

BMFA Free Flight tech committee news. Issue 91

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The FFTC met at BMFA Office Leicester on the 14 March 2018.

CONTEST CALENDAR 2018

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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 V2.2 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
18 February	1st Area. Area Venues.	F1A(SMAE), F1G(Plugge), C/P (White), C/R, C/G, C/E, E36(Plugge), Mini Vintage(Plugge), HLG/CLG	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
4 March (Cancelled)	2nd Area. Area Venues.	F1H, P30(Plugge), F1J(Plugge), BMFA 1/2A, C/G, C/R, C/P, C/E(Plugge), HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
25 March	3rd Area. Area Venues.	Vintage G(Plugge), C/R (Gamage), C/G, C/P, C/E, F1C (Halfax/Plugge), F1QUK, HLG/CLG (Plugge).	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
31 March (Saturday)	Northern Gala. Venue: Barkston Heath	C/G (CMA), C/R (Caton), B/P (Hamley); C/E, SLOP (Falcons), F1H, P30, BMFA 1/2A, MiniVintage, HLG/CLG.	Contact: Colin Foster 01904 798253 katecol@mypostoffice.co.uk
22 April	1st F1E (Team Selection). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com

28/29 April	London Gala. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	29th: C/G, C/R, C/P, C/E, P30, CO2. 30th: F1H, F1G, F1J, BMFA1/2A, Mini Vintage, E30, HLG/CLG.	Contact: Trevor Grey 01892 539221
29 April	1st Space Test Day. Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<i>S1, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S9</i>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttreorseabrook@gmail.com
12/13 May	Stonehenge Cup. Equinox Cup Venue: Salisbury Plain.	<i>F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P, F1Q</i>	Richard Jack 04477 62346700 Email: richard_jack@live.com
19 May (N.B. Saturday)	2nd F1E Team Selection Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
20 May	4th Area. Area Venues.	C/G, F1B(Gutteridge), C/P Team (Keil/Plugge), C/R, C/E, Vintage R/P(Plugge), Mini Vintage, E30(Plugge), HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
26/27 May	Space National Championships and 1st Space Team Trials. Venue: Barkston Heath.	<i>S1, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8E/P, S9,</i>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttreorseabrook@gmail.com
26/27/28 May	National Championships. Venue: Barkston Heath.	27th: B/G (Thurston), B/R (Model Aircraft), B/P (Shelley), B/E, Tailless (Lady Shelley), Women's BG/BR/BP (SAA), Junior BG/BR/BP (Frog Junior), CLG, E30. 28th: 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. 29th: 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. <i>SAM 35 to run non championship events</i>	Contact: Mike Woodhouse, 01603 457754, e-mail: michaelwoodhouse1942@gmail.com <i>Contact for SAM Events John Ashmole 01406 370188 Email: johnashmole@yahoo.co.uk</i>

17 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
24 June	5th Area. Area Venues.	F1H(Plugge), F1G, F1J, E36, BMFA 1/2A Power (Plugge), CO2 (Plugge). C/G, C/R, C/P, C/E, HLG/CLG	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
7 July	4th F1E (Team Selection). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
8 July	6th Area. Area Venues.	F1A(KMAA/Plugge), P30, Vintage R/P, F1QUK(Plugge), SLOP, Tailless(Plugge), C/G, C/R, C/P, C/E, HLG/CLG	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
21/22July	East Anglian Gala. Venue: Sculthorpe.	22nd: B/R, Vintage R/P, Classic Glider, E36, Tailless, HLG-CLG, P30. 23rd: B/G, B/P, C/E, Vintage G, Classic R/P, Mini Vintage, CO2, Bowden.	Contact: Michael Marshall: 01223 246142. e-mail hiver666@aol.com
22 July	2nd Space Test Day. Venue: Sculthorpe.	<i>S1, S3, S4, S6, S8E/P, S9.</i>	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com
18 August (N.B. Saturday)	Southern Gala. Venue: Salisbury Plain	C/G (Pilcher), C/R (Flight), C/P (Short), [Club Champs], B/E, F1H (Ripmax), F1G, F1J, BMFA1/2A, E30, HLG/CLG.	Contact Peter Tribe 01225862748 e-mail: thepetertribe@gmail.com
8/9 Sept	1st Team Selection. Venue: Sculthorpe.	<i>F1A, F1B, F1C.</i> N.B Pre-entry only, for 1st & 2nd Team Selection prior to 19 th August.	Contact: Phil Ball 07470 177947 e-mail: phil.ball@ntlworld.com
16 Sept	7th Area. Area Venues.	Classic Glider (Plugge), C/R Team (Farrow's/Plugge), C/G, C/P, C/E, F1C(Buskell), C/E, Classic R/P (Plugge), HLG/CLG.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
22/23 Sept	2nd Team Selection. Venue: Sculthorpe.	<i>F1A, F1B, F1C.</i> N.B Pre-entry only, for 1st & 2nd Team Selection prior to 19 th August.	Contact: Phil Ball 07470 177947 e-mail: phil.ball@ntlworld.com

