

Welcome to the JERSEY AERO CLUB

## September 2023 members newsletter

## Committee update ... by Andrew Renouf

### Café Refurbishment

At the last Committee meeting is was agreed to take incremental steps forward and produce realistic costings to insulate, raise the ceiling, refit and refurbish the café. None of these plans are imminent and the Club would always wish to retain a substantial cash balance before undertaking major works.

Below is one of the concept renders and there will be full consultation before any final design is chosen.



### Hangar Doors – again



The Hangar doors are running freely at the moment and the photo above shows a new split collar on one "test door" which has been installed to stop the bolts on the box rollers shaking loose. The photo also shows the slight distortion in the top bracket which progressively occurs when the doors are slammed shut.

Please treat the doors carefully, you should never hear them crashing into each other otherwise the top bracket will bend further and the doors will jam.

## Social Events ... by Mike Pownall

### 20th September 2023 - 19:00

### Operation Provide Comfort ... A talk by Flt Lt Syd Bowsher



Syd was an active pilot for 46 years. He did his First Solo in Canada in a Glider in 1974 on his 15<sup>th</sup> birthday.

He flew in the Royal Air Force for twenty years primarily on Chinook Helicopters, Bulldog Training Aircraft and the Jetstream 31. On retiring from the RAF he was an Airline pilot, based in Guernsey, for two decades flying the famous Trislander G-JOEY, the SAAB 340, the Dash 8 Q400 and the Dornier 228.

Overlapping his professional career he flew gliders for many years, the Jet Ranger Helicopter for 230 hours and was an instructor/examiner on both single engine and multi-engine piston aircraft.

Syd has over 10,000 hours on 19 different types of fixed-wing aircraft or helicopters and many thousand more teaching.

## Airside Access ... reminder ... by Paul Holroyd

There are a number of Airport AICs that will soon be parked if not used. Please be aware that any card that has not been swiped within 60 days, will be 'parked', and an appointment with the Pass Office must be made, with a £25 charge. If you are not intending to use your card for any reason, then you can come to the club and swipe you card, which will give you a further 60 days.



Update ... by Glen Heavens BSc (Hons)

Following an unfortunate incident that may be due to overleaning - our PA28 engine was shipped to Oxford for overhaul earlier this month. In the short term we have leased a Tecnam P2008 and we hope to have the PA28 back online in the next few weeks. Several of our instructors have now been checked-out on the Tecnam so availability for lessons is good.





If there is sufficient demand for the Tecnam then we hope to agree a longer term arrangement and operate her alongside our PA28.

The Synergy team has been growing and we would like to welcome Pedro & Oscar as part time instructors who will be flying with us around their duties flying the ATR for Blue Islands. Also joining us is Karen-Ann who will be working 'on the desk' alongside Tony, Derek, Simon, Paul and Lois. Please do pop in and say hello!

## Summer Fly Away - Save the Date!... by Martin Welsh

We are excited to announce we are in the process of organising a Summer Fly Away to Quimper Pluguffan (LFRQ). Following the interest expressed by some members in last month's newsletter, we have put together a preliminary itinerary for the trip. Please note that the details are subject to change as we finalise the arrangements.

### Friday 22 September 2023

- 1. Fly to Quimper (LFRQ) approximately 124 miles direct from Jersey
- 2. En route Navigational Exercise (optional)
- 3. Dinner in Quimper

### Saturday 23 September 2023

- 1. Boat trip from Quimper to Benodet and return to Quimper
- 2. Dinner in Quimper

### Sunday 24 September 2023

- 1. Return to Jersey
- 2. En Route Navigational Exercise (optional)

In case of unfavourable weather during that weekend, we have a backup plan to undertake the same trip over Friday 13 October to Sunday 15 October 2023.

We would greatly appreciate any suggestions for good restaurants or places to visit while we are in Quimper. The more activities we can include the better the trip is for everyone.

Please keep an eye out for the upcoming circulation of guest houses and hotels details, which will allow you to make your own bookings.

We are also considering extending an invitation to members of Quimper Aeroclub and Guernsey Aeroclub to join us over the weekend, making this a truly memorable trip.

