

BMFA Free Flight Tech Committee News. Issue 145

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FFTC 2026 CALENDAR

The only change to the 2026 Free Flight Contest Calendar is the cancellation of the Buckminster Gala on 31 October/ 1 November or 7/8 Dec.

BMFA FREE FLIGHT CALENDAR 2026 V4.1

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

The F1A, B, C, Q Team Selection, Women's Cup and Junior at the Nationals and Buckminster Gala are excluded from the Free Flight Championships.

Please also note that ONLY Team Selection events are subject to postponement due to unsuitable weather.

A reminder that we have licence restrictions at some of the sites that we are fortunate to have the use of. This could result in cancellation of the event due to conditions beyond our control in advance of the date at very short notice, or, on the day of the event. Cancellation in advance of the day will be notified by a news bulletin on the FFTC Website.

Changes to version (4.0) shown in RED

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Date	Venue	Event	Classes	Contact
3-4 October	Sculthorpe	Nationals	Please refer to Nationals Information for classes on each day.	FFTC Lead – Stephen Philpott

11 October	North Luffenham	Nationals Mini	Please refer to Nationals Information for classes on each day.	FFTC Lead – Stephen Philpott
17-18 October *	Salisbury Plain	Team Selection Reserve Date	F1A, F1B, F1C, F1Q	FFTC Lead Mark Benns
17-18 October	Salisbury Plain	Space 2nd Team Selection	S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8, S9	Slawomir Zack Slawomic.zack@gmail.com
21 October	Slope Soaring	Team Selection	F1E	Ian Kaynes
25 October	Area	7 th Area	CR, CE, CP, F1A (, Plugge, K&MAA), F1G/F1H (Plugge F1G), E36 (Plugge), HLG/CLG	Area
31 Oct/I Nov Or 7/8 Dec	Buckminster	Buckminster Gala CANCELLED		FFTC Lead – Simon Dixon
1 November	Area	8 th Area	CE, CP, CG, , MV (Plugge), F1B (Gutteridge), Co2/E30/P30 (Plugge P30), Classic G/Vintage G (Plugge Vintage G)	Area
8 November	Area	6 th Area	CR (Plugge, Team Farrow), CG, CE, F1C (Buskell), 1/2A/F1J, Co2/E30/P30 (Plugge co2), CRP/VRP/SLOP (Plugge CRP)	Area
15 November	North Luffenham	Midland Gala	Classic G/Vintage G, MV, 1/2A/F1J, Co2/E30/P30, F1G/F1H, E36, HLG/CLG	FFTC Lead Phil Ball
15 November	North Luffenham	Space at the Midland Gala	S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8, S9	Slawomir Zack Slawomic.zack@gmail.com

*Team Selection fall back date

FREE FLIGHT NATIONALS 2026

Please note that the Mini Nationals are on Sunday 11th October there was some confusion in an earlier document issue. **The correct day and date is Sunday 11th October.**

Due to the short days and the need to allow for flyoffs the contests at all three days of the Nationals will commence at 09:00 and end at 16:00.

Note: if any models end up in North Luffenham camp it will only be possible to collect them after competition ends.

TEAM MANAGERS FOR 2027 F1ABCQ CHAMPIONSHIPS - MONGOLIA

The 2027 World Championships are to be held in Mongolia in early August 2027. We need to appoint the Team Manager and Assistant Team manager as soon as possible to provide adequate time to make the necessary arrangements. Applications with modelling CV for both posts to the FFTC Secretary before 14 November 2026.

TEAM MANAGER FOR 2027 F1E CHAMPIONSHIPS - ROMANIA

The 2027 European Championships are to be held in Romania, date to be confirmed. Applications with modelling CV to the FFTC Secretary before 14 November 2026.