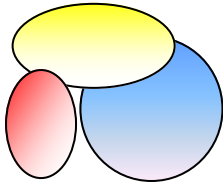




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NEXT MEETING— Annual Quiz

Tuesday 1st December will see the Christmas Season start with our Annual Quiz set by our current Quizmaster Alan George who has sent in the following hints for revision:

"Although the aircraft technical questions without one definitive answer have been amusing to discuss they do take up a lot of time so they will be straightforward this year. Also the aircraft recognition round are all Bristol aeroplanes this year so there, you already have half marks for the manufacturer, but I will be asking for the type. By contrast I have nearly exhausted all my knowledge of links between Bristol and the aircraft industry over the last 2 years so the last few this year are hard but interesting. Then for aircraft history I have been thinking about 100 years ago and the aircraft of the first world war in 1915."



Traditionally this evening has been a bring and share evening so do come along with some nibbles to help our brains get around Alan's taxing questions and make it a festive evening. The BAWA bar will of course be well equipped as usual.

Seasonal dress is optional!!

We begin to gather together at 7.30 and will start the Quiz at 7.45 in Room 7 at BAWA. Directions to the site can be found on our website

LAST MEETING— Year's review

We heard from Strut and BAC members about their flying activities over the past year, including Norway, France and the US, plus two Guinness Book of Records participants!

In addition we had a brief presentation from David Ashford of Bristol Spaceplanes on his plans for a single-seat rocket-powered aircraft as concept demonstrator for their more advanced spaceplanes. Assistance from the light aviation community - and funding - are needed!

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Picture Quiz

Airfield Identification....

Last month's Airfield sent in by David Chambers brought in a few results. It was in fact Lands End Airport (now featuring hard runways) and correctly identified very quickly by Phil Mathews and Pat Harrison (who has replied for the first time—well done Pat) :



This month's picture is not an airfield identification but can you give us the popular name for this aircraft and say where this photo by David Chambers was taken ?

Suggestions to the editor please.

The 4 stages of life at Christmas:

- 1) You believe in Santa Claus.
- 2) You don't believe in Santa Claus.
- 3) You are Santa Claus.
- 4) You look like Santa Claus

Euro cash for 8.33 radio swap?

Cash from the European Union may be available to help aircraft owners pay for new radios that can transmit and receive on both 8.33kHz and 25kHz. It's one of a number of initiatives the UK CAA is working on to ease the transition to the new frequencies coming in on 1 January 2018. For more information see the article on the Flyer Forum by clicking this link:



FLYING CIRCUITS

Here's a sarcastic American video about the very large circuits some pilots fly. Click on the link below for a bit of fun....

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f6q2VKsvQEO>

CAA Notices-

IN-2015/094: New Aerodrome Weather Warning Service - Notification of Launch Date

The purpose of this Information Notice is to advise users that the new Aerodrome Weather Warning Service launched on 27 October 2015 and to highlight key aspects of the new Service.

<http://www.caa.co.uk/docs/33/InformationNotice2015094.pdf>

IN-2015/101: CAP 413 Radiotelephony Manual

Amendment 6 to Edition 21 of CAP 413 Radiotelephony Manual will be published on 6 November 2015, to take effect on 10 December 2015.

<http://www.caa.co.uk/docs/33/InformationNotice2015101.pdf>

IN-2015/102: NOTAM Policy Procedural Changes

A theme that has been constantly raised over recent years from UK airspace users concerns the number of NOTAM in circulation. Specifically, that there are too many NOTAM to analyse. NOTAM proliferation has also been considered by ICAO, with an ongoing focus on ensuring NOTAM issued are fit for purpose.

To address these issues, take account of ICAO Annex 15 change requirements and achieve closer harmonisation with the European guidelines for Operating Procedures for AIS Dynamic Data (OPADD), UK NOTAM policy has been updated.

