

Welcome to the JERSEY AERO CLUB

# November 2023 members newsletter

# Flying Desk update ... from Derek Fage

Some of you may know that Tony Holloway did his last day on the desk on Friday 27 October to move onto a new career with the Security Team at Ports of Jersey – so you may well see him there when you're travelling! I'm sure we all wish Tony well in his new career and thank him for the work he's done over the years from when he first helped Fatima in the Bar to moving onto the desk with Synergy.

Following some operational staffing reviews with Synergy, we have decided that for the next few months the club will take responsibility for staffing the flying desk, and that will include the administrative work required for the flight training operation which will be continuing as normal

During this time, I will be co-ordinating and managing the Flying Desk operation and we will be reviewing how best to continue with the GA Handling side of the Flying Desk as well as getting the desk and desk staff much more involved and integrated with club operations and dealing with members and other club matters.

Whilst flight training will be continuing with Synergy, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank Glen and the rest of the Synergy team for helping with Flying Desk operations as we rebuilt the club after Covid and the restructuring as well as helping with the required security changes we have had to implement on airside access on behalf of Ports of Jersey.

Many of you will have already met Karen Williamson on the desk and she will be continuing in her role on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but over the next few months you will also see some familiar faces as several members with airside access have undergone additional security training to enable them to help put on the desk over the next few months.

Some of the people you may see on the desk as well as Karen include Derek Fage, Paul Holroyd, Mally Richardson, Darrall Pullen, Chris Winch and John Le Ruez so please do say hello. This is also a timely reminder for anybody with an Airport Identity Card (AIC) to remember that these need to be used or validated at least every 60 days or they are 'parked' and we need to request an appointment for you with the Security Team at the Airport to unpark your card – and there is a charge for this that will be passed on to you when we get the bill from the Airport. So please try at least once a month to pop in and validate it against the reader, say Hi to the desk staff, and take the opportunity to have a coffee and socialise in the bar upstairs

# Lower Car Park ... from Nigel Hall

After recent discussions between the JAC Chairman and Matt Thomas CEO Ports of Jersey Limited, the potential development of the JAC Car Park and entering into any substantive arrangements with third parties must, unfortunately, be put on hold whilst the POJL completes an in depth strategic review of the Airport buildings, the runway, taxiways, and all activities around the airport on airport land. This review should be completed no later than the end of Q1 2024.

# Social Events ... by Mike Pownall

### Sunday 19 November 2023 - 18:00



Flt Lt Syd Bowsher returns to the Aero Club to give us another talk about some of his more hair-raising experiences from his flying career.

Syd was an active pilot for 46 years. He did his first Solo in Canada in a Glider in 1974 on his 15th 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.



# Update ... by Richard Hawkin

## **CONCORDE ...20 YEARS ON**



BA002 took off from New York bound for London on the 24<sup>th</sup> October 2003, the last commercial flight by Concorde. Cruising at just over mach 2 at 60,000 ft, Concorde routinely crossed the Atlantic in 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours or less.

A special day long celebration will take place at Brooklands on the 26<sup>th</sup> November. Of course, there will be champagne. Captain Mike Bannister, chief pilot of the BA Concorde fleet, will make a presentation on Concorde, her design, development, life and her retirement.

Just like the average seat price on Concorde, the Brooklands celebration doesn't come cheap at £225 for non members but, for more information email Brooklands at <u>flyconcorde@brooklandsmuseum.com</u>

#### **ALDERNEY NOTAMS**

EGJA 23/10/29 09:02 C) 23/11/30 18:35 AVGAS FUEL NOT AVAILABLE EGJA 23/10/04 08:39 C) 23/11/04 19:30 LOCATOR ALD/ALDERNEY 383KHZ RADIATING FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY

## 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

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

#### £900 or near offer

Interested? - Please contact - strassercharles@gmail.com

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

A selection from out and about between the years 1973 and 2001



N8174P Piper PA.24-250 Comanche 01 October 1973 - St Cyr L'Ecole



OH-VKU Lockheed 18-56 Lodestar. 21 August 1985 - Helsinki-Vantaa



6V-SAG Douglas C-47B 10 May 1986 - Biggin Hill



PT-RRR Embraer 712 Tupi (Embraer Kit built PA.28-181) 1 August 1986 - Oshkosh



80 Fouga CM.170 Magister 21 May 1991 - Dinan Aero Club



216 Dassault Mirage 3B29 July 1991 - Savigny Les Beaune



F-WGLZ 179 Nord 2501 Noratlas 11 July 1992 - Caen



HB-SCD Robin ATL S 22 July 1993 - Dijon-Darois



N3455 Douglas C-47B 24 September 2000 - North Weald





G-ASAZ XS165 Hiller UH-12E 24 September 2000 - North Weald D-FKMI Antonov 2P 8 July 2001 - Finmere



HB-RBI C-547 E.K.W.C-3603 26 June 2001 - Birrfeld

# Last minute important notice for all pilots ...



#### JERSEY MEDICALS

Please note that all Aviation Medical Appointments will now take place at the Island Medical Centre surgery in Gloucester Street, St Helier (opposite the Opera House).

# And finally...

The usual reminder ...

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

Anything for the newsletter should be sent directly to me on <u>evelinehawkin@gmail.com</u>. Please remember to send any photos separately.

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