To help us finalise the plans, we kindly request that you inform Eveline or Martin if you will be attending the Fly Away and provide a list of your passengers. If you need a seat on an aircraft or have any available seats to accommodate additional passengers, please let us know as well - we will do our best to accommodate everyone who wants to participate.

We look forward to your response and making this Summer Fly Away a fantastic event!

- Martin martwelsh@yahoo.com
- Eveline evelinehawkin@gmail.com

# **Your flying story** ... Iceland Paramotor Adventure by Hugo Butlin

Hugo flew a paramotor with Scout Aviation this summer and sent me some stunning pictures.

If this feels like something which could tempt you, have a look at their website - <u>www. scout aviation.com</u>











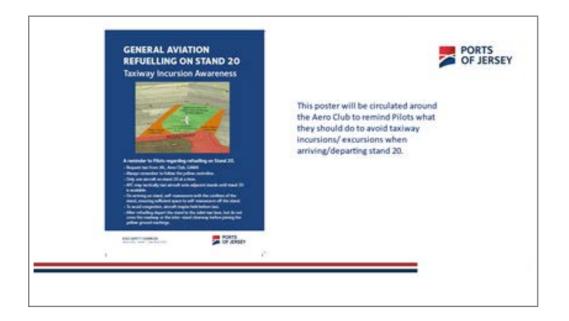
## Jersey Aero Club Safety Evening ... by Richard Price

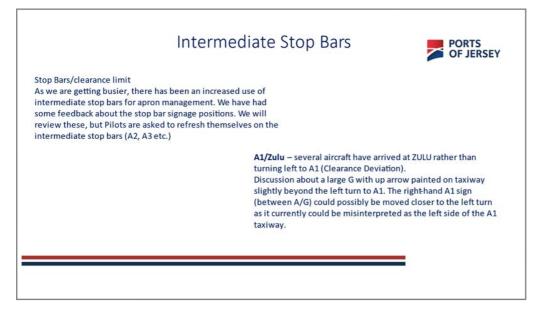
An Air Safety and Airspace update presentation was held at the club on August 16th.

John Nicholas, Director of Civil Aviation for the Channel Islands and Paul Strudwick Ports of Jersey Head of Air Navigation Services attended.

The Aviation Safety Update was presented by Marc Hill and the Airspace Update by Richard Price

Below are a couple of slides about the evening. The full document is too large to include in the newsletter but should you wish to receive it, email me at <u>evelinehawkin@gmail.com</u>





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

Part one of two from the LAA Grass Roots Rally 2023 on 18-20 August 2023 at Popham.



G-PLJR Pietenpol Aircamper on 19 August 23 Popham



# G-LILB N159SJ Van's RV-3B on 19 August 23 Popham



G-CECZ Zenacr CH.601XL Zodiac on 19 August 23 Popham G-AIEK RG333 Miles M.38 Messenger 2A on 19 August 23 Popham

G-OAGI FLS Aerospace Sprint 160 on 19 August 23 Popham

G-STRV Van's RV-14 on 19 August 23 Popham













F-PDHZ Verhees Delta 2B on 19 August 23 Popham



G-AIBX Auster J.1 Autocrat on 19 August 23 Popham



G-AIJM Auster J.4 Archer on 19 August 23 Popham



G-ARRX VF512 Auster 6A on 19 August 23 Popham



## Update ... by Eveline Hawkin

## Silent auction ... in memory of John Smith



John's wife, Janet will be holding a silent auction on our Helping Wings Day on Sunday 17th September between 12 and 3pm. All proceeds to Helping Wings

Many of you will remember John for his love of live and love of flying!

He and Janet left Jersey and he became a flying instructor in 2007 for Wellsborne Aviation.

John sadly passed away in an aircraft accident in 2018.

Lots of interesting items will be for sale such as the few items below which include a signed limited edition of the Lancaster from The Dambusters.







### 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 month newsletter.

Please remember to send photos separately.

## For sale

"Survival" 4-6 person life raft (EX N37US) out of test period £900

(Mendelssohn new price £1795 Pooleys new price £2274)

### **Interested ?**

Please contact - strassercharles@gmail.com

## And finally...

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

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

If you are popping up to the club to swipe your airside access card, why not take the opportunity to pop upstairs to say "hi" to Fatima and enjoy one of her great cup of coffee (best on the island!!!)

**Eveline**