

DMFC September 2016 News Letter

Since the clubs webmasters team incorporated a Forum for club members to post comments and anyone with internet access can read the content the club secretary is a bit short on material for the customary 3 to 4 newsletters per year.

The dear summer weather has not been conducive to more than a couple of flying days in a row, but those days have been worth the effort with the site being used over the 7 days of the week.

The club examiners have been busy conducting tests for fixed wing and helicopter, thanks must go to them for not only the time for the test but the advice / tuition leading up to the examination day. The club is trying to arrange a Helicopter test for the clubs main examiner to enable the helicopter B test to be taken, he has held his B test status for the required time, hopefully all will be completed before the end of the summer Owen Cockcrane passed his "A" Heli Certificate and a few days later in July he competed in the "Air Heli Competition", he placed 2nd in his category, well done Owen. (Owen is a junior member)

For those who use the site weekends the club has purchased two banners with the input of the safety officer, they highlight the runway use, the clubs name and the limit to public access. The first time they were put to use at least one motor car and a motor cycle parked before going past the banner onto the flying area.

The club secretary managed to attend the Weston Park Model Show earlier this year, having never attended a large main event he was surprised at the numbers attending. Arriving on the Friday at midday he had camping pass number 483 and guessed by the time the end of Friday another 80 plus units arrived. Anyone going should make sure they take water, the taps provided always had a que unlike the onsite Loo, s. Flying areas were well spaced and all was quite from 11-00pm each night after the night time flying display's on Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Three other St.Pirans flags were seen and spoken to and to the secretaries surprise a tap on the shoulder from Mike Davey, Pete Stoddern and Paul Jones.

Will he go next year, yes, even when he left the water was up half the tyre wall.

As we are now in the kids holidays with glorious flying weather its seems strange that in 4 months the club will be holding its AGM, the hall at Tremail Chapel has been booked for Saturday the 10th December with the start time of 2-00pm . The format will be the same as previous years with hot drinks , sandwiches and mince pies after the meeting end and since the 2015 AGM bring and get rid of auction appeared to be enjoyed by those who stayed on it will held again for 2016.

The secretary will post to all members in mid November the agenda for the meeting together with the 2015 AGM minutes and 2016 membership renewal form.

The club Web site and forum are, as we all know, run and maintained by Darren and John and are tagged to their business, the club pays a nominal fee to cover domain hosting cost. This arrangement will end at the end of 2016 but Darren and John are willing to carry on with the club web site and forum but the cost will increase to cover domain and web site hosting cost. The cost would probably equate to £3-00 per member, more details at the AGM.

It is probable that full membership places will become vacant for the 2017 year and provisional members are aware that under the club constitution provisional membership is not guaranteed for the following year. The committee assesses provisional for full membership initially based on the number of times they attend the site and now is a timely reminder that not all provisional members are advising the Safety Officer when he is not on site but they are.