



Welcome to the **JERSEY AERO CLUB**

August 2023 members newsletter

Committee update ... by Andrew Renouf

Social Events



Sean Morvan at the front sharing a few memories about Frank

On 14th July the Club saw a large turn out for the Frank Curry memorial event. This was a Summer BBQ organised and sponsored by Ed Moore and Jane Renouf who between them produced all of the salads and side dishes. Nelio cooked the BBQ & Ed's sons also helped. It was great to see Club members and former staff who used to train and fly with Frank over the years when he was a Club Instructor



Ed Moore in the Kitchen applying dressings to the salads

Transatlantic Flying

On 19th July, Nigel Webb gave a really interesting talk at the Club on the subject of taking normal GA aircraft to and from the United States. This had great content and an interesting Q & A session. It was good to see familiar faces like Charles Strasser that evening.



Flying room refurbishment



A Club member recommended James Connolly who used to do maintenance at Aurigny. On 11th July, James started to build the IKEA cupboards which will eventually house the POJL door server as well as the Club's phone system, data rack and Paxton door entry system. This will tidy up the random bits of electronics hanging off the walls and also give storage space for Maggie when the Committee room is rented out.

James is currently obtaining his airside pass so he can clean the Hangar floor and do maintenance work airside. Since the new POJL security protocols it has been exceptionally difficult to get any contractor Airside.

Hangar Doors

In the last two weeks, the Hangar doors have been adjusted and are running freely again. Most of the issues are caused when the doors are smashed together as the forces bend the brackets on the box rollers which cause the doors to drop. We have CCTV footage of the doors bouncing off each other at high speed so please remember push the doors slowly and they should not crash into each other when they close.

Hangar List

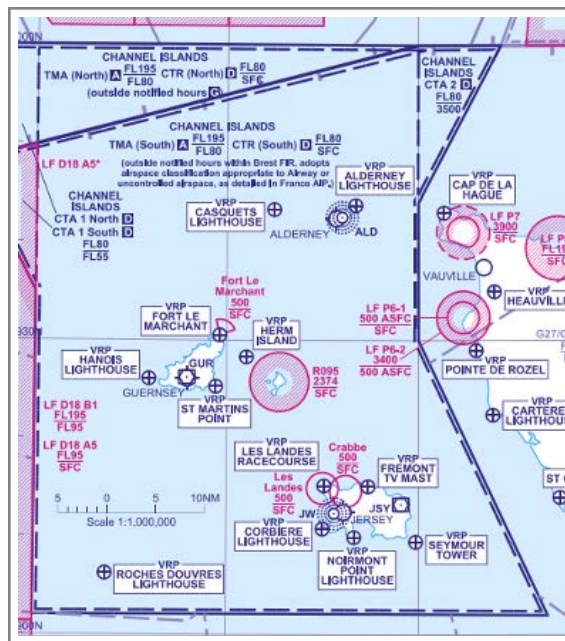
Due to recent changes in the Member's Hangar, the Committee would like to refresh that hangar list. If you are interested in adding your name to the queue, please email your name and proposed Aircraft type to

committee@jerseyairclub.com

Social Events ... by Mike Pownall

16th August 2023 - 19:00

Talks Presented by the Director or Civil Aviation and Local
Channel Air Traffic Control



John Nicholas, our DCA, will be providing an update on the Office of Director of Civil Aviation's activity over the last 6 months. He will also be discussing SAFA & SANA Checks (Safety Assessment of Foreign Aircraft and Safety Assessment of National Aircraft) as this has been raised before. There will also be a chance to ask questions on the evening, time permitting.

Our local ATC team will also be presenting during the evening on local updates about the airport and the local airspace. The session will be followed by the opportunity to ask the team questions.

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!



Update ... by Mike Owen

Many congratulations to Oliver Flemmer who went solo on July 13th.

We look forward to seeing another photo of Oliver once he passes his Skills Test!

Good luck and enjoy your flying Oliver



Update ... by Richard Hawkin

AEROVOLT

The news on electric powered aircraft is coming in all the time yet electric power as the mainstream power source seems some way off. But taking it a step further is UK start-up Aerovolt. In a statement issued late last month Aerovolt announced –

We can confirm that the first 6 of the initial 24 smart chargers will start to be installed from 4th August. Starting with Sandown, Bournemouth and Lydd. Then moving to Lee-on-Solent, Shoreham and Kittyhawk a couple of weeks later.

This phase of the install process links up the UK Solent region with adequate safe range distances and diversion options for current operating aircraft in the electric market. In both the licensed and unlicensed aerodrome operations.



AOPA membership

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Jersey pilots fly out ... *by Martin Welsh*

Do you fancy a night away ... just an idea at the moment but a few of us feel that it's time to revive the spirit of club trips we used to enjoy so much!

So, it could be Caen, Dinard, Deauville, Quimper, St. Brieuc ... the sky's the limit!

Ideally, we would get a few aircraft together and enjoy some sightseeing/cultural trip, get together over dinner and overnight stay. After breakfast the next day, free time to either explore the area further or simply return to Jersey.

This could be the chance for pilots with empty seats to bring along passengers, whether club members or friends, the choice will be yours!

No fixed date as yet but let's try to make it happen before the end of the summer.

If you are interested, please email me on evelinehawkin@gmail.com

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

Air-Britain Fly-In at White Waltham on June 17th 2023 and 3 pictures from the Gatwick Aviation Museum At Charlwood.



G-ACGZ DH.60G Moth Major
17 June 23 White Waltham.



G-AFTL Lockheed 12A
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-AHBM DH.87B Hornet Moth
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-ARNP Beagle A.109 Airedale
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-AVIL Alon A-2 Aircoupe
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-BECT U-57 CASA 1.131E Jungmann
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-BUCO Pietenpol Aircamper
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-CMRG Cessna 170B
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-HELN MM52-2392
17 June 23 White Waltham



G-HHII BE505 Hawker Hurricane 10
17 June 23 White WG-SEDC



**G-PFKD Yakovlev 12M
17 June 23 White Waltham**



**G-SEDC Fairchild F.24W-46 Argus
17 June 23 White Waltham**



**N3006A Cessna 170B
17 June 23 White Waltham**



**XN923 Blackburn Buccaneer S.1
16 June 23 Gatwick Aviation Museum
Charlwood**



**WP308 G-GACA Percival P.57.
Sea Prince T.1
16 June 23 Gatwick Aviation
Museum Charlwood**



**WR982 Avro Shackleton MR.3.3
16 June 23 Gatwick Aviation
Museum Charlwood**



Update ... by *Eveline Hawkin*

Joint event with Wetwheels

Sunday 7th July was the joint event with Wetwheels and the weather played it's part ... what a surprise!

The day started with breakfast at the St. Helier Yacht Club where we were met by Dina and her team. Afterwards, half our guests went sailing on the Wetwheels vessel whilst the other half made their way to the aero club for their flight around the island.



After lunch, those who flew made their way to the harbour for their trip with Wetwheels whilst the other guests enjoyed their flight with our volunteer pilots



A great addition to our day was the visit by Channel Island Air Search under the supervising eye of Peter Mourant who had organised the visit.



The visit was extended into the evening, giving the club members a chance to also see the aircraft .

Our next event is on Sunday 17th September. This is our traditional day for young children and so, be aware ... the club will be noisy!!!

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.

And finally... the usual reminders ...

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

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

Again, a little reminder that Mike Pownall is organising regular evening events and, in order for these to continue, it is imperative that more members support them

All for this month, let's hope the summer comes back soon!

See you at the club!

Eveline