

## JUNE 2011 NEWSLETTER

Greetings One and All. I hope the windy weather has not curtailed your flying activities too much.

As we are now in the summer season, the speakers are in recess till August. However, general networking and the old Natter and Noggin will still be held. Hopefully members will bring along an item for show or discussion. As the evenings are brighter, videos are available but only shown if we have the equipment. The blank wall we used to use in now covered with a picture which we can't take down. **Meeting as usual Monday June 6th**

On the building front, Colin Cheese has done some more work on the center section and fin of the Chilton Racer.

The Comet has had more work done on the elevators.

Ed Parkin has sold his 1943 J3 Cub (ex military) which has spent its entire life in original markings. It has gone to Audley End or Biggin Hill or similar and keeps company with 2 Mk Vb Spitfires.

He has replaced the Cub with a CASA Jungmann in Spanish Air Force markings. Quite an eye catcher.

Steve Rice has his new propeller now and is tracking and truing it to eliminate vibration. Nearly all 2 stroke Rotax engines have a vibration area which is difficult to totally eliminate especially in the lower rev range.

Martin is in the final assembly stages of his epic 30 years build on the Beta Racer. It really looks the business in all red. We look forward to the first flight which will be test flown by Paul Jones.

Ben Roberts is steadily progressing with his Sherwood Ranger and I will try to get him to give me the latest position.

The strut is due to have its AGM about now. I am really getting more and more incapable of managing things especially in the IT field. Colin Cheese is supporting me with newsletters etc, but we need a person who can integrate more into the newsletter than just a few local news items. There are so many other struts that have up to 20 pages of illustrations and photos which are way above my ability. Tony Razzell has undertaken to bring the membership register into a friendlier usable tool. I can assist with forwarding other struts newsletters as an example. We must also put a bit in our coffers as we don't have much of a buffer in funds. Asking volunteers means that no one will turn up at the meeting. Come on chaps, it isn't that painful.

If you get this newsletter without a logo heading, I apologise, but I can't get it to function even after about 4 attempts.

If you want somewhere to go in June, why not go to the LAA Party in the Park at Old Warden on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>. If you want to fly in you MUST pre-arrange your PPR. There's plenty to see in the hangars etc. The show starts with vehicles at 4-15p.m. and Air Display from 5-00p.m. to 7-30p.m. All weather dependant. Hope to see some of you there.

That's all for now folks.

Stewart