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Scotlands National Airshow 2015

East Fortune Airfield

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USPA NEWS - Scotland´s National Airshow at National Museum of Flight, East Fortune Airfield with aerial displays from the RAF Red Arrows display plus the Spitfire, Hurricane and Lancaster from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight.

Royal Air Force Station East Fortune or more simply RAF East Fortune is a former Royal Air Force station, just south of the village of East Fortune, a short distance east of Edinburgh in Scotland. It was used as a fighter station during World War I and for training and night fighters during World War II. The motto of the station was “Fortune Favours the Bold“.

In the post-war era the runways have been taken over for local private aviation use, while the former RAF buildings have been used for the National Museum of Flight since 1976. It occupies the southern part of the old airfield. It is the only airfield-based airshow in the UK where the aeroplanes can´t land at the airfield. The museum collections have expanded into one of the most important in the UK, covering all aspects of aviation including military, civil and recreational. The museum is significant in that it is the only UK national museum still collecting the history of commercial aviation.

This resulted in the museum putting their Boeing 707 fuselage section on display from April 2010, with a collection of BOAC crew and passenger artefacts, including a 1960s stewardess uniform.

The aircraft on display are:

Aero S-103 (613677), Czechoslovakian licence-built version of the MiG 15
Aérospatiale-BAC Concorde G-BOAA. This is displayed as “Scotland´s Concorde“ and is the focus of “The Concorde Experience“ which opened on 16 March 2005
Air and Space 18A (G-BVWK)

Armstrong Whitworth Meteor NF.14 (G-ARCX), operated by the Ferranti Flying Unit at Edinburgh Airport
Avro Anson C.19 (G-APHV), under restoration
Avro Vulcan B.2A (XM597) which carried out two of the Operation Black Buck missions during the Falklands War

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Beagle Terrier (G-ARSL)
Beech 18 (G-ASUG), in Loganair livery
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