

**EDITORIAL**

Welcome to 2021! With COVID vaccine distribution well under way we can hope for more freedom in due course. We have heard that just one of our members has become infected (so far) but thankfully he is recovering well. The lesson to us all is that he had never left his house for months and had only been visited by checked relatives; so how did he catch the virus? Incoming post, supplies and parcels? Don't take any chances; use an anti-viral spray and wash your hands after handling.

I apologise for so many errors in the subscription non-payers identified in NL 58. This arose through communication lapses in the new bank transfer process.

There have been two Zoom meetings which went pretty well but, in spite of Richard Cannon's notices, attendance was disappointing at less than 40 for both. Let me know what your problems are.

With this Newsletter is your renewal form for 2021-2022 and the notice for the AGM which will be held via Zoom on April 14<sup>th</sup>. The link will be sent by e-mail.

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**PROGRAMME FOR 2021**

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic all events have been postponed until further notice. The situation is, however, being kept under review by the Committee. Meanwhile the intention is to continue to hold Zoom meetings. Richard Cannon will keep Members informed by e-mails and provide links. If you know a Member without e-mail, please pass on Richard's message by telephone.

**AIRCRAFT NEWS**

Harriers for sale by Everett Aero are: GR9 ZG478, the much publicised Kandahar crash aircraft, being restored for static display; an unidentified Harrier II airframe (looks like a GR5/7); T4 XW267, a possible return-to-flight project; and FA2 ZH806, "complete and ready to fly." On e-bay an FA2 is open for bids in Alberta, Canada. At JetArt the Astra Hawk XX341 and VAAC Harrier are still available, as is Global Planes' Abu Dhabi Hawk Mk63 in Turkey. Airworthy Gnat TMk1 XR984/N316RF is still available in Illinois. Hunter Mk58, Miss Demeanour has been sold and Thunder City in Cape Town has airworthy Hunter TMk8A, XF967/ZU-CTN for sale. Also still for sale are Art Nalls's Harriers. In Australia two Sea Furies are being restored, an Iraqi Fury, VH-SHF and FB11, WG630. Centaurus powered FB11 G-CBEL/N365F has been sold after a long restoration.

If you would like to fly in a Hunter, MiGFlug in Switzerland will sell you 25 minutes over the Alps for 7500 Euros in their ex Swiss Air Force TMk68, J-4201.

**HURRICANE LANDING ACCIDENT AT DUXFORD**

The undercarriage of Hurricane Mk1 V7497/G-HRLI collapsed during a cross-wind landing at Duxford on June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020. There was minor damage to the underside and the propeller was bent. Repair is under way. The unidentified pilot was blamed for failing to properly control the aircraft.

**P.1127, KESTREL & HARRIER SURVIVORS ON DISPLAY - WORLDWIDE**

A survey of the internet revealed the following:

P.1127	3	All in UK
Kestrel	5	1 in UK, 4 in USA
Harrier GR1/3	19	13 in UK, 1 in each of NZ, USA, China, Belize, Chile and Poland
Harrier T2/4/50*	4	All in UK
Harrier GR5/7/9	7	6 in UK, 1 in USA
Harrier AV-8A/C/S	16	14 in USA, 1 in UK, 1 in Thailand
Harrier TAV-8A	2	Both in USA
Sea Harrier FRS1	1	In UK
Sea Harrier FA2*	7	All in UK
Sea Harrier FRS51	1	In India
Total	66	

\* Art Nalls's FA2 and T8 are currently up for sale in the USA so are not on display.