

## WESSEX TOMBOY LEAGUE 2013

### *Scores after Round 3 held at West Winterslow on Sunday 2 June 2013 by Chris Hague*

The third round of the 2013 Wessex Tomboy League was held by kind invitation of Peter Rose at his superb West Winterslow flying site. The weather forecast was good and the weathermen were correct - it turned out to be a superb day for flying.

The conditions were so good that everyone qualified easily. Without a spare person to act as starter, Chris Hague volunteered to both fly and do the honors. However, this didn't quite work out as planned, his model escaping into the long grass but not before having a bite at his finger. The start was abandoned for nurse James to practise his first aid.

On the restart, the more dexterous James took over the dual duties of flying and starting and all went well. Chris Hague failed to get his MP Jet running correctly and landed back on the patch in a very short time, assuming this would result in finishing last. Not so! James Collis flew for nearly five minutes, Derek Collin flew for over five minutes and Peter Rose for over nine minutes, but all to no avail as they landed out, all of them missing the mown grass designated landing area. That left James Parry, with a flight of nearly nine minutes the surprised winner, with an even more surprised Chris Hague gaining second place.

#### **Wessex Tomboy 36" span league table**

		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1	Chris Hague	10	10	9			29
2	James Parry	8*	7	10			25
3	James Collis	9	6	2			17
4	Paul Netton	-	9	-			9
5	Ian Pratt	-	8	-			8
6	Derek Collin	1*	1	2			4
7	Peter Rose	-	-	2			2
=8	John Myers	1	-	-			1
=8	John Taylor	1	-	-			1
=8	Dave Ashenden	1	-	-			1

1<sup>st</sup> James Parry 5 min 43 sec; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hague 2 min 1 sec.

Landed out; Peter Rose 9 min 35 sec; Derek Collin 5 min 1 sec;  
James Collis 4 min 40 sec.

\*Scoring error corrected from round 1

There were five entrants in the Wessex Tomboy Senior 48" competition with all five qualifying easily for the fly-off. Entrants have 90 seconds to start and fuel up ready for the mass take-off. During the start up period the fuel tank became loose on Chris Hague's Boddo mills 1.3 and he failed to screw it back in place within the allotted time. This was the second event in a row that Chris had failed to launch his T48. All the other Wessex Tomboy Seniors launched and climbed away cleanly. James Parry suffered from a short engine run and landed safely on the patch after two and a half minutes. Engine supremo Derek Collin was next down on the patch having flown for over six minutes. This left Barrie Collis and Peter Rose, both flying their T48's at a great height, but in different areas of the sky. Eventually Barrie landed safely on the patch. All Peter needed to do was land on the patch to win. But to everyone's amazement, for the second time today, Peter misjudged the wind and landed short of the patch - amid much jeering and merriment I might add! This win gives Barrie a commanding lead in this year's T48 series.

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		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1	Barrie Collis	9	9	10			28
2	Derek Collin	6	7	9			22
3	Peter Rose	7	10	2			19
4	James Parry	1	8	8			17
5	Chris Hague	10	2	2			14
6	Rick Farrer	8	-	-			8

1<sup>st</sup> Barrie Collis 8 min 05 sec; 2<sup>nd</sup> Derek Collin 6 min 25 sec;  
 3<sup>rd</sup> James Parry 2 min 37 sec.  
 Landed out; Peter Rose 4 min 0 sec. DNS; Chris Hague.

Our thanks go to Peter Rose for the invitation to fly at his flying field. Remember it is the best four scores to count. The next round will be on Sunday 21 July at Flamstone Farm, the site of Salisbury MFC.

Anyone interested in taking part in Tomboy events might like to try the 36" version with a new MP Jet Classic 0.6cc diesel costing a mere £50, a Rx., two 6 gram servos, covering material and either a laser short kit at up to £30 or build from one of the plans around. Contact James for details of plans available. You can be fully competitive for about £130 or less if you have any of the bits already. Full details available on our website: [www.wessexaml.co.uk](http://www.wessexaml.co.uk) Email me if you require directions to the site.



West Winterslow Wessex Tomboy entrants



The correct landing area!



Did this tomboy land on the mown grass?