

WHERE TO APPLY

guide



2018 UK Pilot Scholarships, Sponsorships and Bursaries

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Scholarships, sponsorship and bursaries

All of the courses and opportunities listed in the FTN Where To Apply Guide offer some form of financial assistance to the aspiring pilot or aviation professional. However there are subtle differences between scholarships, sponsorships and bursaries which are worth expanding on.

Scholarships and Sponsorships

Cadet pilots awarded scholarships or sponsorships (or for that matter bursaries) aren't employed by the sponsoring individual or organisation while they train but they are financially assisted, with either a part or all of their training paid for.

The distinction between the two is often confused – indeed some schemes currently named as scholarships would be more accurately defined as sponsorships, and vice versa. For the purposes of this Where To Apply Guide a scholarship is a training grant provided by an individual or organisation (often an educational institution) that has no commercial vested interest,

while a sponsorship is more often provided by a person or company that wishes to employ the individual on completion of training or have them join the organisation in some capacity.

Bursaries

Bursaries can fall into either of the above categories, being granted by either employers or non-commercial enterprises. The key distinction between a bursary and a scholarship / sponsorship is that bursaries only provide a part of the funding required to complete a training course.

Additionally, bursaries are often awarded to assist a cadet with living costs while they train, rather than covering their direct training costs, and can be used in conjunction with scholarships and sponsorships.

Basis for Inclusion

The majority of the flying or experience opportunities listed in the Where To Apply Guide are offered on an entirely charitable basis, with no obligation on the part of those receiving an award to repay all or any of the training costs. On this basis, purely commercial arrangements (such as extended loans and other

payback schemes) are not listed in the Where To Apply Guide as they are very different to the awards which are intended mainly to introduce more people to flying, or to aid existing aviators to further their flying skills, knowledge and qualifications.

In particular, the awards listed in the Where To Apply Guide are almost all offered by organisations whose primary goals are to promote aviation at all levels, increase participation in the flying world, and provide assistance to those who might otherwise lack the resources to achieve a particular experience or qualification.

The Small Print

The Where To Apply Guide is produced by Flight Training News as part of our goal to increase participation and social diversity in all levels of aviation. It is based on independent research and no organisation pays to have its details listed in the Where To Apply Guide. No responsibility is taken for the accuracy or veracity of the data in the guide, any potential candidate is strongly advised to make independent enquiries before applying for or accepting any scheme or award.

The inclusion of an organisation or scheme in the Where To Apply Guide does not infer any recommendation or endorsement by FTN or any associated organisation.

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	Fixed Wing Basic	Fixed Wing Advance	Helicopter	Gliding	Airports	Air Experience	
Aerobility	•					•	www.aerobility.com
Air Cadets	•			•		•	www.raf.mod.uk/aircadets/
Air League Flying Scholarship	•						www.airleague.co.uk
Air League Gliding Scholarship				•		•	www.airleague.co.uk
Air League Engineering Scholarship						•	www.airleague.co.uk
Air League Flying Bursary		•					www.airleague.co.uk
Bristol and Gloucester Gliding Club Scholarship				•			www.bggc.co.uk
British Aerobatic Association		•					www.aerobatics.org.uk
British Gliding Association				•		•	www.gliding.co.uk
British Women Pilots' Association	•	•				•	www.bwpa.co.uk
Cotswold Airport Aviation Scholarship	•		•	•		•	www.cotswoldairport.com
De Havilland Educational Trust						•	www.dehavillandeducationaltrust.co.uk
Fly2Help Aim High Scholarship						•	www.fly2help.org
Flying Aces Scholarship	•					•	www.taysideaviation.com
Flying for Freedom					•		www.flyingforfreedom.org
Flying Scholarship for Disabled People						•	www.fsfdp.org
Girls in Aviation Day						•	@ACSFlightTraining Facebook
Girls Venture Corps Air Cadets				•		•	www.gvacac.org.uk
Heli Air Helicopter Pilot Scholarship			•				www.heli-air.com
Helicentre Aviation Academy Professional Helicopter Scholarship			•				www.flyheli.co.uk
Helping Wings Jersey	•					•	www.helpingwingsjersey.org
HCAP PPL Scholarship	•						www.airpilots.org
HCAP Gliding Scholarship				•			www.airpilots.org
HCAP Instructor Certificate Scholarship		•					www.airpilots.org
LAA	•						www.lightaircraftassociation.co.uk
Launchpoint				•			www.members.gliding.co.uk
ManSat Scholarship						•	www.mansat.com
Mike Langley Foundation		•					www.kuraaviation.com
Nick Davidson Memorial Flying Scholarship	•						www.bigginhillairport.com
Royal Aero Club Trust Flying Bursaries	•	•			•		www.royalaeroclubtrust.org
Royal Aero Club Trust Flight-Sim Bursaries						•	www.royalaeroclubtrust.org
Royal Aero Club Aeromodelling Bursaries						•	www.royalaeroclubtrust.org
Royal Aero Club Advance Bursaries		•		•	•		www.royalaeroclubtrust.org
Royal Aeronautical Society Centennial Scholarship						•	www.aerosociety.com
RAF Association Flying Scholarship	•						www.rafa.org.uk
RAF Charitable Trust JRPSS	•						www.jrfly.co.uk
Royal Navy Gliding Scholarship				•		•	www.fleetairarmoa.org
Scouts Association				•		•	www.scouts.org.uk
Strathaven Young Persons Bursary	•						www.strathavenairfield.co.uk
Take-Off Scholarship	•						www.take-off.org.uk
University Air Squadron	•					•	www.universityairsquadrons.com
Upward Bound Gliding Trust				•		•	www.ubt.org.uk
Vintage Aircraft Club Liz Inwood Scholarship		•				•	www.vintageaircraftclub.org.uk

Airline sponsored and mentored training schemes

Over the last few years, airlines have begun to demonstrate increasing involvement in the training of new pilots, as the long-predicted pilot shortage begins to bite (FTN predict a world-wide demand for around 750,000 new pilots over the next 20 years).

As the airlines becoming increasingly aware of potential (and sometimes actual) pilot shortages, they are starting to run more sponsored / mentored training programmes than have been seen for many years.

Sponsored training programmes provide full or partial funding assistance, although details vary and almost without exception, financial assistance is in the form of loans or loan guarantees rather than free training. In some cases, 'assistance' will be in the form of a conditional job offer to make a bank loan easier to obtain.

