



Welcome to the

JERSEY AERO CLUB

July 2023 members newsletter

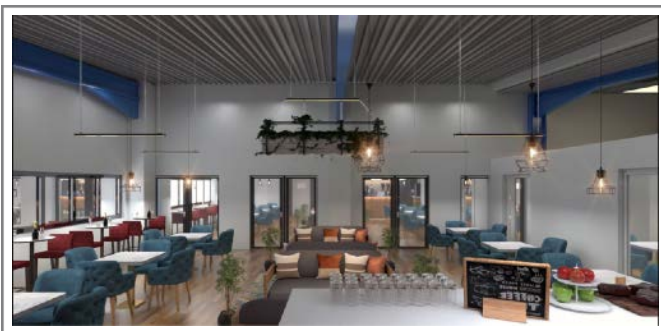
Committee update ... *by Andrew Renouf*

Social Events

As mentioned last month, the Committee is very grateful to Mike Pownall who volunteered to help us build the Social Programme which is expanding month on month. In addition Liam Hardman, who is a new member, has just volunteered to help with arranging and cooking at the Summer BBQ and other events.

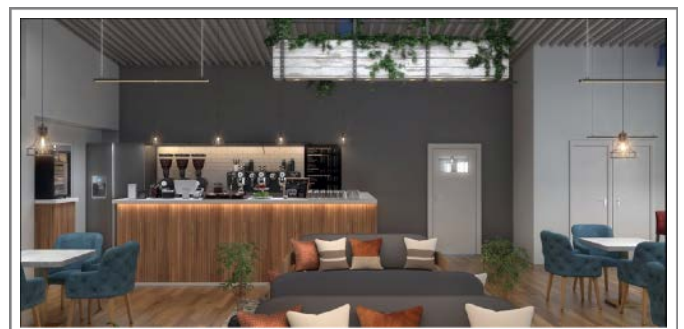
Café refurbishment – Consultation only

When I first came onto the Committee, I always felt that the low ceiling tiles on our café gave an “office feel” and wasn’t particularly attractive. At the time I made an accurate model of the café and came up with some renders of what our café could look like by removing the ceiling tiles, raising the ceiling up to the Hangar roof, changing the floor and furniture.



None of these ideas have been costed and are not necessarily the final design. The Committee has certainly not approved any refurbishment at this stage and I would not consider making a formal proposal until our cash balance exceeds £ 200,000. Even at that point, there may be other priorities. As a first stage, I am enclosing these mock up renders to get feedback from Club members.

If any member has ideas or comments on this or any other issue, or you want to get involved, please email committee@jerseyaeroclub.com



Social Events ... by Mike Pownall

Visit and Presentation - Channel Island Air Search

Sunday 9th July - 17:30



A chance to hear firsthand from the crew of Channel Island Air Search. A presentation and opportunity to have a look around the aircraft which will be parked outside the Aero Club.

The aircraft remains operational during the day and so, may be called away if events dictate.

Members with airside passes will be required to bring them on the day to go airside.

Members without airside passes, who wish to go airside will need to bring a driving licence or passport and will be escorted by a member.

14th July - 6.30 to 9.30 pm

BBQ, drinks and evening in memory of Frank Curry



An evening in memory of Frank Curry will be held at the Club on Friday 14th July from 6.30 to 9.30 pm.

The Club and Frank's family invite Club members and their partners to join the for a BBQ evening. The event is being sponsored by three members and the Club. In order that we cater for the right amount of people, please sign up with Fatima no later than Friday 7th July.

We look forward to sharing all of those treasured Frank stories.

20th July - 19:00

Transatlantic Flying in a Single Engine Aircraft

by Nigel Webb



Nigel Webb has been a distinctly amateur pilot since 1984 when he learnt to fly whilst studying at the University of London. During the intervening years and a fair few thousand hours, Nigel has owned and flown types as varied as a Piper Arrow, a TB20, a Cessna Golden Eagle, a Beechcraft Baron, two Jet Provosts and most recently, his Piper Lance, N101DW. Nothing gives Nigel greater pleasure than flying extremely long distances in small aeroplanes and this has inevitably led to many crossings of the North Atlantic in single engined pistons.

Nigel's talk aims to shine a very practical light on the art of oceanic crossings in small aeroplanes. You'll hear practical advice ranging from how insurance premiums work, what equipment you need to carry, options around different routes, and when the best times of year to cross might be.

Away from aviation, Nigel is a partner at a major international consulting firm and lives on Guernsey with his wife and family and a pair of small furry animals.

