

Pilot Flight Training

Latest news from Pilot Flight Training Oxford



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SPRING 2005

The year has started with the usual range of weather which has of course put pay to most of our flying. Only in the last few weeks have we seen signs that the Spring season is here at last!

It seems so long ago now but we would like to thank everyone who came to the awards night, it was a fantastic success and a good night was had by all! Once again, congratulations go to those who won awards for achievements during 2004.

As you may have spotted, Caroline has now left PFT on maternity leave. We will keep you informed when the baby arrives.

We have a hidden talent amongst the members at PFT. Mark Cooper, who recently passed his PPL, has written an entertaining article about his experiences during his training, and we are extremely pleased to announce that it has been published in the May edition of Today's Pilot, which is currently for sale here at PFT.

FLYING COURSES

AEROS! As part of the fleet we have two Slingsby T67 Firefly aircraft, both of which can be used for aerobatics. So if any of you are thinking of taking to the skies for a spin or a roll then why not aim for your AOPA Aerobatics rating. The course consists of 8 hours dual flying and 8 hours of ground school lectures.

NEW! We would like to introduce a new course to individuals who fly regularly as passengers with licensed pilots. The training is to allow you to become more involved in the flights and, therefore, more confident as a passenger. We will be following the AOPA syllabus in order for you to obtain the AOPA Flying Companions Certificate. The course consists of a minimum of 8 hours dual flying with a Flight Instructor within a 12 month period. Just let Paul or Louise know if you are interested and we can go through the finer details with you.



NOTICES

Email Addresses – We are still collecting email addresses for all our members as it is an easy way to communicate any news or events that are currently going on. If you haven't been receiving emails from us during the last few months, it's because we don't have your email address! Send us an email to info@pilotflighttraining.com and we'll add you to the list.

Extension To Weekday Opening Hours – In response to popular demand we have decided to extend our opening hours Monday to Friday. As soon as daylight permits we will be opening from 9am to 8pm. For those of you with weekday jobs, you can now continue your training or solo hire during these hours.

Ground School Evenings – The ground school evenings continue to be a huge success in the last 6 months and we will continue to run them throughout the summer. Keep an eye on the notice board at PFT or the website for up and coming dates.

Today's Pilot Magazine – We have arranged a special price for copies of this popular flying magazine and we are pleased to offer it for sale at the bargain price of £3, so don't forget to pop in and get your copy.

Today's PILOT

This newsletter is for you! If you would like to contribute in the future, or if you have news, ideas or other suggestions, please let us know!

CROSS CHANNEL CHECKOUTS

If you haven't done so already then you may want to consider having a cross channel checkout. This involves making a trip to Le Touquet or the Channel Islands with an Instructor. You can even take friends or family along for the ride and make a day of it.



PRICE LIST AS OF 1ST JAN 2005

	Dual	Solo
Cherokee 140	£120	£105
Cherokee 180	£130	£115
Cherokee 6	£175	£160
C172S	£140	£125
T67B (Cruise)	£115	£100
T67M (Cruise)	£145	£130
T67B (Aeros)	£135	£105
T67M (Aeros)	£180	£150
Simulator	£45	£35
IMC Instruction	+ £5	
Night Flying	+ £5	

TYPE RATING REVALIDATION

Ian can now revalidate class ratings. To keep your Single Engine Piston class rating current, you need to do a minimum of 12 hours in the 12 months preceding the expiry date of the rating. This will need to include 6 hours as pilot in command, 12 takeoffs and landings and 1 hour with an instructor. If you have the required hours, Ian is authorised to revalidate the class rating. Of course, we can arrange for a CAA Examiner to renew your rating if it has already expired or you don't have the required hours.

EVENTS

The 2005 PFT Open Day has been set for June 26th. With any luck, the weather will be better than last year! We have the usual BBQ, raffle and competitions going on as well as trial lessons and several visiting aircraft, including a Jet Provost, Bulldog, Yak 52 and perhaps the possibility of an old warbird. So come along, bring your friends and family and enjoy the day out.

2005 Fly Out List – We have put together a list of monthly flyouts at PFT and on the website. The year hasn't got off to the best of starts all due to the weather, but we would like to thank the regular fly out gang for their perseverance. For those unfamiliar with PFT flyouts, the idea is for PFT members to get together and fly to a chosen destination for the day. With at least two PPL holders in the aircraft, not only are you sharing the cost but also the workload and it is a good confidence builder for new PPL holders. If you'd like to join in the fun, let Paul or Louise know.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Glen Jones	New PPL January 05
Mark Cooper	New PPL January 05
Guy Stockley	First Solo 9 th March 05
Charlie Steel	Night Rating January 05
Craig Wylie	IMC Rating January 05
Angela Hodgson	Night Rating January 05
Delphine Audetto	IMC Rating February 05
Richard Andrews	Night Rating February 05
Martyn Gunson	Night Rating February 05
Andrew Giddings	Night Rating March 05
Craig Wylie	Night Rating March 05
David Gunn	First Solo 25 th March 05



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