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N972AN Boeing 737/800 of American Airlines landing at St Maartens, 06/03/15 Andrew Barker

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SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS



I am still looking for contibutions for the special edition, anniversary magazine which will be going to print at the end of April. Any thoughts about how spotting has changed over the last half a century will be appreciated. Plus any photographs to illustrate you contribution, like the photo of BKS DC-3 G-AMSH taken by Ian Morton in the 1960's. I look forward to a FULL editor's inbox. Trevor Smith

MEETINGS AT LBIA, AIREDALE HOUSE: 14:30HRS

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

PLEASE NOTE THAT CAR PARKING AT THE MONTHLY MEETINGS IS PROVIDED AT A DISCOUNTED RATE. PLEASE CONTACT A COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR DETAILS. Please park in either SHORT STAY 1/Business Car park or SHORT STAY 2

12 April 2015

Speaker Change - Martin Powell and Ivor Tamplin

At short notice we welcome back Martin and Ivor, whose last talk was very popular, to give us a presentation on the history of the Boeing 367-80, the forerunner to the Boeing 707. A am sure it will be very interesting!

10 May 2015

Change of Date – Craig Bulman - Craig is the author of the book "The Vulcan B Mk2 from a Different Angle". An illustrated talk on the Vulcan B Mk2 variant including XH558.

7 June 2015

Peter E Roe – We are honoured to have author Peter E Roe attend one of our meetings. Peter is travelling from Nova Scotia, Canada to share with us some of the fruits of his more than 35 years of research and writing. Peter is the author of Pigs Might Fly, a series of six book titles chronicling the lives and achievements of 120 of aviation's earliest pioneers from the period before the First World War - from France, England, North America and elsewhere. Peter will make his books available to members after his talk at wholesale prices.

5 July 2015

Brian Mellor – "Ferry Flying" Brian has made about 20 Atlantic crossings, mainly to Europe, but also the Middle East, and Russia as well as ferrying a new Islander, from the Bembridge factory to Japan. He has over 10,000 hours of flying experience as corporate pilot, air taxi, ferry pilot as well as instructing. With such a vast amount of knowledge and experience this talk be a fascinating and interesting meeting.

2 August 2015

Steve Bruce. ADU Software is from the fastest growing software & aviation database service provider to support aviation enthusiasts, photographers, researchers and anyone with a general interest in aviation. Steve will be demonstrating the software which is a user friendly, versatile Aviation Database software that is designed and managed by a dedicated team of aviation enthusiasts who are constantly updating the software with aircraft movements from around the World. Information includes aircraft status, aircraft history, deliveries and much more.

TUESDAY 1 September 2015 at 7pm

Tony Hallwood - Commercial and Aviation Development Director, Leeds Bradford Airport. I am delighted to welcome back Tony Hallwood who will be talking about past and future developments at Leeds Bradford Airport

4 October 2015

Damian Ives - Head of Home Markets Thomas Cook Group Airlines

Germany, UK, Scandinavia & Belgium. Damian is from the Leeds Area and actually worked at LBA from 1988 to 1990, then moved to Manchester and worked for Air 2000 and then in 1996 joined Thomas Cook. We are privileged to have such an important speaker who will give is an insight into the operation of a major UK airline.

8 November 2015

Change of Date - Air Yorkshire AGM

6 December 2015

Christmas Bash

WINNER OF THE ARTICLE OF THE YEAR 2014/15

It was during September last year that David Senior asked me if I would be willing to read through the years' monthly magazines and pick out one article that I felt had that little something extra, to deserve the 'Article of the Year' Award. Easy, is one thing this task has certainly not been. Each and every piece has been written with a clear love and passion of aircraft and their like. It became very clear to me that there are those amongst us who truly eat, sleep and breathe all things aeronautical.

Eventually, I managed to whittle it down to 4 items but there was one piece that I kept coming back to. This piece, above all, could be read and enjoyed by anyone, regardless of whether they loved aeroplanes or not. It reminisced, spoke of lost chances, talked of the present and touched the future. It made me smile, made me chuckle but also brought a lump to my throat at times and was written by someone who had lived through good and bad and 'been there'.

I thoroughly enjoyed this article and feel that Alan Tempest and his essay about the Society's visit to RAF Hendon, is well worth the award this year. Well done, Alan! **Paula Denby**

Murgatroyds, Spring Bash

Our next visit to your favourite Fish Emporium has been arranged for Friday May 1st

Anyone wishing to partake of fish and a penerth, could they please give their names to Treovr Smith, cotact details inside the front cover

Don't miss out on this ever popular Lunchtime

JUBILEE PHOTO ARCHIVE

Shown on the TV at the Jubilee Social in October, was an archive of 200 photographs of West Riding Branch and Air Yorkshire activities over the last fifty years. A number of you have asked for a copy. As the photographs are copyright and personal to the members who provided them, we have been clarifying if they are happy to allow the photos to be passed to a wider audience. All have now agreed. So we can now make this digital photo archive available on request. Two formats are available: a USB memory stick or a DVD.

There is a nominal charge of £5 plus £1.50 for postage and packing (if required). If you would like a copy contact Jim Stanfield at jim.stanfield@airyorkshire.org.uk or Tel 0113 258 9968.

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As usual I would like to thank Andy Wood9HAR) for his help with this section.

AUBOURN (Lincs):- New residents are G-CBDZ Quantum 15-912 and G-VAAV Quik R.

BAGBY:- M-HRPN Bell 429 (57187) has replaced G-ORDH AS.355N with Harpin Ltd. although the latter is still registered to them. New residents are G-BTWL CUBy Sport Trainer and G-FLAV PA-28 ex. Lambley Noted visiting on 20/1 was A.109E G-GIBI, the aircraft later departing to Alnwick.

BINBROOK:- A recent arrival here is G-BZRC/WZ584/K Vampire T.11 moving in from Cantley, Norfolk in October

BREIGHTON

RESIDENTS

G-SKYC T.67M to Wombleton for annual sometime week commencing 9.2 and not yet returned. N102CA Aviat A.1B Husky (2272) was first noted assembled on 1.2 and made its first flight in the UK on 21.2 followed by a second flight during which I took some air to air photos.

OUTSIDE PARKING

G-AYRT, G-BGAX and G-BXJD have been present throughout. G-AVMD 150G and D-GDCO PA-23 are still away on maintenance. G-BBJX F.150L to Sherburn 1.2 for maintenance returning on 21.2 to replace G-BSDO. G-BKAZ 152 arrived from Sherburn 1.2 to replace G-BBJX and still present 22.2. G-BOYV PA-28R departed to take up residency at Sherburn on 23.1 due to hangarage becoming available. G-BSDO 152 departed to Sherburn 21.2 for maintenance.