Mentored schemes infer a level of involvement and oversight from an airline in the progress of the pilot in training, although possibly without any form of financial assistance.

Both approaches have the key ingredient that many cadets are looking for however – a strong probability of employment on graduation, as the cadet should have been pre-selected by the airline ahead of commencing training and probably given a conditional offer of employment subject to them achieving the required standard during training. The exact details of each scheme vary and any applicant is strongly advised to check the offer closely and if necessary take independent legal and financial advice.

FTN have chosen not to include airline-sponsored / mentored training programmes in the Where To Apply Guide as these schemes tend to be open to applications for only a short period of time and are virtually impossible to forecast. Anyone wishing to enrol on these airline-sponsored / mentored training programmes is highly recommended to monitor the airline's recruitment websites and, of course, the latest developments as reported by Flight Training News.

Recent sponsored / mentored airline pilot training programmes have included those from:

- Aer Lingus
- British Airways
- BA CityFlyer
- CityJet
- EasyJet
- Flybe
- Virgin Atlantic



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Also see the website: www.airpilots.org





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Aerobility



Aerobility gives terminally ill and disabled people the memories of a lifetime by offering as many trial lessons as they possible can each year. Additionally, training is offered at cost to flyers with disabilities who want to gain flying qualifications.

For 2018, Aerobility are again teaming up with Sky Demon to create the Disabled Flying Scholarship, which will provide two people with 10-hours flying-time taking them to first solo or beyond.

Using specially adapted aircraft, the registered charity founded in 1993 gives disabled people the chance to fly an aeroplane and provides subsidised flying days for other charities.

For some, that amazing first flight is enough to change their outlook on disability forever.

Realising that the fantasy of flight is truly in their grasp, Aerobility pilots can decide to continue their training all the way to securing a Private Pilot's Licence and beyond.

Aerobility is run largely by disabled aviators, for disabled people. Through various fundraising initiatives flight training can be given to disabled people at a fraction of the price.

The charities patrons include the Douglas Bader foundation named after the famous World War Two fighter pilot who lost the use of both his legs.

Working in partnership with Help for Hero's, Aerobility offers advice, knowledge and advocacy for disabled people who wish to fly, and, is the representative body for disabled aviation within the UK.

For more information about Aerobility visit www.aerobility.com

Air Cadets



The Air Cadets are dedicated to giving every cadet the chance to fly. During their time as active members, flights on civil airliners, RAF transports and fast jets are up for grabs.

The RAF Air Cadets provides funding for plenty of exciting flying opportunities to its 40,000 members, from looping a Grob Tutor to soloing a Viking glider.

For many people the Air Cadets is often the first step towards a flying career with the forces or commercial airlines. Offering 12

to 20-year-olds a variety flying courses from absolute beginner, to private pilots' licence (PPL) level.

Divided into six regions the RAF's cadet force has 34 wings and more than 900 squadrons within communities around the UK; including 200 Combined Cadet Force – RAF detachments.

The Air Cadet Pilot Scheme

The Air Cadet Light Aircraft Course (ACLAC) is one of the most accessible to young people with around 140 places available at Tayside Aviation in Dundee. The civilian flying school provides 12 hours flying tuition enabling cadets to progress beyond their first solo.

Embedded with the RAF's University Air Squadrons the Air Cadet Air Experience Flying Course (ACAEFC) has 27 places available. This 10 hour course exposes students to aspects of service flying such as low level and advance handling. At locations throughout the country, the ACAEFC does not enable the cadet to fly solo.

Cadets must be 16 years old and to have completed a non-solo flying course or, preferably achieved a gliding solo winning their silver wings.

Air Cadet Pilot Navigation Scheme

Each year 30 cadets have the chance to win the coveted Navigation Wings at Air Experience Flight's throughout the country. Planning for fuel loads, diversions and the weather are some of the valuable aviation skills gained on completion of the Air Cadet Pilot Navigation Scheme (ACPNS).

Flying Scholarships

There are several PPL, NPPL and gliding scholarships available to Air Cadets each year. These are sponsored by the Royal Aero Club, the Air League Educational Trust, the RAF Charitable Trust, the Geoffrey DeHaviland Foundation, Babcock Defence Services, the RAF Association and the Honourable Company of Air Pilots.

Gliding Induction Course

Flying either Vigilant motor-gliders or Viking winch-launch gliders, the Gliding Induction Course (GIC) is aimed to give cadets their first taste of gliding. Consisting of three levels, GIC1 to GIC3 enable classroom theory such as principles of flight to be put into practice in the skies.

The Gliding Induction Course is offered to motivated cadets who have no medical conditions that prevent them from flying safely. Successful completion of the Gliding Induction Course enables cadets to progress to the Gliding Scholarship.

Vigilant flight instruction GIC 1 – 20 minutes GIC 2 – 25 minutes GIC 3 – 30 minutes.

Viking GIC 1 – 3 launches GIC 2 – 4 launches GIC 3 – 5 launches.

Gliding Scholarship Course

Giving any cadet over the age of 16 the chance to fly solo in the Vigilant or Viking, the Gliding Scholarship Course (GS) is the next step after obtaining the level-3 Gliding Introductory certificate.

Once the cadet has passed the standard medical check the course can be completed over successive weekends or as part of a one week course. The Vigilant course offers students a minimum of 8 hours flying time, which equates to a minimum of 40 launches to those accepted on the Viking programme.

In true Top Gun style the 'best of the best' can have the chance to return as Flight Staff Cadets and train to a much higher level. Post Gliding Scholarship courses are also available to Air Cadets

From taster days to full Private Pilots Licences, there for really are some fantastic scholarship and bursary offers to be taken advantage of for a wide variety of flying disciplines.

This guide is not exclusive to the aviation newcomer, any pilot can use this listing to touch base with some of the amazing flying organisations that serve our industry and hobby so well.

through the Air League Educational Trust.

Air Experience Flights

Air Experience Flight's (AEF) enable cadets to fly the RAF's Grob Tutor from one of 12 AEF sites across the country. Flying with current and ex-service pilots, the cadet will have the freedom to take the controls and even complete aerobatics.

Founded in 1948, the AEF is part of the ATC's commitment to giving flying experience to its members by offering each cadet at least one flight a year.

For more information about the RAF Air Cadets <http://www.raf.mod.uk/aircadets/>

The Air League Educational Trust



With over £2 Million worth of flying scholarships allocated over the past decade The Air League Educational Trust is showing no signs of slowing for 2018.



