

## **BMFA Free Flight Tech Committee News. Issue 114**

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The FFTC held an internet virtual Zoom meeting from their homes on 26 May 2021.

### **2021 SUBSTITUTE NATIONALS**

The FFTC have now agreed on the format for the Substitute Free Flight Nationals. The Bowden and Scale events will be added to the East Anglian Gala, open etc events will be flown at Salisbury over the August Bank Holiday of 29th to 30th August and the FAI events the following weekend of 4th and 5th September also at Salisbury. The FAI events will replace the Stonehenge and Equinox Cups that were planned for the same weekend but have been postponed until 2022. The full details are set out below.

We hope that the pandemic will be behind us for 2022 and we can return to our normal Nationals at Barkston Heath on the end of May bank holiday.

#### **Free Flight Nationals 2021 substitute contests**

The replacement contests for a cut down substitute Free Flight Nationals will not be the same as the “real” Nationals. We will apply a “light touch” organisation. The contests will be flown for their respective Free Flight Nationals trophies. The contests will be run to the standard gala format.

#### **Free Flight Scale - Sculthorpe**

- The STC will run a casual free flight scale session with no specific contests at the East Anglian Gala.

#### **Bowden Trophy – Sculthorpe**

- PMFC will run the Bowden at the East Anglian Gala.

#### **SAM35 - Sculthorpe**

- The 4.0- and 8.0-ounce Wakefield to be run at the East Anglian Gala

#### **Entry and Fees**

There will be no pre-entry requirement. Entry on the day. The entry fee is £5.00 per day allowing the entrant to fly in as many events/classes as they desire. This applies to the Substitute Nationals events at the East Anglian Gala as well as all Salisbury Plain days.

#### **Facilities**

There will be no camping or other facilities except for the provision of toilets. The entrance gate at Sculthorpe will be manned.

## Free Flight Open – Salisbury Plain - August 28/29<sup>th</sup>

### Saturday

Combined Glider  
Combined Rubber  
Combined Power  
Combined Electric  
Tailless  
Woman's Cup  
Catapult Glider  
FROG Junior  
E30 Electric  
S3A Parachute Duration  
S4A Boost Glider Duration  
S9A Helicopter Duration  
S5C Scale Altitude

### Sunday

SLOP  
P30 Rubber  
Hand Launch Glider  
Vintage Rubber/Power  
Mini Vintage  
CO2 Duration  
Vintage Glider  
Classic Rubber/Power\*  
Classic Glider  
BMFA 1/2A power  
S6A Streamer Duration  
S1B Altitude  
S2P Precision Payload Altitude  
S8EP Rocket Glider

- \*Classic/rubber power will include the Cranfield Classic
- Start 09:00 finish 18:00

## Free Flight FAI – Salisbury Plain – September 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>

### Saturday

F1A  
F1B  
F1C  
F1Q

### Sunday

F1H  
F1G  
F1J  
E36

- Number of flights to be decided on the day. There will be no rounds
- Start 09:00 finish 17:00

## 2021 CONTEST CALENDAR

**BMFA FREE FLIGHT AND SPACE CALENDAR 2021** Publication V6.0

**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 (5.0 ) shown in RED**

Start date	Event	Classes	
10 - 13 June CANCELLED	1st F1E Team Selection (for 2021) Reserve Venue: Peak District or Melton Mowbray	F1E Team Selection. This event will be cancelled if the 2021 World Championships are Cancelled.	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538 kaynes@btinternet.com
12 – 13 June	Team Selection for 2022 European Championships Venue Salisbury Plain	F1A, F1B, F1C Note: The 2021 W/C has been postponed until 2023 so this event will be for the 2022 E/C. The entry will be carried over.	Contact Phil Ball 07470177947 Phil.ball@ntlworld.com
19 or 20 June CANCELLED	*Team Selection (for 2021) Fall back date. Venue TBC	Absolute fall back date for F1A, F1B and F1C teams for 2021 World Championships. Only one day, to be declared a few days earlier, will be used for a flyoff. No wind restrictions will be applied. Note: this date not for the 2022 E/C if applicable. An autumn date, TBC, will be used in that circumstance.	Contact Phil Ball 07470177947 Phil.ball@ntlworld.com
20 June	4th Area - Team Power Day Venue: Area Venues	CG, Team CP (Keil, Plugge), CE, F1B (Gutteridge), Vintage RP (Plugge), Mini Vintage, H/CLG, E30 (Plugge)	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
4 July	3rd F1E Venue: Peak District or Melton Mowbray	F1E Team Selection 2022	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538 kaynes@btinternet.com
11 July	5th Area - Summer Mini Day	CG, CR, CP, F1H (Plugge), F1G, 1/2A (Plugge), E36, H/CLG, CO2 (Plugge)	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
31 July- 1 August	East Anglian Gala Venue: Sculthorpe	CG, CR, CP, CE, E36, Vintage RP, Vintage G, Classic RP, Classic G, Mini Vintage, P30, H/CLG, Tailless, CO2. <b>Substitute Nations Bowden Trophy Event and Scale events.</b>	Mike Woodhouse 01603 457754 michael.woodhouse1942@gmail.com
31 July- 1 August	Space FAI Practice Venue: Sculthorpe.	S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A,S9A	Trevor Seabrook 07899 030875 contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com
15 August	Southern Gala Venue: Salisbury Plain	CG (Pilcher), CR (Flight), CP (Short), CE, F1H (Ripmax), F1G, F1J, 1/2A, H/CLG, E30	Ken Faux 01279 721008 Ken.faux@btinternet.com
22 August	4th F1E Venue: Peak District or Melton Mowbray	F1E SMC	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538 kaynes@btinternet.com
28 August	<b>Substitute Nationals</b> Venue: Salisbury Plain	CG, CR, CP, CE, Tailless, Womans Cup, Catapult Glider, FROG Junior, E30	Mike Woodhouse 01603 457754 michael.woodhouse1942@gmail.com

