

*East of Scotland Strut of the Light Aircraft Association
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Chairman's bit

Hi All,

I have had Covid followed by a Kidney infection and have not been in the mood to finish the repair on my Europa. The Outrigger that failed is repaired but not reattached.

I do recommend Keith Boardman's talk at next Monday's meeting on his RV restoration. Should be good.

I omitted to mention last month that the Fly-in edition of the Newsletter was excellent and we must thank Andrew Macleod for his sterling work in this department. The Newsletter is part of the glue that holds us together as a Strut.

I hope to be back in the air next month and back in the saddle as it were. See you all then.

Fly safe. *Justin*

Co-ordinator's bit

As I type this the clocks have changed back to parallel GMT heralding the arrival of winter.

The next meeting on November 7th will be at the Harrow at 2000 where Keith Boardman will give a presentation on the repairs to his RV 12.

I have seen quite a few of our type of flyers on various flight tracking sites recently so hopefully the winter will be kind to us.

In the meantime enjoy your aviation. *Iain*

Cover photo



Dennis Penny took this photo of Keith Boardman in happier times, leaving Balado at the end of our 2021 Fly-in.

Subsequently, (and not while Keith was flying in it), the RV12 had a serious accident. See photo on the following page. Keith has now carefully brought it back to life and will explain how in what looks to be an interesting talk at the meeting on Monday, so come along for that.

GASCo meeting

Strut members will have received my mailshot about the GASCo Safety evening at Fife Airport last week. Keith Griggs told me about that but there is a possibility of another local meeting soon, so keep checking their website if you are interested.

<https://www.gasco.org.uk/events/safety-evenings>

The next meeting is on...

Monday 7th November
at the Harrow Hotel
Eskbank Road, Dalkeith
at 8.00pm

Keith Boardman will
give a talk about how
he repaired his RV 12



About the Light Aircraft Association:
www.laa.uk.com

With a history extending over 70 years, the UK Light Aircraft Association promotes safe and economical operation of sports and recreational aircraft. Representing the aviation interests of around 8,000 recreational pilots, amateur-builders and enthusiast members, the LAA oversees the operation of more than 2,500 light aircraft and the build of another 1,700, whilst providing sector-leading consultation and advocacy in aviation-related regulatory matters both in UK and Europe.

This newsletter can also be viewed on
the Strut website:
eos-strut.org

Meeting on Monday 7th

What a shame, but happy to say that nobody was hurt. Next Monday at the Harrow Hotel, Keith Boardman will explain what happened and how he nursed it back to health. 8.00pm at 2-4 Eskbank Road, Dalkeith.



What a brilliant thing to do

I saw a reference to this in the latest BMAA Newsletter, though the photograph below comes from the Balado website and may be from last year. It shows Finlay Anderson and Gregor Senior, two local lads who received flying scholarships funded by Balado airfield's owner James Alexander.

The Young Pilots Scheme awards two annual scholarships to local youth aged 16-18. The scheme provides two students with introductory flights and 10 hours flight training, as well as training materials, mentoring and membership to the British Microlight Aircraft Association. Pooleys generously donate the BMAA Microlight Starter Packs and the resident flying school, Adventure Aviation, provides the training.

We older folk are aware how difficult it is for youngsters to get close to flying these days compared to when we were their age, so something like this is a great thing to do.



A flying car, again...

I have always had my doubts about these things, not least because of their extra weight, high cost and even higher cost to repair when given a nudge in the car park. However, the Klein Vision Air Car is progressing and looks in their video to be flyable. So, cheque books at the ready?

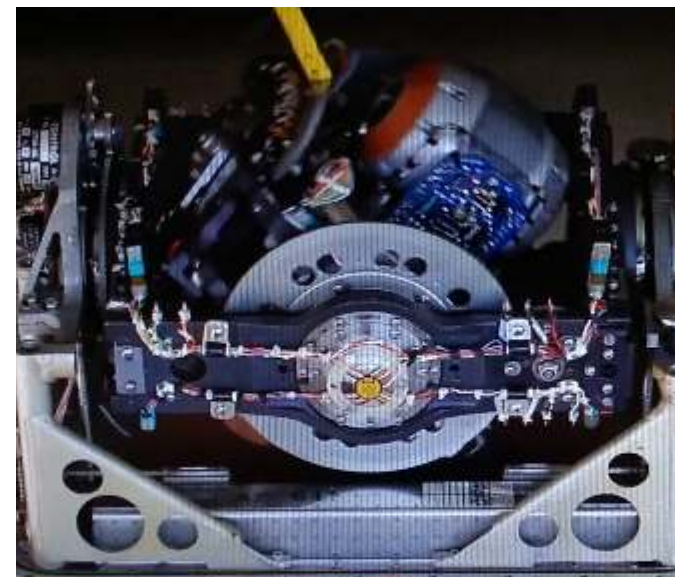
<https://www.klein-vision.com/>



Inertial Navigation Systems

The problem with Satellite (GPS) navigation is that the signals are very weak and easily corrupted; eg. in time of war, they are easily jammed by an enemy. Thanks again to John Whitfield for this interesting link.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pq_PDaYclAw&t=2s



David Cyster's Tiger Moth

This lovely Tiger Moth, which he flew to Australia in 1978, is now based in Yorkshire where it was recently overhauled. Jim Prettyman writes to David regularly and this is what he was told recently.

'Flying mostly over for this year but what a great summer we have had. Last Tiger 9 show was the B of B Duxford on 10/11th September followed by a great barbecue at our home field of Charlton Clumps in the Salisbury area. Also displayed my friend Richard's Klemm 25 at Old Warden on 4th Sep - that was fun too!

Tiger now tucked up in the hangar with a warm blanket at a little heat at Bagby. Roll on summer '23!'

<https://britishpathe.com/video/VLVA5DA98A0WZL0R84WZU9KNTFHII-AUSTRALIA-BRITISH-SOLO-PILOT-DAVID-CYSTER-LANDS-IN-DARWIN-AFTER/query/david>



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