

The 38th Annual International Icicle Balloon Meet
9th & 10th January 2010.

The Meet will take place on the 9th & 10th January 2010 at Warren Farm, Savernake Forest, Marlborough, Wilts (Map 174/246653). The Meet is informal, un-sponsored and open to all balloonists. As usual we will be running a farmers draw and will be looking for a donation of £20 in cash or kind, per balloon at the first briefing, or £15 in advance (see our pre-booking "Save a Fiver" offer). This covers the cost of the draw and other expenses.

BRIEFING : Briefings will be at 0800 each day at the farm. There will be a Meet Safety Officer and several pink jacketed launch masters to assist him to ensure all take offs occur in an orderly manner. There will be NO external pressure to fly, either competitive or commercial. Our criteria for flying will be as in previous years, for fun and safety.

INSURANCE : All balloon owners/operators must declare in writing that they carry third party insurance to comply with the 2005 EU directive. You will also be required to provide the name and address of your insurers. This can either be done at the briefing or in advance on the pre-booking form which will appear in the Pilots Circular.

AIRSPACE : A NOTAM will be published and a briefing given. Ensure you have Lyneham CTR, Aldermaston, Burghfield, Harwell and the Salisbury Plain danger area to the south marked on your maps.

MET : The Met briefing will be given by John Crawford.

NFU : Please ensure you have all the current sensitive areas for our vicinity as published with the Pilots Circular, on your maps. Master maps will be on display all weekend at the farm. The local LRO for Map 174 is James Dobson jdobson@jdobson.ads124.co.uk or 01491 872063; for Map 164 is Brian Godding b.godding@ntlworld.com and for Map 175 is Jenni D'Alton daltons@globalnet.co.uk or 01635 200147.

SITE : The same as last year - Warren Farm, Savernake Forest, Marlborough, Wilts. The launch field will be sign posted.

MAPS : Bring your own ¼ or ½ mil ATC maps. Essential OS maps of the area are 173, 174, 184 and 185. Don't forget to check the Master OS Map on the site for up to date Sensitive Areas.

PROPANE : This will be available on site on Saturday and Sunday. Cash or cheque on delivery. Price will be notified at the briefing.

TASKS & SCORES : Being contrived - details at briefing.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS : Pilots are reminded of their obligation in respect of the validity of licences (including current medicals), carriage of maps and compliance with the ANO etc. A certificate of airworthiness is now mandatory for all flights (not inflations) no matter how short, unless you have an Annexe II balloon.

CAR PARKING : Only vehicles with balloons requiring fuel will be admitted to the farm yard. All other vehicles please use the car park near the launch field. The local Rotary Club will be collecting £2 per car at the car park. BBAC or BBAC Region membership cards produced at the car park will ensure free entry.

PRIZES : Any returnable prizes i.e. Chequers Trophy, Veuve Cliquot Cup, Gemini Trophy, Marsh Benham Trophy, Aim High Trophy, Norman Betts and the Newbury Building Society Trophy are to be returned to Mike Drye at or by Saturdays briefing.

SNACKS : There will be a snack bar on site as usual.

SOCIAL : The Trade Stands/Social will be held at the Elcot Park Hotel just north of the A4 between Newbury and Hungerford. Please contact Celia Kunert by e-mail : celia@kunert.plus.com or on 01189 730454 with your trade stand requirements. A dinner will be held on the Saturday evening with a guest speaker, price £24.50 for three courses. Tickets are available in advance only, from Celia Kunert – 25 Chivers Drive, Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 4EW. Please make cheques payable to “Dante Balloon Group”.

ACCOMMODATION : Our base hotel, the Elcot Park are offering a special package for the weekend of £36.50 per person per night, B&B sharing a twin or double room or £46.50 per person per night in a single room. **To make your booking, please contact the hotel direct on 0844 8159060 between 8am & 5pm, Monday to Friday.**

When arriving at the flying site please follow the signs to the car park and briefing. Do not park on the road or grass verge.

Meet Organiser : Mike Drye of the Dante Balloon Group, 4 Florence Cottages, Winkfield, Berks SL4 4QY

SAVE A FIVER
BOOK IN EARLY FOR ICICLE 2010 – 9th & 10th JANUARY.

To save a fiver, book in advance for Icicle 2010. Send your balloon details on the registration form to :
Celia Kunert - 25 Chivers Drive, Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 4EW.
Pre-book in advance at £15 per balloon or on the day at £20.
Please make cheques payable to "Dante Balloon Group".

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE ICICLE MEET, JANUARY 2010.

Pilot's Name PPL/CPLNbr.....
Group/Owner/Sponsor.....
Home Address.....
Balloon Registration Make/Model Balloon Name
Name & Address of Insurance Co

1. I certify that the above balloon has a current insurance policy with Third Party cover to comply with the 2005 EU directive.
2. I agree to indemnify the Organisers of the Meet and the Landowner against any claims made against them as a result of the operation of the above balloon during the Meet.
3. I understand that all inflation, flying and other activity during operation of the balloon during the Meet is subject to the permission of the Meet Organisers through the Safety Officers appointed by them. I accept their authority on all operational matters during the Meet.
4. If you have obtained your licence within the last year, please give the date so that we can consider you for our Newest Pilot at Icicle prize.

Signed on behalf of Owner/OperatorDate.....

On the Saturday evening there will be a dinner at the Elcot Hotel. The price is £24.50 per person for this three course meal. Tickets are available from Celia Kunert (as above - cheques payable to "The Dante Balloon Group"). There will be a seating plan so please let me know if you want to sit on the same table as someone else who is buying tickets.

Please reserve tickets for the Icicle Balloon Meet Dinner.

I enclose a cheque for £.....

Address to which tickets are to be sent if different from above :-

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