

Virtual Talks

My virtual talks offer the same high-quality as my face-to-face presentations, but are viewed on a computer rather than in a hall or similar meeting place. These are 100% covid-19 safe as participants don't need to leave their homes and mingle with others. They are cheaper too! Each virtual talk (using the free to download Zoom program) lasts for either 45 or 60 mins **at only £75**. All the talks listed overleaf have been converted into virtual talks so now there is even more reason to book a GuyInTheSky presentation for your group!

Please note : Event organisers must know how to allow me to share my screen if there wish to use their own zoom license. Unfortunately, I am unable to offer IT support if your group does not allow me to use my own Zoom license.

Previous Clients

Chatham Naval Officers Association
Varied Active Retirement Associations (ARA's)
Numerous U3A's across South East England
The Oddfellows
The RAF Association
Rotary and 41 Clubs
Probus Groups
Blind Veterans UK
RAF Brize Norton (Officer's Dinner)
Royal Aeronautical Society
Pfizer Retirement Association
DGAC (French Air Traffic Controllers)
Countless Local History Societies

Please Book Early To Avoid Disappointment

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To make a booking, or to ask questions, you can contact me using the above details.
Email is always preferred if possible. Thank you.

If you wish to make a booking please provide :

- **Name of your organisation and contact name**
- **Address of venue (inc postcode)**
- **Which presentation you'd like**
- **If you require the 45 or 60 minute version**
- **Required date and time of the presentation**
- **Parking arrangements and mobile number**

I will travel anywhere in the Kent, Essex, SE London and East Sussex. I am based in Maidstone, Kent.
I provide talks both in the daytime or evening.

My fees start from **£99** (plus travel expenses at 50p a mile from Maidstone). I can bring souvenirs which your members may wish to purchase as mementos.
Electronic lecture notes are available FOC on request.

Please note both the 45 or 60 minute talks cost the same. The hour presentations are more in depth.

I always use my own AV equipment but request a screen or blank wall (wall preferred) and a small table.

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JWG - Upchurch ARA

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About Guy

I retired from my role as a corporate trainer, having gained significant experience of public speaking, in 2024. Before this, I was a teacher. As a former school teacher I am adept at describing and explaining events in an easy to absorb and interesting manner.

Since 2014, I've spent my spare time researching and giving history-based presentations focusing mainly on aviation. I use archive film footage, technology, music, humour and a genuine enthusiasm for my subject to provide a fascinating insight into a variety of topics.

My presentations are designed to be of interest to everyone, whether they have a curiosity about aircraft or not. I am, of course, always willing to take questions at the end.

I have shared thought-provoking presentations with numerous audiences ranging from U3As, active retirement associations (ARAs), WI's, Rotary Clubs, Probus, Oddfellows, Royal British Legion and other similar groups. I do not use jargon. My passion for the subject is often commented upon and my inclusive style ensures all will learn something.

I have spoken at RAF Brize Norton, the Royal Aeronautical Society and for Vulcan To The Sky.

My love of aviation came from my father, who was in the RAF. He had a passion for air displays. He would take me to airshows as a child and it wasn't long before I too was hooked.

I am named after Guy Gibson, leader of the Dambusters, My favourite aircraft is Concorde.

More About Guy

I helped restore Vulcan XH558 to flight. I have links to Concorde, the Avro Vulcan, DGAC (French aviation authority) and Chatham Naval Officer's Association.

I have taken part in aerobatic manoeuvres and yes - I did feel sick afterwards!

My presentations began after a dinner party in 2013, where the guests were asked to tell the group something about themselves that others wouldn't know. I described my flight on Concorde.

After, I was asked if I gave presentations as I was so entertaining. I said I didn't, but I was invited to speak at a local U3A group as their speaker had dropped out at the last minute. My lecture was enjoyed by all - and the rest, as they say, is history.



Some of the institutions entertained by Guy



Money Back Guarantee

What's The Guy In The Sky Unique Guarantee?

The quality of my presentations is something which is often commented upon. I put a significant amount of time and energy into both the research and also the delivery of my talks. For this reason I offer a guarantee which, I believe, is unique.

If your group does not find my presentation entertaining and enjoyable, then the cost of the talk, minus travel expenses, will be refunded completely.

What's The Catch?

There are no catches, it is as simple as that. How many other public speakers offer this assurance? Your group, whether it comprises of mainly men or women, whether they are interested in aviation or not, will enjoy an amusing and informative talk. Your satisfaction is guaranteed with GuyInTheSky.

"This was a truly excellent talk, extremely well informed yet able to explain aspects of the aircraft and associated systems at a level suitable for everyone in the audience. The clips shown were really exciting and enjoyed by all. We all came away having learned something...and having had a very interesting afternoon. I can highly recommend Guy in the Sky. We will definitely invite him back again."

- Pembury U3A

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The History of The Red Arrows

Red Arrows pilots are amongst the most highly-skilled and experienced within the Royal Air Force. This presentation explores the history of RAF aerobatics teams and includes a look at what goes into making the RAF Red Arrows the premier aerobatics team in the world.

My most popular presentation.

How The 747 Got Its Hump

The Boeing 747 is perhaps one of the most recognisable aircraft in service today. This presentation looks at the success of this versatile machine. Did you know 747's transported the Space Shuttle? Would you like to find out what unique features are built into Airforce One, the presidential aircraft of the United States? Then this is the talk for you!

Avro Vulcan - The Delta Deterrent

Designed to drop a nuclear payload, deep within Russia, this delta-winged aircraft together with the Victor and Valiant made up the UK V-Force. This presentation will explore all aspects of the aircraft including my role in the restoration of the last flying Vulcan. Do you know why every Vulcan carried a RAT? Or how the Vulcan was used to develop Concorde?

