



Welcome to the JERSEY AERO CLUB

November 2025 members newsletter...
Editor - Eveline Hawkin

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY ...

Wednesday 12th November @ 18:30 Film night - Flyboys

Club updates ... from Nigel Hall, Chairman

PFOS/PFAS Contamination at the Airport

In the October Newsletter the following was printed under PFOS/PFAS contamination at the Airport.

"As mentioned in a previous newsletter, the Aero Club are looking to create extra areas of hard standing. The first area we wish to complete is to tarmac over the two remaining grass areas directly in front of the Hangar. We have agreed to rent two spaces to CIASL and the extra space which will be yielded by closer parking will provide extra hardstanding for existing hanger users.

This work was originally planned to take place in August however Ports of Jersey have prevented any work which involves moving of soil or taking soil off site due to possible PFAS contamination."

The commentary should have read as follows: "PFOS/PFAS Contamination at the Airport .This work was originally planned to take place in August however the Island Planning authorities, not Ports of Jersey who have always remained supportive of the JAC, have temporarily restricted any work which involves moving of soil or taking soil off site due to possible PFAS contamination".

A reminder ... from Paul Holroyd

Stop Bar System

The Airport are carrying out a review of its Stop Bar System, and would appreciate any feedback from pilots.

In particular, they are interested in hearing about their visibility. Are you able to see them all well, as this could be a problem for some tailwheel aircraft.

Also they would like to hear if you have been instructed to cross one when lit.

Any other feedback would be appreciated.

If you wish to comment, please contact chris.kelly@ports.je

Updates ... from Andrew Renouf

Hangar Lights

The old Fluorescent Hangar lights were very corroded and well past their sell by date especially as replacement tubes are no longer available. We have installed some new Collingwood LED Lights direct from the Wholesalers with a good trade discount. The fittings have the same overall input power as the old ones but give approximately twice the light output. They operate on PIR sensors and have a lifespan of 54,000 hours so will easily last the 16 years left of the lease without needing any maintenance.



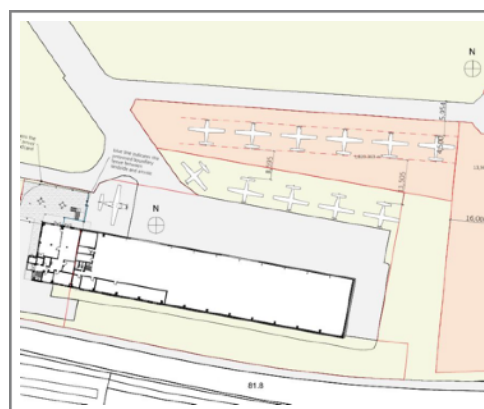
Photovoltaic Solar Panels

After a long delays we have finally cleared two hurdles. Firstly, as there will be no battery storage on site, we finally obtained confirmation from our Insurance Company that they won't load the premium due to any unforeseen risks. Secondly, it has finally been agreed with the proposal to unblock a legal issue which was holding up matters. We are still waiting for the legal agreements to be finalised but hopefully we will have progress in 2026 where we generate valuable extra rental income for the Club.



Aircraft Hardstanding

It is still the long term intention to provide 6 areas of paved Hardstanding in the red area to the south of the brick paved taxiway. Unfortunately we are prohibited from moving any soil due to fears of PFAS contamination. To break the impasse the Club undertook independent testing which proved that the PFAS levels were 100 – 1000 times lower than any level of concern. Whilst this is excellent news, no work can commence until Planning and Environment give permission.



In other club news ...

Nominations for Jersey Aero Club at the Jersey Customer Service Awards 2025

We are delighted to announce that Jonathan Vibert was shortlisted as a finalist in the Transportation category at the Jersey Customer Service Awards 2025. The Customer Service Awards, held in association with Channel 103 and sponsored by Quantum Building Supplies, recognise individuals and organisations across 16 categories for outstanding customer service. A judging panel reviewed public nominations and short-listed the finalists.

We warmly congratulate him on reaching the finalist stage - His nomination recognises the exemplary standard of customer care and engagement he brings to the club's aviation and community activities.