MOVEMENTS

24.1 D-ETUR CAP.10B (38) f&t Full Sutton, G-BBXB FRA.150L f&t Beverley, G-BDJD D.112 f&t Beverley, G-BKAO D.112 f&t Bagby, G-BOYV PA-28R f&t Sherburn, G-BPOS 150M f&t Beverley, G-BTWL CUBy Sport Trainer f&t Bagby, G-CHJG EV.97 f&t Bagby, G-EOHL 182L f&t Gamston, G-GCIY DR.400 f&t Full Sutton, G-PITZ S.2A f&t Sherburn, G-WTSN RV.8 f Derby t Pocklington. 25.1 G-AJJS Cessna 120 f&t Sturgate, G-AZYF PA-28 f&t Crosland Moor, G-BFTC PA-28R f&t Sherburn, G-BTFK BC.12D f&t Sturgate, G-BXVO RV.6A f&t Sturgate, G-BZUL Jabiru UL f&t North Moor, G-CGDI EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe, G-DODB R.22B f&t Humberside, G-GRVE RV.6 f&t Sherburn, G-HPOL MD.900 f&t ? (fuel stop) "Police 19" G-RAFR Skyranger J2.2 f&t North Moor, G-RVIS RV.8 f&t Sherburn, G-SHAF R.44 f&t Sturton. 27.1 G-BDJD D.112 f&t Beverley.30.1 G-BIWN D.112 with G-DISO D.150 both f&t Yedingham. 1.2 G-PTOO B.206L-4 f Huggate t ?. 6.2 G-BDGM PA-28 f&t Blackpool, G-CHJG EV.97 f&t Bagby, N7NP 369HE (0260E) f&t Hatfield. 7.2 G-BTWL CUBy Sport Trainer f&t Bagby, G-CGDH Europa XS f&t Wickenby, G-SACR PA-28 f&t Sherburn, G-SKYO T.67M f&t Wombleton. 8.2 G-AJJS Cessna 120 f Sandtoft t Sturgate. G-ATDO Bo.208C f&t Crosland Moor. G-AZYF PA-28 f&t Crosland Moor, G-BHEL D.117 f&t Bagby, G-BNST 172N f&t Netherthorpe, G-BTWL CUBy Sport Trainer f&t Bagby, G-BVFA Rans S.10 with G-CBGG Quantum 15, G-HAMS Quik, G-ZFOX Kitfox and an unidentified weight shift all f&t Headon, G-CCRN T.600N f&t ?, G-CDUS Skyranger 912S f Bagby t North Moor, G-CFLD Ikarus C42 FB80 f&t Husthwaite, G-CFMI Skyranger 912 f&t Crosland Moor, G-CHJG EV.97 f&t Bagby, G-CMED TB.9 f&t Sturgate, G-FUZZ/51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood G-IJOE PA-28RT f&t Sturgate, G-MZEN Rans S.6 f&t South Cave, G-ORAE RV.7 f&t Netherthorpe, G-RHAM Skyranger 582 f&t Husthwaite, G-RVIS RV.8 f&t Sherburn, HA-LFH SA.342J (1775) f&t Deighton / Crab Tree Farm, N7NP 369HE f&t Hatfield. 9.2 G-BBXB FRA.150L f&t Beverley, G-SAZM J.3C-65 f Felixkirk t East Winch. 17.2 G-AVXD T.66 f&t Beverley, G-BBXB FRA.150L f Beverley t Wickenby, G-BHRH FA.150K f&t Hucknall, G-BLLS T.67B f&t Beverley, G-BTFK BC.12D f Sherburn t Sturgate, G-CCCJ HN.700 f Beverley t Wickenby. 18.2 G-LAKI DR.1050 f Sandtoft t Headcorn. 19.2 G-ULUL Calidus f&t Pilling / Brook Farm. 20.2 G-WBVS DA.40D f&t Newcastle.21.2 G-AWUN F.150H



Sentinel ZJ690 arrived from Cranwell for a refuel before crossing the Atlantic on 15/1



Dauphin G-LCPL operated by Charterstyle Ltd, departing the airport on 10/1



Citation Mustang F-GRET owned by Wijet visited the Cessna Service Centre(JIM CALOW)



RAF Airbus A.400M ZM400 visited a couple of times in January on crew training details

f&t Beverley, G-AXNJ D.120 f&t North Moor, G-BMPC PA-28 (Donair 24) f&t EMA, G-BPOS 150M f&t Beverley, G-BUDW MB.2 f Hucknall t Mavis Enderby, G-BVOS Europa f&t Fishburn, G-CCZM Skyranger 912 with G-CGWT Skyranger 912 and G-CSAV T.600N all f&t Beverley, G-FUZZ/51-15319 PA-18-95 f&t Gypsy Wood, G-MCJL Quantum 15-912 f&t Beverley, G-MZEN Rans S.6 f&t South Cave, G-ROKS R.44 f Stainsby Hall t private site Nottingham then f private site Nottingham t Stainsby Hall, G-RVIS RV.8 f&t Sherburn, G-SACR PA-28 f&t Sherburn, G-TEWS PA-28 f&t Beverley, G-UANO/FAP1367 DHC.1 f&t Sherburn, G-UZUP EV.97A f North Coates t Netherthorpe, HA-LFH SA.342J f Deighton / Crab Tree Farm t ? then f ? t Deighton / Crab Tree Farm. **22.2** G-BTFK BC.12D f&t Sturgate.

BRIDLINGTON:- Visiting the Coastguard premises on Lime Kiln Lane on 21.1 was G-MCGE S.92A which landed in the adjacent car park.

BURNSALL:- Visiting a site adjacent to the Red Lion public house at this village north east of Skipton and night stopping for a Yorkshire Helicopter Club event on 7.2 were G-BAXS Bell 47G-5, G-BPLZ 369HS, G-GGTT AB.47G-4A, G-JWEB R.44 Raven and HA-LFH SA.342J (1775).

CABOURNE: A new private helicopter site is home to G-CDUE R.44 Raven which arrived 16.1 following a couple of weeks at nearby North Coates.

CAUNTON:- A new resident reported is G-CFDO CTSW.

CHURCH FENTON:- Now apparently to be known as Leeds East Airport ! Noted visiting 17.2 was N824MT Cessna 525 (525-0824) and probably a sign of things to come.

COSTOCK:- From the Residents delete G-EFOF R.22B departed to Denham,G-ODCR R.44 Raven departed to Republic of Ireland, G-OOCS 369E re-registered G-KSWI a long time ago and to a Saltash, Plymouth owner and G-TINK R.22B to Cranfield again quite some time ago.

CRANWELL:- New residents are G-ARRD DR.1051 and G-VARG Varga 2150Å ex. Wickenby.G-RAFA G.115A has been sold and is expected to have departed by now.

