

NIMSA NEWS

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Well the flying season has been and gone, the competitions won and lost and winter is upon us. This year has seen a good mix of exciting competitions and relaxed Wednesday evening flying while slope events see only sport flying.

The most significant change has been the swing away from pure gliders on Wednesday evenings toward electric models, both soarers and parkflyers, with the ranks of parkflyers at times outnumbering the soarers. However you look at it, a lot of good flying took place.

Competition Reports

I am indebted to Bill and Mike for the following reports and results.

Slope Event 3rd March.

The weather forecast for this was not promising and this may have contributed to the poor turnout. On the day, only 5 fliers turned up Bill, Paul Freeman, Tommy, Stevie and Adam. Wind was Northerly, 10 - 12 mph and we started with a little fun flying to get over the winter rustiness. We then decided to run the timed flight event. 3, 5, 7 minute flights, no stopwatch allowed 3, 7 & 9 loops per flight and a spot landing bonus. Paul flew first, as he had to leave to get to work. The weather was deteriorating rapidly with snow showers blowing through on a regular basis. Once Paul had finished his flights he left for work. Adam tried next, but the damp seemed to have got in to his receiver and he was unable to fly. Bill was next and a crash on launch caused a servo to re-centre which couldn't be corrected on the hill. Tommy managed 2 of his 3 flights before the weather finally called a halt to proceedings. As a result of the poor turnout and bad weather this competition is null and void

Slope Event 18th March .

A much better turnout, nine NIMSA members and four others. The weather was also much better, bitterly cold but dry. The wind was ENE blowing between 5-12 mph straight on to the slope. Jimmy had arrived first at about 11.30 , closely followed by Bill, Adam & Stevie. Jimmy was flying his flair fledgling 100" R/E/S model, Stevie had an Eppi-Soar from Phoenix Model Products which flew well until a collision with a rock on landing wiped out the tail! Adam & Bill were both flying Zagi's which went well even when the wind dropped. Bill also tried an old model called "Jack in a Box". Unfortunately on launch this refused to turn left and crashed. Like a phoenix it will rise from the ashes, but the phoenix probably flies better! Tommy flew his Banshee which occasionally struggled in the lighter conditions, but went well when the wind blew. Frank arrived late on and had a few good flights with his Rico-She before the cold got the better

of him. Loudon Blair, David Orr and his son arrived with some very nice kit. Dave had a Grace which flew very well. His son was flying an Ion hotliner which was capable of some very impressive high speed passes, whistling as it went by. An excellent days flying despite the biting temperatures.

Thermal Event, 23rd April, 100S Cup

Excellent conditions, sunny with a light variable wind. There was a good turn out of nine fliers, with one flyer travelling from Coleraine. Four rounds were flown with a discard. Congratulations go to Tommy Magee for winning the first thermal event of the year.

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Total	Place
T. MAGEE	1000	1000	1000	975	3000	1
P. FREEMAN	423	929	997	1000	2926	2
S. PHENIX	978	819	569	788	2585	3
A. GILLILAND	403	983	661	652	2296	4
A. WALLACE	498	714	994	441	2206	5
R. JENNINGS	849	353	422	875	2146	6
J. TAYLOR	484	808	358	516	1808	7
M. LEONARD	345	305	516	352	1213	8
B. SCOTT	543	161	180	169	892	9

Thermal Event, 30th April, Open and Electric

The weather was good, slight overcast with wind fickle and varying from NW to S The electric competition flown first. Sam damaged his model in the first round, breaking the firewall free from the fuselage and had to sit out the rest of the competition. Results as follows:

Electric Results

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Total	Place
A. Gilliland	770.28	617.7	686.55	324.52	149.31	2548.36	5
S. Phenix	817.32					817.32	6
T. Magee	834.96	817.85	831.45	868.64	640.71	4093.61	2
J. Taylor	658.56	839.55	579.6	771.04	890.19	3738.94	3
P. Freeman	893.76	952.65	972.9	800.32	937.44	4557.07	1
R. McIvor	535.08	883.05	765.9	666.12	531.09	3381.24	4

Congratulations to Paul Freeman for winning the first electric of the year.

Thermal Results

Three rounds of 6 minutes were flown with no discard.