To attract bright minds and the talent of tomorrow The Air League Educational Trust provides many scholarships and bursaries aimed at encouraging young people to aviation.

This year the charitable trust and its partners are awarding both flying and engineering scholarships, advanced flying bursaries to existing licence holders as well as advising anybody considering a career in the aviation industry.

Working regularly with disadvantaged groups, corporate backing means the Air League Educational Trust can use aviation and aerospace as a gateway to give life-changing experiences and opportunities.

Flying Scholarship

The Air League Educational Trust awards around 50 Flying Scholarships each year to help young people qualify for a Light Aircraft Pilots Licence (LAPL).

This year's winners will be given 12-flying hours towards a Light Aircraft Pilots Licence. Those who reach solo standard will be presented with an Air League pilots badge and certificate at the trust's annual reception in London.

With funding set aside for accommodation, residential 10-day training camps run throughout the summer at Wellesbourne's South Warwickshire Flying School, Dundee's Tayside Aviation and Booker at Wycombe Air Centre.

Scholarships may also be completed at any Air League member flying school or endorsed RAF flying clubs. If the winner has commenced their flying training, a local non-Air League LAPL training organisation may be used to completion.

The flying scholarship is open to young Air League members who are between 18 and 26-years-of-age, that are U.K residents and have a minimum of 5 GCSE/SCE passes, at C/3 grade or above, including English Language and Mathematics.

Being intended to help young persons qualify for a LAPL the scholarship may not be awarded to existing LAPL or PPL holders.

Gliding Scholarships

Contributing to advance flying training costs, The Air League's Gliding Scholarship is intended for young pilots who have achieved solo status.

With typical awards of £300. Glider pilots who apply for funding will be asked by the Air League how they want they want to spend it.

Aerobic, cross-country and up to 35 hours self-launching motor glider time are available, enabling Air League members between the ages of 16 to 26-years build on their airmanship skills and breakout of the circuit.

Winners can choose from a selection of British Gliding Association (BGA) approved Junior Gliding Centres across the country or train at Bristol and Gloucestershire Gliding Club, London Gliding Club or the Midland Gliding Club at Long Mynd.

All the names of successful 2018 applicants will be published in the aviation press and announced on the League's website and newsletter. Successful scholars will be presented with a certificate by The Air League at the Annual Reception held in London in 2018.

Additional funding is also available to Air Cadets via the Post Gliding Scholarship initiative.

Gliding to Solo Scholarships

Inspiring gliding taster days followed by the chance to be accepted on The Air League's Gliding to Solo Scholarship (GSS) are available to students who meet their schools' expectations.

After successfully completing a taster day, last year, twenty students from colleges across the country were given the opportunity to apply for the Gliding to Solo Scholarship. Supported by British Airways, Boeing and global law firm Linklaters, three students from each associated collage were awarded a Gliding to Solo Scholarship.

Engineering Scholarship

For an invaluable insight into real life engineering this summer, the Air League will be offering engineering placements at a number of leading aerospace engineering and flying schools.

With one or two-weeks work experience available, this scholarship can include accommodation and travel expenses as well as valuable knowhow for any CV.

This opportunity to learn useful skill, make new friends and industry contacts is available to 18 to 26-year-olds who are looking for a career in aviation.

The Air League's engineering scholarship is run in-conjunction with the J N Somers Charitable Will Trust and the Rhodes-Moorehouse VC Charitable Trust.

Flying Bursary 2018

Want training on a vintage bi-plane or renew a lapsed rating? The Air League's Flying Bursary can help you.

Covering the costs for 3-5 hour's single engine piston (SEP) flight time, the 2018 Flying Bursary is available to any PPL holder who would like to add qualifications such as aerobatics, night and instrument to their licence or renew a rating.

Conditions for the Flying Bursary mean that the applicant must have a pilot's licence issued by the CAA, which includes a valid SEP (Land) aircraft rating and valid medical certification.

For more information about all The Air League scholarships and bursaries, visit www.airleague.co.uk

Bristol and Gloucester Gliding Club Scholarship



The Bristol and Gloucester Gliding Club are offering free gliding lessons to young people who can demonstrate a passion for aviation, gliding and learning to fly.

Cadet's activities will include retrieving gliders, glider handling, daily sailplane inspections and radio communications. Helping successful applicants fly solo, theory of flight and an introduction to the British Gliding Association's Bronze Certificate will be also taught by the club.

Sponsoring up to four young people between the ages of 14 to 16-years-of age, the prime objective of the course is introducing them to gliding by training them to solo standard.

All flying cost will be included by the Bristol and Gloucester Gliding Club (BGGC) who are one of the largest gliding clubs in the U.K.

Founded in 1956 the club operates from its own 100-acre airfield located on the edge of the Cotswolds at Nympsfield.

For more information about Bristol and Gloucester Gliding Club visit www.bggc.co.uk

The British Aerobatic Association



Catering for all levels of aerobatic pilots and hosting fifteen aerobatic events throughout the U.K, the British Aerobatic Association allocate a portion of their budget to contribute to member's competition costs.

Inspiring BAeA pilots to up their game, yearly bursaries have been paid by the association to help pilots climb the competition ladder to the next level.

Funding for 2018 are in the planning stage now, and details will be announced as they become available.

For more information about the British Aerobatic Association visit www.aerobatics.org.uk

British Gliding Association



At heights of up to 30,000 feet and speeds of over 100mph in an engine-less aircraft. Piloting a glider is one of the best ways to perfect 'perfect' airmanship skills.

The British Gliding Association (BGA) website quotes that: "Gliding is the most fun in the sky", and with around 85 clubs across the U.K facilitating close to ten thousand members, harnessing the power of nature must be some of the most popular flying available.

A known fact is that the BGA is a helpful resource to anybody interested in the sport of gliding, and one that offers a three-tier system of bursaries and scholarships.

BGA Administered Schemes

First. Using funds from the Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS) Centennial Fund, the BGA offers 10 flying scholarships of £300 each to young pilots aged 14 to 21 years-of-age at pre-and-post solo level.

Together with the Honourable Company of Air Pilots, the BGA are also providing funding of £500 to £1000 for pilots under the age of 25-years-of-age to qualify as Basic or Assistant Instructor.

Finally, learn the tricks of the trade in a real-life competition environment by flying with experienced competition pilot's. As part of the Junior National Championships, the BGA offers competition training for young pilots who have never flown competitively.

