

# Arun & Chichester Air Enthusiasts Society



## AirACES

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Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July

19:00 for 19.30

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## Caterpillars, Guinea Pigs & Goldfish

by

*Sqn Ldr (ret'd) Art Stacey AFC*

Art Stacey is coming from Lincolnshire to give this presentation. During his RAF career he piloted **Shackleton** & **Nimrod** aircraft. He was awarded the **Air Force Cross (AFC)**, for successfully ditching his aircraft, following an uncontrollable engine fire.

Art will begin his presentation by briefly covering the history of some of the more well known, and perhaps some of the lesser known **clubs**, that have been associated with flying and aviation.

He will then continue his story with a little about the amazing '**Caterpillar**' & '**Guinea Pig**' clubs. The story goes on to cover in rather more detail the **Goldfish Club**, it's history, and some members' stories, right up to the present day. Qualification to become a **Goldfish Club member** is to have saved their lives by bailing out of their aircraft, using a parachute, into waters below, and surviving by use of a life jacket or other means. Art will then go on to talk about the events leading up to **his qualification for the membership** including a short three minute video.

Included within this presentation will be some photos and a video.

*All welcome*

*£5 members / £7 visitors*

**Chichester Park Hotel, Chichester, PO19 7QL**

Off Madewick Lane roundabout. 1 mile South of Goodwood Aerodrome