

# Pilot Flight Training

Latest news from Pilot Flight Training Oxford



Issue 2

## Open Day

2004 continues to race by as it's already been two whole months since the inaugural PFT open day. Some of you may already have seen coverage in the September edition of Today's Pilot magazine and on our website, but for those who didn't attend, the day proved to be a success despite the weather not cooperating.

We had some unusual visiting aircraft, a helicopter offering pleasure flights, many trial lessons, competitions, a raffle for charity and of course, the barbeque! We would like to express our thanks and gratitude for those who assisted with the preparation and on the day itself – we managed to raise £750 for charity, enlist two new PPL students and most importantly, everybody enjoyed themselves! Watch this space for news of next year's date!



## FIRST FLY OUT

July saw PFT's first 'official' fly-out. With the large number of new PPL holders in the first half of 2004, we decided that a fly-out with more experienced aviators would be encouragement for them to visit new places and unfamiliar airspace.

Originally the intention was to visit Shoreham, but airspace restrictions around Farnborough saw the location changed at the last minute. Eight pilots, four PA28's and a student set off almost in formation for Cardiff International Airport! On arrival, many sampled the delights of the almost obligatory fry-up, while others watched the commercial aircraft arrive and depart. We're delighted to say we all returned safely and very happy – the only disappointment was that nobody took a camera! Further fly-outs are being planned; interested parties should keep a watch on the notice board.

**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!**

## IMC OR NIGHT

As the warm summer skies become a fading memory and the dark autumn nights draw in, what better way to continue your flying than with a IMC rating or night qualification?

When cloudy days begin to affect your chances of flying, an IMC is essential. You can continue fly in reduced weather minima safe in the knowledge that you can return on instruments if the weather deteriorates.

At this time of year, the daylight hours become fewer and fewer - don't let the darkness put an end to your flying - get your night qualification and fly in the still night skies between sunset and sunrise.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

Special congratulations go out to the following students:

Mick Wright	New NPPL May 04
Craig Wylie	New PPL May 04
Paul Stansfield	New PPL June 04
Andrew Giddings	New PPL June 04
Richard Andrews	New PPL June 04
Jarrah Al-Oqab	New PPL June 04
Andreas Schillinger	IMC Qualification May 04
Craig Wardrop	First Solo 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Stephen Higgins	First Solo 25 <sup>th</sup> May
Mark Cooper	First Solo 21 <sup>st</sup> June
Steve McKenna	First Solo 28 <sup>th</sup> June
Richard Mallows	First Solo 10 <sup>th</sup> July
Camilla Scarf	First Solo 17 <sup>th</sup> July
Michael Sivyver	First Solo 18 <sup>th</sup> July
William Iliffe	First Solo 28 <sup>th</sup> July
Philippa Brown	First Solo 14 <sup>th</sup> August
Darren Turner	First Solo 16 <sup>th</sup> September

*For those of you who remember Jarrah, he has returned home to wait until he is 20 and then he will be coming back to Oxford to continue with his ATPL at OAT.*

## NOTICES

As of 1<sup>st</sup> June ground frequency at Oxford has returned. The frequency **121.95** will only be active during week days.

We also still offer a reduction on solo hire, if you make a payment for 10 hours, then we give you one hour free! Only available to existing PPL holders, not for training.

Also, please take the time to visit our new website – [www.pilotflightraining.com](http://www.pilotflightraining.com)

## NEWS

We would like to congratulate Ian our instructor who not only passed his IMC instructors course a few months ago, but at last he also passed his motorbike test – well done Ian. Note to everyone else to stay off the roads!

### *New Interiors*

Has anyone noticed? Both G-FIAT and G-BTGO have had new interiors. The seats, side panels and carpets have all been replaced, to make your flying more enjoyable and comfortable. Tell us what you think!



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