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FORWARD TO A FRIEND 

JAMES CHRISTMAS MESSAGE



It's been a super 2014

Our Family Excitement Catherine and I have just become grandparents again. Frances, a baby sister to James (5yrs) was born on the 2nd Dec in London to our daughter Kirsty and her husband Andrew. We'll be joining them there for Xmas.

Our IFFR visits have included a week in California and Wautoma, weekends in Germany, France and Sweden, and a month visiting 'down under' New Zealand and Australia.

At home we've had the builders in, extending our living space which included a down stairs loo.. 'something for older people' exclaims our daughter!

The Business, Keeps me flying!.

The Aeroplane. not using oil, starting well and I'm 3 hours off 2000!

Catherine and I wish all Members and Friends a happy and fun Christmas, a prosperous & healthy New Year and we certainly look forward to our IFFR, Flying Rotarian travels in '15.

Happy Christmas

James & Catherine

CHRISTMAS FUN



What is Santa's favourite pizza?
One that's deep pan, crisp and even.

Happy Christmas

... AND MORE!



Where's England's largest jail?

Australia

We wish you a ***Happy Christmas***

MISS SOPHIE



Something from the Germans!

and Happy Christmas too

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z77aXbkeZ-I>

2014 UK IFFR FLYER OF THE YEAR



John Bowden receiving from President Alisma Clark and Polly Vacher the UK 'Flyer of the Year' Perpetual Trophy at the Annual UK Section's RAF Club Annual Luncheon.

President Alisma welcomed over 60 guests and Friends to the RAF Club (one of London's most famous clubs), John won the award for his epic adventure to the Karuna (the IFFR Scandinavian Weekend in September) when faced by difficult weather over inhospitable countryside, accompanied by his son Harry, demonstrated calm and mature and safe airmanship... well done John.

Guests were thrilled by the stories Polly Vacher related about her many solo trips circumnavigating east/west and then north/south around the world, and in doing so established many solo lady pilot records.

***Happy Christmas from
President Alisma***



Han's Tips : Wear your wings on the ground!

My dear fellow IFFR Europeans (and other readers),

In the last issue I promised to feature AIDA in this month's letter. Opera lovers, read on, but this is not about the beautiful slave in ancient Egypt who was torn in her love between her country Ethiopia and the Egyptian army captain Ramades who was going to war against Ethiopia..

My AIDA is far more mundane sales and marketing talk... It stands for the stages that make up a decision cycle in sales, advertising and promotion, but also applicable to our efforts to increase IFFR Friends and membership too. Surely we don't think of ourselves as salesmen hunting for, and twisting arms of, new friends, but still, you'll surely get the idea.

- Attention - what is this IFFR bunch about?
- Interest - tell me more about it!
- Decision – hey, sounds like a good idea. I'd like to join that fellowship
- Action – where do I sign up, who do I call?

Happy Christmas from the Klinkspoor

Armed with this simple acronym, one can look at advertising, promotional film, commercials and find out what could entice Rotarians and Friends to join IFFR (and also important, what will not work). You will notice, that my last month plaster cast story followed the AIDA pitch.... Keeping AIDA in mind, please look at the two IFFR promotional videos that are available and tell me what, in your opinion, will (or will not...) work in your area (apart from the language issue....).

If we, in Europe (includes the UK!) just could do a Europromotional video, on Youtube and Vimeo, explaining what IFFR around Europe is and does as a fellowship that brings us all together, that would be a excellent tool to get AIDA started.... (and perhaps give the girls and guys in Brussels trying to bring Europe together also a few good ideas).

Early in the new year I'll be contacting all the IFFR section leaders in Europe, talk on the phone, perhaps fly down and discuss what programs and ideas are around and can be worked out into a Friends strategy, leading to increased membership = increased fellowship which we all know has much to offer in and outside aviation.

So, think about who in your country/area can be the local antenna to share ideas! Stay tuned on this frequency for more!

Goede Kerstdagen, Merry Christmas, Joyeux Noel, Frohe Weihnachten, Feliz Natal, Feliz Navidad, Buon Natale and for 2014: Buon Volo, Buen Vuelo, Bom Vôo, Guten Flug, Bon Vol, Happy flying, een goede vlucht! Here's a few more for IFFR friends around Europe: Glælig jul og godt nyt år, God jul og godt nytt år, God jul och (ett) gott nytt år, Hyvää joulua ja iloista uutta vuotta, Jutdlime pivdluarit ukiortame pivdluaritlo. Above all: FLY SAFELY with many happy landings!

Yours

Han Klinkspoor

Recruitment Tools....

[Australia Video](#)

[Americas Video](#)

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Han Klinkspoor our European VP and Membership Recruitment Officer is delighted to receive comments and suggestions on how we can attract new members and Friends to our Fellowship The Flying Rotarians....James

OUR WORLD WEBMASTER



Please send your news, views and interesting articles to Bo Johnsson our webmaster for inclusion on the

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Happy Christmas from me and Margot

ROTATING BEACON FROM THE UK



Thank you Angus Clark for yet another outstanding edition.