DONCASTER(ROBIN HOOD) Info from Clive Featherstone(fodsa.co.uk) Interesting Movements January 2015

Commercial 2nd HA-LYJ Airbus A-320 Wizz Air (FV) 3rd G-ECOH Dash 8D Flybe (T) 5th SP-ENB Boeing 737-400 Enter Air. Positioning flight. Dep. 7th. 8th G-EZMH Airbus A-319 EasvJet (T) 9th PH-EXB Embraer ERJ-190 K.L.M. Diversion from L.B.A. (FV) 9th HA-LYK Airbus A-320 Wizz Air (FV) 10th LY-ETM A.T.R. 42-300 Aviavilsa (F) 12th SP-ENH Boeing 737-400 Enter Air (FV). SP-ENB was on its way to D.S.A. but had to Divert back into Kiruna. 13th D-ILCE PA-31 Chieftain arr/dep. early hours of morning (FV) 13th G-OSRA Boeing 727 T2 Aviation/Oil Spill Response. based (T) & was put in hangar 1 for the first time since the hangar was refurbished. 20th G-EZBE Airbus A-319 EasyJet (T) 27th EC-JCU Swearingen SA-227 Metro III Aero Nova (F) 27th G-RJXF Embraer-145 bmi Regional (FV) Tottenham FC 29th LY-ETM A.T.R. 42-300 Aviavilsa (F) 29th UR-CCP Antonov AN-12 Cavok Air (F) (FV) 29th LZ-ABR Antonov AN-26 Air Bright (F) second visit Bizz Jets & Bizz Props 1st G-LSMB Dassault Falcon 2000EX Aviation Beauport (FV) 1st G-ZMED Learjet-35 Air Medical Fleet 2nd N750GF Citation 750X S'Porter Air Inc Trustee (M) 3rd OE-FHC CitationJet 525 CJ2+ Avcon Jet (M) (FV) 4th D-IEKU CitationJet 525 CJ2 Star Wings Dortmund (M) 5th LY-VJB Cessna 510 Mustang Brecona Ltd (M) (FV) 12th G-FFFC Citation 510 Mustang Flairjet Ltd 13th CS-GLB BD-700-1A10 Global Express 6000 Netjets Europe Ltd (T) +14th then dep. Farnborough



Twin Squirrel G-BPRI was based while carrying out local powerline inspection flights



PA-22 Caribbean G-ARDS is owned by an individual from York



PA-28 Warrior G-BODE of the Sherbunr Aero Club, fresh from the paint shop



Resident Chipmunk G-UANO, painted up as 1367 of the Portuguese Air Force

13th G-CMTO CitationJet 525 M2. Golconda Aircraft Leasing Delivered 22nd December 2014 (FV) 14th G-EPGI Citation 560XLS Camco Air

15th D-ICCC Cessna F406 Caravan 2 Air Taxi Europe (F)?

15th G-BFIB PA-31 Navajo Chieftain 2 Excel Aviation Ltd.

19th G-FSEU Beech 200 Super King Air. Air Mercia

21st G-VIPI BAe-125-800. Returned 25th. Castle Air Services Ltd.

22nd D-CRIS IAI-Israel Aircraft Industries 1125A Astra SPX. Tyrol Air Ambulance Medical flight

22nd M-HARP Pilatus PC-12 Harpin Ltd. L.B.A. diversion, stayed 2 hours. Also visited briefly on the 23rd.

28th G-YPRS Cessna Citation 550. Executive Aviation Services Ltd. Diversion from L.B.A.

31st F-GRET Cessna 510 Citation Mustang. Wijet. (FV)

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

2nd OY-HJG Eurocopter EC-135 T2+ Uni-Fly. A new HUY based Helicopter Co. who will be providing support to the off-shore wind farms. (T) (FV)

6th G-HEMZ Agusta A-109 Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance

9th G-VINB Agusta AW-139 Bond Offshore Helicopters (T)

14th G-LCPL AS-3S65 Dauphin 2 Charterstyle Ltd (FV)

15th G-LNCT MD-900 Explorer Lincs & Nott's Air Ambulance +26th

27th G-CHBY Agusta Westland AW-139 Bristow Helicopter Flew a visual approach (T) (FV)

Miscellaneous Light/Medium Aircraft (Aircraft marked as (FV) are to my knowledge correct).

5th D-FIRE Socata TBM-700 Private (FV)

4th G-BLXI Scintex 1310-CP Super Emeraude

7th C-GNJV PA-31-350 Chieftain. From Kangerlussuaq Airport Greenland. Dep 8th to Sturgate (FV) 19th G-LEOS Robin DR400 Petit Prince (FV)

20th G-NOIL Fairey Britten-Norman Islander. Diamond Executive Aviation Ltd +21st

27th D-EOAJ Focke-Wulf FWP-149D (FV)-of type

Military

5th ZM400 Airbus A-400M Atlas. The first of type at D.S.A. This was the first to be delivered to the R.A.F on the 27th November 2014 (T) (FV) +8th & 13th

7th ZE707 BAe-146-200 (T)

7th ZA598 Tornado (T)

11th XZ587 Sikorsky S61 Sea King (T)

12th ZA372 Tornado (T)

12th ZA585 Tornado (T)

13th ZZ504 Hawker Beechcraft Corp Beech 350 King Air (Shadow) (T)

13th G-BYWJ G115 Grob Tutor (T) (FV)?

14th ZG750 Tornado (T)

14th ZA372 Tornado (T) (FV)

15th ZJ690 BD-700 Global Express/Sentinel. This & ZJ691 stopped for fuel en-route U.S.A. for Red Flag Exercise

15th ZJ691 BD-700 Global Express/Sentinel.

16th ZA556 Tornado (T)

20th G-BYYB Grob Tutor(FV)

20th G-BYVD G115 Grob Tutor (FV)

20th G-BYVZ G115 Grob Tutor (T)

20th ZA598 Tornado (T)

20th ZA556 Tornado (T)

20th ZA585 Tornado (T)

20th G-FRAT Dassault Falcon 20 Cobham Leasing Ltd (T) (FV)

22nd ZG750 Tornado (T)

23rd XZ587 Sikorsky S-61 Sea King (H) (T)

26th ZG752 Tornado (T)

26th ZJ808 Eurofighter Typhoon (T)

30th ZH884 C-130 Hercules (T)

Notes:

15th The Sentinels; apparently they couldn't uplift enough fuel for the U.S.A. and take off from R.A.F Cranwell's shorter runway (Their temporary base) hence they came here for a fuel top up.

Red Flag-Nellis (from The Official Website of the Nellis Air Force Base)

Red Flag-Nellis is conducted on the Nevada Test and Training Range and involves U.S. and allied forces from all branches of service. Each Red Flag exercise normally involves a variety of interdiction, attack, air superiority, defence suppression, airlift, air refuelling and reconnaissance aircraft. Within a typical 12-month period, more than 1,200 aircraft fly 20,000 plus sorties while training more than 26,750 personnel. Since combat is no place to train aircrews, Red Flag provides a peacetime "battlefield" within which our combat air forces can train. Inside this battlefield, aircrews train to fight together, survive together and win together. Red Flag-Nellis is held four times annually.

DONCASTER:- A new arrival with the South Yorkshire Air Museum is WH779 Canberra PR.7 cockpit section from Newark Air Museum.

FULL SUTTON:- From the Residents delete G-OACI MS.893E which has moved to Perth following sale. A new resident is G-RVRT PA-28 ex. Ravenair at Liverpool.

