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Welcome to the latest news from your CFA

This will be the last newsletter before the Nats so a reminder that your entries must reach the BMFA office by 10th August.

EVERY YEAR SOME PEOPLE ONLY INCLUDE ONE SAE WHICH MEANS THE CFA HAVE TO PAY TO SEND OUT YOUR INFORMATION PACK. SO TWO STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPES PLEASE!YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE!

<u>A Reminder</u>

I will be running Oliver Tiger Combat at Old Warden on Sunday 29th July. Why not dust off the Oliver models and get them into shape before the Nats.

Without reasonable support I will have to assume few people want Oliver comps other than the Nats and not continue them for 2013.

Great News! Aeromodeller is back!

Go to www.aero-modeller.com now and cough up your 30 quid for 6 copies over the next 12 months.

Without support from people like us it will go away again for ever so do it now!

Scampton Vintage Combat 15th April 2012

The North Wind do blow and we shall have?

HAIL and temperatures down to a mere 2 degrees. Despite these conditions the flying continued and the competition was completed. Moggs even stuck two fingers up to Mother Nature and wore his shorts!

It was clear from the outset that accurate combat would be impossible and mid-air collisions were going to occur quite regularly.

I am writing this some time after the event so from memory (which gets less good as the years roll by) this is what happened.

In the very first bout Pete Happle had a good win over Stuart Vickers. Stuart was using his trusty plain bearing PAW which was well able to keep up with Pete's Rothwell.

Tim Hobbins, who had aspirations to win his own competition for the very first time, then consigned Mark Harrison to the losers round. Tim was flying a very fast and tight Supermonger.

SECA brigade member Bob Payne then dealt out similar medicine to Mick Lewis. Despite taking the only cut Mick spent a very long time on the ground trying to untangle his lines. Without his reading glasses there was no chance of a quick resolution.

Martin Kiszel against Richard Evans was the last of the first round bouts. After a short burst of early activity there was a serious coming together which completely wrecked Richard's

Supermonger. Richard decided enough was enough and withdrew from the competition. In the losers round experience came to the fore with both Stuart Vickers and Mick Lewis winning against Nick Bridges and Richard Wright respectively. Mark Harrison received a bye into the second round.

Three bouts were needed to bring the numbers down to eight. Richard Herbert was drawn to fly against Steve Malone and a good battle was expected. As it turned out Steve was saving his better equipment for improved weather conditions thus giving Richard quite a large edge which he exploited to take a comfortable victory.

Mike Loughlin's experience shone through against the commendable efforts of Pete Happle who put up a good fight but was just not able to shake Mike off his tail.

Mark Harrison continued his lucky streak when his opponent Martin Kiszel withdrew giving the final quarter final spot to Mark.

Mark eventually won his first bout of the day when he defeated fellow SECA man Bob Payne. So Mark into the semis but who would be joining him?

Tim Hobbins knew his luck was in when Richard Herbert's usually super reliable Rothwell refused to start by the signal to launch. Eventually Richard ran out of the circle and started his own motor but a crucial ground point had been lost. Then to make matters even worse Richard removed his opponents streamer at the string. Knowing he just needed a cut to win Tim kept his speed up by flying wide and nipping in from time to time. This tactic paid off when Tim took the cut and the victory.

In a very close bout Mike Loughlin then lost to Stuart Vickers whose flying even had Richard Evans saying "Stuart is flying out of his skin"

Despite removing all of the streamer early on Mick Lewis was able to defend successfully against Moggs Morris who was kicking himself for letting a golden opportunity of victory elude him. Better luck next time Moggs.

The first semi between Mick Lewis and Tim Hobbins was a rather confused affair when after being grounded Tim came back up and went straight into manoeuvres from his position well out of the centre circle. Eventually Tim managed to get his model under control and combat recommenced. Shortly after which there was a mid air. With no inboard wing Mick conceded the bout and wished Tim well for the final.

Stuart Vickers put in yet another excellent performance to defeat Mark Harrison and go through to face Tim in the final.

The final was good considering the weather conditions and lots of bits of streamer flew around. Many onlookers thought Tim had won but the 'eagle eyed' scorers had seen an extra cut for Stuart which most of us had missed.

So Tim will have to try again to win his own Scampton Vintage Combat competition. No wanting to risk breaking another model Mick conceded third place to Mark. Trophies and prizes were presented and thanks offered to all who helped to make the day the success that it was.

We all then got in our cars, turned the heating up to full, and wended our way home looking forward to better weather for Old Warden in May.