Feature Article... ***to the Arctic Circle and Back...***

Harry Bowden (21yrs) and Father John say 'no, I haven't changed anything!'

***and from me too..
Happy Christmas
Angus Clark***

Click on the link [here](#)

AMERICA'S MOST FANTASTIC LATEST NEWSLETTER



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Happy Christmas to all

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WPE SVEND ANDERSEN



This time of the year specially one aviator are worried about the flying conditions around the 24-25th of December. And yes; you are correct, it's Santa.

To assist Santa, if caught out in the snow and hail, in need for some navigational guidance. Jeppesen has made this GPS approach plate for North Pole Village.

But is the approach really safe for Santa? Help Santa finding the pitfall.

Go to [www](#) and look for santa's plate!

***I wish you all a great holiday
and a terrific New Year***

Fly safe

Svend Andersen WPE

TED'S SAFETY CORNER



Safety thoughts for the month

On behalf of the the Safety Committee I would like to wish all of us safe flying in 2015. I am sure that you are all like me and treat your flying with more respect as each year passes. As we get more experience, more time in the air, we get more knowledge but we get more cautious, we have learnt that things can change in a very short time and we know how to risk manage our operations so much better. I am sure that it will be a safe year for all if we maintain our vigilant and cautious approach.

Let me relate a short Christmas story I heard on the radio at Launceston (Tasmania, Australia) airport on a Christmas Eve some years ago where a local company operated a Shorts Skyvan, locally known as "the Shed" (if you have seen one you know what I mean) to Flinders Island, 90nm to the north east.

The Shorts 360, with female pilot handling the radio was on short final with other fixed wing jet traffic close behind her. A quite large Bell 412 helicopter was holding on base leg.

Launceston tower instructed the helicopter "Helicopter Alpha Delta Lima, you are number two following a shorts 360, short final. Keep the circuit tight due further traffic, Virgin jet on 4 mile final"

Helicopter reply "roger, when the lady has got her shorts down, I'll quickly slip my big chopper in behind".

Have a great Christmas and keep the shiny side up 2015.

Best wishes, Ted

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Note from James

Ted Richey, one of our most experienced pilots has agreed to support my newsletter and include his Safety Tips... please send your comments and thoughts to Ted.

FROM THE WORLD SEC/TREASURER



Ian... seen here practising before boarding his Cirrus!

Happy Christmas from Scotland

AIR COMMS WORLD ROTA 2014/15



The World Events

(Santas... at a Han Klinkspoor recruitment drive!)

2015

February.. JA in Australia and hopefully joining events and beers with members!

21st to 23rd March New Zealand Weekend Oamaru South Island

1st May.. Kassel German/Austrian weekend JA Attending

6th to 10th May... The French Tour JA Attending

30th May. to 1st June The Benelux 'Fields of Flanders' weekend Saturday to Monday for a change. JA Attending

19th June..The UK Goodwood weekend JA Attending

July 21st 'Oshkosh Altogether' & 25th July 'til 1st Aug 2015

Minnesota 1000 Lakes Flyout

8.00am Thursday 23rd July **IFFR Board Meeting**

8.00 am Friday 24th July **IFFR AGM**

14th August..The Scandinavian Svendburg

Denmark weekend JA Attending

27th August.. Swiss Basle weekend JA Attending

18th to 20th Sept... Fete de Lens (tbc) JA Attending

See

IFFR.org America... for their very exciting Programme

1/3 Santa Monica, CA

2/27 Reno, NV

3/2 Sun 'n Fun, FL

4/25 Sacramento, CA

4/26 San Marcos, TX
 5/10 Manassas, VA
 6/21 Eagle Field, CA
 7/12 Plymouth, MA
 7/26 OSH: IFFR Events JA Attending
 7/30 OSH: Rotary Clubs lunch
 7/30 OSH: IFFR BBQ
 7/28 Longview, TX
 8/14 Kalispell, MT
 8/26 Brannord, ONT
 9/3 Woodruff, SC Triple Tree
 9/6-7 Sacramento, CA
 9/7 Portola, CA
 9/26 AGM – Bishop, CA
 9/27 Auburn, CA
 10/4 Frederick, MD
 10/4 Cameron Park, CA
 10/18 Stafford, VA
 11/26 Camarillo, CA

WORLD SCORE BOARD



The World Score Board	
America	293
United Kingdom	129
UK Friend	14
Australia	114
Germany/Austria	95
Scandinavia	91
France	40
Switzerland	53
New Zealand	44
Benelux	45
Italy	35
Portugal	25
Vladimir and Moses one each	2
Others	15
Total (excluding Japanese x 27)	995

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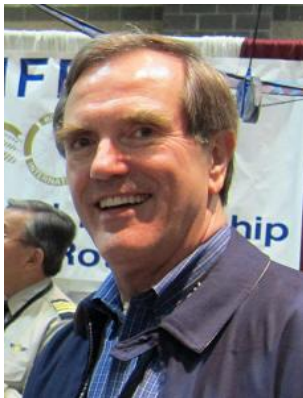
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