



CHANNEL ISLANDS REGION

NEWSLETTER MAY 2017

MAY FUEL FIGURES

ALDERNEY

Avgas in Alderney remains at 124.00 ppl

GUERNSEY

Avgas - 103.50 ppl (98.33 ppl with AOPA discount) and Jet A1 - 56.90 ppl (AOPA price 54.06 ppl)

JERSEY

Avgas - 102.50 ppl (97.375 ppl with AOPA discount). Jet A1 - 58.29 ppl.

FLY SAFELY ACROSS THE CHANNEL

On May 25th, crossing the Channel VFR between the Southampton/Bournemouth area and the Channel Islands becomes safer. That's the date when the base of Airway Q41, between THRED and ORTAC, rises from FL035 to FL 055. So the airspace in this area will be class G up to FL055.

To the North and South, the class D airspace of the Solent and the Channel Islands, respectively, will remain, both requiring ATC clearance.



FOOTBALL

Due to the UEFA Champions League Final being held in Cardiff on the 3rd June, both Cardiff and Bristol will be exceptionally busy and subject to PPR. The PPR requirement stands between the 1st and 5th June.



AERO EXPO 2017

The UK's leading GA exhibition takes place at Wycombe Air Park between the 1st and 3rd June. If you're thinking of flying into the event, you'll need to book a slot at www.aeroexpo.co.uk/fly-in-booking/

The landing fee for a single is £20 and £30 for a twin. This includes free entry for the pilot and passengers.

GUR DVOR

Following a recent engineering review, it has been discovered that some of the structure of the DVOR 'GUR' requires refurbishment to ensure service continuity. This refurbishment will only prolong the life of the navaid by a few years.

Guernsey Airport invites operators' opinions on the requirement to retain a DVOR, or whether an alternative RNAV hold would be acceptable. Operators should be advised that it is intended to introduce RNAV STARs, which will probably include an RNAV hold at the IAFs.

Please submit comments to the Manager ATC, Guernsey Airport, at Frank.McMeiken@gov.gg.

FLYING SOUTH ?



Always a popular destination in its own right and a stopping-off point for Spain, Biarritz can bet too busy for its own good hence this restriction -

B) FROM: 17/04/10 06:00C) TO: 17/10/30 23:00
E) GENERAL AVIATION PARKING AREA LIMITED :
PARKING SUBJECT TO AUTHORISATION : REQUEST WITH
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PPR FOR CAEN

Last month, I reported the new requirement for 72 hours PPR, Fridays through to Mondays at Caen, due to lack of parking space. AOPA CI challenged this saying making the case for 24 hours PPR to align with the recently introduced customs/immigration requirements. I'm please to say that the Aéroport de Caen listened, and with the participation of the Maison de Normandie, has reduced the PPR to 24 hours.

The latest NOTAM is slightly at odds with the correspondence received from the airport's director -

- "on Mondays and Fridays between 12.00 and 14.00 and from 17.00 to 19.00
- on Saturdays and Sundays between 9.30 and 11.30
Any times before and after those time slots are good. "



The NOTAM says -

Q) LFRR/QFAAP/IV/NBO/A/000/999/4910N00027W005
B) FROM: 17/04/28 00:00C) TO: 17/10/30 23:59
E) ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES WITH PPR 24HR TO AD MANAGER
BY MAIL : AEROTRAFIC(A)CAEN.CCI.FR
EXCEPT FOR HOME BASED ACFT AND MEDICAL FLIGHTS
SCHEDULE: FRI SAT SUN H24

Regardless, you will need to give 24 hours notice for customs and immigration anyway and both requests are done to the same e-mail address, as in the NOTAM.

CONTINENTAL ENGINE PROBLEMS

SUBJECT: Camshaft Gear, Part Number 656818 PURPOSE: Announce release of improved camshaft gear Part Number 656818 and clarifies part number superseding action COMPLIANCE: Within 100-hours of operation, at the next engine overhaul (not to exceed 12 years engine time in service), or whenever camshaft gear is accessible, whichever occurs first. MODELS AFFECTED:

- IO-470-U, V
- IO-520-A, B, BA, BB, C, CB, D, E, F, J, K, L, M, MB, N, NB, P, R
- L/TSIO-520-ALL
- LIO-520-P
- IO-550-A, B, C, D, E, F, G, L, N, P, R
- IOF-550-B, C, D, E, F, L, N, P, R
- TSIO-550-A, B, C, E
- TSIOL-550-A, B, C

Continental is hoping to lessen the burden of this Mandatory Service Bulletin by changing the mandatory replacement of the camshaft gear to a visual inspection procedure allowing 'on condition' operation until the engine is overhauled, replaced, or the gear is accessible.

It also hopes to change the time limit imposed by MSB05-8B, to values that still ensure that the appropriate level of safety is attained, but does not dictate a mandatory overhaul time limit and it plans to publish alternative means of compliance, to allow camshaft gear replacement without complete engine disassembly.

IAOPA EUROPE NEWS

The May IAOPA news is available at <http://www.iaopa.eu/contentServlet/iaopa-europe-enews-may-2017>

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