Left to right Stu Vickers (1st) Tim Hobbins (2nd) Mark Harrison (3rd)

Old Warden Vintage Combat 13th May 2012

Mercifully the weather was a great improvement on the Scampton event. The Sun shone but the wind was quite strong, however due to the sheltered nature of the combat area this was not a problem. A couple of the more hardy flyers even stripped down to their shorts! Enough about the weather let's get on to the flying. With an entry of 21 (who said Dominator would kill Vintage?) we would need to keep things moving to finish by 5pm. Two people who have certainly improved this season are Richard Wright and John Leggott and this was aptly demonstrated in the very first bout. The result set the 'lots of cuts' tone for the day with Richard winning by 3 to 2.

A couple of bouts later saw the first 'minor shock' result of the day when Dave Wiseman defeated Richard Evans. This was a case of Richard under estimating his opponent. He chose a very old Squig which fell out of the air upwind. The model sticking in the ground and damaging the outboard tip. With a damaged model and a boat load of ground time against him the result was inevitable. Tim Hobbins continued his good form from Scampton when he easily defeated Pete Happle by 2 cuts to nil.

The bout between Richard Herbert and Mick Lewis was a low scoring affair possibly because both had chosen to fly old 'disposable' models with one eye on later rounds. Mick removed Richard's streamer which called for a calculated line of defence. After both had clocked up 3 ground points Richard needed a cut to force a re-fly. Surprisingly at the final whistle he had not managed it leaving Mick victorious on this occasion.

Highest scoring bout in the losers round was between 'Moggs' Morris and Richard Evans. A great bout to watch as Richard conceded no less than 3 cuts to Moggs but took 4 in reply.

The shock of the day happened in this round when CD Richard Herbert was given the whole of Brian Waters' streamer when not even attacking. (You must teach me this trick please Brian-ML)In reply Brian took no less than 3 cuts to seal victory.

There were some fine bouts to look forward to when the draw for round 2 was made. In the very first bout Richard Evans faced Simon Miller who has been the victor quite often in past meetings. This time however it was not a close one with Richard winning by 3 cuts to 2 and also ahead on ground time.

Sadly Brian Waters was not able to repeat his earlier form and lost out to Nick Bridges by 2 cuts to nil. Nick is flying really well this year as is Frank Marshall who put the skids under Richard Wright by the same score.

Mike Loughlin and Stuart Vickers just seem to attract each other in the draws having met regularly at recent events. This particular meeting resulted in a win for Stuart when at two cuts all a gust of wind caught Mike's model resulting in the loss of ground points.

After a re-fly Steve Malone went on to defeat Mick Lewis by 3 cuts to 2. The deciding cut coming in a mid-air right at the end of the bout. Steve's PAW TBR was generally thought to be the quickest motor on show at 26.xx seconds for 10 laps.

A strange thing happened in the first quarter final between Nick Bridges and Richard Evans. With Richard leading by a cut he for some unexplained reason hit the ground. With both models being yellow Nick thought he was the one on the ground (don't ask!) and removed his wrist strap letting go of the handle at the same time. So the model complete with lines flew over the airfield boundary fence and landed undamaged in the field beyond. Oh yes he was well and truly disqualified!

Stuart Vickers then had an easy victory over Frank Marshall before Mark Harrison did the same by 3 cuts to 1 against National Champion Dave Wiseman.

Steve Malone continued his winning ways against Bob Payne who had previously defeated Tim Hobbins.

To face Stuart Vickers in the first semi final Richard Evans decided that his motor was over revving and fitted a brand new prop. What he forgot was that a new prop requires a different compression setting. The result was that his motor seized and had to be re-set. The loss of ground time cost him the bout as the cut score was even at 1 apiece.

The second semi final never even got airborne as with the countdown at 2 seconds and Steve not expecting it his model was launched. It careered across the circle crashing with more than a little damage. What a way to go out!So it was Mark Harrison through to face Stuart Vickers in the final.

With his best model gone Steve Malone seemed to accept fate as he lost third spot to Richard Evans. A single cut deciding it in Richards favour.

All I can say about the final is that there was a mid-air and Mark came off best and took the spoils (pun intended)

So to sum up the later bouts had not lived up to the expectations set by some first class early round encounters.

Trophies and wine were presented back in the car park and everyone especially organisers SECA were thanked for a great days combat. We then wended our way home happy in the knowledge that we can do it all again next time.

