



Arun & Chichester Air Enthusiasts Society

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End of July 2020 Air ACES monthly newssheet.

All of the Air ACES 'team' hope that you are continuing to 'keep well'.

I hope that these monthly newssheets are keeping you in touch with Air ACES.

It seems to me, that unfortunately at present, it is the only way that I, on behalf of 'the Air ACES team' can keep in contact with you all, if only being 'a little contact'.

If any of you wish to write to me, with any points or questions, or even just 'to have an email chat'

- I welcome same. My email address is - david.airaces@hotmail.com.

I also welcome phone calls - 01243 823007. Good to talk & have a chat!!!!

The Air ACES 'team' were able to have a meeting last week, their first since March 2020.

The aim of this meeting was to 'catch up' with a few outstanding topics, and to look at the ways - some being new - that Air ACES can re-start their talk evenings - hoping still that it can be on the 26th October 2020. Who knows though?

The 'team' have looked at ways that the talk evenings may be able to be re-started, but obviously these have to be discussed (shortly) with the hotel management, and depend on any further Government legislation and advice.

One important item that was discussed and decided upon, was the way in that entry payments will be undertaken at every talk evening, together with membership fees payments.

This will be continued on every entry, from whenever talk evenings re-start.

Each attendee will be able to pay their entry fee, (& if applicable membership fee), by one of two ways.

The first is still by 'cash',

but attendees are requested to 'hand-over' the correct entry fee, to lessen the handling of coin or notes.

The second will be by 'card-machine'.

A payment 'card-machine' is being bought, which will mean that attendees, if they wish, will be able to pay their entry fee, (& membership if applicable), by either 'contactless card payment', or 'normal card payment'.

All attendees are asked to bring / wear their own PPE items where possible.

With attendees bringing / wearing their own items, a considerable cost will be saved for Air ACES.

Another expenditure that is expected soon, is that the costs of having 'good speaker's' will increase a little, especially if fuel costs keep rising.

I am sure that you will understand the above items.

It is possible of expenditure on other needed items in the future, there being a considerable extra cost overall.

The whole item of 'Air ACES budgeting' is being carefully 'looked at', over the next few months.

As was said in the June newssheet, Air ACES have already decided that the members who re-joined for 2020, will have their membership extended until December 31st 2021. This is for the fairness of these members who have not had 'value for money' for their 2020 membership, with the 'postponed talks & speakers'.

Kind regards,

David Batcock - chairman.