

SPEAKERS CORNER Welcomes Wg Cdr Chris Pote

Friday 11.00 to 12.00

Eurofox to New Zealand





Chris joined the RAF in 1996 and his first flying tour was as a Qualified Flying Instructor on the Tucano, teaching the Basic Fast Jet Training course. Six further flying tours split between the Tornado GR4 and instruction on the Tucano followed. Chris has always drawn inspiration from the pioneering expeditions flown by aviators in the 1920s and 1930s and has long held an ambition to fly a light aircraft to New Zealand.

The trailblazers of the 1920s and 1930s flew a variety of light aircraft with similar performance to ours, to Australia and back. In that era the majority of the route was within several European empires. Today contemporary politics slightly limits our options, however, we are able to visit a tremendously interesting collection of countries commemorating and celebrating 100 years of the RAF.