Oliver Tiger Combat at the Free Flight Nats Sunday 3rd June

I'll keep it simple! Left home at 07.00 and arrived Barkston 09.30 ish.

Stood, in the pouring rain, talking to 4 other 'daft bats' who were also there to fly Oliver Combat. Soaked by 12.15 so departed and arrived home by 15.00 in time to see (on TV) lots of other idiots standing in pouring rain on the banks of the Thames in London. They seemed to be watching a couple of really old people out on a boat. I'm told their names were Lizzy and Bruce. Well they say it takes all sorts!

Festival of Flight June 10th 2012

When the weather plays ball there are few better places to fly combat than RAF Barkston Heath. This was one such occasion with warm sunshine and hardly a breath of wind all day. Oh why is it never like this for the Nats? Even with some of the regulars missing,Nick Bridges sailing single handed to the Azores being the most notable,there was a (massive) entry of twenty three. It was great to see Wullie Wallace doon fra Bonnie Scootland and Sion Burns over from Minorca.

The very first bout saw Brian Waters take on Vernon Hunt. At one cut all there was a slight coming together which completely removed Vernon's elevator after which the result was never in doubt.

It was good to see Sam Hobbins flying Vintage again after a long lay-off. He took on Simon Miller in bout two and only went down by a single ground point after flying well. After a tight draw with both flyers registering two cuts it was Mike Loughlin who despatched Martin Kiszel in the resulting re-fly.

Dave Wiseman was on top form as he put the skids under Moggs Morris by four cuts to one but another former Nationals winner Roger Fisher had no such luck against Richard Wright losing a massive eleven ground points to Richard's measly three!

Steve Malone against Pete Happle seemed to be going really well but then at one cut all there was quite a collision. The scorer had simply written 'Ka-Pow' on the sheet so I'll leave it at that except to say that Steve came out of it the best.

Sion Burns flew really well to earn a re-fly against Tim Hobbins the score being two cuts each however Tim won the re-fly in which neither could muster a single cut,ground time being decisive.

Willie Wallace made the most of the extra power of his Rothwell over Mick Tiernan's PAW 19 winning by taking the only cut of the bout.

In the losers round Martin Kiszel and Roger Fisher both made amends for their first round losses but Vernon Hunt was unable to do so against Sam Hobbins losing on ground time after yet another mid-air.

In the eliminator down to the last sixteen Mick Tiernan was back to flying the way we know he can in defeating Brian Waters by three cuts to one. In the other bout Tim Hobbins and Richard Wright decided to toss a coin after a draw (Can't remember why but it had something to do with carnage) Tim called correctly and went through.

There were several good bouts in round two which I will describe here.

Dave Wiseman had a close call against Simon Miller scraping through by a single ground point but Martin Kiszel had more than a little luck when flying Bob Payne who ran up no less than twelve ground points.

A re-run of the semi that never was at Old Warden (see that report) between Steve Malone and Mark Harrison promised much but a line tangle at one cut all resulted in Steve contacting the hard stuff. With Mark still in the air and Steve's pitman entering the circle to reach the downed model disqualification was inevitable!

The bout between Stuart Vickers and Roger Fisher was a real cracker with Stuart shading it by four cuts to three. Roger probably suffering by not having had time to build any new models this year.

Another great bout was that between Tim Hobbins and Richard Herbert. Richard was certainly not on form whereas Tim certainly was with a very good Supermonger and emerged the winner by three cuts to one.

In stark contrast the Sam Hobbins against Mick Tiernan bout was a smashing affair if you know what I mean?Sam went through with less ground time neither flyer registering against the opponents streamer.

In similar fashion Mick Lewis squeezed through against Sion Burns to become the last of the quarter finalists.

Lady Luck was to play a very important roll in the quarter finals.

The very first bout saw Mike Loughlin suffer a split tank against Dave Wiseman and we all know that means 'curtains'

No luck was needed by Stuart Vickers however as he defeated Mark Harrison by two cuts to one neither flyer losing any air time.

The Lady L was there again however in the next bout between Tim Hobbins and Martin Kiszel when Tim's lines parted near the start of the bout. Tim conceded the bout to Martin who was into his first semi final for some time I believe.

