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The Sky's About to Catch Fire

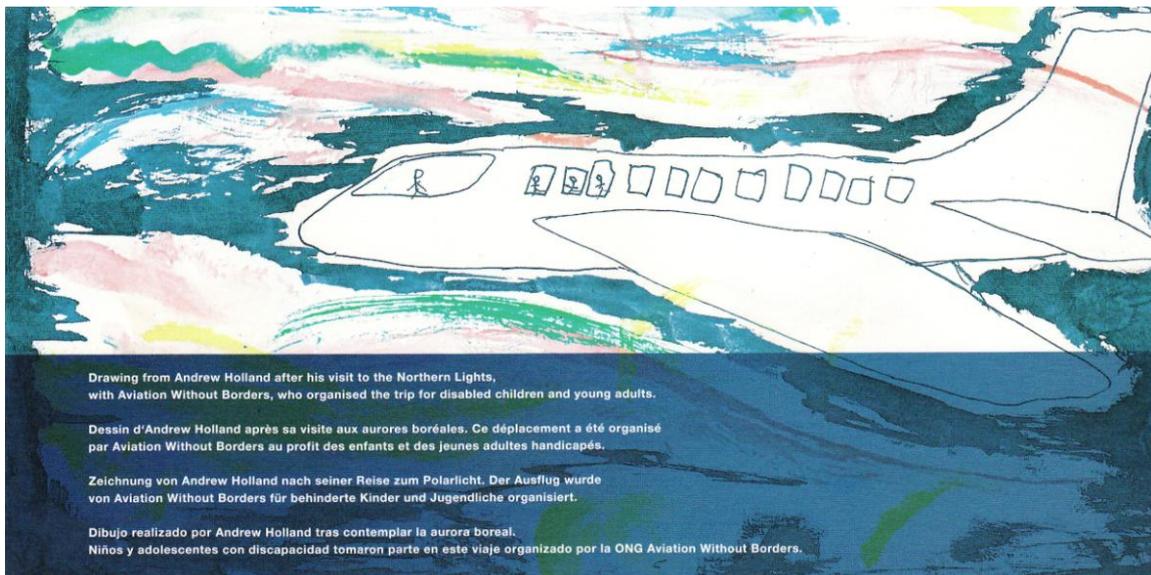
To all our members, supporters and friends

November Highlights!

'The sky's about to catch fire', claimed a travel writer in a leading Sunday newspaper. The prediction, however, was from Nasa, no less, who reckon that this winter the Northern Lights will produce their best display for 50 years.

young people from Glasgow and the Bristol area, generously funded by EADS (The European Aeronautic Defence and Space Company), AWB's main sponsor.

For best viewing of the Lights, high



EADS 2010 Christmas card

The prospect of viewing such a spectacle awaits groups of lucky children and

latitude, good altitude, total darkness and clear skies all contribute, and what

better way to see them than from an aeroplane.

Two flights are scheduled to depart, the first on the evening of Monday 21st from Glasgow with a group of children and young people from inner city areas who are supported by the charity With Kids, and the second flight from Bristol on the

Fundraising at Edinburgh Fun Run, 23rd October

On a chilly Sunday morning, AWB member Gillian Burke and her 6 year old daughter joined 100 or so other fun runners in Edinburgh's Holyrood Park for a 5km run around Arthurs Seat.



Gillian kindly offered to raise money for Aviation Without Borders through www.justgiving.com/gillian-Burke and has so far raised £305. You can still donate too!

After an energetic warm up session, the starting gun was fired and off they all went. Some runners were in fancy dress and Gillian

evening of Monday 28th November with a group of children and young people from the Bristol area who are supported by the charity Action for Children. A group of 20 will depart from Glasgow and 30 from Bristol, including family members and, if the Northern Lights live up to expectations, it will be a spectacular experience for all on the trips.

decided to wear a "Biggles" flying hat along with her AWB T-shirt. Many people asked about the charity on her way around the course, raising awareness just that little bit more.

And 45 minutes later, Gillian and Eilidh crossed the finishing line, and although Eilidh grabbed a piggy back off Mummy for some of the course, it was a tremendous effort all round.

So well done to both Gillian and Eilidh and thank you to everyone who sponsored them.



Cotswold (Kemble) Airport Smiling Wings Day

An attempt to hold the event on 10th September had to be cancelled when the tail end of Hurricane Katia swept across Gloucestershire, but the second time round was a success. The weather on Saturday 15th October was warm and sunny with a beautiful clear sky and a light breeze – a perfect day for flying. The event was sponsored by EADS (European Aeronautic Defence and Space Company) and was funded from proceeds from the sale of last year's Christmas card which featured a drawing by Andrew, one of the residents at the Kingfisher Centre in Stroud.

The day was organised as a thank you and was a little different to other Smiling

Wings events in that all the Kingfisher residents, Andrew, Dan, Frank, Joe and Terri, flew with a qualified flying instructor on a short trial lesson. Each had a chance to fly the aircraft and, in the perfect conditions, it was a great success.

