

A 1098mm wingspan fully aerobatic, scale bi-plane  
for four function R/C & 0.40 cu.in. motors.

All wood is balsa unless otherwise stated

Cowling is cut down from suitable aluminium teapot or saucepan with pressed blisters. Alternatively make from glass fibre & epoxy resin over a foam master

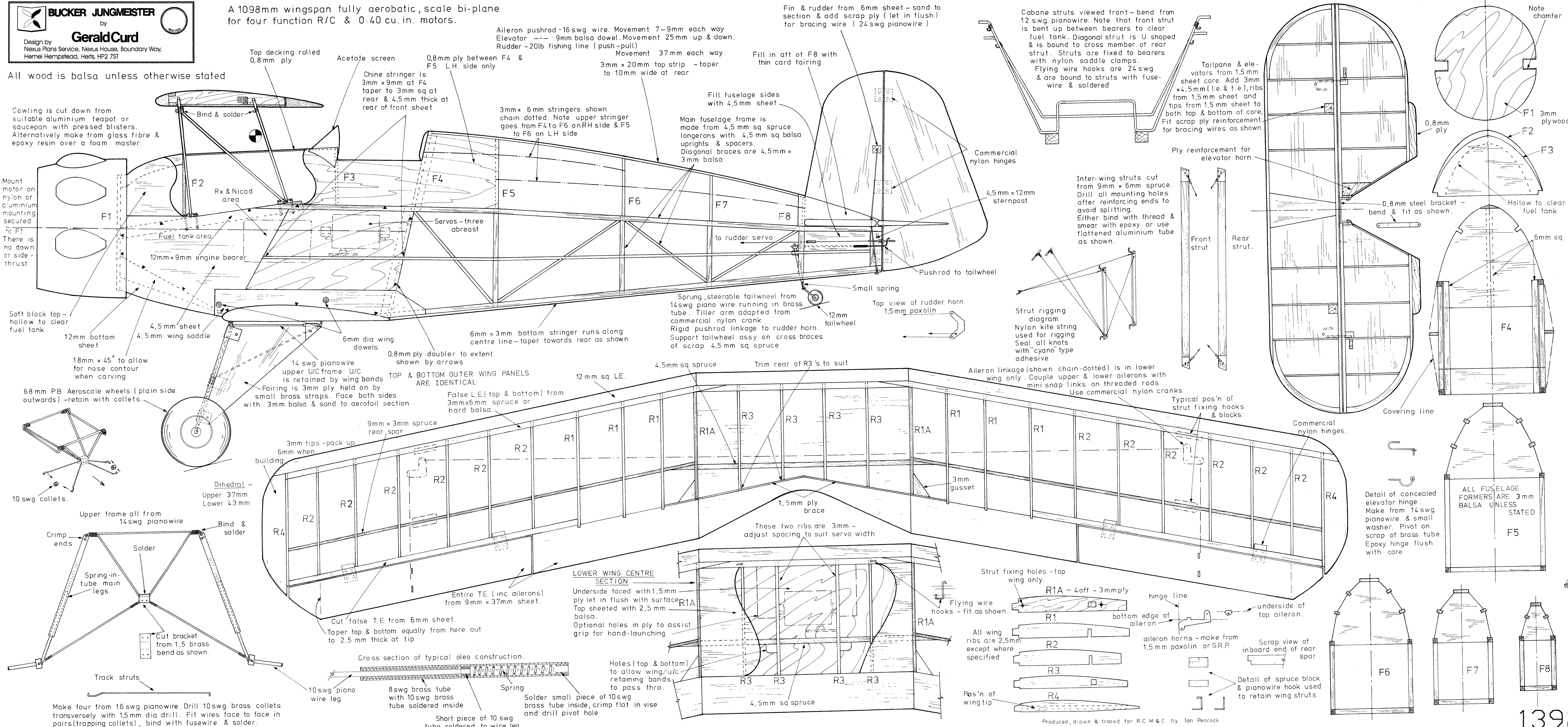
Mount motor on nylon or aluminium mounting secured to F1. There is no down or side-thrust

Soft block top - hollow to clear fuel tank

68mm PB Aeroscale wheels (plain side outwards) - retain with collets.

Upper frame all from 14swg pianowire

Make four from 16swg pianowire. Drill 10swg brass collets transversely with 1.5mm dia drill. Fit wires face to face in pairs (trapping collets), bind with fusewire & solder.



Top decking rolled 0.8mm ply

Acetate screen

Chine stringer is 3mm x 9mm at F4 taper to 3mm sq at rear & 4.5mm thick at rear of front sheet

0.8mm ply between F4 & F5 L.H. side only

Aileron pushrod - 16swg wire. Movement 7-9mm each way  
Elevator - 9mm balsa dowel. Movement 25mm up & down.  
Rudder - 20lb fishing line (push-pull) Movement 37mm each way.

3mm x 20mm top strip - taper to 10mm wide at rear

Fill in aft of F8 with thin card fairing

Fill fuselage sides with 4.5mm sheet

Main fuselage frame is made from 4.5mm sq spruce longerons with 4.5mm sq balsa uprights & spacers. Diagonal braces are 4.5mm x 3mm balsa

Fin & rudder from 6mm sheet - sand to section & add scrap ply (let in flush) for bracing wire (24swg pianowire)

Cabane struts viewed front - bend from 12swg pianowire. Note that front strut is bent up between bearers to clear fuel tank. Diagonal strut is U shaped & is bound to cross member of rear strut. Struts are fixed to bearers with nylon saddle clamps. Flying wire hooks are 24swg & are bound to struts with fusewire & soldered

Tailplane & elevators from 1.5mm sheet core. Add 3mm x 4.5mm (l.e. & t.e.), ribs from 1.5mm sheet and tips from 1.5mm sheet to both top & bottom of core. Fit scrap ply reinforcement for bracing wires as shown

Note chamfer

F1 3mm plywood

F2

F3

0.8mm ply

Hollow to clear fuel tank.

6mm sq

F4

Inter-wing struts cut from 9mm x 6mm spruce. Drill all mounting holes after reinforcing ends to avoid splitting. Either bind with thread & smear with epoxy or use flattened aluminium tube as shown.

Commercial nylon hinges

4.5mm x 12mm sternpost

Strut rigging diagram. Nylon kite string used for rigging. Seal all knots with "cyano" type adhesive

Front strut

Rear strut

Pushrod to tailwheel

Small spring

Top view of rudder horn 1.5mm paxolin

12mm tailwheel

Sprung, steerable tailwheel from 14swg piano wire running in brass tube. Tiller arm adapted from commercial nylon crank. Rigid pushrod linkage to rudder horn. Support tailwheel assy on cross braces of scrap 4.5mm sq spruce

Aileron linkage (shown chain-dotted) is in lower wing only. Couple upper & lower ailerons with mini snap links on threaded rods. Use commercial nylon cranks

Typical pos'n of strut fixing hooks & blocks.

Commercial nylon hinges.

Covering line

Detail of concealed elevator hinge. Make from 14swg pianowire & small washer. Pivot on scrap of brass tube. Epoxy hinge flush with core.

ALL FUSELAGE FORMERS ARE 3mm Balsa UNLESS STATED

F5

F6

F7

F8

LOWER WING CENTRE SECTION

Underside faced with 1.5mm ply let in flush with surface. Top sheeted with 2.5mm balsa. Optional holes in ply to assist grip for hand-launching

Entire T.E. (inc ailerons) from 9mm x 37mm sheet.

Cut false T.E. from 6mm sheet. Taper top & bottom equally from here out to 2.5mm thick at tip

Cross section of typical oleo construction.

Holes (top & bottom) to allow wing/uc retaining bands to pass thro.

Solder small piece of 10swg brass tube inside, crimp flat in vise and drill pivot hole

Short piece of 10swg tube soldered to wire leg

Strut fixing holes - top wing only.

R1A - 4 off - 3mm ply

R1

R2

R3

R4

Pos'n of wingtip

All wing ribs are 2.5mm except where specified

hinge line

underside of top aileron.

bottom edge of aileron

aileron horns - make from 1.5mm paxolin or G.R.P.

Scrap view of inboard end of rear spar

Detail of spruce block & pianowire hook used to retain wing struts.