The final bout of the round between Sam Hobbins and Mick Lewis got off to a great start with bits of streamer filling the Barkston sky. After less than two minutes the score was three cuts to two in Sam's favour with both flyers having plenty of streamer left to attack. At this point there was a really nasty line tangle which brought the models down. Mick's Supermonger was stuck in the ground on its outboard tip, Sam's was little damaged. More importantly both of Mick's lines were severed near the handle but Sam's were intact. With the loss of a single ground point Sam was soon back in the air whereas Mick's ground time was well over two minutes due in part to him connecting up the spare lines the wrong way round!(at his age he should know better)

The first semi final between Stuart Vickers and Dave Wiseman seemed to the unbiased observer to have been settled in Stuart's favour when Dave appeared to lose a crucial ground point. However the scorers said not and a re-fly was ordered.

If your prop and prop driver flew off in flight causing you to lose a semi final bout would you say Lady L was against you?Well that is exactly what happened to Stuart in the re-fly with Dave. Use a little more torque on your props in future Stuart!

Martin Kiszel won a very scrappy bout against Sam Hobbins to cruise into the final. The scorers comment was 'oops!' and this time Sam lost nine ground points to Martin's two. I don't need to elaborate do I?

Stuart beat Sam for third place and we awaited a final befitting the glorious weather. Both models were Rothwell powered,both were fast and both were tight. In an unspectacular bout Dave became the winner of the Festival of Flight 2012 by two cuts to one.

Wine and trophies were presented, helpers were thanked and we all agreed that on such a day there was little to better flying Vintage Combat.











South Bristol Gala 24th June 2012

Following the beautiful weather that somehow sneaked up on the Blasted Heath for the Festival of Flight the British climate deteriorated to it's normal unpredictable form. This probably contributed to the relatively low entry at the SB Gala as the forecast was pretty poor. However, after a cool and breezy start we were treated to a gradually improving day. By the latter stages of flying the wind had dropped and the intermittent sun was up wind rather than in your face.

For those of you who have never been here (e.g. Tim and Vernon!!) this event is held at an excellent venue with Team Race and Speed events being contested very nearby. A BBQ was held at lunchtime manned by the ladies of the club. This went down well, as did the availability of liquid refreshment at the bar of the social club.

Plaudits for the event have been flying about on the Barton Website this week and Mike Loughlin has said that it is his favourite venue to fly combat.

So, due to the entry of only eleven, the decision was made to fly four rounds and then semis and final depending on the outcome of the initial flights.

Rounds dictate a different attitude to flying as every bout counts. Some of us use lesser models in the first round of a knock out event as even if you lose first time, you can still get back in through the losers round.

Pete Happle adopted the good model approach and used his best Supermonger against Mike Loughlin in round one. Pete lost one point on the ground but scored two cuts to Mikes single string cut. A bout won in the air rather than on the ground.

Mark Harrison went through against John Leggott who spent far too long on the ground, relative newcomer Karl Severne beat Martin Kiszel who although very fast also spent too long down. Two cuts all. Moggs's pit crew got him DQ'd by pitting inside the circle and Richard Evans beat the unpredictable Pete Tribe by just one cut.

Pete lost out again to Mick Lewis in the next round and Pete Happle got his second win in a nil nil bout against Mark Harrison. Mark's Squig was badly damaged half way through and didn't get up again.

Just before his bout against Mike Loughlin, it was decided to speed check Martin Kiszel's model. He had been going VERY quick. Martin certainly seems to have some of the fastest Rothwells. On this occasion doing 26.02 for ten. Legal, but only just! This of course makes us realise that most of us are probably only doing 27/27.5 for ten. This is little different in time but certainly obvious in the air. Those who actually do the magic 26 have motors delivering a lot of extra power. Steve Malone is another who's engines are at this sort of speed. And they are PAWs!

The Mike/Martin bout was famous for a fantastic cross where both models cut the opposition streamer in a huge cloud of confetti. Unfortunately Mike's model still had the knot and Martin went after it big time. Mike did his flat on the ground trick (albeit fully inside the circle) and performed very low extended eights Not to be beaten, Martin chased him closely leaning right out of the circle and after a minute of mayhem took the knot to win and the applause of spectators.

Moggs and Mick then had a two all draw but Moggs had planted his model severely on a couple of occasions. Maybe he wanted to grow it, it was that deep in the ground! Richard Evans flew current league leader Stuart Vickers and after taking two good cuts (Mike L called them opportune, Richard said cavalier!) decided the bout should end there and destroyed Stuart's model. Richard's new Piranha was unmarked....

Into round three and Mike had yet to score a win! Unusual eh? He redeemed himself with a 3-0 win against Moggs who again was attempting gardening! Sorry Moggs!

Rather surprisingly Mick chased Martin very closely for most of the next bout, winning 2-1 with minimal ground time. Surprising because up until now Martin has appeared quite dominant with excellent, light Shoguns. Not this time! Lewis was in control!

