

15<sup>th</sup> July 2013

## Model show set to be a scorcher

20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> July 2013 Gates open 8.30am

With the hot sunny weather looking set to continue into the weekend, organisers of the Large Model Aircraft Rally at Cosford are busy preparing for a scorcher of a show. The event which attracts in excess of 10,000 visitors each year is likely to see numbers soar as modellers and aviation fans from across the country enjoy the sunshine at this air show in miniature.

Taking place at the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> July, there is plenty for visitors to sit back and enjoy. The show is jam packed with two full days of flying and will see huge models of some of the world's most iconic aircraft performing for the crowds over the airfield. Other activities keeping the whole family entertained include a children's entertainment area and a wide range of trade stalls, selling all the essential modelling equipment you could ever need, plus lots of non-modelling related items.

With temperatures remaining in the high 20's, organisers are advising visitors to come prepared for the hot weather with plenty of sunscreen and hats. Or why not cool down with an ice cream or a refreshing drink from one of the many on site caterers. For anyone wishing to take a break out of the sunshine, why not peruse the award winning RAF Museum where you can see many of the aircraft on which the models are based. Plus, visitors will have the chance to view the last surviving Dornier 17 recently salvaged from the bottom of the English Channel.

## Dave Johnson, Event Organiser says:

"As show organiser, I would like to extend a warm welcome to visitors at this year's event which is sure to be our biggest model air show ever. We have aircraft, some MEGA LARGE in excess of 20ft including a 1/5<sup>th</sup> scale Vulcan bomber, plus models coming from as far afield as Germany. With all the other attractions and the great weather forecast, it's going to be a fantastic weekend."

For anyone looking to take full advantage of the sunshine, camping slots are available for the weekend, giving you full access to all the weekends action and the opportunity to enjoy a warm summers evening at the RAF Museum, exclusively for this event. On site camping including entrance to the show is only £45.00 for the weekend. Contact Dave Bailey for more details on camping at <u>dave.bailey08@tiscali.co.uk</u> or call 07827 675665.

Tickets on the gate cost just £10 per adult and £8 per senior citizen. This time for the first year, children under the age of 16 are FREE, making this the perfect affordable summer's day out for the whole family. Gates open at 8.30am and flying starts a 9.00am. Unfortunately, free admission to the Museum is not possible this weekend.

For further information about the show and for on the gate prices, please call the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford on 01902 376200 or visit the Museum website at <u>www.rafmuseum.org</u>.

Notes to Editors:

A pre event photo opportunity will be available on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July with the event organiser and members of the Large Model Association along with their model aircraft. If you would like to schedule in a photo or an interview with the organiser, please contact Michelle Morgans by email <u>michelle.morgans@rafmuseum.org</u> or call Michelle on 01902 376212.

- Large Model Association Chairman Dave Johnson on 07860 345613.
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- Royal Air Force Museum Cosford, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8UP
- Open daily between 10am 6pm (Last admission 5.00pm)
- RAF Museum Cosford images & logo available at: <u>http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/cosford/media-enquiries/downloads.cfm</u>
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