

Kent Interclub Competition dates - 2025

| Date | KI Event & location (+other local competitions) | Organising Club | C D | Gs & Backup | Notes and Other Events |
|------------|---|-------------------|-----------|--------------|--|
| March 30 | | | | | <i>Mother's Day</i> |
| April 5 | Free-4-All 1 at Invicta | Invicta | KF | N/A | SATURDAY COMP |
| April 13 | Electric 1- F5J at Gravesend | Bloobirds | BR | RH/TL | SATURDAY COMP |
| April 20 | | | | | Easter Sunday |
| April 26 | Glider 1 at Invicta | Invicta | RH | RH/TL | SATURDAY COMP |
| May 4 | <i>Reserve Electric/Glider 1</i> | | | | <i>Bank Holiday 5th May</i> |
| May 10/11 | (F5J at Horsham) | | | | |
| May 17/18 | Bickley Glider Event* Free-4-All on Sat & Sunday | Bickley/Bromley | BR | N/A | |
| May 25 | Fun Fly- Month 1 | | | | <i>Holiday 26th May (Radioglide)</i> |
| May 31/1 | Glider 2 at Sittingbourne | SADMAC | LT | IN/TL | |
| Jun 7/8 | | | | | <i>Bromley/Bickley scale day</i> |
| Jun 14/15 | (F5J Tonbridge) | | | | <i>Father's Day</i> |
| Jun 21/22 | | | | | |
| Jun 28/29 | (Interglide) | | | | |
| July 6 | Bickley FunFly (Open to KIC) Fun Fly Month 2 | Bickley | BR | N/A | Ashford Scale Day (Open to KIC) <i>Loire F5J</i> |
| July 12/13 | Glider 3 at Tonbridge | Tonbridge | BH | NJ/TL | |
| July 20 | | | | | |
| July 26/27 | Electric 2 F5J at Invicta | Canterbury | NJ | IN/RH | |
| Aug 3 | Glider 4 at Sittingbourne | SADMAC | TL | RH/NJ | |
| Aug 9 | Free-4-All at Invicta | Invicta | | N/A | SATURDAY COMP |
| Aug 16 | Free-4-All 4 at Sittingbourne | Ashford | DT | N/A | <i>Manston Air Show</i> |
| Aug 24 | | | | | <i>Bank Holiday BMFA Nats</i> |
| Aug 31 | | | | | <i>Southern Model Show</i> |
| Sept 6/7 | Kent Cup at Gravesend | Bickley/Bromley | BR | NJ/RH | Ashford Scale Day (Open to KIC) |
| Sept 14 | | | | | |
| Sept 20/21 | (F5J Tonbridge) | | | | |
| Sept 27/28 | | | | | |
| Oct 4/5 | (F5J Towner Trophy) | Tonbridge | | | Likely to be earlier date |
| Oct 12 | | | | | |
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Note1: Glider events will be run to Multi-Launch rules. Electric events will be F5J competitions

Note2. Saturday/Sunday events: The preferred day is the Sunday, but nif the weather forecast is bad and the Saturday looks better, then the comp will be on the Saturday. Decision made on the Thursday before.

Organisers, Contest Directors (CD) & Gliderscore (Gs) Coordinators. BH=Bob Hope DP=Derek Price NJ=Nick Jackson IN=Ian Nicholls TL=Terry Letchford KF=Keith Fisher RH=Richard Harris BR=Bob Ryan DA= David Ashby

Version: 2025 Issue6: Ashford Scale days added – open to KIC members. F4A now at Invicta on 9 Aug, Electric 2 moved to 26/7 July

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Kent Interclub Competitions Explained

Kent Interclub has now been running for 50 years. We are a group of Kentish clubs (or maybe clubs of Kent?) that get together for silent-flight competitions throughout the year.

The attached Contest Calendar for 2025 includes a varied range of competitions and events around the county.

The competitions are free to enter for clubs who subscribe to Kent Interclub. We do however welcome entries from non-KIC flyers and make a small charge on the day.

In squeezing all the events onto a single page calendar, the events have been somewhat coded – we know what we mean but it is a barrier. To help with some understanding, I have included a brief description of our main events.

Multi-Launch competitions (Glider 1 – 4 & Kent Cup)

These competitions were originally pure glider competitions and when electric powered gliders became more common, the format evolved to be more inclusive Multi-launch events.

In essence flights are organized into 4 or 5 rounds. Each round comprises a number of groups of around 5 flyers competing against each other in a 10-minute period with variable points for landings. Launching is by winch for the gliders or electric power – the launch height is set for 175m to give a level playing field.

We fly 5 Multi-launch events throughout the year which attracts a wide range of gliders and electric models. You do not need expensive moulded models to compete, we have foamie models, built-up models including 100s as well as a range of moulded models all competing together.

As the contest is primarily a relaxed club-team event, you will find help and support to guide you to get the best out of your model.

Electric Competitions F5J

These are flown to F5J rules – the only real difference to the multi-launch rules is the launch height. For F5J, there is no set launch height as such: The higher you launch, the more penalty points you get. So, if you sense there is good low-down lift, you can switch the motor off and thermal away and lower penalty point gives you an advantage.

Model formats – again, we see the same mix of moulded, built-up and foamie electric models.

2m Free-4-All Competitions

This is a “for fun” challenge with the aim of expanding interest in silent flight and to help pilots improve their thermal soaring skills.

Format is aimed at 2m model class for all built-up and foamie models. However, if your model is a bit bigger than 2m, we may be able to work something out

This is a very relaxed way to spend 4 hours. There are no specific timed slots. When you feel the conditions are right, off you go and try to fly for 6 minutes and then land in a large landing area.

Entries to the competitions is via posts on this forum. If you are interested, come and join us.