

Bodmin Flyer



04/2017



AEROCLUB April 19th

Flight-plans, GAR, Sea Survival.
Matt Culverhouse/Kevin Riley

A must for all pilots, a pre season refresh of the all important details required before flying on any journey.

Bring your lifejackets along to have them checked by an expert!

The talk starts at 7:30, after another excellent meal produced by Diner 3 1.

Book Early!

Please contact Michelle or Carol if you wish to dine with us ... book early!
01208 821419 or



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6th May at BODMIN

Sign Up Now, Please!

**Winners will be invited to
the RIN Annual Meeting
and Reception to receive
their prizes.**

AERoclub March 15th @19:30



The replica aircraft and restoration specialists

The Pengelly and Hobson Show came to Bodmin and shared their involvement in Gate Guards, our local replica aircraft manufacturer based at Newquay Airport.

They described the preparation and work involved in producing large scale, or life-size replicas of a range of aircraft, from historic Lysanders for use in film sets, to F-35 training aids for ground handling crews. The detail and

workmanship required to reproduce believable replicas is amazing, and we were all amazed at what is happening on our doorstep.

We also had the chance to see state of the art flight simulation using Oculus Rift... not real, but pretty close!



Chairman's Report

Darren Fern



Apologies for the late arrival of this month's newsletter... I've spent many hours in the company of Terry Earl over the past few weeks, finally completing my CBIR. The days might be getting longer, but there are still only 24 hours in a day!

Jay Gates has now started work as Manager, with shared responsibilities, and Pete White has been busy handing over the project work completed so far. Hopefully Jay will soon take over the mantle as Newsletter editor!

Work around the airfield continues, and the new trench has been completed, water pipes and Fibre-optic cable laid in ducting, and the hole back filled. Thanks to all those involved in making this essential upgrade happen.

We need to move forwards with the planned maintenance schedule and budget setting, as this has stalled recently. We have had a proposal to refurbish the bar area and a plan to make it run in a more business-like manner. The proposal was described by Dave Hobson and discussed at the 'Open Session' prior to the Committee Meeting, and we await receipt of a written proposal with costs. Dave has also engaged engineers to design new steelwork to support the hangar door. Unfortunately, the original repair work failed to go ahead through no fault of anyone at the club.

The 172 is making steady progress and a budget statement to date was supplied to the Committee. The engine rebuild has been completed, but the avionics refit has had to be adjusted slightly to ensure that the panel looks, and functions well; we may need to take delivery before the final fitting, as parts are delayed at the moment.

Our colleague, Pete White has received further recognition of his efforts to support GA in the UK, as detailed later. Pete has kindly agreed to stay on as Social Events and Charity Advisor to the Committee. Graham Newby attended the last AOG Meeting at White Waltham, and has been elected to the position as Chairman from September. In view of his key role in the development of GA nationally, the committee asked Graham to join us as a "National GA Policy Advisor".

It is good to have Matt and Michelle back from their holiday, and it is even better to see the 'chemistry' developing between them and Jay as they figure out how to work together to deliver our aspirations.

We have made some changes to future events planned for the club, so please take note of the new details at the end of the Newsletter.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DF', written over a horizontal line.

Board Matters

Open Session

Dave Hobson presented details of work required to repair the hangar doors, at a cost estimated at around £1000 for the steel work. The plan was welcomed by the Committee, and we await final details of the structure in order to ensure that we meet local Buildings Regulations. Dave also discussed renovating the bar area, and ways to ensure its profitability. There are concerns that some members are abusing the 'Pay as you go' honesty box system currently in place. We all agreed that it would be a pity to lose the current system because of the actions of a small number within the club.

Airfield Notes

By Sandy Wilkinson

The trench has been filled in and the patio re-laid. The regular volunteers have done a great job. The grass has been cut, and the mowers have survived another winter!

Flying Bulletin

By Matt Culverhouse

A quiet month due to weather in early March meant that we only flew for 19.7 hours, bringing the total to date to 46 hours... still better than last year, and early April seems to be picking up well. We will hopefully have G-ICOM available soon, and we would like to thank Dave Hobson and Steve Windle for the use of their aircraft over the winter.