23 Sept	3rd Space Meeting & 2nd Team Trials Reserve, Venue: Sculthorpe	S1, S3, S4, S6, S8E/P, S9.	Contact: Trevor Seabrook, phone: 07899 030875, e-mail: contacttrevorseabrook@g mail.com
29 September (N.B. Saturday)	5th F1E (Team Selection). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
30 September	6th F1E (Team Selection). Venue: Peak District or near Melton Mowbray	F1E (FF Slope Soaring).	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538. kaynes@btinternet.com
6/7 October	Team Selection (Reserve Date). Venue: Sculthorpe	F1A, F1B, F1C. N.B Pre-entry only, for 1st & 2nd Team Selection, prior to 19 th August	Contact: Phil Ball 07470 177947 e-mail: phil.ball@ntlworld.com
14 October	8th Area. Area Venues.	CG Team(M'Engineer/Plugge), C/R, C/P, C/E, HLG/CLG F1B(Duce/Plugge), SLOP(Frog Senior/Plugge), Mini Vintage, E30.	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
20/21 October (May be either or both days, ring contact before travelling.)	7th F1E (Team Selection Reserve Date). 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
27 October (N.B. Saturday)	Midland Gala. Venue: North Luffenham.	F1H, F1G, F1J, BMFA1/2A, E36, P30, SLOP, Mini Vintage, HLG-CLG.	Contact: Phil Ball 07470 177947 e-mail: phil.ball@ntlworld.com

NORTHERN GALA

The Northern Gala has been moved from Good Friday to Easter Saturday to enable it to take place at RAF Barkston Heath. The gate usually used for the Nats will be manned for periods during the day. Grantham Club hold the licence for the site and we are grateful to them agreeing for us to use the site alongside them for the day. Please treat the airfield with great respect to ensure that we can hopefully gain further future use of this premium site. Take extra care not to leave any FOD, even as small as a rubber band or cigarette end, or to spill any fuel on tarmac areas. Full guidance will be given at the gate and control.

2ND AREA

Due to extreme weather and Met Office advice not to travel the 2nd Area Contest was cancelled.

BUCKMINSTER

The FFTC have booked the Buckminster National Centre site for an informal day of free flight flying and trimming on Monday April 16. It would be great to see a good turnout, fingers crossed for a nice day. If you have not been there before it would be a good opportunity to check the site out. All that have been there so far have been very positive about its potential as a trimming and small field site for free flight. If you are interested in making use of the site on any other days the details are contained on the BMFA web site home page.

2018 SEASON TICKET – A REMINDER

The cost of the 2018 Season Ticket has been set at £50. It represents excellent value covering entry to all FFTC run events apart from the Nationals and Area site access fees. For 2018 there will be additional events at all area events making this even better value than before. Season tickets for 2018 are available now from John Carter.

