

AMARC 2002 Ltd Model Flying Club

A year at AMARC



**LOCKDOWN,
WHAT LOCKDOWN?**



Great Western
Air Ambulance Charity

WHAT A YEAR!

Hi to you all during these extreme circumstances. You may or may not remember that our Club Chairman, *Steve Callaghan* and Club Secretary, *Colin Denton* resigned back in March 2020 which was very sad, especially at that difficult time. However, I'm sure you will join me in thanking them for their commitment and fantastic contributions in supporting the club - they will be missed. *Keith* kindly stood in as temporary chairman and myself (*Nigel*) as secretary until the AGM. New General Committee elected Members are; *Tony Ingles* as Chairman, *Nigel Kent* as Secretary and *Jon Black* as 'New Director of Flying' positions.

It was great to see a good turnout for the AGM even though it was a remote affair.

Highlights include a better-than-expected financial situation given the year we've had and that we are still attracting new members who appreciate that we are doing everything we can to get people safely flying.

Successes for AMARC Aero Modellers.



Thomas David



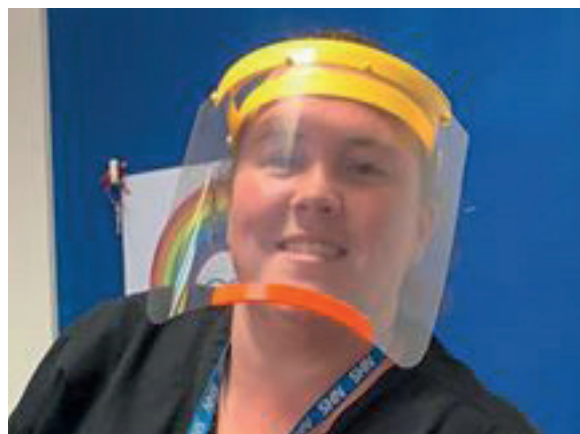
David Staley

British Model Flying Association (BMFA)

Decembers magazine featured two local flyers, *Thomas David* and *David Staley*. Due to the covid pandemic, last years(2020) IMAC (mini aerobatics completions) season shrank down to just two contests that happened within three weeks of each other. *Tom* and *David* were not able to practice as much as they hoped because of the recent lockdowns that meant no flying.

In the first competition held at the BMFA HQ, Buckminster, Thomas finished 2 x 2nd place finishes in two events, *David* finished, a creditable third. In the second competition held in the seaside resort of Rhyl in Wales the pilots flew ten rounds in four classes. *David* finished 3rd in his Intermediate class, *Thomas* finished 1st in the unlimited class and 1st in the Freestyle class. Well done guys, congratulations from all the AMARC membership. We look forward to seeing you back in action down at the Gordano site soon.

Local Model Flyers Supporting our NHS during lockdowns.



During the lockdowns local Model Flying club members were busy producing Covid face-masks using their 3D printers. Club members have supplied over 800 so far to the local community around Bristol including; Southmead, Hengrove, BRI and the Children's Hospitals along with 200 to the local care homes and Doctor treatment rooms. Huge thanks to *Pete Viner* and *Andy Davey*, you did a fantastic job. AMARC model flying club made a donation towards the materials. A huge well done to everyone involved.

Club Directors, Committee & Non Committee Members

2020/21



Alan Herbert
Director & Committee



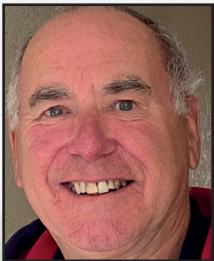
Colin Smith
Director, Vice Chairman & Safety Officer



Nigel Kent
Director & Secretary



Tony Ingles
Chairman



Steve May
Treasurer & Membership Secretary



John Briton
Committee



Keith Wilson
Media Officer



Artur Nurzynski
Committee



Redmond Lines
Media Support Officer (Webmaster)



Mike Brown
Committee



Jon Black
Director of Flying



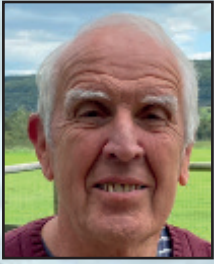
Terry McGill
Committee



Steve Callaghan
Committee

Club Safety Officers

2020/21



Colin Smith



Bob Flook



Toby Black



Reach for the sky.....

This new initiative kicked off during lock down. Club records showed at least 25 members for what ever reason hadn't had the opportunity to try for the BMFA 'A' Certificate.

Jon Black, the present club examiner was approached to take responsibility to lead this ambitious project, especially with the government & BMFA imposed lock down rules!

The club fully supported Jon and his team and purchased a new state of the art electric trainer, buddy leads etc. The results have been amazing, so far 5 members have achivced there 'A' Certificates, 4x Fixed wing and 1x Helicopter.

If any members are able to assist Jon as mentors, trainers or examiners at Henbury or Gordano sites, please can you contact Jon Black or myself.

Reach for the Sky's, success and the chalange!

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Congratulations to the following club members who've attained there BMFA 'A'Certificates this year and ALL those who are working toward their's.

Nigel Kent - Fixed Wing
John Britton - Helicopter
Shaun Rowe - Fixed Wing
Terry Maynard - Fixed Wing
Justin Paul - Fixed wing



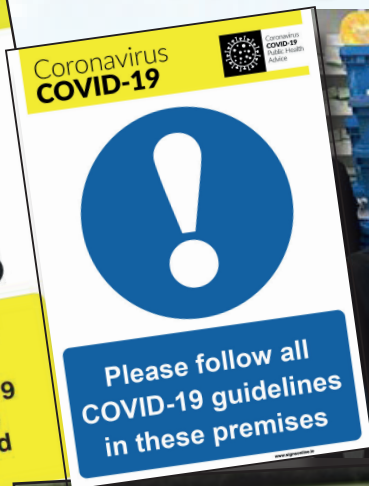
New Members:

Justin Paul, Mitchel Sanders, David Hazel, Maria Roynon - Drone, Aiden Butler (8yrs), Rhys Morgan-Cairns, Jon Mangnall, Eden Mangnall (12yrs), Richard Kilby (A Test), Mike Barnett (B Test), Joe Pocock (A Test), Mike Cheesley, Shaun Rowe, John Collins, Richard Nurse, John Ardis (A Test), Adrian Mansell (B Test & Examiner), John Byles (A Test), Ian Milnes (A Test).



Whats been happening so far?

2020/21





TURN UP, FLY, GO HOME!!

Suggestion/Task	Raised By	Actioned By	Actioned Date
to transport the shed	Wendell	CS	14.8.20
to purchase a new shed for the club	ALL	Wendell	14.8.20

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Avon Model Aero Radio Club

REACH FOR THE SKY'S

You are receiving this invitation because our Club database shows that you don't yet have your BFMA 'A' Certificate? If this is incorrect would you please contact the Secretary ASAP so we can update our records.

As you may have read in our recent Newsletter No. 3 communication, the club have appointed Jon Black as our new 'Director of Flying'. Jon's objectives are to develop a team of instructors, tutors,



LET'S HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS



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AMARC Model Flying Club

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AMARC Model flying club - An ECO Friendly Club

We have recently installed:

- 5x new bird boxes, 2x new Badger 'homes' have been built during lockdown now installed. 2x Bat boxes are under construction.
- The beehives have been relocated to a safer location on site.
- Our badger set is thriving; our camera has captured some wonderful recordings.
- We've planted several Daffodil bulbs and cyclamens.
- 'Sustainable' tree management, supported by local groups. There are several 'dead or dying' trees on site, we plan to replace these with guidance from experts.
- Initiated an 'onsite recycling' area for wood, soil and plants/shrubs. Local people can drop or collect any wood from the pile or drop off any soil or plants that are no longer wanted. We will 'up-cycle' these.



Help us support the **Great Western Air Ambulance** charity by dropping any bagged unwanted clothes, shoes etc. at our 'club house' collection point. We will transport these to the Great Western Air Ambulance new shop in Westbury on Trym, Bristol. Its been difficult

because so many events that they support throughout the year to raise money where cancelled.

The **British Model Flying Association (BMFA)** are encouraging flying clubs to promote Electric flying.



The BMFA were due to hold a day education event at the Gordano site last year to help promote the benefits of electric. This unfortunately had to be cancelled due to Covid-19.

- The Club purchased a new electric 'model aircraft for training purposes so all our new flyers start using electric. (Photo left)
- 70% of members now fly electric model aircraft, helicopters and drones.

Civil Aircraft Association (CAA) New rules have been introduced; Please make sure you've read these and ticked the box.

Members need to go into the **BMFA portal and tick the box saying that they have read and understood Article 16**. Of course, if you don't tick the box you need to complete the test or go down the DMARES route to stay legal.