A talk and visit to the Fleet Air Arm Museum
10.30am on Tuesday 16 April 2019
RNAs Yeovilton, Ilchester, Somerset, BA22 8HT

The Fleet Air Arm Museum tells the story of the men, women, aircraft and ships who have served with the Fleet Air Arm - the flying arm of the Royal Navy since the early twentieth century.

Their world-renowned collection includes many unique and significant aircraft and a multitude of fascinating personal stories of endeavour and bravery. From the early box kites and seaplanes flown by heroic pioneers, to the remarkable Harrier Jump Jet and modern day helicopters, they have the largest collection of naval aircraft on display in Europe.

In addition, they are proud custodians of Concorde 002, the British prototype of the world’s only supersonic commercial aircraft, one of the world’s greatest engineering achievements and an iconic symbol of post-war design and glamorous air travel.

We will be given a talk on The History of the Fleet Air Arm: From early flight through to modern operations. We will learn about the how the Navy uses aviation at sea, its key figures in history and the different types of aircraft used.

The Museum is well sign-posted on the B3151 approximately 1 mile west of its junction with the A303, and 2 miles east of Ilchester.

For Satnav users, the Museum entrance is actually about ½ mile east of the location given by the postcode BA22 8HT.

Please arrive by 10:30 for a welcoming tea or coffee in the Museum Café. Guides will meet us in the Café and take us into the Auditorium, via the level access, for a Meet and Greet and the talk at 11:00. Following the talk, we will take lunch in the Museum Café at 12:30, which will be a pre-ordered choice of Steak pie, Beef Lasagne, Vegetable Lasagne or Scampi, served with seasonal vegetables and Chips, and followed by Cake of the day or Mixed Fruit Salad, and Tea or Coffee.

For the remainder of the day, members and their guests will be free to tour the Museum at their own pace. The Museum Café closes at 17:00, and the Museum closes at 17:30.

The charge for this event is £27.50 per person, covering the admission to the Museum, the talk, and the lunch. This can be paid by cheque or via bank transfer to The Cambridge Society of Dorset. Our bank account is with HSBC, sort code 40-17-22, account number 31130641. If you pay electronically, this must be done when you return the slip (which can be emailed to David Frith, details below), and you must give your surname and the date of the meeting (i.e. 16Apr2019) as the reference on the transfer request to your bank. Otherwise, please post your booking slip and cheque as normal to David Frith at 27 King Richard Drive, Bournemouth BH11 9PH (tel 07885 777426), e-mail david.frith1@ntlworld.com by 7th April 2019.

Please enclose a SAE if you wish your booking to be acknowledged by post.
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I/We wish to come to this event.

**Either:** I enclose a cheque for £27.50 per person (Yes/No)

**Or:** I confirm I have paid by electronic bank transfer and have inserted my surname and the meeting date 16Apr2019 in the Reference Box when making the transfer (Yes/No)

Member(s) ___________________________________ Phone Number __________________

E-mail (clearly please) _______________________________________________________

Guest(s) _________________________________________________________________

Menu Choices (please insert number required):

**Main Course:** Steak Pie..... Beef Lasagne..... Vegetable Lasagne..... Scampi.....

**Dessert:** Cake ....... Fruit Salad.....

Any special dietary requirements? ______________________________________________