

ADS



Aberdeen and District Soarers

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98, Forest Park

Stonehaven

Chairman's Report

Well, its' Newsletter time again. The year is racing onwards at a great rate of knots - its' only three weeks until the longest day. Hard to believe isn't it, when we seem to have hardly started flying this year. I know some of you who can get out during the week have enjoyed some good times. However, the rest of us seem to be struggling to get any airtime in. Weekends and Tuesday evenings have generally not been good. Cold, excessive wind and rain have all contributed to a poor club start to the '94 season.

Lets look on the bright side and look forward to the rest of the season. The first milestone is our Hazlehead flyin on 4/5th June. This newsletter is timed to arrive on your doorstep as a timely reminder to you all. Do your best to be there on both Saturday and Sunday. The format will be as other years, with Saturday being a 'fly for fun' day. We hope that aerotow, winch launch and bungee launch will all be available as well as electric and i.c. power. Sunday will be given over to competitions - Open and 100s. We hope that there will be a good turnout from the south for the competitions, but would also encourage as many ADS members as possible to enter. The more the merrier!

Hopefully Craig will include an update of diary dates with this issue. There is one date however, that is a must. That is our BBQ on 21st August - make a note of it now. We will put a reminder in the model shops nearer the time.

SAA INSURANCE

At the 1993 AGM questions were raised regarding the cover provided by the SAA Insurance Scheme. After making enquiries to the secretary of the SAA , I was informed that although there is a reluctance to issue copies of the actual policy, on the grounds that it would require professional interpretation, they could provide details in laymans terms on the cover provided. Extracts from which are given below. If anyone wishes to further examine these details, they should contact any committee member.

- 1) A member is insured against personal injury caused by being struck by a model aeroplane.
- 2) A member's property is covered against being struck by a model aeroplane.
- 3) Third party bodily injury and/or property damage claims are covered.
- 4) Public liability is limited to £5,000,000.
- 5) Personally induced injury is not covered ie. sticking your finger into a rotating propeller.
- 6) Although not mentioned in the document, it is also believed that model boats and cars are not covered.

Mike Pirie

FREQUENCY SCANNER

The club has recently purchased a SYNSCAN-35 frequency scanner. This should prove to be a useful piece of equipment, acting as a backup to the existing peg board system.

The scanner continuously monitors the 35 MHz band and displays the frequencies in use at any one time. It's continued use should eliminate any potential frequency clashes in the future and it will be available at all club flying events.

Please make use of this new piece of equipment (not instead of) but together with the existing peg board system to ensure safer flying (and cheaper!) for all.

Stonehaven Power Gliding Event

The weather (again!) was almost a repeat of last year-windy/changeable on Saturday with good conditions on Sunday. This reflected in the attendances at the field, but in saying that, there was some good flying to be had in the intermittent conditions on the Saturday, right into the evening. The barbecue was a success with some sociable and friendly banter being enjoyed round the brazier.

Thanks to the wives for their time and effort in the preparation of this.

Sunday's flying was good, with everyone getting in as many flights as they wanted. Food was dished up by Peter (Burger) King, resulting in a satisfying day out for all.

On a final note, the weekend was unfortunately dampened by an incident which could possibly have been avoided by some communication between all parties concerned.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

The next newsletter will be sent out around the middle of August. I would appreciate contributions (by the first week of August) to fill the space between the Chairman's report and the list of members. Without these, the club cannot possibly produce an interesting and regular newsletter.

Craig Scott

FOR SALE

1 VICEROY TRAINER, FITTED W AILERONS. 1/2 DAY TO MAKE READY FOR FLIGHT. COMPLETE WITH SERVOS, RECEIVER, OS40 ENGINE.

1 TRANSMITTER, 35MHz RIPMAX FUTABA 6M (6 CHANNEL), COMPLETE WITH CHARGER.

1 FUEL PUMP.

1 RIPMAX TWISTER STARTER.

1 BASIC TRAINER, VERY USED, WITH NEW SET OF UNFINISHED WINGS.

1 FLIGHT BOX

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CRAIG SCOTT

Diary Dates for 1994

4/5th June	ADS Hazlehead Weekend	Hazlehead
11/12th June	Float Plane Fly-In	Monikie
12th June	F3f-SAA	Bishop Hill
19th June	Open & 100s-SAA	Glencraig
2/3rd July	Bon Accord	Hazlehead
3rd July	Open & 100s-SAA	Dumfries
10th July	Large Model Fly-In	Montrose
23/24th July	Montrose Air Day	Montrose
6/7th August	Scottish Glider Nationals	Pitreavie
21st August	ADS Barbeque	Calder Park
28th August	Scale Power	Banchory Devnick
? Sept	Taylor Trophy	Huntly
10/11th Sept.	Waterplane Event	Loch Inch
17th Sept.	B of B Air Display	RAF Leuchars
18th Sept.	Aerobatics	Banchory Devnick
24/25th Sept.	50th Anniversary Fly-In	Montrose
28th October	ADS Dinner/Dance	Cammachmore
8th November	ADS AGM	Cammachmore

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