

31 October 2015

Christmas Awards Dinner

UK Chapter Christmas Dinner and Awards Evening 2015 – Friday 11 December Last year's Chapter Christmas Dinner was great fun and gave us a chance to recognise the achievements of some of our members – it was also the largest in a very long time. We want it to be bigger and even better this December but places are limited so please book as early as possible – now! Once again we will be recognising the achievements of several UK personnel. Black tie was a hit last year so they will be the preferred choice again this year, but are not essential. You will find more information and an application form below. Many thanks, to Phil Davies, for once again making the arrangements for our Christmas party. PS – Phil's email address is phildavie@aol.com – without the "s"!

Visit to Vulcan XH558 – A Great and Happy Success Thirty Chapter members and guests visited Vulcan XH558 in her original cold war hanger at Robin Hood Airport (formerly RAF Finningley), Doncaster, on Thursday 29 October. Julian Grenfell also gave a talk on the EW fit of the Vulcan and Phil Davies provided a brief but incredible insight into his experience of flying XH558 as AEO over the past 7 years. Thanks to Visit Director Sue Robertson, Phil Davies, Julian Grenfell, Chris Howe and everyone who joined-in on the day of the visit.



New Articles from Chapter Members I am delighted that John "Jacey" Wise MBE has found the time to write another great article, this time on recent radar events in particularly significant operational areas. Please feel free to provide any feedback. Professor David Stupples, also a Chapter member, provided this link to an excellent article he wrote for "The Conversation", an academic journal: <https://theconversation.com/how-syria-is-becoming-a-test-bed-for-high-tech-weapons-of-electronic-warfare-48779>: David is Professor of Electronic and Radio Systems at City University, London, and "The Conversation" have made the article available through a Creative Commons Attribution NoDerivatives license. I hope you enjoy it – again feedback is most welcome and our Chapter authors would appreciate it. If there is an "inner-author" in you, we would like to see your work and share it.

Classified EW Symposium The 11th Classified (SECRET 5-Eyes) EW Symposium is to be hosted by the Defence Academy of the UK on Tuesday 8 and Wednesday 9 December 2015 at Shrivenham. It is run by Symposia at Shrivenham on behalf of Cranfield Defence & Security and Dstl, and is supported by the UK Chapter. The 2015 symposium title is very welcome and topical: Future Challenges for Joint Operations in the Electromagnetic Environment. More information and the call for papers at: <http://www.cranfield.ac.uk/about/events/listings/symposia/ew.html>.

Finally That's all folks. I've listed a few dates below, where you might consider joining us and the wider AOC community in 2015 and 2016. Remember, the UK Chapter is all about you, so please stay engaged and let the Board know what you want. Feedback is always welcome; otherwise we operate in a vacuum. We need more members to become actively involved in what the Chapter does – any ideas are welcome.



John Clifford OBE
UK Chapter President

SOME DATES FOR YOUR 2015 DIARY

Visit to RN Type 45 Destroyer, Portsmouth TBD 2016

AOC 52nd Symposium 1 - 3 December 2015, **New Venue** Marriott Marquis DC and Convention Center, Washington, DC - <http://www.crows.org/conventions/2015.html>

11th Classified 5-Eyes EW Symposium 8-9 December 2015, Defence Academy, Shrivenham:
<http://www.cranfield.ac.uk/about/events/listings/symposia/ew.html>

UK Chapter Christmas Dinner 11 Dec 2015, RAF Club, Awards Dinner, Black-tie preferred, flyer below.

UK Chapter AGM 18:30 Wednesday 16 Mar 2016, RAF Club, London

AOC EW Europe 2016 10-12 May 2016, Ahoy Conference Centre, Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Check out our website at www.ukaoc.org

**You can also check out career opportunities there too, by clicking on the
“News” tab and “EW Job Vacancies” tab.**



CHRISTMAS AWARDS DINNER

Royal Air Force Club, 128 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PY

Friday 11 December 2015

The AOC UK Chapter Board is very pleased to confirm that the annual AOC UK Chapter Christmas Dinner will be held in the Royal Air Force Club, Piccadilly (Hyde Park end) on **Friday 11 December 2015**. All AOC members, their partners and guests will be most welcome at this very enjoyable festive occasion. Like last year, let's make this a grand occasion with as many as possible attending as we will also recognise the achievements of Chapter members and units.

The outline programme for the evening is:

1800: Pre-dinner drinks in the Victoria Bar.

1900: Christmas Dinner in the President's Room.

Carriages as required

Dress: Gentlemen, **Black Tie** preferred; Ladies, as appropriate.

The Dinner will cost £50 per head, including wine and port at the table, and will also be supported by a subsidy from Chapter funds. Members wishing to attend should complete the proforma below and send it by e-mail to Phil Davies no later than Friday 4 December 2015 (or simply send Phil the information via email). Payment on the night is preferred but, having made a commitment to the RAF Club, we regret that payment for the dinner will still be due in the event of a late cancellation by a member after 7 Dec 2015. If you would like to pay early and send a cheque please contact Phil and he will provide his address.

To: Phil Davies

E-mail: phildavie@aol.com

I wish to attend the AOC Christmas Dinner on **Friday 11 December 2015**.

Name:

AOC Membership No: Guest(s):

Telephone:

E-mail:

Any special dietary requirements (e.g. vegetarian)?