28 August	Substitute Space Nationals Venue: Salisbury Plain	S3A, S4A, S9A, S5C.	Trevor Seabrook 07899 030875 contacttreorseabrook@gmail.com
29 August	Substitute Nationals Venue: Salisbury Plain	SLOP, P30, HLG, Vintage Rubber/Power, Mini Vintage, CO2, Vintage Glider, Classic Rubber/Power (including Cranfield Classic), Classic Glider. BMFA 1/2A power	Mike Woodhouse 01603 457754 michael.woodhouse1942@gmail.com
29 August	Substitute Space Nationals Venue: Salisbury Plain	S6A, S1B, S2P	Trevor Seabrook 07899 030875 contacttreorseabrook@gmail.com
4 September Postponed to 2022	Stonehenge Cup Venue: Salisbury Plain	F1A, F1B, F1C, F1Q	John Carter 01782 398816 Nordicf1a@outlook.com
4 September	Substitute Nationals Venue: Salisbury Plain	F1A, F1B, F1C, F1Q	Mike Woodhouse 01603 457754 michael.woodhouse1942@gmail.com
5 September Postponed to 2022	Equinox Cup Venue: Salisbury Plain	F1A, F1B, F1C, F1Q	John Carter 01782 398816 Nordicf1a@outlook.com
5 September	Substitute Nationals Venue: Salisbury Plain	F1G, F1H, F1J, E36	Mike Woodhouse 01603 457754 michael.woodhouse1942@gmail.com
12 September	6th Area - KMAA Day Venue: Area Venues	CR, CP, F1A (Plugge KMAA), F1Q (Plugge), Vintage RP, SLOP, P30, H/CLG, Tailless (Plugge)	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
18-19 September	Team Selection Reserve (for 2022) Venue TBC	F1A, F1B, F1C,	Contact Phil Ball 07470177947 phil.ball@ntlworld.com
26 September	5th F1E Venue: Peak District or Melton Mowbray	F1E Team Selection 2022	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538 kaynes@btinternet.com
3 October	7th Area - Team Rubber Day *	CG, Team CR (Farrow Shield, Plugge), CE, F1C (Buskell), Classic RP (Plugge), Classic G (Plugge), H/CLG	Contact: Area Comp Secs.
9-10 October CANCELLED	Trials (for 2022) Reserve	F1A, F1B, F1C	Contact Phil Ball 07470177947 Phil.ball@ntlworld.com
17 October	8th Area - Team Glider Day Venue: Area Venues	Team CG (Model Engineer, Plugge), CE, F1B (Duce, Plugge), SLOP (Frog Senior, Plugge), Mini Vintage, H/CLG, E30	Contact: Area Comp Secs.

23 October (Saturday)	6th F1E Venue: Peak District or Melton Mowbray	F1E Reserve for team selection 2022 if required.	Contact: Ian Kaynes 01252 512538 kaynes@btinternet.com
30 October (Saturday)	Midland Gala + Team Selection Reserve Venue: Barkston Heath	F1H, F1G, 1/2A, E36, SLOP, Mini Vintage, P30, H/CLG, CO2.	Contact Phil Ball 07470177947 Phil.ball@ntlworld.com
30 October (Saturday)	Space Team Selection 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reserve Venue: Barkston Heath	S1A, S3A, S4A, S6A, S9A	Trevor Seabrook 07899 030875 contacttrevorseabrook@gmail.com

## BARKSTON HEATH

We have been given permission from the Grantham Club for the use of Barkston Heath as the Midland Venue for the remaining decentralised contests this year. Due to the small numbers involved this is acceptable to the authorities at Cranwell, but they have absolutely ruled out large events like the FF and RC/CL Nationals for 2021. Please note that COVID rules are still in place, this applies to all other venues too. Cars must be parked 4m apart and there should not be any groups of more than six people formed. Make sure you are aware of the rules that apply at any venue you intend to visit and adhere to the requirements.

## RULE CHANGES FOR 2022

The FFTC do not have any proposed rule changes for 2022. If you have any proposal changes that you would like to be considered please send details to Stephen Philpott by the end of August 2021.

## FIRST AIDERS

The BMFA are organising some in house First Aid courses to be run at Buckminster. If you are interested in attending one of these courses please let us know.