BGA Third Party Bursaries

Are offered by: the Air League Educational Trust, Launchpoint, Honourable Company of Air Pilots, Royal Aero Club Trust and Upward Bound Trust.

Details about the BGA's third party bursaries are listed under each individual organisation.

BGA Club Bursary Schemes

Most BGA member clubs offer support to younger pilots. This support varies from each club but often includes reduced price flying or membership and cadet schemes.

British Microlight Aircraft Association



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World champion pilot Rob Grimwood started his flying career by winning a British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA) bursary for young persons' in 1997.

Now a flight instructor and examiner at his very own flying school, Rob's story of flying success is something that the BMAA want to repeat by helping fund a LAPL in 2018.

As present members' hang-up their flying suits, the BMAA developed the Young Persons' Bursary as part of a legacy programme to look for future ambassadors of the sport between the ages whom can demonstrate an interest in microlighting.

Wanting to reward the enthusiastic youngster that shows up every weekend to get a flight is exactly who the BMAA want to support by making the NPPL a little step closer.

By cutting down flying costs to its members, The British Microlight Aircraft Association takes care of the interests of microlight pilots across the U.K and is approved by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

For more information about the British Microlight Aircraft Association visit www.bmaa.org

British Women Pilots' Association

With increasing interest from women and an industry demand for more female pilots, the BWPA awarded no less than seven flying scholarships in 2017.

Intended for both inexperienced women pilots, and for those intending to make a career in flying, all the BWPA's scholarship are aimed at improving women's equality within aviation.

In 2017 the BWPA offered the Flying Start and Flying High scholarships to enable winners to gain initial qualifications/ratings or add to existing ones.

Additionally, Air Total UK donated an award of £1000 to a qualified pilot for a project which is realistic and feasible. Further donations were given by BWPA member Dorothy Saul-Pooley as well as CATS and Bristol Ground School.

Formed in 1955 the non-profit making organisation supports women who fly, and women who have yet to try it. Run by volunteers, today BWPA membership includes student pilots,



airline captains and military pilots.

BWPA are soon to announce details for their 2018 scholarship programme.

For more information about the British Women Pilots' Association visit www.bwpa.co.uk

Cotswold Airport Aviation Scholarship



Cotswold Airport are offering an all-inclusive scholarship for ten young people that embraces a mixture of first hand career based experiences, with, loggable flight time on fixed-wing, aerobatic and rotary aircraft.

Celebrating the scholarship eleventh anniversary in 2018, Cotswold Airport along with sponsor Gulf Aviation, will award the course's best performer the opportunity to complete a full PPL at Cotswold Airport.

The Cotswold Airport Aviation Scholarship programme runs over two weeks and is packed with insightful site visits to companies such as Rolls Royce and RAF Cosford, as well as offering flying in fixed wing, aerobatic and jet aircraft, gliding and helicopters.

Available to local 14 to 18-year-olds, twelve finalists and one runner up will be chosen by a board of Cotswold Airport directors. All the flight-training time awarded can go towards a PPL.

For more information about the Cotswold Airport Aviation Scholarship visit www.cotswold.com

de Havilland Educational Trust



The de Havilland Educational Trust (DHET) will be giving several 16 to 25-year-olds the chance to 'turn back the clock' and fly in a vintage Tiger Moth.

With an hour's flight time available per successful candidate, the bursary will also include a full briefing on the classic bi-plane and its operation. Selected candidates will also have the chance to take part in a once in a lifetime navigation exercise. Part of the Fiona McKay Flying Bursaries, the de Havilland Educational Trust have tried this scheme after almost 10 years of offering extended flying bursaries.

Further details are available on application from:

The de Havilland Educational Trust
Staggers, 23 Hall Park Hill, Berkhamstead
Hertfordshire HP4 2NH

For more information about the de Havilland Educational Trust contact dheth@dhmothclub.co.uk

The Fly2Help Aim High Scholarship

With behind the scenes access to Air Traffic Control and Air Operation's. Fly2Help's educational Aim High scholarship also includes visits to Rolls Royce and Airbus.

Fly2Help's Aim High is a free to join scholarship for young people aged between 14 and 18-years-of-age, who win their place through an open application and interview process. Here, they learn about the breadth of opportunities in the industry and how to develop an aviation career.

Finishing with a 15-minute flying lesson, other hands-on experience offered by the Aim High scholarship includes marshalling aircraft and learning to read weather reports.

Fly2Help is an aviation charity based at Gloucestershire Airport which delivers the Aim High Scholarship which helps young people learn about the world of aviation whilst gaining confidence and belief in themselves.

The week-long courses, based at Biggin Hill, Gloucester and Oxford airports, can cater for 10 students and finishes with a presentation which is attended by parents.

For 2018 Fly2Help are looking to run some Aim High taster days for local schools and groups.

For more information about the Fly2Help Aim High Scholarship visit www.fly2help.org

Flying Aces Scholarship

Tayside Aviation is flying right on the numbers by giving 720 air experience flights to cadets belonging to their scholarship called Flying Aces.

Pushing the aviation career door open, Flying Aces creates a level playing field of opportunity for young people whom would not normally get the chance. The Scottish aviation company are also offering selected Flying Aces cadets 12-hours of flight training towards a Private Pilot's Licence.

Initially taking place at Tayside Aviation's headquarters in Dundee and Fife, it is hoped that Flying Ace's sorties will extend to airfields across the region.

So-that young people from the Highlands & Islands don't miss out, the airline Logan Air are providing free flights to bring these cadets to and from Flying Aces days.

Recognising that every young person should have the same chances, the charitable scheme is designed to help young people from disabled and disadvantaged backgrounds to spread their wings.

For more information about Tayside Aviation visit www.taysideaviation.com

Flying for Freedom

Flying for Freedom seek to enable recovery for our wounded, injured and sick service personnel, by supporting them through Microlight flying training.

Flying for Freedom focuses on giving new opportunities and abilities maintaining a 'can do' positive mental attitude through flex-wing microlight flying.

Pilots can study towards Assistant Flying Instructor and-or Display Pilot ratings. This allows them to train future pilots in our adapted aircraft, establishing a flying legacy.

It is not all about individual training either. Post recovery adventurous training can play an important role in challenging perceptions.

For more information about Flying for Freedom visit www.flyingforfreedom.org

Flying Scholarships for Disabled People



**FLYING SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR DISABLED PEOPLE**

Disabled people with a thirst for aviation and adventure are given the opportunity to realise their full potential through the freedom of flight.