	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Total	Place
A. Gilliland	381	997	1000	2378	6
S. Phenix	584	930	997	2511	3
T. Magee	1000	1000	997	2997	1
J. Taylor	529	980	997	2506	4
P. Freeman	944	1000	997	2941	2
R. McIvor	1000	494	994	2488	5
B. Scott	242	494	-	736	7

Tommy takes the second thermal event of the year.

Open Championship 25th June

The mid-week wind speed forecast was for a fifteen miles per hour northerly but fortunately on the day it was ten to twelve miles per hour. The northerly direction was across the field and gave a limited line length but the direction remained reasonably consistent. The day was fine and sunny.

Mike, Sam, Andrew Wallace, Raymond Jennings, Jimmy, Paul f, Tommy and Bob competed. Bill was unable to fly but did a great job running the competition.

Two winch lines were set out across the field. The contest was a six minute max with one penalty point per second over. Due to a fairly strong wind a landing spot was utilised, anywhere in the field would do. We flew four rounds with one discard. Lift was elusive and only a few six minute flights were achieved. As regards spectacle, Sam had an interesting dice with the trees while in round three Mike folded his models wings at the top of the line – with regard to the new winch he’s a slow learner, even if it is a quick way to clear the roof space!

We enjoyed our barbeque at the end of round one. Sincere thanks are due to Anne and Tommy Magee, Anne Taylor and Sylvia Leonard for their contribution. During the day we wee visited by Ronnie, Frank, Stevie, George and Colin Graham: it was good to see them.

Competition results are given below. Congratulations to Sam on an afternoon of excellent flying.

	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Total	Place
J. Taylor	704	345	748	389	1841	7
T. Magee	679	757	797	608	2233	4
B. McIvor	506	497	865	714	2085	5
S. Phenix	757	732	1000	1000	2757	1
R. Jennings	1000	734	658	997	2731	2
A. Wallace	561	460	883	542	1986	6
M. Leonard	226	424	-	-	650	8
P. Freeman	682	1000	868	389	2550	3

Aircraft Flown

Mike.....Clean Machine

Raymond.....Algebra 100

Sam.....Multiphase

Jimmy.....Aquila Grande

Andrew.....Fantasia/Eliminator

Bob.....Eliminator 100

Tommy.....Eliminator 134

Paul F.....Mystery Ship



Thermal Event, 23rd July, Open and Electric

Only electric was flown as the models higher wing loading made them better suited to the turbulent, windy conditions.

	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Total	Place
J Taylor	923.16	761.25	838.35	854	659.61	4036.97	1
S Phenix	441	778.65	972.9	824.72	856.17	3873.44	2
R Armstrong	799.68	922.2	948.75	656.36	502.74	3829.7	3
R Jennings	676.2	761.25	752.1	783.24	689.85	3662.64	4
P Freeman	511.56	769.95	872.85	819.94	292.95	3267.25	5
P Taylor	699.72	678.6	0	839.36	687.96	2905.64	6
M Leonard	717.36	717.75	652.05	424.56	179.55	2691.27	7
R McIvor	676.2	778.65	-	-	-	1454.85	8

Thermal Event, 6th August Open and Electric

Again only the electric competition was flown due to wind and rain.

	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Total	Place
P Freeman	853	761	938	949	968	4469	1
R. Armstrong	694	961	914	922	973	4464	2
S. Phenix	829	827	890	998	888	4432	3

T. Magee	711	770	883	834	854	4052	4
J. Taylor	588	757	949	856	713	3863	5
R. McIvor	700	596	831	637	501	3265	6
M. Leonard	612	579	524	298	166	2179	7

Thermal Event, 17th Sept, Open and Electric

Paul F's score in Round 3 show just how well you can score with the model in a vertical dive off the top of the launch.

	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place
T. Magee	1000	1000	590	784	2784	1
J. Taylor	408	766	1000	1000	2766	2
A. Wallace	511	575	367	687	1773	3
M. Leonard	458	454	712	394	1624	4
P. Freeman	850	601	29	0	1480	5

Thermal Event, 1st Oct, Open and Electric

The weather didn't look promising, but several fliers turned out anyway.