Stealth Aircraft - State of the Art Warfare

Development of stealth technology began in Germany during WWII. This presentation will look at well-known examples of stealth aircraft including the F-117 Nighthawk, the B-2 Spirit, the F-22 Raptor and the F-35 Lightning II. Learn about the technologies used to create these state-of-art war machines. We also explore the future of Stealth Technology in modern warfare.

The First Time Machine- A History of Concorde

The fastest passenger aircraft of all time. First flown in 1969, this iconic vehicle was ahead of its time in so many ways. This presentation explores the history and technology of the aircraft. Including rare footage taken on the flight deck and also the final ever landing when she returned to Filton in November 2003.

A popular presentation. Often requested.

The Betrayal of Concorde

Until the Paris crash, Concorde had a sparkling safety record. The aircraft had flown over 40,000 flights without incident. After, BA spent over £30,000,000 on safety modifications. Within 18 months Concorde was permanently grounded.

What's the REAL reason Concorde no longer flies?

Perhaps, all is not what it first appears?

Concorde - Supersonic Cover Up?

An Air France Concorde crashed in July 2000. After extensive investigation the world was told the cause was a strip of metal which burst a tyre. However, the truth is far more disturbing. Using official crash investigation reports a new theory has emerged. This talk explores what actually happened and allows the audience the chance to draw their own conclusions.

The Concorde Collection

If you'd like more than one of my Concorde talks it is recommended you hear them in this order...

- The First Time Machine
- Supersonic Cover Up
- Betrayal of Concorde

Special Offer

If you book 2 Concorde related talks at the same time, you receive a 15% discount.

If you book all 3 there is a 20% discount.

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Battle of Britain - Victory Against the Odds

Months before the Battle of Britain, British intelligence informed Churchill that his airforce was outnumbered 4:1. This presentation explores the secrets of the RAF, as well as highlighting Nazi mistakes, which prevented the Luftwaffe from gaining strategic control of the skies above South East England. Without these secret tactics the outcome could have been very different.

A recent testimonial...

"Guy came to talk to our WI last week and one of our ladies said it was the best talk we had ever had."

- Madginford WI



Guy with the Mayor of Maidstone

The Dambusters - The Impossible Mission

Operation "Chastise" has become a legend in military history as it contains all the traditionally admired military attributes of originality, surprise and heroism coupled with a dramatic outcome. It explores the roles of Guy Gibson and Barnes Wallis. Do you know the links this mission has with Herne Bay, or where you can still see the bouncing bombs?

SAS Embassy Siege - Standby, Standby, Go!

The SAS assault, codenamed "Operation Nimrod", was broadcast live on peak-time TV. Now, discover the inside story of what lead up to the raid, how it almost went tragically wrong, and how it cemented the Special Air Services as one of the elite Special Forces.

STOP PRESS! For a small additional fee I can bring examples of SAS weapons and equipment.

The History of the Air Transport Auxiliary

Often described as the "Female Few" this talk explores the role of female ATA pilots. The ATA recruited pilots who were unsuitable for the RAF by reason of age, fitness or sex. A quarter of ATA pilots were women. Once female ATA pilots became common knowledge there was public outcry. However, without them, WW2 may have had a different outcome.

The History of the Quick Reaction Alert

Since the early 1960's the RAF has operated a QRA capability. Discover how this evolved from V-bomber aircrews waiting to launch a nuclear retaliatory strike from their dispersal pans across the country, to the powerful Eurofighter Typhoon used today to intercept incursions into UK airspace from RAF bases at Lossiemouth, in Moray and Conningsby in Lincolnshire.

British Women in Aviation - The Pioneers

This talk explores the contribution of British women in the world of aviation. It explores the lives and stories of some aviation pioneers, women such as the first fast-jet pilot in the RAF, the only female captain of Concorde and more...

An inspirational talk, highlighting the bravery and skill of British women through the years.

"Ladies & Gentlemen, all 4 engines have failed..."

At 37,000 feet, one after another - and for no reason the crew could discover - all 4 engines on a British Airways 747 failed. With a crippled aircraft, the captain controlled the powerless jumbo jet, the co-pilot sent out mayday calls and the flight engineer tried repeatedly to re-start the engines. What happened next is the stuff of fiction, except this time, it was for real...

Eat Your Carrots! - History of British Radar

As Britain faced Nazi invasion it became clear the Royal Air Force was out-numbered 4:1. The Government turned to scientists for a solution. They asked for a Death Ray - what they got was more advantageous. The story of how two unlikely men, and a mathematical formula, changed the tide of the war. They say truth is stranger than fiction. Indeed, it was here.

4 Minute Warning - What would've happened?

We are all aware of the 4 minute warning, the alert that would have been given if a Russian nuclear attack was detected. But what would really have happened? Would we have survived? Would we have wanted to? Please note this talk is **not suitable** for all due to the graphic nature of the content. Please liaise with me if you are considering this presentation for your members.

Flying Past - Aviation in Kent

Kent has been at the forefront of aviation since the 1880's. This talk explores the history of balloons, airships and aircraft in the county. It includes information about some of the numerous Kentish airfields, past and present, and gives suggestions for places which you may like to visit. Join me on a journey through a century of amazing aviation years in the Garden of England.

Donald Campbell - Record Breaker

Donald Campbell was obsessed with speed. He remains the only person to set both world land and water speed records in the same year (1964). Do you know who Mr Whoppit is? Find this out, plus much more about this unique and very British icon.

The lecture examines what motivated this man to travel faster and faster...