



Welcome to the **JERSEY AERO CLUB**

December 2025 members newsletter...

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FOR YOUR DIARY ...

Club & flying room closing times over the Christmas period

Bar - closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Flying room - closed Christmas Day



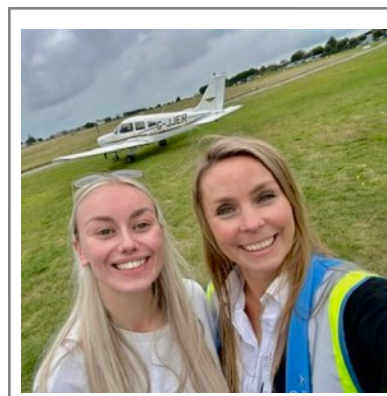
Update ... from Lee McConnell

Flying Programme

G-JJER has been very busy over the last month, totalling **50** hours in the last month, which is so encouraging to see, despite the weather and low season !!

Hayden Sleight our main man on the flying desk now, has just completed his qualifying cross-country recently, so big **congratulations** to him, he is now on the final furlong towards his PPL journey, and has been really great support to us all on the Flying desk of late. Alvaro Teixeira has also completed their qualifying cross-country.

Gracie Meade and Charlie Kay have completed their first solo, huge congratulations to them for such a magnificent achievement.



Kobi Le Cornu, has also been doing a great job in our new Flight Instructor role and with our students. In addition, he has just obtained CAA approval and licence to become a Ground School Theory invigilator giving us extra support and flexibility for students.

Handling/ FBO

Recently we have been handling some exciting and interesting visitors: Vision Jet, Eclipse 500, Jet prop Malibu and a Navajo.

We have recently recruited some new part-time staff on the Flying Desk; we would like our members to give a warm welcome to Charlie Kaye, who is currently flying with the school and is immensely enthusiastic for all things aviation and Claudine Thebault-Tobin, who many will recognise from the Servisair era of the 90s. They will be starting on the desk and shadowing over the coming weeks. So, do come in and say hi....



Aircraft G-JJER

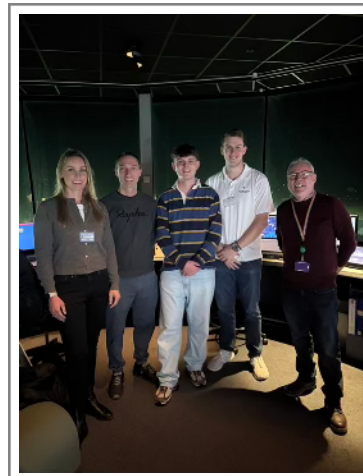
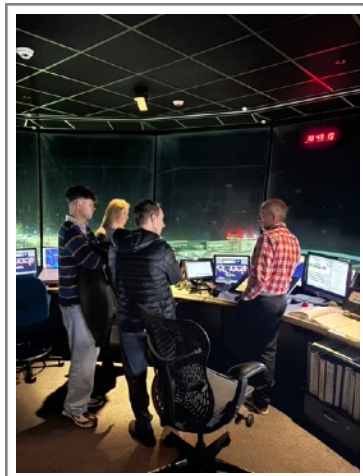
I have still been scouting around for a second PA28. The aircraft we identified originally fell through due to concerns over the engine costs, so if anyone sees a good condition PA28 Warrior suitable for our Flight Training, please do contact me directly.

The aircraft successfully completed its 50 hours check, and is on the way to Bournemouth Monday 24th November for its 100 hours check. We now have the compass cage fitted and the aircraft is looking good.

Other Activities/ Business

We have put our Christmas promotion out on Radio Jersey for Flying Vouchers, it is such a great Christmas gift for Family & Friends so keep us in mind if you are stuck for some Christmas gift ideas.

With great thanks and gratitude to Jersey ATC guru Marc Hill for helping facilitate ATC Tower visits for all our students recently, we had 15 students visiting the Tower overall, which has been very beneficial experience to all.



There was another ATC talk on Thursday, 27th November, in the evening at 18:30 to discuss all things Air Traffic and Airspace, with our Skywalker students, in a relaxed space upstairs at the clubhouse.

I want to also give a special mention Suzanne Mooney, who helps us manage all the Administration and Accounts associated with the Skywalker, she is always there to help members, provide the backbone to the desk efforts and is always a reliable support to the Flying desk team whenever we need.

We will also be planning an Ortac/Skywalker drinks and social event before Christmas, date to be announced soon.

Club updates ... *from the committee*

... by Andrew Renouf

Hangar Lights

Replacement LED Hangar lights continue to be replaced on the front row closest to the doors as aircraft move and tower access becomes available. Installation work is being done by a volunteer and the lights are being purchased directly from the Wholesalers. These lights will eliminate maintenance costs going forward, are much brighter and use less electricity than the old fluorescent fittings.



... by Jonathan Vibert

Just a reminder to everyone that Fatima will be away on a well deserved holiday from December 14th . She will return to work on January 3rd.

During her holidays, Lucy will be running the bar.

UK cost sharing rules

Whilst cost sharing Channel Islands rules remain unchanged, there is a new and important requirement in the U.K.

