

Yorkshire Air Museum

DISCOVER the Yorkshire Air Museum! This is the largest original Bomber Command Station open to the public, this year being the 70th Anniversary of the commencement of operations with 77 Squadron.

20 ACRES OF AWARD-WINNING PARKLAND AND GARDENS, featuring the new woodland walk, along with the famous "NAAFI" restaurant, stunning exhibitions and an extensive collection makes this **"more than just an air museum!"**

DID YOU KNOW that the aeroplane was invented here in Yorkshire? Sir George Cayley's 1853 Gilder is amongst almost 50 historic aircraft, including the famous Wright "Flyer" depicted at the Museum. The stunning **'Pioneers of Aviation'** exhibition explores Yorkshire's rich aviation heritage and amazing characters, such as Amy Johnson and Robert Blackburn.

A UNIQUE HISTORY. Halifax bombers of No. 77 Squadron RAF were the first to be stationed here in 1942, followed by the only two French Heavy Bomber Squadrons 346 *Guyenne* and 347 *Tunisie*. This was the only base to be operated by French personnel – a close history which continues to this day.

THE COLLECTION includes the famous Halifax Bomber and Mosquito Nightfighter plus aircraft from the early 1900's through both World Wars and the Battle of Britain right up to the jet-age with examples of *Meteor*; *Javelin*; *Lightning*; *Harrier* and *Tornado*.



Imagination takes flight



Join us for our colourful Allied Forces Memorial Day Service and Parade

LIVE 'THUNDER DAY'S' will be extra exciting this year as for the first time they will feature our historic propeller driven aircraft such as the historic wartime Dakota and De Havilland aircraft in addition to the Jets of the mighty Nimrod MR2!! Look out for the special De Havilland weekend in June 2012.

THE DEFINITIVE RAF BOMBER COMMAND EXHIBITION in Building 9 contains the 1930's cinema and factual, social history, audio and visual displays about the planes, politics and the men and women who fought from many allied nations, such as France, Canada, USA, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Poland and India.

CORPORATE EVENTS & HOSPITALITY – the Museum provides an ideal venue for a wide range of corporate and private events from 20 to 2000 people! Conferences, seminars, exhibitions, training and education, hospitality, private parties and reunions can all be



One of our Yorkshire in Bloom award winning Gardens



Part of our large aircraft collection from on high

catered for in our stylish and flexible functions suite within these historic surroundings. The ample **FREE parking** and easy access from main routes provide an additional incentive to host your event with us.

YOU WILL BE SURPRISED at just how much there is to see in this friendly place, so take a break in our large **Restaurant** and enjoy a traditional, freshly cooked meal. Don't forget the **Museum Shop** for that souvenir and don't miss our **Special Events** throughout 2012. Join us for our colourful Allied Forces Memorial Day Service and Parade.



A large educational event

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