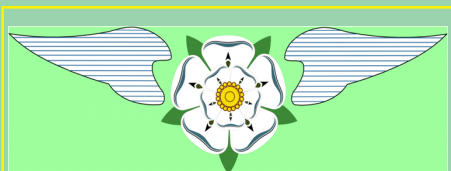


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SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Air Yorkshire 50th Anniversary Dinner

Friday 28th March 2014, 7.30 for 8.00 at Peasehill Hotel Rawdon

The Society has again managed to reserve the entire restaurant, maintain the price and confirm your choice of menu when seated at the table. This menu will allow you to choose from five starters, five main courses, five sweets and tea or coffee.

The price is £22.50 per person

Take the opportunity to book now, over 40 seats have been reserved already. Call John Dale on 01 943 875315.

NOTE Deposit is £5.00 but full payment must be made by 28th February.

MEETINGS AT LBIA, AIREDALE HOUSE: 14:30HRS

THE MEETINGS ARE HELD IN "THE MEDIA CENTRE, AIREDALE HOUSE".
A DOWNLOADABLE MAP CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE AIR YORKSHIRE WEBSITE

CAR PARKING AT THE MONTHLY MEETINGS IS PROVIDED AT A DISCOUNTED RATE
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2 March 2014

Carl Gissing - Customer Service Director for Thomson Airways.

We are very privileged to welcome Carl Gissing to Air Yorkshire. Carl will be explaining the role of the Customer Services Director at Thomson Airways as well as an explanation of how the Boeing 787 Dreamliner was brought into service from a customer perspective.

6 April 2014

Ian Cundall – Ian is the Executive Producer of the BBC Programme "Helicopter Heroes", featuring the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. He was also responsible for the programmes Dambusters Declassified and Operation Jericho. Ian has a PPL Licence and has flown in a number of interesting aircraft thanks to my job including Lightning, Lancaster, F18, Meteor, Tornado, Jaguar and Blackburn B2. His talk will highlight the aviation aspects of his work as a Television producer of aviation programmes as well as his experiences as a PPL pilot.

4 May 2014

Phil Wild - The Fifth Pillar of Islam (Hadj Flights)

Following his spotting days at Manchester Airport, Phil Wild started his flying career at Hamble on a BOAC sponsored course. His first commercial flying experience was De Havilland Herons on oil company charters from Norwich; subsequently he stepped up to F-27's operated by Air Anglia. Leaving Air Anglia (later to become Air UK) he moved to Britannia Airways where he flew Boeing 737, 757 & 767 aircraft with an emphasis on Hadj flying from Indonesia to Jeddah, which is the Saudi Arabian entry point for pilgrims travelling, perform their hadj in the holy cities of Mecca and Medina. Pilgrims arrive by air through the special Hadj terminal at Jeddah International Airport. Phil flew 9 Hadj seasons based in Ujung Pandang, Solo, Balikpapan, Palembang and Banjarmasin.

1 June 2014

Ken Cothliff, Aviation Historian, Author, and Display Commentator. We welcome back Ken, who will present a talk "Oshkosh & Florida 2013"

TUESDAY 1 July 2014 at 7.00pm

John-Paul Williams – John-Paul is the General Manager Maintenance & Operations North at Monarch Aircraft Engineering based at Manchester Airport. I am sure this will give us a fascinating insight into Aircraft Maintenance and Monarch Engineering.

3 August 2014

Drew Steel MBE – A welcome return to Air Yorkshire who is now with BAE SYSTEMS as a Military Liaison Executive in the Business Development Team.. Drew will be giving us an amusing and fascinating insight into how he became fascinated by aviation and how this became a reality. The 2nd half will be an update on BAE Systems current aviation technologies. A meeting not to be missed as Drew is an excellent speaker.

7 September 2014

Martin Powell and Ivor Tamplin

We welcome back Martin and Ivor from the Rossendale Aviation Society. Their talk/presentation is titled 'Piston Engined Transport Aircraft of the United States since 1933'

October 2014

No meeting due to 50th Anniversary celebrations

2 November 2014

Annual General meeting

7 December 2014

Christmas Bash



Andy Wood(HAR), as usual a big thank you for his contribution.

BAGBY:- On 6/12 Twin Squirrels G-BVLG(Osprey 60) and G-NETR(Osprey 62) called in for fuel whilst on survey work in the local area.

BECKINGHAM:- After only a couple of months with an owner here G-CGRL R.44 moved to Gloucester on 12.12 following another ownership change.

BEVERLEY:- Seen over the town on 25.12 was XZ598/N Sea King HAR.3 and also XZ594 Sea King HAR.3 was seen on several days around the year end.

BRIGHTON:- RESIDENTS G-AKTR 7AC is a new resident arriving 26.12 from Liverpool. G-BAAD VP.1 fuselage departed by road 22.12 to a workshop in the Gainsborough area for rebuild. G-BLES SA.750 is a new resident arriving 13.12 from Church Fenton. G-BZNW/K2048 Isaacs Fury II departed back to Linton on Ouse 29.12. On Christmas Day G-BSYG and G-CBZK flew, whilst on New Year's Day G-AVMD, G-BSDO, G-BSYG and G-BTWF all managed early sorties before the weather deteriorated.

OUTSIDE PARKING

G-AVMD 150G and G-AYRT F.172K present throughout. G-AZYF PA-28 departed to Crosland Moor just before Christmas for winter hangarage but continues to visit on most weekends, noted on 28.12, 5.1, and 12.1.

G-BBJX F.150L still at Sherburn on annual as of 12.1. G-BGAX PA-28 present throughout. G-BOIY 172N departed to Sherburn 5.1 for annual. G-BOYV PA-28R present throughout. G-BSDO 152 arrived from Sherburn 14.12 to replace 'JX and still present 12.1. G-BXJD PA-28, G-BYBD F.172H and G-LACA PA-28 present throughout. G-LMAO F.172N arrived just before Christmas from Northern Ireland and still present 12.1.

HELICOPTER ENCLAVE

No changes here with HA-PPC SE.3130 (1500) still parked outside inactive.



Beverley based PA-28R Arrow EC-BNY is a regular sight at Brighton(Alan/dsaf)

MOVEMENTS

14.12 G-BBXX FRA.150L f&t Beverley, G-CGEC CTLS f&t Huntingdon, G-TWOO EA.300/200 f&t Wombledon. **15.12** G-RJMS PA-28R f&t Crosland Moor. **17.12** G-BBAY DR.400 f&t ?, G-BVOS

Europa f&t Fishburn, G-CCGF R.22B f&t LBA, G-FUZZ/51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood. **19.12** G-BTHE 150L f&t Beverley. **22.12** G-CEFV 182T f&t Wombledon, G-LORC PA-28 f Sturgate t Sherburn, N7NP 369HE (0260E) f&t Hatfield. **26.12** G-OACF DR.400 f&t Sherburn, HA-LFQ SA.342L (1854) f&t Deighton / Crab Tree Farm. **28.12** G-BADC Beta B2A f&t Warrington, G-BONW 152 f Sturgate t South Cave, G-BTHE 150L f&t Beverley, G-BWXB T.67M f&t Wombledon, G-LORC PA-28 f&t Sherburn, G-TWOO EA.300/200 f&t Wombledon. **29.12** G-ASIL PA-28 f&t Tollerton, G-AZYF PA-28 f&t Crosland Moor, G-BADC Beta B2A f&t Warrington, G-BMPC PA-28 f&t EMA, G-BONW 152 f Sturgate t Wickenby, G-BTAW PA-28 f Newcastle t Eddsfild, G-BWRO Europa TG f&t Fishburn, G-BZPH RV.4 f&t Slay Barn Farm, G-CCVS RV.6A f&t Fishburn, G-CFMI Skyranger 912 f&t Crosland Moor, G-GKEV Pioneer 300 with G-OEGL Christen Eagle II both f&t North Coates, G-RATZ Europa f&t Fishburn. **2.1.2014** G-BHSB 172N f&t Strubby. **5.1** G-ATDO Bo.208C f&t Crosland Moor, G-AZYF PA-28 f&t Crosland Moor, HA-LFQ SA.342L f Deighton / Crab Tree Farm t North Coates via. Garton on the Wolds then o/s only at 15.27hrs. on its way home. **8.1** G-HEKK RAF2000GTX-SE f&t Great Heck. **10.1** G-BIWN D.112 f&t Yedingham, G-GERY GlaStar f&t Garton. **11.1** G-AVXD T.66 f&t Beverley, G-AVZR PA-28 f&t Sturgate, G-BAPX DR.400 f Full Sutton t Wickenby, G-BOSM DR.253B f&t South Cave, G-BUDW MB.2 f&t Mavis Enderby, G-BUVX Streak Shadow SA f&t North Coates, G-BVOS Europa f&t Fishburn, G-BYEK GlaStar f&t Fishburn, G-CCZM with G-CFIA both Skyranger 912S f&t Beverley, G-CFTO Ikarus C42 FB80 f&t Rufforth, G-CGDH Europa XS-TG f&t Wickenby, G-DISO D.150 f&t Ings Farm, G-FUZZ/51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood, G-IVII RV.7 with G-OACF DR.400 both f&t Sherburn, G-ORAY F.182Q f&t Gamston, G-ORUG T.600N f&t Beverley, G-TWOO EA.300/200 f&t Wombledon. **12.1** G-ATPV GY.20 f&t Full Sutton, G-AVXD T.66 f Eddsfild t Beverley, G-AZYF PA-28 f&t Crosland Moor, G-BYOU Rans S.6 f&t South Cave, G-CGWT Skyranger 912 with G-ORUG T.600N both f&t Beverley, G-SACS PA-28 f&t Sherburn.

BROUGH:- ZJ100 Hawk 102D is reported to have moved to the National Aviation Academy at RHADS on 12.11.

CHURCH FENTON:- From the Resident Review delete G-BLES SA.750 which moved to Brighton on 13.12. G-BCAH/WG316 DHC.1, G-BXLO/XR673 Jet Provost T.4, G-JPTV/XW354 Jet Provost T.5A and G-TSIX/111836/JZ/6 AT.6C all moved to Linton on Ouse on 17.12 following closure of the airfield here in December.



Long time resident of Coney Park, Robinson R.22B G-BRVI(Rod Hudson)

CONEY PARK(Leeds Heliport)

Movements:-

04/12	G-BOSN Squirrel	1115 1125	from Gunnerside to High Wycombe
04/12	G-NTWK Twin Squirrel	1143 1400	f/t Doncaster, local flight 1245/1330
11/12	G-TRAW Agusta A.109E	1415 0800	from Hartlepool, n/s to York
15/12	G-ECMM Agusta A.109E	1810 1840	from Denham to Biggin Hill

CONISHOLME:-Arriving to take up residence recently has been G-NETY PA-18, replacing G-CEIS DR.1050 which has moved south. However G-NETY may only be temporary – watch this space.

DONCASTER PHOTOS

by Clive Featherstone



Owned by Lerco AG and operated by Comlux Aviation Global Express HB-JGH, 16/12



A late arrival on 30/12 was Challenger 605 M-FRZN, owned by Iceland Foods



San Marino registered Pilatus PC-12 T7-PBL arriving on an extremely wet runway, 30/12



French Air Force Xingu 102/YS arrived as a diversion due fog at Waddington on 11/12

The operators other aircraft G-ARCS D.6/180 is currently at North Coates for fitting of a diesel engine which is expected to take until late summer to complete.

CRANWELL:- The owner of G-RIHN DR.107 has bought the incomplete project G-OSIS S.1S ex. Netherthorpe.

DONCASTER:-New with South Yorkshire Air Museum is 0767 MB.339AA ex. Argentine Navy and unmarked, arriving on 23.10 from long term storage with Rolls Royce at Derby. The Bleriot XI Replica has been allocated BAPC.307. The loan of G-BMIR/XT788 Wasp HAS.1 has come to an end and it has now returned to its owner at Storwood.

DONCASTER(Robin Hood) Info courtesy of Clive Featherstone(dsaf.co.uk, fods.co.uk)
Interesting Movements December 2013

Commercial

2nd EC-GUS SA-227-AC Metro III Aero Nova (F) (FV) dep 3rd

3rd G-EZFA Airbus A-319 EasyJet (T) +4th

5th EI-EXE Boeing 737-800 Ryanair diverted to EMA because of strong cross winds at D.S.A.