HUMBERSIDE Information from Rich Grimley

It is confirmed that the three Hawk aircraft, formerly at Doncaster are now at Humberside, they are ZJ100 and two former Indonesian examples, ZK533/ZK535. On 9/1 the airport received two diversions from LBIA, EMB.135 G-CGMB(Eastflight 76LK) and Jetstream 41 G-MAJG(Eastflight 81G). Movements:-

- 2/1 G-CIKO AW.189, G-BGWM PA-28 Warrior, G-AVYT PA-28R Arrow
- 3/1 N90011 MD,902 Explorer, G-CDUE Robinson R.44
- 4/1 ZM400 Airbus 400M(Asot 405, ILS), G-LEAA Citation Mustang(Lonex 59AA)
- 6/1 CS-DXW Citation XL(Fraction 571D), OE-FZD Citation Mustang(Dream Team 543Z)
- 7/1. N131CD Cirrus SR.22, XZ280 Lynx(Armyair 953, training). M-OTOR King Air 200
- 8/1 N30GD Gulfstream 4, ZM400 Airbus 400M(Ascot 407, training)
- 9/1 G-VINJ AW.189(Bristow 12), EC-IXL Metroliner(Aeronova 42H)
- 12/1 F-HATG Citationjet 3, G-GMED Cheyenne(Air Med 054)
- 13/1 G-CGKB Tutor(Cranwell 53), ZK455 King Air 200(Cranwell 72)
- 14/1 M-ICRO Citationjet 3, G-CEGP King Air 200(Cega 859), G-BYUY.G-CGKB Tutors
- 16/1 EC-IXL Metroliner(Aeronova 22V), G-LUBB Citationjet(Clifton 345)
- 17/1 F-HGHF Falcon 7X, M-OTOR King Air 200(Eastflight 08B)
- 18/1 G-JJFB EC.120, G-CEWN DA-42 Twin Star(Exam 101, training)
- 19/1 EI-LEO Citation X(High Flyer 75X), ZF210 Tucano(Cranwell 08, ILS)
- 20/1 D-ISIX King Air 90, ZG997 Islander(Armyair 501, training)
- 21/1 ZK456 King Air 200(Cranwell 80, ILS), ZK455 King Air 200(Cranwell 72, ILS)
- 22/1 ZH887 Hercules(Ascot 273, training), G-ZZSL Super Puma
- 23/1 XZ653 Lynx(Armyair 953, training), G-ZZSM Super Puma
- 24/1 G-LEAB Citation Mustang(Lonex 05AB), G-CFJO DA-40(Atlantic 50)
- 25/1 G-IJAG Cessna 182T, G-RVRT PA-28, G-CMSN Robinson R.22B
- 26/1 ZG997 BN.2T Islander(Armyair 510, training), XZ587 Sea King(SRG 128, ILS)
- 27/1 D-AMSC Challenger 604(Snowcap 604), G-BYVO Tutor(Cranwell 85, ILS)
- 29/1 XZ587 Sea King(SRG 128, training), ZF343 Tucano(LOP 36, training)
- 30/1 N531EA Eclipse Jet, G-MSPT EC.135, ZK459 King Air 200(Cranwell 74, ILS)
- 31/1 OY-HJG Eurocopter EC.135T(n/s)

KELHAM HALL(Notts.):- The pwfu G-TAMA 269D has been found on display here marked as "K-HALL".

KIRKBYMOORSIDE:- G-BYBX T.67M was cancelled as pwfu on 29.1, I am not sure if it is still here, but it has only ever been registered to Slingsby Advanced Composites Limited.

LAMBLEY:- From the Resident Review G-FLAV PA-28 which has moved to Bagby following sale. MARKET RASEN / FIR PARK:- A new arrival on 11.1 was the damaged G-MYIX Challenger II UK ex. North Coates.

NEWARK AIR MUSEUM:- The only additions noted on 31.1 were FE930 Harvard IIB under restoration in the workshop and Cessna U.206 procedures trainer marked C-GTCC in the cockpit. WH779 Canberra PR.7 cockpit section departed to South Yorkshire Air Museum at Doncaster in January.

NEWS FROM LEEDS/BRADFORD INTERNATIONAL

As you will notice once again this edition is a thinner issue due to lack of Leeds/Bradford International Airport movements and review. I apologise for this but as I explained last month there has been a problem since the airport installed new computer software. Following lenghty discussions on the subject and thanks as ever to the very helpful management at the airport, we hope to resolve the situation some time in early April. Therefore, next month's magazine should contain the usual full movements for LBIA(Fingers and everything crossed!!). These movements will be for February and it would then be our intention to produce a seperate supplement of the missing DEC/14 and JAN/15 movements as and when time allows.

In the absence of the full movements here are just a few snippets of the news from LBIA- Multiflight have taken delivery of their brand new G2 Cabri G-CILR(Cilla to her friends!) and this aircraft in now in operation comlete with Multiflight titles. The R.22B G-IIPT is still also in use by the flying school but is up for sale. Also new resident is Cirrus SR.22 N928SK, which is a replacement for Cessna 182T G-SKEN, the latter having been sold to new owners in Kent. NAL Management now operate two Challenger 300 aircraft, G-SCAR and M-ERCI, under the Netjets operators license and one is based at LBIA and one at Teesside, but they do swap and change. The Citationjet 3 N380CR, which was badly damaged last year when flying over the Midlands, is currently being dismantled and loaded into a container for shipment to the USA. It is not know at this time if this is just for repairs and it will be returning or it is going for good. Finally Jet2 have taken delivery of the first 737/800 in the new G-JZH- series, G-JZHA and the aircraft was leased out to Norwegian in early March to help out the company during their crew strike. The other aircraft in this new series G-JZHB/C/D are due to appear at LBIA shortly to be readied for service this summer.



Two new residents at LBIA, SR.22 N928SK(David Blaker) operated by Kenward Orthopaedic Ltd and G2 Cabri G-CILR(Mike Storey) now with Multiflight titles









ATR-72 EI-REH of Aer Lingus/Stobart Air taxiing onto stand, arriving from Dublin, 24/1



Operated by Ralf Schumaker, Eclipes Jet D-INDY on Multiflight/East, 20/1 (Rod Hudson)



Taxiing for departure, having diverted from Manchester due snow, Do.328Jet OY-NCM



Tucano ZF295 carrying out an overshoot at LBIA, 20/1 (Rod Hudson)



Gulfstream 200 Galaxy HB-JGLoperated by TAG Aviation visited 26/1(David Blaker)



Hawker 4000 N412TF departing for Helsinki on 13/1(David Blaker)



King Air 200 G-IASM operated an Ambulance flight from Belfast, 9/1(David Blaker)



Manx duo on Multiflight/East, 24/1(David Blaker) German based Falcon 7X M-FALZ and PC-12 M-ERIL of Confidentia Aviation

NEWARK ON TRENT / CARR FARM:- G-ANHX Auster 5 is the latest of the Austers here to be rebuilt being cleared to fly by the LAA recently.

NORTH COATES: Resident News G-CDUE R.44 Raven arrived by road from Germany on 2.1 but only for temporary residency, moving on to the owners home at Cabourne near Caistor on 16.1. G-MYIX Challenger II UK which was stored here in a damaged state moved to Market Rasen/ Fir Park on 11.1.

