# COWPAT HILL



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# **PRIVATE SKY**

#### — COWPAT EDITORIAL ———

#### If INPUT Then OUTPUT

This new section (with apologies to PRIVATE EYE) was suggested by the odd (and I mean ODD) members as a voice within COWPAT. So, as the Editor Thingie Person I just have to say ...."where is all this copy you were all going to write?". COWPAT exist therefore it am! Only if YOU the readers and fliers out there give an INPUT can COWPAT give an OUTPUT!

## KITE Harmony At BARBURY

Just a thought, but the BARBURY SITE now attracts large numbers of kite fliers, if possible could perhaps the stunt fliers stay on one side of the site, and the single line fliers on the other? that way we can fly kites and be in harmony with the walkers etc that also use the site.

# W.H.K.F? They Do It In The Wind

#### A Worm Turns!

David (Snowflake) Robinson has made a worm! This is a hundred feet from end to end with a mouth about 15 inches round and is multi-coloured. To sew the tube down the side, took Dave and Janet over an hour of non-stop sewing! Made of Ripstop this tube will fly on one of Martin (BOY is that a big one) Croxton's many large kites. When in the sky this long tube can be seen moving through the air just like a snake (or worm), nice one Dave!

### W.H.K.F. At Northampton

Sunday 27th June saw the mad White Horse Fliers at Northampton's Race Course Park. Along with other kite groups from over the Midlands we were invited to fly at the show. Vic brought his Mega Strad 9 and this gave an early indication of a no win(d) situation. Although Martin did get the 9 up the wind was not strong enough to hold its weight. Some Deltas did get up on the odd thermal and those small Indian fighter kites did quit well, still a good day out anyway.

#### W.H.K.F. Workshop At Swindon

Monday 28th June brought slightly more wind than the day before but still not enough to give the billed first display shown in the programme at the Polo ground Swindon. Ron, Neil, Richard and assorted offspring spent the day in the workshop producing simple(!) Sled kites. At about 3.30 we did the second display at the show with our Neil using what one person suspected was an ice cream cone, although actually it was his radio microphone. Neil told the large crowd (well 2 or 3 people anyway) about the history of kites in this country while the rest of us went round the field like demented Lemmings in the light wind trying to show the kite he was talking about (not my fault if I got the Ram-Air up when it should have been the Sled!). Several people asked about the kites. Later we did a impromptu Teddy drop from Ron's Roller. By the end of the day the Polo ground was full of Sled kites, Neil has estimated that we had made about a hundred kites. Well done to Ron Gunter and Neil Harvey for the workshop.

#### SWINDON - An Own Goal

Well thats it then, Dave and Janet Robinson were at Wembley on Bank Holiday Monday to watch Swindon do the trick and get into the First Division (I under stand it was to do with a football match?) Didn't see a Red and White Kite flying Dave! Own goal?

# THE WHO DID WHAT BIT

Your Editor - Richard Everett.

The Publisher is - Ron Gunter.

Along with the combined WIND and EFFORT of:

Neil (where's the commode) Harvey,

Doug (did that take a picture then?) Jones,

Vic (lets go for a Ted drop) Walker,

Martin (how high DID you want it?) Croxton,

and of course...

Ol' David (Snowflake) Robinson,

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Remember, when out flying your kites, look up and give them a SMILE... They get lonely up there!