6th G-EZNC Airbus A-319 EasyJet (T)

7th G-TUIC Boeing 787 Dreamliner (T)

7th G-TUID Boeing 787 Dreamliner (T)

11th G-MAJG Jetstream-41 Eastern Airways HUY diversion (FV)

12th EI-EVE Boeing 737-800 Ryanair (FV)

16th EC-GXJ SW4 SA226-TC Metro II Flightline (F) (FV)

17th D-CNAF SA-227 Metro III Bin Air (F) (FV)

17th G-EZIK Airbus A-319 EasyJet (T)

17th SP-ENB Boeing 737-400 Enter Air positioning flight for tomorrows Santa flight/day trip

18th D-CSAL SA-227 Metro III Bin Air (F) (FV)

19th G-EZAT Airbus A-319 EasyJet (T)+20th

22nd HA-LWT Airbus A-320 Wizz Air (FV)

23rd G-CELU Boeing 737-300 Jet2 diversion from EMA (FV)

Bizjets & Bizprops

2nd M-IMOR Citation 680 Sovereign Private (M)

6th N255RB Hawker 850XP Regal Beloit Flight Service Inc

6th HB-JFD Citation 750 Nomad Aviation AG (M) dep 11th

7th D-CNOB CitationJet 525 CJ3 Atlas Air Service (FV)

9th PH-HRK Piaggio P-180 Avanti Rotterdam Private Air BV

9th M-SPOR Beech 200 King Air Private

11th G-FLYW Beech 200 King Air Flywales (ex G-LIVY) (FV)

11th G-GLTT PA-31 Blue Sky Investments Ltd

13th G-CITY PA-31 Blue Sky Investments Ltd

14th G-ECAI Citation 560XL London Executive Aviation (FV)

16th HB-JGH BD-700 Global Express Comlux Aviation (FV)

17th G-HPPY Learjet 40 European Skyjets Ltd

18th G-CGMF Citation 560XL

20th G-IOMC Premier 1 (ex M-YSKY) (T) (FV)

20th G-LBSB Beech 350 King Air Gama Support Services Ltd (FV)

22nd M-SAIL Pilatus PC-12 Private

23rd G-LEAB Citation 510 Mustang London Executive Aviation

27th M-FRZN CL605 Challenger Iceland Foods (FV) Rtd 30th

27th N425ST Citation 550

30th T7-PBL Pilatus PC-12 Private (FV)

Civil Helicopter (Aircraft in this list marked as (FV) are to my knowledge correct).

5th G-CMBS MD-900 Explorer Cambridgeshire Constabulary (T)

13th G-SYPS EXPL MD-900 Explorer South Yorkshire Police Authority (T)

14th G-MAOL Agusta AW-109SP Mash Aviation Ltd (T)

16th G-CPSH Eurocopter EC-135 National Police Air Service (T) (FV)

Miscellaneous Light/Medium Aircraft

2nd N97KQ Quest Kodiak 100 finally dep. it arr 8th November & went tech

HUMBERSIDE PHOTOS

by Rich Grimley



Beechjet 400A OK-EAS operated by Time Air visited twice during December 2013



1967 vintage Cessna F.172H G-AVTP, based at Nottingham, taxiing for departure 7/12



Bond Helicopters Agusta AW.139 G-VINC is a regular sight at Humberside



Shawbury based Bell 412 Griffin ZJ235, crew training at Humberside on 10/12

7th G-OTVR PA-34 Seneca V IAS Medical Ltd (M)
 7th M-USHY Cessna 441 Conquest 2
 23rd G-BODY Cessna 310 Diversion from EMA dep 24th
 23rd G-TASK Cessna 404 Diversion from EMA dep 24th
 28th G-LWLW Diamond DA40 (T)
 Military
 4th ZD895 Tornado GR4 (T)
 6th ZD712 Tornado GR4 (T) (FV)
 10th ZJ235 Bell 412 Defence Helicopter Flying School (T)
 11th 102/YS Embraer EMB-121AA Xingu. French Air Force. A fog diversion from Waddington.
 Departed just before noon on the 12th to Waddington (FV) & of type
 12th ZD712 Tornado GR4 (T)
 12th ZD739 Tornado GR4 (T)
 13th ZF573 Pilatus Britten-Norman Islander
 16th ZA598 Tornado GR4 (T)
 20th ZZ419 Beech 350 Super King Air/Shadow (T)

(FV) First Visit. (T) Training. (H) Helicopter. (F) Freighter. (M) Maintenance

ELVINGTON:- Visiting on 18.12 was N500CS Beech 200 (BB-773), this was visiting again on 14.1 along with N3544M PA-31-325 (31-8012005).

FILEY:- Seen overhead on 29.12 were M-510 and M-512 EH.101's heading out over the North Sea on their way back to Denmark. These aircraft had departed from Leeds/Bradford.

FISHBURN:- Noted visiting on 1/12 were Cessna F.182Q G-GHOW(f/t Full Sutton), Condor G-AYFF(f/t Peterlee), Pioneers G-EWES/G-HORK(f/t Ewesley Farm), Jabiru G-JABY(from Hexham), TL String G-CESM(from Eshott).

FULL SUTTON:- A brief visit on 12.1 noted only one possible new resident in the form of G-CGWK Ikarus C42 FB80 which was in the back of the private hangar. Visiting between 13.30 – 14.05 hrs. was G-BYBD F.172H f Sandtoft t Brighton.

GAMSTON:- From the Residents delete G-OEAC M.20J which has moved to Tollerton.

GRANGE FARM:- Updating the December mag. the accident to G-MWTP Shadow Srs.CD is reported to be at Grange Farm, East Barkwith. This is a private strip about 3 miles east of Wickenby with no known residents.

GRINDALE / EAST LEYS FARM:- HB-CIU FR.172J (00437) was short lived in its residency here and has now moved to Teesside and reported as going to be used by a new parachute club in the area in the near future.

HIBALDSTOW:- A visit on 14.12 noted G-ANHR Auster 5 stored frame, G-ASDK A.61, G-ATJV PA-32, G-BZHL AT.16 on rebuild, G-BXZB/CT-180 CJ.6A, G-OBAX T.600N, HA-HIB Do.28D-2 (4328) and N208AF 208B (208B0660). The two ex. Kenyan Air Force Do.28D's are still stored but were not seen on this occasion.

HUMBERSIDE

BRISTOW, the UK-based helicopter firm, has bought a controlling stake in Eastern Airways, the airline that owns Humberside Airport, in a £27-million deal. The 60 per cent has just been confirmed, formalising an agreement that builds on a strong relationship between Bristow and Eastern that dates back to 1999. The investment is described as "a natural outcome of the history of the two businesses working together". Eastern Airways and the Kirmington airport will continue to operate as normal, independently from Houston-headquartered Bristow, and under their own brands led by the current management teams. Mike Imlach, Bristow Helicopters Ltd's managing director, said: "Bristow and Eastern Airways serve many of the same customers. Our business portfolios are highly complementary in terms of service offerings and geographic footprint. Through this investment, we can leverage our respective strengths to create a seamless experience for passengers travelling to offshore locations. "The Bristow brand will benefit from alignment with a known and valued fixed wing operator. Together we will be able to capitalise on the respective strengths of both organisations, offer a broader range of services, pursue growth opportunities in new markets and geographies, invest in markets where we are currently well-positioned and become even stronger in these

areas." Eastern Group, now 60 per cent owned by Bristow, retains 82.7 percent stake in Humberside Airport that it acquired in August 2012 and North Lincolnshire Council will retain its 17.3 percent shareholding. Bristow will have a significant presence in Humberside, with its participation in Humberside Airport and the Search and Rescue (SAR) base that is under construction, to be operational next year.

Bryan Huxford, chairman of Eastern Group, said: "With Bristow making this strategic investment in Eastern, we believe that we can accelerate the success both companies have already achieved in the marketplace, which will strengthen and further develop our business and future opportunities." Eastern Airways was formed in 1997 and today operates more flights from the UK oil capital, Aberdeen, than any other carrier. Its fleet of 30 aircraft provide frequent flights across the UK, Norway and France, including its core network of scheduled services to the North Sea offshore oil and gas industry. The airline also provides daily charter services for oil and gas industry customers employed by the companies that make up the Integrated Aviation Consortium. The airport was bought out from Manchester Airports Group, and has since attracted Scandinavian Airlines as it builds on the business links while attracting more tourism traffic. The location on the Humber also opens up huge opportunities for offshore wind going forward, with the largest generation of turbines designed with helicopter access in mind. GeoSea, the company building out Dong Energy's Westernmost Rough offshore wind farm, are also due to use helicopters for urgent crew transfers from towering jack-up vessel Innovation. One airport source said: "This is very positive for the airport, it is now part of a \$2.5-billion company. We hope it will bring further benefits and investment to the region. "It really underlines the importance of the offshore markets, and has to be regarded positively."

Other news, JetExtra will be using Cityflyer/BA Embraer 190 aircraft on their routes this summer instead of the Volatea Boeing 717 type used last year. A bit of a shame really! Movements for December are a little sketchy as our correspondent Rich Grimley was on holiday from mid-month.

2/12 G-FRYI King Air 200(Lonex 73FR), OY-RJC CRJ-200(SAS 545)
 3/12 ZE700 Bae.146(Mortholt 40, training), King Air 200s ZK451/455(CWL 74/87, ILS)
 4/12 G-LUBB Citationjet(Clifton 20), N131CD Cirrus SR.20
 5/12 N525GT Citationjet 3(3 attempted landing due cross-wind, return to Deauville)
 6/12 ZJ218 Apache(Armchair 441), M-TSRTI King Air 90GT, ZE396 Bae.125(Ascot 1399)
 7/12 N30GD Gulfstream 4(n/s)
 9/12 D-COKE Lear Jet 35A(Red Angel 3769), G-OZBR A.320(Monarch 102P)
 10/12 ZJ235 Griffin(Shawbury 94, training), G-TAAB Cirrus SR.20
 11/12 M-OTOR King Air 90(Eastflight 08B)
 12/12 OK-EAS Beechjet 400(Time Air 84Y), G-BYFR PA-32R, XZ594 Sea King(SRG 128, ILS)
 21/12 SP-ENB Boeing 737/400(Enter Air 3034) 22/12 G-CEGP King Air 200(Cega 118)
 26/12 D-CFAX Lear Jet 35A(Red Angel 3812)
 27/12 CS-DKD Gulfstream 5(Fraction 457D), CS-DKG Gulfstream 550(Fraction 809Q)

LINTON ON OUSE:- G-BCAH, G-BXLO, G-JPTV and G-TSIX all took up residency on 17.12, (see Church Fenton above). G-BZNW/K2048 Isaacs Fury II arrived back from Brighton on 29.12 following completion of the hangar refurbishment here.

MASHAM:- Noted at a private site here on 1/12 was Gazelle G-ZELE, from Crookfoot.

NETHERTHORPE:- G-OSIS S.1S has been sold to the owner of G-RIHN DR.107 at Cranwell who will complete the build process.

NORTH COATES:- Resident News G-AKUW CH.3 Srs.2 has been sold and departed to its new home at Temple Bruer on 26.12. **Movements 1.12** G-BONW 152 f&t Sturgate, G-AVOA DR.1050 with G-PDOG/24550 O-1E and then N123SA PA-18-150 (18-1372) all f Anwick t Wickenby, G-BRAA S.1C with G-CBKF Easy Raider both f&t Manby, G-CFFJ CTSW f&t Caunton. **7.12** G-BUTD RV.6 with G-BRAA S.1C both f&t Manby, G-CBIX CH.601UL f&t Temple Bruer, G-BXJD PA-28 f Brighton t Sherburn, G-BAEO F.172M f Brighton t Wickenby. **8.12** G-BUTD RV.6 with G-BRAA S.1C both f&t Manby. **14.12** G-BRAA S.1C with G-CBKF Easy Raider both f&t Manby, G-AZIJ DR.360 f&t Fenland. **15.12** G-BRAA S.1C f&t Manby, G-CEBF EV.97A f&t Sturgate. **17.12** G-UZUP EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe, G-AZTS F.172L f Humberside t Beverley. **19.12** G-AYOW 182N f&t Skegness. **21.12** G-AVOA DR.1050 f&t Anwick. **22.12** G-BRAA S.1C with G-BUTD RV.6 both f&t Manby. **26.12** G-BRAA

S.1C f&t Manby, G-LORC PA-28 f&t Sherburn, G-PTAR Skyranger 912S f&t Riby. **28.12** G-BRAA S.1C with G-BUTD RV.6 f&t Manby, G-BONW 152 f South Cave t Sturgate. **29.12** G-NETY PA-18 f&t Conisholme, G-ARJU PA-23 f&t Skegness, G-BUTD RV.6 f&t Manby, G-BGAX PA-28 f&t Brighton, G-NPKJ RV.6 f&t Sturgate.

NORTH DUFFIELD/BIRCHWOOD:- The unidentified Everett Gyroplane here is now known to be G-BMZZ, whilst also here under construction is G-CCJB CH.701 which is expected to be finished by the Spring.

NORTH MOOR:- G-BXVO RV.6A is resident at Sturgate rather than here as previously reported. Departures to record are G-BFOG 150M and G-MZDP Chevvron 2-32C both in early December.

NORTH SCARLE:- Noted still present in the yard of Ground Equipment Supplies Ltd on 5.1 was (E-408)/"WT720/B" Hunter F.51.

NORTH THORESBY:- Living in a trailer at its owners home here is G-TERN Europa ex. Pocklington. It will operate from North Coates.

NOSTELL PRIORY:- G-SASH MD.900 has arrived to take up residence at the new Yorkshire Air Ambulance base with effect from 19.11, ex. LBA.

POCKLINGTON:- From the Resident Review delete G-TERN Europa which has moved with its owner to his new home at North Thoresby. Visiting on 14.12 was Beverley resident G-BAXV F.150L.

RIBY:- G-CHDS Rans S.6 has moved to Wickenby for flight testing and will be replaced by a Sonex which will move to North Coates on completion.

RUFFORTH:- Noted in Bob McLeans workshop on 17.12 were G-BVJK DG.800A, G-BXSH DG.800B, G-DDUY DG.100, G-DFBE LS6 and D-7419 DG.200 to go G- and be Rufforth based. A further visit to Bobs on 7.1 noted G-BVJK, G-CGRV DG.1000M, G-DDMO Ka.6E, G-DFBE, G-EEZO DG.808C and (AKD)/BGA.449 DFS Olympia – Meise plus the aforementioned D-7419 which is to become LMF/BGA.5768 but with no G- known yet. G-DDMO Ka.6E has been sold and is due to depart to Bicester during the weekend of 11-12.1, whilst (AYF)/BGA.761 T.43 is also sold and departed to Long Mynd on 7.1. G-PAWN PA-25 is due to be exported to Sweden next month as a source of spares for a gliding club there.

