



Arun & Chichester Air Enthusiasts Society

AirACES

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Air ACES Newsheet - January 2021.

I, on behalf of all of the Air ACES 'team', hope that you and your families & friends are keeping very well.
Hi there again, to all of you, the lads & lasses who kindly re-joined Air ACES in 2020,
and to the lads & lassies who were members of Air ACES in 2018 & 2019.

Cancelled - Air ACES talks during January, February & March 2021.

With the current Covid situation, it has been decided that the Air ACES talks cannot
re-start until - MONDAY 26th APRIL 2021,
- & then providing 'all is OK' with governmental rules at that date.

Fortunately, this will mean that there will be 'very good' talks following each other.

April 26th - Chris Taylor - (*from NATS, Swanwick*) - 'Air Traffic Control' Demystified'.

May 3rd - Tim Prince - (*ex RIAT CEO, coming from Stroud, Glocs*) - 'RIAT - the fun & challenge's'.

May 24th - Alex Sewell - 'Archibald MacIndoe & the Guinea Pig Club'.

In June, (tbc), Jonathon Whaley & Phil Holt will be the speakers. (Remember Phil from his talk about 9/11?).

Gentle reminder - to all members who renewed their 2020 Air ACES membership by February 2020.
Your 2020 membership has been extended, to include 2021, with compliments of Air ACES.

If there are still any Governmental constraints on attendance for meetings, Air ACES & the hotel will be in the same 'class' as theatres. If so, this may mean a restricted attendance, **but it is very much hoped not.**
The Air ACES 'team', which are, on your behalf, keeping in close contact with each other, need to know (roughly), as to how many 2018 - 2020 members wish to / will support and attend the re-starting of Air ACES talk evenings, on Monday 26th April 2021.

As you will understand, if the meeting does have to be restricted (69 attendees + helpers), the evening must be logistically & financially correct. (*The 'team & hotel' have the logistics ready, if needed.*)

All members / ex-members who are receiving this newsheet are asked to tell David

- **by email - asap - if they wish / will support the returning of Air ACES on Monday 26th April.**

Also - if you are a 'couple', please tell me, because a 'couple's row' will be accommodated, if it is required.
There will also be the front row, for those who have 'hard of hearing' etc.. Please notify me, ta.

Please therefore email David - david.airaces@hotmail.com -
to inform me of your support - many thanks.

(I am aware that I should receive over 100 replies - so be it - and I thank you very much).

It is my intension to continue with these monthly newsheets until the Air ACES talks can start again, hoping that they are keeping you in touch with Air ACES.

If any of you wish to write to me, with any points or questions, please do so - I look forward to receiving same.

My email address is - david.airaces@hotmail.com. I also welcome phone calls - 01243 823007.

Kind regards,

David Batcock - chairman.