



Risk assessment

Club Name: BFMC

Assessment carried out by: Club Safety Officer

Date of next review: 01/07/24

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1.Public entering flying zone.	General public, possible impact by model	Warning signs at perimeter of club.	Request club members pro-actively advise approaching members of public to avoid flying zone. Strim around existing perimeter signs	Club officials and general membership	Ongoing	



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2.Impact by model into pits or flight line	Club members	Safety barrier around pilot box. Club safety rules state policy of restraining models and pointing models away from pits.	Reinforce policy with regular safety bulletins and apply notices to Club Tower wall and in tower entrance area.	Club Safety Officer to produce notices for endorsement and promotion by club officials.	Ongoing	
3.Model impact with vehicles	General public, adjacent commercial units and their visitors, club members	Safety bulletin issued previously	Warning signs at perimeter of club, particularly 'Omex Corner'.	Club officials	Ongoing	



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4.Loss of model control resulting in injury to persons or damage to property	General public, adjacent commercial units, club members	Safety bulletins, promotion of use of Failsafe. Coaching of individuals to fly models within their capabilities	Ensure members follow safety guidance. Raise profile of safety by issuing regular safety bulletins/ comments within committee meeting minutes.	Club Safety Officer to produce bulletins subject to approval of club officials and distribution to general membership.	As appropriate following committee meetings	
5.Loss of model control due to pilot error	General public, adjacent commercial units, club members	Safety bulletins, coaching of individuals to fly models within their capabilities. Structured scheme of student pilot instruction.	Promote BMFA achievement scheme to improve flying standards. Lead by example with good flying habits	Club officials to promote policy to general membership	Ongoing	



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6.Loss of model control due to model or radio failure	General public, adjacent commercial units, club members	Safety bulletins, promoting of use of Failsafe.	Encourage adherence to S.W.E.E.T.S, pre-flight checks, and Safety Codes per BMFA handbook.	Club officials to promote policy to general membership	Ongoing	
7.Fly away models	General public, adjacent commercial units, club members	Promoting use of failsafe. Encouraging new pilots not to fly too far away	Safety bulletins	Club officials to promote policy to general membership	Ongoing	



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8. Low Flying Full Sized Aircraft	Manned aircraft occupants	Club rule No.3 requires increased vigilance from club members.	Review need for NOTAM	Committee	Ongoing.	