Visiting on 26/12 was Citation Encore G-KDMA, later noted departing for Inverness.



Resident at Sandtoft since December 2013 is PA-28 Cherokee 140 G-DIAT(Pete Hobson)

SANDTOFT(FEBRUARY 2013)

Credits The Airfield Manager Sandtoft via Pete Hobson

Resident changes

Arrivals G-BGLG Cessna 152 was noted back again here from 03/12.

Departures None

General The weather played havoc with the number of visitors, however when it was flyable at the weekends it was great.

Resident and Hire aircraft noted during the month were:-

G-BGLG Cessna 152, G-BHCP Cessna F152, G-BSDO Cessna 152, G-BWEU Cessna F152, G-CCJO Savannah Jabiru (4), G-CGZA Kolb Twinstar MKIII XTRA, G-DENE Piper PA-28-140,

G-DIAT Piper PA-28-140, G-MZNX Thruster T.600N, G-WLGC Piper PA-28-181, N101UK Mooney M.20K, N2136E Piper PA-28R-201.

Movements

- 1 G-AVWL Piper PA-28-140, G-SVNH Savannah VG Jabiru 1, G-AYYU Beech C23 f/t Sturgate, G-CKSC CZAW Sportcruiser f/t Peterborough, G-EFBP Cessna FR172K f/t Sherburn, G-NPKJ/61 Vans RV-6 f/t Sturgate, G-OPAZ Pazmany PL-2 f/t Sturgate, G-BXVO Vans RV-6A f/t Sturgate, G-ROKO Roko Aero NG 4HD f/t Sturgate, G-GHOW Cessna F182Q f/t Full Sutton, G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn, G-BFZD Cessna FR182 f/t Sturgate, G-CEBF Aerotechnik EV-97A f/t Sturgate, G-BTNV Piper PA-28-161, G-RAMY Bell 206B f/t Humberside.
- 2 G-BWZG Robin R.2160 f/t Sherburn.
- 3 G-CDDG Piper PA-28-161, G-AWWE Beagle B.121 series 2.
- 5 G-ATHV Cessna 150F f/t Sherburn, G-FIAT Piper PA-28-140, G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn.
- 7 G-BEAC Piper PA-28-140 f/t Humberside, G-DODB Robinson R22 Beta f/t Humberside, G-EKOS Cessna FR182RG f/t Sherburn, G-OBMS Cessna F172N f/t Sherburn.
- 8 G-BFTC Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t Sherburn, N59VT Beech K35 f/t Newark on Trent.
- 10 G-BFTC Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t Sherburn.
- 13 G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn.
- 14 G-BYBD Cessna F172H f/t Brighton, G-BOYV Piper PA-28R-201T f/t Brighton, G-AZNO Cessna 182P f/t Humberside, G-BCKV Cessna FRA150L f/t Netherthorpe.
- 15 G-RJMS Piper PA-28R-201 f/t Crosland Moor, G-PHUN Cessna FRA.150L f/t Netherthorpe, G-BMHT Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t Sherburn, G-EFBP Cessna FR172K f/t Sherburn, G-SACT Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn.
- 16 G-PHUN Cessna FRA.150L f/t Netherthorpe.
- 17 G-IROE Flight Design CTSW f/t South Hykeham, G-GTJM Eurocopter EC120B f/t Edenthorpe, G-BODB Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn, G-AZFI Piper PA-28R-200B f/t Sherburn, G-SACT Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn, G-AVZR Piper PA-28-180 f/t Sturgate, G-AZTS Cessna F172L f/t Bagby, G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn.
- 20 G-CBMO Piper PA-28-180 f/t Treswell.
- 21 G-GCAT Piper PA-28-140B f/t Humberside, G-BNPY Cessna 152 f/t Gamston.
- 22 G-BBDT Cessna 150H f/t Shereburn, G-BFTC Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t Sherburn, G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn, G-CBMO Piper PA-28-180 f/t Treswell, G-BMHT Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t Sherburn, G-ARRS Piel CP.301A f/t Sturgate, G-SACY Aero AT-3 R100 f/t Sherburn, G-SABA Piper PA-28R-201T f/t Sherburn.
- 28 G-HIVE Cessna F150M f/t Humberside, G-CRZA CZAW Sportcruiser, G-GKEV Pioneer 300 f/t North Coates, G-OEGL Christen Eagle II f/t North Coates, G-BBDT Cessna 150H f/t Shereburn, G-AVSA Piper PA-28-180 f/t Sherburn, G-BCKV Cessna FRA150L f/t Netherthorpe.
- 29 G-BOYV Piper PA-28R-201T f/t Brighton, G-BGMT MS Rallye 235C f/t Fishburn, G-BATV Piper PA-28-180 f/t Full Sutton, G-MYYA Mainair Blade, N20UK M.20F f/t Fenland, G-ATHV Cessna 150F f/t Sherburn, G-IVII Vans RV-7 f/t Sherburn, G-GRVE Vans RV-6 f/t Sherburn, G-CDON Piper PA-28-161 f/t EMIA, G-BFTC Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t Sherburn, G-AVSA Piper PA-28-180 f/t Sherburn, G-BODB Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn.

SANDTOFT(JANUARY 2014)

Credits The Airfield Manager Sandtoft via Pete Hobson
Resident changes G-DLTR Piper PA-28-180E has been moved from the graveyard into one of the hangars and

is to have a re-spray, it is to join the training fleet in February.
N101UK Mooney M.20K made a precautionary landing here on 25th and has

not flown since.

Arrivals None

Departures None

General Three very good days for a change – 11th, 19th and 25th, roll on summer

Resident and Hire aircraft noted during the month were:-

G-AZVG American AA-5, G-BGLG Cessna 152, G-BHCP Cessna F152, G-BWEU Cessna F152, G-CBOP Jabiru UL-450, G-CGZA Kolb Twinstar MKIII XTRA, G-DIAT Piper PA-28-140, G-MZNX Thruster T.600N, G-TAYI Grob G.115, G-WLGC Piper PA-28-181, N101UK Mooney M.20K.



Sturgate based Beech Sundowner G-AYYU is a regular sight at Sandtoft(Pete Hobson)

Movements(January)

- 4 G-BMVL Piper PA-38-112 f/t Gamston, G-EKOS Cessna FR182RG f/t Sherburn
G-OBMS Cessna F172N f/t Sherburn, G-AVSA Piper PA-28-180 f/t Sherburn.
- 5 G-ETAT Cessna 172S f/t Wickenby.
- 6 G-CGGD Aerospatiale AS365N2 f/t Leeds Bradford.
- 8 G-BBSA Grumman AA-5 f/t Durham, G-OBSM Robinson R44 (Pipeline 30) f/t Coventry,
G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn, G-AZFI Piper PA-28R-200B f/t Sherburn.
- 10 G-RPAF Europa XS f/t Sherburn, G-GCAT Piper PA-28-140B f/t Humberside,
G-BIHI Cessna 172M f/t Fenland, G-ARRS Piel CP.301A f/t Sturgate,
G-EFBP Cessna FR172K f/t Sherburn, G-BRPF Cessna 120 f/t Sturgate.
- 11 G-CEKK Skyranger Swift 912, G-OPAZ Pazmany PL-2 f/t Sturgate,
G-ARRS Piel CP.301A f/t Sturgate, G-CCEM Aerotechnik EV-97A f/t Oxenhope,
G-ATHV Cessna 150F f/t Sherburn, G-AYGA Jodel D117 f/t Oxenhope,
G-STOD ICP MXP-740 Savannah VG f/t Oxenhope, G-BXLY Piper PA-28-151 f/t Sturgate,
G-CBUG Technam P.92-EM Echo f/t Oxenhope, G-CFMI Skyranger 912 f/t Oxenhope,
G-BGHJ Cessna F172N f/t Humberside, G-CDLK Skyranger 912S,
G-BNTD Piper PA-28-161 f/t Gamston, G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn,
G-BYBD Cessna F172H f/t Brighton, G-ETAT Cessna 172S f/t Wickenby,
G-LIZI Piper PA-28-180 f/t Cranwell.
- 12 G-LIZI Piper PA-28-180 f/t Cranwell, G-PUPP Beagle B121 series 2 f/t Bagby,
G-BYBD Cessna F172H f/t Brighton, G-ETAT Cessna 172S f/t Wickenby,
G-EFBP Cessna FR172K f/t Sherburn.
- 13 G-BTAW Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn.
- 14 G-BNRA SOCATA TB.10 f/t Tollerton, G-CBHG Mainair Blade 912S f/t Headon.
- 16 G-BIDI Piper PA-28R-201.
- 17 G-GRVE Vans RV-6 f/t Sherburn.
- 18 N1778X Cessna 210 f/t Sturgate.
- 19 G-CFFJ Flight Design CTSW f/t Newark, G-SOBI Piper PA-28-181 f/t Sherburn,
G-BRDO Cessna 177B f/t Durham, G-BHEV Piper PA-28R-200,
G-EISG Beech A36 f/t Sherburn, G-GRVE Vans RV-6 f/t Sherburn,
G-ARMO Cessna 172B f/t Sherburn, G-JULZ Europa f/t Sherburn,
G-IIVI CAP-232 f/t Sherburn, G-CEBF Aerotechnik EV-97A f/t Sturgate.
- 22 G-VALY SOCATA TB21 f/t Staverton.



TEESSIDE PHOTOS

courtesy of dtvmovements

Embraer 145 CE-02 of the Belgium Air Force was a late arrival on 2/12



Northolt based Agusta A.108E ZR322 sheltering in the hangar ON 5/12



Jet Ranger G-NORK was parked up on the apron over Christmas and New Year



Falcon 900EX N978PW based in Delaware, parked on the apron in early December

- 24 G-CHAJ SR22 f/t Sleaf, G-BNOH Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn.
- 25 G-BXVO Vans RV-6A f/t Sturgate, G-BRPF Cessna 120 f/t Sturgate,
G-UAPO Ruschmeyer R90-230RG f/t Sturgate, G-AYYU Beech C23 f/t Sturgate,
G-NPKJ/61 Vans RV-6 f/t Sturgate, G-BBDT Cessna 150H f/t Shereburn,
G-BPXX Piper PA-34-200T f/t Sherburn.
- 27 G-OBSM Robinson R44 (Pipline 30) f/t Coventry.

SHERBURN:- No longer resident is G-BHLW Cessna 120 which departed following sale. Visiting on 17.12 were G-BEAC PA-28 and G-PIGS Rallye 150ST.

STORWOOD:-G-BMIR /XT788 Wasp HAS.1 has returned to its owner here following a period on loan to the South Yorkshire Air Museum at Doncaster. Some research into Skeeter build numbers has highlighted an anomaly with XL738, which is here. A check of the build numbers shows that this is actually XM565 which has at some point been fitted with the boom of XL738 leading to the subsequent misidentification of this helicopter.

STURGATE:- A new resident is G-BXVO RV.6A which replaces G-RVNS RV.4. Resident N218Y 310Q (31Q0507) was reported as sold in mid October but is still present. Noted on a visit 11.1 were **Lincoln Aero Club Hangar** G-AYYU Beech C23, G-BBHF PA-23, G-BDDG D.112, G-BGVE CP.1310-C3, G-BROR J.3C-65, G-BRPF C.120, G-CCNU Skyraider J2.2, G-CEBF EV.97A, G-FARY Quickie Tri-Q, G-ROKO Roko Aero NG4-HD, G-RVSR RV.8, N918Y PA-30 (30-736). **Private Hangar** Locked **Eastern Air Executive Hangar** Locked but outside on their apron were G-BXXT Beech 76, G-CCZA MS.894A impounded, G-OBLC Beech 76 and N218Y as above and not looking like it has moved for a while. **Residents on field** G-AVZR PA-28, G-BONW 152, G-BWII 150G, G-BXVO RV.6A, G-OPAZ PL.2. **Visitors 11.15 – 12.30hrs.** G-BFRR FRA.150M f Tatenhill, G-BSRI Lancair 235, G-BYBD F.172H f&t Brighton, G-ODUD PA-28 f Gamston.

TATTERSHALL:- More info has come to light on the inmates here. Visible from outside on 3.9 were XJ407 Whirlwind HAR.10 (bare metal / yellow) and XP329/V Whirlwind HAR.10 (camouflage) along with G-BKHC Whirlwind HAR.10 (blue) which is not visible from outside. Also reported in the undergrowth are three aircraft fuselages and the two Enstrom cabins reported a couple of months ago, one of these is thought to be G-KOLY F.28A (cancelled 13.7.93 as temporarily wfu.). Two of the fuselages were identified as being from G-BOGS PA-34-200T (damaged 7.6.90) and G-BRAD Beech B55 (damaged 8.1.88) and both cancelled shortly after, the third remains unidentified.

