

# The Guernsey Aero Club

## 51<sup>st</sup> Air Rally

June 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> 2025

Greetings to you all, whether seasoned GAC Rallyists, first timers, and anyone in between.

This year's fancy dress ball is themed 'Downwind Abbey' and costumes will no doubt vary from Lord of the Manor (smart black tie), to scullery maid and footman. Let your imagination roam. For those who have not participated in one of our rallies we always have a theme for the Saturday evening fancy dress ball and the online photos from prior years will show you how wonderfully light heartedly they are (in fact so light hearted, you can just come as you are if you so wish!). Regular attendees know just how much to allow for in their weight and balance calculations for their costumes. (For those of you who have never seen Downton Abbey, movies/clips are available on YouTube.)

There is a prize for the best dressed attendee at the ball.

We continue to provide food choices for diners at the ball (see pages 7 and 10) as it has proved to be a very welcome format over the last few years. The obvious change is the venue! Again, last year we suffered with a poor sound system, also, there was the non-delivery of some portable heaters, some negative feedback on the speed of food service, and the trek to the toilets is never popular! By moving to a known hotel nearby, which many of you know and have stayed at, 'The Farmhouse', we should alleviate all of those issues. Also, there is a modest net reduction in our costs which partly addresses the issue of now having to pay full price landing fees and parking for all of our rallyists at Guernsey Airport! This means that the rally entry fee will increase only modestly to £115 per person. We have had to increase the cost of the NAVEX to £40 per aircraft for the same reasons.

The only other change is the Friday evening option of dining at the club. Instead of curries, this year we are going to provide lasagne, with the usual dietary options.

We are hoping that the weather will be obliging as it was in 2024!

Remember there are a number of trophies awarded at the rally dinner for those who like a bit of a challenge:

- Overall Rally winner
- Overall runner-up
- Sportsman's Winner
- Sportsman runner-up
- Outstanding merit
- Ladies prize
- Arrival prize
- Novice Competitor
- Club best scores in competition
- Club with most aircraft
- Furthest home base
- Longest distance flown
- Concours d 'elegance
- Most interesting aircraft
- Pre-flight competition
- Fun Cup

Please could you complete and return the last three pages of this communication at your earliest convenience so we can plan and organise accordingly. You can then sit back and relax knowing you are all set for what we intend to be another great Guernsey Aero Club Rally weekend!

The usual pilot's information pack will follow much nearer the time, together with a few suggested sightseeing ideas.

Please do ask whatever you need to by e-mail, or if easier pick up the phone.

Many thanks.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Paul Guilbert

For the Guernsey Aero Club Rally Committee 2025

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Economy Car Rentals	<a href="https://www.economycarrentals.com">https://www.economycarrentals.com</a>
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Hire cars can sometimes be delivered to the GAC by the hire car company the day before the rally if required (so they are all ready for immediate collection on the Friday).

### ACCOMMODATION

Guernsey has many beautiful hotels to suit all budgets. These are all easily found on booking web sites such as <http://www.booking.com> and more information is available on all aspects of your trip to Guernsey, including accommodation on <https://www.visitguernsey.com>

#### La Barberie Hotel:

We have again negotiated a 15% discount at La Barberie Hotel in St Martins. A stunning hotel set in leafy lanes with excellent facilities, just 10 minutes from the Aero Club. The discount applies to the bed & breakfast rate shown at the time of booking. To take advantage of this offer please contact [sally@labarbariehotel.com](mailto:sally@labarbariehotel.com) quoting AIR RALLY.



The Farmhouse:

You can also get a discount on the normal rates at The Farmhouse (where the Ball is being held):

**Tel: 01481 264 181 and quote 'Guernsey Aero Club'.**



## Le Chene Hotel:



Lastly, 10 mins walk from the GAC! Offering a 10% discount on the booking.com rate for participants if they book direct with the hotel. Some limited availability as it coincides interferes with the Dutch charter flights which are Sunday-Sunday (and short bookings break up the week). Call Hotel reservations: 01481-238585. Please note: They are now a 3 star B&B&B (Bed & Breakfast & Tapas Bar 😊) . There is lovely Pub & Dining nearby called The Deerhound (open daily for lunch and dinner which is a 3 minute walk from the hotel). Guests staying at Le Chene are entitled to 15 % off their food bill at this pub; dining 7 days per week for lunch and dinner. Located on the circular bus route with many restaurants within a few minutes' bus journey.

**Please do come back to us if you struggle to find appropriate accommodation using Expedia or the internet generally and we'll do our best to help.**

## **Weekend timetable and information:**

### **Friday:**

#### **Arrivals throughout the day:**

Park East Apron (hard standing), transport to the GAC club house.

