

R/C Sec Report 2017/18

VPD had a schedule of 14 events over the year, including 4 decentralised evening events over the summer months

A few were lost due to inclement weather or below minimum entry, 12 competitors recorded scores, best 6 events counted.

Final result and winner of the Tasma Trophy for 2017 was Wesley Denton, runner up being Bill Longley with Ian Lever and John Taylor tying for 3rd place

Triple 5 minute max performances are now being achieved often . Climb heights regularly being upto 900 feet in all classes. This lead to discussion regarding possible reduction in motor runs, but consensus was not unanimous, so we stay with status quo.

A novelty of All Up Last Down, A.U.L.D. was tried and was shown to be so good, it was immediately flown again, everybody launching at the same instant in the same air was exhilarating both for the flyers and the spectators.

An A.U.L.D. cup has been obtained and is passed on to the winner at each event, this taking place after the VPD rounds have been flown.

For 2018 there is a possible schedule of 15 events, similar to last year with 4 decentralised summer evening events.

Included are 4 events at Buckminster and 4 events at Middle Wallop.

We have to thank David Lovegrove for all the work he did last year to obtain the latter venue, I on behalf of SAM, have merely followed in his footsteps.

Middle Wallop is the best venue here in the South , with adjacent grass and tarmac take off strips (sadly F / F is not allowed), but please note for C/L there is also room to run several concurrent circles , near by the R / C crowd.

The first Middle Wallop event in late March was comparatively well attended, 23 people signed on with 6 C/L . Notification was short notice as I only obtained the license some 10 days previous

Wesley Denton has continued to run the single channel and Precision events whenever there were sufficient competitors and the weather was suitable.

Bill Longley