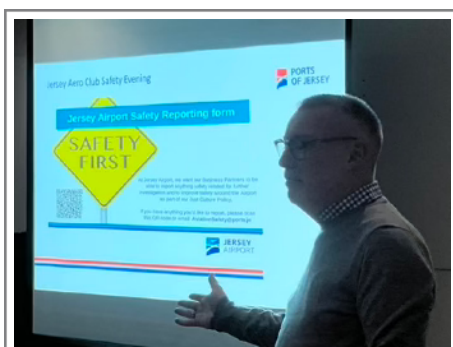


Updates ... from Jonathan Vibert

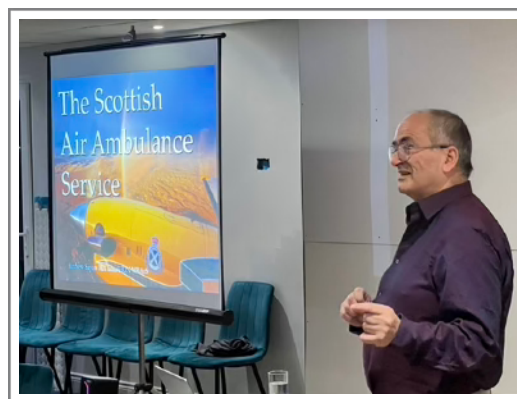
Clubhouse Corner – Recent Event Evenings for Members

The Jersey Aero Club recently hosted two standout events that deepened our engagement with local aviation operations and with the special operations of Air Ambulances!

Firstly, we welcomed a special evening with the team from Jersey Air Traffic Control Centre. Members were treated to an informative presentation from the air-traffic professionals Marc and Chloe Hill (siblings), covering current airspace updates, general aviation safety, airport operations and fuel procedures. We gained invaluable insight into how our flying activities at Jersey Airport mesh with broader air-traffic management. The session also included an open Q&A, making it a lively and practical learning experience for all those who attended.



Secondly, the Club hosted a themed talk on the history of the Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance. We heard from aviation-industry guest speaker Andrew Sayers, whose career spans military, commercial and training aviation, as he traced the development of the Scottish air-ambulance service, reflecting on resilience, innovation and dedicated crew-work. This event brought a powerful story of flight used in service of lives.



We hope to have a programme of Ports talks in 2026, ranging across the Port's operational aviation teams; if you have suggestions, or events you would like to see at the Club House, let us know by emailing jv@jerseyaeroclub.com

Forthcoming events ... *by Mike Pownall*



As the nights draw in and winter settles over Jersey, we've got just the thing to brighten your evening...

Join us at the Jersey Aero Club on Wednesday 12 November at 18:30 for a special Film Night featuring Flyboys — an epic aviation adventure from the producer of Independence Day and The Patriot. Set in the skies during WWI, it's a thrilling tribute to the first American fighter pilots.

To make the evening even more enjoyable, we'll be serving up:

- 🍿 Popcorn
- 🍫 Choc ices
- 🍕 A selection of delicious pizzas

There's a licensing cost to screen the film, so we kindly ask you to reply to this email to confirm your attendance. Your RSVP helps ensure we have enough interest to make the event worthwhile.

Also from Mike ...

Channel Island Air Search

A reminder for those of you who want to support Channel Island Air Search of their Co-Op Dividend number - 83322

Scottish Air Ambulance

After Andrew Sayers excellent talk about the Air Ambulance Service recently, he was chatting to some of the junior students who were attending the evening about various bursaries available. After some research, below are some links to various organisations who could offer possible financial assistance with flight training costs.

Whether you're dreaming of your first solo or eyeing a commercial cockpit, these bursaries and scholarships can help you get airborne. Don't let cost ground your ambitions — dozens of UK organisations are ready to support your journey.

What to do next:

- **Explore the full list below** and visit each organisation's website.
- **Check eligibility and deadlines** — many close applications between January and April.
- **Prepare a strong application:** Highlight your passion, commitment, and aviation goals.
- **Reach out for advice:** Talk to instructors, mentors, or fellow students who've applied before.

Top Tip: Apply to multiple programmes — many students secure support from more than one source.

Do you have a success story or tip to share?

We'd love to feature it in one of our emails Email us at evelinehawkin@gmail.com.

UK Pilot Training Bursaries & Scholarships – 2025 Edition

For aspiring aviators, financial support can make all the difference. Here's a list of UK organisations offering bursaries, scholarships, and sponsored training for student pilots. Whether you're pursuing a PPL, gliding, or commercial licence, these programmes can help you take off.

The Air League

Summary: The UK's largest provider of aviation scholarships, offering 3/5/12-hour flying awards, full PPL scholarships (worth £12,000), gliding bursaries, and electric flying programmes. Open to applicants aged 14+.

Website: [Future Pilot Programme - Aer Lingus](#)

Honourable Company of Air Pilots

Summary: Offers PPL and gliding scholarships to those with little or no flying experience. Selection is based on aptitude and passion for aviation.

