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Photo By Simon Pulford



Photo By Terry Parker

Griffin Trust Aviation Fair

Work Sessions

Take place at

HOOTON PARK
On Wednesday and Thursday
And Occasional Weekends

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The TAC Mafia meeting to plan the days strategy, with the Chairman draping himself alluringly over the Hunter !!

The day was blessed with perfect spring weather which brought out a good crowd.
Photo by Simon Pulford, and from the left we have Jon Howard, Terry Parker, Graham Sparkes and Colin Schroeder.

The calm before the storm, TAC members line up their cockpits awaiting the crowds.
Graham Sparkes Hawker cockpit collection of Hunter FGA.9 XE584 & Sea Hawk FGA.4
Ian Starnes Jet Provost T.4 XR654
Simon Pulford's Tornado ADV Sim

The Gannet was expected to attend but a decision had been made to repaint her which meant she was left behind at Hooton Park.

Photo by Graham Sparkes



Sparky's collection of Hawker cockpits are normally to be found on display at Hooton Park in hut 27. He allows them out for shows during the show season in support of TAC displays.

Like member Simon Pulford he too has a third cockpit the ex Bill Turnbull Hawker Sea Hawk FGA.4 WV903 secreted away in hangar 2 at HP. Graham's secret he would like a forth cockpit a Harrier to complete the set. Photo again by Graham Sparkes.



Ian Starnes's Jet provost T.4 XR654
 Ian has recently rejoined TAC after a few years away, never one to go half hearted he dresses in uniform and can be seen here to the right of the cockpit in RAF uniform.
 He has interest in a Military vehicle group and tows the cockpit with a Land Rover which is painted in RAF colours.

Photo by Graham Spakes.

Yes you all know this one by now !
 The simulator always draws the largest crowd and here was no different, to the right Simon and Jon plan there next move to increase the fleet.

Photo once more by Graham Sparkes.



As you were airman Starnes,
 Ian puts on a show for the camera whilst a customer checks out the display board on the Jet Provost T.4

Photo by who has a new camera then Sparky ?

Items returned from East Midlands Airport Volunteers Association recently by Mike Davey



Six Vickers Varsity engine cylinders with three more to be returned.

Photo by Jon Howard

The Rolls Royce Tiara six cylinder flat opposed engine on stand.

Photo by Jon Howard.



On the left is the Avro Lancaster main undercarriage oleo leg.

On the right three Avro Shackleton propeller blades.

Photos by Jon Howard

