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SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MURGATROYDS

The next visit to our local fish and chip emporium has been set for Friday May 18th at 12.15. As on previous visits most of us will meet in the Square Monkey during the morning before heading down to the chippy at around 1200. Would anyone interested in joining us please give their names to Trevor Smith, who's contact details are in the above listing.

TRIPS- To book or for more info contact Mike Storey, details above.

May 1st- Gamston+Newark Air Museum+Robin Hood-confirmed (6 already confirmed) May 20th@1.00 pm-West Yorkshire police air support-Carr Gate (6- already confirmed) max 20 May-to confirm- Northeast Aircraft Museum-Sunderland+Teesside June 3rd-Sunday- Breighton Jubilee fly-in+hangar tour(9-people already confirmed) June 11th -Amsterdam with jet2

June 21st-Thursday@11.00 am- Multiflight hangars tour(8-people already confirmed)max 10 July 7th-Saturday-to confirm- North Coates-Wings and Wheels+Humberside July to confirm-weekday- Conningsby+bbmf+Humberside

August 19th-Sunday- Sherburn-Help for Heroes day(**5-people already confirmed**) other possibilities- Full Sutton(York) Waddington AirShow-June 30th Saturday All visits based on car sharing, plus petrol costs.

MEETINGS AT L.B.I.A AIREDALE HOUSE: 14:30HRS

PLEASE NOTE

IF ANY MEMBER WISHES TO COLLECT THEIR MAGAZINE AT A MONTHLY MEETING THEYMAY DO SO BY ARRIVING AT AIREDALE HOUSE BY 14:15. YOU MAY EVEN THEN DECIDE TO STAY.

CAR PARKING AT THE MONTHLY MEETINGS IS PROVIDED AT A DISCOUNTED RATE PLEASE CONTACT A COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR DETAILS

6 May 2012

Annual Air Yorkshire Quiz – We will use the same multiple choice format we used last year, which proved to be enjoyable and popular.

7 June 2012 Thursday Evening meeting (7pm)

Julian Carr, Managing Director 'bmibaby; We welcome back Julian who came to Air Yorkshire whilst he worked for JET2 in the early days. He has also worked for MyTravelLite, and IATA before joining bmibaby.

1 July 2012

Mike Dyson – Mike started his aviation career in 1956 with the RAF. He was Chief Pilot for Capital Airlines when they obtained their Air Operators Certificate. He has many years of instructor experience and again held the position of Chief Pilot at Air Wales. He currently works as an aviation consultant and works at the Oxford Aviation Academy. I am sure Mike's talk will be a fascinating insight into his aviation career

5 August 2012

Rob Shiels BSc C.Eng psc FIET was brought in to lead the UK Typhoon team for the critical transition from development to entry into service with the RAF. He was the Head of the UK Delegation to NATO for this, the largest and most expensive European collaborative defence programme ever. His talk will touch upon the problems related to international collaborative programmes and the project management techniques used amongst other things. Rob has also had the rare privilege (as a civilian) of flying in an RAF Typhoon. Rob has had a career in both the public and private sectors, he retired in 2006 and still works occasionally as a consultant specialising in HR issues.

2 September 2012

Tony Chaplin – We welcome a new speaker to Air Yorkshire, who is the brother of Air Yorkshire member, David Chaplin. We have a choice of talks. History of the Supermarine Spitfire, History of the Hawker Hurricane, History of the De Havilland Mosquito, History of the Avro Lancaster, and When Pull became Push - the Story of the Development of the Jet Engine.

7 October 2012

Sqdn. Leader Neil Airey – North West Air Ambulance and "Lakes Lightnings". It is with great pleasure that we welcome a true "Aviation Person". Neil has served as a Squadron Leader in the Royal Air Force flying a variety of Helicopters and is now the chief pilot of the North West Air Ambulance. Neil will describe his distinguished career in aviation. In his spare time Neil fly's a Bell Huey Helicopter at Air Displays, collects cockpits and has a former RAF Lightning in his back garden.

4 November 2012

Air Yorkshire AGM

2 December 2012

Xmas Meeting

6 January 2013

Peter Hampson, Airport Solutions Ltd.

As always, this will be a fascinating insight into Airport Solutions work in various countries in the world.

3 February 2013

Ed Anderson – Air Yorkshire welcomes back Ed, who is now the Chairman of the Airport Operators Association which is the trade association that represents the interests of British airports

MEETINGS REVIEW by Howard Bell

In addition to the 39 people in attendance several new members were welcomed to the meeting. Alan then introduced the guest speaker, Nick Godfrey, General Manager for Charter Sales with Jet2 and handed over to him.Nick began by stating he was an enthusiast like ourselves – he described himself as 'a part-time enthusiast and a part-time aviologist'. It was a holiday flight on Court Line BAC1-11 G-AXMK that started his interest in aviation. He began his working life with Britannia Airways, then moved to Dan-Air and on to British World Airways (what lovely old names!) before moving down to Bournemouth to join Channel Express. Channel Express began operations in 1978 as Express Air Freight (later Services) transporting perishables from the Channel Islands to the South Coast of England using Handley Page Herald turboprop aircraft. The former National Aerobatic Champion Philip Meeson acquired the airline in 1983 and renamed it Channel Express. The airline gained contracts with the Royal Mail and subsequently work for DHL and UPS.

Jet2 was established in 2003 and Leeds/Bradford chosen as its base as it was underutilised, had a huge catchment area and a receptive airport management. Most of us are familiar with how the airline has developed since then and after Nick had described this he went on to discuss products and services, emphasising the importance of good customer service. He explained why Pringles are no longer on sale on board as they became too expensive to buy from the three suppliers. The airline then approached Seabrook, as a result their crisps are now sold on board Jet2 aircraft at a cheaper price than the Pringles were, and the carrier became the first one to sell Seabrook crisps on board. For Summer 2012 the airline will have 44 aircraft in service of which 11 will be based at Leeds (8 B737-300s and 3 B757-200s). On-Time Performance (OTP) for Winter 2011-12 has been 80%.Jet2 Holidays was then discussed – this was set up in 2007 following customer requests. It is currently the 9th largest tour operator in the UK and is hoping to eventually be 3rd. Planning for Summer 2013 is now underway while next Winter has already been done with some of it now on sale. Nick also mentioned the Postal Air Network, a joint venture between Jet2 and Titan Airways involving 14 aircraft flying 29 sectors each night on Mondays-Fridays.

Following the break the subject was charter flights. The Jet2 fleet is based on Summer requirements so charters increase fleet and crew utilisation, especially at quieter times of the year. During the period from 2009-11 there were 232 charter flights to 52 countries and in February this year the first ever flight to South America was undertaken, to Recife in Brazil with B757-200 G-LSAB. There are currently regular weekend charters for ski tour operators together with flights for football and rugby fans, eq. Stoke City fans were flown to Valencia for a Europa League match and French rugby fans to Scotland for their Six Nations game at Murrayfield. A B757-200 is also leased to RAK Airways of the United Arab Emirates from 30 Sept. 2011 until 2 June 2012. Nick then went on to describe the technical details of the aircraft types within the Jet2 fleet. In all types there are variations due to them coming from different sources. Within the B737-300 fleet there are differences in engines, thrust, presence of freight doors and floors (strengthened or not). The Maximum Take-Off Weight (MTOW) is 62 tonnes and this is kept as low as possible as often as possible. The Zero Fuel Weight for all types is the total weight of the aircraft before fuel. A C-check is due after 4,400 hours - done every two years. For the B737-800 the MTOW is 76,999kg but some can be operated at 79,000kg (79 tonnes). Some of these have winglets which improve performance and efficiency but also increase the wingspan and weight of the aircraft. This also applies to the B757-200s in the fleet. The three ex-Chinese 757s (G-LSAG, 'H and 'I) were originally built for shorter overland sectors and have thee toilets with 232 seats while the others have four toilets and 229 seats. The MTOW is 104 tonnes, some have 109 tonnes. The B757-200 has excellent economics and is very powerful.

Images of various Jet2 aircraft were then shown, a variety of liveries were featured including Jet2 Holidays schemes. Following this Nick talked about the eruption of the Icelandic volcano in April 2010 (I will not attempt to name it!) and the huge operation required to bring people home after the grounding of all flights for several days. For this 160 coaches, two ferries from the Balearic Islands and various chartered aircraft linking the Canaries with mainland Spain were used – 70 extra flights in total were laid on, all to bring people back. The whole operation cost £3 million and Jet2 were the first airline to get airborne after the grounding with a flight out of Newcastle. There was a question and answer session to round off the afternoon and the raffle was drawn, congratulations to Noreen Barratt for winning the main prize of Jet2 flight tickets. This informative and often humorous meeting closed at 1700.

Scheduled destinations 2012

Base	Destinations
Belfast	12
Blackpool	
Edinburgh	16
East Midlands	15
Glasgow	16
Leeds/Bradford	41
Manchester	34
Newcastle	27



167 scheduled routes, to 150 destinations, in 19 different countries

Leeds destinations 2012







SCENE AROUND YORKSHIRE



The usual big thank you to Andy Wood(HAR) for information for this section, also the contributors to the Fighter Control forum.

BAGBY:- From the Resident Review delete G-AXPC B.121 and G-CCFX Acrosport II which have both moved the short distance to Felixkirk.

BAILDON/HOLLINS HALL HOTEL:- On 21/3 R.44 G-GIBB was noted visiting and went to Sherburn for fuel.

BARKSTON HEATH:- Noted 29.2 on a low loader outside the black hangar was an unidentified Hunter. Anyone know anything about this ?

BEVERLEY:- Noted overhead the town at 08.45hrs on 27.2 were ZH884 and ZH889 both Hercules C.5, and on 1.3 ZJ200 Apache AH.1 was noted in the vicinity.

BEVERLEY/LINLEY HILL:- From the Resident Review delete G-MYXX Quantum 15 which has moved to North Moor.

BREIGHTON

RESIDENTS:- G-AYDV Swalesong SA.II was noted dismantled by 17.3 to allow for a thorough inspection to be made prior to rebuild. G-BUKY/52-8543 Harvard 4 has been sold departing on 8.3 to a new home at Duxford. G-CCLV DA.40D is a new resident arriving 22.2 to live in Hangar 4. YL-PAG/51red L.29 (491273) moved back to its position on the gate early March in readiness for the first Fly-in of the year on 4.3.

OUTSIDE PARKING/TEMPORARY RESIDENTS:- D-EARY FWP.149D (057), G-ASIB F.172D, G-BBJX F.150L, G-BDGM PA-28 and G-BGAX PA-28 have all been present throughout the period of this report and flying regularly. D-ECXA Sbach 342 (109) arrived from Abbeyshrule 18.2 for a period of residency departing back to Abbeyshrule 17.3. D-EFUC 172S (172S8003) departed again by 17.2 returning on 26.2 and then present throughout the period of this report. G-BHAW F.172N is confirmed as being written off when blown over by gales at Enniskillen on 3.1. G-BOIY 172N arrived 16.3 from Sherburn for use by the resident York Flying School.

STORED OFF AIRFIELD:- G-BMDS D.120 arrived at a local workshop recently from North Duffield / Redmoor Farm for eventual rebuild following accident damage.

MOVEMENTS

12.2

G-CGSH EV.97 o/s only 13.28hrs f Netherthorpe t Bagby. **15.2** G-GIBB R.44 Raven f Saltburn t Sywell. **16.2** G-BEAC PA-28 f&t Humberside. **17.2** G-BRBA PA-28 f&t Full Sutton, G-CESW CTSW f&t Bagby, G-CFIA Sky Ranger 912S f&t Beverley, G-GERY GlaStar f Garton t Beverley. **18.2** G-AWUN F.150H f&t Beverley, G-BOWP D.120A f&t South Cave / Mount Airey, G-SACT PA-28 f&t Sherburn, G-VIVS PA-28 f&t Carlisle, G-YRKS R.44 Raven f&t Humberside. **19.2** G-AJXV/NJ695 Auster 4 f&t Carr Farm, G-ARFB PA-22 with G-AVGA PA-24, G-AXJI B.121, G-BOPH TR.182RG, G-BYBD F.172H, G-CEKI 172P, G-FIJJ F.177RG, and G-OSFS F.177RG all f&t Derby, G-BADC Beta B2A f&t Warrington, G-