<http://www.caa.co.uk/docs/33/InformationNotice2015102.pdf>

CAP 493 SI 2015/05: Change to the Use of Runway Designators

The purpose of this Supplementary Instruction is to introduce a change to the use of runway designators in RTF phraseology relating to take-off, touch and go, low approach, and landing clearances.

<http://www.caa.co.uk/docs/33/SI201505.pdf>

IN-2015/104: Consultation for a Harmonised UK Transition Altitude (TA)

The purpose of this Information Notice is to alert stakeholders to the initiation of a State consultation on the Concept of Operations for a revised UK Transition Altitude of 18,000ft.

<http://www.caa.co.uk/docs/33/InformationNotice2015104.pdf>

ORS4 No.1142: Experimental Aircraft

Experimental Aircraft; E Conditions. New simple requirements from the UK Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) for approving the initial testing of small experimental aircraft in the UK. E Conditions will benefit small-scale aircraft designers and manufacturers by reducing the red tape and financial burdens associated with securing airworthiness and operational approval for new light aircraft designs (less than 2,000Kg MTOM), encouraging the growth of new design concepts.

<http://www.caa.co.uk/docs/33/1142.pdf>

Aero Expo 1st–3rd July 2016

Discounted tickets now available

http://www.aeroexpo.co.uk/tickets/?utm_source=AeroExpo+UK&utm_campaign=c0c079e502-

Where to go...

Free Landings for December in:

Flyer ; Beverley, Cromer (Northrepps), Henstridge, Netherthorpe, Shipdam, Turweston

Pilot ; Not Available

Light Aviation ; Chiltern Park, Henstridge, Sherburn-in-Elmet

RAeS Bristol Branch—Monday, 7th Dec 2015, 6.30pm

American Secret Projects – Fighters and Interceptors Speaker: Tony Buttler Aviation Historian
Concorde Room, BAWA Leisure Centre, BS34 7RG If you are planning to attend the lecture, you are kindly requested to register your attendance by clicking "Register Now" under the relevant lecture (Limited Seats available):

<http://www.raesbristol.org.uk/>



SKITTLES EVENING

On Friday 20 October, the Bristol Aero Club hosted the latest in our occasional skittles evenings. As in previous such events, the Strut achieved Silver Medal place. The chairman may have to resort to training sessions if we are to do better next time!

It is hope to have a challenge match next year and maybe if we move the venue to somewhere in South Bristol we will have more of our members taking part and therefore more skill - or luck.....

PICTURE CAPTION

Here's another picture just asking for a caption—this one sent in by Frank Bond.

We'll kick it off with his suggestion: *"Biggles, where are you?"*



1/3rd SHARE AVAILABLE – to the right person!

A rare opportunity to join a well-run syndicate, flying a delightful LAA Permit tail-dragger out of one of the West Country's best kept grass strip air-fields.

G-DENS is a 1963 Binder Smaragd based on the French classic Emeraude. Sporting stunning new fabric and paint, new canopy, and Mode S and an 8.33kHz radio, she is a delight to fly, and recognised as one of the easiest tail-draggers to fly – you can actually see over the nose! Home is a hangar at Garston Farm, a beautiful, all year capable grass strip outside Marshfield, between Bristol and Chippenham.

For more details contact Trevor on 01275 858337 or Mary on 01275 541572.



Wishing all our readers a very

Happy Christmas

followed by a

healthy and peaceful New Year

with blue skies, fair winds
and safe landings in 2016



Ian Leader Trophy

During the Christmas Quiz evening we will also be counting the anonymous nominations for the Wing Member who will receive the Ian Leader Trophy for *"Services to Bristol Wing"*.

Please complete this form and bring it with you to the Quiz Evening on Tuesday 1st December. If you can't join us on Tuesday and still wish to nominate a member please contact Mary or Trevor who will add your vote to those submitted at the meeting.

Nomination form for Ian Leader Trophy

The member I feel most deserving to receive the Ian Leader Trophy for their 'Services to Bristol Wing' during 2015 is:

