

# **BMFA Free Flight Tech Committee News. Issue 102**

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The FFTC met at BMFA Office Leicester on the 29 January 2020.

## **2020 CONTEST CALENDAR**

**BMFA FREE FLIGHT AND SPACE CALENDAR 2020 Publication V3.0**

**Please note that Space events appear on this calendar as they are the responsibility of the FFTC. They are not part of the Overall British Free Flight Championship**

**Please also note that ONLY Team Selection events are subject to postponement due to unsuitable weather**

**Changes to version (V2.0 ) shown in RED**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>COMPETITION &amp; VENUE</b>	<b>CLASSES/TROPHIES</b>  (N.B. <u>Non</u> British FF Championship events are shown in <b><i>Bold Italic</i></b> )	<b>PROVISIONAL CONTACT</b>
28 Feb/2 March	2020 F1E Team Selection Trials.  Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E Slope Soaring	Contact:  Ian Kaynes  01252 512538.  kaynes@btinternet.com
1 March	1st Area – Spring opener. Area Venues.	CG, CR, CP, CE (Plugge), F1J (Plugge), P30 (Plugge), HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
11/17 March	2020 F1E Team Selection Trials. (Reserve dates – only used if necessary)  Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E Slope Soaring	Contact:  Ian Kaynes,  01252 512538  kaynes@btinternet.com

15 March	2nd Area – Gamage Day. Area Venues.	CR (Gamage), F1A (SMAE), F1C (Halfax, Plugge), E36 (Plugge), Vin Glider (Plugge), P30, Tailless HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
29 March	3rd Area – Team Power Day. Area Venues.	CG, CP Team (Keil, Plugge), CE, F1B (Gutridge), F1Q (Plugge), Vin Rubber/Power (Plugge), Mini Vintage (Plugge), HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
10 April (Good Friday)	Northern Gala. Venue: Barkston Heath.	C/G (CMA), C/R (Caton), C/P (Hamley); [Club Champs] ,C/E, F1H, SLOP (Falcons), MiniVintage, P30, HLG/CLG.	Contact: Colin Foster 01904 798253 katecol@mypostoffice.co.uk
19 April	1st F1E Meeting. Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
25/26 April	London Gala. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	25th: C/G, C/R, C/P, C/E, P30, CO2. 26th: F1H, F1G, F1J, BMFA1/2A, Mini Vintage, E30, HLG/CLG.	Contact: TBC
25/26 April	London Gala. Space FAI Practice Days. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<b>S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.</b>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook : 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com

9/10 May	Team Selection. Venue: Barkston Heath.	<b>F1A, F1B, F1C.</b> N.B Pre-entry only prior to 19th April.	Contact: Phil Ball  07470 177947  e-mail: phil.ball@ntlworld.com
17 May	2nd F1E (Team Selection)  Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes  01252 512538.  kaynes@btinternet.com
23/24/25 May	National Championships. Venue:  Barkston Heath.	23rd: C/G (Thurston), C/R (Model Aircraft), C/P (Shelley), C/E, Tailless (Lady Shelley), Women's CG/CR/CP (SAA), Junior CG/CR/CP (Frog Junior), CLG, E30.  24th: F1A (Ronytube), F1B (Fred Boxall), F1C (Eddie Cosh), F1QUK(Astral), Vintage R/P (Jubilee), SLOP (Peter Harris), HLG (Nats), P30, Novice Glider & Rubber (J) (junior kit glider & junior kit rubber), Bowden.  25th: F1H (BA), F1G (308), F1J(Quickstart), BMFA1/2A(Hales), Mini Vintage (Weston), CO2 (Sparklets), E36, Vintage Glider, Classic R/P, Classic Glider. Plus Junior and overall category championships.  <b>SAM 35 to run non championship events</b>	Contact: Mike Woodhouse,  01603 457754,  e-mail: michaelwoodhouse1942@gmail.com            <b>Contact for SAM Events</b>  <b>John Ashmole</b>  <b>01406 370188</b>  <b>Email:</b>  <b>johnashmole@yahoo.co.uk</b>

