

Lasham Gliding Society winter talks 2016/17

as at 15th December 2016

We are arranging a really good season of Saturday evening events again this winter with something organised every Saturday from the bonfire night party through to the beginning of April. Talks are free of charge and you do not need to be a member at Lasham to attend. Non-members and members of other clubs are also most welcome. Some dates and talks might change and some not are yet fully arranged but listed below is the current situation. An updated list will be issued in due course.

Saturday talks will usually commence at 6pm and will be held in the Brown Elephant briefing room if it is available. The talks are free of charge but as is customary, a silver collection will be made at the end of each talk for the Lasham Trust or other deserving cause of the speaker's choosing. We have new caterers and a table service dinner will be available in the restaurant afterwards. **Booking is strongly advised** on cateringmanager@lasham.org.uk. Or 01256 384910. The bar is also available to members and visitors.

All talks will take place at Lasham Gliding Society, Lasham Airfield, Avenue Road, Basingstoke, Hants, GU34 5SS. Telephone 01256 384900

Saturday 17th Dec - Tai Chi and optimal health; from thermal vents to quantum biology. A talk by Dr Al Nunn. Although Tai Chi is a martial art, it encompasses so much more towards well being including meditation, diet and efficient transfer of energy through the skeleton.

Saturday 24th Dec – No Lasham event is being planned for Xmas eve.

Saturday 31st Dec – No formal event is planned at the time of writing for New Years Eve although there will probably be some impromptu events taking place.

Sunday 1st January 2017 – Traditional New Years Day Charity “Fun” Run/Walk/Stagger /swagger around the peri track. Arranged by Marjorie Hobby in aid of the Cinnamon Trust. Meet at the Clubhouse for an 11:00 AM start.

Saturday 7th Jan – We start off the new year with another talk by Paul Stickler on historical murders in the 20th Century and before. Paul's talk was very well attended last year and this is the next episode. More info on Paul's excellent web site: www.historicalmurders.com

Saturday 14th Jan – So you think you're a good driver, do you? A talk by the Institute of Advanced Motorists arranged by Jane Nash.

Saturday 21st Jan – Please note revised date - Paramotoring, the Self Launching Motor Glider, in the boot of a car by Michel Carnet, current British Paramotoring Champion and former World Champion

Saturday 28th Jan – Please note revised date - RNLI Teddington Lifeboats – A talk by Kay Whittaker on the work done by the RNLI and Teddington Lifeboats. This will include video footage of real rescues and injuries which some might find distressing.

Saturday 4th Feb – A talk by Adam Spink who is a Heathrow Controller. An overview of ATC operations at Heathrow. Or; How to squeeze a quart into a pint pot.

Saturday 11th Feb – An event is planned and will be advised in due course.

Saturday 18th Feb – Another chance to visit the WW2 Battle of Britain bunker at Uxbridge followed by an optional “adventure in Curry” meal at a local restaurant. This is a fascinating place to visit and is where the coordination of the Battle of Britain actually took place. Prior booking needed. Contact Lasham office on 01256 384900 to book a place.

Saturday 25th Feb – **Change of date:** Glyn Bradney will present and narrate a collection of gliding videos including some “mishaps” caught on film.

Saturday 4th March – A talk by Broadcast professional and futurologist, Richard Salmon on television past, present and future and what your next TV and home entertainment system might look like.

Saturday 11th March – A talk by Shaun Lapworth on LXNav instruments and their development. This talk will be of interest to glider pilots and pilots of light sport aircraft.

Saturday 18th March – A classical guitar recital by Jane Nash. Jane is a member at Lasham and a highly accomplished guitar player. If you did not manage to hear her play last year, this is one not to be missed!

Saturday 25th March – Lasham Gliding Society Annual General Meeting. This event is for LGS members only.

Saturday 1st April – Provisional and subject to confirmation – A talk by G Dale on bailing out of gliders and his forthcoming second book.