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Journal of Felbridge Flyers Radio Model Flying Club

NOTICE BOARD
**NO MORE FLYING AT NEW-
 CHAPEL FIELD**



Chairman's chatter - and miscellaneous ramblings ?

We held our final AGM, via Zoom, on 5th May, it is impersonal but we had little choice. Surprisingly good turn out with 14 members present.

The motion put forward was discussed and a vote taken, it was unanimously in favour of accepting the motion. There were no nominations for any of the Committee posts so it is almost inevitable that the Club will be disbanded on 31st August. In the unlikely event of a suitable field becoming available between now and then, Felbridge Flyers Radio Model Flying Club will cease to exist. The refund of cash assets will be made to those who were fully paid up members for the 2020/21 Club year, it will be paid at the beginning of September.

We will maintain a cut down website for perhaps the next 12 - 18 months and maintain our forum, with suitably reduced headings so

we can all remain in electronic contact.

Hopefully most members will have been accommodated around the local Clubs where I am sure you will be welcomed. These include: Surrey R C Club, Mid Sussex Flyers, Riddlesdown Model Flying Club, Crawley and District Model Aircraft Club, Epsom Radio Flying Club and Horsham and District R C Club. The Caterham Club had no vacancies but have offered guest flying. Well done to all of these Club Committees, thank you.

We will be offering our unsold assets to these Clubs where they will find useful homes, they include: Assembly tables, I/C starting table, collapsible model starting stand, lawn tractors, sound meter, a number of picnic chairs, small bench seat, extendable model recovery pole, giant wind sock, 3 section ladder, etc. We will be gifting these on the basis of any demand from the Clubs.

If the trainees I have been teaching could please get in touch so we can find a way for your learning to continue.

If anyone is still without a Club to fly with please also get in touch so we can help with finding you a place somewhere.

If you have any Club trophy do please return it, other Clubs may wish to use it in any competitions they may hold.

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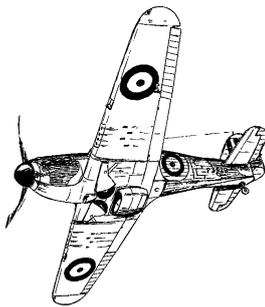
I have to say that this sad situation has hit me harder than I thought it would, I have been involved with Felbridge Flyers for more than half



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of my life and I have to say that my enthusiasm for model flying has taken a bit of a dip, I need a good slope soaring session on a gin clear day with strong lift to put me right. (note to slope soaring group - I will e-mail when organising a trip)

The Club had a tremendous welcoming atmosphere and the members have put in so much effort over the years. We only had to hint at something and in no time it was just done. So thank you, all of you.

Our field, although surrounded by trees, was a magnificent place to fly. The pit area was sheltered and we had good parking close by, the entry and exit onto the A22 was tricky but very few incidents occurred, I can only recall one. Everyone would help if an aircraft needed to be recovered and much tree climbing was undertaken over the years. Most members at one time or another had encountered a tree in their flight path which just jumped out in front of them....

We flew with buzzards and kestrels and shared our field with deer, rabbits, adders, amphibians and the occasional mole. The drains, initially dug by hand, were augmented over the years and made the field useable for the whole year.

You see in all the Club write ups in BMFA news and elsewhere that ".....xyz Club is a very friendly Club", well FFRMFC truly was, everyone talked with each other and there were no cliques.

I may distribute a letter of news on occasions to keep us together and share news so feel free to send me snippets of what is going on. "IS IT ME....." will occasionally surface!

I will be pulling together a Club history from items contributed by members over the years.

We used to invite MSF members to our winter indoor flying sessions. They will look toward organising similar events in East Grinstead and invite us "Old Felbridgers".

So, farewell Felbridge Flyers and remember the good times. I will remember a perfect approach from the north with my Auster, it settled onto finals and came in with no input from me, Laser on slow idle, save a flare, a moment to savour.

Norman