

Welcome to the JERSEY AERO CLUB

December 2022 members newsletter

Update from the committee ... by Andrew Renouf

Apron lights

We continue to re-invest in the Club facilities and as we move into the winter season where there is more night flying, both of the Hangar lights have both been made operational and new controls fitted.



Conference Room



Car Park Tender Process

In the last 6 weeks, we have had just over \pounds 3,000 of conference room bookings & café takings from Blue Islands who used the room for crew training. We had another ½ day booking Hi-Speed Freight/DHL. The facility is great for training, away days or AGMs. If you wish to hire the room it is \pounds 75 per half day/ \pounds 150 per full day with a 10% discount if any member attends the meeting – contact Fatima who can check the bookings diary and let you know if the room is free.

The committee promised members that all significant transactions where Club property was being disposed of, or sub-let, would occur through an arms-length tender process, then any prospective deal would have to be approved by members. At the EGM on Wednesday 23rd November a presentation was made and after an open discussion, the members voted to authorise the Committee to go ahead and rent out the lower section of car park on a long lease.

The letter from our independent consultant summarised the process and when we have a legally binding contract in place, full details will be shared with members.





Update ... by Glen Heavens Founder & CEO, Synergy Aviation Ltd

Following many years supporting members, students, the committee and instructors Lois has decided to step back from her full time position. Lois has been a steady hand at the club through good times and bad and I'm sure you will all join me in thanking her for her hard work, diligence and leadership over the years! Lois will still be assisting Synergy and I'm sure you will see her around the club from time to time.

This does obviously leave a vacancy and Synergy is busy recruiting for a General Manager. The suitable candidate will have overall responsibility for the business as well as overseeing the General Handling operation. They will also help decide the direction of the Synergy Flight Training, have control of marketing, look after recruitment, ensure regulatory compliance, liaise with Ports of Jersey and report directly to Glen.

If you or anyone you know may be interested in working in this dynamic, customer facing and forward looking business then please email your cv to <u>recruitment@synergyaviation.com</u>



Update ... by Richard Hawkin

AIR ALDERNEY

On Saturday, the 19^{th} of last month, Air Alderney held an open day at Alderney Airport giving a chance for local residents and politicans to better understand their plans for the future. The event came at critical moment with the States of Guernsey about to discuss and vote on proposala to invest £ 24 m on a major redevelopment of Alderney airport. The States of Alderney has already agreed to contribute £ 3.5 m provided the full redevelopment goes ahead.



That full redevelopment is centred on having a runway capable of supporting ATR operations by current service provider, Aurigny. This would allow the airline to rationalise its fleet to one type only. Currently, Alderney services are operated by Dornier 228s.

Plans for the redevelopment may be delayed as there is now a call from some Guernsey States deputies to debate the Alderney project only after the debate on Guernsey's own runway extension.



Jersey's flying charity ... by Eveline Hawkin



We are delighted that His Excellency Vice Admiral Jeremy Kyd CBE has agreed to become our Patron.

We very much look forward to meeting H.E and Dr. Karen Kyd at one of our next event.

Now winter is upon us with the usual amount (or more this year) of gales and rain, flying has been put just about on hold.

However, we look forward to 2023 when we already have dates for the following events:

Spring day - Sunday 30th April

Young children's day - Sunday 17th September

Joint event with Wetwheels - Sunday 9th July

St Peter Christmas Tree Festival

Don't forget to visit St. Peter's church for their Christmas Tree festival from the 3rd to the 11th December included. The church is opened to the public between 11am and 5pm daily.

There are around 100 trees and it really is a beautiful sight!



For sale and wanted items ...

Anything you wish to sale or to buy? Simply send me an email at <u>evelinehawkin@gmail.com</u> and it will appear in the following months newsletter. *Please remember to send photos separately.*

This month ...

Many of you may remember Martin & Jean Leusby who were frequent visitors to Jersey in their aircraft G-AXDI. They were very keen competitors and won many trophies over the years in the Jersey International Air Rally.

During lockdown, Martin wrote an aviation crime triller "The Airborne Ghost". He followed that with a memoir of all the fun (and other stuff) he had in aviation called "Pilots Progress"

So, if you are looking for a stocking filler, both books are available on Amazon.





Martin recommends to read The Airborne Ghost first.

Plane spotter's corner ... from Bob Sauvary's collection

Part one of two - Kemble's LAA Rally 2004



G-BPGK Aeronca 7AC Champion 10 July 2004



G-BBND WD286 DHC1 Chipmunk 9 July 2004





G-BMDP Partenavia P.64B Oscar 200 9 July 2004

G-BVFO Avid Speed Wing 10 July 2004





G-BXMX Phoenix Currie Wot 10 July 2004

G-CBRI Yakovlev 52 9 July 2004



G-CCBZ Aero Designs Pulsar 9 July 2004



G-CCZP Super Marine Spitfire Mk 26 9 July 2004



G-JUDD Avtech Jabiru UL-450 10 July 2004







G-KEST Steen Skybolt 9 July 2004

G-NULA Flight Design CT.2K 9 July 2004

G-OWYN Aviamilano F.14 Nibbo 9 July 2004

Social ... by Eveline Hawkin

Christmas trip to Dinan - Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th December

Report about the trip in the January's newsletter.

Accommodation wanted ...

Many of you will have met Martin Vaughan, Synergy's flight instructor.

Martin is looking for registered flat/ accommodation.

If you are able to help, contact Martin directly either by phone on **07929 481342** or by email at **Martin.vaughan@hotmail.co.uk**

And the usual reminder Should you wish to contact the committee, please do so on <u>committee@jerseyaeroclub.com</u>

Anything for the newsletter please send directly to me on evelinehawkin@gmail.com

Any flying adventures you would like to share? If so, let me have your story. Please send any pictures separately. Thank you.

And finally ...

Hoping you all have a wonderful , relaxed and happy Christmas.

With all very best wishes

Eveline