Website: airpilots.org

British Women Pilots' Association (BWPA)

Summary: Annual scholarships for women in aviation, covering PPL, ATPL theory, and instructor ratings. Open to UK residents identifying as female.

Website: bwpa.co.uk

Light Aircraft Association (LAA)

Summary: Flying and engineering bursaries for young people interested in recreational aviation and aircraft maintenance.

Website: <https://www.lightaircraftassociation.co.uk>

Helicentre Aviation Academy

Summary: Offers full scholarships for helicopter CPL(H) and instructor ratings. Includes mentoring and career support.

Website: helicentre.com

ACS Aviation

Summary: Scholarship programme for aspiring commercial pilots, including ground school and flight training support.

Website: acsaviation.com

British Airways Future Pilot Programme

Summary: Structured MPL training with BA's partner schools. Competitive entry with employment pathway.

Website: britishairways.com

Jet2FlightPath Programme

Summary: Cadet scheme offering MPL training, financial support, and mentoring, with a route to employment.

Website: [Jet2.com announces new multi-million pound programme to put 60 aspiring pilots through fully funded training](https://www.jet2.com/news/jet2-announces-new-multi-million-pound-programme-to-put-60-aspiring-pilots-through-fully-funded-training)

TUI MPL Cadet Programme

Summary: Fully sponsored MPL training with employment as First Officer upon completion.

Website: tuigroup.com

Aer Lingus Future Pilot Programme

Summary: Full funding for cadet pilot training with pathway to employment. Open to UK and Irish applicants.

Website: [Future Pilot Programme - Aer Lingus](#)

[FlyingScholarships.co.uk](#)

Summary: Aggregates UK flying scholarships and bursaries, offering access to lesser-known opportunities and personalised advice.

Website: [flyingscholarships.co.uk](#)

Royal Air Force Air Cadets

Summary: 12-hour flying scholarships for cadets aged 16+, ending in first solo flight. Includes gliding and aerospace education.

Website: [raf.mod.uk](#)

Royal Aero Club Trust

Summary: Bursaries for flying, gliding, ballooning, and parachuting for youth aged 14–21.

Website: [royalaeroclubtrust.org](#)

Worshipful Company of Coachmakers

Summary: Aviation scholarships and bursaries supporting engineering and pilot training.

Website: [coachmakers.co.uk](#)

British Gliding Association (BGA)

Summary: Bursaries and scholarships for gliding training and competitions.

Website: [gliding.co.uk](#)

FTN Where to Apply Guide

Summary: Flight Training News publishes an annual guide listing all UK scholarships,

ATC update ... *from Marc Hill*



I'd like to thank all of the Club members who attended the ATC Safety evening on October 1st. It was great to have such a big turn out and lots of great discussion. We are looking at doing more in 2026. If there's anything specific you'd like us to discuss, please let me know.

And good news for Sure and Airtel customers. As some of you are aware, when you call from these operators ATC can hear you, but you can't hear us. We've had an update to our systems overnight on October 28th, so this should now be resolved.

Update ... from Martyn Crespel

Jersey Skills Show



On Wednesday 22nd October, Skywalker Flight Training was represented at the Jersey Skills Show by student pilot & flying desk admin Haydyn Sleight, and Flight Instructor Kobi Le Cornu. The event took place at the Royal Showground in Trinity, and hosted a variety of schools and age groups. We were grateful for the opportunity to promote the business, as well as look to attract more students to learn to fly with us. It was also a good learning experience for us to identify areas we want to improve on for the next events we attend in the near future.



and ...

Look out for the Skywalker video advert appearing during all rugby matches this season. A Christmas voucher campaign is being finalised for media release soon. The voucher sales have been very successful for us.

New Faces

Skywalker is undertaking training for two candidates for desk operations. Once security has been completed you will begin to see them appearing alongside Haydyn, Paul, Martyn and Lois as part of their training before solo ops on the flying desk.

New Aircraft

We are still trying to identify the right aircraft to add to our fleet. This is likely not to appear now until the Spring 2026.

British Young Pilots (BYP)

Under the management of Kristine we have been regularly providing training for the BYP program with at least one student moving on to train for their full PPL.

In our PPL training program generally, we currently have some 40 students on our books with approx 30 active at present. We have at least 3 on short finals to complete their PPL's !

Your story ... *temps passé* by Pauline Gardiner

Whilst looking through family memorabilia, Pauline came across some very interesting items from the time her father Jerry Curry was the senior air traffic controller at the airport.