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

- Copy of your BMFA membership card
- Your home postal address and e mail address
- Cheque for £50 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 – nordicf1a@outlook.com

2018 FREE FLIGHT NATIONALS

The 2018 Free Flight Nationals entry form and supporting information is now available on the BMFA Web Site. Entries must arrive at the BMFA Office before the 14th May.

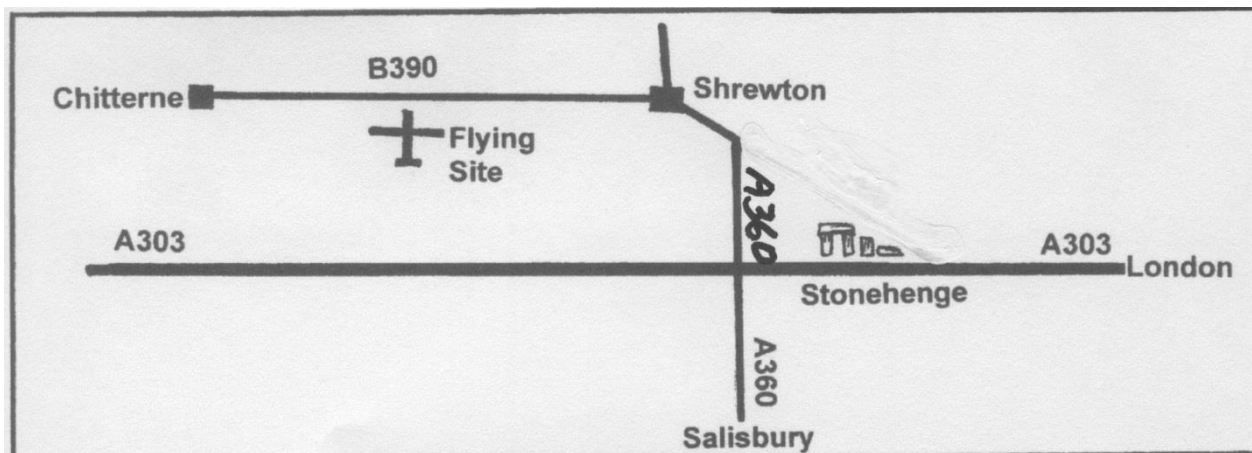
STONEHENGE AND EQUINOX CUPS 2018

THE STONEHENGE CUP & EQUINOX CUP 2018

U.K. World Cup Free Flight Events
12/13th May 2018 Salisbury Plain
United Kingdom

World Cup Events

Saturday	12 th May 2018	Stonehenge Cup	F1A, B, C/P and Q
Sunday	13 th May 2018	Equinox Cup	F1A, B, C/P and Q



Flying Site

The site is situated to the south of the B390 between Shrewton and Chitterne and will be signposted from the B390. GPS coordinates for the site entrance are 51°11'29.53"N, 1°57'32.59"W.

The terrain is undulating rough grassland crossed by dirt roads and tracks. The land is a military training area, which is carefully managed to preserve the history and wildlife. Model retrieval is usually on foot.

The area must be kept clean and tidy at all times and rules to protect the site must be observed.

Please note-there are no catering facilities available - competitors must bring their own food and drink.

Programme

Events will start at 09.00. There will be 5 rounds plus fly-offs flown from a flight line. The Max for round 1 will be 240 seconds. All other rounds will be 180 seconds Max. These maximum times and program may vary according to circumstances. All competitors will receive a gift.

Rules

The relevant section of the FAI Sporting Code will be followed.

All competitors must hold a valid FAI licence.

Entry Procedure

Competitors from the UK who wish to compete in either or both events need to post their entry forms to:-

Peter Martin, 23 Woodland Court, Dyke Road Avenue, Hove, UK, BN3 6DP complete with payment cheque made out to 'BMFA'.

Competitors residing outside the UK should email their completed entry form(s) to ffworldcupUK@gmail.com.

Overseas entry fees may be paid on the day in £, \$ or Euros.

Entry forms must be received by not later than Friday 4th May 2018

Trophies

These will be awarded down to 3rd place for each class.