Movements 3.1 G-BROR J.3C-65 f&t Sturgate. 4.1 Brass Monkey Fly-in G-RAFR Skyranger J2.2 f&t North Moor, G-ARRD DR.1051 with G-VARG Varga 2150A both f Cranwell t Church Fenton. G-RATZ Europa f Fishburn t Church Fenton, G-BRAA S.1C with G-BUTD RV.6 both f&t Manby, G-BACL D.150 f Rectory Farm t Church Fenton, G-BGHJ F.172N f&t Humberside, G-NDPA Ikarus C42 FB UK f&t Boston, G-MYYP Chevvron 2-32C with G-CCSO X'Air Falcon both f North Moor t Beverley, G-ZFOX Kitfox f&t Headon, G-CDOV Skyranger 912 f Fishburn t Church Fenton, G-PTAR Skyranger 912S f&t Riby, G-BZUL Jabiru UL f&t North Moor, G-BTHE 150L f&t South Cave, G-CGYI RV.12 f&t Rufforth, G-CBKN Blade 912 f&t Headon, G-IEJH D.150 f&t Crowfield, G-STNG TL.2000UK f&t Syerston, G-NPKJ RV.6 with G-BTFK BC.12D both f Church Fenton t Sturgate, G-CBDZ Quantum 15-912 f Aubourn t Headon, G-BVOS Europa f&t Fishburn, G-MZEE Quantum 15 f&t Heckington, G-ETAT 172S f Church Fenton t Strubby, G-CFTOIkarus C42 FB80 f&t Rufforth, G-AYOW 182N f&t Strubby, G-CFFJ CTSW f Church Fenton t Caunton, G-CHRT EV.97 f&t Sherburn, G-CBDJ CT2K with G-IPKA Pioneer 300 both f Church Fenton t Temple Bruer, G-DISO D.150 with G-BIWN D.112 both f Church Fenton t Yedingham, G-AVOA DR.1050 f&t Anwick, G-UZUP EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe, G-CEBF EV.97A f Church Fenton t Sturgate, G-CCGO Raven X f&t Aubourn, G-MYEO Quasar IITC f Aubourn t Wickenby, G-BXVO RV.6A f Church Fenton t Sturgate, G-BBFLGY.201 f&t Temple Bruer, G-CBIX CH.601UL f&t New York. G-AKVN 11AC f&t Priory Farm. G-CIBZ Eurofox 912S f&t Temple Bruer. G-BICD Auster 5 f&t South Scarle, G-CTEE CTSW f Church Fenton t Bagby, G-BPBJ 152 f&t New York, G-ROPP Groppo Trail f Barton t Bagby, G-CIEF Eurofox 912S f&t Darlton, G-FNLD 172N f&t Fenland, G-LENF Blade 912S f&t ?, G-INNY/F5459 Replica SE.5A with G-CWBM Currie Wot both f&t Temple Bruer, G-BVFA Rans S.10 f&t Headon, G-CHJG EV.97 f&t Bagby, 10.1 G-MCGE S.92A f&t Humberside for circuit training (also 11.1 and 14.1). 17.1 G-BUTD RV.6 f&t Manby, G-CDUE R.44 f&t Cabourne, G-BKXF PA-28R f Breighton t Sturgate, G-MCGE S.92A f&t Humberside (circuit training), 18.1 G-JBUZ DR.400 f&t Pocklington, G-CCNG CT2K f&t Headon, G-CENA MCR.01 f&t Caunton, G-CFFJ CTSW f Cromer t Caunton, G-BUTD RV.6 f&t Manby, G-RRCU DR.221B f Sturgate t Wickenby, G-CDSK Escapade f Wickenby t Bucknall. 23.1 G-MCGE S.92A f&t Humberside (circuit training), G-CBUE R.44 f&t Humberside. 24.1 G-ARCS D.6/180 f&t Conisholme. G-YROZ Calidus f&t Fenland. G-RDNY Cavalon f&t Fenland, G-SOBI PA-28 f Teeside t Sherburn, G-HELA TB.10 f&t Sandtoft, 25.1 G-BXYJ DR.1050 f&t Netherthorpe, PH-KAU T.67M (2040) f&t Sherburn, G-UZUP EV.97A f&t Netherthorpe.

NORTH MOOR:- A new resident is G-AXNJ Jodel D.120.

ROADRUNNER:- On 19.2 an unidentified Hunter was noted, dismantled and on three "Brindley of Sharnford, Leics." trucks on the A46 Lincoln bypass heading North. Any ideas anyone ? I believe the Hunter at North Scarle was advertised for sale recently.

RUFFORTH WES:- Noted in Bob McLeans workshop on 3.2 were G-BVJK DG.800A, G-CFPW DG.600, G-CJKM DG.200, G-CJKP LS4-b, G-DEVF Nimbus 3T, G-DIRK DG.400, G-OJNE Nimbus 3T and G-WYVN DG.1000T.

SALTBY:- A new resident is G-CJCB ASW24.

SHERBURN:- A new resident arriving 23.1 is G-BOYV PA-28R ex. Breighton.

SOUTH KIRKB:- Noted at the Langthwaite Business Park was the forward fuselage of a 737, thought to consist of at least the nose section of TF-ELL 737-210C (20138) which departed Lasham on 27.10. The post code is given as WF9 3NR if anyone can check it out..

Sturgate Airfield Movements No 2 February 2015 Pete Hobson

Credits Lincoln Aero Club

Arrivals G-BHTC DR.1050/M1 replacing G-BXVO from Oaksey Park 25/02,

- G-BUSW Rockwell Commander 114 arrived from Newark on Trent circa 21/02.
- **General** Eastern Air Executive Ltd, the maintenance company here and also the owners of the airfield which was up for sale has been sold in a very short time circa 16/02.



Challenger 604 D-AMSC operated by MHV Aviation arrived on 27/1 for a night stop



Falcon 7X F-HGHF operated by Dassault Aviation on final approach, 17/1



Owned my M Sport Ltd, EC-135 G-MSPT on a wintery day, 30/1



OO-NHP, one of a pair of EC-155's of NHV based at Humberside to operate oil-rig flights



Operated by Amboy Overseas Falcon 900EX M-AGIK visited on 24/1



Citationjet 4 D-CAST of Air Hamburg parked on a snowy apron, 17/1



German owned Citationjet 3 M-IPWS(ex D-IPWES of Schnieder GmbH, 27/1



Based at Fairfiled, Connecticut, Falcon 7X N780SP arrived on 18/1 and night-stopped

Departures G-BXVO Vans RV-6A departed 03/02 to Haverfordwest as did N1778X Cessna 210L to Coventry.