Jerry worked at the airport from 1946 to 1967 being the SATCO from 1957 to 1967.

One of the items Pauline found was a Channel Islands Aero Club rally program. The rally took place at the beginning of May 1959.



Whilst perusing the program, I found a lovely and amusing thank you letter from a rally competitor J.C.G Taylor, who had attended the 1958 rally.

So, for those of us who have fond memories of the rallies, I hope you enjoy his article!

Those were the days ...

The first International Air Rally of the year, and the fourth to be organised by the Channel Islands Aero Club (Jersey), was held in Jersey in perfect summer weather during the week-end May 9th-11th.

Although there were forty-eight aircraft entered, twelve aircraft, because of bad weather in France failed to reach Jersey, which included our old friends Strange Hansen and Baron Wedell Wedellsbourg from Denmark, and Monsieur Mast of Belgium.

Participants began the Rally with 170 points (I had to arrive at Jersey Airport between 3.15 and 3.45 (B.S.T.) on Friday afternoon) and points were deducted on a sliding scale for each minute late or early on the arrival period. In the navigation section, points were awarded for competence of pre-flight planning and en route navigation logs and for preparation of maps and charts. Points were also awarded in this section for the type of licence held, private licences took maximum points and commercial licences minimum points. There were bonus points for pilots under 20 and over 40.

In the Concours d'Elegance the competitors' aircraft were awarded points for cleanliness, external finish, the amount of equipment carried and the general state of the cockpit.

Upon arrival at the airport, visitors were speedily rushed through Customs, immigration by Club officers and then over to the Clubhouse adjoining, where the official reception was held.

Many of the officials were club pilots, whom we had previously met on other rallies. and B.E.A. Captains, so we were in good company and soon were at home enjoying a refreshing drink before dispersing for the Portelet Hotel, overlooking the lovely St. Brelade's Bay, where most of the visitors stayed.

Then came the surprise, instead of being piled into coaches as is the usual custom at air rallies, we were amazed to learn that hire cars, mostly Morris Minors, were at our disposal to drive ourselves. It was an innovation welcomed by everybody, and in the free time enabled visitors to explore the island in their own time and manner.

At 7 o'clock the Rallyists met for cocktails at the Portelet Hotel, and the banquet followed at 8 p.m., during which the various prizes were presented to the winners by Senator W. H. Kricheski, President of the Tourism Committee, whose wife drew the winning ticket for the Proctor being raffled by the Club. This was won by a member of the Surrey Flying Club who, unfortunately, was not present.



Dancing went on until 2 a.m., during which a most excellent cabaret was staged. May 9th is also Liberation Day, a general holiday in Jersey, so all the Jersey people were in very festive mood, which added greatly to a wonderful evening. After the dance many of us went on to private houses to continue the party and returned to our hotel well after sunrise. Naturally we were all up and about for breakfast, ready for the next part of the programme.

Saturday morning was mostly spent shopping in St. Helier, and one Belgian pilot made the most unique purchase of all, a Jersey heifer, which he proposed to take back in a sack in his Gemini. He is coming back next year to collect a mate for the lady. Visitors returned to Portelet for lunch. At 2.30 p.m. an organised tour of the island was arranged, finishing up at the Town Hall at 5 p.m. for a "Vin d'Honneur" given by the Parish of St. Helier.

This was a most happy occasion where we were welcomed by the Chef de Police and entertained most lavishly. The invitation to this reception gave some of us a shock at first. It read: *The Chef de Police of St. Helier requests the pleasure of your company* - then we relaxed upon finding that our pleasure was required at a reception and not the Police Station.

At 7.30, there was another dinner at the Portelet Hotel, this time informal, following which everybody returned to the Clubhouse at the airport for the rest of the evening. This was a most enjoyable affair, with a true Clubhouse atmosphere in more senses than one, members and their wives making sure that the visitors enjoyed themselves, which we did to the full. Five of the Scottish visitors wearing their kilts caused more than a sensation, and one lady from France was so outraged that she would not be satisfied until she had donned one personally. Her request was satisfied.

The Rally finished after breakfast the following morning, but many of the participants lingered on until late in the afternoon to enjoy the sunshine and the beauty of Jersey, which at this time of the year is at its best.

For aircraft taking the long sea crossing, the R.A.F. in co-operation with the Hampshire Aeroplane Club provided an escort of two Ansons, and the R.A.F. Helicopter Air Sea Rescue Squadron was operationally informed of these escorted flights to and from Jersey.