6th October 2023 - 19:00

Behind the Headset, A life On (Or Above) The Ocean Waves ... by Gav Dixon



Find out what it's like being an Ops Supervisor at Prestwick Centre.. and how ATC is controlled above the Atlantic..

Gav Dixon is a recently retired Prestwick Centre Ops Supervisor with 33 years' ATC experience, used to making tactical operational decisions on behalf of NATS, helping to keep our skies over the Northern UK and North Atlantic safe (and expeditious) for both general public and airspace users alike.

Originally specialising in Oceanic Air Traffic Control, Gav has used that expertise countless times helping educate the aviation community as to the mysteries of the Shanwick operation, even to the extent that he produced a film about it promoting safety across the North Atlantic.

By focusing on making sure both the Prestwick Centre Domestic and Oceanic operations performed at the highest level, Gav used all of his Oceanic knowledge gained from years spent as Shanwick Air Traffic Controller, Group Supervisor, ICAO advisor and as the Oceanic ATC Service Manager (of 5+ years) along with over 20 years of tactical Domestic and Oceanic ATC Ops management experience to good use, always working hard so that safety and customer satisfaction remained at its peak.

Over the years, his personal strengths as a cool head, experienced Ops manager of a large team, and knowledge of Oceanic operations have garnered recognition internationally, at forums such as the NAMEUR, within ICAO NAT groups, and not least amongst a multitude of Airline operations, providing him with enviable opportunities to travel globally representing and promoting Shanwick ATC operations

When not running an Ops Room, or talking about Oceanic ATC, Gav was often found climbing the Scottish Munro's, Cumbrian Wainwrights, or Skiing the Alps or Rockies. Recent retirement has given Gav more of an opportunity spending time in pursuit of these hobbies, and further travel too, but this time on family holidays rather than to talk about Shanwick!

Save the date ...

DCA & Jersey ATC Safety Evening ... Wednesday 16th August 2023. More details to follow.

Potential Ditching Training

Following the members email sent recently, and if you are interested to take part or have any questions about the proposed evening, please email Mike on :

events@jerseyaeroclub.com

Looking for a place to visit ... Le Tarmac restaurant at Cherbourg Airport has just open and a couple of planes popped in for a tester recently ... Very friendly reception and great food ... an idea for a club trip may be?





Update ... by Martin Vaughan

Congratulations to Chris Marshall to passed his Skills Test on Friday 23rd June.

Chris already has a helicopter licence and is now planning to go to Long Beach California to do a multi-engine, IR and Mustang Citation ratings with Angel City.

So, lots of hard work ahead for Chris and we wish him good luck and may be look forward to hearing about his experience in a club's newsletter!



We also have to wish good luck to Martin who is leaving Synergy to join Channel Jets flying the Eclipse. He will still be living in Jersey and so, hopefully he may do some more instructing once he has settled down in his new job!



Update ... by Richard Hawkin



We're all interested in other pilots flying experiences and we can learn from them too. AOPA is sponsoring airfield reviews by Jon Hunt. Jon was a BBC news reporter until a few years ago so he has the skill set for producing quality videos.

Jon is an active PPL with a restricted instrument rating and night rating. He has also completed a tailwheel conversion and is a Class Rating Instructor.

Jon's videos and website can be found at - [About Jon Hunt - Jon Hunt, The Flying](#)

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

Part two of two from Microlight Trade Fair 2023 at Popham on 29 April 23



**G-MICB Flylight Exodus Delta Jet 500
Stingray**



G-NEEV TL.3000 Sirius 600



G-NJTC Aeroprakt A.22L Foxbat

G-OROS Comco-Ikarus C.42 FB.80



G-RDNS Rans S.6S-116 Super Six



G-SVNH ICP MXP-Savannah VG



G-THAT Raj Hamsa X'Air Falcon 912





G-VXXI Aeroprakt A.32M Vixxen



G-ZHKF Reality Escapade 912



OK-YUI 79 Jihlaven Skyleader 600RG



SP-SMRS Jihlaven Skyleader 400

For sale and wanted items ...

Anything you wish to sale or to buy? Simply send me an email at evelinehawkin@gmail.com and it will appear in the following month newsletter.

Please remember to send photos separately.

FOR SALE



¼ Share G-OSCC PA32-300 £25K
Contact Martin Hayter on 07700770084
or martin_hayter@yahoo.com

And finally... the usual reminders ...

The committee can be contacted on - committee@jerseyaeroclub.com

Anything for the newsletter should be sent to me on evelinehawkin@gmail.com remembering to let me have any photos separately.

We are very lucky that Mike Pownall has volunteered to organise club events. So, please support him and the club - it would be great to see more members attending the events.

All for this month, enjoy the summer and see you at the club!

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