

NEWSLETTER

April 2015



FROM THE EDITOR

Hope you all enjoyed the Easter break which caught us all on the 'hop' as it was so early this year. We're all looking forward to what will hopefully be another great summer season of flying!

The BBQ was a great get together with a chance to re-connect after the dreary winter months

Upon arrival at the Aerodrome you will notice there have been changes with the signposts! We are now in the RED Zone!! *It that because we have the hottest heli's on the Aerodrome?*

The Aerodrome have put up new signage, including signs for pedestrians but they do not cover EBG so if you see anyone searching for us, please point them in our direction. We are hoping that there will be better access facilities shortly to Hangar One – watch this space.

You will also see we have placed concrete bollards to protect the grass around the edge of the road towards our car park - you have been warned so drive carefully!

We have been at work over the winter months in the porta cabin installing new maps, a mounted TV screen, and blinds on the windows. We should have a new Air Conditioning Unit in place before the temperature rises. So watch this space....

Hope you enjoy reading our Newsletter

Don't forget to keep your finger on the pulse and follow EBG helicopters by tweeting [@ebgheli](https://twitter.com/ebgheli)

or



And another one leaves the nest...



As migration approached, two elderly vultures doubted they could make the trip south, so they decided to go by airplane. When they checked their baggage, the attendant noticed that they were carrying two dead raccoons. "Do you wish to check the raccoons through as luggage?" she asked. "No, thanks," replied the vultures. "They're carrion."

Happiness is.....

As we sat down to write this newsletter we noticed that we don't have to inform you of any changes to our staffing arrangements. We haven't lost any of our pilots to pastures new or had them lured away by the air ambulance.



It might just be down to our new style of Customer Service?



If you have any interesting articles or news items please email them to

"info@ebghelicopters.co.uk"

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Where were you on the 12th April?

We were eating, drinking and making merry at the EBG BBQ.

The weather was surprisingly glorious for April and prompted a wonderful turn out as you can see!

Happy campers all round as they tucked in the splendid fayre and enjoyed the pleasant company of old friends. As you guessed it was a perfect day for flying!!

Our thanks go out to Rehbein Catering Services for the sumptuous cuisine and beverages.

Disaster Strikes with Fire at Redhill Aerodrome

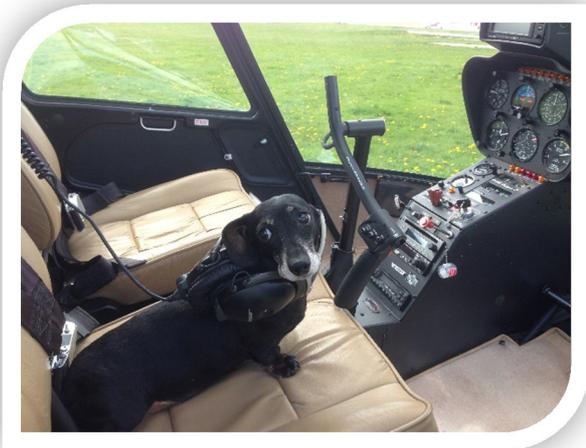
Arriving to work on Monday 13th April we were greeted with the heart-breaking sight of seeing the burnt out ashes of the Old Main Block. The fire started in the early hours of the morning and was spotted by the Air Ambulance returning to base at around 1.30 a.m.

Our sympathies go out to friends and colleagues who lost their businesses in the fire. From what we have been told they have been moved to the Aero 16 (previously occupied by Pilgrims Training).



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Club Mascot Caught in the Act...

Our Club Mascot Molly decided to try for her PPLH. When challenged about her maiden flight her only comment was

“Who’s Roger?....”.

Local Road Closures...

Well the signs have appeared and we thought we better warn you!

There are anticipated road works scheduled for 12th May 2015.

Resurfacing is due to take place on the Nutfield Road (A25) at the top of Mid Street/Sandy Lane. Both Mid Street and Sandy Lane are being resurfaced at the same time and they are stating that there will be heavy delays.

To our dismay, having researched road works for the area further, it would appear that in true Highways (sensible) fashion they are going to conduct major road works on Three Arch Road i.e. the alternative route into the Aerodrome.

Our advice is to check before you travel and allow plenty of time.



CLUB TRIPS

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP

Friday 15th May 2015 – RNAS Yeovilton

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE - DON'T FORGET TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!

Visit the Fleet Air Arm Museum with its four exhibition halls, over ninety aircraft and over 2 million records and 30 thousand artefacts. The Museum is the world's second largest naval aviation Museum.

Monday 8th June 2015 – Lydd Go Karting

Lydd Kart Circuit is one of the fastest for Go Karting in Kent and one of the fastest in the country. The track is 1040m and worth the challenge!

Friday 10th July 2015 – La Belle France

One of the Club's most popular trips is the annual fly away to 'La Belle France' – not sure if it's the sand, sea or gourmet food but whichever it is **ADVANCE BOOKING REQUIRED.**

16th – 22nd September 2015 – Spanish Fiesta!

Having conquered France the Club is now venturing further afield for an extended trip to Spain to experience the wines, food and late summer sun. **ADVANCE BOOKING REQUIRED.**

Sunday, 27th September 2015 – EBG End of Season BBQ

We wrap the summer festivities up with the EBG BBQ. As ever, a great time to catch up with the Club gossip and go flying!

For trips to France and Spain would you please get your names down early as we need to know numbers before attempting the logistical organisation!

YOUR BOOKINGS HOTLINE IS:

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PILOT NOTICEBOARD

Redhill Aerodrome - Effective 21st May 2015

Would all Pilots make themselves aware of the Redhill Aerodrome Manual 2015 “Guide to Heli Ops at Redhill”. At going to press, a copy of the manual is not available on the Redhill Aerodrome website however, the manual comes into effect on 21st May 2015 and matters will be rectified. Please watch your personal emails for any updates.

Front Pad

With immediate effect there will be NO landings and take-offs on the front pad.

Legal requirement

Please remember if you are flying you need to **bring your licence and photo ID on all occasions** (This is now a legal requirement)

Congratulations to

The students pictured below have achieved the following passes:



Brian Cheung
PPLH on G-ETWO



Rick Godbolt
PPLH on G-EERY



Grant Eyles*
PPLH on G-EERY



Justin Smith
Type Rating on EC120



Howard Watson
Type Rating on EC120



Dave Buck
Type Rating on EC120



Joe Searles
Type Rating on EC120



And finally, congratulations go to Adam Baker for achieving his Cross Country Qualifier and receiving a Gold Star from Goodwood Aerodrome.

* Apologies to Grant as we didn't have a current photo when going to press