Parked outside during the month for maintenance with Eastern Air Excutive Ltd

- 08/02 G-AWYB Cessna FR172F from Beverley, G-AZTS Cessna 172L from Bagby,
 - G-CCZA MS.894A (impounded), G-EEJE Piper PA-31B, N218U Cessna 310Q.
- 14/02 G-BLHJ Cessna F172P, G-CCZA MS.894A (impounded), G-IFLI Gulfstream AA-5A f Beverley, G-OSEA BN-2B-26 Islander f Crosland Moor, N218SA Piper PA-24-250 f Fadmoor arrived 14/
 21/02 G-BGXS Piper PA-28-236 f Gamston.
- Resident aircraft noted during the month were:-

G-AJJS Cessna 120, G-ARRS Piel CP.301A (pwfu), G-AVZR Piper PA-28-180, G-AWVC Beagle B.121 series 1, G-AYYU Beech C23, G-BBHF Piper PA-23-250, G-BDDG Jodel D112 (pwfu), G-BGVE Scintex CP.1310-C3, G-BKXF PA-28R-200, G-BROR Piper J-3C-65 Cub, G-BRWX Cessna 172P, G-BTFK Taylorcraft BC-12D, G-BUSW Rockwell Commander 114, G-BWEU Cessna F152, G-BXXT Beech 76, G-CCNU Skyranger J2.2 (2), G-CCXX American General AG-5B, G-CEBF Aerotechnik EV-97A, G-CMED SOCATA TB.9, G-FARY QAC Quickie Tri-Q, G-IJOE Piper PA-28RT-201T, G-NPKJ/ 61 Vans RV-6, G-OBLC Beech 76, G-RVSR Vans RV-8, G-SIBK Beech A36, G-UAPO Ruschmeyer R90-230RG.

MOVEMENTS

- 1 G-BTXX Bellanca 8KCAB f/t Tattenhill, G-BMVL Piper PA-38-112 f/t Gamston, HA-LFH Aerospatiale SA.342J f/t York, G-MROD Vans RV-7A f/t Lichfield, G-TTRL Vans RV-9A f/t Lichfield, G-RVPW Vans RV-6A f/t Lichfield, G-TALF Piper PA-24-250 f/f Tattenhill, G-LORC Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn.
- 7 G-BSCE Robinson R22 Beta f Beverley t Sandtoft t Sturgate t Beverley, G-EISG Be A36 f/t Tollerton, G-ODUD Piper PA-28-181 f/t Gamston, G-CIEF Eurofox 912(S) f/t Darlton.
- G-BNOH/OH Piper PA-28-161 f/t Sherburn, G-CKSC Sportcruiser, f/t Conington,
 G-CYLL Falco F.8L f/t Breighton, G-ATUI Bolkow Bo.206C1 f Croft t Sandtoft,
 G-BOIG Piper PA-28-161 f/t Gamston, G-BBNJ Cessna F150L f/t Sherburn, G-BWRO Europa
 TG f/t Breighton, G-GDEF Robin DR400 f/t Leeds/Bradford, G-BFTC Piper PA-28RT-201T f/t
 Sherburn, G-CGDI Aerotechnik EV-97A f/t Netherthorpe, G-STVT CZAW Sportcruiser f/t
 Netherthorpe, G-BVCG Vans RV-6 f/t Stittles Farm, G-SABA Piper PA-28R-201T f/t Sherburn,
 G-JEZZ Skyranger 912 f/t Caunton, G-BFEV Piper PA-25-235 f/t Kirton in Lindsey for fuel,
 G-INNY/"F5459/Y" SE.5A replica f/t Temple Bruer, G-LYNK CFM Shadow DD modified f/t
 Watnall, G-PHOR Cessna FRA150L f/t Netherthorpe, G-GOBD Peier PA-32R-301, G-TSGJ
 Piper PA-28-181 f/t Bagby.
- 14 N218SA Piper PA-24-250 from Fadmoor for maintenance.
- 15 G-BLXI Scintex CP.1310-C3 f/t Grove Farm.
- 16 G-CDLL MCR-01 f/t Baxby.
- G-BAHD Cessna 182P f/t Lambley, G-BBNJ Cessna F150L f/t Sherburn,
 G-BAC Piper PA-28-140 f/t Humberside, G-BFEV Piper PA25-235 f/t Kirton in Lindsey,
 G-BMVL Piper PA-38-112 f/t Gamston, G-BWZA Europa f/t Full Sutton,
 G-BXLS PZL-Koliber 160A f/t Gamston, G-BZSZ Jabiru UL450 f/t Caunton,
 G-CBDJ Flight Design CT2K f/t Temple Bruer, G-CBEX Flight Design CT2K f/t Caunton,
 G-CDLD Pegasus Quik f/t Caunton, G-CIBZ Eurofox 912S f Temple Bruer t Sandtoft,
 G-FBRN Piper PA-28-181 f/t Bagby, G-JEZZ Skyranger 912 f/t Caunton,
 G-NDPA Ikarus C42 FB UK f Boston t Wickenby, G-RVIT Vans RV-6 f/t Braceborough,
 G-SFTZ Slingsby T67M f/t Sherburn.
 G-BHTC DR.1050/M1 from Oaksey Park for residency.
 G-BMVL Piper PA-38-112 f/t Full Sutton, G-BXAN Scheibe SF.25C f/t Darlton,
- Visiting on 28.1 possibly on a delivery flight was N44266 PA-46-350P (4636648). Lincoln Aero Club held their Breakfast Patrol on a very blustery 1.2 with only a few morning visitors braving the weather, G-BMVL PA-38, G-BTXX 8KCAB, G-MROD RV.7A, G-RVPW RV.6A, G-TTRL RV.9A and HA-LFH SA.342J. From the Resident Review delete G-BXVO RV.6A which departed to Haverfordwest 3.2 following sale, its replacement due shortly is to be G-BHTC DR.1051/M1.

TATTERSHALL:- New with Roger Windley is G-BRZG Enstrom F.28A with a CofA expiry of 20.10.13.

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

EC-135T G-SPCH is now the new full time resident police helicopter, replacing G-CPAH. Also newly resident is PA-28 G-FBRN, which lives in Hagar 1. On 9/1 BAe.146 G-RAJJ(Cellojet 194) arrived with Liverpool FC for their match with Sunderland the following day. The same day Jetstream G-MAJK positioned from Leeds to operate outbound to Oxford taking Middlesboro FC for their game with Reading. G-MAJW made the return trip the following day and this aircraft then positioned to Leeds. Diverting from Leeds on 10/1 was Embraer 190 PH-EZY(KLM 1545), due strong crosswinds. Skydive St George's Gipsland G-SCOL was badly damaged during the storms at the weekend(10th/ 11th), right wing , nose wheel and prop damaged it is now in Hangar 1. The aircraft had been repaired by 22/1 and moved back onto stand 13, then it departed to Chichester / Goodwood at 1217, for further maintenance it expected back around 6 weeks time. On 20/1 VLM Fokker 50 OO-VLF(Ruebens 9583) arrived with Cardiff City for the game at Middlesboro, followed on 24/1 by EMB.135 G-CGMB(Eastern 9620) brining Fulham for their match at the same venue.

