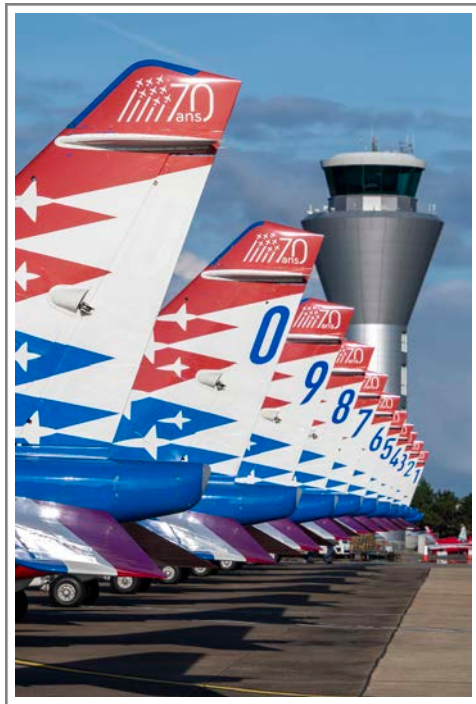




Welcome to the
JERSEY AERO CLUB

October 2023 members newsletter

A few photos from this year's Air Display



Patrouille de France with ATC Tower in the background

photo by Graham Hocquard



... and from Bob Sauvary

PA474 Avro Lancaster B.1 and of course
... The Red Arrows



Social Events ... by Mike Pownall



6th October 2023 - 19:00

Behind the Headset, A life On (or above) The Ocean Waves...

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!



Flying news ...by Tony Holloway

Congratulations to James Hubble who not only completed his qualifying cross-country on September 25th but passed his skills test with Duncan Laisney on September 28th!

Hope you enjoy many happy flying hours James!

Summer Fly Away - by Eveline Hawkin

Well, for one reason or another, the proposed Summer Fly Away didn't happen. May be it was too adventurous or too long but many thanks to Martin Welsh for spending the time to put it together.

So, here is another idea ... A day trip to Cherbourg ... A Saturday in October may be?

As most of you will be aware, the airport restaurant has now re-opened and they are offering either a set or à la carte menu. Not only is the food good but they are very welcoming.

I have contacted them and they would be delighted to see us. They are open Tuesday to Saturday for lunch and dinner. Have a look at their website www.letarmacrestaurant.com

If you are interested, just drop Martin martwelsh@yahoo.com or myself evelinehawkin@gmail.com an email so that we can propose some dates

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

"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

Share for sale



Beechcraft Bonanza F33A

N999F

£30,000

Based in Jersey and Hangared at the Aero Club

Fast, four seat, retractable with 170 Kt cruise @ 7000ft

Garmin GTN650 with a King 150A Autopilot & internet booking

New paint and interior with less than 100 engine Hrs since a full top overhaul



Contact John Widdows

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

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



G-ASCH Beagle A.61 Terrier 2

on 20 August 23 Popham



G-AVDF Beagle B.121 Pup 100

(Prototype) on 20 August 23 Popham



G-DHYS 414907 Titan T-51 Mustang

on 20 August 23 Popham

G-BNGE TW536 Auster AOP.6

on 19 August 23 Popham



G-BDAD Taylor JT-1 Monoplane

on 20 August 23 Popham



**G-ORBT BRM Aero Bristell
NG.5**



G-CIZA Spacek SD-1 Minisport

on 20 August 23 Popham





G-BVUZ Cessna 120
on 20 August 23 Popham



G-TEZZ CZAW Sportcruiser
on 20 August 23 Popham



G-UAUK Aeroprakt A.32 Vixxen
on 20 August 23 Popham



N141WF Maule M.7-235
on 18 August 23 Popham



Update ... by *Eveline Hawkin*

Sunday 17th September - our young children's day

Over the few days preceding the planned HW event for our young children and their families, the weather looked decisively bad with thunderstorms on the weather radar!

But, after an early morning thunderstorm, the weather not only cleared for our volunteer pilots to fly all our 20 families around the island but it actually turned out to be a glorious day!

So, there were plenty of smiles from everyone and after having enjoyed their flight and all the other activities, the children went home with their goodie bags, tired but happy!

This year is our 15th anniversary and we are all awed by the generosity of all our volunteer pilots and helpers as well as our sponsors. For this event the sponsors were St. Michael's School and Ports of Jersey who not only waived the landing fees for the event but who accommodated us once more amongst their busy schedule.

This was our last event for 2023 and this is our chance to say a big thank you to everyone involved.



Our thanks to Janet Smith who held a silent auction on our HW day in memory of her husband John.

£45 were raised for HW but many items still for sale. Interested ... just contact me to have a look at what's on offer.



Mrs MJG Meade (Joyce)



Joyce Meade is pictured here on her 100th birthday on March 15th 2023 when H.E. The Lieutenant Governor presented her with a card from King Charles and Queen Camilla.

Joyce sadly passed away on Monday 18th September.

The funeral service will be held at the crematorium on Thursday 12th October at 14:30

With our deepest sympathy to Ian, Wendy and family.

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 evelinehawkin@gmail.com. Please remember to send any photos separately.

Eveline