Mick's famous Lady Luck character came into play when Richard E flew Mark H. Mark, as always looking for the sublime combat bout, had his model very badly damaged early on after some excellent cut and thrust. He was unable to continue. Richard's Piranha was again hardly marked. Built from Mick Lewis kits, these Piranha's seem bullet proof. (That sounds like chancing fate, I might delete that....)

John Leggott scored a win against the luckless Pete Tribe and Pete Happle had his first loss to Stuart.

Into the last round. With only Mick and Richard with three wins it looked like an Evans Lewis final could be on the cards. Wrong!

Mick blew it when he took all of Mark Harrison's streamer at one go. Mark then responded with two cuts to win. Richard then reverted to Supermonger and easily beat John Leggott who seemed to have lost some of his airspeed.

Mike and Stuart performed an excellent Squig V Yeti final bout. Mike won two one

demonstrating what it's all about. Pete won again against Moggs. Wooden spoon Moggs?

With Richard on four wins and Mick and Pete on three, there needed only one more bout to decide 2nd and 3rd place. With both models and motors on full song, Pete and Mick produced an exciting final bout, Mick winning 2-0. Pete's flying has improved greatly and of course his models are top notch. Well done!

Everyone retired to the car park for the prize giving. The chairman presented second prize to the secretary and third prize to Pete Happle. The secretary presented first prize to the chairman! No one said FIX even though South Bristol MAC took 1st, 2nd and 3rd and they all flew Rothwell R320 powered Supermongers!

There was a great feel to this event. It was very relaxed and congenial. If you weren't there, you missed a good day. Come next time.

Richard Evans CFA Chairman



















Barkston

15th July

Well would you jolly well believe it?After days(and nights)of continuous rain the weather on the day was completely dry if a little windy. The Sun even put in a few appearances usually when it was least needed in the middle of a bout. I'm writing this the following day and the windy rainy stuff is well and truly back!

Entry was never going to reach the dizzy heights of the festival of Flight (23) but a turnout of fifteen was at least respectable. It was nice to see Jeff Sizer paying us a visit and great to know he is soon to join in the fun again.

The very first bout saw a shock defeat for National Champion Dave Wiseman against the much improved Pete Happle. Pete won by clocking up less ground time with neither flyer registering a cut. Next up was Tim Hobbins and Simon Miller. This was a much better bout and very close. Simon edged it this time by a single ground point cuts being equal at one each. Steve Malone was using a very fast and tight PAW powered Squig (not his usual tool) against Moggs who could just not keep up. Three cuts to nil being the outcome. Roger Fisher then had an easy victory over Richard Wright who seemed to hit the ground for fun clocking up a lot of ground time to wipe out the points he got for a cut. Richard Herbert was taking it steady against Frank Marshall and seemed to be cruising when one cut up however a sharp 'jag' on Richard's lines pulled the handle from his grip. The wrist strap should have prevented the model going free flight but sadly it snapped. The only possible decision was disqualification. Bob Payne was then convincingly beaten by Richard Evans who took two cuts without reply. Mick Lewis then made hard work of defeating John Leggott by three cuts to two after a re-fly which saw him hard pushed to prevent John from taking the cut he needed for victory. Stuart Vickers who had a first

round bye was then drawn against a losing flyer. The unlucky guy being Richard Wright who did his best but could not prevent Stuart from taking four cuts.

Dave Wiseman then withdrew from the losers round to concentrate on his F2D involvement which gave Moggs a bye into round two. Richard Herbert followed John Leggot for much of their bout but could only manage a single cut but this was enough to see him safely into round two. Bob Payne also progressed into round two at the expense of Tim Hobbins who had generously agreed to a re-fly after the score was deemed to be incorrect.

It was then necessary to have an elimination round to bring the numbers down to eight. The first bout between Simon Miller and Steve Malone was one of those sad affairs decided entirely by equipment failure. After a terrible line tangle both models were down but Steve's lines had parted. Simon was soon back up but the time it took to change lines meant Steve had no chance of making a fight of it. Such is life (well combat anyway) Frank Marshall was then up against Stuart Vickers. Not long into the bout, with Stuart leading by a cut, Frank's motor cut. Inspection found the venturi securing grub screw on his CT4 had gone AWOL. No chance of finding that in the Barkston grass!

Richard Evans certainly seemed to be on top form when he comprehensibly defeated Moggs by three cuts to nil to conclude the elimination round. You'll sort him out next time Moggs!

