



**Friday 27 January 2017**

## **2017 Aviation Event Days at IWM Duxford**

This year, IWM Duxford will be hosting a series of aviation event days. Pilots and aviation groups will have the opportunity to land at this historic airfield and enjoy a fascinating day exploring the museum's renowned exhibitions and heritage.

### **Duxford Airfield Safety Day Saturday 8 April**

The Duxford Airfield Safety Day is an opportunity for the general aviation community to meet with aviation experts, listen to presentations and ask questions.

During the day, there will be a selection of presentations hosted by representatives from the Civil Aviation Authority, the General Aviation Safety Council, National Air Traffic Services and Distress and Diversion.

At table top presentations, meet and chat with, amongst others, members of the Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association, British Microlight Aircraft Association, Civil Aviation Authority, Andrewsfield Aviation CFI (Licensing), Distress and Diversion, The General Aviation Safety Council (GASCo), the Light Aircraft Association, the Met Office, National Air Traffic Services, Park Air and the Royal Institute of Navigation.

Presentations will run from 11.30am to 1.30pm and then be repeated from 2pm to 4pm. Table top presentations run continuously throughout the day.

There will also be guided tours throughout the day in *AirSpace* and the *Battle of Britain* exhibition.

Entry to the Duxford Airfield Safety Day is £5 per person. The landing fee is reduced to £8 per aircraft. Visitors travelling by car, or unable to fly in due to bad weather, must pre-book.

Landing slots for the day are limited. To register interest, book landing slots for PPR/briefing and receive the programme for the day, please contact IWM Duxford Air Traffic Control on 01223 833 376 or via email at [AirTraffic@iwm.org.uk](mailto:AirTraffic@iwm.org.uk)

### **Vintage Aircraft Club (VAC) Bonus Day Saturday 3 June**

Originally formed in 1964, The Vintage Aircraft Club provides a principle body for enthusiasts of vintage and classic light aircraft by arranging fly-ins and other events for its members.

On Saturday 3 June, members of the Vintage Aircraft Club will have the opportunity to fly into

IWM Duxford at the discounted landing fee of £8 per aircraft and meet with other vintage aircraft owners and enthusiasts. Attendees will also be able to explore IWM Duxford's exhibitions free of charge.

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### **Light Aircraft Association (LAA) Bonus Day Saturday 5 August**

The Light Aircraft Association was formed in 1946 and seeks to make aircraft ownership achievable through pioneering and innovative approaches. The association boasts over 8,000 members and is inclusive of all types of aircraft from the home-built, vintage and classic to the inspirational cutting-edge.

The LAA Bonus day is an opportunity for light aircraft owners to fly into IWM Duxford at the discounted landing fee of £8 per aircraft and meet other light aircraft enthusiasts. Entrance to the museum will be free of charge, so members can also explore the historic site and enjoy the fascinating exhibitions.

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### **IWM Duxford**

IWM Duxford is Britain's best-preserved Second World War airfield, with a fascinating history that dates back to the First World War. Its story reflects the landmark achievements made in aviation history. IWM Duxford is Europe's premier aviation museum, where historic buildings intersperse with state-of-the-art exhibition halls, including AirSpace and the American Air Museum. Historic aircraft can regularly be seen taking to the skies from Duxford's wartime airfield. Through the rich displays of aircraft and the powerful stories of the men and women involved, we tell the story of the impact of aviation on the nature of war, on people's lives and on the

social and economic history of the region. With one of the finest collections of tanks, military vehicles and artillery in the UK, we also show the impact of technological development on war and conflict.

Open Daily: Last entry an hour before closing. (Closed 24 – 26 December).

Winter Hours: 10am – 4pm. (23 October 2016 to mid-March 2017)

Summer Hours: 10am – 6pm (Mid-March 2017 to mid-October 2017).

Admission\*: £18.00 Adults; £14.40 Concessions (Senior, Student, Disabled Adult); £9 Child (5- 16); Free Child (under 5); Family tickets available; Special rates for groups of ten plus.

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\* Please note entry prices include a voluntary donation, making a valuable contribution to the care and conservation of this historic site

## IWM

IWM (Imperial War Museums) **tells the story of people who have lived, fought and died in conflicts involving Britain and the Commonwealth since the First World War.**

Our unique Collections, made up of the everyday and the exceptional, reveal stories of people, places, ideas and events. Using these, we tell vivid personal stories and create powerful physical experiences across our five museums that reflect the realities of war as both a destructive and creative force. We challenge people to look at conflict from different perspectives, enriching their understanding of the causes, course and consequences of war and its impact on people's lives.

IWM's five branches which attract over 2 million visitors each year are **IWM London**, IWM's flagship branch that recently transformed with new, permanent and free First World War Galleries alongside new displays across the iconic Atrium to mark the Centenary of the First World War; **IWM North**, housed in an iconic award-winning building designed by Daniel Libeskind; **IWM Duxford**, a world renowned aviation museum and Britain's best preserved wartime airfield; **Churchill War Rooms**, housed in Churchill's secret headquarters below Whitehall; and the Second World War cruiser **HMS Belfast**.

## IWM Centenary

2017 marks Imperial War Museums (IWM) centenary. IWM was established while the First World War was still being fought. Since its establishment people have entrusted IWM with their stories of war from 1917 to the present day, in the knowledge it will continue to share these stories with future generations. IWM will commemorate its 100 years through a centenary of stories from its rich collections across its five branches (IWM London, IWM North, IWM Duxford, Churchill War Rooms and HMS *Belfast*).

## First World War Centenary

2014 - 2018 marks the centenary of the First World War, a landmark anniversary for Britain and the world. IWM is marking the centenary by leading a vibrant, four year programme of cultural activities across the world. For more information visit [www.1914.org](http://www.1914.org)

