

9<sup>th</sup> February 2014

## **‘Open Cockpits’ tickets on sale 24<sup>th</sup> February**

**Open Cockpits Evening – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**6.00pm to 9.00pm**

**£12.50 per person**

**Tickets for the popular aviation enthusiasts’ event ‘Open Cockpits Evening’ at the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford, will go on sale from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February through the Royal Air Force Museum’s website. Just 300 tickets will be available for this exclusive evening on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, where a wide range of aircraft will be available for close viewing on the night: including transport aircraft, jet fighters and unique research airframes.**

300 fortunate visitors will be able to get a feel for what it was like to fly these much loved machines by entering their cockpits and, in addition to this, will have exclusive after-hours access to the Museum which displays a collection of over 70 aircraft, military vehicles, engines and aviation artefacts within three wartime hangars and the award-winning National Cold War Exhibition.

The event, which is held twice a year in May and September, was a complete sell out in 2013 and 2012, with tickets sold out in a matter of days. Organisers are confident that this year’s event in May will be just as popular based on the number of enquiries received so far. Accordingly, the Museum is advising aviation fans to book early to avoid disappointment.

The evening will commence at 6.00pm and finish at 9.00pm, with numbers onto the Museum site strictly limited to 300 people - providing enthusiasts with three hours to examine the Museum’s historic and wondrous aircraft in an exclusive environment. Admission is by advance ticket only; tickets cost £12.50 per person and will go on sale from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February available through the Museum’s website. Members price £10.00 per ticket (please note membership cards will need to be shown on entry to the event). Parking charges are included in the ticket price. Minimum height restrictions of 1.07 metres will apply.

The Museum will close at 5.00pm on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May in order to set up for the Open Cockpits Evening event. A detailed list of aircraft open on the night will be issued nearer the time. For further information on the ‘Open Cockpits Evening’ or to purchase your tickets online visit [www.rafmuseum.org](http://www.rafmuseum.org), a second Open Cockpits Evening will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

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- Royal Air Force Museum Cosford, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8UP
- Open daily from 10am
- Admission to the Royal Air Force Museum is free of charge.
- RAF Museum Cosford images & logo available at:

<http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/research/media-vault.aspx>

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