Formed in memory of the famed Second World War fighter pilot Douglas Bader, Flying Scholarship for Disabled People (FSDP) has given nearly 400 scholarships to both challenge and inspire all people with disabilities.

Depending on individual's there is no specific target or standard of achievement as to what is accomplished. Each year the type and availability of scholarships varies as they are dependent on the generosity of sponsors.



After passing the Final Selection Board at RAF Cranwell, provisions will be made for trainees to take their scholarship in the U.K or abroad.

FSDP winners will be presented with a scholarship certificate at the Royal International Air Tattoo (RIAT) at Fairford, Gloucestershire, and invited back the next year to receive their pilot's wings.

For further information about Flying Scholarships for Disabled People visit www.fsdp.org

Girls in Aviation Day

In 2017, ACS Flight Training offered girls 50% off all Flying Experiences on the day. This included flights in 2-Seater and 4-Seater aircraft as well as 50% reduction in Flight Simulator Experiences.

Girls in Aviation day, held at the Perth based flight training organisation, is an opportunity to connect with other girls and women who are excited about aviation and explore the opportunities for working in the aviation industry.

For more information about future Girls in Aviation Day's can be found on the Facebook page @ACSFlightTraining under the Events page.

The Girls Venture Corps Air Cadets



Offering many opportunities and experiences from crafts, canoeing and flying. Membership of the Girls

Venture Corps Air Cadets is open to young women 11 to 20-years-of-age, who get the opportunity to study an aviation programme.

Scholarships for gliding are available via the Duacat-Amos Gliding Scholarship, which comprise of a weekend course at a local club.

The Girls Venture Corps Air Cadets was formed in 1964 following a merger between the Girls Training Corps and the Women's Junior Air Corps. In 1887 Air Cadets was added to the title at the request of the membership.

For more information about The Girls Venture Corps Air Cadets visit www.gvcac.org.uk

Heli Air Helicopter Pilot Scholarships Programme



Heli Air's Helicopter Pilot Scholarship is set to return in 2018 by offering three unique funded rotary courses for which you can apply for on completion of your PPL (H) training with Heli Air.

Advance Training Turbine Helicopter Type Rating

Fancy a free Robinson R66 turbine type rating? With 5-days intensive training, including 10 hours flight time on a R66 or Bell 206, Heli Air's Advance Training Turbine Helicopter Type Rating Scholarship is worth approximately £7500.

Full Time ATPL (H) Ground School Scholarship

Valued at approximately £7200, this scholarship provides the student with all the tools to complete a full 6 months' full time study ATPL (H) Theoretical Knowledge course. The course provides the successful candidate with the opportunity to study all 14 ATPL (H) subjects and includes all CAA fees for their first sitting of examinations.

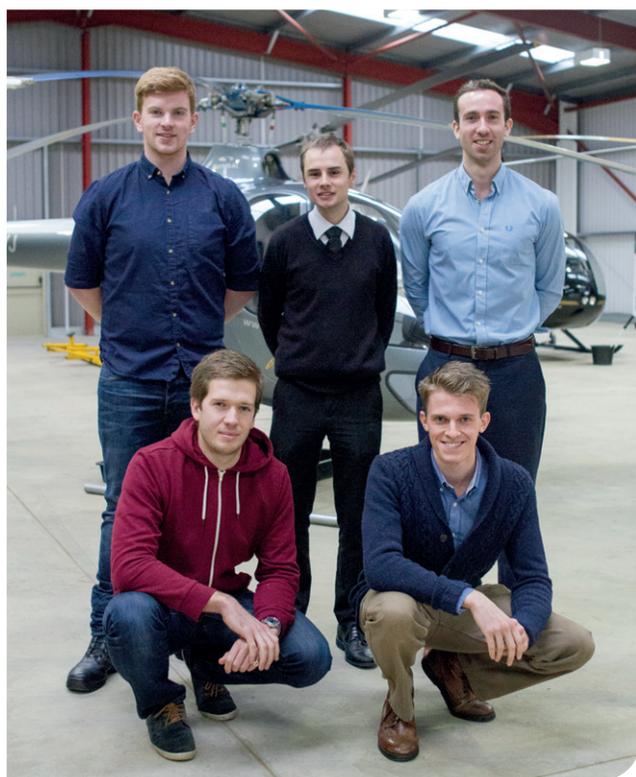
Modular CPL (H) Helicopter Pilot Course

The Scholarship winner will have the opportunity to complete their CPL(H) training at any of Heli Air's nine bases throughout the U.K.

The CPL(H) flying course in will be completed in the world class Robinson R22 helicopter and worth approximately £14000. If the winner holds the relevant rating, it can be possible to upgrade to an R44.

As part of Heli Air's commitment to their existing customer base, exam fees are included and the successful candidate will not be required to pay any of the funding back.

For further information about Heli Air visit www.heli-air.com



Helicentre Aviation Academy Professional Helicopter Scholarships



So high was the standard of applications in 2017, Helicentre took an unprecedented step to combat pilot shortage by adding a further £60,000 to their £70,000 scholarship purse in 2018.

Awards are to be given to promising applicants to complete their training and further their careers. The new 2018 scholarships will award £10,000 to three winners, and £30,000 to be given to a single applicant.

In addition to this funding, the helicopter operator will still award two professional scholarships, worth £70,000 to complete, a Commercial Pilot (CPL(H) course and a Flight Instructor (FI(H) training.

The programme has been extremely successful, providing the scholarship winners with much needed funding to complete their professional flight training, as well as career opportunities to work as professional helicopter pilots.

The CPL(H) funding will pay for all post-PPL(H) hour building, including the chance to fly out of the company's new base in Orlando, Florida, the CPL/ATPL theoretical knowledge course, as well as the complete CPL(H) modular flying course - a total of up to 140-hours flight time.

The FI(H) scholarship will cover the entire cost of the winner's Flight Instructor course and will include a full time instructing position on completion.

For more information about Helicentre Aviation Scholarship visit www.flyheli.co.uk

Helping Wings Jersey

Helping Wings is a Jersey charity with the aim of sharing the excitement of flying with local disadvantaged children and teenagers who would not otherwise get the chance.

In 2017 the aviation charity offered bursary worth £2000 of flying training with Jersey Aero Club for a local disabled person, and for the second year running offered £5000 worth of funding thank to the Sir James Knott Trust.