23/25 Mays	Space Nationals Venue: Barkston Heath  <b>1st Team Selection</b>	S1, S2/P, S3, S4, S5, S6, S8E/P, S9	Contact: Trevor Seabrook :  07899 030875,  e-mail:  contacttreorseabrook@gmail.com
7June	3rd F1E (Team Selection).  Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring). SMC Trophy.	Contact:  Ian Kaynes  01252 512538.  kaynes@btinternet.com
28 June	4th Area. Summer Mini Day.  Area Venues.	F1H (Plugge), F1G (Plugge), BMFA 1/2 A Power (Plugge), E.30 (Plugge), E36, C/G, C/R, C/P, HLG/CLG.	Contact:  Area Comp Secs.
5 July	4th F1E (Team Selection).  Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact:  Ian Kaynes  01252 512538.  kaynes@btinternet.com
11/12 July	Team Selection (Reserve). Venue: Barkston Heath.	<b>F1A, F1B, F1C.</b> N.B Pre-entry only, for Team Selection prior to 19 <sup>th</sup> April.	Contact:  Phil Ball  07470 177947  e-mail:  phil.ball@ntlworld.com
19 July	5th Area. KMAA Day  Area Venues.	F1A(KMAA,Plugge), C/P (White), F1G, Vintage R/P, SLOP, HLG/CLG (Plugge), Tailless (Plugge), CO2 (Plugge), C/R, C/E.	Contact:  Area Comp Secs.
1/2 August	East Anglian Gala. (Also Team Selection Fall Back Dates).  Venue: Sculthorpe.	1st: C/R, Vintage R/P, Classic Glider, E36, Tailless, HLG-CLG, P30.  2nd: C/G, C/P, C/E, Vintage G, Classic R/P, Mini Vintage, CO2, Bowden.	Contact:  Michael Marshall:  01223 246142.  e-mail hiver666@aol.com

1/2 August	Space FAI Practice Days. Venue: Sculthorpe.	<b><i>S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.</i></b>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: <a href="mailto:contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com">contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com</a>
23 August	Southern Gala. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	C/G (Pilcher), C/R (Flight), C/P (Short), C/E, F1H (Ripmax), F1G, F1J, BMFA1/2A Power, E30, HLG/CLG.	Contact: Martin Stagg 01934 823047 e-mail:
30 August	5th F1E (Team Selection Reserve). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring). (Non Team Selection if date not needed).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. <a href="mailto:kaynes@btinternet.com">kaynes@btinternet.com</a>
5 September (N.B. Saturday)	Stonehenge Cup. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<b><i>F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, F1Q</i></b>	Richard Jack 04477 62346700 Email: <a href="mailto:richard_jack@live.com">richard_jack@live.com</a>
6 September	Equinox Cup. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<b><i>F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, F1Q</i></b>	Richard Jack 04477 62346700 Email: <a href="mailto:richard_jack@live.com">richard_jack@live.com</a>
6 September	Space. 2nd Team Selection. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<b><i>S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.</i></b>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: <a href="mailto:contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com">contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com</a>
20 September	6th Area. Team Rubber Day. Area Venues.	C/R Team (Farrows/Plugge), F1C (Buskell), F1QUK, Classic R/P (Plugge), Classic Glider (Plugge), C/G, HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.

27 September	6th F1E (Team Selection Reserve). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring). (Non Team Selection if date not needed).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
3/5 October	Buckminster Gala. Venue: BMFA site Buckminster.	To be announced	Contact: John Ashmole 01406 370188 Email: johnashmole@yahoo.co.uk
3/5 October	Space. Team Selection 1st Reserve. Venue: BMFA site Buckminster.	<b>S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.</b>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com
11 October	7th Area. Team Glider Day. Area Venues.	C/G Team (Model Engineer, Plugge), F1B (Duce, Plugge), SLOP (Frog Sen', Plugge), Mini Vintage, E30, C/E, HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
18 October	7th F1E (Team Selection Reserve). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray.	F1E (FF Slope Soaring). (Non Team Selection if date not needed).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
24 October (N.B. Saturday)	Midland Gala. Venue: Barkston Heath.	F1H, F1G, BMFA1/2A Power, E36, P30, SLOP, Mini Vintage, CO2, HLG-CLG.	Contact: Phil Ball 07470 177947 e-mail: <a href="mailto:phil.ball@ntlworld.com">phil.ball@ntlworld.com</a>
24 October (N.B. Saturday)	Space. Team Selection 2nd Reserve. Venue: Barkston Heath.	<b>S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.</b>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com

## 2020 SEASON TICKET

The cost of the 2020 Season Ticket has been set at £70. It represents excellent value covering entry to all FFTC run events apart from the Nationals and Area event site access fees. Season tickets for 2020 are available now from John Carter.

To apply for a season ticket please write to John providing the following:-

- Copy of your BMFA membership card
- Your home postal address and e mail address
- Cheque for £70 made payable to BMFA
- A stamped self-addressed envelope

John's address is - La Petite Maison, 45 Grindley Lane, Meir Heath, Stoke on Trent, Staffs, ST3 7LN

Email: nordic1a@outlook.com

## BMFA COMPETENCY CERTIFICATE

After November 30<sup>th</sup> 2019 you will be operating unlawfully if you do not have a CAA Flyer ID, or hold a BMFA Basic Proficiency Certificate or B Certificate, or have passed the test on the BMFA website. Please see the BMFA website and follow the instructions on the link on the front page. This applies to models weighing more than 250grams outdoors. Indoor models and Control Line are exempt.

## LODGE FARM

The farmer has asked that no flying takes place at Lodge Farm until lambing has finished. This is expected to be at the end of February. Before going there you must contact Walt Hodkinson (07502 959234 or 01400 230764) to get clearance to fly.