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

New resident DA-42 G-ZAZU (ex G-GFDA) is part of the NAL Management group fleet along with the G200 G-GZOO that was here for a while recently and C172 G-NALA. Newcastle is their main allocated base. Also temporary resident is Cessna F.172N G-CLUX, here while Bagby is waterlogged. On 2/12 Belgium Air Force C-130H Hercules CH-03(BAF 663) arrived from Melsbroek Air Base and went u/s. Late evening EMB.145 CE-02(BAF 605) arrived from Melsbroek with engineers to check out the problem. On 5/12 Netherlands Air Force C-130H G-781 arrived with a new engine for the stranded aircraft, before retuning home to Eindhoven. On the 6th/7th Chinook ZH902(Vortex 589) visited a couple of time while helping out at Seaton Crew with sea wall defences following the severe storm and resulting flooding. As reported in the previous mag ATR-42s UR-UTA/URUTB of Kyiv International arrived on 7/12 for scrapping by Sycamore Aviation. The aircraft were re-registered N5039Q/N503ZT before their demise. Embraer 145 G-RJXD(Kittiwake 8204) arrived on 27/12, brining Reading FC for their match with Middlesbrough.

- 1/12 N978PW Falcon 900EX, G-REYS Challenger 604, G-TBEA Citationjet 2(Clifton 114)
- 2/12 G-DCAM Twin Squirrel, ZF343 Tucano(LOP 23, overshoot)
- 3/12 ZD712/080 Tornado(Marham 32, overshoot), G-GZOO IAI Galaxy
- 4/12 G-FRZN A.109S, G-HRYZ PA-28, ZF338 Tucano(LOP 48, overshoot)
- 5/12 ZR322 Agusta A.109E(Ascot 1796)
- 6/12 D-INCS Citationjet, ZD739/087 Tornado(Marham 69, o/s), XX200 Hawk(Javelin 33, o/s)
- 8/12 OE-GDA Citation XLS(Europe Star 32), N750NS Citation X(n/s)
- 9/12 ZD749/097 Tornado(Marham 31, overshoot), G-OADY Duchess(Yorkair 81, training)
- 10/12 G-TWOP Citationjet 2(Clifton 9), Jet Rangers G-OAMI/G-OJPS(Pipeline 68/83)
- 11/12 ZF317/ZF489 Tucanos(LOP 73/75, overshoots), G-BXDS Jet Ranger(Pipeline 81)
- 12/12 D-CPSW Metroliner(Binair 8B), Citation Bravos CS-DHL/CS-DHM(Fraction 843P/1AB)

13/12 LX-FGB Citation XLS(Red Lion 70), G-CXLS Citation XLS(Beauport 831)
 14/12 G-FBKB Citation Mustang(Blink 8F)
 15/12 SP-ENF Boeing 737/400(Enter Air 3156), ZE700 BAe.146(Kittyhawk 58)
 16/12 G-LEAX Citation XLS(Lonex 70AX), ZF239 Tucano(LOP 64, overshoot)
 17/12 LX-DCA Citationjet 3, ZD844 Tornado(MRH 48. o/s), EC-JIP Metroliner(Flight-Avia 5522)
 18/12 G-CHUI Citation XL(Go-Jet 618C), ZG709 Tornado(Marham 74, overshoot)
 20/12 OO-VKB Beech A.36, G-CGUZ Citationjet 2
 26/12 G-TBEA Citationjet 2(Clifton 208), G-XAVB Citation Mustang(Beauport 561)
 27/12 D-CLEO Citation Sovereign, M-USHY Cessna 441, G-DJET DA-42(White Knight 020)

TEMPLE BRUER:- A new resident arriving 26.12 is G-AKUW CH.3 Srs.2 ex. North Coates. A departure to record is G-CCKV/K7271 Isaacs Fury II sold to a new owner at Walton on Thames recently.

WADDINGTON:- On 8.1 G-KSSH MD.900 was noted parked close to the Air Ambulance hangar whilst noted doing circuits was LX-N90446 E.3A.

WICKENBY:- G-CHDS Rans S.6 has recently arrived from Riby for flight testing and another new resident is G-CGDH Europa XS. From the Residents delete I-SKIP/RA3350K Su.26MZ (03-05) which is now sold in Hungary as HA-MSJ. A visit 3.10 noted new resident G-BTTY Kitfox, whilst G-BAPB DHC.1, G-VARG Varga 2150A and G-YAKA Yak 50 were all present to be given new C of A's following periods of inactivity. G-BAPB expired 31.5.98 and G-VARG expired 22.9.08 with both now renewed, whilst G-YAKA from Louth expired 1.10.08 and was dismantled and being worked on. Resident G-MWTP Shadow Srs.CD was damaged beyond economic repair on a strip at Grange Farm, East Barkwith on 12.7.



Red Arrows Hawk XR323 taxiing in following practice at Scampton, 4/2(Rich Grimley)



NATO Boeing E.3A LX-N90466 on finals to Waddington, 8/1(Rich Grimley)

AIRLINE BY AIRLINE @ LBJA

by Andrew Coverdale



December 2013 movements

Austrian Airlines(AUA/OS, "Austrian")

Airbus A.319 aircraft will be utilised on flights f/t **Innsbruck** on Saturdays commencing 21/12/13.
Innsbruck(2587/8) -21/12 OE-LDA, 28/12 OE-LDC,

British Airways(SHT/BA, "Shuttle")

The company has reduced its **Heathrow** flights to three times daily for the winter, operated by A.319 aircraft from the BA mainline fleet.

Heathrow(1346/1347, "20D/21V") -1/12 G-EUPW, 2/12 G-EUPN, 3/12 G-EUPT, 4/12 G-EUOE, 6/12 G-EUPF, 7/12 G-EUPB, 8/12 G-EUPD, 9/12 G-EUPC, 10/12 G-EUPK, 12/12 G-EUPU, 13/12 G-EUPT, 14/12 G-EUPF, 15/12 G-EUOI, 16/12 G-EUPX, 17/12 G-EUPK, 18/12 G-EUOF, 19/12 G-EUPP, 20/12 G-EUOF, 21/12 G-EUOG, 22/12 G-EUPA, 23/12 G-EUOB, 24/12 G-EUPB, 26/12 G-EUOE, 27/12 G-EUPJ, 28/12 G-EUPF, 29/12 G-EUPY, 30/12 G-EUPR, 31/12 G-EUOC.

Heathrow(1342/1343, "20B/21Y") -2/12 G-EUPT, 3/12 G-EUOH, 4/12 G-EUPU, 5/12 G-EUOH, 6/12 G-EUPS, 9/12 G-EUPD, 10/12 G-EUPE, 11/12 G-EUPR, 12/12 G-EUPP, 13/12 G-EUPK, 14/12 G-EUPC, 16/12 G-EUOF, 17/12 G-EUOC, 18/12 G-EUOF, 19/12 G-EUPO, 20/12 G-EUOD, 21/12 G-EUPV, 23/12 G-EUPC, 24/12 G-EUPB, 26/12 G-EUPT, 27/12 G-EUPH, 28/12 G-EUPK, 29/12 G-EUPY, 30/12 G-EUOF, 31/12 G-EUPZ.

Heathrow(1344/1345, "20C/21X") -1/12 G-EUPT, 2/12 G-EUPJ, 3/12 G-EUPW, 4/2 G-EUPJ, 5/12 G-EUPO, 6/12 G-EUOB, 8/12 G-EUPL, 9/12 G-EUPS, 10/12 G-EUPD, 12/12 G-EUOF, 13/12 G-EUPU, 15/12 G-EUOE, 16/12 G-EUOB, 17/12 G-EUPR, 18/12 G-EUOD, 19/12 G-EUOE, 20/12 G-EUPF.



Denim Air(DNM/3D, "Denim")

19/12 PH-JXK (Fokker 50, **See photo above**) operated charter in from Dublin then positioned out to Norwich(3432/298P).

Eastern Airways(EZE/T3, “Eastflight”)

“Based” Jetstream 41 aircraft are utilized on 3 return flights to **Aberdeen** on weekdays and one on Sundays. Aircraft frequently swapped in Aberdeen.

Aberdeen “21K/31K” -2/12 G-MAJC, 3/12 G-MAJD, 4/12 G-MAJD, 9/12 G-MAJU, 10/12 G-MAJD, 11/12 G-MAJD, 12/12 G-MAJD, 16/12 G-MAJC, 17/12 G-MAJC, 18/12 G-MAJK(21K)G-MAJC(31K), 19/12 G-MAJC, 30/12 G-MAJU.

Aberdeen “41K/51K” -2/12 G-MAJC, 5/12 G-CDEA(arrived as 51K/departed as 81K), 6/12 G-MAJD(41K) G-MAJU(51K), 9/12 G-MAJU, 12/12 G-MAJD, 13/12 G-MAJD(41K) G-MAJC(51K), 16/12 G-MAJC, 19/12 G-MAJC, 20/12 G-MAJC.

Aberdeen “81K/91K” -1/12 G-MAJI, 2/12 G-MAJC, 3/12 G-MAJD, 4/12 G-MAJD, 5/12 arrived as G-MAJC(91K), 6/12 G-MAJU, 8/12 G-MAJK, 9/12 G-MAJU(81K), G-MAJD(91K), 10/12 G-MAJD, 11/12 G-MAJD, 12/12 G-MAJD, 13/12 G-MAJC, 15/12 G-MAJL, 16/12 G-MAJC, 17/12 G-MAJC(81K) G-MAJK(91K), 18/12 G-MAJC, 19/12 G-MAJC, 20/12 G-MAJC, 22/12 G-MAJU, 23/12 G-MAJC, 29/12 G-MAJW.

From 20/01/14 a further Jetstream 41 will be “based” to operate three times each weekday to Southampton and return.

Extra flights: 6/12 G-MAJC positioned out to Aberdeen (051P), G-CGWV arrived on charter from Luton(9742), 7/12 G-CGWV positioned out to Stavanger(061P), then positioned back in from Aberdeen before operating charter to Luton(9743), 30/12 G-MAJU(91K).

Easyjet(EZY/U2, “Easy”)

Flights f/t **Geneva** will commence on 20/12, operated by Airbus A.319 on Mon/Thu/Fri/Sat/Sun.

Geneva(7346/5) -14/12 G-EZDM, 15/12 G-EZDE, 20/12 G-EZBV, 21/12 G-EZFB, 22/12 G-EZDU, 23/12 G-EZBJ, 26/12 G-EZBJ, 27/12 G-EZBJ, 28/12 G-EZDV, 29/12 G-EZDU, 30/12 G-EZFM.



Enterair Boeing 737/400 SP-ENF taxiing for departure on a Lapland Charter, 2/12

Enterair(ENT, “Enterair”)

The company will be operating a series of charters over the festive period, using Boeing 737/400 aircraft

1/12 SP-ENF positioned in from Gatwick(3010), 2/12 SP-ENF operated charter to Enontekio(3011), 6/12 SP-ENF operated charter from Enontekio(3014), 7/12 SP-ENF operated charter to Enontekio(3015), 8/12 SP-ENF operated charter back from Enontekio(3015), then positioned out to Birmingham(3016), 16/12 SP-ENK positioned in from Edinburgh(3284), 20/12 SP-ENK operated charter to/from Enontekio(3285/3286), 21/12 SP-ENK positioned out to Gatwick(3286).

Flybe(BEE/BE, "Jersey")

Flybe use Dash-8-400Q aircraft to operate flights from and to **Belfast City** and **Southampton**. The Southampton flights will cease operating on 19/01/14

Belfast City(729/730, "729/7TL") -2/12 G-JECJ, 3/12 G-FLBE, 4/12 G-JECK, 6/12 G-FLBE, 9/12 G-FLBE, 10/12 G-FLBE, 11/12 G-ECOT, 12/12 G-ECOT, 13/12 G-JEDM, 16/12 G-ECOB, 17/12 G-ECOB, 18/12 G-ECOB, 19/12 G-ECOB, 20/12 G-ECOB, 21/12 G-ECOB, 22/12 G-ECOB, 23/12 G-ECOB, 24/12 G-ECOB, 25/12 G-ECOB, 26/12 G-ECOB, 27/12 G-ECOB, 28/12 G-ECOB, 29/12 G-ECOB, 30/12 G-ECOB, 31/12 G-ECOB.

Belfast City(731/732, "5AE/2DE") -2/12 G-JECJ, 3/12 G-JEDR, 4/12 G-JECK, 5/12 G-JECH, 6/12 G-FLBE, 7/12 G-ECOT, 9/12 G-ECOT, 10/12 G-FLBE, 11/12 G-ECOT, 12/12 G-ECOT, 13/12 G-JEDM, 14/12 G-JECJ, 16/12 G-ECOB, 17/12 G-ECOB, 18/12 G-ECOB, 19/12 G-JECE, 20/12 G-JECP, 21/12 G-JECN, 22/12 G-JEDU, 23/12 G-ECOE, 24/12 G-JECZ, 26/12 G-JECN, 27/12 G-JECZ, 28/12 G-JEDU, 29/12 G-JECM, 30/12 G-JECZ, 31/12 G-JECK.

Belfast City(733/734, "6CX/734") -1/12 G-JECJ, 2/12 G-JECJ, 3/12 G-JEDR, 4/12 G-JECK, 5/12 G-FLBE, 6/12 G-FLBE, 8/12 G-JECP, 9/12 G-ECOT, 10/12 G-FLBE, 11/12 G-ECOT, 12/12 G-ECOT, 13/12 G-JEDM, 15/12 G-ECOB, 16/12 G-ECOB, 17/12 G-ECOB, 18/12 G-ECOB, 19/12 G-JECE, 20/12 G-JECP, 22/12 G-JECN, 23/12 G-ECOE, 26/12 G-JECN, 27/12 G-JECZ, 29/12 G-JEDU, 30/12 G-JECZ.