Since 2008 with the support of our members, partners and pilots, over 150 children have enjoyed a day out at the aero club.

Plans are being made to provide pilot training and flight experiences for the physical disabled using a specially adapted aircraft.

For more information on Helping Wings Jersey visit www.helpingwingsjersey.org

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots



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The Honourable Company of Air Pilots (HCAP) and their sponsors could well be your best friends this summer. Why? Because, they are offering multiple PPL, gliding, instructor and jet orientation scholarships.

When not assisting members in all matters of aviation. Each year The Honourable Company of Air Pilots reaches out providing a unique opportunity for people

who would like to become pilots or further their qualifications as pilots by offering free flying scholarships and bursaries.

Starting out as a Guild in 1929, The Honourable Company of Air Pilots sphere of influence is great. In addition to flying scholarships funded directly by the Company or one of its Charitable trusts, each year Air Pilot's is fortunate to receive generous sponsorship from several sources to fund flying scholarships which are administered by the Company.

In 2017, funding was generously provided by benefactors for the following scholarships:

- Air BP - funding for one PPL (fixed-wing) scholarship - 'The Air BP Sterling Scholarship'
- Past Master Mike Grayburn - funding for one PPL (fixed-wing) scholarship - 'The Grayburn Scholarship'
- Cadogan Charitable Trust - funding for one PPL (fixed-wing) scholarship - 'The Cadogan Scholarship'
- Liveryman Alan Jackson - funding for one PPL (fixed-wing) scholarship - The Jackson Scholarship'
- TAG Farnborough Airport - funding for one PPL (fixed-wing) scholarship - 'The TAG Flying Scholarship'
- Air Pilots Benevolent Fund - funding for three PPL (fixed-wing) scholarships
- Foyle Charitable Trust - funding for one FI(R) (fixed-wing) scholarship - 'The Foyle Scholarship'
- Air Pilots Trust - funding for one FI(R) (fixed wing) scholarship - 'The Norman Motley Scholarship'
- Adrian Swire Charitable Trust - funding for one FI(R) (fixed-wing) scholarship - 'The Swire Scholarship'

Additionally, in 2017, there were many residential Gliding Scholarships available.

Virgin Atlantic (2), the Eric Winkle Brown Scholarships (2), Liveryman Paul Nicholas (2), the Air Pilots Flying Club (3), the Air Pilots Benevolent Fund (1), and the Air Safety Trust (8).



PPL Scholarships

These scholarships cover all aspects of training up to licence issue for a candidate who is prepared to dedicate a considerable part of the summer to gaining their PPL. Providing up to 45 hours of flying, these scholarships can take a candidate with little or no experience to completion of their flying licence during the summer; alternatively, they can complete the training of a partially-trained pilot.

Gliding Scholarships

Gliding scholarships are provided directly by the Honourable Company and by funding from the Air Pilots' Flying Club and the Air Pilots Benevolent Fund. As these scholarship's will be residential, they are offered to people over the age of 16 and give the successful candidates the opportunity to fly on a one week residential course at a youth approved British Gliding Association centre. This course could take a candidate to first solo.

Flight Instructor Certificate Scholarships

The Flight Instructor Certificate Scholarship award covers all direct training and examination costs for the successful candidate as they achieve their Fixed Wing Flying Instructor Certificate.

For more information about The Honourable Company of Air Pilots visit www.airpilots.org

Launchpoint

The Caroline Trust has been renamed Launchpoint to maximise the number of people who can benefit from charitable funds.

Helping more than 400 people to get involved with gliding, the Launchpoint charity aims to provide opportunities to experience gliding, and to help existing glider pilots expand their horizons in the sport.

Its aims are delivered through Caroline Awards, which continue unchanged, and the new Ted Lys Awards, which provide new opportunities for experienced glider pilots. The awards are open to all.

The small group of Launchpoint trustees are all actively involved in gliding. All donations and gifts are allocated to the charity's beneficiaries, with no deductions made for administration and no payments made to trustees.

As Launchpoint is the BGA's adopted charity, the BGA provides website and other support at no cost.

Light Aircraft Association



Light Aircraft Association

The Light Aircraft Association is the representative body in the United Kingdom for amateur aircraft construction, and recreational and sport flying.

For 2018 the LAA are offering no less than three bursaries of up to £1,500 to enable the winner to finish flying training to achieve a PPL.

The Armstrong-Isaacs Trust has long been an important part of the Light Aircraft Association's support for younger aviators. For much of the past two decades, the Trust has offered individual scholarships to young people contributing to their flying costs. Ideally, the LAA are looking for people who can demonstrate their commitment to flying at their own expense, whom may otherwise have had to suspend or forgo the completion of their course.

For more information about the Light Aircraft Association visit www.lightaircraftassociation.co.uk

ManSat Scholarship

The ManSat Scholarship that rockets winners from the Isle of Man to NASA's United Space School is back for 2018.

Every year, in cooperation with the Department of Education & Children, the satellite firm ManSat funds a scholarship for three Manx students to attend the prestigious Houston Space School, Texas, for two weeks during the summer.

Working alongside peers from around the world, winning students will plan a simulated manned mission to Mars, with support from NASA astronauts, engineers and scientists.

The scholarships are awarded as the result of an Island-wide essay competition has had 30 students attend the United Space School to date.

The scholarship is open to all Year-12 and Lower-6 students on the Isle.

For more information about the ManSat Scholarship visit www.mansat.com

The Mike Langley Foundation



inspiring & supporting the next generation of airline pilots

With airline pilot training costing up to £100,000, The Mike Langley Foundation wants to raise money from the aviation industry to help young pilots attain their wings.

Mr Langley, who started flying at the age of 17, has played a pivotal role in ab-initio training over the last 25 years by working with self-funded pilots, airlines, universities and regulatory bodies from across the globe.

After 36 years in the military he went on to work at the Kidlington-based Oxford Aviation Academy flying school.

A founder member of Kura Aviation and the head of its Advisory Board, Mr Langley was diagnosed with terminal cancer in 2016.

Named after the man who has a reputation for never retiring, it's expected that the foundation will help anyone with a passion for flying.

Applications for Scholarship and Bursaries will be available for the following.

PPL training:

EASA approved PPL training with Airways Aviation delivered in beautiful Huesca in Spain.

Best Pilot:

Open to CPL/IR holders, Best Pilot bridges the gap between licence issue and airline entry through a combination of technical and NOTECH training.