BATV PA-28 f&t Full Sutton, G-BFPH F.172K f&t Gamston, G-BIIA RF.3 f&t Kirton in Lindsey, G-CBUG P.92-EM with G-CCEM EV.97A and G-CDLK Sky Ranger 912S all f&t Oxenhope, G-GRVE RV.6 f&t Sherburn, G-LEXY RV.8 f&t Warrington, G-MAGZ DR.500 f&t Sywell, G-OACF DR.400 f&t Sherburn, 24.2 G-TEWS PA-28 f Wickenby t Beverley. 25.2 G-AJIT J/1 (mod. f&t Netherthorpe, G-AVXD T.66 f&t Beverley, G-AVZV F.172H f&t South Cave / Mount Airey, G-BADC Beta B2A f&t Warrington, G-BHCP F.152 f Wickenby t Full Sutton, G-BIIA RF.3 f Burn t Kirton in Lindsey, G-BNMB PA-28 f&t Liverpool, G-BRWV MB.2 f&t Sleap, G-BTHE 150L f&t Beverley, G-BUJX T.61F f&t Burn, G-BULO Luscombe 8F f&t Abbots Bromley, G-BYEK GlaStar f Fishburn t Eddsfield, G-BYEM R.182RG f&t Denham, G-CGCH Sportcruiser f&t South Cave / Mount Airey, G-CGPO TL, 2000UK f&t Wentbridge / Pear Tree Farm, G-DISO D.150 f&t Yedingham, G-EFAM 182S f&t Barton, G-FUZZ/51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood, G-IVII RV.7 f&t Sherburn, G-OACF DR.400 f&t Sherburn, G-RDNS Rans S.6 f&t Felixkirk, G-RIVE D.153 f&t Strubby, G-SOBI PA-28 f Conington t Sherburn, N9362 SA.316B (1739) f&t private site Leeds. 26.2 G-BFTH F.172N f Eddsfield t Beverley then f Beverley t Eddsfield, G-BGMT Rallve 235E f&t Fishburn, G-BIWN D.112 f Beverlev t Yedingham, G-BKBN TB.10 f&t Sandtoft. G-BPOM PA-28 f&t Humberside, G-BRPF Cessna 120 f&t Sturgate, G-BTWD T.61F f&t Rufforth, G-BUTD RV.6 f&t North Coates, G-BWRO Europa TG with G-BYEK GlaStar and G-CDEX Europa TG all f Full Sutton t Fishburn, G-CETU Sky Ranger 912S f&t Rufforth, G-CGDI EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe, G-GRVE RV.6 f&t Sherburn, G-ERTE Sky Ranger 912S f Eddsfield t Aubourn, G-FUZZ/51-15319 f&t Gypsy Wood, G-IVII RV.7 f&t Sherburn, G-JAOC Sky Ranger 912 S f Eddsfield t Aubourn, G-LORC PA-28 f Sturgate t Sherburn, G-MZEN Rans S.6 f&t South Cave / Mount Airey, G-NPKJ RV.6 f&t Sturgate, G-OACF DR.400 f&t Sherburn, G-OBMS F.172N f Sturgate t Sherburn, G-RWEW R.44 Clipper f&t LBA, G-SABA PA-28R o/s only 15.55hrs. t Sherburn, G-SACT PA-28 f Sturgate t Sherburn, G-SELA 152 f&t Waddington, G-SSWV RF.5B o/s only 13.00hrs, f&t Pocklington, G-UANO/FAP1367 DHC.1 f&t Sherburn, G-XTRA EA.230 f&t Netherthorpe. 28.2 G-BIUM F.152 f&t Netherthorpe, G-YRKS R.44 Raven f&t Humberside. 1.3 G-ATJN D.119 f Rufforth t Sherburn, G-BFYM PA-28 f&t Humberside, G-PHUN FRA.150L f&t Netherthorpe. 2.3 G-ATIN D.117 f Cranwell n/s.3.3 G-ATIN D.117 t Cranwell, G-BROR J.3C-65 f&t Sturgate, G-CFKV MXP.740 f Sturgate t Long Bennington, G-FUZZ/ 51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood. 4.3 Frost Free Fly-in (Was frost free but rained all day) HA-LFH SA.342J (1775) f&t Deighton / Crab Tree Farm. 6.3 G-ATHV 150F f&t Sherburn, G-BUGT T.61F f&t Rufforth, G-BVOS Europa f&t Fishburn, G-CBUG P.92-EM f Oxenhope t Bagby, G-GIBB R.44 Raven f Saltburn t Sywell. 8.3 G-AXNS B.121 f&t Gamston. 10.3 G-BADC Beta B2A f&t Warrington, G-BNSO T.67M f&t Full Sutton, G-BNXM PA-18-95 f&t Gvpsv Wood, G-BTAW PA-28 f&t Newcastle. G-BTHE 150L f&t Beverley, G-BTZA Beech F.33A f&t Kirknewton, G-BUDW MB.2 f Sturgate t Mavis Enderby, G-BUGT T.61F f&t Rufforth, G-GOWF EC,135-T2+ f Inverness via, Dundee t Gloucester, G-ICAS S.2B f&t Full Sutton, G-OACF DR.400 f&t Sherburn, G-SACX AT-3 f Beverley t Sherburn, G-UZUP EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe, HA-LFH SA.342J f&t Deighton / Crab Tree Farm. 11.3 G-AJIT J/1 (mod.) f&t Netherthorpe, G-ATDO Bo.208C f&t Crosland Moor, G-AVZR PA-28 f Sherburn t Sturgate, G-AWUN F.150H f&t Beverley, G-BAHD 182P f&t Lambley, G-BAPP VP.1 Coupe f Sturgate t Full Sutton, G-BCOL F.172M with G-BDTV M.20F both f&t Gamston, G-BJOT D.117 f Sturgate t Full Sutton, G-BKAO D.112 f&t Bagby, G-BNML KR.2 f&t Askern, G-BODE PA-28 f&t Sherburn x 2.G-BPLZ 369HS f private site Leeds t Beverley, G-BSCE R.22B f&t Humberside, G-BULO Luscombe 8F f&t Abbots Bromley, G-BWRO Europa TG with G-BYEK GlaStar both f Beverley t Fishburn, G-BZUL Jabiru UL f North Moor t Sturgate, G-CCGF R.22B f&t LBA, G-CCVS RV.6A f Beverley t Fishburn, G-CCYS F.182Q f Netherthorpe t Sherburn. G-CDEX Europa TG f Beverlev t Fishburn. G-CEBC MXP.740 f North Moor t Sturgate, G-CGMG RV.9 f&t Pinchinthorpe, G-DISO D.150 f&t Yedingham, G-FUZZ/51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood, G-GRVE RV.6 f&t Sherburn, G-MZEN Rans S.6 f&t South Cave / Mount Airey, G-OBMS F.172N f Sherburn t local then f local t Sherburn, G-RATZ Europa f Beverley t Fishburn, G-RIVE D.153 f&t Strubby, G-ROMP EA.230H f&t Lambley, G-RPRV RV.9A f&t Lichfield, G-RWEW R.44 Clipper f&t LBA, G-TIVV EV.97 f Skegness t Bagby, G-TTRL RV.9A f&t Lichfield, G-XTRA EA.230 f&t Netherthorpe, HA-LFH SA.342J f&t Deighton / Crab Tree Farm.N278SA 177RG (177RG0571) f Sherburn t Gloucester. 12.3 G-CDKN MXP.740 with G-TYGR Sky Ranger 912S both f Rufforth t Devizes, G-MYRC Blade f&t Askern. 13.3 G-CEHV Ikarus C42 FB80 f&t Barton. 17.3 G-AJIT J/ 1(mod) f&t Netherthorpe, G-AVXD T.66 with G-AWUN F.150H, G-BTHE 150L and G-BTMR 172M all f&t Beverley, G-AZCP B.121 f&t Bagby, G-AZLV 172K f&t Waddington, G-BSMU Rans S.6 f&t Askern, G-DYMC WT9 UK f&t Bagby, G-RRCU DR.221B f&t Hucknall, G-SACT PA-28 f&t Sherburn, G-YRKS R.44 Raven f&t Humberside. 18.3 G-BADC Beta B2A f&t Warrington, G-BIOC F.150L f&t Beverley,

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CONEY PARK(Leeds Heliport)

On 28/2 Twin Squirrel G-BVLG(Powerline 60) arrived from Sherburn and was based for 3 days whilst carrying out local powerline inspection flights in the local vicinity. It carried out numerous sorties during its stay before returning to Sherburn on 1/3. Similar type G-BPRJ(Powerline 61) visited on 16/2(1150/1250) and G-BXGA(Powerline 57) on 24/2(1350/1415), both from and to Sherburn. Other visitors logged:-

- 1/2 G-JJFB Eurocopter 120B 1330 1400 from Breighton to Doncaster
 - 1715 0930 "Castle 5" from Bagby to Liskeard(n/s)
- 3/2 G-HDTV Agusta A.109E 19/2 G-NTWK Twin Squirrel
- 1200 1240 "Osprey 63" f/t Doncaster
- 28/2 G-PACO Sikorsky S.76C
- 0750 0810 f/t Barton, return 1650/1655



Twin Squirrel G-BPRJ(Powerline 61) called into Coney Park for fuel on 16/2(Mike Storey)

CONINGSBY:- On 6/2 the following Typhoons positioned out to Oman for Exercise Magic Carpet:-ZJ815(Ascot 9611), ZJ924(9612), ZJ933(9613), ZJ920(9614), ZJ919(9615), ZJ928(9617). ZJ916(Ascot 9616) made a ground abort and was replaced by ZJ910 which later departed as '9616. On 28/2 Typhoons ZJ923(6 IX 31) and ZJ926(6 IX 31) took part in a practice QRA(Scramble) in readiness for the Olympic Games. Finally, ZK300(Leuchars 19) was delivered to Scotland on 9/2 and ZJ932(Typhoon 24) departed to Warton on 28/2 for upgrade. Visitors:- 1/2 Alpha Jet ZJ645(Gauntlet 03), Tornado GR4 ZA548(Marham 32, overshoot); 7/2 Tornado GR4 ZA372(Lossie 41); 8/2 F-15Es 96-0204/00-3001(Stout 82/Panther 61, overshoots), King Air 200 ZK459(Cranwell 81); 9/2 Hawk XX329(Pirate 09); 10/2 BAe.125 ZD620(Ascot 1390); 13/2 DA.42s G-DOSA/G-DOSB and King Air 200s ZK455/ZK456/ZK458/ZK459(based all day operating missions); 14/2 BAe.146 ZE700(Northolt 18); 15/2 Hunter T7 XF995(Scampton 35, overshoot); 16/2 Falcon 20 G-FRAU(Vadar 1); 21/2 BAe.125 ZD621(Ascot 1500); 23/2 A.109E ZR322(Kittyhawk 28), Puma XW213(Vortex 330); 28/2 Tornado GR4 ZD581(Pan Marham 21, emergency landing); 29/2 Dauphin ZJ780(refuel).

CRANWELL:- 208 Squadron Hawks XX178/218/230/318/338 were noted operating here on 23/2 and stayed a few days. The following day a pair of Pumas ZA937/ZA939 called for fuel and Tucano ZF292 was noted on the flightline.

CROSLAND MOOR:- From the Resident Review delete G-BWVB Air Camper which has moved to Full Sutton recently.

DEIGHTON/CRAB TREE FARM:- A new resident is G-LOYD SA.341G registered to a local owner on 6.3.

DEVONSHIRE ARMS:- Noted visiting on 20/3 was Gazelle YU-HET. This aircraft was also visiting the following day

DONCASTER(AEROVENTURE):- The South Yorkshire Aircraft Museum has acquired the fuselage of a Blackburn B.2 after it was discovered in a tree in a scrap yard. Curators believe the plane, built and flown in Yorkshire, is one of only two still in existence. Coordinator James Stables said the biplane, withdrawn from service in 1942, had its original paintwork. Mr Staples said: "It's actually trained a third of pilots who flew in the Battle of Britain and was produced in limited numbers.

"When it was withdrawn from service it was given to air cadet units, and as they disposed of it, it ended up in a scrap yard. "It sat up in a tree for 37 years and it was rescued." The museum said it was now looking to restore the aircraft.

The Museum are reported to have obtained the remains of G-ACBH Blackburn B.2 from Acebell Aviation at Redhill. A new arrival noted 22.11 was the forward fuselage of VP519 Anson C.19 ex. Boulton and Paul Museum at Wolverhampton.

A monument to commemorate air crew from Yorkshire who took part in the Battle of Britain is to be built in Doncaster. Organised by the Battle of Britain Historical Society, it will be based at the South Yorkshire Aircraft Museum - the former site of WWII RAF Doncaster. It is the second of five such memorials planned for sites across Britain, with one already in London. The society said it would feature the names of all 105 Yorkshire air crew who flew in the battle. Bill Bond, society founder, said: "The fact there were 105 Yorkshire men who flew in the Battle of Britain is an amazing number for one county. "No other county in the UK had anywhere near that number." The town has strong links to the battle, with 616 Squadron being based at RAF Doncaster during part of the conflict.



Dash-8-400 HB-JQB of Darwin Airlines arriving at Doncaster, 3/2(Clive Featherstone)

DONCASTER(Robin Hood) Info courtesy of dsaf.co.uk/fodsa.co.uk

On 1/2 A.310 CS-TEX(Sky Flyer 234P) arrived and "parked up" until 5/2 when it departed as "BEL 9902". Darwin Airways Dash-8-400 HB-JQB(Darwin 9580/2580) positioned in on 3/2 to operate an outbound charter to Geneva, making the return trip on 6/2. The Saudi Air Force Hercules 475(SAF 900) arrived on 4/2 while heading home from the USA, departing on 7/2. On 12/2 Thomson 737/800 G-TAWB made its first visit while on 14/2 Embraer 190 PH-EZC(KLM 7369) arrived to do some crew training. Other visitors included:-

- 1/2 N425ST Citation Bravo, G-SYPS MD-902(Police 33, training)
- 2/2 G-XAVB Citation Mustang(Beauport 521), King Air 200s ZK458/ZK460(Cranwell 86/79, ILS)
- 3/2 N2923N PA-32, G-LIVY King Air 200, M-MIKE Citationjet 2
- 4/2 N675BW V.35B Bonanza(ILS), G-NSJS Citation Sovereign, M-DINO Citationjet
- 6/2 F-WEXY Falcon 2000EX(training), G-MAJL Jetstream 41(Eastflight 11W, Humberside div)
- 8/2 M-LJGI Falcon 2000EX(n/s), G-ODUD PA-28, ZD739 Tornado(Marham 21, ILS)
- 9/2 N360PA Challenger 300, G-WAIN Citation Bravo, G-CGNP Phenom(Flairjet 630A)
- 10/2 G-OOBK Boeing 767/300(Thomson 156), G-DJET DA-42(White Knight 08, training)
- 11/2 CS-DKC Gulfstream 5(Fraction 005D), N719EL Hawker 400XP, N600LB SR.22(training)
- 12/2 G-POWG Citationjet 2(ZAP 5W)
- 13/2 CS-DXB Citation XL(Fraction 6GW), G-IASM King Air 200, ZA548 Tornado(Marham 23, ILS)
- 15/2 CS-DXR Citation XL(Fraction 729G), ZF491 Tucano(LOP 95), ZA404 Tornado(MRH 21, ILS)
- 16/2 N700GB Global Express(n/s), EI-GJL Dauphin, M-EGGA King Air 200(n/s)

- 17/2 ZZ171 C-17A(Ascot 879, ILS), G-CTEN Citation X(PDY 48B), XX255 Hawk(Pirate 10, ILS)
- 20/2 N7205T Beech 36(training), G-BVMA King Air 200, G-GOWF EC.135T(Red Head 48)
- 21/2 PH-WDL PA-34, G-JDPB PA-28R(Jaydee 56X, training), ZH103 AWACS(NATO 31, ILS)
- 22/2 ZR322 A.109E(Ascot 1423), G-CPRR Citation Sovereign, G-VIPU PA-31(Prestige 40X)
- 23/2 G-EZIK A.319(Easy 9, training), OE-FAI DA-42(training), ZK014 Hawk(VYT 93, ILS)
- 25/2 G-PJLO Boeing 767/300(Thomson 157), G-JDBH DR.400(training)
- 26/2 N264A Global Express(n/s), G-OBMS Cessna 172N(training)
- 27/2 G-ORLA R.44(Omega 38), G-CJDB Citationjet 2(n/s)
- 28/2 G-EZAK A.319(Easy 9, ILS), G-CEYU Dauphin(Yorkair 1), ZH889 Hercules(Ascot 608, ILS)

29/2 ZZ416 Shadow(Vulcan 1, ILS), ZD621 BAe.1259Northolt 41, ILS), G-DMRS R.44(Costock 5) The inhabitants of the Kinch facility as of 28/2 were as follows:- N80364 Citation 1SP arrived 14:21 11/05/10 – stored; G-JETA Citation 2 - arrived 11:01 20/08/10 - stored (for sale); M-PARK Citationjet - arrived 15:21 12/11/10 - stored (for sale); N605GB Challenger 605 - arrived 12:12 17/05/11 - stored (for sale); G-USAR Cessna 441 - arrived 07:06 25/07/11 - undercarriage failure on arrival; G-LFPT Citation Mustang - arrived 19:22 21/09/11; G-PPLC Citation V - arrived 17:12 08/03/12 - new paint scheme, which is similar to G-WAIN); N646VP Citationjet - arrived 17:14 25/01/12; N188WS Citation XL - arrived 16:56 05/03/12; N200RE King Air 90 - arrived 15:46 19/03/ 12; OE-FRA Citationjet 2 - arrived 17:00 20/03/12; N254CX Citation X - arrived 20:32 24/03/12 note: now has winglets; G-CPRR Citation Sovereign - arrived 13:08 25/03/12; G-KDMA Citation Bravo - arrived 09:47 27/03/12. Citation Sovereign G-SVSB was registered N94SV for Cessna Aircraft Corporation on 1/3.



Connecticut based, Global Express N700GB of AVN Air LLC at Doncaster 16/2(Clive Featherstone)

DRIFFIELD/AIKE FARM:- No longer resident is Cessna 182S G-HRNT, having been sold to new owners in Switzerland.

EDDSFIELD:- The only aircraft present during a visit 16.2 were G-BEVC Rallye 150ST, G-BFTH F.172N and G-CBIJ Ikarus C42 FB UK. The wings of G-AYFG D.62C were also still present dumped outside. No attempt to rebuild the hangars has been made yet and on enquiring with Edd he stated that a few aircraft had departed for the winter months but that he expected them to return in due course and that the hangars would be rebuilt sometime in the future. It is such a shame that this strip is only a shadow of its former self at the moment. G-GCUF DR.400 has departed for hangarage at Full Sutton. On 4/2 Cessna T.206H G-NIME was noted paying a visit before routing to Bagby.

