Thank you again to Ken Norman for arranging this.</p>
<p>Flying Site Lease Negotiations – Good News! The Council have agreed to renew the Flying Site lease for a further 15 year period from September 2014.</p> <p>The Committee are sure you will all agree that we are very fortunate to be able to secure the site, so that we can continue to enjoy our hobby for many years to come.</p>	<p>Gate Post Padlock The gatepost padlock has now been replaced. All the existing keys have previously been tested but if you experience any problems, please tell a committee member.</p> <p>Improvements to Field Entrance We are looking for volunteers to help with the concreting of the entrance to the car park. Dates and details to be confirmed. The field will be out of bounds for a number of days while this work takes place. We will notify all members nearer the time. Please let the Committee know if you can help.</p>
<p>BMFA 'A' Tests – Sunday 8th June Please contact the Committee if you are interested in taking your Fixed Wing or Helicopter 'A' Certificate in 2014. This year, there will also be the opportunity to take your Electric Glider Certificate.</p>	
<p>Helicopter Pilots - Update The Club is unable to provide instruction for new helicopter pilots, however, learners must be accompanied by a Club Instructor during practise, to ensure all safety rules are adhered to. Helicopter pilots are required to pass the BMFA 'A' test before flying solo, when they will be issued with a Helicopter Permit to Fly card.</p>	<p>Working Party – date soon to be confirmed. We need your help. Come for an hour or longer if you can spare the time. We need to maintain the flying site so that we can all continue to enjoy using it over the coming months. We need to fill rabbit holes, control the nettles on the plantation area, check the rabbit proof fencing and repair any holes. Put the date in your diary. The more members who come the quicker and easier it will be.</p>

The Committee look forward to seeing you at the next Club Meeting on

Thursday 6th March 2014

8.00pm at BACA for a session of Indoor Flying