

Thoughts for 2011

It seems to have been a very quiet winter!! probably slept through most of it. Anyway now it is late March and our contest season fast approaches. As usual I'm nowhere near ready so I must get busy over the next couple of weeks, flying new and repaired models, making up lines and mixing fuel etc etc. My hope for the season is that last years increased entries will continue. I also hope and expect to see more new faces. A little bird told me that Vernon Hunt has been busy building and running up his PAW 19TBR and Rothwell 320 motors which are going very well. So here's to the 2011 Vintage Combat season-BRING IT ON!

Congratulations!

To Harry and Gemma who tie the knot in April.

Scampton Contests

As usual the dates for these are never confirmed very far in advance due to RAF restrictions. We are planning for the first one to be on 17th April(not 24th-Easter) I advise all who will definitely go(or just might go) to get their details to Tim Hobbins by 3rd April. If for any reason we can't use 17th April we will then try for 1st May. I will keep you informed as soon as I know myself.

From our Chairman-New Models Idea

I hope that you will all remember that I was attempting to allow the enlarging of existing well known Vintage models so that they would become competitive with our current top designs. My original idea was to allow proportional scaling up of any accepted design until either the span or chord limit was reached. This turned up one or two huge models that would probably have dominated our event in a similar way that the Sequi did in 1997. That idea was scrapped!

However after some serious brain storming a new formula was suggested by the committee. I now propose to allow any model on the current list to be scaled up to the wing area of the Supermonger . That area is 334 sq ins. The 36ins span and 11.5ins root chord rule will still apply.

As a pilot case, Simon Miller has now produced a drawing of the Vernon Hunt Warlord. It is less in the span but more in the chord than a Supermonger . The root chord is identical. Our secretary Mick Lewis has agreed to "knock one up"(???) just to see how it performs. I personally cannot see how it can be any better than our current best of the crop. However, if this proposal is accepted we should now see again some of the famous models that otherwise might be lost forever.

Our one proviso to the proposal is that the new enlarged plans all come from the committee (Or rather Simon! More work Simon). Initially I was thinking , in addition to the Warlord, to allow the following well known designs. Of course if there are others that any of you feel should be included then lets hear from you

Warmonger 3 Hornet Piranha Barbarian

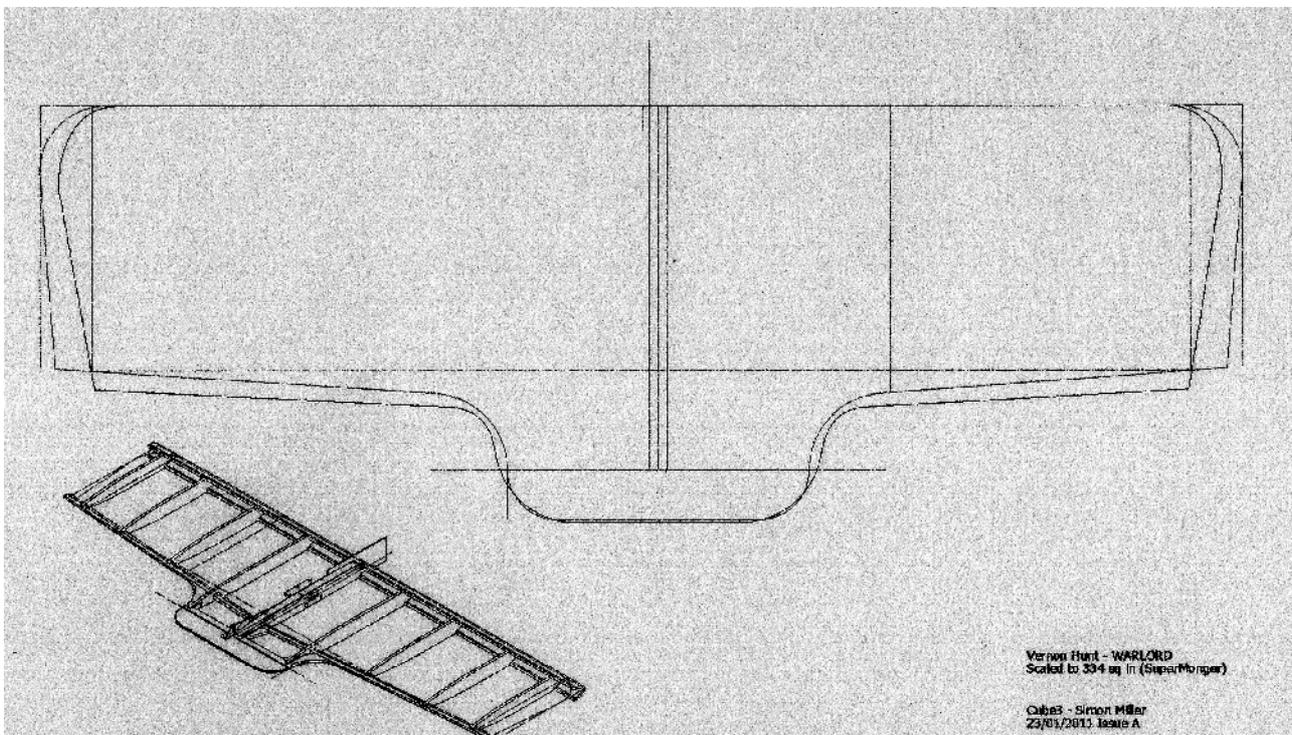
Please contact us with your thoughts.

