



## Airport Celebrates Aviation Milestones

**5th December 2011**

Gloucestershire Airport is gearing up for a weekend of celebrations. Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December sees a double celebration with the Jet Age Museum and Vulcan to the Sky Club marking the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the Gloster Javelin and the Avro Vulcan. A fundraising day is being held in aid of both charities at The Flying Shack from 11am – 4pm, with free entry to the public. Opportunities to have tours of the resident Avro Vulcan cockpit will be available.

On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December, vintage specialists, Tiger Airways, will be celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with an aerobatics competition judged by Air Chief Marshall Sir John Allison. Tiger Airways have built an almost unique business giving customers an opportunity to step back into an era of aviation pioneers, either as a one-off experience or to complete their Private Pilots License. The company, headed by Chief Flying Instructor Tizi Hodson, come from a wide range of aviation backgrounds including airline, military and air show display pilots, and have recently added wing walking to their impressive repertoire of experiences available.

Gloucestershire Airport's Business Development Manager, Kim Davenport, said 'Tiger Airways offer an exceptional aviation experience, and I would like to congratulate them on reaching their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The airport will be a hive of activity this weekend as not only do we have the Delta Diamonds open day and the aerobatic competition, but on Saturday Manx2 will be arriving with Father Christmas for our Santa flights.'

Tiger Airways Flight Operations Manager, Chris Rollings, said 'Tiger Airways' first flights were on 10th December 2001 in a borrowed Tiger Moth. Today, ten years on, we own 5 Stampe SV4's, including one we purchased earlier this year, which had not flown for over 20 years. It received its new Certificate of Airworthiness from the Civil Aviation Authority on Friday and is available for our clients to fly from today, a fitting celebration of our 10th Birthday.'