Belfast City(735/736, "3BH/1JY") -1/12 G-ECOR, 2/12 G-JECJ, 6/12 G-FLBE, 8/12 G-ECOT, 9/12 G-FLBE, 13/12 G-JEDM, 15/12 G-JECJ, 16/12 G-ECOB, 20/12 G-ECOB, 22/12 G-JECP, 23/12 G-ECOE, 24/12 G-JECZ, 26/12 G-JECN, 27/12 G-JEDU, 29/12 G-JECK, 30/12 G-JEDU, 31/12 G-JECX.

Southampton(171/172, "6FP/8HB") -2/12 G-JEDP, 3/12 G-ECOF, 4/12 G-KKEV, 9/12 G-JECX, 10/12 G-JECL, 12/12 G-JECX, 16/12 G-JECN, 17/12 G-ECOA, 18/12 G-JEDV, 19/12 G-ECOA, 23/12 G-JECF, 24/12 G-JEDW, 27/12 G-JECF, 30/12 G-ECOC, 31/12 G-JEDR.

Southampton(173/174, "2WJ/7FH") -2/12 G-KKEV, 3/12 G-KKEV, 4/12 G-KKEV, 5/12 G-ECOD, 6/12 G-ECOB, 9/12 G-JECX, 10/12 G-JECI, 11/12 G-JECI, 12/12 G-JECI, 13/12 G-FLBC, 16/12 G-JEDV, 17/12 G-ECOR, 18/12 G-ECOA, 19/12 G-JEDV, 20/12 G-ECOA, 22/12 G-JECF, 26/12 G-JECF, 27/12 G-JECM, 29/12 G-JEDT, 30/12 G-ECOR.

Southampton(175/176, "8JV/6PY") -1/12 G-JEDP, 4/12 G-ECOD, 5/12 G-ECOC, 6/12 G-JEDW, 8/12 G-JECL, 11/12 G-JECK, 12/12 G-JECK, 13/12 G-JECI, 15/12 G-JECI (returned to Bournemouth as Southampton closed), 19/12 G-FLBC, 20/12 G-ECOD.

Extra flights: 19/12 G-JECE positioned in from Birmingham as 045D, then operated 7TL, 21/12 G-ECOB positioned out to Birmingham(041D).

Jet2(EXS/LS, "Channex")

Jet2 will operate the usual reduced flight schedule over the winter, with ski-flights commencing mid-December. Two New York charters will operate in December. Several aircraft will be parked up over the winter period while other go away for major overhaul. Most of the 737/800 is due to visit LBIA over the winter period for checks and these will be joined by new examples G-GDFS(ex OM-TVA), G-GDFW(ex D-AHFM), G-GDFX(ex D-AHFO), G-GDFY(ex HA-LKE), G-GDFZ(ex EC-HZS).

Charter flights plus positioning flights will be detailed in this section:-

1/12 G-GDFG operated charter in from Vienna(4050)

2/12 G-GDFC positioned in from Manchester(031E)

3/12 G-LSAK test flight(051B), G-GDFC positioned out to Manchester(032E)

5/12 G-CELS positioned out to Belfast(042A)

6/12 G-LSAH positioned out to Manchester(010P), G-LSAK operated charter to New York(087), G-

LSAJ test flight to Luton(053F), G-LSAI positioned in from Gatwick(148C)

7/12 G-CELS positioned in from Belfast(042A)

8/12 G-CELK positioned in from Belfast(031E)

9/12 G-LSAD positioned out to Ivalo(042A), G-GDFC positioned in from Manchester(031E)

10/12 G-LSAK operated charter in from New York(088), G-CELU operated test flight(059B), G-GDFC positioned out to Glasgow(032E)

11/12 G-GDFN positioned in from Blackpool(031E), G-GDFG positioned out to Blackpool(032E), G-GDFB positioned out to East Midlands(042A)

12/12 G-LSAK operated charter to New York(087), G-GDFD positioned in from Glasgow(041A), G-GDFR positioned out to East Midlands(031E)

13/12 G-GDFB positioned in from East Midlands(043A)
 14/12 G-CELZ positioned in from Newcastle(034E), G-GDFN positioned out to Manchester(041A)
 15/12 G-CELJ positioned in from Chambery(042A)
 16/12 G-CELZ positioned out to Newcastle(035E)
 18/12 G-CELE positioned in from Dusseldorf(041A), G-CELJ positioned out to Manchester(051H), G-CELZ positioned in from Newcastle(031E), G-CELU positioned out to East Midlands(062J)
 20/12 G-CELK positioned out to Alicante(043A), G-LSAB positioned in from Gatwick(109C), G-LSAN positioned in from Gatwick(148C)
 21/12 G-GDFV test flight(053B), G-GDFO positioned in from Norwich(052K)
 22/12 G-LSAI positioned out to/in from Manchester(041A/043A)
 24/12 G-LSAK positioned in from Tenerife(041A)
 27/12 G-GDFB positioned out to East Midlands(049A), G-CELU positioned in from East Midlands(032E)
 28/12 G-CELA positioned in from Edinburgh(031E), G-GDFN positioned in from Manchester(032E)
 30/12 G-CELA positioned out to Edinburgh(032E), G-CELD positioned out to East Midlands(031E).



KLM Embraer 190 PH-EZV, making its first visit to LBIA, taxiing onto stand, 12/12

KLM(KLM/KL, "KLM")

Amsterdam flights are operated 4x Daily. Fokker 70/100 aircraft operate the flights, however occasional Embraer 190 do turn up.

Amsterdam(1545/1546, "1545/1546") -1/12 PH-KZK, 2/12 PH-KZP, 3/12 PH-KZR, 4/12 PH-KZS, 6/12 PH-KZF, 7/12 PH-KZK, 8/12 PH-KZA, 9/12 PH-WXA, 10/12 PH-KZK, 11/12 PH-KZT, 12/12 **PH-EZV**(E190), 13/12 PH-KZM, 14/12 PH-WXA, 15/12 **PH-EZF**(E190), 16/12 PH-KZW, 17/12 PH-WXA, 18/12 PH-KZP, 19/12 PH-KZH, 20/12 PH-WXA, 21/12 PH-WXD, 22/12 **PH-EZL**(E190), 23/12 PH-KZW, 24/12 PH-KZW, 26/12 PH-KZO, 27/12 PH-KZD, 28/12 PH-KZW, 29/12 PH-KZO, 30/12 PH-KZW, 31/12 PH-KZG.

Amsterdam(1549/1550, "1549/1550") -1/12 PH-KZF, 2/12 PH-KZT, 3/12 PH-KZD, 4/12 PH-WXC, 5/12 PH-JCH, 6/12 PH-KZS, 7/12 PH-KZP, 8/12 PH-KZH, 9/12 PH-WXA, 10/12 PH-KZG, 11/12 PH-WXC, 12/12 PH-KZS, 13/12 PH-KZT, 14/12 PH-KZF, 15/12 PH-KZD, 16/12 PH-KZN, 17/12 PH-KZP, 18/12 PH-WXC, 19/12 PH-KZP, 20/12 PH-KZA, 21/12 PH-WXC, 22/12 PH-KZC, 23/12 PH-KZP, 26/12 PH-KZL, 27/12 PH-KZW, 28/12 PH-KZU, 29/12 PH-KZG, 30/12 PH-KZT.

Amsterdam(1551/1540, "69W/78E", aircraft night stops) -1/12 PH-KZK, 2/12 PH-WXC, 3/12 PH-KZI, 4/12 PH-KZI, 5/12 PH-WXA, 6/12 PH-KZU, 7/12 PH-KZF, 8/12 PH-KZG, 9/12 PH-JCT, 10/12 PH-KZT, 11/12 PH-KZH, 12/12 PH-JCH, 13/12 PH-KZW, 14/12 PH-KZO, 15/12 PH-KZF, 16/12 PH-JCT, 17/12 PH-KZS, 18/12 PH-KZD, 19/12 PH-KZI, 20/12 PH-KZS, 21/12 PH-KZB, 22/12 PH-KZC, 23/12 PH-KZS, 26/12 PH-KZB, 27/12 PH-KZW, 28/12 PH-KZP, 29/12 PH-KZF, 30/12 PH-KZH.

Loganair(LOG/BE, "Loganair")

Flights are scheduled to be operated from and to **Glasgow** using Dornier 328 & Saab 340 aircraft.

Glasgow(6980/6981, "73JV/24PL") -2/12 G-BZOG, 3/12 G-BYHG, 4/12 G-BYHG, 9/12 G-BYHG, 10/12 G-BYHG, 11/12 G-BYHG, 12/12 G-BYHG, 16/12 G-BYHG, 17/12 G-BYHG, 18/12 G-BYHG, 19/12 G-LGNI, 20/12 G-LGNA.

Glasgow(6984/6985, "26JL/12DC") –2/12 G-LGNK, 3/12 G-BYHG, 4/12 G-LGNA, 5/12 G-BYHG, 9/12 G-BYHG, 10/12 G-BYHG, 11/12 G-BYHG, 12/12 G-BYHG, 13/12 G-BYHG, 16/12 G-BYHG, 17/12 G-BYHG, 18/12 G-LGNC, 19/12 G-LGNI.

Extra flights: 3/12 G-BZOG(49BV) charter from/to Bristol, 4/12 G-BZOG(848) charter from Wick/to Bristol.

Monarch(MON/ZB, "Monarch")

Schedules flights to be operated to the following destinations:- **Arrecife**(7592/3 -Mon); **Tenerife**(7504/5 –Tue/Fri); **Larnaca**(7508/9 –Wed/Sun); **Faro**(7542/3 –Thu/Sat). Flights to **Munich**(7572/3 – Mon/Fri) and **Grenoble**(7566/7 Sat/Sun) will commence in on 16/12.

One Airbus A.320 (normally with "Sharklets") will be based during the winter. 1/12-5/12 G-ZBAB, 5/12-6/12 G-MRJK, 6/12-31/12 G-ZBAB, 11/12-12/12 G-OZBX.

Pakistan International(PIA/PK, "Pakistan")

The Pakistan National carrier operated f/t **Islamabad** twice weekly, Wed/Sat, using Airbus A.310 aircraft.

Islamabad(775/776, "775/776") –7/12 AP-BDZ, 11/12 AP-BEQ, 14/12 AP-BEQ, 18/12 AP-BEQ, 21/12 AP-BEQ, 25/12 AP-BDZ, 28/12 AP-BDZ.

Ryanair(RYR/FR, "Ryanair")

Ryanair will base 3x Boeing 737/800 aircraft at LBIA this winter, one aircraft acting as a back-up, operating routes to:- **Dublin**(153/4, "166K/459V") –Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu/Fri/Sat/Sun); **Dublin**(156/7, "971Y/331K") –Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri); **Fuerteventura**(1584/5, "911D/1585") –Mon/Fri); **Arrecife**(2048/7, "591B/645T") –Tue/Thu/Sat); **Alicante**(9079/8, "492D/3YM") –Tue/Thu/Sat); **Malaga**(2446/7, "137T/372X") –Tue/Sat); **Krakow**(2332/3, "878Z/836V") –Wed/Fri/Sun); **Tenerife**(2494/3, "2494/757C") –Wed/Sun); **Riga**(2482/1, "2482/404H", -Thu/Sun).

Based aircraft:- EI-DHE(1/12-7/12), EI-DYK(1/12-2/12), EI-ENK(1/12-22/12), EI-DHD(2/12-5/12), EI-DWO(5/12-31/12), EI-EKK(7/12-15/12), EI-DHE(16/12-28/12), EI-EBI(22/12-31/12), EI-EFP(28/12-31/12),

Flights operated by non-based aircraft:-

Alicante(9079/8, "492D/3YM") – 26/12 EI-DYH.

Dublin(153/2, "459V/166K"):-4/12 EI-EFL, 5/12 EI-EFL.

Dublin(157/6, "331K/971Y", -Thu/Sat):-8/12 EI-ENP, 12/12 EI-DHW, 14/12 EI-DAP, 19/12 EI-EKR, 21/12 EI-EPD, 26/12 EI-DAJ.

Malaga(2446/7, "137T/372X") -19/12 EI-DHS, 26/12 EI-EMD, 31/12 EI-EFZ.

Malta (2449/2448, "121P/682D") -5/12 EI-EVI, 12/12 EI-DYF, 19/12 EI-DWI.

Tenerife(2494/3, "2494/757C" –Wed/Sun); 1/12 EI-DWL, 8/12 EI-DYJ, 15/12 EI-EXE, 29/12 EI-EKI.

Thomson Airways(TOM/BY, "Thomson")

The company will operate just one flight per week during the winter, **Tenerife**, on Sundays.

Tenerife(3749/8, "1GJ/92W" –Sun) -1/12 G-TAWP, 8/12 G-TAWP, 15/12 G-TAWP, 22/12 G-TAWM, 29/12 G-TAWM. **Below Boeing 737/800 G-TAWP "on the roll" Runway 14**



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A new resident is PA-46T Malibu N10522, which replaces Cirrus SR.22 N753TW, the latter no longer being resident. Also new, although still to be fully confirmed, is Challenger 605 M-ERCI owned by M-ERCI Ltd. This aircraft was first noted in November of 2013. The Multiflight Boeing 737/300 9H-MTF also appears to have returned to the fold, having returned before Christmas and still present as we go to press. A possible departure however is the Gulfstream 4 N3H, which did in fact visit during December but was from and to the USA, where it seems to have returned to live.

