

# The Twenty Hour Elite

It was in the 1986 Yearbook that I helped to compile the number of 20 hours plus from 1912 to 1985, which, in a span of 73 years, was 15. Since to date from 1985 it has been achieved 89 times. What has puzzled me for a number of years is that although 20 hours has been achieved all over England, Wales and Northern Ireland it has never been achieved in the Bristol area, although

at one time boasted more NTU flying members than anywhere and really good Tippler Fanciers. Over the years I have upset quite a few in stating that the birds were good enough maybe the owners were not. Maybe some other reason, weather, winds or location. Perhaps there is someone out there who has the answer. Any way here is a full list of 20 hours plus.

22.6.1963.....	W Lovatt .....	Hanley .....	*20.00
20.6.1971.....	R Burrows .....	Llangamlet.....	*20.02
18.6.1972.....	A Newton .....	Thurmaston.....	*20.07
17.6.1973.....	D Morgan.....	Bonymaen .....	20.05
23.6.1974.....	J Boden .....	Handsworth.....	*20.20
23.6.1974.....	M Goughlin.....	WNFS .....	20.15
23.6.1974.....	J Jones & Son .....	Bryn.....	20.10
22.6.1975.....	J Boden .....	Handsworth.....	20.40
18.6.1978.....	G Hughes .....	Derby.....	20.03
19.6.1983.....	E Plester .....	Birmingham.....	20.02
17.6.1984 .....	G Pilot.....	Manchester.....	*20.46
17.6.1984.....	M Ware.....	Springfield .....	20.02
17.6.1984.....	T Rosbotham .....	Mountainview .....	20.00
23.6.1985.....	T Rosbotham .....	Mountainview .....	20.02
23.6.1985.....	J Johnson .....	Bentley West.....	20.00
21.6.1987.....	S Bradley .....	Tipton .....	20.01
22.5.1988.....	S Sayers .....	Birmingham.....	20.01
21.5.1989.....	E Anslow.....	Dudley .....	20.03
18.6.1989.....	P Bowden .....	Handsworth.....	20.01
18.6.1989.....	J Varndell.....	West Belfast .....	20.03
18.6.1989.....	N Stinton .....	Handsworth.....	20.05
18.6.1989.....	E Anslow.....	Dudley .....	20.20
17.6.1990.....	M Camplin .....	Springfield .....	20.04
17.6.1990.....	B Dunseith .....	Ulster .....	20.06
17.6.1990.....	M Pace.....	Warley .....	20.07
17.6.1990.....	K Stevenson.....	Alvaston .....	20.12
17.6.1990.....	A Downes .....	Handsworth.....	20.21

