

The Helping Wings Flying Scholarship for the Lower Limb Disabled



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Enabling the disadvantaged and the disabled of all ages to share the exhilaration and fulfilment of flying

The 2016 Flying Scholarship for the lower limb disabled.

Helping Wings, the Jersey light aviation charity, is delighted to announce that thanks to the Sir James Knott Trust, it is able to offer, for 3 years, a new scholarship worth £5000 of flying training per year with the Jersey Aero Club for a local person with a lower limb disability.

Around the world, many disabled people have discovered that the freedom associated with being able to fly an aircraft is within their reach. Their disability is not necessarily a barrier to gaining a Private Pilot's Licence.

Recently, thanks to Jersey Lion's Club who raised money through the local swim marathon, Helping Wings was able to purchase and have fitted in a Jersey Aero Club aircraft, a hand control unit which allows any lower limb disabled person not only to enjoy the freedom of flying but actually obtain a full Private Pilot Licence. The conventional control of the rudder by foot movement is replaced by the hand control.

The scholarship will cover approximately 28 hours (subject to fuel cost) out of the 45 required to obtain the full EASA (European) Private Pilot's licence. Prior to being sent solo, the student will require a medical examination which can be obtained locally.

Throughout the year, Helping Wings provides a number of flying experiences to local disabled people. With the hand control unit, this can now be extended to the lower limb disabled.

Applicants who should be over 15 years of age and able to complete the flying course within a year from the start date. Also, the scholarship is only available to individuals who would not be able to use conventional rudder control. i.e would need to use the hand control. The application form can be downloaded from our website www.helpingwingsjersey.org , collected from the Jersey Aero Club or requested by email on hello@helpingwingsjersey.org

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APPLICATION FORM

We are delighted that you are applying for the Flying Scholarship. Please read all the documentation carefully.

Please return this form, duly completed, to Helping Wings c/o Jersey Aero Club, Avenue de la Reine Elizabeth II, St Peter, Jersey JE3 7BP or by email to hello@helpingwingsjersey.org no later than **Wednesday, August 31st**.

Please write clearly.

Iwould like to apply for the 2016 Sir James Knott Trust Flying Scholarship.

I feel that the flying scholarship will benefit me because ..

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(Please continue on a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

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My contact details are:

- Name
- Address:
- Telephone number:
- Email
- Date of birth:
- Have you lived in Jersey for over 5 years?
- Occupation:
- Interests, hobbies & sport participation:
- Disability:
- Have you ever flown in a light aircraft?

On receipt of this form, we may invite you to come and meet us so that we can find out more about you and explain the flying training. We will also show you the aircraft we use for training.

To apply for the scholarship, **you must be over 15 years old**. If you are successful, we would expect you to be available for media interviews and photographs to help us raise funds to offer further scholarships. Whilst a medical examination may not be necessary, we may seek a medical opinion to ensure that both the successful candidate and the instructors can complete the scholarship safely.

We will not share the information on this form beyond the selection panel without your consent. We will only retain the application form of the successful applicant whose details will be shared with the Jersey Aero Club instructor.

Signature:

Date:

Parents/Guardians name and signature required if under 18.

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If you are short listed for the scholarship, we will require two referees, not a close family member, to support your application. Please supply details below:

Referee (1)

- Name:
- Address:
- Email:
- Telephone No:

Referee (2)

- Name:
- Address:
- Email:
- Telephone No: