

Scale Free Flight Brief 111 August 2026

Issue 111 is a bit of an occasion. I believe, if we were playing cricket, it would be a Nelson.

BMFA at Oxford MFC

What a great meeting we had, hosted by the Oxford MFC. The Oxford Club was contacted some time ago with a view to using their Port Meadow site for a BMFA FF2 Scale Free Flight Contest. This was organised around one of the club's free flight events for the Credginton Trophy and a bottle of Scale World Championships Dark Ale. A proper drop of traditional ale, not fizzy lager.

A good turn out with eleven entries. Double entries were permitted. A report with appear in the Aeromodeller in due course. If you have not seen it a video is available to view at

https://youtu.be/_rukgeBe3uc

Unscale Ajax

After my involvement in the World Championships, I needed a straightforward project to work on. I have always hankered after a KK Ajax (not as simple as I thought) and I have now finished the structure. The sharp eyed among you will notice I have added a dethermaliser (activated by a Tomy timer) and riblets on the wings. Being a bit lazy, I contacted a company called Sky High RC and purchased a laser cut set of ribs etc for the build. Their customer service has been quite refreshing, and I include this promotion without any favour to oil the wheels as it were.



Sky High RC – Precision Laser-Cut Rib Sets for Classic Models

Sky High RC specialises in high-quality laser-cut balsa rib sets for classic and vintage aeromodelling designs. With over 275 designs available, the range includes many popular free flight, rubber, and RC models, helping builders save time while achieving accurate and consistent structures.

Each rib set is produced from carefully selected balsa and plywood using precision laser cutting, providing a reliable starting point for new builds, restorations, and replacement components.

We also produce complete kits for our own designs, including the popular 2m Skyhawk F5L RES electric glider and the Firefly II, a simple two-channel slope soarer.

Many of our new classic rib sets come directly from customer requests, helping to preserve a wide range of designs that might otherwise be forgotten. Recent additions include the Frog Diana, Wigdor Wasp (a 1938 design), and Vic Smeed's Ethereal Lady, to name just a few.

More details can be found at:

<https://www.skyhighrc.co.uk>

Calendar amendment

Due to the dry weather conditions events may change. I will advise and continue sending out Go/No-Go emails.

The next Scale Free Flight meeting is the Double Bubble at Lodge. Sunday 16th August. I would like to propose an amendment to the FF2 rules as an experiment. Compete with two models and the result will be calculated on the average score of the two models. A single model entry will count as normal. What say you?

Oops, it's the 4th and not 5th October. Lodge Farm.

FF2 Scale Free Flight Contest.

Emphasis on kit scale models. Highest scoring kit wins the Kit Scale Print/ Trophy.

Sport flyers with BMFA membership are welcome

£5.00 to fly Plus £5 for the contest

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