01/12/13 Sunday

King Air 90 **G-MOSJ**(Enzo 630P) positioned out to Liverpool at 0010. Cessna T.210M **G-TOTN** f/t Ronaldsway(1456/1838) to Multiflight Engineering, n/s until 3/12. Cessna 210D **G-OWAN** arrived from its base at Pendle Farm, Tosside(1525) and went to Multiflight Engineering. This aircraft has just been repaired following its wheel-up landing at its base in July.

02/12/13 Monday

Citationjet 2 **D-IWIN**(Silver Cloud 231) operated by Silver Cloud Air, from Cologne/Bonn(0954) to Roskilde(1620). .

03/12/13 Tuesday

Gulfstream 550 **CS-DKG**(Fraction 972L/507T) f/t Farnborough(0811/1607). King Air 90GT **M-KING** f/t Guernsey(0921/1506), n/s. Citation Bravo **CS-DHR**(Fraction 991N/633G) from Inverness(1137), n/s to RAF Valley(1313). Netjets/Europe Phenom **CS-PHZ**(Fraction 863E/012D) on its first visit to LBIA, from Birmingham(1537), n/s to Warsaw(0743). King Air 200 **ZK455**(Cranwell 86) ILS and overshoot(1556), f/t Waddington.

04/12/13 Wednesday

The Multiflight 737/300 **9H-MTF**(MTL 219) arrived at 0046. "MLT" is the designator of Hangar 8/Malta, whose AOC the now operates under. The radio call-sign is "Maleth". Gulfstream 4 **N317MJ** operated by Majjec Jhett LLC of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, from Naples Municipal/Florida(1003) to Amsterdam(1102). Cessna FRA.150L **G-BCDY** f/t Thurrock(1043/1333). Citation XL **CS-DXW**(Fraction 003L/061T) from Farnborough(1315) to Nice(1538). King Air 200 **ZK460**(Cranwell 84) ILS and overshoot(1356), f/t Cranwell. P.180 Avanti **D-IIVA**(Pastis 2NM/2GB) from Düsseldorf(1429), n/s to Luxembourg(0505). King Air 90 **G-ORTH** to Redhill(2012).

05/12/13 Thursday

Quite a lot of disruption to flights today with winds gusting to 47 knots straight across the runway. First time visitor, after the winds had abated, Gulfstream 5 **N818LF**, a long way from its home in Sydney, arrived from Inverness at 1543. It stayed until 8/12 before departing to Newark, New Jersey(2231). Metro III **F-GGVG**(Air Lec 226) f/t Le Bourget(1706/1919), n/s until 7/12. King Air 350 **OO-GMJ** owned by Air Service Liege, another first visitor, f/t Eindhoven(1716/1105), n/s until 7/12. Citationjet 3 **OO-FPE**(Flying Group 53R) from Brussels(1843) n/s until 7/12, to Liege(1801).



Phenom G-ITSU of Flairjet on final approach to Runway 32 on 9/12(David Blaker)



Phenom 2 CS-PHZ of Netjets was parked on Multiflight/East, 6/12 to 11/12(Rod Hudson)



Falcon 7X HB-JLK taxiing for departure back home to Geneva on 18/12 after a night stop



Lear Jet 60 OE-GVP of Vista Jet parked on Multiflight/East, 6/12(Rod Hudson)

06/12/13 Friday

Citation Mustang **G-XAVB**(Beauport 561) from Jersey(0922) to Birmingham(1013). Phenom **CS-PHZ**(Fraction 044W/009H) from Warsaw(1007) n/s until 11/12, to Dublin(1207). Citation Bravo **G-JBLZ**(Cloudbunner 75) from Dublin(1121) to Southend(1142). Lear Jet 60 **OE-GVP**(Vista Jet 142) from Eindhoven(1140) to Luton(1747). Cessna TU.206G **G-NIME** departed to Wombledon(1354), having been with Multiflight/Engineering since last month.

07/12/13 Saturday

Citation Mustang **G-LEAI**(Lonex 05LE) f/t Luton(0753/1650). King Air 90 **M-OTOR**(Eastflight 08B) from Aberdeen(1303) to Humberside(1340), with a crew to take EMB.145 G-CGWV(Eastflight 061P) to Stavanger. Citation Mustang **EC-HVQ**(Sacir 351), operated by Executive Aviation, from Northolt(1319) to Luton(1915).

08/12/13 Sunday

Citation XLS **G-CXLS**(Beauport 781) from Manchester(1331) to Jersey(1603). Dauphin **EI-GJL** f/t Bragganstown(1343/1250) to Multiflight/Engineering, n/s until 12/12.

09/12/13 Monday

Making its first to LBIA, PA-46T Malibu Meridian **N346JV** owned by Whittlewood Aviation Inc, f/t Oxford(0924/1632). Phenom **G-ITSU**(Flairjet 993/993P) from Shannon(0956) to Birmingham(1041).

10/12/13 Tuesday

PA-28RT Arrow **G-SKYV** f/t Ronaldsway(0954/1027) return 1644, n/s to Ronaldsway(1214). Debutant, Citationjet 3 **D-CHIO**(Everflight 111) owned by E-Aviation, from Biggin Hill(1241) to Dusseldorf(18118). TB-20 Trinidad **G-TYNE** f/t Newcastle(1409/1513), picking up the pilot of PA-28R Arrow **G-BHAY**, which arrived from Carlisle(1422) and went to Multiflight/Engineering, n/s. King Air 90 **G-ORTH** from Exeter(1424).

11/12/13 Wednesday

The Yorkshire Air Ambulance MD-902 **G-SASH**(Helimed 99) returned home to Nostell Priory at 1330, following attention from Multiflight/Engineering. Global Express **CS-GLA**(Fraction 265R/258N) from Nice(1502) to Biggin Hill(1612).

12/12/13 Thursday

King Air 90 **G-ORTH** t/f Biggin Hill(1024/1721).

13/12/13 Friday

Citationjet 2 **M-WMWM** owned by Standard Aviation, from Blackbushe(1828) to Copenhagen(1846).

14/12/13 Saturday

PA-46T Malibu **N10522** arrived from its former home at Blackpool(1006) and is a new resident, replacing SR.22 N753TW. Falcon 2000 **G-LSMB**(Beauport 941/2) from Jersey(1506) to Manchester(1531).

15/12/13 Sunday

Lear Jet 45 **G-PFCT** from Biggin Hill(1004) to Zurich(1135). Cessna 425 **M-MANX** from Ronaldsway(1025) n/s until 17/12, to High Wycombe(1408). Lear Jet 45 **G-OSRL**(Hangar 831) from Luton(1209), n/s to Doncaster(1809). Dauphin **G-NHAB**(Helimed 58) from Penrith(1650) to Multiflight/Engineering, n/s. King Air 200 **G-BVMA** from Dublin(1703) to Cardiff(1723).

16/12/13 Monday

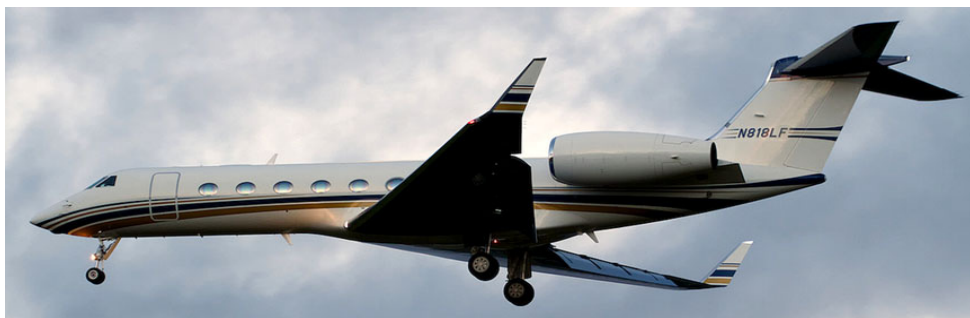
Citationjet 2 **M-WMWM** from Copenhagen(0828) to Blackbushe(0840). First timer, Phenom 500 **D-CHIC**(Air Hamburg 147S) from Frankfurt(0831) to Nice(0922). Tucano **ZF240**(LOP 74) ILS and overshoot(0935), f/t Linton. Global Express **CS-GLB**(Fraction 001C/992P) from Amsterdam(0954) to Nice(1154). Dauphin **G-OLNT** from Garforth(1052) to Norwood Edge(1612), with a trip to Brighton and back 1249/1412 in between on a crew training detail. Having been with Multiflight/Engineering since last month, Twin Squirrel **N766AM** f/t a private site near East Midlands(1249/0936), n/s until 22/12. Falcon 2000 **OY-GKJ**(Mermaid 1307) operated by Kirk Aviation A/S, from Manchester(1945), n/s to Billund(1751).

17/12/13 Tuesday

Cheyenne 3 **G-GZRP**(Air Med 084) from Shannon(1326) to Oxford(1724). Citation XL **CS-DXB**(Fraction 686A/299A) from Amsterdam(1801) to Zurich(1910). Lear Jet 35A **D-COKE**(Red Angel 3789), ambulance flight from Tenerife(2120) to Nuremburg(2309). First time visitor Falcon 7X **HB-JLK**(TAG Aviation 883) from Hewanorra, St Lucia(2138), n/s to Geneva(1040).

18/12/13 Wednesday

Dauphin **G-NHAA**(Helimed 58) carried out a local Air Test 1039/1122. Commander 114 **G-OEMC** returned home to Carlisle at 1230, having been receiving attention from Multiflight since last month.



Gulfstream 550 N818LF based in Sydney is seen on finals for 32, 5/12(David Blacker)



Citation Mustang I-STCB of Sur Aviation/MyJet on Multiflight/East, 20/12(Rod Hudson)



Touching down on a flight from Biggin Hill on 10/12, Citationjet 3 D-CHIO(David Blaker)



Metro F-GGVC of Air Links is an annual visitor in December, f/t Le Bourget(Mike Storey)

19/12/13 Thursday

MD-902 Explorer **G-CEMS**(Helimed 98) f/t Topcliffe(0805/1154), to Multiflight Engineering. Dauphin **G-NHAA**(Helimed 58) to Teesside(0819). Tucano **ZF239**(LOP 22) ILS and overshoot(1342), f/t Linton. King Air 90 **G-ORTH** carried out a local Air Test(1405/1431). King Air 200 **G-WVIP**(Prestige 44M/56P) from Dublin(1407) to Manchester(1457).

20/12/13 Friday

Citation Bravo **G-CGEI** from Ronaldsway(0847) to Staverton(0922). Citation Mustang **I-STCB**(Sur Aviation 751/2) from Stuttgart(1156) to Bournemouth(1350). PA-28RT Arrow **G-SKYV** f/t Ronaldsway(1159/1608). King Air 90 **G-ORTH**(Enzo 8JT) to Alicante(1948),

21/12/13 Saturday

King Air 90 **G-ORTH**(Enzo 8JT) from Alicante(0605). P.80 Avanti **I-FXRI**(Wildfox 181), operated by K-Air, from Nice(1055) to Zurich(1819). PA-28RT Arrow **G-SKYV** f/t Ronaldsway(1106/1144).

22/12/13 Sunday

King Air 90 **G-ORTH**(Enzo 8JT) t/f Glasgow(0238/0443). Gulfstream 550 **CS-DKH**(Fraction 682D/072H) from St. Maarten/Princess Juliana International(2222), n/s to Nice(1110).

23/12/13 Monday

MD-902 Explorer **G-SASH**(Helimed 99) f/t Nostell Priory(0903/1013).

24/12/13 Tuesday/Christmas Eve

No significant movements

25/12/13 Wednesday/Christmas Day

Just the PIA operating today, plus Lear Jet 35A **G-ZMED**(Air Med 079) from Arrecife(2051), n/s to Birmingham(1115). Two locally based aircraft carried out visual approaches and go-arounds, Sportscruiser **G-MESH** from Oxenhope and RV-7 **G-IVII** from Sherburn.

26/12/13 Thursday/Boxing Day

Again nothing significant to report.

27/12/13 Friday

Our resident Gulfstream 4 **N3H** arrived from Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International at 0404, departing to Wilmington at 1841.

28/12/13 Saturday

Making its Lbia debut, King Air 350 **F-GVLB**(Red Pelican 28B) operated by JDP France, from Le Bourget(0849) to Biggin Hill(1044). Lear Jet 45 **G-PFCT** from Biggin Hill(0959) to Bern(1127). Falcon 7X **CS-DSB**(Fraction 513L/902F) from Nice(1356) to Luton(1511).

29/12/13 Sunday

A pair of really unexpected arrivals this morning were Danish Air Force Merlins **M-510**(Danish A/F 3176) and **M-512**(Danish Air Force 3175) which arrived from Liverpool Docks at 0855 and 0858 respectively. After refueling they departed to Karup Air Force Base at 0954, departing in formation. Agusta A.109S **G-MAOL** from Northampton(1050) to Newcastle Heliport(1107), return 1721/1739. Citation XL **CS-DXH**(Fraction 418W) from Biggin Hill(1301), n/s. MD-902 Explorer **G-YPOL**(Police 42) ILS and overshoot(1430), f/t Carr Gate. Cirrus SR.20 **N203CD**, which had been on maintenance with Multiflight, returned home to Liverpool at 1535.

30/12/13 Monday

The Citation XL **CS-DXH**(Fraction 365E) departed at 0957 but returned to Lbia at 1113 with flap problems. Company Falcon 2000EX **CS-DLF**(Fraction 708T) positioned from Guernsey(1745). First timer, Pilatus PC-12 **M-UTIN** owned by Myriel Aviation, from Canned(1538), n/s.

