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In Brief

Students on Helicentre Aviation Academy's first Integrated CPL(H) with ATPL(H)/IR TK (Theoretical Knowledge) course completed their flight training just before Christmas. The class also attained an average 90% pass mark for the ATPL(H)/IR theoretical exams. The second course is due to start soon. More info [here](#).



Leading Edge Aviation has just taken delivery of a new Alsim AL42 simulator fitted with authentic Diamond and Garmin components and data sets. It complements a new Airbus A320 sim to be used for Leading Edge's APS MCC course (below).



Entrol has completed the development of a Flight Training Device (FTD) level 2 simulator for the highly popular single-engine Bell 505 helicopter, the replacement for the long-standing JetRanger. The first customer is Abu Dhabi based Horizon International Flight Academy, which has a large fleet of Bell 505s for training pilots in the Middle East.



New types of aircraft need new methods of pilot training so Lilium, the Munich-based company developing an all-electric, vertical take-off and landing aircraft (eVTOL), is partnering with Lufthansa Aviation Training. They will develop a tailor made pilot sourcing and training programme to qualify pilots to fly the Lilium Jet.

New group pushes for easing of 'red-green' colour vision tests

Colour vision problems affect 1 in 12 men and the 'red-green' condition is a common stumbling block for aspiring pilots around the world. Women are less affected – about 1 in 200.

A new non-profit, pan-European group set up by colour vision deficient (CVD) pilots has been established to spread knowledge and challenge the status quo.

The European Colour Deficient Aircrew Association (ECDAA) has been set up by Jordan Penning in the UK, and Simone De Marchi in Italy, to support and advise aspiring and current pilots.

The group is also working together to push for change throughout EASA member nations and the UK in the hope that less restrictive testing methods, similar to those adopted by New Zealand and Australia, can be brought to this part of the world.



Above Why is 'red-green' an issue for pilots? You wouldn't want to get the PAPIs and runway lights mixed up in the above view, would you?

Jordan is a PPL holder with a degree in Air Transport Management and is studying a MSc in International Aviation Regulation and Law. He said, "After experiencing the ambiguity of EASA regulations surrounding colour vision requirements and testing methods, Simone and I decided to form a group to push for change.

"We now want to encourage

CVD pilots at any stage of their private or professional careers to join us, get involved with the conversation and use our resources for their own benefit. We believe that together we can also drive policy decisions and nurture a more pragmatic approach to CVD testing."

You can find out more information, and to join the group, visit [here](#)

Job guaranteed with FlyBy's new cadet programme

European flight school FlyBy has launched a new cadet programme that guarantees cadets a one-year flight instructor job at the end of the 17-month training course.

Cadets, who require no prior aviation experience to join the course, will receive an EASA Airline Transport Pilot Licence (ATPL), an EASA Flight Instructor (FI) Rating and a fully paid Flight Instructor job at FlyBy for at least 12 months. It will also add 600 hours of flight experience upon completion of the programme – useful when applying for an airline job..



Above FlyBy's new fleet at Burgos Airport in northern Spain

The FlyBy Cadet Programme has been launched with the company predicting a strong aviation industry rebound over the next 12-24 months.

FlyBy admits another reason for launching the programme is

to secure sufficient instructors to support the next stage of the flight school's growth.

The school has bought six new trainer aircraft and a new A320 simulator, as well as opened its second pilot training base in the last 12 months alone with plans to expand further over the next 24 months and beyond.

FlyBy's course is based at Burgos International Airport in northern Spain. The course is divided into three phases: a 14-month ATPL Integrated course, a three-month Flight Instructor course and a 12-month Flight Instructor job.

More info [here](#).