- 1/1 ZH536 BN.2T Islander(Ascot 7940), G-BYZA Twin Squirrel(Powerline 67)
- 3/1 N208UP Cessna 208 Caravan, G-CGMF Citation XL(Bookajet 326)
- 4/1 D-CFLY Citation XL(Air Hamburg 477R), G-XAVB Citation Mustang(Beauport 541)
- 6/1 ZA370 Tornado GR4(Marham 41, overshoot), G-BRJV PA-28 Cadet
- 7/1 G-DRIV R.44(Pipeline 42), G-BXDS Jet Ranger(Pipeline 83)
- 8/1 CS-DUC Hawker 750XP(Fraction 1KT), G-OADY Be.76(Exam 84)
- 9/1 CS-DQA Citation XL(Fraction 010A), ZF139 Tucano(LOP 21, overshoot)
- 10/1 CS-DKH Gulfstream 550(Fraction 9AD) 11/1 G-MARKS Cirrus SR.22
- 12/1 N531EA Eclipse Jet, XX203 Hawk(Pirate 21, overshoot).
- 13/1 ZM400 Airbus A.400M(Ascot 406, training)
- 15/1 N780SP Falcon 900, G-FBNK PA-28, G-FUFU A. 109E, M-IPWS Citationjet 2
- 17/1 D-CAST Citationjet 3(Air Hamburg 387Q), D-IAKN Citationjet 2(Startrek 111)
- 18/1 OE-FZE Citation Mustang(Dream Team 708D)
- 19/1 OH-RBX Citation XL(n/s), G-LEAA Citation Mustang, D-ISKY King Air 200
- 20/1 ZH874 Hercules(Ascot 247, ILS), also training Tucanos ZF139/293/347/417.
- 21/1 N665CH Citationjet, G-NIME Cessna T.206H
- 22/1' M-DWSF Bell 430, G-CGGD Dauphin(Yorkair 01), G-BOZZ AA.5B Tiger
- 24/1 M-AGIK Falcon 900EX, G-LEAB Citation Mustang, D-IOHL Citationjet 2
- 26/1 ZJ808 Typhoon(Triplex 33, overshoot), G-OOMA PA028 Warrior
- 27/1 G-SDRY Citationjet 4, Tucano ZF339/317(LOP 35/40, overshoot)
- 28/1 F-GULY King Air 90 30/1 ZH880 Hercules(Ascot 341, training)

TEMPLE BRUER:- A new resident is G-CIBZ Eurofox 912S.

THORPE WOOD:-Arriving with Jet Art Aviation on 28.1 was XZ130/A Harrier GR.3 ex. 1034 Squadron ATC at Tolworth, Surrey. Meanwhile the forward fuselage of XZ993 Harrier GR.3 has moved to a private collector at Upwood, Cambs.

TOLLERTON:-From the Residents delete G-CTRL R.22B, G-LONE B.206L-1, G-STUY R.44 and G-TIMH R.22B all moving to the new Heliport at Widmerpool.

WICKENBY:- The stored G-BYYU DHC.1 Chipmunk has departed and is now to be found at Mazowiecke in Poland following sale to a Polish owner in March last year. From the Resident Review delete G-VARG Varga 2150A which has moved to Cranwell. Catching up N71VE RC.690A (11043) was sold in Canada last August becoming C-GNSF.

WIDMERPOOL / NOTTINGHAM HELIPORT:- This is a new site on Fosse Way, off the A46, and Central Helicopters have moved their operation here from Tollerton. Residents are G-CTRL R.22B, G-LONE B.206L-1, G-STUY R.44 and G-TIMH R.22B all ex. Tollerton.

EDITORIAL....

Can I please say a big thank you for the photos and articles I have received recently, it is really encouraging. With this issue being anothewr curtailed edition I have had no room to put in any of your contributions, howevber rest assured once we got back to normal(hopefully next month) I will be using them all. Please do continue to fill my in box with your efforts. Thank you.



LEEDS/BRADFORD NEWS

Jet2.com and Jet2holidays have launch direct New York city flights again for this coming winter . Jet2.com had four flights to New York last year, which was double the number of 2013, and the airline Jet2.com is the only one offering direct flights right now.Departures are scheduled for 25 October 2015, 13 November, 19 November, 3 December and 10 December 2015 for 3 nights.Steve Heapy, CEO of Jet2.com and Jet2holidays said: "We love New York and are thrilled to be giving the people of Yorkshire another chance to experience this fantastic city direct from Leeds Bradford Airport. "It's our biggest programme yet, offering the best ever choice of trips. I'm sure they will be as popular as ever!"

The Chamber of Trade's proposed new Leeds Bradford International Airport (LBIA) Parkway Station on the Harrogate line has been dismissed by a government sponsored study. An Option Assessment Report into 'substantially improving' the connectivity and accessibility of LBIA rejected the proposal on the ground that an 'interchange' between the train and the shuttle bus to the Terminal was not recommended. Instead, consultants WSP and Parsons Brinckerhoff have recommended a long term heavy rail link from Guiseley to LBIA to Horsforth should be taken forward for detailed design as well as a short term link road to the airport from the A65. The report stated: "The assessment of options involving interchange (i.e. the parkway station and a self-contained rail shuttle involving interchange at Horsforth and/or Guiseley) do not give a positive economic assessment and are not recommended to be progressed. "The parkway station is really only likely to be attractive to airport users, as most employees from a local catchment are likely to find the existing bus services more convenient. "As such, the benefits are restricted to this group and benefits will be spread over a wide area, but only at a very low level." However, Harrogate Chamber of Trade and Commerce have challenged the Consultants' report and recommendations, arguing their proposed new station is 'an easily achievable solution at a much lower cost.' Brian Dunsby, Chamber Chief Executive, said: "The decision to omit a proposal for a combined airport/park and ride station on the existing Harrogate rail line with a short hop shuttle bus service to the terminal is flawed. "The use of buses within airports and adjoining facilities is commonplace world-wide and this does not influence passenger choice whether or not to use an airport. "Building the proposed LBIA Parkway Station will be very beneficial to the airport whilst also serving all the residents and businesses in north-west Leeds and the hundreds of thousands visitors to Leeds. Harrogate and York, whether for business or leisure." "In terms of straightforward governance of the deployment of public funds, the self-sustaining Harrogate line option will be massively lower in terms of both capital expenditure and ongoing operating expenditure."

An entire flight of passengers inbound to LBA were left speechless on Thursday 12th February, when they got off their flight. To mark International Random Acts of Kindness Week taking place from 9-13 February, Jet2.com greeted each passenger on flight LS272 from Alicante, Spain, landing at 16.30, with a personalized gift Gifts were specially wrapped and waiting for the passengers on the luggage carousel when they landed at Leeds Bradford Airport. The surprise started with a question people were asked when checking in for their afternoon flight from Spain, asking what they had most

missed about home.Whilst the plane was in the air, a team of helpers set to work sourcing and wrapping up gifts to welcome them home with a 'Random Act of Northern Kindness' in just three hours. Newly weds Mr and Mrs Coupe, flying back home to Bradford from their honeymoon, said: "We couldn't believe it when we got to the luggage carousel and all these gifts were there before our bags, it was so unexpected, we're just thrilled with our presents. "You're always a little bit sad coming back from holiday, and even more so from honeymoon, so this brightened us all up no end." Steve Heapy, CEO of Jet2.com and Jet2holidays said: "Seeing the faces of the passengers as they spotted the gifts was heart-warming. And kindness can be contagious – so we're hoping this will have a ripple effect – in fact the best acts of #Jet2kindness which have come to our attention this week will receive free flights."