31/12/13 Tuesday

Another Cessna with problems today was resident Citationjet 4 **N380CR**. The aircraft departed Lbia at 1037 but returned for a full-emergency landing at 1145 after encountering problems over the Midlands resulting in severe damage to his wings. As we go to press the aircraft is stored in the Multiflight/West hangar awaiting its fate. King Air 200 **G-ZVIP**(Prestige 61E/61F) ambulance flight from Grenoble(1153) to Exeter(1502).

EDITORIAL

First a big apology this month for the late arrival of the magazine this was due to work commitments which left just no time for working on other things. I will endeavour to catch up next month but as you can appreciate February is a short month and half of it has already gone!! Can I finally make my usual plea for articles for inclusion, at present I have just one report for next month. **Trevor Smith**

COMMERCIAL AVIATION NEWS

by David Wooler



LEEDS/BRADFORD NEWS

Leeds Bradford Airport is preparing for another busy year, with seven route launches so far announced for 2014, offering an increased destination and airline choice for Yorkshire travellers.

Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) will launch their first destination between Leeds Bradford and Copenhagen. Jet2.com and Eastern Airways will both introduce new destinations to compliment their existing schedules. Commencing from Monday 20th January, Eastern Airways introduced services between Leeds Bradford and Southampton, expanding on their current operations to Aberdeen. The airline will operate to Southampton three times daily Monday to Friday, as well as a Sunday afternoon service; providing flexibility for both business and leisure travellers. Leeds Bradford will welcome new airline SAS from 31st March with a twice weekly service to Copenhagen, offering a direct link to Denmark's capital and onward connectivity across Scandinavia and Eastern Europe.

Jet2.com, Leeds Bradford's largest based airline will introduce five new destinations this summer. From 3rd April, Yorkshire travellers can fly directly into Hungarian capital, Budapest with a twice-weekly service. As of 4th April, passengers can fly to Fuerteventura, Canary Islands with Jet2.com, their operations to Kos in Greece will commence 6th May. On 14th May Leeds Bradford will welcome a new destination, Verona in Italy, operated by Jet2.com. The airline will also introduce services to Reus on 17th June. Tony Hallwood, Leeds Bradford Airport's aviation development & marketing director, said: "I am delighted to introduce new airline SAS this year alongside the growth of our existing airlines Jet2.com and Eastern Airways. "We are anticipating another exciting year for Leeds Bradford Airport, building on our established route network to offer more choice for our business and leisure passengers than ever before." "We are particularly excited to offer two brand new destinations; Copenhagen operated by SAS and Verona with Jet2.com, we hope Yorkshire travellers will take advantage of this increased destination choice this summer by flying locally from LBA."

Leeds-Bradford International Airport and airline Jet 2 have scooped national industry 'Oscars'. The Yeadon airport has been named the best in the UK at the annual Globe Travel Awards, while leisure airline Jet2.com, which has its headquarters at the airport, has retained its best short-haul airline title for a third time. The awards, voted for by travel agents, recognise excellence across the travel sector and are regarded as the top travel accolades. Comedian James Corden presented the airport prize to James Broughton, Leeds-Bradford's sales and marketing manager, while the airline award was collected by Jet2's commercial director Steve Lee in a ceremony at Grosvenor House Hotel in London. Tony Hallwood, LBA's aviation development and marketing director, said: "Receiving this award is a fantastic achievement for Leeds-Bradford Airport, which recognises the ongoing hard work of our team of dedicated staff and the successful relationships we foster with our travel and trade partners. "Gaining recognition as best UK airport by the travel industry is an accomplishment which we are immensely proud of, and shows just how far Leeds- Bradford Airport has come in

recent years. We remain dedicated to further improve and expand services available from Leeds-Bradford to offer increased destination choice for Yorkshire passengers Jet2.com, which operates 46 routes from Leeds-Bradford, is celebrating winning the award for the third year running after seeing off strong competition from Easyjet, BA and Lufthansa. Steve Heapy, chief executive of Jet2.com and Jet2holidays, said: "We are absolutely delighted to be named once again as best short haul airline and to be the only company to scoop this accolade three years in a row. "This latest achievement follows an excellent year of growth for the company and puts us in a fantastic position for the New Year. Such industry recognition is also testament to the ongoing commitment of our staff at Jet2.com who make it possible for our customers to travel to and from some of Europe's finest destinations. "The secret to our continued success is the fact that we take real pride in listening and responding to our customers' needs. We know that nowadays people want good value for money more than ever. " Clive Jacobs, chairman at award sponsor Travel Weekly Group, said: "The Globe Travel Awards isn't just the biggest night in the travel industry calendar. The Globes are voted for solely by the agent community to ensure suppliers receive the accolades they deserve."

LEEDS Bradford International Airport is talking to new airlines about potential opportunities, after spending £11m on upgrading the terminal, its commercial director has confirmed Tony Hallwood made the comments after accounts filed at Companies House revealed that the airport made a pre-tax loss in its last financial year, after recording a number of one off costs. Mr Hallwood said: "We will continue to deliver improvements that will benefit our passengers." In the audited financial statement for the year ended March 31, 2013, the directors of Leeds Bradford International Airport reported EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation) of £3.68m, compared with £3.88m the year before.

The directors reported a loss before tax of £8.61m, compared with £8.08m the year before, which included net exceptional costs of £400,000 that relate to restructuring.

In their report, the directors stated that the year ended March 31, 2013 had seen a number of key developments at the airport, including infrastructure enhancements, airline partner acquisitions and route developments. The company completed an £11m terminal development project during the course of the year, which increased terminal capacity to "well over" four million passengers per year.

According to the directors' report, the terminal development includes more commercial space to accommodate a new and enlarged duty and tax free shop. In December 2012, British Airways started services from Leeds Bradford to Heathrow, and in the summer of 2013, Monarch launched an operation from the airport. The report states: "These and other developments should see passenger numbers at Lbia (Leeds Bradford International Airport) grow materially in 2013/14."

Leeds Bradford recently announced that 3.3m passengers flew through the airport in 2013 – an 11 per cent increase on the previous calendar year – cementing its status as one of the UK's fastest growing airports. Over the past 12 months, Leeds Bradford has served more than 70 domestic and international destinations. Having added services to places such as Grenoble, Innsbruck, Split and Zante in 2013, the airport will add flights to Scandinavia soon.

Mr Hallwood said the airport planned to invest in new services and new airlines. He added: "We are always talking to new airlines about new opportunities. We want to secure more flying for the region." He said the terminal development project had been driven by a desire to improve the passenger experience. He added: "Three thousand people work at the airport, it's one of the largest employers in the region. We anticipate that the Tour de France will be of some benefit for us and the airlines." The start of the 2014 Tour de France will take place on The Headrow in Leeds on the morning of Saturday, July 5. The riders will then follow a route out of the city centre and on to Otley, Ilkley and Skipton before a loop through the Yorkshire Dales on the way to the finish of stage one in Harrogate. Stage two takes the riders from York to Sheffield. Mr Hallwood said the Tour de France was one element of its strategy to increase passenger numbers. He added: "After significant growth, in 2014 we need to make sure that all airlines and services bed in and are successful."

During the last financial year, Leeds Bradford supported a number of charities and community projects, including the Yorkshire Air Ambulance to a total value of £29,592.

Ryanair is launching a three-times weekly service between Leeds and Barcelona this summer. The route will operate on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from April 1 until October 25. On Tuesdays and Saturdays, flight FR1833 will depart Girona Barcelona at 1645 and land at Leeds Bradford at 1805. Return service FR1822 will leave Leeds Bradford at 1830 and arrive at Girona Barcelona at 2150. On Thursdays, flight FR1833 will take-off from Girona Barcelona at 1145 and arrive at Leeds Bradford at 1305, while return service FR1822 will depart Leeds Bradford at 1330 and land at Girona Barcelona at 1650. Maria Macken, Ryanair's sales and marketing manager, said: "Ryanair is delighted to offer passengers in Yorkshire the chance to visit Girona in the North East of Catalonia this summer. With three weekly flights from Leeds Bradford it's the perfect destination for a short break or a longer stay."

Its six months today until the Tour de France starts in Yorkshire and Leeds Bradford airport says its expecting it will boost their passenger numbers. 2013 was a record breaker for Leeds Bradford which saw 3.3 million passengers fly through the airport - an increase of 11 percent on the previous year. The last 12 months have seen Yorkshire's airport expand to serve over 70 domestic and international destinations alongside the introduction of important new airlines such as British Airways, Monarch and Thomson Airways. Leeds Bradford Airport say that 2014 will build upon a successful year following the recent announcement of new service from March to Copenhagen. Tony Hallwood Aviation Development and Marketing Director said: "2013 has been a truly remarkable year for Leeds Bradford Airport as we expanded our services offering more domestic and international destinations than ever before." Our achievements were also recognised by the Airport Operators Association, who in November awarded Leeds Bradford the title of Best Airport under 6million passengers.* "As Yorkshire's international gateway we have a clear ambition to deliver a wider range of airlines and routes for our local business and leisure passengers alongside encouraging an increase in the number of inbound visitors who can fly directly into Leeds Bradford. "LBA look forward to welcoming new Yorkshire travellers to the airport in 2014."



Boeing 737/300 G-GDFT became the first Jet2 737/300 in the silver scheme to sport winglets, when they were fitted to the aircraft at Norwich in December (Rod Hudson)

AIRPORT NEWS

Heathrow Airport announced that construction on Terminal 2, called the Queen's Terminal, has been completed, and that the terminal will be open for passenger traffic starting June 4. The Queen's Terminal cost £2.5 billion (\$4.12 billion) to build and construction took five years. Once in use, it will serve 25 airlines and 20 million passengers a year, and will function as the hub for Star Alliance at London Heathrow. More than 300 daily flights out of the terminal will serve more than 50 destinations worldwide. Architect Luis Vidal sought to include characteristic yet functional design and architectural elements to distinguish Terminal 2 from other terminals. Most noticeable is the undulating steel roof, which lets in a substantial amount of natural light and properly ventilates the area.

British Sculptor Richard Wilson designed an iconic art piece, entitled Slipstream, which hangs above the kiosks in the terminal. The 77-tonne aluminum sculpture depicts the flight path of a Zivko Edge 540 stunt plane, and is suspended about 20 feet (6 meters) above the heads of travelers, extending 230 feet (70 meters) across four of the terminal's supporting columns. Spanning over 2.25 million square feet (210,000 square meters), the terminal houses 56 check-in counters, 66 check-in kiosks, and 60 fast bag-drop area, all leading to 17 bars and restaurants, 52 retail stores, and a total of 24 departure gates, 14 of which are located in a satellite terminal. Laid out linearly, the terminal is easy to navigate without the need for complex signage. Constructed with environmentalism in mind, 99% of the terminal was made with recycled materials from the old Terminal 2. In addition, the terminal will house composting and recycling facilities, will get 20% of its power from renewable sources (in part by the 10,764 square feet (1,000 square meters) of photovoltaic panels on its roof), and will give off 40% fewer carbon emissions than required by law. To ease the transition, airlines will be phased into the new terminal over the span of six months, starting with United Airlines on June 4 and followed by Air Canada, ANA, and Air China later in the month. The old Terminal 2 was inaugurated by the Queen in 1955, and was designed to accommodate 1.2 million passengers a year. It closed after 54 years of service in 2009, at which point it served eight million passengers a year



**JetXtra will utilise Cityflyer EMB.190s on their flights from Humberside this summer
(Andrew Barker, G-LCYL at London City)**

Humberside will see Britain's flag-carrying airline become a regular arrival and departure from this summer. JetXtra.com has reached a deal with British Airways to operate the flights to Alicante and Majorca. Launched last year, using airline Volotea, the switch is based on the success of the inaugural season. This deal will now see a state-of-the-art British Airways Embraer jet operating the weekly flights from Kirmington on JetXtra's behalf, and will be the first time British Airways has been a regular visitor to the airport.

Newquay Airport could become a rock concert venue to help balance the books. Cornwall Council, the airport's owner, subsidises the airport with about £3m a year. But UKIP councillor Harry Blakeley said there was "no reason at all" why the airport could not host concerts, go-kart racing and other activities. Cornwall Council said space was limited at the airport. Last year passenger numbers at the airport fell for a fifth year in a row to 174,000, down from 431,000 in 2008/9. The airport, a former military base, was hit by Ryanair and Air Southwest pulling their flights in 2011. There is also concern that the airport's links with Gatwick will end in the autumn when Flybe is set to pull out, saying the service it is not viable Councillor Blakeley said it was "big enough" for concerts. "The only downside is road access which isn't good," he said. "There are huge tracts of land and a go-kart area is probably an acre or an acre and a half. "A lot of people would spend good money to have international facilities there." He also suggested kite boarding. "A lot of small drops make an ocean," he said. Councillor Adam Paynter, cabinet member for partnerships, which helps oversee the airport on the Independent-Liberal Democrat controlled council, said they would consider the proposal. But he added: "The total acreage is about 861 acres - it is a big area but a lot is the Enterprise Zone which is 650 acres and 231 acres is development land, occupied by commercial companies and 87 acres

is the solar park. "We also get paid by the government to stay open as an emergency airfield. The runway is one of the largest in the country so any plane can land there." Health and safety problems made it "very difficult" for the airport to host thousands of people at a concert, he added. "The difficulty is keeping people apart from the commercial activities," he said. "The site is really not big enough." The airport has already hosted car shows, eco-car races, police driver training and has been used for filming TV and commercials. Income from these activities has risen from £80,000 in 2008 to more than £350,000 this year.