ATPL (A) Semi Distance:

For pilots who already possess an EASA PPL(A) license, Scandinavian Aviation Academy in Sweden offer a semi-distance ATPL(A) theory course.

Ground School Course:

Open to those holding a private pilots license, CATS is delighted to offer a full ATPL theory distance learning course. This includes online and iPad App learning materials and the three mandatory brush-up courses at our Luton HQ.

For more information on The Mike Langley Foundation visit www.mikelangleyfoundation.org

Nick Davidson Memorial Flying Scholarship

Gain a full Private Pilot's Licence by learning to fly at Biggin Hill Airport with the Nick Davidson Memorial Flying Scholarship.

An individual scholarship of 45-hours training time is being funded by the Davidson family in 2018. Including ground school and examinations. Worth £12,000 in overall value, the training package intended for 15 to 25-year-olds.

Established in 2012 when the late Nick Davidson died of Cancer, the fund receives support from London Biggin Hill Airport, Shipping and Airlines, Adams Aviation and Supply Company and the Bamrah family. Flying training will be allocated to instructors at the Surrey and Kent Flying Club.

Talking about the scholarship, Alina, Mr Davidsons widow, said: 'For us, the scheme had high value and purpose in memorialising Nick's first professional flying job as an instructor at Biggin Hill and the flying career he enjoyed so much.'

The selection process will be held in September and October and applications should include a full Curriculum Vitae.

For more information about the Nick Davidson Memorial Flying Scholarship visit www.bigginhillairport.com

The Royal Aero Club Trust



The Royal Aero Club Trust presented 50 bursaries in 2017 for a wide range of flying disciplines to enable young people to achieve their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential through participation in air sports and recreation.

The scheme and the bursaries comprise all types of air sports and aviation-related activities including: paragliding, gliding, hang-gliding, parachuting, microlight aircraft, helicopter, light aircraft and the designing, building and flying model aeroplanes, including multi-rotary wing - e.g. drones.

Bursaries include The President's Award, two bursaries each worth up to £750, a further bursary worth up to £1,000 from The Peter Cruddas Foundation Scholarship, the Breitling Bursary also worth up to £750, the Mac Robert Trust Bursaries, two bursaries each worth up to £500, and the Bramson Bursary also worth up to £500 as well as many additional bursaries worth up to £500 each to suitable candidates.

Four categories of Bursaries include:

Flying Bursaries/Grants

for those wishing to advance from one recognised level of air sport to the next higher level and wish to upgrade their existing qualifications;

Flight-Sim Bursaries/Grants

for Computer Flight Simulation enthusiasts wishing to gain practical experience of flying or an air sport.

Aeromodelling Bursaries

to enable flyers upgrade equipment or to gain further qualifications.

Follow-on (Advanced) Bursaries

to enable well qualified air sports persons enter international or national competitions or other prestigious events or to advance their existing qualifications to a higher level to the benefit of the sport (e.g. to gain an instructor qualification).

Bursaries are available to U.K residents between the ages of 14 and 21-years-old, with a Follow-On (Advanced) Bursaries up to 24-years-old.

For more information about The Royal Aero Club Trust visit www.royalaeroclubtrust.org



Royal Aeronautical Society Centennial Scholarship Fund



Since the Centennial awards began in 2003, over 125 bursaries have been donated with a value of more than £450,000. If you've got the talent and commitment to become an aerospace leader but need financial help, read on.

launched in celebration of one hundred years of flight, The Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS) created the Centennial Scholarship Fund to look forward to the next generation of aerospace pioneers and experts in the 21st Century.

From its beginnings, The Centennial Fund has gone from strength to strength providing support to many outstanding students and team initiatives, thanks to the generous support of the sponsors representing all areas of membership of the RAeS.

Awards include support towards:

Final year MEng students

Postgraduate tuition fees to enable young people to undertake Master's programmes such as Air Transport Management and Aerospace Vehicle Design

Completion of aerospace-related post-doctorate research projects

National programmes to encourage young people's interest in the aviation industry and aerospace engineering.

These include several named awards:

The Robert Blackburn Award - for aerospace engineering study

The Alan Snudden Award - for aircraft engineering and safety related study

The GP Olley Award - for aerospace medicine study and research

The British Aviation Group Scholarships - for air transport, airport planning and infrastructure study.

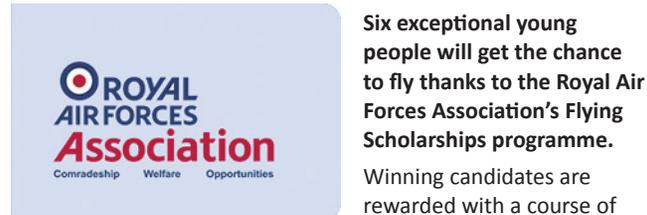
Travel Grants

The Aerospace Speakers Travel Grants is a quarterly bursary fund focussed on, but not exclusive to, young people at the beginning of their aerospace-related careers and is available for students who wish to present a paper on their research at a conference.

Applicants who are members of the Society may receive up to two awards from this bursary – the first successful application will be awarded up to £500 and the second successful application will be up to £300.

For more information about The Royal Aeronautical Society visit www.aerosociety.com

RAF Association Flying Scholarship



Six exceptional young people will get the chance to fly thanks to the Royal Air Forces Association's Flying Scholarships programme.

Winning candidates are rewarded with a course of 35-hours flight training in a

light aircraft, for the course that covers all, or part of the tuition needed to obtain a National Private Pilot Licence (NPPL). Four runners-up will receive 12 hours training each.

For over 10 years the RAF Association has been running its Flying Scholarship programme for the Air Cadet Organisation (ACO), the Girls Venture Corps Air Cadets (GVCAC), and members of the Air Scouts/ Air Explorer Scouts.

The Flying Scholarship award is presented each year as a thank you to members of the ACO (which includes the Air Training Corps and the Combined Cadet Force), GVCAC and Air Scouts/ Air Explorer Scouts for their continuous support to the RAF Association, in helping to raise funds for the Wings Appeal.

To be eligible for the award cadets need to have been a member of the ACO, GVCAC or Air Scouts/Air Explorer Scouts for at least 12 months, and be over 17 and under 20 on 1 January 2016.

For more information on the RAF Association Flying Scholarship visit www.rafa.org.uk

The RAF Charitable Trust Junior Rank Pilot Scholarship Scheme



The Junior Rank Pilot Scholarship Scheme (JRPSS) was increased to 30 places in 2017. The programme includes 15 hours flying training on a light aircraft as well as ground study and examinations in core

subjects such as Air Law, Meteorology and Navigation.

