

## **Lasham Gliding Society Ltd – Deputy Engineer(s) /BGA Inspector(s)**

Lasham Gliding Society Ltd is looking for two Deputy Engineers / BGA Inspectors to augment our busy in-house aircraft engineering team.

Lasham is the premiere gliding club in Europe, and possibly the World. With a membership of 700 active pilots, full time staff of 15, a sizeable club fleet of single and two-seat gliders, 5 tugs and over 230 private gliders located on the club-owned airfield. Located just to the South of Basingstoke (GU34 5SS) access is easy from all directions. Our own fully licenced and equipped workshop maintains our club fleet and offers comprehensive services to member-owners and glider pilots from further afield. We have a large clubhouse with restaurant and bar and a thriving social life. We plan to fly 365 days of the year, and in a normal year we provide around 24,000 launches – a mix of aerotow and winch. Our winch and vehicle fleets are maintained by our own mechanic. We own a comprehensive set of tug, glider and private glider hangars, briefing rooms and a bunkhouse, and support over 180 member-only static caravan/log cabin pitches and 40 touring caravans.

**Lasham Workshop.** The Lasham workshop is a 625 m2 purpose-built modern steel-clad hangar complete with professional certified paint spray facilities, tooling workshop and offices, with spare parts store, bonded store, and general storage available alongside the engineer's office on a mezzanine floor. Engineering staff consists of an in-place Chief Engineer (Senior BGA Inspector) and roles for 2 deputy inspectors, with potential to expand further. Revamped considerably last year the well-lit and heated working floor space of approximately 500 m2 is split into 5 bays with ample storage areas and shelving for each. A weighing point is available as is suitable overhead gantry crane. Entry to the workshops by customers is via the main office where all maintenance certification records are stored. The engineering team is supported by an administrative assistant responsible for purchase of spares and consumables, ongoing workshop certification and maintenance of aircraft records (for our 2-seater fleet of 2 Duo-discus, 5 ASK21s, 5 ASK 13s, club single-seat fleet of 3 Discus and 3 Astir single seaters, and a club Falke). It is a busy working environment with plenty of variation and technically interesting tasks to keep any engineer happy.

**Role description:** Lasham intends to expand the qualified aircraft engineer workforce. The Deputy Inspectors will assist the Chief Engineer in maintaining club and private gliders, and possibly tug aircraft in the future. Engineers will be expected to:

- ensure all practices carried out in the workshop are safe and H&S compliant.
- ensuring that the working environment is of a suitable standard for the planned work.
- comply with the relevant regulatory, technical & operational requirements.
- maintaining the Club Fleet and privately owned gliders under the supervision of the Chief Engineer in line with aircraft operational requirements agreed with the CFI.

- carry out unscheduled aircraft maintenance as reported by members instructors as efficiently as possible in order to maintain the required flying fleet.
- provide time & parts estimates to administrative assistant for both Lasham fleet and external work.
- Maintain work sheets for all work undertaken.

The Deputy Inspectors would also be expected to take an active role in marketing and promoting the LGS workshop facilities to both the LGS membership and external customers.

### **Qualifications Required / Desirable:**

The following attributes are required:

- BGA Glider Inspector: ARC Signatory requiring CAA Part 66 L1/L2 license (or equivalent)
- Current BGA Continuation Training.

The following attributes are desirable but not vital for either position:

- Experience at complex repairs for which Lasham has the CAA List 1 status.
- Self-Sustaining Sailplane – L2 Part 66 license.
- Self-launching Sailplane & Touring Motor Glider – L2 Part 66 license.
- Wood Repair - formal accreditation or rating, or evidence of suitable hands-on experience.
- Composite Repair - formal accreditation or rating, or evidence of suitable hands-on experience.
- Previous experience in a commercial aircraft workshop.

If not already qualified to maintain powered aircraft be prepared to work towards the relevant certification to allow tug maintenance in-house.

### **Place of work/Working Hours/Holidays/Salary/Pension:**

You will be expected to work from the main workshop at Lasham. Core working hours are 0830 – 1730 – (40 hours) spread over five days a week although you would occasionally be required carry out some duties outside of normal working hours. Holiday entitlement is 25 working days plus 8 public holidays (or days in lieu). The position comes with a competitive pay (negotiable according to experience) and benefits package, a generous contributory pension scheme and a food allowance in the restaurant.

**Deadline:** Suitable candidates will be considered and/or selected on receipt of application with CV. The selected candidate is expected to start work at Lasham as soon as possible.

**Contact** [manager@lasham.org.uk](mailto:manager@lasham.org.uk) for more details / to apply with CV.