The first quarter final saw Bob Payne flying 'out of his skin' to defeat league leader Stuart Vickers by two cuts to one. Bob had more ground time but went through into the semi finals by the narrowest of margins. It then took Richard Herbert two goes against Pete Happle before he was able to join his SECA team mate.

By far the best quarter final bout was between Richard Evans and Roger Fisher. Attack and counter attack left the flyers thinking Richard had won by three cuts to two. But Roger noticed that the score boards read two cuts all and pointed this out to Richard. As Roger still had lots of streamer left Richard went back on the attack for another cut. Well you may be able to guess what happened next?Yup that's right a mid-air left Richard's elevator dangling on the end of the push rod. Game over for Richard as Roger was soon back in the air to claim victory. Our esteemed Chairman was not a happy bunny!

The last of the quarter finals was a comedy of errors. Mick Lewis and Simon Miller were uncertain if combat had commenced. Mick saw Simon take a cut after which the signal for combat was certainly given. Not knowing if Simon's cut would count Mick went on the attack and evened the score. All of this became merely academic as on hitting the ground Simon lost his elevator and he gracefully retired.

The first semi final was not an inspiring bout by any stretch of the imagination. Bob Payne's model was proving difficult to handle but Richard Herbert made hard work of his victory.

The second in contrast was much better (even though I lost) Mick Lewis took two cuts but left nothing on Rogers model whereas Roger's two cuts left the knot to go for. Mick was totally unaware that Roger had two cuts (must look at the scoreboard in future)and thought Roger could only equalise. As the bout went on a re-fly seemed the likely outcome but using all his cunning Roger got the cut he needed for victory during a line tangle. Mick wanted to fly Bob but Bob declined handing third place to Mick without a shot being fired.

And so to the final. These often tend to be 'damp squibs' but not this time. Roger was still flying his trusty (old) PAW powered Anduril but Richard had a Rothwell powered 'state of the art' Piranha XL. On paper this looked a bit one sided. Well it certainly was not the case as each flyer went continually into the attack. Not only were bits of streamer flying everywhere but bits of model were as well. When all the bits of streamer finally floated to earth the result showing on the scoreboards was no less than five cuts to three in Richard's favour. Possibly the best Vintage final ever? (unless you know differently of

course)

Yes after a poor season so far Richard Herbert is back on the winners rostrum. In this form we had better watch out for him at the Nats!







So you don't like the rules? Then propose changes

Perhaps you think anyone named Richard should be made to fly blindfolded or that streamers should be made of toilet rolls? If so then this is what you do.....

If you have flown in at least TWO CFA recognised comps between last years Nats and this years Nats (inclusive) you are eligible to propose and vote on rule changes at the AGM (held Sunday at the Nats)

Send proposals to me at 40 Upthorpe, DURSLEY, Glos., GL11 5HR or email them to me at mick@combatflyers.co.uk.

They must be seconded by another eligible flyer and reach me by 31st July.

<u>One Rule</u> <u>A Reminder</u> (Don't get caught out!)

The name and year must be obvious on the top surface of all models!

Still available!

From Richard Evans vickyrich@btinternet.com

Available <u>to order</u> are CFA royal blue hoodies and sweat shirts. There are also Oliver Tiger and Dominator T shirts in stock(most sizes) Collect from him at the Nats

From Mick Lewis mick@combatflyers.co.uk

1000 ft of 15 thou stainless 7 strand. This is minimum 42 lbs breaking strain not the 30 lb stuff for sale on ebay at the moment. I have 4 reels left but can order more. \pounds 40 a reel (+postage if required)

Leading edges solid and hollow at £4 each.

I can also get the following to order.All of these are at cost price!

Laser cut Piranha XL part kit at £14

Laser cut Supermonger part kit at £14

Laser cut Anduril (not Banana) part kit at £12

Laser cut Ironmonger part kit at £12

Laser cut Squig part kit at £10

Below is the Ironmonger built from the kit by its designer Richard Evans.

I'm in no way pushing these as they were all done for myself (and they are not profit making) but they do cut building time down a lot.

Contact me if interested at mick@combatflyers.co.uk



Message from the CFA Committee

It has been noted that a few people are taking artistic licence with the outline of our Vintage models. Simply put, they are straying from the original planform. Please ensure that your model is legal. The shape of the trailing edge extension on the Shogun seems to be the main offender. You can of course change the shape of wing tips as long as it does not increase the overall area or decrease the span.