AIRPORT NEWS

Tickets are being sold for commercial flights from Blackpool Airport, just months after its closure. About 100 jobs were lost when owners Balfour Beatty closed the airport in October after failing to find a buyer. In December, the airfield reopened with a licence allowing a limited commercial service but not large carriers with passengers. The airport said it was in talks with the Citywing airline about resuming passenger flights to the Isle of Man. In a statement, it said there were "a number of challenges" to overcome. "When, and if, it is possible to make an announcement, the airport will do so. Citywing has started selling tickets for the Blackpool-Isle of Man route from April.

Doncaster/Robin Hood Airport has seen passenger figures soar last year. Figures releases by the Civil Aviation Authority show that numbers are up by five per cent year on year over the last twelve months. The airport's increase is higher than the average national increase which stands at 4.3 per cent and sees Robin Hood take top spot in the region for passenger growth. Four new routes were introduced at Doncaster in 2014, including Belfast, Isle of Man, Bucharest and Riga with a further two announced for 2015 including Zante and the Slovakian city of Kosice. In addition, popular routes such as Alicante, Las Palmas, Dalaman, Palma de Mallorca, Reus, Poznan, Gdansk and Warsaw have all contributed to the overall rise as the airport celebrates its tenth birthday. The airport has also been boosted by news that the completion of the Finningley and Rossington Regeneration Route Scheme (FARRRS) is on schedule and set to be completed by January 2016. Steve Gill, managing director, said: "We are delighted to see an increase in our passenger numbers and it is great to see people taking advantage of everything that their airport has to offer. "2015 is looking like it will be a great year for the airport. Once people realise how accessible the airport and the destinations we fly to are, they are keen to fly local and support the regional economy."It is great to continued growth."

Dubai International has taken over from Heathrow as the world's busiest international airport in terms of yearly passenger numbers. The United Arab Emirates airport said it had just under 70.5 million passengers through in 2014, compared with around 68.1 million for Heathrow.Dubai Airports said it had reached a "historic milestone". Heathrow has been trying to increase capacity for a number of years, a spokeswoman said. The airport operates at around 98% capacity, "Britain has benefited from being home to the world's largest port or airport for the last 350 years. But lack of capacity at Heathrow means we have inevitably lost our crown to Dubai," the Heathrow spokeswoman said. Dubai passenger numbers rose 6.1% in the year, Dubai Airports said. "The shared goal is to make Dubai a global centre of aviation," said Sheikh Ahmed Bin Saeed Al Maktoum, chairman of Dubai Airports.

Manchester is to see the start of services by Iraqi Airways with two new weekly services. The national flag carrier of Iraq will serve Sulaymaniyah and Erbil from March 15. Erbil is the largest city and capital of the Kurdistan region in Iraq, while Sulaymaniyah is a city in southern Kurdistan. Flight to Erbil will depart Manchester on Wednesdays and Sulaymaniyah flights will depart on Sundays. Both routes will be operated by a new 162-seat Boeing 737-800, with return fares starting at £383. Manchester Airports Group chief commercial officer, Ken O'Toole, said: "We are pleased to welcome Iraqi Airways to Manchester Airport and further increase the options and choice for passengers travelling to and from the Middle East. "Manchester is now the only airport outside of London to offer

these routes with Iraqi Airways, and confirms the national role played by our airport.

The airline's UK general manager, Saad Al-Khafaji, said: "We are looking forward to working with everyone at Manchester Airport to offer passengers the opportunity to fly direct to Iraq. "With a strong Kurdish community across the region in the North and West Midlands, we are sure the routes will prove to be popular."Passengers at UK airports have more than doubled since 1991, according to the Office for National Statistics report 'How we travel'. Its 'UK perspective - How we travel' article claims the volume of passengers at UK airports rose from 95 million in 1991 to just under 230 million in 2013. Compared to 58 million passengers in 1980, air passenger numbers in 2013 were almost four times greaterThere were 72 million passengers at Heathrow airport in 2013, an increase of two million from 2012 and accounting for 32% of the total passengers at all UK airports. This was more than twice as many as Gatwick, the second largest UK airport - at 35 million. Air traffic did however fall during the economic downturn of 2008 and 2009 as well as in 2010, coinciding with volcanic ash and severe winter weather disruption. Passenger numbers increased by 3.5% in 2013, although they remain 5% below the peak of 240 million in 2007.

AIRLINE NEWS

Aer Lingus has announced its new chief executive will be Stephen Kavanagh, who will takes over the reins on March 1. Kavanagh, previously Aer Lingus's chief strategy and planning officer, replaces outgoing Christoph Mueller who becomes chief executive at Malaysia Airlines. The appointment comes at a critical time for the airline. Its board announced on Friday it would recommend the €.4 billion takeover bid by International Airlines Group (IAG). Aer Lingus has rejected several takeover bids by IAG but the latest offer of €.90 per share was recommended in a letter to shareholders. Aer Lingus chairman Colm Barrington said he was "particularly pleased that it has been possible and appropriate for an internal Aer Lingus executive to succeed to the position of CEO". He added: "Stephen has been a key member of the executive team that, over the last five years, has transformed Aer Lingus into a strong, profitable airline with a resilient business model and an improved cost base."

British Airways brand is to appear at Cambridge airport from March 2 when flights to Gothenburg are launched. The new route will be operated by Danish airline SUN-AIR, which has operated as a BA franchise since 1996 and flies in BA colours. The route is being supported by Anglo-Swedish pharmaceutical company AstraZeneca. The multinational company's new global headquarters is in Cambridge and its key European hub is in the Swedish city. Flight BA8235 will depart Cambridge at 07:00 each morning and arrive at 10:00 at Gothenburg's Landvetter International Airport. BA8236 from Gothenburg will depart at 18:00 each evening, arriving in Cambridge at 19:00. It will operate Monday to Thursday with a 32-seat Dornier 328 regional jet. SUN-AIR commercial director Kristian Tvergaard said: "We very much look forward to establishing ourselves in Cambridge, the East of England and servicing valuable business customers in both Sweden and the UK with our excellent in-flight hospitality". SUN-AIR already operates from Manchester to Gothenburg for BA and from London City to Hamburg and Billund. These plus the Cambridge flight can be booked on the normal BA systems.



A pair of Dreamliners at Toronto/Peason International C-GHPU of Air Canada and G-ZBJC of British Airways (Ian Morton)



MD-83 N880DP owned by The Detroit Pistons, Toronto/Pearson, 25/01/15(Ian Morton)



Airbus A.320 G-ZBAR of Monarch Airlines departing LBIA, 14/01/15(Mike Storey)



TU-154M RA-85833 of AK Bars Aero, Prague. 04/01/15(Martin Zapletal)



King Air 90 G-ORTH operated by Jota Aviation, departing LBIA, 05/09/13(Matt Johnson)