ELVINGTON:- Visiting on the afternoon of 11.3 was G-HGRB R.44 Raven from Sherburn. Noted arriving from its base at Bournemouth on 20/3 was Premier 1 M-RKAY. This aircraft, now operated by Sunseeker Corporate Aviation, was formerly G-OMJC of Manhattan Aviation. On 29/3 Agusta A,109E EI-MSG visited, departing to Braganstown near Dundalk early evening.

FELIXKIRK:- This is a 500 metre north – south grass strip with a four bay hangar , built in 2009 at the north end . On 25/2 member David Thompson visited however only one bay was open ;

G-APUE L40 Meta Sokol

G-AXPC B121 Pup

G-CCFX Acro Sport 2 G-RDNS Rand S6 Super Six ex Bagby

ex Bagby but built and first flight from Wombleton ber Six ex Wombleton , T/F Breighton today

All the above are believed to be residents here. Also in here were the wings from on going project EV-97 c/n 2007 – 3201 together with the recently painted and covered fuselage and refurbished wings of an Auster G-AIPR.



The fuselage and wings of Auster G-AIPR at Felixkirk on rebuild(David Thompson)

FULL SUTTON:- Recent new arrivals are G-BAEN DR.400 ex. Wombleton, G-BDWX D.120A ex. Wombleton, G-BPEM 150K ex. Henstridge, G-BWVB Air Camper which has arrived from Crosland Moor by road its permit having expired 11.7.07 and G-GCUF DR.400 ex. Eddsfield, plus N111SC Beech N35 (D-6795) which is back here again but also appears to spend time at Glasgow. An interesting visitor on 21.11 was N2432L PA-44-180(4496298) which was on route to China to become B-3675, one of several in the area recently it departed via Lydd on 14.12. I paid a visit on **11.3** when the following were noted :- **Club Hangar** G-ASZD Bo.208A-2, G-AVYL PA-28, G-AXJX PA-28, G-BDWX D.120A, G-BIEY PA-28, G-BRBA PA-28, G-CBOR F.172N, G-CEZK SA.750, G-CONL TB.10, G-GUMS 182P (on lease from Les Scattergood at Sherburn), G-ICAS S.2B, G-ZEBY PA-28. **Private Hangar** D-EGCC DR.253B (178), G-ASAU MS.880B, G-BAEN DR.400, G-BAPP VP.1 Coupe, G-BJOT D.117, G-BKTZ T.67M, G-BOSM DR.253B, G-BPEM 150K, G-BVST D.150, G-BWVB Air Camper (dismantled), G-BWZA Europa, G-COMB PA-30, G-EIWT FR.182RG, G-GCUF DR.400, G-MYON Shadow Srs.CD, N111SC Beech N35. **Residents on Field** G-BAZS F.150L (on lease from Les Scattergood at Sherburn), G-BCYH PA-28, G-BNSO T.67M, G-COLH PA-28. **Visitor between 15.15hrs and 15.50hrs.** G-AYUT DR.1050 f&t Breighton.



1961 vintage V.35 Bonanza N111SC spends it time between Glasgow and Full Sutton

GAMSTON On 23/2 Canterbury owned DA.40 G-XKKA was noted on maintenance, while resident DA.42 OE-FAI has been re-registered G-DMPP for Diamond Executive Aviation. A recent import is DA.42 D-GTTI which is due to become G-DGPS for Flight Calibration Ltd of Chessington. DA-40 G-

CCLV was recently re-registered G-LWLW for an owner in York. For anyone who has seen a Spitfire here recently it is a scale replica Spitfire Mk.26 G-PIXY/"RK855/FT-C" which is currently here for flight testing and is not expected to become resident. From the residents delete G-CTCL TB.10 which has moved to Tollerton following sale, and G-WAGS R.44 Raven also gone following its sale, its replacement is G-UZEL SA.341G although this was de-registered 1.2 as transferred to the Hungarian Register. Updating the information in the September magazine G-BYTI PA-24 was the aircraft that landed wheels up in a field adjacent to the runway on 17.7.11 due to the pilot been unable to lower the undercarriage. The propeller and lower fuselage skins sustained damage.

GRINDALE / EAST LEYS FARM Present on the morning of 16.2 was G-VANA GA-8 Airvan tied down and with covers on, this is thought to be just on lease and there was no sign of G-ATLT U.206A probably just away on maintenance.

HARROGATE / RUDDING PARK Noted at the Brass Monkey Balloon Meet early morning on 26.2 were G-BTPV Colt 90A, G-BZKW Ultramagic M-77, G-FVEL Cameron Z-90 and G-LIMP Cameron C-80.

HUMBERSIDE

- 1/2 N447EQ SR.22, G-JMOS PA-34, G-JJFB EC.120B, G-AZKZ F.172L, G-MFLB HR.200
- 4/2 N35KN Cessna 401(n/s)
- 9/2 D-AFAA Challenger 604(Red Angel 2063), G-SUET Long Ranger(Pipeline 83)
- 10/2 CS-DXK Citation XL(Fraction 3LD/543B); 11/2 G-SEAJ Citationjet(Clifton 286)
- 14/2 D-CFAZ Lear Jet 55C(Red Angel 2093, n/s), G-ZMED Lear Jet 35A(Air Med 057)
- 16/2 N402BL King Air F.90, D-ILCA PA-31 Chieftain, G-HFCL Cessna F.152
- 17/2 ZZ171 C-17A(Ascot 879, ILS), Hawks XX255(Pirate 10), XX266(Red 4) ILS
- 18/2 EI-SPB Cessna T.206H; 21/2 T-721 King Air 350(Swiss Air Force 721)
- 19/2 TF-FIE Boeing 757(Iceair 776); 23/2 M-YAIR Premier 1
- 28/2 G-FBLK Citation Mustang(Blink 3C), ZD621 BAe.125(Northolt 41, training)

Rather depressingly, these seem to be the only IT flights this summer, unless the JetXtra shambles is resolved:-

Dalaman on Tuesday morning - Pegasus airlines

Heraklion on Tuesday evening - Aegean airlines

Palma on Saturday lunchtime - Thomas Cook airlines

Jersey on Saturday afternoon - Flybe (charter/schedule)

Bourgas on Sunday evening - Balkan Holidays



Swiss Air Force King Air 350 T-721 parked on the apron at Humberside, 21/2(Richard Grimley)

KEAL COATES: Updating the comment in the October magazine G-CCRN T.600N was the aircraft that made a forced landing in a field on 31.7.11 due to power loss. The aircraft flipped on to its back due to soft ground but only slight damage was reported.

LECONFIELD:- **23.2** ZJ174, ZJ179, ZJ220 all Apache AH.1 at lunch time and earlier in the day ZD627 and ZF119 both Sea King HC.4.

LEEDS/COOKRIDGE:- On 27/3 S.76C G-XXEB(Rainbow 1R) landed at the Care for Life farm late morning and stayed until mid-afternoon before routing to Carr Gate. The aircraft visited a site in Leeds City Centre the following day before moving to another location near Huddersfield.

LEEDS GENERAL INFIRMARY:- Merlin ZJ992(Vortex 276) paid a visit on 24/6 following an approach and overshoot at LBIA. On 20/3 a pair of Pumas XW222/ZA939(Rider Formation) made a practice approach to the rooftop helipad, while Lynx XZ221(Armyair 977) paid a visit am on 30/3.

LEEMING:- On 1/2 French Air Force CN.235 071/62-IE(Cotam 2001) arrived around lunchtime for a short visit to off-load freight. Other visitors included;- 1/2 Puma ZA937(Vortex 287), Chinook ZA677(Vortex 582); 13/7 King Air 200 G-COBM(Calibrator 258), VC-10 XR808(Ascot 863, overshoot); 24/4 DA-42 G-COBS(Calibrator 16, crew training); 28/2 Lynx ZF558/XZ731(Skua 1/2), BAe.125 ZD621(Northolt 41, training).

LINTON ON OUSE:- Visiting on 24.2 was 603 An26 of the Hungarian Air Force which departed at 14.08hrs, also visiting were ZD620 BAe.125 CC.3 and ZE700 BAe.146 CC2 while Tornado GR4s ZA452/ZG727 carried out overshoots. On 5.3 0455 C.295M of the Czech Air Force and 407 An.26 of the Hungarian Air Force were noted at lunch time. On 17/2 Tornado GR4 ZG713/123 arrived for an overnight stay and the following Hawks were noted on 23/2 XX240/240, XX321/CI, XX329/CJ, XX332/CO, ZK014, ZK016.

MARKET RASEN/FIR PARK:- A prospective new resident is G-CHDS Rans S.6 presently under construction in the Grimsby area.

NETHERTHORPE:- G-KARA MB.2 has moved back in and is airworthy again, being used as a replacement for G-SEVN RV.7 which is undergoing repairs following its ground accident at Wickenby late last year. Updating the information in the November magazine the accident to G-ZANG PA-28 was on 22.10.11 not 21.10.11.

NEWBY WISKE:- The strip here is no longer active and is in poor condition. Only G-CBRD D.18 is airworthy (although inactive at the moment), with all other listed residents stored including a new addition G-AYZU T.61A, all noted on a visit 14.1.

NORTHALLERTON:- G-AGYH J/1N is stored locally in a dismantled state after being recovered from Barrow ex. Scottish Scout Association.

NORTH COATES:- Resident News :- G-AKHP M.65 has been sold to a new owner in Somerset but is still here engineless as present. G-CBCV/XX699 Bulldog Srs.120/121 has been sold and in late February was being stripped down for export to Australia (departed North Coates 28.2) where it will be based near Adelaide and is expected to retain its RAF markings, it is believed it will be the only Bulldog in Oz. **Movements :- 1.2** G-CGSH EV.97 f&t Bagby. **4.2** G-BUTD RV.6 f&t Manby / Eastfield Farm, G-BTHE 150L f&t Beverley. **11.2** G-BHFK PA-28 f&t Lambley. **12.2** G-BUTD RV.6 f&t Manby / Eastfield Farm. **19.2** G-BRAA S.1C f&t Manby / Eastfield Farm, G-BGAX PA-28 f&t Breighton, G-DEND F.150M f&t Bagby. **25.2** G-BPBJ 152 f&t New York, G-CEOM Jabiru UL f&t Headon, G-BRAA S.1C f&t Manby / Eastfield Farm, G-BGAX PA-28 f&t Breighton, G-DEND F.150M f&t Bagby. **25.2** G-BPBJ 152 f&t New York, G-CEOM Jabiru UL f&t Headon, G-BRAA S.1C f&t Manby / Eastfield Farm, G-BGAX PA-28 f&t Breighton, G-DEND F.150M f&t Bagby. **25.2** G-BPBJ 152 f&t New York, G-CEOM Jabiru UL f&t Headon, G-BRAA S.1C f&t Manby / Eastfield Farm, G-BGAX PA-28 f&t Lambley, G-OTFUTD248 Spitfire LF.XVIe flyby only f&t Humberside. **26.2** G-BTHE 150L with G-AWUN F.150H and G-AVXD T.66 all f&t Beverley, G-BUTD RV.6 f Manby / Eastfield Farm t Breighton, G-BHFK PA-28 f&t Lambley, G-CFFJ CTSW f Cromer t Caunton, G-CWBM Currie Wot with G-ARAZ/ R4959 DH.82A both f&t Temple Bruer. **29.2** G-SACY AT-3 f&t Sherburn.

NORTH DUFFIELD/REDMOOR FARM:- In mid February the accident damaged G-BMDS D.120 moved to a private workshop at Breighton for rebuild.

NORTH MOOR:- Recent visitors noted **14.1** G-NPKJ RV.6 f&t Sturgate. **19.2** G-LUBY Jabiru J430 f&t Barton. A visit on 11.3 found that G-BLDB JT.1 is shortly to relocate to Old Warden, G-CCFJ Twinstar Mk.3 is stored having not flown for over a year, G-MYXX Quantum 15 is a new resident ex. Beverley, whilst G-MYYX Quantum 15 has departed and moved out of the area. G-BFOG 150M is away on maintenance at Sturgate where it has been for at least a month (and noted there by myself on 11.3). **POCKLINGTON:-** Visiting on 1.3 was G-CCMO EV.97A.

RUFFORTH WEST:-Present with Bob McLean on 15.2 was G-RYPE DG.1000T.

SCAMPTON:- Black Hawks XX284(Skull and crossbones) and XX357(Navy) were noted on 2/2 operating with the Red Arrows and stayed for a few days.

SELBY;- Recently registered to a company called Skyviews R.Us with an address in the town is Cessna F.172N G-LMAO which was formerly SE-GYT. At present it is unclear where the aircraft will be based.

SHERBURN: A new resident is G-CEFV 182T following displacement from Wombleton. Resident G-OBMW AA-5 was damaged in a heavy landing on 25.10 causing the propeller to strike the ground and

the nose undercarriage to collapse. A visit **11.3** by myself found no changes to the resident situation. G-BSLT PA-28, G-BTXT MXT.7-180(f Fishburn) and G-FLKY 172S (f Eddsfield) were all tied down along the fence line and were probably in for maintenance with Sherburn Engineering. **Visitors 12.10 – 13.10hrs.** were G-AYFC D.62B, G-AYUT DR.1050,G-BACL D.150, G-BVEH D.112 all f&t Breighton, G-BSHP PA-28 f&t ?, G-BVOS Europa f&t Fishburn, G-BYSI PZL-110 f&t Gamston, G-CCCN R.3000/160 f&t Abbots Bromley, G-CCSR EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe, G-CCYS F.182Q f Breighton t Netherthorpe, G-PARI 172RG f&t Tatenhill, G-RVDR RV.6A f Sturgate t Breighton, G-STVT Sportcruiser f&t Netherthorpe and N278SA 177RG (177RG0571) f Gloucester t Breighton. On 31/3 PA-28R Arrow EI-EDR paid a visit f/t Dublin/Weston.

SOUTH CAVE/MOUNT AIREY:- A replacement for the recently departed G-ARYS 172C is N100MC PA-23-160(23-1985, ex G-ARJV) however it was noted nose down with the undercarriage collapsed in a field by the airfield on 16.12, it had just come to grief following the left engine losing power on the approach to land, causing a forced landing short of the runway. There was extensive damage to the landing gear and port wing with both propellers bent and the engines shock loaded. It is registered to International Air Services Inc. of 74 Park Avenue , Hull. Taking a break in its delivery flight from USA to China on 18.2 was N2437J (B-3681 under taped on N-reg.) PA-44-180 (4496304). See also Sturgate for another of the group.

SOUTH SCARLE/BEECHES FARM:- A visit 10.3 noted in the hangar G-ARHZ D.62, G-BICD Auster 5, G-BKUI D.31 (on rebuild), G-PLSA Pulsar XP and the unregistered Hurricane Scale Replica (under construction). Visiting between 16.10 – 17.15hrs. were G-AYFC D.62B f&t Breighton and G-KARA MB.2 f&t Netherthorpe.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES:- S.76C G-XXEB(Rainbow 1R) visited the town on 16/2 and was also noted at Hartlepool Docks later in the day.