CAS News

By Rod Bellamy

On leave for a couple of weeks, then lots of activity booked in. A few jobs from AT Aviation are trickling through. Might need to pop off to Poland to renew its ARC next month.

G-Matt is returning to the hangar for some repairs under 'warranty'. Brian from Bournemouth Avionics has popped in a couple of times for radio checks...

don't forget the 8.33 updates and leave them to the last minute. Like it or not, you will need to comply with the regs, so book in early!

Admin report

By Michelle Culverhouse

'Johnny on the Job' doesn't seem to have had much influence of activity, and hasn't justified the costs involved. Social media has been far more effective at promoting the airfield.

We have some hangar space available still, and we will be marketing this actively over the next few weeks.

Carol has had a dreadful time with two recent bereavements, tempered by the delight of new babies in her family. Steve has done a valiant job trying to keep Diner 31 open whenever he can.

We still haven't received membership subscriptions from all active members (about 60 outstanding), so please pay your fees as soon as possible... they are 4 months overdue now and we need to maintain cash flow particularly as we continue the new 172 rebuild.

We have received a reasonable quote for installation of a power supply to the eastern hangar, and we will ensure it has capacity to provide power to the new fuel bay location.

Finance News

Cash flow remains steady, despite the 'hit' from the recent 72 payments. We need the membership fees to maintain our current position. Hangar income is lower than expected as a few owners found alternative accommodation due to the delays in getting access to the hangar. We need to fill it! It is an opportunity to make sure that the club aircraft are kept indoors, as we have had some significant bills due to corrosion recently; nevertheless, the cost to the club of hangar space needs to be accounted for in our budget statements.

We will be compiling more rigorous budget statements for future Committee meetings so that we can understand our cash flow and budget settings better in the future.

Business Development News

By Pete White

The Tiger Moths and Stearman Wing Walking are still planned for later on in the year, and interest remains high, particularly for the Tigers, with 21 flights booked already.

The Drone Courses continue to be a success, and the next one is booked and filling up nicely. We are also arranging 'Flight Test' days so that our students can complete their training at Bodmin.

I have handed the Fuel Bay project to Jay, and hopefully we will be able to start work on the installation later this year.

Pirate FM have approached us to see if we can help provide a traffic 'Eye in The Sky' during the week... we await more detailed proposals. There are no costs involved for us, but we would get regular publicity.

Please sign up for TopNav on their website!

We debated the timing of the Hangar Dance and have decided to move it to a date in August when weather will hopefully be warmer. Details in the poster at the end of the Newsletter!

Social Media News

By Jacob Knight

The flight training pages on the website have been revamped, making it much easier to differentiate between the licences available and understand the requirements. The new pages can be viewed at: <http://bodminairfield.com/flightraining/>. I plan to update the flight experience page to a similar standard next.

Carol now has access to her page on the website, allowing her to add menus, news and information.

Facebook : stats for the last 28 days:

New page likes: 111 (New users that have liked the page)

Post reach: 16,972 people (Total number of users that saw our posts)

Post Engagements: 6,304 people (Total users that interacted with the posts via liking, commenting and sharing)

Safety Report

by Richard Saw

No safety issues noted. The Fire truck isn't going to last forever, so we need to explore options to replace it at some stage

RAF Harrowbeer Interest Group



R A F Harrowbeer 1940s Weekend 2017

Fantastic News!! The BBMF have offered us a Spitfire Flypast for the Saturday (12th) of our event. This is terrific and will make for a splendid sight!

Planning for the 2017 1940s Weekend is now underway. If you want to bring a display, attend as a re-enactor/living history or bring a vehicle then please let us know. Vintage vehicles are welcome to 'drop by' on either of the two days.

RAF Harrowbeer is a former WWII Fighter Airfield at Yelverton, Devon. Our main website is www.rafharrowbeer.co.uk where you can learn all about the Airfield's history.

Plasterdown 2017- Service to dedicate a new memorial stone for crew of the crashed Liberator K-King

FLYING CLUB EVENTS 2016-2017

AEROCLUB

Wednesday April 19th Matt Culverhouse/Kevin Riley
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March 25th FOG team attend YES meeting at Brooklands

April 22nd FOG fly CHSW

June 2nd-4th Devon Aerocamp

June 23rd-25th Cornwall Aerocamp

September 16th Bader Braves

SPECIAL EVENTS

May 6th (Sat) RINTOP NAV Competition

May 27th (Sat) LADIES DAY FLY-IN

July 23rd (Sun) SUNDAY ON LUNDY

August 26th (Sat) ACTION STATIONS & HANGAR DANCE



FOG Events are held specifically for the named organisations, but other visitors are welcome to attend any of our events.

