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Welcome to the Spring 2017 edition of Sloane's Robinson Helicopter Company newsletter where we will keep you up-to-date with Robinson product and service improvements, together with any new and useful developments.

The team at Sloane Helicopters is looking forward to the year ahead and to supporting all your aviation needs.

2017 Flying School trips

We are planning our Flying School excursions and specialised training courses for 2017 with provisional timings outlined below.

Event	Provisional date
Underwater escape training	March 2017
Northern Ireland trip	April 2017
Search and Rescue course	May 2017
Lake District trip	June 2017
Le Touquet trip	July 2017
Mountain flying course	August 2017
Isle of Wight trip	September 2017

Join us at our Apache fly-in day at our Sywell facility where the Army Air Corps will bring two Apaches to Sloane whilst offering a walk-round experience and a presentation for all attendees. The event will take place toward the end of March. Please register your interest for further information.

Contact our training team at training@sloanehelicopters.com or on +44 1604 790595 for further information and to register your interest in our trips and specialised courses.

2016 Flying School trips

The Flying School embarked on various fly-aways in 2016 with Sloane's instructors and customers. These included trips to Grimsthorpe Castle and the Isle of Wight.



Our Flying School Christmas lunch was full of joy and cheer to celebrate the festive season with customers. Snapshots of the event are shown below:



Overhauls

As a Robinson Service Centre, Sloane Helicopters operates an Engineering Centre of Excellence. Sloane is in the enviable position of having had over 30 years' experience as a Robinson Service Centre. The Company's main maintenance facilities are located at Sywell Aerodrome, Northamptonshire and Enniskillen, Northern Ireland.



Our helicopter engineering department provides a comprehensive overhaul package for Robinson R22 and R44 helicopters. If your Robinson aircraft is approaching an overhaul, contact Rick Andrew at randrew@sloanehelicopters.com or on +44 1604 790595 to discuss your overhaul or to purchase a freshly overhauled aircraft.

Spare parts

As an authorised Robinson Service Centre, Sloane provides a complete service for Robinson spare part sales. We have the advantage of being able to supply parts with fast turnaround times, at competitive prices, and will assign a dedicated company representative for all your spares requirements. Contact us today to discuss your requirements at sales@sloanehelicopters.com or on +44 1604 790595.



Robinson Helicopter Company news

- On 23rd December 2016, the 12,000th Robinson helicopter to come off of the Robinson production line was an R66. The R66 has the best in class characteristics in terms of performance, endurance, a spacious baggage compartment and low operating costs.
- The pop-out float installation on the Robinson R66 Turbine Marine has recently received EASA approval and is now approved to perform on both commercial and emergency operations. For more information on the R66 Turbine Marine, please contact our sales team on sales@sloanehelicopters.com or on +44 1604 790595.
- Recent concerns have been raised regarding mast-bumping accidents in the R44 and R66 at high speeds when the aircraft is light. Although concerns are predominantly from the southern hemisphere, low-G mast bumping accidents are avoidable by following correct operating procedures and through good pilot judgement.

As a result, Robinson have issued a safety alert and have positioned placards in the aircraft relating to IAS and "smooth" air. An extract from the alert detailing this is shown below:



"R44 and R66 helicopters are capable of high cruise speeds, especially when lightly loaded. A yellow precautionary operating range has been added to R44 and R66 airspeed indicators as a reminder to slow down for safety. The yellow arc indicates the maximum airspeed recommended cruise speed is 110 KIAS. Speeds above 110 KIAS are not recommended except in smooth air with the pilot's attention fully focused on flying."

Sloane merchandise

Sloane Helicopters has launched an exclusive range of branded merchandise available for purchase now. The range includes a Sloane polo shirt, baseball cap, thermal flask, water bottle and a power-bank for charging your phone remotely. All products are branded with the Sloane Helicopters logo.

For more information or to purchase an item, contact us on +44 1604 790595 or at training@sloanehelicopters.com.



R44 Raven II delivery

Last month, Sloane took delivery of its first new Robinson this year, an R44 Raven II.



Sloane has been the UK and Ireland dealer and service centre for the Robinson Helicopter Company since 1976 and since this time, has sold more than 600 Robinson helicopters. We operate our own fleet of R22, R44 and R66 helicopters and can arrange demonstration flights at short notice.

New Robinson aircraft

As of 15th February, the lead times for new Robinson aircraft are as follows:

R22 Beta II - Early June 2017

R44 Cadet - Late May 2017

R44 Raven I - Late August 2017

R44 Raven II - Late September 2017

R66 Turbine - Mid July 2017



Pre-owned aircraft for sale

A selection of the pre-owned Robinson aircraft available for purchase are shown below:

Robinson R66 Turbine

- **Year built:** 2011
- **Hours:** 290 hours
- **Exterior** - Dark continental blue metallic with silver trim
- **Interior** - Grey leather seats
- Annual recently completed



Robinson R22 Beta II

- **Year built:** 2004 (2,200 hours/12 years remaining)
- **Exterior** - Dark blue with silver trim
- **Interior** - Grey leather seats
- Overhaul due to be complete late April 2017



ADVERTISE YOUR AIRCRAFT HERE

If you have a Robinson aircraft to sell, please contact Sloane. We can offer a free inspection with a comprehensive brokerage package, marketing your aircraft to a wide network with adverts in our newsletter, on the Sloane website and on renowned aviation sales platforms.



Join Sloane on Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram by searching '**Sloane Helicopters**'.

For further information on any of the Robinson range of helicopters, please contact Rick Andrew at randrew@sloanehelicopters.com, on +44 1604 790595 or on his mobile +44 7341 885382.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sloane will be exhibiting at Heli UK Expo at Wycombe Air Park from 1st to 3rd June. Heli UK Expo is the UK's only helicopter fly-in event.



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Sloane will also be exhibiting at the prestigious Salon Privé supercar event at Blenheim Palace in Oxfordshire from 31st August to 2nd September. Salon Privé is a leading global automotive event and a jewel in the British social calendar.