STORWOOD:- A re-entry for this location after an absence of several years, noted on 15.3 were (G-VOCE)/G-BSCL R.22B stored, WX788 Venom NF.3 all airframe except the cockpit section which is at Doncaster Aeroventure, XL738 Skeeter AOP.12 stored, XL763 Skeeter AOP.12 dumped and (G-BMIR)/XT788 Wasp HAS.1 under restoration.

STURGATE:- An interesting visitor arriving 18.2 was N2433D (carring B-3680 under taped on N-reg.) PA-44-180 (4496303) on delivery from the USA to China and one of two in our area today. A third is expected on a similar route in the future. From the Resident Review delete G-DAAH PA-28RT which has moved to Halfpenny Green following sale. A brief visit by myself on 11.3 noted the following :-Lincoln Aero Club Hangar G-ARRS CP.301A, G-AWVC B.121, G-AYYU Beech C23, G-BBHF PA-23, G-BDDG D.112 (permit expired 28.7.04), G-BGVE CP.1310-C3, G-BROR J.3C-65, G-CCNU Sky Ranger J2.2. G-CGJP RV.10. G-FARY Tri-Q. G-FCUK S.1C (new resident ?), G-UAPO R90-230RG. EAE Hangar Locked but outside on their apron were G-ATEW PA-30 fuselage only unmarked, G-AVYT PA-28R f Gamston minus engine, G-BFOG 150M f North Moor, G-BPBO PA-28RT f Sandtoft, G-BRNN 152 now owned by EAE, G-CCZA MS.894A impounded, G-LIZI PA-28 f Cranwell, G-OACI MS.893E f Full Sutton, G-PATN TB.10 f Humberside, G-TERY PA-28 f Bagby, N136D RC.114 (14361) f Fairoaks, N218Y 310Q (310Q-0507) f North Weald, N226CA 172S (172S9793) preparation for export to Norway, N375SA PA-34-200T (34-7670002) stored. Private Hangar G-BMJR T.337H, G-BWII 150G, G-IJOE PA-28RT, G-NPKJ RV.6, G-PUPP B.121, N26RT Beech F.33A (CE-1292). Resident on field G-CEBF EV.97A. Visitors 09.10 - 10.05hrs. G-AYUT DR.1050 f&t Breighton, G-BAPP VP.1 Coupe f Full Sutton t Breighton, G-BDBV D.11A f&t ?, G-BJDF MS.880B f&t Temple Bruer, G-BJOT D.117 f Full Sutton t Breighton, G-BVEH D.112 f&t Breighton. A fly in was in progress today but as we had to leave very early a full list would be appreciated if anyone went, I imagine there was a high number of visitors due to the perfect weather conditions.

SUTTON BANK:- Resident G-BJIV PA-18-150 had right hand landing gear failure during an aero tow take off on 30.8.11 causing the starboard wing tip to contact the ground, the take off was abandoned and no further damage was sustained.

SYERSTON:- A new arrival for storage is ZE556 Viking T.1 (cockpit section) ex. 1360 Squadron ATC at Stapleford, Notts.

TEESSIDE(Durham Tees Valley) Info and photos courtesy of dtvmovements.co.uk

February was a fairly quiet month at our northern outpost, with uncertainty still about to future direction the airport is heading as no buyer has come in to purchase the airport. The star movement of the month was World Airways MD-11F N380WA which arrived to operate a charter on behalf of

Allied Air, Nigeria on 27/2 and night stopped. Also visiting the same day was A.330 G-SMAN(Monarch 8771). The 17th saw C-17A Globemaster ZZ177(Ascot 6641) arrived from the United Arab Emirates before positioning home to Brize Norton. On 28/2 Flybe Dash-8-400 G-ECOI(Jersey 027T) turned up for a training detail. Already mentioned last month, DA-42 G-COBS(Calibrator 16) arrived on 1/2 and is resident with Cobham Aviation. On 4/2 Bagby resident SR.22 G-VBCA took up temporary residence in Hangar 3. Other movements included:-



- 1/2 ZK458 King Air 200(Cranwell 14, ILS), G-CEYU Dauphin(Yorkair 2), G-SACY AT-3
- 2/2 ZK459 King Air 200(Cranwell 81, ILS), ZF448 Tucano(LOP 48, training)
- 6/3 ZK302/ZK319 Typhoons(overshoot), G-BMUZ PA-28
- 7/2 ZG707 Tornado(Rebel, ILS), G-FBKC Citation Mustang(Blink 6F), G-ARYS Cessna 172C
- 8/2 D-CNOB Citation jet 3(Air Bremen 2081), G-CGNE R.44, G-FBKD Citation Mustang(Blink 8H)
- 9/2 OE-FKK Premier 1(Tourjet 602, LBA div. Also 18/2), G-IFIT PA-31(LBA div, n/s)
- 10/2 D-COKE Lear Jet 35(Red Angel 2080), G-SUEZ Long Ranger, G-XAVB Citation Mustang
- 11/2 G-DDDJ Lear Jet 45(Skywalker 220), G-HPPY Lear Jet 45(Manhattan 077)
- 12/2 G-EHGW Citation Bravo(Go-jet 311A), G-TYRE F.172M(White Knight 06)
- 14/2 ZK460 King Air 200(Cranwell 86, ILS), G-CITJ Citationjet(Clifton 9), ZF308 Tucano(LOP 73)
- 15/2 EC-GXJ Metroliner(Flight-Avia 4131), G-FBLK Citation Mustang(Blink 1A)
- 16/2 XX289 Hawk(Pirate 21, n/s), N2445V Cessna 182S
- 17/2 ZF243(LOP 80, overshoot), G-BRLG Cessna 150G
- 19/2 G-BNJH Cessna 152, G-BGMT Rallye, G-JLIN PA-28
- 20/2 ZK307/ZK308 Typhoons("Rockstar", overshoot), ZF243 Tucano(LOP 75, overshoot)
- 21/2 XX321 Hawk(Pirate 08, overshoot), G-JBLZ Citation 2(Cloudrunner 72)
- 23/2 ZF343/ZF338 Tucano(LOP 81/LOP69, overshoots)
- 24/2 G-CGMB Embraer 135(Eastflight 1589), G-FNEY Cessna 177RG(n/s)
- 27/2 N821CC Cirrus SR.22, ZF377 Tucano(LOP 04, overshoot), M-USCA TBM.700(n/s)
- 28/2 ZA149 VC-10(Tartan 29, ILS), G-GOWF EC.135T(Red Head 10), G-SASA EC.135(Helimed 08)
- 29/2 ZA452/ZD715 Tornados(Monster 1(Marham 93, ILS), G-CGWV EMB.145(Eastflight 17W)



Premier 1 OE-FKK diverted into Teesside due LBIA weather on 9/2 and also visited on 18/2

TODMORDEN:- Stainsby based R.66 N4478K was noted on 19/2, later routing home to its base near Teesside.

TOPCLIFFE:- A potential new resident is DA.42 Twin Star G-DMPP, the former OE-FAI, which has been registered to Diamond Executive of Thirsk.

WADDINGTON:- On 29/2 "Exercise Taurus Mountain 2" took place at the base to test out the UK defenses for the Olympic Games. VIPs arrived in A.109Es G-WELY(Ascot 1347) and ZR323(Ascot 1346) and several of them took to the air in an AWACS. Other aircraft on show were based AWACS and Sentinels along with DA-42 G-DOSB(which was based all month along with G-DOSA), Shadows ZZ416/ZZ504, Typhoon ZK327. Tornado GR4 ZA595, Royal Navy Lynx XZ697 and Sea Kings XV707/ ZF119, Army Lynx ZD283 and Puma XW219. Typhoons ZJ813/ZJ915 made a flypast. Other movements logged:- 1/2 A.109E ZR323(Ascot 1654), Apaches ZJ219/ZJ223(Eclipse 1/2), ZA554 Tornado GR4(Voodoo 2); 3/2 Dakota ZA947(Dakota 99, circuits), Xingu 089/YJ(French Air Force 6798); 8/3 BAe.146 ZE700(Ascot 1492), Apaches ZJ188/ZJ222(Vengeance 1/2); 11/3 Puma ZA937/ ZA939(Ghostrider 1/2); 15/3 BAe.125 ZD620(Northolt 35); 17/3 C.17A ZZ171(Ascot 879, overshoot), VC-10 ZA149(Ascot 744, multiple overshoots), Hercules ZH884(Ascot 244, overshoots), Lynx XZ194/ZD278(Armyair 744/747); 20/3 Xingu 072/YA(FAF 6793), Hercules ZH884(Ascot 308, training).



DA-42 TwinStar G-DOSB operated out of Waddington in February(John Robinson)

WICKENBY:- From the Resident Review delete G-IIFM Edge 360 which has moved to Derby / Egginton. The frame of G-AKPI /NJ703 Auster 5 has been restored to the Register and Gerry Cooper has now commenced the rebuild.

WOMBLETON:- G-BAEN DR.400 and G-BDWX D.120A are now known to have moved to Full Sutton, G-CEFV 182T has gone to Sherburn, whilst G-RDNS Rans S.6 has moved to Felixkirk.

YARM/CRATHORNE HALL:- On 11/2 Agusta A.109E G-MCAN visited the hotel here, later departing to a private site near Doncaster.



Acrosport II G-CCFX has recently moved from Bagby to Felixkirk(David Thompsom)



Most of the activity on the North side again surrounded Jet2 and at the end of the Aviation News section there is a round up of the company's activity. The summer season commences at the end of March for the scheduled operators so now would be a good time to look at what will be happening in the coming months. Bmi Regional are still a little in limbo as the company is for sale and as yet parent company Lufthansa is unable to find a buyer. They will continue to operate the two Scottish routes plus the based EMB.135 will operate twice daily to Brussels. Eastern have now disposed of their two Dash-8 aircraft G-WOWA/B and this summer their Aberdeen – Bristol service will be operated by a mix of SAAB 2000 and Jetstream 41 aircraft. Flybe continue their Aberdeen, Belfast City, Exeter and Southampton route and have added 3x weekly flights f/t Knock to their portfolio. All flights are due to be operated by Dash-8-400 aircraft, however EMB.190 and the newly acquired EMB.170s may turn up. KLM are to reintroduce the 4th rotation f/t Amsterdam for the summer season and all flights will be operated by Fokker 70/100 aircraft. Manx2 will operate daily f/t Ronaldsway with their eclectic mix of hardware, Jetstream 32, Dornier 228 and LET 410. Pakistan International continue their twice weekly flights f/t Islamabad utilizing A.310 aircraft, with speculation still rife that we may see a Boeing 777 some day!! Ryanair will base 3 Boeing 737/800 aircraft at LBIA for the summer and operate up to 12 flights per day, some utilizing foreign based machines. As far as Inclusive Tour flights are concerned, Thomas Cook will base an aircraft at LBIA to operate a range of daily flights to the popular sunny holiday destinations. Initially, the flights were due to be operated by Astereus, however since this company's demise it appears an in house A.320 will now be based. There is however speculation that the flights may be operated by Monarch 757s, time will tell when their full season starts in May. Thompson will operated flights to Corfu and Palma, with initial thoughts that 757 aircraft will be utilized but this has to be confirmed. The company has also announced that they are to reinstate the Sharm-el-Sheikh flights from Winter 2012. BH Air are to operate a weekly flight to Bourgas as usual, using A.320 aircraft and finally a little good news, Air Europa are due to put in an appearance this summer. 737/800s will operate f/t Palma on Tuesday lunchtime commencing in mid-August.

Again things are very quiet on the South side. Multiflight now have their "new" Dauphin G-CGGD in operation following its initial flight testing on 15/2. Their other Dauphin G-CEYU has been fitted out as an Air Ambulance to stand in when needed for the YAA and GNAA. Currently the aircraft is sporting Yorkshire Air Ambulance titles and flying as "Helimed 98" while MD.902 G-CEMS is on major overhaul. It will then become "Helimed 99" for awhile as the other '902 G-SASH is due for treatment.

1/2 Wednesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXK(1404/ 1403, 1410/1409)

Eastern:- G-WOWB(32X, 37AL/37L). G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 38X,). **Flybe:-** G-ECOI(729/730, 4RU/7RE). G-JECY(1KM/172, 173/1FR), G-ECOO(175/1HJ). **Jet2:-** G-CELR(032E) from Edinburgh(0610). G-CELP(031E) to Edinburgh(0658). KLM:- PH-KZH(1545/6), PH-KZO(1549/50), PH-KZT(69W /78E, n/s).

Manx2:-D-CMNX(Kiel Air 32L/33L).

Pakistan International:- Airbus A.310 AP-BEB(Pakistan 775/6) f/t Islamabad(1701/2000).

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein), EI-EMH(2488/9 Kaunus). EI-DPN(2482/ 3 Riga, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EKS. Non based:- EI-EGA(89CX/17LK Malta).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Gulfstream 200 **N682GA** operated by AVRJ LLC, arrived f/t Gander(0805/1725), n/s.

GENERAL AVIATION:- R.44 **G-UTTS** from Bradford(0812) to Elstree(0934). PA-38 Tomahawk **G-BPIK** f/t Carlisle(1036/1230). Cirrus SR.22 **N590CD** f/t Sherburn(1149/1155) to Multiflight Engineering, n/s until 15/3. Cheyenne 3 **G-GMED(**Air Med 076) from Turin/Caselle(2006) to Oxford(2037).



Air Medical's Cheyenne 3 G-GMED arriving on an Ambulance flight, 1/2(Robert Burke)

2/2 Thursday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXK(1404/ 1403, 1410/1409)

Eastern\;- G-WOWB(32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X). G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB).

Easyjet:- G-EZIX(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JECH(729/730, 7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-JECR(1KM/172), G-ECOO(173/1FR), G-JECK(175/1HJ). G-JECF(6LT/643/6DL/6MT)

Jet2;- G-LSAM(104C) departed for Oslo(0713) but returned to LBIA at 0823 with a technical fault. As '105C it departed for Norway again at 0951.

KLM:- PH-KZV(1545/6), PH-KZI (1549/50), PH-KZO(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-G-CCPW(Fast Link 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(2PT/5ER Krakow, 3BW/8EB Alicante). EI-DPN(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/2485 Venice, 9AB/7LW Malaga). Spare EI-EMH /EI-DHX. Non based EI-EKJ(52AK/8AP Dublin).

GENERAL AVIATION;- Cessna F.172M **G-BBJZ** from Harewood(0954) to Multiflight engineering, n/s. Cirrus SR.20 **N203CD** f/t Liverpool(1116/1537). PA-28R Arrow **G-SABA** f/t Sherburn(1200/1325). **3/2 Friday**

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR (1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXK(1410/ 1409).

Eastern;- G-WOWB(31LA/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB), G-WOWA(32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X).

Easyjet:- HB-JZF(7345/6) f/t Geneva(1413/1523), operated by Easy Swiss due Geneva weather. Flybe:- G-JEDW(7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-ECOM(173/1FR), G-ECOR(175/1HJ). G-JECF(6LT/643/6DL/6MT).

Jet2:- G-CELJ(029P) from Blackpool(2131).

KLM:- PH-KZW(1545/6, diverted to Rotterdam on return due snow). Only flight to operate all day. **Manx2;-G-CCPW**(Fast Link 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-DHX(34HY/1585 Fuerteventura, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-EMH/EI-DPN. Non based EI-DYF(01K/ 48DH Faro). IT FLIGHTS:- 737/800 G-FDZX(Thomson 43P/26T) f/t Tenerife(1305/1429).

EXECUTIVE JETS: Lear Jet 60 **HB-VWN** of ExecuJet Europe AG from Palma(1316) to Zurich(1417). **GENERAL AVIATION;** Sikorsky S.76B **M-ONTY** f/t Chorley(1002/1324). Dauphin **EI-GJL** from private site in Somerset(1207) to Liverpool(1531). King Air 90GT **G-MOSJ(**Enzo 603P/603) from Liverpool(1401) to Perth/Scone(1721). Baron **N64VB** from Elstree(1616) to Sleap(1627).

4/2 Saturday

SCHEDULES:- Easyjet:- G-EZBF(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-ECOC(7JA/7AR – departed 1109 on 5/2).

Jet2:- G-CELY(035E) from Edinburgh(0610). G-CELU(139C) from Southend(0857). G-CELG(031E) to Budapest(1103) for major overhaul. G-CELU(186) from Malaga, divert to Manchester due snow. **KLM:- PH-OFO**(1545/6), PH-WXD(1549/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-G-CCPW(Fast Link 32L/33L)

Pakistan International:- Airbus A,310 AP-BEB(775/6) f/t Islamabad(1729/0004 on 5/2)

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-EKS(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 7BW/8EB Alicante, arrived 5/2). Spare EI-EMH/EI-DPN. Non-based EI-EKG(2489/8 Kaunus). EI-EMR(42AD) from Dublin, divert to Manchester due snow).

DIVERSIONS:- From Blackpool due freezing rain:-

LET 410 OK-UBA(Eurovan 106/7) f/t Ronaldsway(1209/1445).

From Manchester due snow:-

Boeing 737/300 G-CELI(Channex 792) from Rome/Fumicino(1720), n/s until 8/2.

From Doncaster due snow:-

Airbus A.320 HA-LPL(Wizzair 13G/1AA) f/t Gdansk(2207/2301).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Hawker 900XP **G-DLTC(**Hangar 837) from Gatwick(0843) to Oxford(0936). Citationjet 2 **G-EDCL(**Saltyre 565) f/t Luton(1246/1018), n/s.



Gulfstream 200 N682GA arrived from Gander, 2/2 for an overnight stay(Robert Burke)

5/2 Sunday SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x1. Eastern:- G-WOWA(33X/34X). Easyjet;- G-EZEA(7345/6 Geneva). Flybe:- G-JECH(7JA/7CR), G-ECOR(175/1HJ). G-JECM(6LT/643/6DL/6MT) Jet2:- G-CELB(100P) from Glasgow(1242). G-CELJ(139C) to Southend(1526). G-CELR(034E) to Edinburgh(1623). KLM:- PH-KZE(1545/6), PH-WXD(1549/50), PH-KZB(68W/78E, n/s) Manx2:-G-CCPW (Fast Link 38L/39L). Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 61FW/98HZ Venice, 17KL/89CX Malta). EI-EKS(2482/3 Riga, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EMH /EI-DPN.

DIVERSIONS:- From Doncaster due snow:-

Boeing 737/800 G-FDZW(Thomson 2MQ/7VQ) from Las Palmas(0136) to Turin(1145)

From Newcastle due snow:-Boeing 737/800 EI-DWA(Ryanair 9MR/173P) f/t Dublin(0820/0915)

From Humberside due fog:-

Fokker 70 PH-KZM(KLM 1489/7112) f/t Amsterdam(1156/1311).

EXECUTIVE JETS: Lear Jet 45 **N66SG(**Bizjet 1SG/2SG/3SG) from Luton(1022) t/f Dublin(1112/ 1955), n/s. Global Express **N170SW** of Wal-Mart from Rogers Municipal, Arkansas(2040), n/s until 9/ 2 with engine problems.



Dropping in for fuel on 6/2 was French Air Force Caracal F-UGSH/2772(Robert Burke)

6/2 Monday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXE(1404/ 1403), G-RJXK (1410/1409).

Eastern:- G-WOWB(32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X). G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB) Easyjet:- G-EZIK(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe;- G-JECF(729/30), G-JEDU(7JA/7CR). G-JECK(1KM/172), G-ECOO(173/1FR). G-JECP(6LT/643/6DL/6MT)

Jet2:- G-CELO(036E) from Manchester(2039). G-CELY(033E) to Newcastle(2105). G-LSAM(105C) from Oslo(2158).

KLM:- PH-KZS(1545/6), PH-OFN(1549/50, 69W/78En/s)

Manx2:-G-CCPW(Fast Link 34L/35L).

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-EMH(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-EKS/EI-DPN . Non based EI-EST(01K/48DH Faro).

DIVERSIONS:- From Humberside due fog:-

Fokker 70 PH-KZW(KLM 1489/7110) f/t Amsterdam(1119/1236)

Jetstream 41 G-MAJB(Eastflight 13W/16W) f/t Aberdeen(1430/1945)

From Liverpool due fog:-

Fokker 70 PH-KZS(KLM 1045) from Amsterdam(2107).

MILITARY:- As Linton-on-Ouse was blanketed in fog all day we received two very interesting diversions from them. The first was Antonov AN.26 **603(**Hungarian Air Force 022) from Kbeley(1225), which night stopped before heading home at 1146 the following day. The second was French Air

Force Eurocopter EC-725R2 Caracal(Super Cougar) **2772/F-UGSH(**French Air Force 1333) which arrived at 1343 for a refuel before routing to Edinburgh(1444).

GENERAL AVIATION;- Dauphin **G-NHAC**(Helimed 58) from Langwathby(1359) to Multiflight engineering, n/s to Gloucester(1019) as "Yorkair 04".



Due to fog at Linton, Hungarian Air Force Antonov AN.26, 603 diverted to LBIA on 6/2

7/2 Tuesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXA(1410/ 1409).

Eastern:- G-WOWA(32X, 37AL/37LB), G-WOWB(31AL/31LB, 38X).

Flybe:- G-JEDU(729/730, 7JA/7CR). G-ECOJ(1KM/172), G-ECOC(173/1FR). G-JECP(6LT/1TC/6DL/ 6MT).

Jet2:- G-LSAC(061J) to Munich(1001) enroute to stand in for G-LSAK with RAK Airways while 'AK goes to Lasham for major check. G-CELJ(041A) from Blackpool(0928).

KLM:- PH-KZM(1545/6), PH-KZO(1549/50), PH-KZC(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-OK-UBA(Eurovan 32L/33L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-DHX (7BW/8EB Alicante, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EMH/EI-DPN.

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Lear Jet 45 N66SG(Bizjet 1SG), having arrived on 5/2, departed to Northolt(0808). **GENERAL AVIATION:**- Cessna 150L **G-BUCT** arrived from Prestwick(1101), n/s to Southend. This aircraft was on delivery to new owners, Linking Partners in the Netherlands. Following engineering since last month Dauphin **G-NHAB**(Helimed 58) departed to Langwathby(1036). PA-34 Seneca N95D(Neric 02/03) owned by Zeta Aviation, from Fowlmere(1319), n/s to Guernsey(1543). 8/2 Wednesdav

8/2 Wednesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291,1298/1297). G-RJXK(1404/ 1403,1410/1409)

Eastern:- G-WOWA(32X, 37AL/37LB). G-WOWB(31AL/31LB, 38X,).

Flybe:- G-JECH(729/730, 733/7RE). G-ECOC(1KM/172), G-ECOM(175/1HJ).

Jet2:- G-LSAK(062J) arrived from the Middle East via Düsseldorf(1622). G-CELI(092W) to Manchester(1837).

KLM:- PH-KZO(1545/6), PH-KZC(1549/50), PH-WXA(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-D-CMNX(Kiel Air 32L/33L).

Pakistan International:- Airbus A.310 AP-BDZ(Pakistan 775/6) f/t Islamabad(1716/2033).

Ryanair:- EI-DPN(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-DHX(2488/9 Kaunus). EI-EKS(2482/3 Riga). Spare EI-EMH. Non based:- EI-DHY (89CX/17LK Malta). EXECUTIVE JETS:- Lear Jet 45 G-SNZY(Manhattan 088) from Valencia(1529), n/s to Gatwick(0732). MILITARY:- BAe.125 CC2 ZD620(Ascot 1611) f/t Northolt(0800/0836).

9/2 Thursday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2, on return from evening trip diverted to East Midlands. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298 divert to East Midlands due fog). G-RJXA(1404/1403), G-RJXK(1410/ 1409)

Eastern\;- G-WOWA(32X, 35AL divert to East Midlands due fog). G-WOWB(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL divert to East Midlands).

Easyjet:- G-EZIX(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JECG(729/730), G-JECR(7JA/7CR), G-JECN733/7RE). G-JECO(1KM/172), 173/1FR canx, G-FBEG(175/1HJ). G-JECZ(6LT/643/6DL/6MT)

Jet2:- G-CELJ(042A) to Blackpool(0728). G-CELD(739/40) operated t/f Alicante, passengers bussed from and to Blackpool. G-GDFB(232) from Barcelona, diverted to East Midlands with a technical problem. G-CELO(186) from Malaga, divert to East Midlands due fog. G-CELS(218) from Arrecife, divert to Manchester.

KLM:- PH-WXC(1545/6), PH-OFP(1549/50), PH-OFL(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:- G-CCPW(Fast Link 38L) divert to Blackpool due fog.

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(2PT/5ER Krakow, 3BW/8EB Alicante). EI-DPN(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/2485 Venice), then '9AB to Malaga swapped with EI-EBW(7LW). Spare EI-EKS/EI-EMH . Non based EI-EFC(42AD/ 8AP Dublin).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 803P) from Manchester(1003), "Kestrel 18HC/803F" t/f Arrecife(1106/2025).

EXECUTIVE JETS: Global Express **N170SW** returned home to Roger Municipal(0701), having arrived on 5/2. First timer, Citation Mustang **OE-FCB(**Dream Team 115A/729X) f/t Geneva(0842/1510). Challenger 300 **VP-CPF** from Allendorf(0946) to Dublin(1006). Gulfstream 5 **N91CW** of Foreign Manufacturers Finance Corp was making its debut, from Zurich(1359), n/s to Philadelphia(1110).

GENERAL AVIATION;- Cessna T.206H Turbo Stationair **G-NIME** from Kilkeel(1126) to Multiflight engineering, n/s.

10/2 Friday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP(1611) arrived from East Midlands(0723), then Brussels x2. 1404/1403, 1410/1409 both canx. G-RJXR(1292/129, 1298/1297).

Eastern;- G-WOWA(31LA/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB), G-WOWB(32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X).

Easyjet:- G-EZDC(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JECG(7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-JECR(173/1FR), G-FBEG(175/1HJ). G-JEDM(6LT/643/6DL/6MT).

Jet2:- G-CELU(120C) routing from Luton to Manchester, diverted to LBIA 0110 for operational reasons. G-CELO(206) from Amsterdam arrived at 0229, yesterdays flight. G-CELH(271) departed to Alicante(1039) but returned an hour later with a technical problem. G-CELU(271A) departed to Alicante(1306). G-LSAL(031R) from Paris(1250). G-LSAD(032E) from Lasham(1601). G-CELI(033E) to Manchester(1944). G-CELU(034E) to Blackpool(2048).

KLM:- PH-OFL(1545/6), PH-KZN(1549/50), PH-OFO(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2;-G-CCPW(Fast Link 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein), EI-EBW(61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/ 42AD Dublin). EI-EKS(34HY/1585 Fuerteventura, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-EMH. Non based EI-DYF(01K/48DH Faro).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 **G-KKAZ(**Kestrel 95NQ/16FV) t/f Tenerife(1146/2133). 737/800 **G-FDZW(**Thomson 43P/26T) f/t Tenerife(1310/1449).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Challenger 300 **LX-PMA**(Red Lion 20) from Annecy(1836), n/s to Innsbruck(0946). **GENERAL AVIATION:-** Twin Squirrel **G-ORDH** from Walsall(1539) to Bagby(1643).

MILITARY:- Lear Jet 35(C.20A) 84-0082(Evac 10E3) arrived f/t Ramstien(1223/1344) on a hospital flight.

11/2 Saturday

SCHEDULES:- Easyjet:- G-EZIW(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-ECOO(7JA/7CR).

Jet2:- G-CELW(035E) from Exeter(0721). G-LSAD(061J) to Manchester(1506). G-CELU(034E) from Blackpool(1653).

KLM:- PH-OFO(1545/6), PH-KZM(1549/50), PH-KZT(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:- G-CCPW(Fast Link 32L/33L)

Pakistan International:- Airbus A,310 AP-BEB(775/6) f/t Islamabad(1551/1813).

Ryanair:- EI-EBW(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-EKS(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 7BW/8EB Alicante). Spare EI-EMH/EI-DHX. Non-based EI-EKG(2489/8 Kaunus). EI-EMJ(42AD/8AP Dublin).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 78UN/827F) t/f Fuerteventura(0856/1804). EXECUTIVE JETS:- Hawker 400XP N719EL from East Midlands(0840) to Doncaster(0858). GENERAL AVIATION:- Diamond DA.40D G-CBFA f/t Redhill(1150/1345).

12/2 Sunday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x1.

Eastern:- G-WOWB(33X/34X).

Easyjet;- G-EZIC(7345/6 Geneva).

Flybe:- G-JECG(7JA/7CR), G-JEDL(733/7RE). G-ECOH(175/1HJ). G-JEDM(6LT/643/6DL/6MT) Jet2:- G-LSAL(125C) to Tarbes/Lourdes(1039). G-LSAJ(122C) from Dublin(1935). KLM:- PH-KZT(1545/6), PH-KZR(1549/50), PH-KZC(68W/78E, n/s)

Manx2:-OK-RDA(Eurovan 38L/39L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/78CG Venice, 17LK/89CX Malta). EI-EMH2482/3 Riga, 61MH/ 5RJ Barcelona), then '8AP to Dublin, swapped with EI-DYC(42AD). Spare EI-EBW/EI-DHX. IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 8136/813F) t/f Enfidha(0625/1402), "Kestrel 74CV" to Tenerife(1506).

DIVERSIONS:- From Manchester due fog:-

Dash-8-400 G-ECOA(Jersey 93V/8VL) from Nantes(1549) to Ronaldsway(2137)

Dash-8-400 G-KKEV(Jersey 481/042W) f/t Belfast City(1639/1803)

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Citation XL **G-CBRG(**Go-Jet 112B/C) from Newcastle(1134) to Biggin Hill(1212). Citation XL **G-KPEI(**Go-Jet 612B/C) from Belfast City(1640) to Belfast International(2153).

GENERAL AVIATION:- PA-28 Cherokee 180 G-AYAW from York(1350) to Fishburn(1456).



Seen on finals for 14, King Air 90GT G-MOSJ visited LBIA on 3/2(Martyn Gill)

13/2 Monday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP(1611) to Brussels and went u/s. G-RJXH(1237) from East Midlands(1719), to operate 1615/1616. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297. 1404/1403 canx. **Eastern:-** G-WOWA(32X). **G-CFLU**(38X). G-WOWB(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB)

Easyjet:- G-EZIX(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe;- G-ECOC(729/30), G-JEDL(7JA/7CR). G-ECOD(1KM/172), G-JEDO(173/1FR). G-JEDM(6LT/ 1TC/6DL/6MT)

Jet2:- G-LSAK(035E) to Lasham(1120) for overhaul. G-GDFB(031E) to Budapest(1507) for major overhaul. G-CELW(032E) to Exeter(1947).

KLM:- PH-KZN(1545/6), PH-KZP(1549/50), PH-KZW(69W/78E, n/s)

Manx2:-G-CCPW (Fast Link 34L/35L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-EBW(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-DHX/EI-DYC. Non based EI-EKT(01K/48DH Faro).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 803F) from Tenerife(0104). "Kestrel 73EN/195F" t/f Arrecife(1024/2008).

GENERAL AVIATION;- King Air 200 G-IASM from Doncaster(0801) to Sion(0846).

14/2 Tuesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXH(1611/1612 Brussels), then operated 1403/1404(Edinburgh) and back to Brussels(1615), swapped with G-RJXP(1616). G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). Eastern:- G-WOWB(32X, 35AL/35LB), G-CFLU(38X), G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB). Flybe:- G-KKEV(729/730, 7JA/7CR). G-JECX(1KM/172), G-JECK(173/1FR). G-JEDP(6LT/643/6DL/6MT).

KLM:- PH-OFN(1545/6), PH-KZS(1549/50), PH-JCT(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-OK-TCA(Eurovan 32L/33L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NL/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-EBW(7BW/8EB Alicante, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-DHX/EI-DYC.

GENERAL AVIATION:- Cessna T.210N **G-TOTN** f/t Ronaldsway(0855/1521). Mooney M.20K **G-BKMB** from Sherburn(1201) to Multiflight engineering, n/s.



Pushing back from stand, Easyjet utilised A.319 HB-JZF on their Geneva service on 3/2

15/2 Wednesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXP(1404/ 1403).

Eastern:- G-WOWA(32X, 37AL/37LB). G-WOWB(38X).

Flybe:-G-ECOC(729/730), G-JEDK(733/7RE). G-JECX(1KM/172), G-ECOK(175/1HJ).

Jet2:- G-CELO(038E) from Manchester(1931).

KLM:- PH-WXA(1545/6), PH-KZM(1549/50), PH-OFO(69W /78E, n/s).

Manx2:-D-CMNX(Kiel Air 32L/33L).

Pakistan International:- Airbus A.310 AP-BDZ(Pakistan 775/6) f/t Islamabad(1550/1813).

Ryanair:- EI-EBW(1NK) swapped with EI-EKW(94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 2488/9 Kaunus). EI-EKS(2482/3 Riga, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-DHX/EI-DYC . Non based:- EI-DWP(89CX/17LK Malta).

GENERAL AVIATION:- Following engineering work Dauphin **G-NHAB**(Helimed 58) departed to Langwathby(1405). Also departing at the same time was Dauphin **G-CGGD(**Yorkair 01), making its initial Air Test following it long protracted re-build having arrived as N272BE in 2010. It was airbourne for half an hour, returning at 1437. King Air 200 **G-CEGP(**Cega 904) from Luton(2039), n/s to Bournemouth(0949).

16/2 Thursday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXP(1404/ 1403).

Eastern;- G-WOWA(32X, 37AL/37LB), G-WOWB(35AL/35LB, 38X).

Easyjet:- G-EZII(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JEDK (729/730, 7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-FBEG(1KM/172), G-ECOK(173/1FR), G-JECP(175/1HJ). G-JECI(643A/643/6DL/6MT)

Jet2:- G-CELE(036E) returned from major overhaul in Belgrade(1853).

KLM:- PH-JECH(1545/6), PH-KZV(1549/50), PH-JECT(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-G-CCPW(Fast Link 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(2PT/5ER Krakow, 3BW/8EB Alicante). EI-EKW(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/2485 Venice), EI-DHX(9AB/7LW Malaga). Spare EI-DYC . Non based EI-EFE(42AD/8AP Dublin).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 18HC/76NP) t/f Arrecife(1101/2034)

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Lear Jet 45 N66SG(Bizjet 1SG/2SG/3SG) from Luton(1446) t/f Faro(1605/2203), n/s until 19/2 then outbound to Luton(1021) as '1SG.

GENERAL AVIATION:- King Air 200 G-PCOP(Gama 129) f/t Glasgow(0835/1145).

MILITARY:- King Air 200 ZK456(Cranwell 15) ILS and overshoot(1104), f/t Cranwell. Tucano ZF491(LOP 95) ILS and overshoot(1359), f/t Linton.

17/2 Friday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXR(1292/1291, 1298/1297).

Eastern;- G-WOWA(36X, 37AL/37LB), G-WOWB(35AL/35LB, 38X).

Easyjet:- G-EZFM(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JEDW(7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-JECP(1KM/172). G-JECX(173/1FR), G-JEDO(175/1HJ). G-JEDV(6LT/643/6DL/6MT).

Jet2:- G-CELO(031E) to Belgrade(1622) for major overhaul

KLM:- PH-KZM(1545/6), PH-KZV(1549/50), PH-OFO(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2;-G-CCPW(Fast Link 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-EKW(34HY/1585 Fuerteventura, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-EKS/EI-DYC. Non based EI-EST(01K/ 48DH Faro).

IT FLIGHTS;-A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 95NQ/16FV) t/f Tenerife(1106/2101). 737/800 G-FDZX(Thomson 43P/26T) f/t Tenerife(1301/1425).

EXECUTIVE JETS; Citation XL **G-XLGB(**Lonex 20LB) from Stansted(1149) to Keflavic(1242). EMB.135BJ Legacy **VP-CPL(**Gama 145) from Lahr(1452), n/s until 19/3. Departed for Bangor/ Maine(0715) then onwards to Boca Raton, Florida.

GENERAL AVIATION;- King Air 200 G-IASM from Sion(1738) to Northampton(1830).

MILITARY:- Tucano **ZF210**(LOP 19) ILS and overshoot(1058), f/t Linton, sister-ship **ZF343(**LOP 24) ILS and overshoot(1511).



Gama Aviation Legacy VP-CPL operated a flight to Florida on 19/3(Paul Whincup)

18/2 Saturday

SCHEDULES: Easyjet:- G-EZET (7345/6 Geneva) Flybe:- G-JEDK(7JA/7CR). Jet2:- G-CELU(041A/042A) to Glasgow(0904) from Edinburgh(1745). KLM:- PH-KZS(1545/6), PH-KZU(1549/50), PH-OFO(69W/78E, n/s). Manx2:-G-CCPW(Fast Link 32L/33L) Pakistan International:- Airbus A,310 AP-BDZ(775/6) f/t Islamabad(1624/1829). Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-EKW(7TP/7UG Arrecife), then '8AP to Dublin, swapped with EI-EMI(42AD). EI-DYC(3BW/8EB Alicante). Spare EI-DHX. Nonbased EI-EFE(2489/8 Kaunus) IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 78UN/32RK) t/f Fuerteventura(0901/1849). **EXECUTIVE JETS:-** Hawker 400XP **N719EL** from Doncaster(1132) to East Midlands(1143). Citation XL **LX-NAT(**Red Lion 318) from Innsbruck(1621) to Luxemburg(1749).

19/2 Sunday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x1.

Eastern:- G-WOWB(33X/34X).

Easyjet;- G-EZIC(7345/6 Geneva).

Flybe:- G-JEDV(7JA/7CR), G-JEDK(733/7RE). G-FBEK(175/1HJ). G-JEDU(6LT/643/6DL/6MT) Jet2:- G-CELR(034E/035E) from Glasgow(1719) to Edinburgh(2212). G-CELX(038E) from Newcastle(2309).

KLM:- PH-KZS(1545/6), PH-WXC(1549/50), PH-KZE(68W/78E, n/s)

Manx2:-G-CCPW (Fast Link 38L/39L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/2485 Venice, 17KL/89CX Malta). EI-DYC(2482/3 Riga, 61MH/ 5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-DHX /EI-EMI.

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 53DS/15RF) t/f Enfidha(0618/1329), "Kestrel 74CV" to Tenerife(1514).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Challenger 300 **VP-CPF** from Allendorf(1639) to Westerland, Germany(1652). **GENERAL AVIATION;-** Cessna F.172M **G-BLHJ** from Carlisle(1404).



Floodlit, parked on Multiflight/East on 22/2 was Citation Mustang OE-FZE(Robert Burke)

20/2 Monday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXC(1404/ 1403), G-EMBI(1410/1409).

Eastern:- G-WOWA(32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X). G-WOWB(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB) Easyjet:- G-EZGJ(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe;-G-JEDK(729/30, 7JA/7CR). G-ECOT(1KM/172), G-JECF(173/1FR). G-JEDU(6LT/1TC/6DL/6MT) Jet2:- G-CELX(039E) to Newcastle(1844).

KLM:- PH-KZC(1545/6), PH-KZF(1549/50), PH-OFM(69W/78E, n/s)

Manx2:-OK-TCA(Eurovan 34L/35L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 3LG/1504 Gdansk) EI-DYC(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-DHX /EI-EMI. Non based EI-DYF(01K/48DH Faro).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 45NV) from Tenerife(0124). "Kestrel 73EN/17PC" t/f Arrecife(1014/1937).

EXECUTIVE JETS: A pair of first visits, Citation Mustangs **OE-FZC/OE-FZE(**Dream Team 261P/323K) arrived from Edinburgh at 1545 and 1548 respectively. Both aircraft night-stopped and departed to Farnborough as follows, OE-FZC(Dream Team 373E) at 0619 and OE-FZE(Dream Team 891X) at 0629. Lear Jet 45 **N66SG**(Bizjet 2SG/3SG) from Geneva(1901) to Luton(2000).

MILITARY:- Tucano **ZF377**(LOP 19) ILS and overshoot(1042), f/t Linton followed at 1539 by **ZF417(**LOP 80). King Air 200 **ZK460(**Cranwell 89) ILS and overshoot(1134), f/t Cranwell.

21/2 Tuesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL (1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXC(1404/ 1403, 1410/1409).

Eastern:- G-WOWB(32X, 37AL/37LB). G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 38X).

Flybe:- G-JEDL(729/730), G-JECL(7JÅ/7CR). G-JECF(1KM/172), G-FLBD(173/1FR). G-JEDU(6LT/ 643/6DL/6MT).

KLM:- PH-KZU(1545/6), PH-OFN(1549/50), PH-WXD(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-OK-TCA(Eurovan 32L/33L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-DYC(7BW/8EB Alicante, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-DHX/EI-EMI.

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 194P) to Akrotiri(1233).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Citation XL G-XLGB(Lonex 20LB) from Keflavic(1451) to Stansted(1628).

GENERAL AVIATION; PA-31 Chieftain **G-UMMI(**Poyston 01) from Cork(0727), on an organ transplant flight, to Haverfordwest(0906).

MILITARY:- King Air 200 ZK451(Cranwell 84) ILS and overshoot(1124), f/t Cranwell.

22/2 Wednesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-EMBI(1404/ 1403). G-RJXC (1410/1409)

Eastern:- G-WOWB(32X, 37AL/37LB). G-WOWA (31AL/31LB, 38X).

Flybe:- G-JEDL(729/730), G-JECN(7JA/7CR), G-JEDM(733/7RE). G-ECOD(1KM/172), G-JEDN(173/1FR), G-JEDW(175/1HJ).

Multiflight:- 737/300 SX-MTF(Gain Jet 73) to Le Bourget(1249) from Nice(2000).

KLM:- PH-KZM(1545/6), PH-JCH(1549/50), PH-KZM(69W /78E, n/s).

Manx2:-D-CMNX(Kiel Air 32L/33L).

Pakistan International:- Airbus A.310 AP-BEU(Pakistan 775/6) f/t Islamabad(1548/1814).

Ryanair:- EI-EMI(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 2488/9 Kaunus). EI-DYC(2482/3 Riga, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EKS/EI-DHX. Non based:- EI-ENZ(89CX/17LK Malta). IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 195F) from Hannover(2113).

EXECUTIVE JETS: Citation Mustangs **OE-FZC/OE-FZE(**Dream Team 765A/955H) from Farnborough(0836/0844). Both to Geneva(1646/1648), 'ZC(Dream Team 279A), 'ZE(Dream Team 265U). Challenger 300 **N424TM** f/t Cork(1310/1344). Citationjet 3 **D-CJAK(**Fairjets 5170/1) from Munchengladbach(1620) to Geneva(1739). Lear Jet 35A **G-ZMED(**Air Med 053) from Alicante(1726) to Oxford(2046).

GENERAL AVIATION:- Cheyenne 3 G-GZRP(Air Med 076) f/t Oxford(1857/2157).

23/2 Thursday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G- EMBI(1404/ 1403), G-RJXR (1410/1409)

Eastern;- G- WOWB (32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X). G- WOWA (31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB). Easviet:- G-EZDR(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JECI(729/730), G-JECX(7JA/7CR), G-JECX(733/7RE). G-ECOD(1KM/172), G-JECK(173/ 1FR), G-FLBE(175/1HJ). G-JEDU(6LT/643), G-ECOT(6DL/6MT)

Jet2:- G-CELI(071W) to Manchester(2022). G-CELS(178C) from Tromso(2145).

KLM:- PH-OFO(1545/6), PH-KZV(1549/50), PH-KZW(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:- OK-RDA(Eurovan 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(2PT/5ER Krakow, 3BW/8EB Alicante). EI-EMI(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/2485 Venice, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-DYC(8AP) to Dublin, swapped with EI-EKP(42AD). Spare EI-DHX

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 18HC/76NP) t/f Arrecife(1118/2043).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Challenger 300 **OE-HCA** of AVAG Air was on its first visit, from Salzburg(0910) to Palma(0945).

GENERAL AVIATION:- King Air 200 **G-CEGP(**Cega 910) from Bournemouth(0952) to London City(1108), return 1604/1628.

MILITARY:- From and to Cranwell at 1131/1436 and 1137/1428 were Tutors **G-CGKC/G-CGKB(**Poacher 1/2).

24/2 Friday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXR (1404/ 1403), G-RJXC(1410/1409).

Eastern;- G-WOWB(31LA/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB, diverted to Exeter due fog at Bristol), G-WOWA(32X, 35AL/35LB, 38X from Exeter where the '35LB had diverted due fog at Bristol). **Easyiet:-** G-EZII(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-JEDU(7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-FLBD(173/1FR, 175/1HJ), G-JECK(1KM/172), G-ECOT (6LT/ 643/6DL/6MT).

Jet2:- G-LSAM(102C) to Toulouse(0701).

KLM:- PH-KZM(1545/6), PH-KZO(1549/50), PH-KZS(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2;-OK-RDA(Eurovan 38L/39L)

Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-DHX(34HY/1585 Fuerteventura, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-EMI /EI-EKP . Non based EI-DYF(01K/ 48DH Faro).

IT FLIGHTS;-A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 95NQ/16FV) t/f Tenerife(1101/2056). 737/800 G-FDZX(Thomson 43P/26T) f/t Tenerife(1248/1403).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Challenger 300 **N424TM** f/t Cork(1154/1221), from Vienna(2223) n/s until 26/2, to Cork(1551). Lear Jet 45 **N66SG**(Bizjet 2SG/1SG) from Faro(1438), n/s to Dublin(1105). Making its first visit to LBIA was Falcon 7X **HB-JSZ** of Dasnair, from Hewanorra, St Lucia(1934) to Geneva(2048). **GENERAL AVIATION:-** Aztec **G-CALL** f/t Ronaldsway(1658/1742). MD-902 **G-YPOL(**Police 42) 2xILS and overshoot(1948/1958) from Carr Gate to Sherburn.

MILITARY:- Merlin **ZJ992(**Vortex 276) ILS and overshoot(1136) from Benson to Leeds General Infirmary. King Air 200 **ZK451(**Cranwell 74) ILS and overshoot(1606), f/t Cranwell.



Based at Ronaldsway since first registered in 1978, Aztec G-CALL visited twice in Feb.

25/2 Saturday

SCHEDULES:- Easyjet:- G-EZET(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe:- G-ECOC(7JA/7CR). G-FLBD(171) diverted to Manchester due crosswind.

Jet2:- G-CELS(451) to Chambery(0736) diverted to Lyon due weather, returning from there at 1838 as '452.

KLM:- PH-KZI(1545/6), PH-KZD(1549/50), PH-WXC(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-OK-RDA(Eurovan 32L/33L)

Pakistan International:- Airbus A,310 AP-BDZ(775/6) f/t Islamabad(2351/departed 0130 on 26/2). Ryanair:- EI-EKS(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-DHX(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 7BW/8EB Alicante). Spare EI-EMI /EI-EKP. Non-based EI-EBI(2489/8 Kaunus). EI-DAL (42AD/8AP Dublin).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 78UN/32RK) t/f Fuerteventura(0917/1859).

EXECUTIVE JETS: Lear Jet 45 **N66SG(**Bizjet 2SG) from Dublin(1936) n/s until 28/2, to Edinburgh(1435).

GENERAL AVIATION:- Commander 695 **M-BETS** operated by Aldersey Aviation was making its debut, f/t Shobdon(1240/1806).

MILITARY:- Sea King **XZ592(**SRG 128) from Rochdale(1513) for a refuel the out to the Lake District(1545). **See photo below by Robert Burke**



26/2 Sunday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x1.

Eastern:- G-WOWA (33X) G-WOWB(34X).

Easyjet;- G-EZBI(7345/6 Geneva).

Flybe:- G-JECP(7JA/7CR), G-ECOM(733/7RE). 175/1HJ canx. G-JEDP(6LT/643/6DL/6MT) Jet2:- G-CELK(2133) from Gatwick(1415).

KLM:- PH-KZV(1545/6), PH-KZT(1549/50), PH-WXC(68W/78E, n/s)

Manx2:-OK-RDA(Eurovan 38L/39L).

Ryanair:- EI-DHX(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2484/2485 Venice, 17KL/89CX Malta). EI-EKS(2482/3 Riga, 61MH/ 5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EMI /EI-EKP.

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 53DS/15RF) t/f Enfidha(0623/1332), "Kestrel 74CV" to Tenerife(1619).

EXECUTIVE JETS: Citationjet 3 **D-CJAK(**Fairjets 4172/538X) from Geneva(1811), n/s to Berlin/ Schoenefeld(1404).

GENERAL AVIATION:- Cirrus SR.22 **G-OSPY** f/t Crowfield(1025/1516). Duchess **G-BXXT** ILS and overshoot x2(1225/1246) f/t Humberside. Aztec **G-CALL** f/t Ronaldsway(1758/1825). **27/2 Mondav**

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL (1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXR(1404/ 1403).

Eastern:- G-WOWA(32X), G-MAJB(35AL/35LB, 38X). G-WOWB(31AL/31LB, 36X, 37AL/37LB) Easyjet:- G-EZAM(7345/6 Geneva)

Flybe;- G-JECP(729/30), G-ECOP(7JA/7CR). G-JECF(1KM/172), G-JEDW(173/1FR). G-JEDO(6LT643/6DL/6MT)

Jet2:- G-CELS(104C) to Gatwick(1256). G-GDFF(031E) to Manchester(2227).

KLM:- PH-WXC(1545/6), PH-KZT (1549/50), PH-KZR(69W/78E, n/s)

Manx2:-D-CMNX(Kiel Air 34L/35L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKP(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 8AP/42AD Dublin). EI-DHX(7TP/7UG Arrecife, 3LG/1504 Gdansk). Spare EI-EKS/EI-EMI . Non based EI-ENT(01K/48DH Faro).

IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 45NV) from Tenerife(0148). "Kestrel 73EN/17PC" t/f Arrecife(1010/1935).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Challenger 300 **OE-HCA** from Palma(1532) to Salzburg(1600). Owned by Ralf Schumacher, Eclipse Jet **D-INDY** arrived from Roskilde(1849), n/s to Cologne/Bonn(1623). Although it was the first visit of this aircraft in these marks it has visited previously as N144EA.

GENERAL AVIATION:- PA-28R Arrow **G-BUUM** f/t Newtownards(1141/1335). PA-28RT Arrow **G-SKYV** f/t Ronaldsway(1404/1437).

MILITARY:- Tucano ZF379(LOP 80) ILS and overshoot(1327), f/t Linton.

28/2 Tuesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXA(1404/ 1403), G-RJXC(1410/1409).

Eastern:- G-WOWB(32X, 37AL/37LB) G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 38X),

Flybe:- G-ECOP(729/730, 7JA/7CR). G-JECF(1KM/172), G-ECOM(173/1FR). G-JEDP(6LT/643/6DL/6MT).

KLM:- PH- KZI(1545/6), PH-OFN(1549/50), PH-OFM(69W/78E, n/s).

Manx2:-OK-RDA(Eurovan 32L/33L).

Ryanair:- EI-EKP(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 2PT/5ER Krakow, 9AB/7LW Malaga). EI-DHX(3BW/8EB Alicante, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EKS/EI-EMI.

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Challenger 300 **N424TM** from Cork(1708) to Brussels(1731). Lear Jet 45 **N66SG(**Bizjet 2SG/3SG) from Edinburgh(1830) to Luton(2118).

GENERAL AVIATION;- S.76C **G-PACO** carried out an ILS and overshoot at 0754 to break cloud, inbound to Coney Park from Barton. S.76B **G-VONC**(Premier 22) from Blackbushe(1148) to London/ Westland(1226), from a private site near Bristol(1936) to Blackbushe(2012). Cessna FR.172E **G-THIN** from Harewood(1403) to Multiflight Engineering, n/s. Dauphin **G-NHAC** from Staverton(1516) to Multiflight engineering, n/s.

29/2 Wednesday

SCHEDULES:- bmi:- Based G-RJXP Brussels x2. G-RJXL(1292/1291, 1298/1297). G-RJXC(1404/ 1403, 1410/1409)

Eastern:- G-CERZ(32X, 37AL/37LB). G-WOWA(31AL/31LB, 38X).

Flybe:- G-ECOD(729/730), G-KKEV(7JA/7CR, 733/7RE). G-JECH(1KM/172), G-JEDR(173/1FR), G-ECOM(175/1HJ).

KLM:- PH-KZH(1545/6), PH-KZV(1549/50), PH-OFM(69W /78E, n/s).

Manx2:-D-CMNX(Kiel Air 32L/33L).

Pakistan International:- Airbus A.310 AP-BEU(Pakistan 775/6) f/t Islamabad(1555/1808).

Ryanair:- EI-EKP(1NK/94NZ Dublin, 1501/83GT Niederrhein, 2488/9 Kaunus). EI-DHX(2482/3 Riga, 61MH/5RJ Barcelona, 8AP/42AD Dublin). Spare EI-EKS/EI-EMI. Non based:- EI-DPG(89CX/17LK Malta). IT FLIGHTS:- A.320 G-KKAZ(Kestrel 194P/195F) to Akrotiri(0709) from Hannover(2102).

EXECUTIVE JETS:- Phenom G-CGNP(Flairjet 668P) from Oxford(1512), n/s.

GENERAL AVIATION:- PA-34 Seneca **G-JDBC(**Jaydee 43W) f/t Hawarden(0841/1232), local flight 1019/1143 as "Exam 102". PA-28RT **G-SKYV** f/t Ronaldsway(1219/1242). Dauphin **EI-GJL** from a private site near Dublin(1631). n/s.



Operated by Aldersey Aviation, Commander 695A M-BETS visited LBIA on 25/2



LEEDS/BRADFORD NEWS

The first phase of an £11m terminal upgrade at Leeds Bradford Airport will be completed by mid-May and the rest of the project is on track to be finished this summer, the YEP reports. It will see an enlarged departure lounge, improved security zone, a walk-through Duty Free area, extended Yorkshire Premier Lounge, new food and drinks options and a covered walkway out to the boarding gates. A new restaurant and bar called Saltaire will also be created. The airport's commercial director, Tony Hallwood, told the newspaper: 'We are on schedule and on budget.' He said that the work had been undertaken with 'military precision' and that the project would 'set new standards in regional airport development and for our customers for 2012.'

Previously unseen items and a collection of photographs were unveiled at a special exhibition to mark the 80th anniversary of Leeds Bradford Airport, the Telegraph & Argus reports. Walter Dixon, a 101-year-old former member of the 609 (West Riding) Squadron. which was based at the Yeadon site, and a host of former airport workers were at the opening of the exhibition, which marks a rise from humble beginnings in 1931, to a busy passenger terminal that is expected to break the three million passenger mark this year. The exhibition at Leeds Central Library celebrates the achievements of the airport. Among those at the opening was Vera Marland, 92, from Otley, who checked the Tiger Moth pilots in and out and then worked in the Avro Factory during the Second World War. Mrs Marland said the exhibition had brought back some fond memories. John Parkin, the airport's current chief executive, said that it has a special role in the region and 'is about connecting Yorkshire with the rest of the world and for 80 years we have been doing just that'. The exhibition will be on display in the First Floor Exhibition Gallery at Leeds Central Library until April 27, and will go then go on tour to local libraries.

Relevant Airliner Changes

Eastern A/W Dash 8 **G-WOWB** flew its last revenue service on 28/2. It was cancelled from the register on 1/3 as exported to Canada, registered **C-FEAI** for Air Inuit & left Bristol on 2/3 heading for Montreal. **G-WOWA** will also leave for Canada later in the month.

Flybe.. Dash 8 G-JEDJ has been handed back to Bombardier, but remains at Exeter with no departure date scheduled at present

Manx 2 / Linksair Jetstream 31 **G-CCPW** suffered a partial undercarriage collapse after veering off the runway landing at Ronaldsway, IoM on 8/3 operating a Manx2 flight from Leeds/ Bradford(SEE PAGE 37).



Flybe have wet-leased two Dash-8-400 aircraft G-ECOH/G-ECOI to Brussels Airlines

Ryanair

Boeing 737-800 news:-

EI-EVE arrived at Dublin on delivery on 9/2

EI-EVH made its first flight on 9/2, and arrived at Dublin on delivery on 24/2.

EI-EVI arrived at Dublin on delivery on 2/3.

EI-EVJ made its first flight on 21/2 and arrived at Dublin on delivery on 8.3.

EI-EVK made its first flight on 24/2

Thomson A/W

Boeing 737-800 news:-

G-TAWB arrived at Manchester on delivery on 7/2.

G-TAWC arrived at Manchester on delivery on 14/2

G-TAWD made its first flight on 8/2 and arrived at Gatwick on delivery on 24/2.

G-TAWF made its first flight on the 22/2, and arrived at Manchester on delivery on 9/3.

G-TAWG made its first flight on 5/3

Further B738 deliveries this year are due to be G-TAWH , G-TAWI & G-TAWJ.

Boeing 757 news:-

G-BYAO was cancelled from the register on 5/3 & will shortly take up its new marks as **N905NV** with Allegiant Air.

G-BYAP was ferried from Gatwick to Shannon on 9/2 prior to delivery to Allegiant Air as **N906NV**. A320 news;-

G-OOPP was ferried from Manchester to Norwich on 7/2 for painting. It was ferried from Norwich back to Manchester on 15/2 after painting into Monarch scheme (to become **G-OZBW** shortly).

G-OOPT was ferried from Manchester to East Midlands on 6/3 for painting for a new operator.

G-OOPU was ferried from Manchester to Norwich on 18/2 for painting for Monarch, returning to Manchester on 27/2. Iwas cancelled from the register on 6/3 & registered to Monarch as **G-OZBX**. Boeing 737-300

G-THOP was ferried from Gatwick to Shannon on 25/2 for preparation supposedly for Jet2, however this is now in doubt

AIRPORT NEWS

Manchester Airports Group (MAG) is showcasing its plans for the development of a £650 million 'Airport City' at Manchester Airport in a new video, How Do reports. The video is designed to explain the thinking behind the decision by MAG to transform Manchester Airport from a transport hub into an international business destination in its own right. Airport City, a 150-acre regeneration scheme, aims to deliver over four million square feet of new business premises over the next 15 years, with a key objective to attract international companies that would probably not have considered locating in the region. The video can be viewed here: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dhg5RVBidLk. MAG chief executive Charlie Cornish said: 'Airport City is a once in a lifetime opportunity to create an international business destination linked to the global connectivity of the North's major international airport and

driven by the region's global offer in terms of academic, scientific and technological credentials, supported by its communications and transport infrastructure."Airport City is one of the most important projects for the economy of the UK and will elevate Manchester on an international scale enabling it to compete with other European airport cities like Amsterdam, Barcelona and Frankfurt.'

Prestwick and Manston airports have been put up for sale by their owner Infratil of New Zealand, the BBC reports. The infrastructure investor said it is looking for a buyer for its British airports as a result of a decision to refocus its investment plans. Prestwick Airport's Chief Executive lain Cochrane said: 'At the Infratil Investor Day today in New Zealand, it was announced that Infratil intends to sell both Prestwick and Manston airports. This decision comes from a re-focusing of Infratil's investment profile and has been under consideration for some time. It is consistent with Infratil Chief Executive Marco Bogoievski's public comments over recent months.' 'Prestwick is a great airport with a great team and a great future. I believe this is an excellent opportunity for us to attract new investment into the airport to provide the stimulus for future growth. Today, it's business as usual as the busy summer season approaches and we're totally focused on looking after our customers.'

Southends new passenger terminal building has welcomed its first passengers on the 29th February , the BBC reports. The £10m terminal was used for the first time by passengers boarding an Aer Arann flight to Waterford in the Irish Republic. Budget airline easyJet will launch flights from the airport in April, with passenger numbers expected to top one million a year and grow to two million by 2020. An official opening of the new terminal will be held on March 5.



Do.328 G-BWWT pictured recently after acquiring its new Flybe scheme(Martyn Gill)

AIRLINE NEWS

British Airways is to use its first Airbus A.380 on flights to New York and three Asian cities, while using Boeing's smaller 787 Dreamliner to develop new destinations in emerging markets, Bloomberg reports. The airline will take delivery of 12 525-seat A380s starting next year and plans to use the aircraft on high-density routes from Heathrow Airport to Hong Kong, Beijing and Singapore, as well as on its busiest transatlantic service. An airline spokesman said: 'We will use bigger aircraft for routes with enough traffic density and restriction on slots. You can't increase your frequencies so you bring more bigger planes.'BA will then look to exploit the carbon-fibre Boeing 787 plane's reduced unit costs, which make it suited to lower-density routes and adding fresh locations. The spokesman said: 'The 787 will be about opening new destinations in the east, in Asia specifically. It is an under-served market for IAG and we are going to work intensively in recovering our position.' British Airways' parent, IAG have made concessions to break the deadlock in negotiations with EU authorities over its £172.5m takeover of bmi.. The European Commission extended its deadline to rule on the deal until March 30 after it received an offer from the company to alleviate possible competition concerns, according to a filing on its website Bloomberg reports. The Brussels-based regulator

didn't give any details of the proposal. The EU wants IAG, which was formed through the merger of BA and Spain's Iberia, to surrender some of the take-off and landing slots it would acquire at Heathrow through the bmi deal to limit concerns over competition. IAG's control of slots at Heathrow would rise from 43.1pc to 52pc if the deal was approved in its present form.Traditionally EU regulators make a slot surrender a condition of clearance in takeover or merger cases. They also press airlines to offer competitors access to their frequent flyer programmes.IAG has been reluctant to give way, arguing that rival operators at other European airports in some cases enjoy a greater hold over slots and has been attempting to negotiate a compromise and avoid a dilution that would affect its plans for adding more routes to its network.It is not clear what concessions IAG has made and if they are enough to persuade the EU regulators to give the go-ahead for it to purchase bmi from Lufthansa but the deadline for a decision has been extended from Friday until the end of the month.

