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FROM THE EDITOR

As another season comes to an end we must welcome all our new students who have taken up flying and increased our Instructors log book entries. As the days are drawing shorter and getting colder remember we are still open for business, as our Brucie would have said "Keep Flying". G-ETWO will be returning to Cotswolds at the end of September but we still have plenty to offer: G-LYZA, G-ERRY, G-NDIA, G-PAMY, G-PGGY and G-SWNS all awaiting your attendance! New procedures are now in place for Self-Fly Hirers so please make sure you read the Pilots Notices. On the Charter front, amongst the celebrities this summer we transferred Lewis Hamilton to Silverstone for the Grand Prix – he won – could it be the smooth flight from our pilot helped the smooth drive to victory? Unfortunately, our wonderful EC130 G-WCKD has now moved on and is taking up residence in Switzerland. If anyone knows of another EC130 please let Ken know!! Looking forward to seeing as many of you as can make our BBQ on 1st October.



Club Mascot in distress....

Molly was rather distressed to learn that the summer



was coming to an end and decided to go on strike and capture the last of the summer sun.

Knight in shining armour to the rescue in the form of Captain Grumpy – well someone's got to pick up the slack!



Did you know?



In 1987 American Airlines saved \$40,000 by removing 1 olive from each salad served in first class.

Redhill Aerodrome New Garden Community

As we go to press we have learnt that the developers Thakeham are now proposing to build 8,000 units on the aerodrome site.

STOP REDHILL AERODROME FROM BECOMING A HOUSING ESTATE!

Add your name to the [petition](#) now!



Find us on
Facebook

Although we do try and keep our Club Members up to date with the latest happenings at EBG Helicopters we can't quite keep up with the speed of social media. So to keep your finger on the pulse 'Find us on Facebook'. The EBG Helicopter Club facebook page provides you with the latest gossip, news and photos. There is a brilliant selection of photos taken by MRF Photomotive at the last Fire Display – very impressive! Also Captain Tim Piper makes his television debut when he takes to the skies for BBC's Blue Peter.

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

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Celebrations all round at this years Start of Season BBQ



The Start of Season BBQ marked a very special occasion that being the 11th birthday of EBG Helicopters under the partnership of Captain Grumpy and Captain Peter Pan, yes, our very own Nic and Ken. From all the staff, pilots, students, and SFH's our thanks for your support, encouragement, and Club trips over the years but what do you have up your sleeves for the next 11 years?

The *End of Season BBQ is on 1st October* an event not to be missed as you never know what surprises the dynamic duo have in store!

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For the last time Redhill 07 is complete

Captain Joe Searles has left us to join East Midlands Helicopters, the only feasible excuse he could come up with was that he could spend more time with his lovely wife, Rachael and watch his adorable son Charlie grow up – can't argue with that so we celebrated with a BBQ. Missing you already Joe....



and in his own words.....

I've finished my last flight for [Ebg Helicopters](#). As this chapter of my life comes to an end, I'm excited to start the next one with East Midlands Helicopters. This new job means I get to go home every night to my family and carry on doing the job I love. It's been a good run at Redhill and thanks to everybody here. For the last time Redhill 07 is complete.

News Flash

No one good enough has come forward to replace this pocket pilot so Bob will be picking up the cyclic over the winter!

A man left work one Friday afternoon. Being payday, instead of going home, he stayed out the entire weekend partying with the boys and spent his entire paycheck. When he finally appeared at home, Sunday night, he was confronted by a very angry wife and was berated for nearly two hours with a tirade befitting his actions. Finally, his wife stopped the nagging and simply said to him, "How would you like it if you didn't see me for two or three days?" To which he replied, "That would be fine with me."

Monday went by and he didn't see his wife. Tuesday and Wednesday came and went with the same results. Thursday, the swelling went down just enough where he could see her a little out of the corner of his left eye.



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VIVE LA FRANCE

VIVE LA POÉSIE

by

Anne Marie Goodwill



My first time to Le Touquet with this motley crew
Hitched a ride out to France, cos I am new
Started off with a briefing from Captain Joe
He told us all we needed to know

We checked all our rides were ready to fly
And six helicopters took to the sky
Left Redhill in sunshine, that was some luck
Cos the rest of the week it rained like **ck

We flew out of Surrey and aimed for the coast
I was in PGGY, she's faster than most
Even when flown by Captain Nic
He's not that fast but his flying's quite slick.

We took in the views on every side
Cameras out, enjoying the ride
Not much else to do when you're in the back,
But heckle and make the odd wisecrack

We got to the Channel and over to France
Cruising high in the air as we crossed La Manche
After not very long we made it to land
Turned south and cruised down over the sand

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Heard traffic control and a German plane
Failing with English again and again
He finally landed and got to the gate
I'm guessing they must've used Google translate

We set down in France and pedalled to lunch
Ken trying to control the unruly bunch



Arrived in one piece and sat down to dine
A portion of fish, a bottle of wine
(actually, no wine, we're pilots!)

