

Lyneham Flying Club

NEWSLETTER

Hi,
Happy New Year to all! Not many points to start the new year (you'll be glad to hear)

Flying Order Book

Myself and Bob McPhee have spent some time over the past month going through and updating the FOB. There is a list of what has changed in the front of the book, notably Currency requirements, beacon/strobe use on engine start, spinning in the Firefly, amendments on what to do in the event of an Accident and Crosswind limitations – **This one effects everyone!**

Crosswinds

As the PPL syllabus does not include ANY crosswind training, it is considered that there could possibly be a considerable gap in the knowledge of pilots. The instructors have been in conference with each other and have decided that everyone will **initially** have a 7kt Crosswind limit, which will increase back to normal when cleared by an LFC instructor. The wording of the X-wind limit has been chosen carefully to say that it **MAY** require a flight. (and as we all need to fly with an instructor at some point anyway, so it could just include a crosswind element **IF** you do need to get airborne) As we also appreciate that this will include everyone, we have

given a 6 month period in which to discuss this with an instructor. There is a tick that you can fill in on "Pilot Profile" on FSPro when you have been cleared.

Air Racing Anyone?

Or even better Air Racing for Free??

<http://www.raf.mod.uk/rafflyi/ngclubs/results/airrace.cfm>

Will take you to the RAFFCA site, with this information: The Royal Aero Club (www.airraceuk.co.uk) are organising two one day Air Race Schools (with briefings on race technique, rules and procedures ... and an air experience) at North Weald on 27th and 28th March 08 (free landings fees if you fly in).

There is a cost, which RAFFCA is willing to pay!

Engine Warming

Especially in this weather! Whether it be in the descent or before take-off, remember we charge by tacho, not taxi time, so sitting at idle wait for a warm (and lubricated) engine does not cost much (compared to an EFATO – which could end in a whole world of pain)

Expeds

'Tis the time of year again to start thinking about Expeds, while we appreciate that not everyone can/is allowed!/wants to spend a week flying around Europe we are looking at running one "big" one and several smaller weekend events (say Northern France/Ireland) over 1 or 2 nights) if you are interested in going anywhere and/or have any ideas on where you would like to go, please contact Kev Turner: kmtturner001@yahoo.co.uk

G-WFFW

Freedom Aviation are in the throws of purchasing another Warrior to replace G-WFFW, so hopefully it will be at Lyneham in the near future, thanks to Dave and Sarah for (not inconsiderable) amount of work needed to supply us with another aircraft.

Finally

Congrats to Bruce Burnett who has completed his first Solo

Cheers!

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