In association with the RAF Flying Clubs' Association (RAFFCA), the RAF Charitable Trust (RAFCT) welcomes applications from serving RAF Regular and Reserve Junior Ranks (JRs) for the Junior Rank Pilot Scholarship Scheme (JRPSS).

The purchase of a new ultra-efficient Tecnam P2008JC was authorised by The Trustees of the RAF Charitable Trust in 2016 to enhance the delivery of the JRPSS.

Training may count towards the award of a Light Aircraft Pilot Licence (LAPL). Selected RAF Flying Clubs will deliver the flying training on behalf of the RAFCT with training study packs, supporting documentation and apparel being provided to Scholarship winners.

For more information about The Junior Rank Pilot Scholarship Scheme visit www.jrfly.co.uk

Royal Navy Gliding Scholarships



The Fleet Air Arm Officers Association Aviation Scholarship Trust awards gliding scholarships to young people between the ages of 17 and 20-years-of-age, who are interested in pursuing a career in military aviation.

The courses are run through Naval Gliding Clubs which are subject to the rules and regulations of the British Gliding Association (BGA). Gliding Scholarships normally take place during the Easter and August holiday periods.

Where possible, air experience in a small fixed wing aircraft is provided by The Fleet Air Arm Squadron, which is a group of FAA Officers Association members, providing their own private aircraft and governed by civilian flying rules.

The intensive gliding course of up to eight days is held at one of three locations - Royal Naval Air Station Yeovilton in Somerset; Royal Naval Air Station Culdrose in Cornwall; and Lee-on-Solent in Hampshire.

The training is dependent on weather and cadet aptitude but can often lead to a solo flight in a glider.

Food and accommodation is provided in the Officers Mess in a Royal Naval Air Station or Naval Establishment.

Where possible, a powered flying navigation exercise and visits to FAA training facilities are included.

For more information on the Royal Navy Gliding Scholarship visit www.fleetairarmoa.org

The Scouts Association

Some 40% of the annual flying by scouts is in gliders. Quietly whistling around the clouds and with the potential to fly for several hours, gliding is an exhilarating and affordable way to learn to fly.

Either winch or aero-tow, once airborne there is often a chance for the scout to try the controls and get a first real flying lesson.

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Generally gliding is more suited to the oldest scouts and explorers, who can start learning to fly. Some providers specialise in providing a scout package, linking the aeronautics badge with a half-day gliding course.

www.scouts.org.uk

The Strathaven Young Persons Bursary

To create successful young aviators and to give back to the local community, Strathaven Airfield is building on its scholarship in 2018 by adding an extra place.

Each bursary is worth approximately £2,500, and will give the successful applicant 15-hours of dual flight time with the aim to achieve a solo flight.

In its second year, the scholarship will include both, membership to the airfield and the British Microlight Aircraft Association, as well as study text books. All flying training is expected to be completed with Sportflight Scotland who are based on the airfield.

For 2018, Strathaven Airfield are expanding their bursary to include applicants from Lanarkshire, as well as giving away three scholarships places to young people whom live in the local ML10 post-code area.

In the future, the not-for-profit organisation plans to expand into the rest of Lanarkshire.

For more information about The Strathaven Young Persons Bursary 2018 visit www.strathavenairfield.co.uk

The Take-Off Scholarship

Flying an aircraft, especially solo, provides tremendous self-confidence and a great sense of achievement, benefiting you in whichever walk of life you choose.

Take-Off are offering scholarships within the Perth City area and to the Junior Members of the Scottish Aero Club with additional bursary scheme for students intending to train toward an NPPL.

The Take-Off Scholarship provides 10-hours of dual flight training with a registered CAA approved training provider in a two seat, single engine light aircraft, with the aim of bringing the student to a standard that will allow one solo flight within those hours.

Applicants must be aged 16 to 18-years-old at the time that the training takes place and have a medical declaration of health.

Take-Off hope to offer more wide ranging scholarship awards as the scheme expands,

For more information about The Take-Off Scholarship visit www.take-off.org.uk

University Air Squadron



The 15 University Air Squadrons have a long tradition of offering flying training to undergraduates as well as a chance to experience life in the RAF and the opportunity to bring out your own potential.

University Air Squadron (UAS) members receive a high standard of free flying instruction from serving RAF personnel and is open to anyone at a British university that is affiliated with the scheme.

There are 14 University Air Squadrons around the country, offering undergraduates flying training and a chance to experience RAF life. They are: Bristol, Cambridge, East Midlands, East of Scotland, Glasgow & Strathclyde, Liverpool, Manchester



& Salford, Northumbrian, Oxford, Southampton, University of Birmingham, University of London, Wales, Yorkshire.

Recruiting for most University Squadrons takes place during September to October; membership of the UAS does not imply commitment towards a career in the RAF.

For more information about University Air Squadrons visit www.universityairsquadrons.com for further information.

The Upward Bound Gliding Trust



With help from its many volunteers and donations, The Upward Bound Gliding Trust offers flying at reduced rates for young people.

To stimulate young people in adventure in the air, the trust formed a gliding school for young people between 16 and 21-years-of-age.

Flying activities are generally run on Saturdays between the March and October. Some flying is completed on Sundays.

For more information about the Upward Bound Gliding Trust visit www.ubt.org.uk

The Vintage Aircraft Club - Liz Inwood Taildragger Scholarship

Do you have a passion for vintage aircraft and their individual flying characteristics? If so the Liz Inwood Taildragger Scholarship could enable you to get some stick and rudder time enabling you to fly the conventional way.

The Vintage Aircraft Club (VAC) has been in existence for over 50 years, and currently has some 300 members who own and

operate almost 200 classic and vintage aircraft.

The Liz Inwood Taildragger Scholarship was created from her love of flying vintage aircraft. After she passed away from Cancer in 2013 it was decided to set up the scholarship in her name to encourage younger pilots to learn the skills needed to fly these types of aircraft.

Candidates must under 35-years-of-age, with 100-hours total time, and 50-hours as pilot-in-command.

The Scholarship will pay for up to five-hours flying time at an approved flying school including aircraft hire and instructor's fees.

Each year the VAC has great difficulty choosing a scholarship winner because of the high standard of applicants.

For more information about the Vintage Aircraft Club, visit www.vintageaircraftclub.org.uk

