

# WESSEX TOMBOY LEAGUE 2010

## Scores after Round 4 held at Salisbury on Sunday 18 July 2010

The fourth round of the 2010 Wessex Tomboy League was held by kind invitation of the Salisbury MFC. After a week of wet and windy weather the forecast was for an improvement throughout the day. Well, that was correct, but the improvement came too late as by then we had already flown the event in the windy conditions. However, only one Tomboy suffered damage as a result of the wind, all others coping well with the conditions.

A reasonable entry of eight pilots turned up to fly. Six pilots made the Tomboy 36 fly-off, and it turned out to be a widely spaced contest. Derek Collin (Mills .75 with 3cc fuel tank) flying with plenty of verbal help from Bill Longley unfortunately landed out for a zero score. This left Paul Netton (Mills .75 with 3cc fuel tank) a surprised fifth with only an 18 second flight; an improving Barrie Collis (Mills .75 with 3cc fuel tank) was fourth; third with a respectable time was Richard Farrer (Mills .75 with 3cc fuel tank) and this left the two MP Jet powered models with the standard 2cc fuel tank of Chris Hague and Tom Airey. Avoiding drifting downwind was important as a lot of height would be lost returning to the landing patch. In the end Tom won by a more comfortable margin than the times suggest. Congratulations to Tom on his win - this made him the third different winner over the four rounds held so far.

1<sup>st</sup> Tom Airey, 6 min 19 sec; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hague, 6 min 13 sec; 3<sup>rd</sup> Richard Farrer, 5 min 39 sec;  
4<sup>th</sup> Barrie Collis, 2 min 57 sec; 5<sup>th</sup> Paul Netton, 18 sec; Landed out, Derek Collin;  
DNS: James Parry, Bill Longley.

### Wessex Tomboy 36" span league table

		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5			Total
1	Richard Farrer	9	10	8	8				35
2	Paul Netton	10	2	10	6				28
3	Chris Hague	2	2	9	9				22
4	Tom Airey	8	2	-	10				20
5	John Taylor	7	9	-	-				16
6	James Parry	6	8	1	1				16
7	Barrie Collis	-	2	1	7				10
8	Derek Collin	-	1	-	2				3
9	Bill Longley	-	-	-	1				1

The Tomboy Senior fly-off was a straight contest between Tom Airey and Chris Hague, Peter Rose having damaged his Tomboy Senior during qualifying. The event was won by Tom, his 48" span Tomboy achieving a longer, but slower, motor run. This proved an unbeatable combination, with Tom easily managing to stay aloft long enough to beat Chris, both planes and pilots coping well in the strong winds. Congratulations go to Tom who has remained undefeated in both the Wessex and the National Tomboy Senior competitions so far this season. (Who reckons he has a pretty good Mills 1.3 engine?)

1<sup>st</sup> Tom Airey 8 min 0 sec; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hague 7 min 36 sec. DNS: Peter Rose.

### Wessex Tomboy Senior 48" span league table

		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5		Total
1	Chris Hague	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>36</b>
2	Tom Airey	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	-	<b>10</b>			<b>30</b>
3	Peter Rose	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>27</b>
4	Clive Carpenter	-	<b>1</b>	-	-			<b>1</b>
5	Bill Longley	-	-	-	<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>

Remember, it is the best four scores, shown in **bold** type, to count. Our thanks go to our starter for the day, James Parry. Canvassing further opinion amongst the Wessex Tomboy entrants has shown unanimous support for using the MP Jet 040 classic, in unmodified form, as the only engine to use in 2011. If you have an opinion I'm sure he'd appreciate the feedback either way.

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Our thanks to the host club, the Salisbury MFC, to Spike and Andy for all their help throughout the day and for allowing us to share the use of the field with their club members.



Preparing for the Tomboy 36 fly-off: from left to right: Derek Collin, Bill Longley, Paul Netton and James Collis

The next round will be on Sunday 12 September, hosted by the Flying Druids at their Bulford flying site.

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James Parry/Chris Hague