



Concorde Champagne Day – The Anniversary of the Final Concorde Commercial Flights – Lunch, “Flight” on Concorde and Presentation by Chief Concorde Pilot Mike Bannister at the Brooklands Museum, Weybridge

Monday 24 October 2016 Cost £69.00

Please join us for our special Autumn event to experience the Concorde Champagne day in leafy Weybridge. On 24 October 2003 three Concorde aircraft landed together at London Heathrow to mark the final commercial flights of the supersonic aircraft. The last to land was the BA002 from New York, the Captain, Chief Pilot Mike Bannister, will be our host.

Brooklands is unique - the world’s first purpose-built motor circuit, constructed by wealthy landowner Hugh Locke King in 1907, was more than a great sporting arena. Brooklands became the birthplace of British Motorsport and Aviation, the home of Concorde (more than 30% of every airframe, British and French, was built here!) and the site of many engineering and technological achievements throughout eight decades of the 20th Century.

The Museum displays a wide range of Brooklands-related motoring and aviation exhibits ranging from giant racing cars such as the 24-litre Napier-Railton to a unique collection of Vickers/BAC-built aircraft and, of course, Concorde and the Concorde Flight Simulator. Also on site is the London Bus Museum housing the largest privately owned collection of London buses in the world.

We will meet at London (Waterloo) station in time to take the 09.42 train to Weybridge. The price includes a group return fare to Weybridge. **Please could you email us at membership@foskd.org if you are in possession of Freedom Passes or Senior Railcards.**

On arrival at Weybridge we have requested a vintage bus to meet us for the short journey to the Museum.

At the Museum we will have a “Buck’s Fizz” reception in the historic Members’ Bar opened specially for us and hosted by former Chief Concorde Pilot Mike Bannister. There will be a briefing about Brooklands before we leave for the

short walk to the aircraft.

Having taken our assigned seats on board we will be served champagne by one of the stewardesses, hopefully Carol Cornwall, who served aboard Concorde for twenty years! The “Flight” will then commence. Passengers will be invited in pairs to the flight deck where Capt. Bannister will invite you to take the pilots’ seats - a great photo opportunity! Carol will no doubt regale us with her candid tales of life “down the back” during the time she flew the rich and famous across the world. Moving from the front to the rear cabin you will see the exhibition which details the history and operation of the aircraft when in service.

On leaving the Concorde there will be free time to explore the Museum and view the Concorde Simulator in action - the only one in the world open to the public and still able to be “flown” - on which all the British Airways supersonic pilots trained. A Museum “Trail Guide” will be provided to explore the other exhibits. More information on the Brooklands Concorde can be found at www.brooklandsconcorde.co.uk

A two course buffet lunch will be served in the Blue Bird Room, (drinks with lunch not incl. in price) following which Capt. Bannister has kindly agreed to give us a presentation on the aircraft and his many experiences flying it, including the historic “Last Day”.

We will return to Weybridge station aboard our vintage bus and take the train back to London to arrive around 17.30.

Our Membership Secretary Colin Mitchell has organised this event for us and negotiated a very special price of £69 per person. This event is for current members only and is limited to 30 places which we expect to fill quickly.

Please see below for how to register and pay for this members only event.

To make a booking there is a two-step process:-

STEP 1. TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE, click [here](#) to register with your name and membership number and email address.

You will receive confirmation of your booking only once payment is received

STEP 2. TO PAY PLEASE CHOOSE FROM ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PAYMENT OPTIONS:-

1. Pay by internet banking to A/C: 81790641 Sort Code: 40 01 04 using the following payment reference:-

Your SURNAME + BROOK + Membership Number(s) (excluding leading zeroes)

OR

2. For payment by cheque, complete the application slip below and return to the address shown below with your cheque payable to “The Friends of St Katharine Docks”

Closing date for bookings is Monday, 10th October 2016

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I / we wish to book.....place(s) for the Brooklands event and I /we enclose a cheque for

£.....at £69 each. **(Please make cheques payable to “Friends of St Katharine Docks”)**

Deliver to:- Sue Hughes, 7 Ivory House, St Katharine Docks E1W 1AT