An IAG spokesman said: 'We're talking to the EU and remain confident that we will receive regulatory approval for the deal.'



BA have painted A.319 G-EUOH in a special gold "Dove Scheme" in readiness for the Olypmic Games

Lufthansa's sale of its BMI Regional unit is faltering as the buyer is struggling to raise money for the purchase, according to an e-mail sent to staff by BMI's chief executive officer Bloomberg reports. Lufthansa said January 20 that a deal to sell BMI Regional to an unidentified buyer had been concluded subject to 'certain pre-conditions.' BMI CEO Wolfgang Prock- Schauer said in the email: 'It was hoped that the sale would have been completed by now but as funding requirements have not been met by the potential buyer, the process has been delayed.'

Flybe has announced a deal to provide two Bombardier Q400 aircraft - with pilots, cabin crew and engineering support - to Brussels Airlines at the end of this month. The airline describes the agreement as 'the latest in a line of innovative utilisation of its fleet, highlighting Flybe's ability to not only ride out the challenging economic environment but placing it in a position where it will emerge stronger and more competitive when the upturn arrives.'The wet lease arrangement runs from the beginning of the 2012 summer flights season (March 25th) for a period of two years, at which point the aircraft will return to Flybe's scheduled services. Based initially in Birmingham and Hanover, the Bombardier Q400 aircraft will serve core routes for the Belgian airline throughout Europe. The aircraft will carry the livery of Brussels Airlines but will operate under the Flybe Airline Operating Certificate (AOC), be crewed by Flybe pilots and cabin crew and maintained by Flybe engineers.

Malaysia Airlines plans to use its first Airbus A.380 on its Heathrow - Kuala Lumpur route starting on July 1, Travel Weekly reports. Its first 494-seat aircraft, featuring a new livery, will run flights three times a week between the UK and Malaysian capitals. Its second A380 will enter service on the London route from the end of August to offer daily operations, while its third will be used on the Kuala Lumpur - Sydney route. The airline will operate A380s in a three-class configuration comprising eight first class seats and 350 in economy on the main deck, plus 66 business class seats and 70 in

economy on the upper deck. The first class cabin will feature full flat bed seats with individual 23 inch in-flight entertainment screens. Business class will also have full flat bed seats each measuring 72 inches in length together with individual 17-inch screens The economy class will have a 32 inch seat pitch and individual 10.6 inch IFE screens.

Ryanair has filed a formal complaint after discovering 'Eurocrats' - European parliament officials are barred from using budget airlines, travelmole reports. The airline's chief executive, Michael O'Leary, made the complaint after discovering that officials from the EU's executive arm are entitled to business and first class travel, with some in senior positions using executive jets. The travel agency responsible for officials' travel will not book the officials on flights with budget airlines, reports the Sunday Times. Lawyers acting for Ryanair filed a complaint last week with the European Court of Auditors, demanding a review of 'the legality, regularity and financial soundness' of the nobudget policy.



Boeing 787 N787BX called at Toronto 4/3 while on a tour of North America(Ian Morton)

OTHER NEWS

Guernsey Post is to use a helicopter during the 8 days of planned airport closures this year, the BBC reports. The company said it would allow next day delivery for special delivery documents and greeting cards posted before midday. The rest of the post will suffer a 24-hour delay as it is transferred to and from the island by boat. The airport is due to close as part of a £80m project on March 20-21, May 8-9, November 27-28 and December 4-5.

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MD-82 8P-ARB was pictured at Bridgetown, Barbados on 16/3 by Andrew Barker Unfortuantley, the airline Redjet.com were declared bankrupt at midnight that day!



Jet2 have been such a hive of activity just recently that I though we should dedicate a complete section to them this month, updating the latest acquisitions plus detailing the allocation of aircraft for the summer season.

G-GDFG Boeing 737-300 was delivered 16/3 in Jet2 Grey scheme, now in service.

G-GDFH Boeing 737-300, currently on "C" check in Belgrade, Due for delivery mid-April.

G-GDFI will not be used, due to registration sounding too much like a former North Africa dictator

G-GDFJ Boeing 737-800, delivered all white on 19/3 to LBA. To be painted in Jet2 Holiday scheme. G-GDFK Boeing 737-300 was delivered on 20/3 to LBA, now in service.

G-LSAD Boeing 757, now painted inJet2 Holiday colours.

G-LSAK Boeing 757, now painted in hybrid Jet2 Holiday colours with RAK Airways titles.

G-LSAN Boeing 757(ex HC-CIY) is due to be delivered to Lasham from Bogata, Columbia on 16/4.

LX-STB Airbus A.320. leased from Strategic UK for summer, now in service.

Aircraft allocations for Summer2012, but these will obviously be moved around from time to time:-Belfast International:- 737/300 G-CELO/G-CELV

Blackpool:- 737/300 G-CELJ/G-CELK

Edinburgh:-737/300QC G-CELA/G-CELP/G-CELR/G-CELX/G-CELZ

East Midlands:- 737/300 G-CELF: 757 G-LSAJ/G-LSAK

Exeter:- 737/300F G-CELW

Glasgow:- 737/800 G-GDFC/G-GDFD; 757 G-LSAN

Leeds/Bradford:- 737/300 G-CELB/G-CELD/G-CELE/G-CELS/G-GDFB/G-GDFG/G-GDFH/G-GDFK 757 G-LSAB/G-LSAD/G-LSAH

Manchester:- 737/300 G-CELH/G-CELI/G-CELU; 737/800 G-GDFF/G-GDFJ 757 G-LSAA/G-LSAC/G-LSAI/G-LSAL/G-LSAM A.320 LX-STB Newcastle:- 737/300 G-CELC/G-CELG; 737/300QC G-CELY/G-GDFE; 757 G-LSAE/G-LSAG



Boeing 757 G-LSAK has returned to the Middle East to complete its lease period following overhaul and repaint with RAK Airways titles



On 8/3 a Linksair British Aerospace Jetstream 3102 operating on behalf of Manx2, registration G-CCPW performing flight NM309 from Leeds/Bradford to Isle of Man with 12 passengers and 2 crew, veered right off the landing runway 26 and came to a stop with the right main gear collapsed. No injuries occurred, the aircraft sustained substantial damage. An observer on the ground reported, that the Jetstream touched down very hard on runway 26 and rolled out on all gear until just after departing the paved surface, at which point the right hand gear collapsed.

The British Air Accident Investigation Branch (AAIB) released a special bulletin on 22/3 stating, that although the mechanism of the final failure of the right hand main gear leg is not yet understood it was initiated as result of stress corrosion cracking in the forward yoke pintle at the top of the right main gear leg. The aircraft performed a visual approach to Isle of Man Airport's runway 26 in good weather, surface winds were reported at 14 knots from 210 degrees. The captain (58, ATPL, about 6,000 hours total, about 1,500 hours on type) was pilot flying, the first officer who had recently joined the airline and was nearing the end of his line training on type was pilot monitoring. Flaps were fully extended, the gear was down and locked showing three greens, Vref was 105 knots.

Almost immediately after touch down the aircraft began to lean to the right hand side and unusual noise was heard. The captain attempted to keep the aircraft level with increasing left aileron and rudder input, with decreasing speed the aircraft increased leaning towards the right, the crew recognized there was a problem with the right hand gear and it was likely they would depart paved surface. The first officer assisted by holding the control wheel and rudder in position while the captain engaged nose wheel steering and feathered the paved surface of the runway, the right hand engine was also shut down but did not feather, the feather mechanism appeared to have been damaged when the propeller blades contacted the runway. The landing was observed by tower and the airport fire fighter on duty at the watch office, both pressed their crash buttons upon seeing the right hand propeller contact the runway surface, emergency services began to deploy while the aircraft was still moving and reached the aircraft 2 minutes after the aircraft came to a stand still.

The captain shut the aircraft down while the first officer went to the cabin to open the aircraft door and assist passengers deplaning. The aircraft left marks on the runway starting 90 meters past the runway threshold, the first marks were made by the right hand propeller blades impacting the runway surface. Sections of the right hand yoke pintle were found 150 and 180 meters past the runway threshold near the right hand landing gear door.

The flight data recorder held data of the last 20 flights and showed a vertical acceleration of +1.72G for the accident touch down. The +1.72G was the highest vertical load recorded for all 20 flights. Data off the radar altimeter permitted to compute the rate of descent at touch down at 463 fpm within the limit of 600 fpm, the landing forces were within the design specifications, so that the right main gear leg should not have failed.

The right hand main gear had broken away from its trunnion as result of the failure of its forward yoke pintle housing, but remained attached by the radius arm (retraction jack) and hydraulic lines. The downlock microswitch, fitted the radius arm, remained intact, when electrical power was restored by the AAIB all three green landing gear lights illuminated.



Continuing with the theme of eighty years of Leeds/Bradford Airport I have been browsing some of my historic items about the Airport. I believe this stuff is now called memorabilia or even collectables. In particular I have been flipping through my old Official Airport Handbooks. One of these has prompted me to "put pen to paper". It is undated but by reading the text I would say it is from circa 1961. It may also be the first handbook the Airport ever produced. If so then the memorabilia buffs could be really excited.In 1959 the operation of the Airport was taken over by the Joint Committee. Prior to this it had been operated by government ministries and a hotch-potch of private sector companies in a haphazard way. With the formation of the Joint Committee some structure started to appear and the interests of the local people came to the fore. This handbook reflects this with its focus on localism.So I have searched the handbook for items of interest to aviation historians and assembled them below for your delectation. I hope you will find some of it informative.

The Editor of the handbook is one Allen Rowley who was, at the time, the Air Correspondent of the Yorkshire Evening Post. Allen was well known to long time members of our Society. He was one of our first guest speakers in 1965. Allen was also, if I remember correctly, our last speaker at the Aero Club prior to it becoming part of Multiflight and our consequent move to Gate 20. I also remember him as a quest of honour at an Air Yorkshire annual dinner in the 1990s. But enough of this and "forward" to 1961. The handbook is a series of aviation related writings with a Yeadon/LBA theme and a focus on attracting tourism and business to the region. Topics are as follows: "Past Present and Future", covers the now well trodden path of the Airport's history up to 1960; "Services Expanded", is more history and information about airline services and destinations as they evolved in the 1950s, it particularly highlights the efforts of BKS to develop passenger services; "The Coming of the Turbo-Props", describes the expected improvements when the Avro 748 and the Handley Page Herald start operations from LBA in 1962; "Work Horse of the Airways", is a tribute to the Dakota which was at the time the most regular airliner to operate from LBA; "Going by Air", gives tips on what and how to pack when travelling by air; "Aviation Pioneer" is a piece about Captain H V Worrell an early aviator with links to LBA. A very interesting section is "Airport Information". It gives technical detail about the ATC equipment installed at the Airport and has a photograph of a controller standing at the airfield lighting console (see illustration). Does anyone recognise the controller in the photo?

There are many advertisements which I guess helped to fund the handbook in what were austere times. Some of the ads give a great insight into the airlines operating from the Airport in 1961. They include some long defunct names such as North South Airlines, Derby Airways, BKS and Silver City.North South Airlines started operations from LBA in 1959 and their full page advert in the handbook lists scheduled services to; Paris, Copenhagen, Torquay, Bristol, Bournemouth and Isle of Wight. They can be contacted by telephone at Rawdon 3356/7/8. They used Heron aircraft (see photo to right). The "fly BKS" full page advert lists regular scheduled holiday services to; Basle, Belfast, Bilbao, Dublin, Dusseldorf, Guernsey, Jersey, London, Ostend and Rotterdam - the shortcut to sunshine. With Silver City you can fly direct to Jersey (two and a half hours) or the Isle of Man (one hour). Derby Airways offer a new service to Glasgow (Renfrew) in 85 minutes in a 36 seater

aircraft with a return fare from £8 10s. Aer Lingus is offering fast frequent flights to Dublin and Shannon with onward flights to USA by "fabulous Irish Boeing". There is an ad for Yorkshire Light Aircraft Limited. They are offering: sales – service – consultants – repairs - modifications - overhauls. Yorkshire Flying Services Ltd will train you to private pilot's licence on Chipmunk aircraft at £5-5-0 per hour. They also offer an Auster for hire at £4-5-0 per hour with enquiries by telephone to Rawdon 3840.

There are other aviation related advertisements from: Woodcock Air Freight Services; Air India 707th heaven; McBean Tours, with aircraft of up to 44 seats available for charter; LEP Air Services Ltd; EMG Air Services; Air-Carr-Go, a 24 hour air freight collection and delivery service; Summerway Tours of Manchester Road Bradford, offering inclusive air holidays from Yeadon to Majorca, Costa Brava, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Norway and so on. Who could afford such luxury in 1961.Some of the non aviation ads are just as interesting. The Peacock Hotel Yeadon, which is only one minute drive from the airport, offers dancing and cabaret nightly. Who remembers the the Peacock Hotel? Ye Old Box Tree Café, is the pleasant atmosphere of a 17th century cottage and specialises in home-made cakes and biscuits. Swires of Yeadon are promoting their self drive hire. Hayes of Horsforth are claiming to be the sole main Ford dealer for this area. Martins Self-Drive Hire at Yeadon Airport, advertising cars from 10s per day and 3d per mile.

There are many other ads for businesses from those distant days: Jacomellis a first class restaurant, Lewis's Travel Bureau, Tate of Leeds, Mallories wines spirits and cigars, Bolton of Leeds, TWA the superjet airline, West Yorkshire Road Car Company , Brown and Whites (Leeds) self drive Anglias and Consuls, Muriel Smith hairdressing service in Leeds and Manor Publishing of Bradford who published the handbook. In the text there is some discussion about the future of the Airport and how it might develop in the coming years. It is interesting to consider how much of this happened, so let's consider the following. BKS are to operate the Avro 748 from LBA. BKS has five of these aircraft on order. The Airport's future is dependent on whether it gets a new 7000ft runway – a development requiring financial assistance from the government. With the latest navigational aids, surveillance radar and ILS the Airport will be second to none in Britain. Aer Lingus is convinced that within five years some 50,000 passengers annually will be carried to Dublin. North South Airlines intends to introduce the Handley Page Herald to Leeds Bradford Airport.So all in all it is a thought provoking snapshot of the Airport c.1961, in a period when the country was struggling to overcome the austerity caused by two world wars and a collapsed banking system in the first half of the twentieth century. Who or what do you remember about this period, or is it all "before your time"?

l also have copies of much later Official Airport Handbooks from the 1970s, 80s and 90s, but l believe these are common currency unless you tell me otherwise. Finally, one of these later Airport Handbook gives the Airport passenger figures for the year 1961 as follows: Terminal Passengers – 106,186 Aircraft Movements – 26,584 now that does tell a story.

Jim Stanfield





G-NOXY Robinson R.44 at Barton, 13/03/12(Mike Storey)



G-LSAJ Boeing 757 of Jet2 departing LBIA, 18/02/12(Martyn Gill)



N349PH Dash-8-202, former CIA operations, Toronto 29/01/12(Ian Morton)