17.6.1990.....	S Sayers .....	Birmingham.....	20.26
20.5.1990.....	N Stinton .....	Handsworth.....	20.13
20.5.1990.....	S Sayers .....	Birmingham.....	20.22
23.6.1991.....	R Thomas .....	Walsall.....	20.12
26.5.1991.....	E Anslow.....	Gospel Oak.....	*20.51
24.5.1992.....	J Varndell.....	North Belfast .....	20.40
21.6.1992.....	N Stinton .....	Handsworth.....	20.01
21.6.1992.....	M Price .....	Birmingham.....	20.03
21.6.1992.....	H Coulter .....	Ulster.....	21.10
21.6.1992.....	J McDonald .....	Dudley .....	20.03
21.6.1992.....	R Coleman .....	French Park .....	20.05
21.6.1992.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.15
20.6.1993.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.02
20.6.1993.....	H Coulter .....	Ulster.....	*20.15
20.6.1993.....	G McStravick .....	Antrim .....	20.20
23.5.1993.....	E Anslow.....	Five Ways .....	20.02
19.6.1994.....	M Price .....	Birmingham.....	20.01
19.6.1994.....	M Camplin .....	Springfield.....	20.02
19.6.1994.....	D Sutherland.....	Southwick.....	20.19
19.6.1994.....	C Bristow .....	Willenhall.....	20.12
19.6.1994.....	G Warwick .....	Southwick.....	20.19
19.6.1994.....	V Mignott.....	Noningham.....	20.35
19.6.1994.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	21.11
22.5.1994.....	M McManus.....	West Belfast .....	20.03
22.5.1994.....	E Anslow.....	Springfield.....	*21.21
18.6.1995.....	N&S Williamson .....	Ulster.....	20.01
18.6.1995.....	P Tooth .....	Derby.....	20.03
18.6.1995.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.07
18.6.1995.....	B White.....	Gleadless.....	20.08
21.5.1995.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	*22.05
21.5.1995.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.27
21.5.1995.....	R Laverty .....	West Belfast .....	20.05
21.5.1995.....	B White.....	Gleadless.....	20.02
26.5.1996.....	T Caldwell .....	Ulster.....	20.03
23.6.1996.....	M Camplin .....	Springfield.....	20.12
23.6.1996.....	J Gee .....	Birmingham.....	20.07
23.6.1996.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.03
23.6.1996.....	E Anslow.....	Springfield.....	20.02
22.6.1997.....	J Lamb.....	Belfast .....	20.25
22.6.1997.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.10
22.6.1997.....	L Hopcrofi.....	Birmingham.....	20.06
22.6.1997.....	S Sayers .....	Dudley .....	20.01

22.6.1997.....	D Bertenshaw .....	Tyneside .....	20.00
21.6.1998.....	J Lamb.....	Belfast .....	20.33
21.6.1998.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.07
21.6.1998.....	B Webber .....	Handsworth.....	20.02
21.6.1998.....	D Bertenshaw .....	Tyne & Wear.....	20.01
21.6.1998.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.01
21.6.1998.....	S Morris.....	Springfield.....	20.01
21.6.1998.....	T Veater .....	Lakeside .....	20.00
23.5.1999.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.21
23.5.1999.....	P Tooth .....	Derby.....	20.01
23.5.1999.....	J Lamb.....	Belfast .....	20.00
20.6.1999.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.18
20.6.1999.....	J Laamb .....	Belfast .....	20.16
20.6.1999.....	D Walker .....	Willenhall.....	20.14
20.6.1999.....	W Owens .....	Ulster.....	20.08
20.6.1999.....	P Tooth .....	Derby.....	20.07
18.6.2000.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.10
17.6.2001.....	J Lamb.....	Belfast .....	21.00
17.6.2001.....	M Healy .....	Lakeside .....	20.42
17.6.2001.....	D Kelly .....	Lakeside .....	20.02
26.5.2002.....	C Clarke .....	Bentley West.....	20.32
23.6.2002.....	I Elstob .....	Tyne & Wear.....	20.52
23.6.2002.....	A Watton.....	Bentley West.....	20.40
23.6.2002.....	T Brooks .....	Willenhall.....	20.15
23.6.2002.....	P Haswell.....	Lakeside .....	20.03
23.6.2002.....	V Mignott.....	Nottingham.....	20.03
23.6.2002.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.01
23.6.2002.....	K Wright .....	Lakeside .....	20.01
23.6.2002.....	T Veater .....	Lakeside .....	20.00
20.6.2004.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.10
18.6.2006.....	H Shannon.....	Ulster.....	20.41
18.6.2006.....	D Black .....	Wearside .....	20.03
18.6.2006.....	T Veater .....	Lakeside .....	20.00
17.6.2007.....	S Pprice & Sons.....	Dudley.....	20.01

All the 20 hours plus shown was flown under NTU Rules. The ones starred are World Records broken under NTU Rules. Harry Shannon tops the list with TEN 20 hours plus topped by his world record – 22 hrs 5 mins.

An interesting point in my statement on 20 hours not being achieved in the Bristol Area – A Newton and V Mignott achieved 20 hours after moving out of Bristol.

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