

## Press Release

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### The Air League launches APS MCC Scholarship

The Air League is delighted to announce its first ever Airline Pilot Standards Multi-Crew Cooperation Course (APS MCC) Scholarship, sponsored by Skyborne Airline Academy.

In May 2019, Skyborne Airline Academy launched the UK's first Boeing 737 MAX APS MCC, with the purpose of significantly boosting the employability prospect of its cadets. The Scholarship gives the two successful candidates a 50% discount.

The UK Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) approved course will take place over three weeks at Skyborne's training centre, located at Gloucestershire Airport, and will include the following:

- 28 hours of Theoretical Knowledge Instruction and practical scenario-based training
- 40 hours (10 days) of simulator training in Skyborne's Boeing 737 MAX FTD simulator
- Personal Study Guide covering normal and non-normal checklist management, Standard Operating Procedures and briefing guidance
- Airline Selection preparation training

CEO of Skyborne Airline Academy, Lee Woodward, said:

*"At Skyborne we are passionate about improving access to pilot training so the very best cadets can thrive as commercial pilots, regardless of their background or financial status."*

*"Through the Skyborne APS MCC scholarship, in partnership with the Air League, we will provide cadets with the highest standard of pilot training, equipping them with the knowledge, skills and attitude to commence initial type rating training with an airline."*

CEO of the Air League, Nick West, added:

*"The Air League makes an important contribution to the aviation industry and this new partnership with Skyborne enables us to offer the broadest portfolio of scholarships in the sector."*

Candidates wishing to apply for the scholarship can apply now through the official Air League website:

<http://www.airleague.co.uk/skyborne-aps-mcc-scholarship/>

Notes to Editors:

**The Air League** was formed in 1909, and over the past century has been at the forefront of supporting the UK's aviation, aerospace and defence industries.

Today the Air League is a sector leading non-profit organisation focused on changing lives through aviation. The Air League's mission is to inspire, encourage and support young people through aviation and aerospace scholarships or opportunities.

The Air League is now the UK's largest provider of aviation scholarships and bursaries. Over the past decade more £2 million has been allocated to scholars, including disabled veterans and disadvantaged youngsters across the entire UK.

Through its annual programme of events the Air League also supports, stimulates and provides insight across a broad-spectrum of areas within the aviation and aerospace industries. Through its parliamentary group it offers a unique forum in Westminster where politicians and industry leaders can come together through various lectures and debates. The Air League also offers corporate and individual members industry led networking opportunities throughout the year. The 'Leading Edge' youth section complements the Air League Trust's formal scholarships and bursaries programmes and acts as a wider network for young people interested in flying, or wanting to pursue a career in aviation.

The Council of the Air League is advisory body chaired by the President of the Air League. The Air League Council is formed of industry leaders, experts and professionals. The Council regularly release position papers which articulate and promote the advanced technologies and crucial industry skills which are vital to the economic success of the UK.

The Air League's Honours and Awards are usually presented each year at St James's Palace at the Annual Reception. The Awards are some of the industry's most prestigious distinctions which recognise and commend a number of individuals and organisations which have made an outstanding contribution to aviation and aerospace.

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