

JERSEY AERO CLUB

February 2024 members newsletter

Update from the committee ... by Andrew

We have had an early "Spring Clean" starting with Joe the Gardener last weekend. The work has continued this week with grass cutting, weeding, glass cleaning on the airside areas. The non-working patio doors in the Flying room have had new hinges and replacement door stays to get them operational again. Also, the remaining sticking Hangar door has been adjusted with the new split collars to lock the bolts in place.

We have had very positive feedback on the images circulated for the Café refurbishment and we will submit a Building Control Application in a few weeks to approve the insulation and structure proposed for the raised walls and ceiling. There is still a considerable amount of work required to finalise the design, furniture, lighting, flooring, acoustics, source the hanging Aircraft and many other issues. Over the coming months, we intend to produce a detailed specification, followed by more consultation with Club members and finally approval at an EGM or AGM before going to competitive tender. Whilst this is on our wish list, there is a long way to go before we undertake this project and the Committee wish to maintain a healthy cash balance at all times.

In the meantime, a smaller interim project may be considered before the Café refurbishment. For many years we have all been aware that the existing balcony can be cold due to lack of sun and the idea of extending the balcony to the West is not new. After consulting with both members and an Architect, we have a new idea for the extension which has lots of advantages in that it will be sunny, overlook the garden and provide a discreet new space for four tables. The glass balusters will probably be raised on the West face to provide more protection from the wind.



At present we are waiting for costings and until we have a better idea of the financial implications, this has not been approved by the Committee. This image is being circulated at this stage to get member feedback in advance of the next AGM.

Social Events ... by Mike Pownall

Mike has been busy organising events for the coming months.

It would be great to see many of you supporting those events. It is all our chance to help our club survive and be active, and so, make sure you put those dates in your diary!

Wednesday 6 March 2024

An Update from the Director of Civil Aviation for the Channel Islands (Confirmed)

Thursday 18 April 2024

Searching for Uncle Herb – A Talk by Chris Unitt from Guernsey (Provisional, date will be confirmed)

Saturday 15 June 2024

The rescheduled Sky Demon Talk by Rob Hart. *(Confirmed)*

Wednesday13 November 2024

Personal Experiences of and the history of the Scottish Air Ambulance - Drugs, Violence, Alcohol and Sex – A Talk by Andrew Sayers (Provisional, date will be confirmed).

News from Dinard Airport ... by Eveline Hawkin

On a recent visit to Dinard, we were advised by the gentleman collecting the landings fee of a change in the dues.

As from May 1st 2024 until October, handling will be required for anyone parking on a hard stand. He mentioned 80 euros.

At some stage, this information will be public knowledge and published but it's worth remembering as at the moment, everyone is automatically parked to the north end of the airfield.

Parking on the grass however will not require handling and that should be the standard summer parking for light aircraft. More news as they become available.



... news by Eveline Hawkin

With 2023 finishing in style with our Santa Flight, we are now planning and looking forward to our 2024 events as follows:



 Sunday 21st April - HW Spring Day (for those aged 13 and over)



 Sunday 7th July - Joint day with Wet Wheels.



 Sunday 22nd September - HW day for Young Children (aged 5 to 12)

We have an incredible team of volunteers both pilots and ground crew. However, we could do with a few more pilots to join the team.

A PPL is all that is required but you will need 100 hours solo.

If you are interested, please drop us a line on hello@helpingwingsjersey.org and we can have a chat.

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



CF-KCG Grumman TBM.3S Avenger



D-CDLH Junkers JU.52-3M



F-AZLL Lockheed 12A



FLARF-02089 Polikarpov I-15 Chaika



G-AFVE T7230 DH82A Tiger Moth



N139DP 219993 Bell P-39Q.6 Aircobra

All above 6 pictures were taken on July 11th 2004 in Duxford



D-IDIH Aero Commander 680 19 December 1973 at Egelsbach



OO-VOP Menavia built PielCP.301A Emeraude 26 July 1984 at Brienne Le Chateau



F-BGOA DH.104 Dove 6 Riley conversion 13 June 1989 at Toussus Le Noble



D-EELB C.E.A. built Jodel DR.300-108 29 July 1989 at Moulins



F-AZEC 40165 UTVA Aero 3 6 June 1992 at La Ferte Alais 1992



OK-MPW Zlin Z.226B Bohatyr 18 June 1992 at Kunovice Cz



N7157S Cessna 150H 24 July 1993 at Moulins



OY-SKO Grob G.115D 13 July 2013 at Fowlmere



D-FOJB Antonov AN2T 13 July 2013 at Fowlmere

For sale and wanted Items

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

And finally...

Any questions/queries should be addressed directly to the committee at

committee@jerseyaeroclub.com

However, anything for the newsletter should be emailed to me at evelinehawkin@gmail.com always sending the photos separately.

I have been short of copy recently and would welcome any interesting news you may like to share. It does not have to be lengthy!

Looking forward to hearing from you all!