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About Your Coach



John Marriott LAA Coach



John has acquired over 17,000 hours in powered aircraft; he pays the mortgage as a Boeing 777 captain for a major UK airline. He is also a safety representative for the British Airline Pilots Association (BALPA) and an accredited accident investigator for the International Federation of Airline Pilots Association (IFALPA).

A few years ago while he was a 'relatively' bored first officer flying Boeing 747s and at the ripe old age of 44 years he embarked on a distance learning MSc course in Air Safety Management. Thanks to six day trips sitting around some remote destinations with not much else to do, he managed to complete the MSc two years later. As an advocate of air safety, his drive is towards a 'Just Safety Culture' in general aviation.

John is a keen glider tug pilot and author of 'Aero-Towing Gliders'. (Please buy it! - all proceeds go to the Air League scholarship). John has a few hundred hours tugging (mainly) on Pawnees, Supermunks (Lycoming engine Chipmunks), Robins and Super Cubs. He is the proud owner of a Fournier RF4 based at Sherington and has a share in a Robin DR400 based at Bicester.

Furthermore, John has also accumulated over twenty five years experience as a full category gliding instructor, motor glider instructor, light aircraft flying instructor, and currently he is the British Gliding Association (BGA) senior glider tug pilot.