

WESSEX TOMBOY LEAGUE 2012

Scores after Round 2 held at Wincanton Falcons on Sunday 27 May 2012 by Chris Hague

The second round of the 2012 Wessex Tomboy League was held by kind invitation of the Wincanton Falcons at their Templecombe flying site. This round had been postponed due to bad weather in April and was run in the morning as the Wessex 600RES electric thermal event was scheduled later the same day. The weather in the morning was superb, sunny, with light winds and plenty of lift.

Six pilots entered both classes with everyone qualifying for the fly-offs at 11.30 and 11.45. During an early morning test flight, engine guru, Derek Collin found his model (or rather didn't find his model!) as it soared upwards out of sight. Unfortunately Derek was not able to recover the model on the day, but we are optimistic for its safe return as the local experts from the Wincanton Falcons have very generously offered to hunt for it during the coming week. During the morning the models' fuel tanks were checked for fuel capacity, with every model conforming to the rules, just as you would expect. The clear blue sky with buoyant air suited the Tomboys, and the models were reaching a good height, so a 30 second delay was decided upon for the fly-offs.

Jeff Fellows chalked up his second win in a row and remains unbeaten in the Tomboy 36 class. Jeff's flight was two minutes ahead of second placed Tom Airey and three minutes better than Chris Hague in third place. The two Jameses, Parry and Collis, were only two seconds apart when they landed. Rick Farrer was the first to land after a very short motor run time. However, Rick's fortunes were reversed in the Tomboy 48 class as a splendid flight of over 11 minutes gave him a comfortable victory over Tom Airey and Peter Rose. Andrew Fellows was flying to his usual high standard and finished fourth.

Wessex Tomboy 36" span league table

		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1	Jeff Fellows	10	10				20
2	Tom Airey	8	9				17
3	Chris Hague	7	8				15
4	James Parry	6	7				13
5	James Collis	4	6				10
6	Paul Netton	9	-				9
7	Rick Farrer	2	5				7
8	Peter Rose	5	-				5
9	Dave Ashenden	3	-				3
10	John Myers	2	-				2
11	Derek Collin	-	1				1

1st Jeff Fellows 6 min 54 sec; 2nd Tom Airey 4 min 58 sec;
3rd Chris Hague 4 min 08 sec; 4th James Parry 3 min 33 sec;
5th James Collis 3 min 31 sec; 6th Rick Farrer 1 min 32 sec.

Wessex Tomboy Senior 48" span league table

		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1	Tom Airey	10	9				19
2	Andrew Fellows	9	7				16
3	Peter Rose	8	8				16
4	Chris Hague	7	6				13
5	Barrie Collis	6	5				11
6	Rick Farrer	-	10				10
7	Bill Longley	5	-				5
8	Derek Collin	-	1				1

1st Rick Farrer 11 min 18 sec; 2nd Tom Airey 9 min 44 sec; 3rd Peter Rose 8 min 17 sec; 4th Andrew Fellows 7 min 06 sec; 5th Chris Hague 5 min 28 sec; 6th Barrie Collis 5 min 08 sec.

Our thanks go to our starter for the day, WMAC chairman Ian Pratt. Also to the host club, the Wincanton Falcons, for allowing the use of their flying field.

Remember it is the best four scores, shown in **bold** type, to count. The next round will be on Sunday 3 June at West Winterslow, the new site organised by Peter Rose. Email me if you require directions to the site. Full details available on our website: www.wessexaml.co.uk



Wessex Tomboy 36 the big launch

Photo by courtesy of Rick Churchill

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