

The Old Fliers Group

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We were fortunate to hear from ex-RAF Officer, Peter Mack who has researched the events leading up to the crash of Air France Concorde F-BTSC on 25/7/2000.

You may think you know all the facts such as this aircraft running over a strip of metal on the runway left by a departing Continental Airlines DC10, perhaps even knowing that a fuel tank was ruptured (wrong).

Peter laid bare the chain of events which exposed these passengers and crew to danger.

There was overloading and out-of-balance not to mention grandstanding when President Jacques Chirac was asked whether he would like to witness a take-off close at hand.

This talk can be watched on our YouTube Channel and has already received many hits.



During the break a free raffle was held which was won by Frank Cocks.

The prize was a signed copy of "Pilot to Pilot" written by Retired pilot, Elliott Montagu. Elliott then gave a talk on airmanship

illustrated by tales of misadventure in the air. He illustrated how good crew resource management saves lives.

A Captain and first Officer on BAE VH-JJP met for the first time as they were to fly from Perth, Karratha, Perth.

Enroute back to Perth they experienced a "roll back" of all four engines and diverted to Meekatharra.

CRM kicked in as they tackled the many problems. Eventually power was restored, and a safe landing made at Meekatharra.

This was a textbook example of good airmanship, and a video was made of the event and distributed worldwide to airline crew.



View our talks at:

https://www.youtube.com/c/OldFliersGroup/videos We hope to see you all at the July 30th meeting. Steve Rogers.