Onwards to ice cream down by the sea
can't believe nobody bought one for me!



A walk back through town, it's a lovely place



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A slow pedal back, it wasn't a race



Then the return leg and my turn in charge
To take to the skies high above La Plage
I checked little NDIA, she was all right
Whistled for Tim and then we took flight



We flew up the coast and turned left for Kent
Remembered to ditch the bad French accent
Cruised over the sea at 3,000ft
It's an awesome view from the pilot's seat

We waved to LYZA as we flew on back
She's easy to spot, she's a Union Jack



I don't think she saw us, she was going so fast
No way she was getting home last.

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We all got home safely, sometime around four,
from a trip that left us all wanting some more
Good times and good friends on a flying sortie
Well, they do say that life begins at forty!

ANNE MARIE GOODWILL



Don't miss the next Club Events



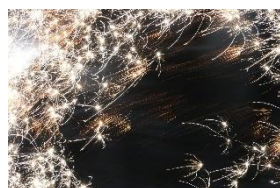
End of Season BBQ – 1st October 2017

We end the season on a high with excellent food, drink and the chance to meet old friends. A definite date for the diary. This event is turning out to be quite popular so make sure to let us know your numbers in good time! Believe it or not the MetCheck long range weather says we are going to have a sunny day on the 1st!!



Fireworks Display – 11th November 2017

We haven't quite worked out whether it is the BIG kids that enjoy this event the most or the little ones! Whichever, you don't want to miss the fun. Come and see the wonderful firework display (photographs of last year's fireworks were taken by MRF Photomotive), enjoy some of Linda's great food and then toast marshmallows on the fire pit – what more could you ask for?



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Austin Powers has nothing on
EBG Helicopters we went one better
G-LYZA's her name



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Full Throttle Caution Light – R22 G-ERRY

If you fly the R22 you may have noticed that G-EERY has a new light on her instrument console marked “Full Throttle”. The function of this light is to warn you that the throttle is fully open, i.e. the aircraft has no more power and therefore the RRPM may drop at any second.

There are two reasons why this warning light may illuminate.

1. The Governor has been slowly opening the throttle due to a build-up of carb ice. This will normally happen in a cruise or a descent when there is insufficient carb heat supplied. This is especially relevant at this time of the year as the days get colder and we fly in misty conditions.

Action Fully raise the carb heat to HOT and get ready to put the aircraft into auto rotation if the engine stops. As the carb ice melts, the Full Throttle light should go off.

2. You are over pitching the aircraft e.g. pulling too much power in a climb or transition. The engine has insufficient power to keep the rotor revs constant as the blade pitch angle is high and generating too much drag on the blades. If you keep pulling the power the blades will stall.

Action Lower the collective and open the throttle to recover the RRPM.

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)

Self Fly Hire Authorisation

Before you fly would all SFH's make sure that you complete a 'Self Fly Hire Authorisation' form (copy attached to back of Newsletter). If you are unsure of any of the required information or need assistance completing the form please consult one of the Pilot Instructors. **THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOUR FLIGHT.**

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And finally con gratulations....

It's been a busy time for the EBG instructors as we have four students completing hour building for their commercial licences and the following student achieving licence revalidation and passes:



Mark Jefferies
Licence Revalidation - R22



Hannah Nobbs
Licence Revalidation - G2



Gary Morris
PPLH Skills test in R22



Anne Marie Goodwill
PPLH Skills test in R22



Ian Kirkman
PPLH Skills test in R22



Chris Cornish
PPLH Skills test in R44



Andrew English
PPLH Skills test in G2



Hugh McKie
PPLH Skills test in G2



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Self Fly Hire Authorisation

Date	
Aircraft Registration	
Aircraft Type	

1 – Commander

Name	
Contact Number	
Emergency Contact Number	
Type Rating Expiry Date	
Medical Expiry Date	
I have my licence and medical with me	
I have signed the EBG Indemnity Agreement and a copy is on file	
I have flown this type of aircraft at EBG within the last 28 days	

Initial here

2 – Weather

I have checked the weather is suitable for the flight	
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3 – NOTAMS

I have checked for applicable NOTAMS	
AIS Information Line 0808 535 4802	

4 – Airfield Procedures

I have read and understood the Airfield Procedures	
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5 – Aircraft

I have reviewed the Aircraft Techlog	
I have checked the Mass and Balance	
I have completed a Daily Check of the Aircraft including any Airworthiness Directives (ADs)	
I have signed the Techlog and AD sheets	
I confirm the dual controls have been removed	

6 – Flight Plan / Route / Passengers

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I fully understand that my Third Party Liability is unlimited unless the information on this form is accurate, complete and complies with all legal requirements.

7 – Authorisation

Submitted By	Name	
	Signature	

Authorised By	Name	
	Signature	

NOTE – Please consult one of our Pilot Instructors if you require any help with completing the required checks above.