Electric Results

	Rd1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Total	Place
T. Magee	893.76	774.3	779.7	880.84	935.55	4264.15	1
P. Freeman	952.56	778.65	828	936.96	652.05	4148.22	2
A. Wallace	699.72	630.75	693.45	854	844.83	3722.75	3
S. Phenix	670.32	748.2	869.4	851.56	481.95	3621.43	4
M. Leonard	640.92	561.15	386.4	695.4	561.33	2845.2	5

Thermal Open Results

Pilot	Rd1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Total	Position
Jimmy	1000	933	1000	2933	1
Andrew	1000	966.6	455	2421	2
Tommy	619.4	1000	625	2244	3
Sam	469.4	944.4	733	2146	4
Mike	411.1	469	555	1435	5
Bill	13.8	0	0	0	6

Thermal Event, 16th Oct, Open and Electric

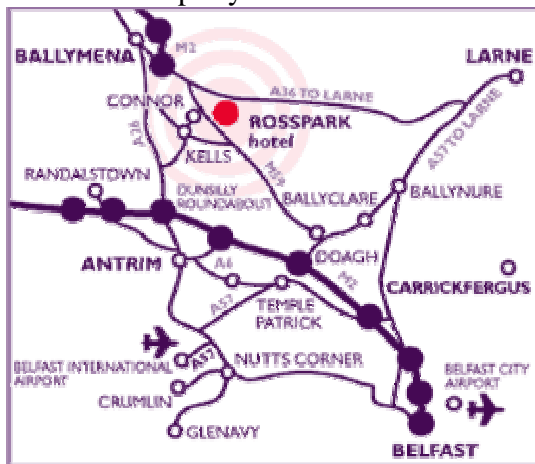
As it was a windy day so no thermal or electric flown. A few of us headed to the slope for an hour or so of gentle slope flying. The wind was straight in at 20mph and producing good lift though it was bitterly cold and most of us were dressed for flat field, so only a few flights were made.

Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. will be held at 8 pm on Monday 4th December in the Ballyearl Leisure and Golf Centre, 585 Doagh Road, Newtownabbey. Nominations for the committee may be sent to the secretary at 24 Adlon Gardens, Lisburn BT28 2EQ at any time up to the AGM. A nomination must be signed by a proposer and seconder and must contain the consent of the nominee. Nominations may be made at the AGM itself. All officer posts are provisionally covered but further proposals are welcome. Any motions for discussion should be sent to the secretary on or before November 30th for inclusion in the agenda. Tea and biscuits will be provided.

Christmas Dinner

This has been arranged to take place in a private room at the Rosspark Hotel Kells on Saturday December 9th, 7.30pm for 8.00pm. Please contact Tommy Magee on 93342247 asap if you wish to attend.



Christmas Dinner Menu

Served Monday to Saturday 7.00pm to 9.15pm

Starters

(V) Rosspark Garden Vegetable Broth

(V) Fan of Honeydew Melon, Winter Berries, refreshing Lemon Sorbet

Tempura of Chicken, Spaghetti of Vegetables with Hot & Sour Sauce

Salad of Smoked Duck, Crisp Leaves, Redcurrant & Honey Dressing

Risotto of Prawn and Spring Onion and Parmesan

Main Course

Pan-fried Sirloin, cooked to your liking, with Brandy and Peppercorn Sauce

Roast Turkey and Ham with Chipolatas and Roast Gravy

Rack of Lamb, Red Onion Mash, Garlic and Rosemary Jus

Baked Monkfish wrapped in Bacon with Tomato Salsa

Seared Salmon with Roasted Peppers and Basil Oil

Pan-fried Chicken stuffed with Smoked Cheddar, Creamy Mushroom Sauce

(V) Penne Pasta with Broccoli and Sun-dried Tomato

All main courses are served with Seasonal Vegetables & Potatoes

Sweets

Steamed Plum Pudding with Brandy Sauce

Banana Crème Brulée with Rossini Biscuit

Belgian Waffles with Butterscotch Ice Cream

Sticky Toffee Pudding with Vanilla Ice Cream

Individual Lemon Meringue with Crème Chantilly

Strawberry Cheesecake with Raspberry and Mint Coulis

Tea or Coffee & Chocolates

(V) *Suitable for Vegetarians*

£23.95 per person

Or

Starter, Main Course & Tea or Coffee £ ?