

8th July 2009

Glider Weekend Takes Families To New Heights

The British Gliding Association and Wrekin and Staffordshire Gliding Clubs will be putting on a weekend glider display for visitors at the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th July 2009.

Wrekin and Staffordshire Gliding Clubs are offering visitors the chance to buy trial flights for a discounted price of only £60 per person. This includes a 20 minute flight up to 2000ft in a two seater glider with a British Gliding Association qualified instructor. These unique trial flights will be available from 10.00am to 5.00pm both days to visitors over the age of 14(weather permitting).

Activities on the ground will include a single seat glider on display, an ASK 18, in the Visitor Centre. Members of the Association will also be on hand to speak with visitors and demonstrate how gliders work.

Other family activities taking place during the course of the weekend for the under 14s include the chance to ride in a glider simulator - enabling mum, dad and the children to experience engine-less flight. Instructors will be on hand to explain every move and give you some quick flying tips; whilst younger children can make their own paper glider to take home, completely free of charge from one of our designs!

The Museum will open to visitors on both days from 10 am. Other displays include the award winning National Cold War Exhibition the home of all three V Bombers, the much loved Victor, Valiant and Vulcan plus other aircraft suspended in flying attitudes.

For further information on the event, please telephone 01902 376200 or visit www.rafmuseum.org. Entry to the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford is free.

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Notes to Editors:

- FREE entry
- Open daily 10am – 6pm
- Royal Air Force Museum, Cosford, Shifnal Shropshire, TF11 8UP
- For further information and all media enquiries please contact Karen Crick on 01902 376 208 or karen.crick@rafmuseum.org