Timekeepers

Timekeepers will not be provided by the organisers for the rounds.

Competitors must find their own timekeepers. Timekeepers will be allocated by the organisers for Fly-offs.

For further information please contact:-

Peter Martin or Richard Jack ffworldcupuk@gmail.com

Or Peter Tribe thepetertribe@gmail.com

Accommodation and Camping Information

Information is available on request from Peter Tribe:-

thepetertribe@gmail.com

STONEHENGE CUP AND EQUINOX CUP ENTRY FORM 2018

Full Name			
Address			
Town/City			
Country		Post/Zip Code	
Nationality		Senior/Junior	
Telephone No.		Mobile No.	
Email Address			
FAI License and FAI ID Numbers		BMFA No.	

World Cup Events

Day	Stonehenge Cup				Equinox Cup			
	SAT 12th	SAT 12th	SAT 12th	SAT 12 th	SUN 13th	SUN 13th	SUN 13 th	SUN 13th
Class	F1A	F1B	F1C/P	F1Q	F1A	F1B	F1C/P	F1Q
Please tick								

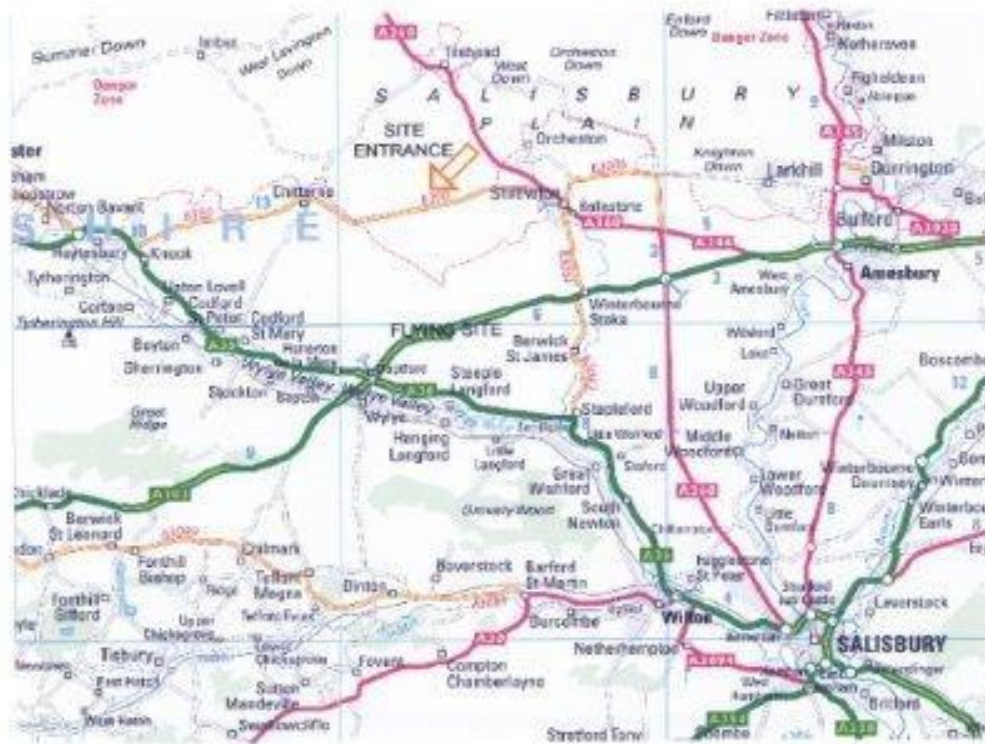
Entry Fees

World Cup Event Single Class (Seniors)	€25/£20/\$30	
World Cup Event Single Class (Juniors) (Junior aged 18 or under on 31 st Dec 2018).	FREE	
Additional classes within each Event (Seniors)	€12/£10/\$15	
Additional classes within each Event (Juniors)	Free	
	Total Paid*	

(*Entry fee is included in the UK Contest License Holders fee, no additional payment is required)

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LOCATION MAP



GOOGLE PHOTOGRAPH