Full details of the rules can be found here :-

[Cost sharing flights | UK Civil Aviation Authority](#)

Club events

An event plan is being prepared for 2026, so please if you have any suggestions for events, fly-outs or indeed fly-ins to drop me an email as we look to prepare for a busy year ahead –

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ATC update ... *from Marc Hill*

We've had several ATC Visits for the Student PPL's which was great to have the engagement and some good questions.

I'd like to thank the PPL Students who attended the Jersey ATC and Met evening on November 27th. It was great to have our colleagues from Jersey Met attend and give a presentation on what they provide. They also encouraged the Students to ring them if they need any weather advice.

The ATC element covered unusual things that they might not experience while learning to fly and we discussed a flight from Jersey to Bournemouth about Flight planning, weather, routing, and services you can expect outside controlled airspace.

I would like this opportunity to wish everyone a great Christmas!



Update ... *from Richard Hawkin*

JERSEY NAVIGATION SURVEY – 2030 PBN MANDATE

Ports of Jersey Limited (PoJL) is conducting a survey to assess the present navigation capability of all its airlines and aircraft users. This is to determine the future strategy of the 'Ground Based Aids' that it presently manages and to prepare for future changes in regulation and to ensure it meets any new requirements. Jersey is very lucky, in so far as, it has a choice of multiple approach types, precision and non-precision as well as the full set of RNP approaches including LPV200. The next major regulation change is the 2030 PBN mandate which takes effect on 6th June 2030.

Put simply, the PBN mandate means a transition from conventional nav aids and procedures to performance-based navigation. PBN IR identifies the navigation specifications and functionalities to be used for enroute ATS routes, standard instrument departure routes (SID), standard arrival routes (STAR), and approach procedures. These routes and approach procedures are to be based on RNAV 1, RNP 1, RNP 0.3, RNAV 5, RNP APCH (to LNAV, LNAV/VNAV and LPV minima), etc.

The questions here are aimed at local G.A. pilots who fly IFR, so using instrument procedures. Your responses will help PoJL make a better assessment of present capability against that expected by 2030. It will also influence any decision as to which ' classic ' nav aids, if any, need to be retained.

Your name and contact details (email / telephone)

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Your aircraft type and variant

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1) Can you now or do you expect that by 2030 you'll be able to fly PBN procedures such as RNAV SIDs and STARs, RNP approaches ?

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2) Are you now and do you expect to be reliant on any ground based nav aids in order to fly IFR in and out of Jersey - ILS perhaps or a non precision approach ? Please specify which.

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PLEASE RESPOND TO [-ans-strategy@ports.je](mailto:ans-strategy@ports.je)



Update ... By Eveline Hawkin

Santa flight

With little time on our hands, we've managed to rescue the Santa event. Sadly, with Blue Islands demise, there will be no flying but we are told that Santa will make an appearance at the club on Saturday 13th December in the afternoon - so, be warned ...it could be noisy!

Pilot recruitment

We are always on the lookout for new pilots and so, if you'd like to join our team of amazing volunteer pilots, please contact us on hello@helpingwingsjersey.org

Embrace Our Difference

This year's event is taking place on Wednesday 3rd December at the Radisson Blu Hotel between 3.30pm and 6.30pm. Quite a number of local charities will be there including Helping Wings. So, pop in and have a chat, we'd love to see you.

Plane spotter's corner ... *Homage to Blue Islands from Bob Sauvary*



G-RHOP BN.2A Mk III-2 Trislander
on 24 July 2004 Jersey.JPG



G-LCOC BN.2A Mk III-1 Trislander
on 3 September 2005 Jersey



G-RHOP BN.2A Mk III-2 Trislander
on 11 March 2006 Jersey.JPG



G-BIIP BN.2B-26 Islander
on 1 April 2006 Jersey.JPG



G-BEDP BN.2A Mk III-2
Trislander



G-ISLB Bae Jetstream 32
on 8 May 2006 Jersey.JPG



G-BUVC Bae Jetstream 32
on 29 June 2007 Jersey.JPG



G-XAXA BN.2A-26 Islander
on 13 September 2007 Jersey.jpg

Plane spotter's corner ... *Homage to Blue Islands from Bob Sauvary*



G-BYHG Dornier 328-100
on 22 April 2011 Jersey.JPG



G-ISLF ATR 42-512



PH-JXK Fokker 50



G-DRFC ATR 42-320
on 9 June 2012 Jersey.JPG



LN-FAN Bae Jetstream 32
on 15 June 2012 Jersey.JPG



G-ISLI ATR 72-212A
on 29 January 2016 Jersey.jpg



G-ISLG ATR 42-320
on 21 June 2016 Jersey.jpg



G-ISLK ATR 72-212A
on 22 November 2017 Jersey.JPG



G-ISLP ATR 72-212A
on 16 June 2025 Jersey.JPG

With Bob's final Blue Islands photo, we'd like to send everyone at Blue Islands our warmest wishes.

A reminder ...

Do you have a success story or tip to share?

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

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

And finally ...

A huge thank you to Mike Pownall (pictured here in the background) for organising yet another brilliant film night at the club recently. It was great to see so many people enjoying the evening. And, we were treated to Popcorn ... Pizzas ... and to top it all choc ice!!!



Do pop up to the club if only to have a look at Fatima's wonderful Christmas tree!

Wishing everyone the best of Christmases !