At the AV8 Restaurant near the flying school refreshments in the form of drinks, sandwiches and cakes were available throughout the afternoon and a large decking area out front provided the ideal spot to sit in the sun and view the proceedings.

'It was a great day', said Andrew. 'It was fun and exciting and I'd really like to do something like that again'.

All in all, a good day for everyone.



AWB CHANGES

It was mentioned in the last newsletter that during the year there had been much internal activity within AWB. In the restructuring and reorganising of the charity that followed the previous trustees stood down and new trustees took their place. The reorganisation was not completed until August but the new committee members now hope to

continue the good work of the previous trustees.

It is not intended to go into detail in this newsletter as it is widely distributed and will not be of interest to all but, if any member would like further details, please contact the AWB secretary at secretary@aviationwithoutborders.org.

MEMBER TO MEMBER CONTACT

It was also mentioned in the previous issue that the committee would like to uphold the right of members that was enshrined in the original constitution and to follow Charity Commission guidelines by permitting members to directly contact by email other members who have given permission for their email addresses to be released.

changes, but would prefer the issue to be decided democratically. It would be much appreciated, therefore, if members would make their opinions known to the committee by emailing the secretary at the address above.

So far there has only been one member who has expressed a wish for their email address to remain private and this has encouraged the committee to proceed. It is not required to change the constitution and the committee are able to implement the administrative

In the event of a minority of objections being obtained, a questionnaire will follow this newsletter requesting members to state a preference. For those who state 'yes' their emails will be made available to only other members on request and, for those who state 'no', or who do not reply, their email addresses will remain private.

AWB MEMBERSHIP

Aviation covers the globe but, by contrast, is a very small world, and it may even be that an AWB member knows another but is not aware they are also a member of AWB. An alphabetical list of members with membership numbers is given below. Trustees are marked with a 'T' and more details can be found on the 'Contact' page of our website, www.aviationwithoutborders.org. In a

recent email from the secretary, members who had previously submitted volunteer application forms were requested to re-submit them in order to update AWB's records. If you have not already done so, can you please download a form from our website and send it to the address on the form, or scan it and send it as an email as an attachment to the secretary. Thank you.

AWB MEMBERS

John Anderson	62	Adam Griffiths	84	Amos Preminger	72
Mauricio Arboleda	100	Sheila Jenkins	77	Janice Priday	36
Bola Bakare	108	Dave Landy	92	Maite Renjifo (T)	90
Mark Boffee	86	James Larbi	105	Simon Robinson	95
Jonathan Brown	99	Liz MacDonald	102	Heather Dawn Scott	101
Gillian Burke	106	Joanna Marney	93	Mick Simpson	59
Simon Burke (T)	97	Sebastien Martineau	70	Jean Elizabeth Smith	110
Sabine Duchemin	55	Kathleen McVay (T)	67	Stan Stewart (T)	15
Ulf Dunell	98	Mavis Melia	109	Phillipa Tutt	46
Georgia Ehrmann	91	Alasdair Morrison (T)	88	Gordon Tutt	47
Daniella Gardner	89	Mick Mulcahy	74	Alexander Vickery	61
Guy Gratton	81	Abigail Pollard	96	Adrian Waite	16
Patricia Green	85	Angela Pranckevicius	94	Frank Westers	107
				Ian White	103

HAPPY HALLOWEEN.....

BUT BEWARE OF BINGE DRINKING PUMPKINS



MEMBERSHIP

If any of our readers are not members, or have previously been members but have let their membership lapse, you are now invited to join, or rejoin, on our website at www.aviationwithoutborders.org. Click SUPPORT on the top task bar then 'Membership'. Fill in the Membership/Donation form and submit your subscription and/or donation by Paypal or by credit/debit card.

Alternatively you can download and fill in the Membership/Donation form below, enclose a cheque and post it to us at, Aviation Without Borders, 208 Merton High Street, South Wimbledon, London, SW19 1AX. We shall update our records from your details and, if you tick the box and sign the form, we can benefit from Gift Aid.

Membership/Donation Form

Please increase your giving by one quarter by completing the form and ticking the Gift Aid box.

Title:	Date of birth:
Surname:	Telephone number:
First names:	Email:
Full address:	Occupation:

How did you hear of Aviation Without Borders? _____

- I wish to become a member of Aviation Without Borders and enclose the annual membership fee of £12.00.

I wish to support Aviation Without Borders and enclose a donation of £.....

Please make cheques payable to Aviation Without Borders and send to the address below.

"Please make your membership fee and/or donation worth 25% more with Gift Aid".

I am a UK taxpayer* and I want AWB to treat all fees and donations that I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid donations.

If my status as a taxpayer changes I will inform AWB.

* To qualify for Gift Aid you must pay income tax or capital gains tax at least equal to the amount AWB reclaims on your donation in the tax year - currently 25p for every £1 you give.

I would/would not be interested in becoming a volunteer.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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