

BMFA Free Flight Tech Committee News. Issue 103

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The FFTC met at BMFA Office Leicester on the 11 March 2020.

CORONAVIRUS – COVID -19

The FFTC discussed how our Free Flight Community should respond and deal with the Corona Virus Pandemic.

The current National situation is moving fast, however the Government's guidance is clear and should be followed by all wishing to attend our Free Flight Contests and Events.

As and when Governments guidance alters, we will respond and follow it.

We all know the sanitary facilities on our flying venues can be basic and often away from where we fly therefore, we would ask that all attending bring soap, water and/or hand sanitiser (alcohol based) with you to wash your hands.

We look forward to seeing you all at our forthcoming contests, please stay safe and follow the Government guidance.

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

DATE	COMPETITION & VENUE	CLASSES/TROPHIES (N.B. <u>Non</u> British FF Championship events are shown in <i>Bold Italic</i>)	PROVISIONAL CONTACT
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.	S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.	Contact: Trevor Seabrook : 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com
9/10 May	Team Selection. Venue: Barkston Heath.	F1A, F1B, F1C. N.B Pre-entry only prior to 19th April.	Contact: Phil Ball 07470 177947 e-mail: phil.ball@ntlworld.com

7 June	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.	F1A, F1B, F1C. N.B Pre-entry only, for Team Selection prior to 19 th 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.	S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com

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. kaynes@btinternet.com
5 September (N.B. Saturday)	Stonehenge Cup. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<i>F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, F1Q</i>	Richard Jack 04477 62346700 Email: richard_jack@live.com
6 September	Equinox Cup. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<i>F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, F1Q</i>	Richard Jack 04477 62346700 Email: richard_jack@live.com
6 September	Space. 2nd Team Selection. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<i>S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.</i>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com
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.	S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.	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: phil.ball@ntlworld.com
24 October (N.B. Saturday)	Space. Team Selection 2nd Reserve. Venue: Barkston Heath.	S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A.	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

TEAM SELECTION TRIALS – F1ABC

The team selection trials for the 2021 World Championships to be held in Moncontour, France is scheduled for 9/10 May at Barkston Heath. If less than five rounds are completed that weekend a reserve weekend of 11/12 July has been set aside. If you wish to compete in the trials please send your entry using the form at the end of this newsletter to Phil Ball by April 24th. The entry fee for the trials is £25. The season ticket covers the trials.

2020 FREE FLIGHT NATIONALS

The 2020 Free Flight Nationals is planned to take place at Barkston Heath on the 23-25 May. Details will be on the next issue on BMFA News and the entry form will available be on the BMFA website in the near future.

MIKE EVATT AND GEOFF STRINGER

Free Flight sadly lost two well-known and respected flyers during February. Mike and Geoff both competed in the F1b class for many years. Mike was also responsible for organising the Free Flight Forum for the last twenty years or so. They will both be very much missed and we would like to send our condolences to their families and friends.

Free Flight Team Selection 2021

For 2019 World Championships – Moncontour, France - August 2021

Entry Form

Surname	
First Name	
Address	
Telephone Number	
Mobile Phone Number	
E Mail Address	
BMFA Number	
Senior or Junior	

Class	F1A	F1B	F1C
Please tick			

Entry Fees

Season Ticket or One fee of £25 enters all three classes for both Selection Events. Juniors free.

Please make cheques payable to **BMFA**.

Closing date for pre-entries 24 April 2020

Entries, accompanied by payment to:

Phil Ball 17 HERONSWOOD DRIVE, SPONDON, DERBY, DE21 7AX.