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| 12:00 – 15:30 | Lunch served. *   |
| 18:00         | NAVEX briefing (GAC)  |
| 18:30 - 23:00 | Welcome drink and canapes*, with bar open thereafter, and optional lasagne dinner (£18:00 per head, please see form on page 9). |

### **Saturday:**

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| 08:30         | Muster in the club house for the optional NAVEX (£40 per aircraft, please see form on page 9). |
| 12:00 – 14:00 | Light refreshments for any Rallyist in the club.   |
| 19:00 – Late: | The Rally Ball (at The Farmhouse).*  |

### **Sunday:**

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| 08:30 | Free coffee/tea plus light snacks/gauche available, optional aspirin. |
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Departures from the East Apron throughout the day.

\*Arrival buffet lunch, welcome drink and canapes in the evening, the hangar ball, pre-departure tea/coffee, landing fee and 2 nights' parking are included in the rally fee.

# *Ball Dinner*

## **Menu**

### **APPETISERS**

- A. Prawn Cocktail, Crispy Lettuce, Marie Rose Sauce, Brown Bread Fingers (GFA)
- B. Smoked Duck Breast, Asian Slaw (GF/DF)
- C. Pea Velouté (V1/V2/GFA/DF)

### **MAIN COURSES**

- A. Loin of Monkfish with mixed Green Bean Ragout (GF/DF)
- B. Chicken wrapped in Pancetta with Mushroom Sauce on the Side (GF/DF)
- C. Potato Gnocchi, Asparagus, Wild Mushrooms, Red Pepper Dressing (V1/V2/GFA)

All mains served with Sautee Potatoes (also V2/DF potatoes),  
Seasonal Greens (V1/V2O/GF/DFO)

### **DESSERTS**

- A. Baileys Cheesecake (V1/GF)
- B. Sticky Toffee Pudding, Honeycomb Ice Cream (V1)
- C. Mango Pana Cotta (GF/V2)

**V1 = Vegetarian**

**V2 = Vegan (please note on the Form below to ensure Vegan main course Veggies)**

**DF = Dairy Free (please note on the form below to ensure DF main course Veggies)**

**GFA (GFA option, please note on the form below)**

## GAC Rally 2025 – Entry Form (ALL BST)

*Aircraft Registration:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Aircraft Type:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Approx Arrival Time (CICZ):* \_\_\_\_\_ *Approx Arrival Time (EGJB):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date and Approx Departure Time:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Based:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Weight (kgs):* \_\_\_\_\_ *POB (no.):* \_\_\_\_\_

<i>POB:</i>	<i>Details:</i>
<i>Pilot Full Name:</i>	
<i>DOB:</i>	
<i>Nationality:</i>	
<i>ID Number*</i>	
<i>POB 2 Full Name:</i>	
<i>DOB:</i>	
<i>Nationality:</i>	
<i>ID Number*</i>	
<i>POB 3 Full Name:</i>	
<i>DOB:</i>	
<i>Nationality:</i>	
<i>ID Number*</i>	
<i>POB 4 Full Name:</i>	
<i>DOB:</i>	
<i>Nationality:</i>	
<i>ID Number*</i>	

**\*Passport number, or driving licence number (UK ONLY). National ID Cards are not accepted, sorry.**

**EACH POB MUST BRING THE RELEVANT ID WITH THEM ☺**

**AT THE TIME OF PUBLISHING THIS THE STATES OF GUERNSEY CONFIRMED THAT NO ETA (VISA) IS REQUIRED FOR GUERNSEY UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2025 (April – UK)**



**Please pay the following in advance:**

		£ (totals)
Rally full fee @£115 x POB*	£	
NAVEX per aircraft @£40	£	
Friday dinner @£18.00 each**	£	
		_____
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>£</b>	

\* The fee includes landing fees and parking for 2 nights. Please liaise with the office regarding staying nights AFTER the rally as this incurs standard airport parking charged by aircraft weight per night, (but you can stay parked on the East Apron). Arrivals PRIOR to June 6<sup>th</sup> must be booked with ASG on 01481 265480, and paid for with ASG directly.

\*\*Friday Evening Dinner (if applicable)

Name:	Special Diet?

**All monies deposited with us will be segregated from club funds until the rally takes place. If the rally is prevented for any reason, we will refund your monies within 30 days.**

Individual cancellation with full refund is possible until April 30<sup>st</sup> 2025.

RALLYIST'S AIRCRAFT REG: \_\_\_\_\_

OR BALL ATTEENDEES TABLE LEAD NAME (FOR LOCAL): \_\_\_\_\_

			Appetisers				Main Courses				Desserts		
	V2?	DF?	A*	B	C	*GFA?	A	B	C*	*GFA?	A	B	C
Names													

**Payment by bank transfer preferred, as follows (but credit card also accepted):**

**Bank transfer:**

Account Name: Guernsey Aero Club

Account Number: 74181661

Sorting Code: 60-09-20

Ref: Your Plane Reg (X-XXXX)

**PLEASE RETURN THESE FORMS TO US AT: [manager@guernseyaeroclub.com](mailto:manager@guernseyaeroclub.com)**

**Cheque:**

**Made payable to 'Guernsey Aero Club' with plane reg written on the back and sent together with these forms to:**

GAC Rally 2025  
Guernsey Aero Club  
Pointes Lane  
Forest  
Guernsey  
GY8 ODT