Happily these services were not required, and on the return flight helped by a following wind of 30 m.p.h., aircraft were making the journey between Jersey and Eastleigh in about 52 minutes.

Great credit must be given to the Club for organising one of the best rallies ever, and especially to Roy Spears, the Chairman, who spared no effort to make the rally the success it was. They should also be complimented on the excellent pre-rally information sent to participants, and the beautifully prepared brochure, received before we started, contained just about all the information a pilot could wish to know.

Thanks should also be given to the States of Jersey and the States Airport officials for the friendly way in which they received such small aircraft.

When one realises that Jersey is the second busiest airport in the U.K. it is quite a concession for the Airport Commandant to agree to accept forty-eight small aircraft, half of them without radio, with scheduled air services operating in and out all the time. Everything was so well organised that there were no incidents of any kind reported, and the airline Captain we spoke to seemed to be enjoying the novelty of the occasion.

Apart from this, the States provided pickets for each aircraft and placed a police guard on duty in the aircraft park.

Just before departing, five Jodel two-seater aircraft, all painted in the red and white colours of the St. Brieuc Aero Club, flew in from St. Brieuc to help send us on our way.

Thanks, Jersey, for a lovely week-end.

Items for sale ... *from Alan Nutbrown*



Air band Transceiver

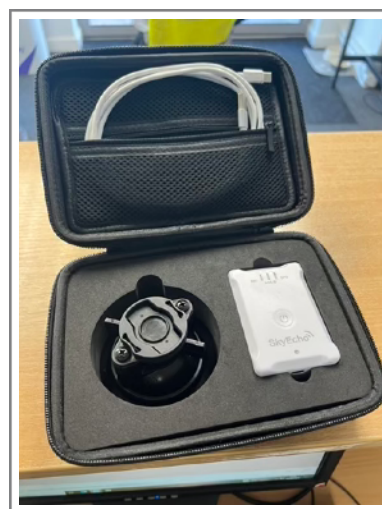
Sold as seen, nearly new condition

Asking £100 or nearest offer

Sky Echo 2

With case and cable; needs setting up using installation guide available online

Asking £400 or nearest offer



If interested, or wish to discuss price further contact :

Alan Nutbrown on 07797 714636

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



D-KOBH LET L-13 Blanik motorised.
May 1972 Oerlinghausen.jpg



D-ILIS Cessna 320C
17 June 1972 Dusseldorf.jpg



G-AJTH Miles M.65 Gemini 1A
20 February 1975 Biggin Hill-1.JPG



G-AVKE Gadfly HDW-1 Gyrocopter
22 August 1975 Southend-1.JPG



G-BEPV Fokker S.11
15 July 1978



NC648H Travelair E-4000
1 August 1980



F-BKOI Morane MS.733 Alcyon
6 July 1985 Cranfield.jpg



F-BMDM Alpaavia built Fournier RF.3
Wroughton.jpg



XV474 MCD F-4M Phantom FGR 2
Duxford.jpg



F-BKPN CEA built Jodel DR.1050M.1 Sicile Record
4 July 1987 Cranfield.jpg



EC-YOY Denney Kitfox 4
2 July 1999 Cranfield.jpg



G-AWPN Shield Xyla
3 July 1999 Cranfield-1.jpg



D-EBFW Messerschmitt Bf.108B-1 Taifun
13 September 2019 Hahnweide (5)-1.JPG



D-4788 Schweyer Kranich III
15 September 2019 Hahnweide (3).JPG



D-EJMI E.3B-574 CASA 1.131E Jungmann
15 September 2019 Hahnweide-1.JPG

Aircraft for sale ... *by Richard Hawkin*

G-AYPU 1970 PIPER PA28R ARROW 200

Reluctantly for sale, this classic Piper Arrow is a 4 seat, 125 - 130 kts tourer, owned, hangared and maintained in Jersey since new

C of A until July 2026 - Fresh Annual 04 August 2025

Total Airframe Hours 4548:05 Hours (04 August)

Engine Hours 518:05 Hours (04 August)

Propellor 128:05 Hours (new Mc Cauley 3 bladed prop in 2022)

Classic instrumentation plus Garmin 430W GPS

Hangar space available at the Jersey Aero Club

ASKING PRICE £ 72,000 or OFFERS

Contact – richardhawkin13@gmail.com



A reminder ...

If you have anything you would like to have published in the newsletter, send me an email at - evelinehawkin@gmail.com

Anything else regarding the club, please email the committee at - committee@jerseyaeroclub.com