

Updates & News

January Diary Dates

Welcome Back!

We hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas and New Year festivities.

We at TFC are raring to get going with this year's programme of events at the airfield and hope you will enjoy them. We start in January with the Vintage Aircraft Club's Snowball Rally on the 23rd—always an iffy time of year weather-wise but we hope that we will be blessed with blue skies and low wind. Last year this 3/4 replica of a P51 Mustang flew in for



the January Rally; we look forward to lots of interesting visitors in 2010.

The Flying Pig would like to thank all its customers for their support during the latter half of last year. Our Christmas lunch in the conference room (see below) was a great success and we hope to have more events



like this in 2010. If there is an event you would like the café to put on, let us know your ideas. **Classifieds** Don't forget we have a classified ads page on our website (on the Airfield General menu). This is a great place to advertise aircraft shares, aviation accessories or spare parts, your business

or anything else you have for sale. Ads cost just £10 to cover the administrative costs and will be displayed on the site for one year or until the item is sold, whichever is soonest. To place your advert call Tanya on 01280 705400 or email tanya@turwestonflight.com.

VAT

Having had great success with boosting the economy by reducing the rate of VAT Mr Brown (Gordon that is, not Chris) has now decided to end our 2.5% holiday. Thus it is with regret that we announce that from 1st January 2010 the VAT rate has returned to 17.5%.

VAC Snowball Rally at Turweston	Sat 23rd Jan
VAC Valentine Rally at Old Sarum. Contact the VAC for details	Sun 14th Feb
CAA Safety Evening. Contact Turweston Flying School for info 01280 701167	Mon 15th March
VAC Spring Rally at Turweston	Sun 28th Mar
British Grand Prix at Silverstone	Fri 9th to Sun 11th Jul
Wings & Wheels 2010	Sun 19th Sep

January Birthstone: garnet
January Flower: Galanthus—the common snowdrop

Spotlight On ... Peter Harvey, LAA Chief Executive

Our Spotlight On series returns with an interview with LAA Chief Executive Peter Harvey. We would like to point out that contrary to what Peter may tell you no thumbscrews or hot pokers were used to extract information from him. Peter joined the LAA in April 2008. He had previously worked in what he modestly refers to as "design and build" - in fact he is an architect and had his own firm and prior to that was a management consultant for e-business systems. His background

includes microlights, hang-gliding (he was British Champion in 1993), and gliding, so he knows a lot of people in the aviation world which made him an ideal choice for the post of Chief Executive at the LAA. When he's not at the helm at LAA HQ he is often to be found soaring around the European skies winning gliding competitions. He was European Champion in 2005, 2007 and 2009 and as the competition is held every two years that means he has been Champion three times in a row.

Peter lives in a house he designed and built (and is still finishing) with wife Christine, daughter Charlie, son Edward and exuberant spaniel Poppy. Despite Peter's experience with e-business systems Charlie at 13 is proving far more adept than Dad with the latest software! Peter can be contacted at [peter.harvey\(at\)laa.uk.com](mailto:peter.harvey(at)laa.uk.com)



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