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## Sloane Helicopters is Hosting a Range of Robinson Training Courses for Pilots and Engineers

### **Technical Review of the Robinson Range of Helicopters**

As the UK and Ireland Dealer and Service Centre for the Robinson Helicopter Company for over 42 years, Sloane Helicopters is delighted to be able to offer you a unique opportunity to join us on a bespoke Robinson technical review day of informal lectures which will be specifically tailored to all Robinson Helicopter pilots. The day will be taking place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2018.



The technical review day will be conducted by Dick Sanford who is a Robinson Helicopter Company accident/technical investigator from Mornington Sanford Aviation and will include a review of recent accidents, human factors, critical flight conditions and a technical review of the Robinson helicopter range.

This is an ideal opportunity for pilots to improve their systems/cockpit interface and emergency procedures knowledge. A high percentage of accidents occur as a result of an overreaction to a benign indication in the cockpit. *'It's not what happens but it's how you react to what happens that determines the outcome.'* Do you really know what you are supposed to be looking for during a pre-flight check?

Throughout the day you will have the opportunity to network with other pilots and flight instructors and share your flying experiences. The course will significantly benefit Robinson owners by providing you with the knowledge of how to look after your Robinson helicopter.

Spaces are limited so please ensure that you reserve your place as soon as possible by contacting Tinie Hofmeyr or Rochelle Buckseall at Sloane Helicopters on +44 (0)1604 790595 or at [training@sloanehelicopters.com](mailto:training@sloanehelicopters.com)

### **R22/R44 EASA Part 147 Type Training at Sywell in May**

We are delighted that Dick Sanford will be holding another EASA Part 147 type training course on the R22/R44 airframe and Lycoming engine at Sloane Helicopters' Sywell facility later this year.



The theoretical element of the course is scheduled to take place from 29<sup>th</sup> May to 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018 with the practical aspect running from 9<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

More information on the courses can be found on the Mornington Sanford Aviation website

[www.morningtonsanfordaviation.com](http://www.morningtonsanfordaviation.com)



## R66 Differences Type Training Course

Dick Sanford will also be carrying out his renowned EASA Part 147 (Part 66) approved type training course for the Robinson R66.

The Robinson R66 (Turbine) series differences course includes both theoretical and practical elements covering the differences between the R22/R44 and the R66 Airframes and the Powerplant (R22/R44 to R66). This will run from 18<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

Please contact us for further details.

## 2018 Robinson Deliveries

As the UK and Ireland Dealer for Robinson, Sloane has already taken delivery of one new R44 Clipper II, the first brand new Robinson to arrive in the UK in 2018, as seen on the delivery truck in the photo on the right.

This is the first of eleven Robinson helicopters already confirmed for delivery this year. The latest information from the factory puts the backlog at an average lead time of four months, depending on the model, from receipt of your deposit.



## Pre-owned Robinson Sales

Last year we sold five pre-owned Robinson helicopters. We are pleased to be able to sell any Robinson helicopter and remain available to source pre-owned helicopters for customer requirements.



**2009 R44 Raven II  
FOR SALE**

With just 290 hours on the airframe, this 2009 Robinson R44 Raven II is in immaculate condition and is currently undergoing its annual inspection.

Additional equipment includes a BendixKing KY196A COM, Garmin GTX330 mode S transponder, night landing kit, directional gyro and an artificial horizon with slip-skid indicator. The aircraft is fitted with new blades and has bladder tanks installed.



**Overhauled R22 Beta II  
SOLD**



**2005 R22 Beta II  
SOLD**



**2005 R44 Clipper II  
SOLD**



**2004 R44 Raven II  
SOLD**

## National Apprentice Week



Sloane Helicopters has long been an ardent supporter of apprenticeships, and in aid of the recent National Apprentice Week, we would like to introduce you to Matt Rogers (pictured left). Matt joined Sloane Helicopters in 2009 on an engineering apprenticeship during his BTEC Level 3 in Aerospace Engineering. Last year Matt achieved his licence and also became a Dad! During his time at Sloane, Matt has worked on various aircraft from the Robinson range to the Leonardo AW109 series of helicopters.



## **Robinson Adds a Range of New Features**

Robinson has recently released a number of new R44 and R66 options, including the ones shown below. We will be pleased to discuss the benefits of these systems with you and advise you of the system that will best meet your requirements.

### **Garmin G500H TXi Displays**

The Robinson Helicopter Company has now added the Garmin G500 TXi displays to the available options on the R44 and R66 helicopters. These touchscreen displays bring PFD/MFD information onto a single screen whilst interfacing with the Garmin GTN 6/7 series GPS.

The Garmin Display Units (GDU) available include the GDU 1060 TXi and the GDU 700L. The GDU 1060 TXi is a 10.6-inch display installed in the large G500 display with additional room for any Garmin GTN 6/7 GPS and a Genesys SAS/Autopilot.

The GDU 700L is a 7-inch display that is to be installed in Robinson's new compact console and spares room beneath for any Garmin GTN 6 series GPS. This display has been designed specifically for Robinson and enables pilots to switch between a full screen PFD and a full screen Moving Map therefore eliminating the needs for a separate GPS console in front of the pilot. We will be pleased to discuss the benefits of these systems with you further.



### **R66 Wire Strike Protection Provisions**

Robinson has now added wire strike protection provisions as an available option on the R66. This provision allows easy installation of the Magellan wire strike protection system onto R66 helicopters.



### **R66 Cargo Hook**

Robinson has created two different cargo hook installations for the R66. The Basic installation includes the cargo hook and right-seat controls, whereas the Advanced installation includes the cargo hook with both right and left seat controls together with a left seat hydraulic switch and start button. The Advanced installation also provides a load weight and second set of engine power gauges located in the left door sill along with provisions for remote control of external equipment.



For further information on Robinson helicopters or any of the items mentioned above, please contact Rick Andrew at [randrew@sloanehelicopters.com](mailto:randrew@sloanehelicopters.com), on +44 1604 790595.



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