



May 2006

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

**Monday May 29th
8pm Shannon Golf Club.**

*A meeting regarding the **Schluter Cup** will take place at 7:30pm - before the main meeting.*

SMFC Events:

FUNFLY **Sunday 11th June** **12:30 pm**

*The first funfly of the season is slated for June 11th.
Following on the success of last seasons events this promises to be another enjoyable competition.*

Prizes, etc. on the day for the various events.

MACI Events:

*Please check
<http://www.maci.ie>
for latest details.*

MAY:

- 21 **Bring and Buy Fun-Fly 2006**
Midlands MFC David McIntyre (087-2886585)
- 27 & 28 **Tipperary Aerobatics Competition**
Tipperary Gordon James (Mobile 086-8269840)
- 27& 28 **Scale Fly-In**
Curragh Melvyn Inwood (045-433050)

JUNE:

- 10 & 11 **Leinster Scale Championships**
Laois MAC Flying Field. Des Pearson (057-8647522)
- 17 & 18 **Leinster "F3A" Aerobatic Championships**
Laois MAC Flying Field. Des Pearson (057-8647522)
- 18 **Helicopter Fly-In**
SRFC Flying Site, Calary. Garry Keogh (01-2810816)
- 24 **Ulster Control Line Championships**
Tommy Patton Park, Belfast. John Molloy (01-2854810)

JULY:

- 2 **Wicklow Scale Championships**
Shankill RFC, Calary. Garry Keogh (01-2810816)
- 8 & 9 **South Leinster Aerobatic Championships**
Model County Flying Field, Co. Wexford. Brian Carolan (045-39636)
- 15 & 16 **Scale Gala**
Newbridge, Co. Kildare. Melvyn Inwood (045-433050)
- 15 & 16 **R/C Glider Irish National Championships**
Co Clare. Ralph McCarthy (087-8322791)
- 30 **Scale Fly-In**
Model County Flying Field, Co. Wexford. Paul Fitzgerald (0402-32906)

Indoor Flying:

Indoor flying is now finished for the duration of the summer months. It is anticipated that indoor flying will recommence in the Autumn.

A special word of thanks goes to Leslie Cowpar who continues to put in considerable effort to make the hall available - *Thanks Leslie.*

Thursday Evening Flying:

It is hoped to get Evening Flying under way for the Summer. The first scheduled evening took place on Thursday May 11th.

With family days, etc. becoming more prevalent on weekends over the Summer, Thursday Evening flying should provide a good opportunity for members to get their *fix* - please make mental note.

Helicopter Competition:

The inaugural **MACI Helicopter Challenge Trophy** was held at the Midland Model Flying Club on Saturday 6th May.

SMFC was ably represented by William Gaule and Liam Broderick.

Both pilots finished well in the *Sportsman* class with Liam finishing 2nd Overall. Well done both.

Tipperary F3A Competition:

Please note that the Tipperary F3A Aerobatics competition is scheduled for Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th May.

As with most competitions a helping hand on the day is most appreciated.

Furthermore, it is not strictly necessary to be active in the particular discipline to provide some assistance, as plenty of guidance is on hand.

Any members that are in a position to give some time should endeavour to do so. Please contact Leslie Cowpar for further details.

Summer Gliding:

Summer Gliding is now under way.

Flying takes place on Tountinna on every second Wednesday starting May 17th.

As May dates are very weather dependant please check before travelling.

Please refer to the website (<http://www.smfc.org>) for full details.

Spring Control Line Event:

The Spring control line event took place on Saturday 1st April as scheduled. A strong turnout of the usual-suspects saw some ten control line flyers participate on the day.

Refreshments, etc. were provided by William Wallace (*excluding Mrs. McCarthy's cake!*). The weather was relatively benign and a good days flying was had by all.



**Phillip Hickey's
very well finished
P17 Stearman**
(Great Planes)



**Richard Fox's
64" Magister Trainer.**
All Electric - with flaps.
(Multiplex)