

19<sup>th</sup> July 2012

## Cosford turn back the clocks for 1940's Dance

13<sup>th</sup> October 2012 Doors open 7pm

The Royal Air Force Museum Cosford will be turning back the clocks 70 years this October as they hold their annual 1940's Hangar Dance. Tickets for the popular event, taking place at the Museum on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October have now gone on sale. This annual event transports guests back to the era of Big Bands, Jive Bunnies and Jitter-buggers with a fun packed evening of entertainment.

Guests are encouraged to "Get in the Mood" by donning wartime costume for the evening and dance the night away until late courtesy of Paul Drakeley and his All Stars Band and Singers. Musical accompaniment will include Big Band favourites such as Glenn Miller, Artie Shaw and Frank Sinatra.

Adding to the event's ambience, the dance will be located in the Museum's historic War Planes hangar set against a backdrop of World War Two aircraft and artifacts: including the world's oldest Spitfire, the most famous British fighter aircraft in history; the Lincoln bomber, the mainstay of Bomber Command post-war; and the iconic Hurricane, the main aircraft of RAF Fighter Command squadrons during the Battle of Britain.

This nostalgic event is organised by the Aerospace Museum Society, a group of volunteer's whose members assist the Museum with preparing and presenting exhibits, undertake restoration work and assist with the general running of special events.

Doors to the dance will open at 7pm with dancing starting at 8pm. A fully licensed bar will be on tap all evening; together with a pig roast, at a small additional charge. Guests will also be given the chance to win some great prizes courtesy of a raffle.

Tickets are now on sale at just £18 per person, with proceeds going to the Aerospace Museum Society and the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford. Anyone wishing to attend the dance should contact organiser Dave Leek on 07847 501935, or for more information visit <a href="www.rafmuseum.org">www.rafmuseum.org</a>. Admission to the event is by advance ticket only.

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## Notes to Editors:

- Royal Air Force Museum Cosford, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8UP
- Open daily from 10am
- FREE admission
- Photos available on request
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