AIRLINE NEWS

Aeromexico will deploy a Boeing 787 Dreamliner on its Mexico City to London Heathrow route a month earlier than previously announced. The carrier will fly the aircraft twice-weekly from March 15 until 31 and then from April 16. There will be no B787 service between April 1 and 15. It had previously planned for the Dreamliner to join the route, which is currently operated by a Boeing 767-200ER, on April 16. The schedule from that date will see flight AM007 depart Mexico City at 2330 and arrive at LHR at 1615 local time. Return service AM008 will leave Heathrow at 2330 and land in Mexico City at 0550. The route will then become a thrice-weekly operation from May 17. Aeromexico's two-class Boeing 787 accommodates a total of 243 passengers with 32 in business and 211 in economy, which means there is an increase in capacity of 72 seats compared with the B767-200ER (171 seats). The Boeing 767 also doesn't have fully-flat beds in business or a seat-back IFE system. British Airways currently operates a four-times weekly service between Mexico City and LHR (see news, August 16).



Air Contractors have been chosen by Aer Lingus to operate transatlantic flights on their behalf. Here EI-LBR, formerly OH-LBR of Finnair is being prepared for operations

Ryanair has launched an out of home (OOH) campaign in London's Underground network to promote its new direction, in which it pledges to make major changes such as better customer benefits and cheaper flights. The ad is running under the strapline 'We're Changing' and highlights new improvements, including lower fares and a refreshed website. Ryanair worked with Out of Home International on the campaign. "Targeting the tube network will have a significant impact on the London public, saturating daily commuting crowds and tapping into their post-Christmas blues with the opportunity to travel, reinforced by Ryanair's new, user-friendly adjustments," said CEO of Out of Home International's parent company Media Agency Group Lee Dentith. Meanwhile, Ryanair said that customers 'love' its new service improvements. It has published the results of a customer service survey, which revealed that 97pc of customers will fly Ryanair again, up from 93pc last March. Other findings include: 93pc enjoyed the easier to use Ryanair website (up 17pc), 92pc expressed their overall customer satisfaction (up 2pc) and 88pc confirmed they would recommend Ryanair to a friend (up 4pc). "Ninety-seven of 10,000 Ryanair customers surveyed have said they will fly Ryanair again – and can continue to enjoy a range of customer service improvement and initiatives as well as the lowest fares and most on-time flights, but can now enjoy reduced airport bag, boarding card and excess bag fees, a second free small carry-on bag, along with easier website access, 24 hour grace periods, quiet flights and allocated seating, with further improvements set to be rolled out over the coming weeks and months," said Ryanair's head of customer service Caroline Green. Ryanair also has a new chief marketing officer – Kenny Jacobs – who will take up his new role on 31 January.

AIRCRAFT NEWS

Boeing has revealed record deliveries and orders for 2013, putting it on track to become the world's largest plane maker for a second consecutive year. The plane manufacturer delivered 648 commercial planes last year and had a backlog of 5,080 unfulfilled orders - both company records. The figures mean it is likely to have beaten rival Airbus which will reveal its 2013 orders on 13 January. Airbus is expecting 620 deliveries. Boeing Commercial president and chief executive Ray Conner said all three of its US-based commercial plane factories had delivered a record number of planes. "The Boeing team performed extremely well in 2013," he added. Overall, Boeing booked a record 1,531 gross commercial orders for the year, with 1,355 net commercial orders, the second-largest in its history. Boeing said three of its plane-making programmes had set individual records for delivery: its next generation 737 of which it delivered 440 in 2013, its long-haul 777 of which it delivered 98 and its 787 Dreamliners of which it delivered 65. The record deliveries for Boeing come despite a series of problems with its 787 Dreamliner last year, which meant deliveries were halted for four months. In January, the aircraft was grounded after a fire broke out on a Dreamliner belonging to Japan Airlines (JAL) and an All Nippon Airways (ANA) Dreamliner was forced to make an emergency landing because of a battery fault. In July, a fire broke out on a 787 jet operated by Ethiopian Airlines while it was parked at Heathrow airport. It was traced to the upper rear part of the plane where a locator transmitter is situated. Then in August, ANA said it had found damage to the battery wiring on two 787 locator transmitters during checks. US carrier United Airlines also found a pinched wire during an inspection of one of its six 787s. Despite the setbacks, Boeing was able to step up the pace of production once deliveries resumed in May. Of the 65 Dreamliners built last year, 25 were delivered in the final three months of 2013.

Airbus has followed rival Boeing in claiming record orders in 2013. The European manufacturer delivered a record 626 aircraft to 93 customers, including 15 taking delivery of Airbus aircraft for the first time. But Airbus fell short of deliveries achieved by Boeing, which said earlier this month that it delivered 648 aircraft last year. Airbus now claims a 51% market share in aircraft with over 100 seats. Commercial director John Leahy said losing out to Boeing "doesn't matter to us at all". "I think we're happy with what we've got. It's a duopoly, with a 50-50 split here. I don't really care if they have two more airplanes or we have two more," he said. Airbus delivered 493 of its A320 short-haul aircraft, 108 A330s, and 25 A380s last year. The year's total orders for 1,619 aircraft were more than double Airbus's expectations, but Leahy warned demand was unlikely to continue at its current pace, the *BBC* reported. The fact is, we cannot as an industry continue at this level. But what we are doing is we're continuing to increase production," he said. Airbus chief executive Fabrice Bregier added: "If the market remains positive, if the customer needs more aircraft, I think we would be silly not to ramp up again."

OTHER NEWS

Britain has the most expensive airport parking in the world, costing a staggering £12 to stop at Heathrow for between one and two hours. The peak-time fee at Heathrow's Terminal 4 is symptomatic of sky-high prices across the country, with a two hour stay costing £10 at Gatwick and Stansted, and £11 at Luton. Those figures are in stark contrast to major transport hubs around the world, where short-term parking can be found at New York's JFK airport for £5.50 – less than half the amount charged at Heathrow - and £6.60 at Paris's Charles de Gaulle. The only major international airport that charges close to British prices is Sydney, where a stay of between one and two hours costs £11. Airports in Greece have emerged as some of the cheapest in the world, with a short-term stay at Athens International costing only £5.40 for two hours. Milan is not much more expensive, priced at only £6.60 for short-term parking. The cost of airport parking in Britain is consistently high however, with Glasgow and Edinburgh ensuring it's not just the airports in and around London where holidaymakers feel overcharged.

The price of a two-hour stay at the Scottish airports costs £9 and £8.90 respectively.

Speaking to the *Mirror*, the AA's Paul Watters attacked prices at Heathrow, saying: 'Drivers will feel they are being fleeced... They don't want the stress of big parking charges when they are worrying

about getting people to the airport on time.' Heathrow's record-breaking peak-time prices come after a hike in September which airport bosses explained as an attempt to ease traffic problems around Terminal 4. The rise also saw the cost of a 24-stay at the airport rise to an eye-watering £53.90. It's not just the overall cost of parking that risks angering British flyers. At many airports, including Athens and Berlin, the first 20 minutes of parking are free in order to allow the unhurried picking up and dropping off of passengers. In contrast, even a five minute stop at Heathrow costs a hefty £3

A Fair Tax on Flying campaign has written to the Chancellor of the Exchequer ahead of this year's Budget on March 19 urging him to review the effects of air passenger duty. The submission warns George Osborne that "the Treasury is looking increasingly isolated on the issue of air passenger departure taxes" as the Republic of Ireland will abolish air tax in April and Scotland's National Party have called for a halving of APD should it secure independence. The campaign told Osborne: "Experience suggests that cross border air tax disparities can have a significant impact on demand for flying. "The [Republic of Ireland's] Air Travel Tax, will be abolished in April 2014. We are concerned that this may have an impact on the competitiveness of flights departing from the Northern Irish capital, which are subject to APD on short-haul journeys... We would urge you to monitor the situation in Northern Ireland with regards to the damage that the abolition of the Air Travel Tax will have on flights from the country." It said that increases of three of the four APD bands, and year-on-year rises in APD are making the UK economy "increasingly uncompetitive" The submission cites growing support for a review and reform of APD, including the fact that over 200,000 people and over 100 MPs have written letters calling for a review.

From April 1, there will be the following changes to APD:

Band A (flights up to 2000 miles) will remain at £13 in economy and £26 in all other classes

Band B (flights between 2001-4000 miles) will increase to £69 in economy and £138 in all others

Band C (flights between 4001-6000 miles) will be increased to £85 in economy and £170 in all others

Band D (all flights over 6001 miles) will be increased to £97 in economy and £194 in all other classes

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From The Aviation Herald:-



An Aer Arann Avions de Transport Regional ATR-42-300, registration EI-BYO, was parked at the gate in Shannon for the night after having arrived as flight EI-3635/RE-3635 from Birmingham, EN (UK) on Feb 11th. Flights out and into Shannon were cancelled on Feb 12th due to heavy storms with gusts in excess of 80 knots. Shannon Airport recorded a maximum gust of 86 knots at about 14:30L (14:30Z). On Feb 12th the gusts caused the aircraft to become airborne at the gate and fall down onto the ground again. The left main gear collapsed in that process, the aircraft sustained substantial damage when it came to rest on left wing tip, right main gear and nose gear.

St. Lucia by Ian Gratton

As a Travel Agent I spend an awful lot of time looking through holiday brochures and am always on the lookout for something new. During the summer I noticed that Thomas Cook was starting a new series of long haul flights from Manchester to the Caribbean starting in November. One flight was scheduled to operate on a Sunday routing Manchester-St Lucia- Barbados-Manchester and another on a Wednesday Manchester-Antigua-Barbados-Manchester. I had visited St. Lucia once before many years ago on a brief Travel Agents trip and decided it would be the perfect place to take a winter's break with my wife in early December.

We departed Manchester on 1st December aboard Thomas Cook Airlines latest Airbus A330 G-CHTZ c/n 398. The aircraft was formally G-WWBM of British Midland, it is 12 years old and was only delivered to Thomas Cook at the end of October. Prior to delivery it had been refurbished inside and fitted out with 319 seats in an all economy configuration. The seats are similar to the seats in Jet2 aircraft and therefore give much more leg room than usual. I'm about 5ft 8 inch and had a good 5 or 6 inches of space between my knees and the seat in front, much more than normal. The seat backs are equipped with the latest in flight TV's giving an excellent choice of on demand films, tv programmes and music . The seats don't recline but I found them very comfortable for the 9 hour flight across the South Atlantic.

St Lucia has two airports of which, Hewanorra, is the international airport situated right on the southern tip of the island. The airport is only small with around 6 or 7 stands and a small traditional terminal building built quite a few years ago. Aircraft noted on arrival were:-

British Airways G-VIIW B777, Virgin G-VNYC, A330, Delta A/L's N375DA B.737, American A/Ls N608AA B.757, SVG Air J8-MUS Twin Otter, & West Jet C-GCWJ B.737. From Hewanorra it was around an hour and a half transfer to our hotel, St James Club, Morgan Bay which was just a few miles north of the capital Castries. Shortly after checking into the hotel I realised I would be able to see most aircraft departing from the island's other airport at Castries. George F.L. Charles Airport handles only inter island flights up to aircraft of ATR size. Aircraft approach the runway from the sea and on take off make a steep left hand turn, to avoid a hill, and headed straight for our hotel. The airport is served by L.I.A.T with Dash 8 and both their new ATR42 and 72 aircraft, Caribbean Airways with ATR72 and Air Caribes also with ATR 72 aircraft. There are also freight flights operated by Ameriflight with SA227 Expeditors N242DH & N247DH. Fed Ex & Air St. Kitts & Nevis (DHL) with Cessna 208's plus the odd BN-2 Islander and a couple of executive Jets. During the week I did make one quick visit to the airport which cost just US\$1.00 on the local bus. Viewing was excellent with a public road running down each side of the runway, the airport has about four stands and a lovely little terminal building.

The week was over far too quickly and we were on our way to Hewonarra for our return flight to Manchester aboard G-CHTZ again. Logged were:- Virgin Atlantic G-VWAG, A.330, Westjet C-FWSI Boeing 737, American A/Ls N655AA, Jet Blue N592JB A320, and SVG Air J8-VBQ Twin Otter.

Our return flight made a brief stop at Grantly Adams Airport on Barbados where I logged British Airways G-VIIW B.777, Virgin G-VYNC A330, Air Canada C-GITP A.319 and two exec. Jets N247EM Citation & J8-JTS Cessna 550. The overnight flight seemed to pass very quickly and before I knew it we were making our descent into a dreary miserable rainy Manchester after a fabulous week on a beautiful sunny Caribbean island.

All my St. Lucia photos can be viewed on my Flickr site at

http://www.flickr.com/photos/ian_a_gratton/sets/72157638745158363/



G-CHTZ Airbus A.330-234 of Thomas Cook(formerly G-WWBM of British Midland)



9Y-TTC ATR-72-600 of Caribbean Airlines



F-00RV Cessna 172S Skyhawk SP



PH-JCT Fokker 70, KLM, departing Runway 14, LBIA on 16/01/14(David Blaker)



ZJ690 Sentinel R1, RAF, landing at Waddington, 08/01/14(Rich Grimley)



ZZ333 Airbus A.330MRTT Voyager, RAF, landing at Prague/Ruzyne, 17/08/13(Martin Zapletal)



EI-RNA Embraer 190STD of Alitalia, London City, 04/12/13(Andrew Barker)