# EuroFOX Newsletter



# **Welcome to Edition Number 14, July 2014**

#### First EuroFOX flyin — a great success

Here we are again, time for another newsletter and update on all things EuroFOX. Well summer is here, plenty of great weather to enjoy flying or building...Our first annual BBQ flyin for "EuroFOX and friends" took place over the weekend of 14/15 June at our base at Oaksey Park.

Many thanks to all those who took the trouble and time to fly into Oaksey for this event. The weather was generally good, and every aircraft that could make it did (all the working tugs were not allowed off



duty). A couple could not get airborne due to low mist and cloud, but we had 13 EuroFOX's, 9 "others" and a helicopter, so an excellent turnout. We also had other EuroFOX builders and owners not yet with a flying EuroFOX arrive by car to support the event, and we are grateful for all your efforts.

The best landing prize (bottle of Port) was awarded to Pete Gregory in his tail dragger, next year we'll have a prize for the best tail and best nose wheel landing so as not to discriminate. There were 6 aircraft that stayed the night, having a curry at the local golf club. We raised over £200

for the local church and this keeps our relationship with the village strong. We will hold the event again next year and those that came who are building or due to receive their aircraft shortly can enjoy the flying in 2015. I am sure we will get the blue, yellow and other coloured ones at next years flyin....

#### Jim Taylor G-CHID

It is with great sadness that we have to report the sad and untimely death of Jim Taylor following a short period of illness. Jim always wanted a EuroFOX, and when we started with the agency in 2011, Jim was the first microlighter to come and sign on the dotted line. Jim had built many other aircraft in his time and he had said to us that the EuroFOX was the finest thing he ever owned. We know Jim enjoyed his time building and flying G CHID, he was a genuine guy and will be missed by many people. G CHID has now been purchased by Tony Scott and Peter David who operate out of Broad Meadow.

Can you help— For the LAA Rally we will have a double size outside stand. This is to display our new 2014 aircraft (EuroFOX nose wheel 912iS, and the 914 Turbo tail dragger). Whilst these are terrific aircraft, they have the different new style cowlings that suit these engine choices. We would like to ask any owners if they would be prepared to display their aircraft on our stand, even if its just for one of the 3 days. We'll lock the doors so no one can get in and mess with your pride and joy, tail dragger, nose wheel, LAA or BMAA, we'd be pleased to have any owner's aircraft on the stand (free tickets if you do).

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## Who's received, finished or flying?

The Lakes GC EuroFOX tug, the syndicate based at Kirton Linsey and Dorset GC have all received their aircraft kits since the last newsletter. Next on the program are the 912iS aircraft of John Barrott, Richard Evans and John Down along with the microlight of Paul Walton.

Dave Thorpe and Ken, and Portmoak GC are ready for their flight test schedule to be flown and completed so as to obtain the full permit. We hope we can see your first flight photos soon. Pete Crawley is getting very



close to finishing. The Borders GC, Pete Stevens and Colin White's (above) all flew for the first time in June, flight schedules are now complete. Well done Colin, Pete and the Millfield team.

### Inspector and flight testing help—new EuroFOX resources

Maintain or first fly your aircraft with dedicated EuroFOX experts. LAA— First or annual Inspections. Adrian Lloyd and now Dave Fairbrass is also an LAA inspector and fluent on EuroFOXs. LAA—first flights and flight schedules Adrian Lloyd, Roger Cornwell. BMAA—first or annual inspections—Adrian Lloyd and now Steve Williams. First flights—Adrian Lloyd. Annual check flights Adrian Lloyd, Roger Cornwell or Steve Williams. In some cases the LAA will allow owners to do the first flights, and the BMAA have a short list of other possible first flight pilots. Contact us for full details.

**Seconds...** We have been delighted to receive new orders from existing customers for their second EuroFOX. Sutton Bank in Yorkshire are so pleased with their EuroFOX G MOYR tug, both in terms of performance and cost reduction, that they have placed a deposit on a second aircraft for their fleet. Time will tell which variant they will decide on as the 912iS and 914 Turbo are set to travel the country offering demonstrations as required. Dave Fairbrass has also ordered a second aircraft, a tail dragger this time so he can have some "hooligan fun". He will be selling his lovely nose wheel in early 2015.

### First EuroFOX 914 Turbo



Our first Rotax 914 Turbo EuroFOX build is well underway in the

UK. The Aeropro factory supplied the usual kit and we will install the engine in line with our experience and UK requirements. Thereafter, this will be the "standard" installation for subsequent EuroFOX customers in the UK, or elsewhere in the world. We are seeking advice and help from EuroFOX owner Dave Fairbrass, who has many years experience working with and on the 914 via his servicing and inspection work on much of the UK Gyro fleet. Thanks Dave.

Please send any contributions or suggestions to Roger Cornwell or Adrian Lloyd, many thanks.