Contact Pete White 01752 406660 07805 805679 pete@aeronca.co.uk

BODMIN AIRFIELD

Ladies Day Fly-in

& Evening Social Event

Saturday 27th May 2017



Food all day from
DINER 31

- Visiting aircraft – **half price landing fees!**
- Vintage and Classic vehicles
- All are welcome to attend the evening event, tickets 01208 821419



PPR 01208 821419

For further details contact Pete White 07805 805679, pete@aeronca.co.uk
www.bodminairfield.com

THE TIGER MOTHS

RETURN IN SPRING 2017



After a successful 2016 launch of our CFC Nostalgic Flight we will have two wartime Tiger Moths returning to Bodmin Airfield to offer you the chance to...

Live the dream and experience the joys of flying in an open cockpit wartime training aircraft over the beautiful picturesque Cornish landscape. The aircraft you fly in has been lovingly restored to an extremely accurate standard and is flown by a very experienced pilot. On your flight you will wear a sheepskin flying jacket, leather flying helmet and goggles to help transport you back to those halcyon days of real flying. The sensational hour long aviation experience will include a walk round the aircraft with a talk on the WW2 training programme and half-an-hour in the air, when you can actually take the controls. Formation flying is also available so you can fly next to your friend or partner in another similar Tiger Moth. On your return to the airfield you will have the chance to take photos for your memory box and a cream tea will be waiting for you in the Club house.

All this for only £250 each, plus you will take away memories for a life time!

The planned dates will be announced on our website www.bodminairfield.com, on Facebook and in the Bodmin Flyer newsletter.

For more details please contact:

Pete White, 01752 406660, 07805 805679, pete@aeronca.co.uk

BODMIN AIRFIELD

Saturday 26th August 2017

ACTION! STATIONS

Military Wings & Wheels Event



Hangar Dance

featuring the Liberty Sisters



Join us for a Military Wings and Wheels event with a Hangar Dance as our evening entertainment. Among our Fly-in guests will be members of Help for Heroes (H4H) who will be flying with pilots from FOG.

No landing fees for military marked aircraft.

Food all day
from



PPR & Hangar Dance tickets 01208 821419

For further details contact Pete White 07805 805679, pete@aeronca.co.uk

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Top Nav Bodmin 2017



TOPNAV is a VFR navigation competition for private pilots, organised by GANG, and held every year in May.

This year, Bodmin Airfield's event is to be held on Saturday 6 May (13th reserve), with 6 other venues across the country on 13th May (20th reserve) including White Waltham, Goodwood, Blackbushe, Conington and Northmore

It is for a 2-person crew - pilot and navigator. Your aircraft will be fitted with a GPS tracker to check where you 'actually' flew.

We start with a briefing (at 1100) at which the route - which is about 1.5 hours - is handed out. You'll have enough time to plan it in detail. You'll be marked for timing and accuracy of tracking and finding the waypoints (usually about 8). You will be asked to take photographs to prove that you were there.

Winners will be invited to the RIN Annual Meeting and Reception to receive their prizes.

POOLEY'S
FLIGHT EQUIPMENT

Pete White and John Colgate will be hosting Bodmin's event this year!
pete@aeronca.com



Bodmin Airfield
Home of Cornwall Flying Club

Wing Walking At Bodmin Airfield!



Percival Phillips and his flying circus thrilled crowds in our region in the mid 1920's and 30's.

This unique Wing Walking Experience is now available at Bodmin Airfield on Tuesday 11th July (reserve day 12th July).

The Boeing Stearman used for this special event is owned and flown by an extremely experienced wing walking pilot, Mike Dentith.

They featured on television recently when Phillip Schofield walked aloft for the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Challenge programme.

Charity sponsored flights are welcome.

For more details please contact;

Pete White 01752 406660, 07805 805679, pete@aeronca.co.uk

LUNDY SUNDAY

Sunday 23rd July 2017 Fly-in



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