Richard Evans

CFA Chairman

Note:- A formal proposal will have to be voted on at the Nats AGM

The 'big' Vernon Hunt Warlord superimposed over the Supermonger.

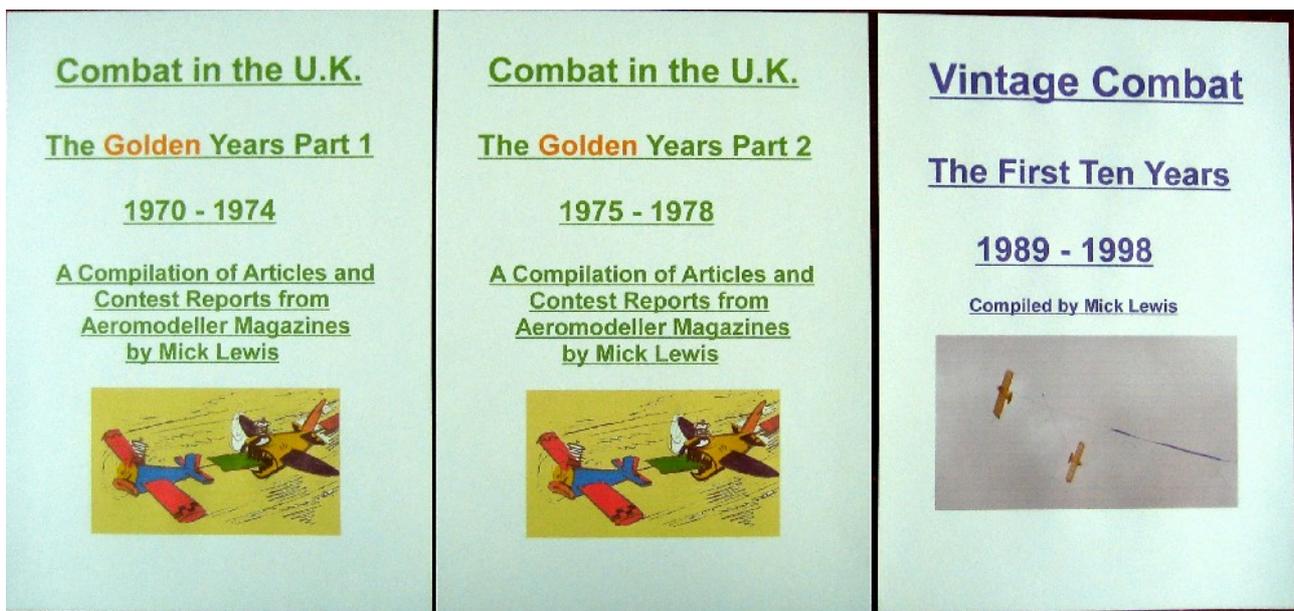


My Winter Project

Just before Christmas I was offered almost all copies of Aeromodeller from 1970 up to the year 2000.

For some time I'd thought about doing combat compilations of articles from these magazines so I have put together the following booklets.

Each year has an articles section and a contest reports section. These are thermal bound.



At the moment the only copies in print belong to Richard Evans. However if anyone else would like copies I can print and bind at £5 each. Please let me know.

Vintage Combat Calendar 2011

April 17th Scampton(provisional)
 May 8th Old Warden(confirmed)
 June 5th Festival of Flight(confirmed)
 June 19th South Bristol(confirmed)
 July 10th Barkston(confirmed)
 Aug7th Scampton(provisional)
 Aug 27-29 Nationals(confirmed)
 Sept 11th Old Warden(confirmed)
 Oct 9th Waterbeach(confirmed)

Mick Lewis (25/03/2011)

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