

RAeS SoundCloud Website

A historic 1973 sound recording of Sir George Edwards HonFRAeS in which he recounts on the how the British aircraft industry evolved during his long career in aviation has just been added to the National Aerospace Library Sound Archive - a real 'Who's Who' of aviation personalities and historical subjects based on original recordings held in the Library's archives - and is now available to listen to via the Royal Aeronautical Society's SoundCloud web-site :-

The specific link to the video / sound recording is (just click on the arrow button to 'Play'):-

<https://www.aerosociety.com/news/audio-classic-lecture-series-looking-ahead-with-hindsight-by-sir-george-edwards-hon-fraes/>

Sir George Edwards' lecture has been released alongside recordings of the 1997 Inaugural Whittle Lecture lecture by Sir Ralph Robins in which he discusses the legacy of Sir Frank Whittle and a 1997 lecture by Sir Charles Masefield in which reviews the future direction of European aerospace collaboration beginning with his personal selection of the 16 most significant aircraft platforms in aviation history.

A quick link to the historic lectures and speeches available so far (including Sir Frederick Handley Page, Igor Sikorsky, Jeffrey Quill, Peter Twiss, Charles H. Gibbs-Smith, Andrew Brookes, Silvius Dornier, Sir Richard Glazebrook, Commander Graeme Rowan-Thomson, Keith Hayward, Sir Dermot Boyle, Philip Wills, Chris Yeo, Captain John Cecil Kelly-Rogers, Col. Al Worden, Peter Hearne, Sir George Edwards, Captain John Cecil Kelly-Rogers, John Farley, A. W. 'Bill' Bedford, H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh, Christopher Bartlett, Andy Sephton, Dr. Ron Smith, A. R. Collar, Sir Vernon Brown, Air Commodore F. R. 'Rod' Banks, L. S. Snaith, Mike Hirst, Air Chief Marshal Sir Philip Joubert de La Ferte, Air Marshal Sir Victor Goddard, Sir Peter Masefield and Alan Mulally) is:-

<https://soundcloud.com/aerosociety-podcast/sets/classic-lecture-series>

A quick link to the extended interviews available so far (including interviews with Captain Eric 'Winkle' Brown, Chuck Yeager, Scott Crossfield, Handel Davies, Al White, Bill Humble, Pete Knight, Dick Johnson, Philip Lucas, Peter Bugge, Col. Emil 'Ted' Sturmthal, Harald Penrose, John Morton, D. P. Davies, Jeffrey Quill, John Cunningham, Sir Barnes Wallis, R. A. C. Brie, Sir Harry Ricardo, Clayton Knight, Henry Knowler, Mike Savage, Hugh Dibley, Sir Geoffrey de Havilland and Col. Joe Kittinger) is :-

<https://soundcloud.com/aerosociety-podcast/sets/an-interview-with>

For example the interviews with Captain Eric Brown and Sir Barnes Wallis are available to listen to via the following links:-

<https://www.aerosociety.com/news/audio-the-capt-e-brown-interview/>

<https://www.aerosociety.com/news/audio-the-sir-barnes-wallis-interview/>

In addition historic sound recordings from a 1959 BBC radio series have also recently been added to the National Aerospace Library Sound Archive.

Produced for BBC Overseas Service by R. A. Symes-Schutzmann, the radio documentary series was a group of talks on the development of British aviation broadcast by BBC External Services in 1959 in the series 'English Talks for Asia'.

With the programmes linked by Charles Gibbs-Smith, they include recordings of Lord Brabazon, Sir Geoffrey de Havilland, Major G. P. Bulman, Sir Harold Roxbee Cox, Sir Graham Sutton, Sir Alan Cobham, Captain O. P. Jones, ACM Sir Alec Coryton, Hayne Constant, Sir Robert Watson-Watt, A. A. Lombard, Sir George Edwards, Captain John Cunningham and Geoffrey Hall discussing the development of British aviation from their own personal perspectives.

All six episodes in the series – based on the original recordings held in the archives of the National Aerospace Library - are now available to listen to via the Royal Aeronautical Society's SoundCloud web-site:-

www.aerosociety.com/podcast

The specific link to the recordings are as follows (just click on the arrow button to 'Play') :-

<https://www.aerosociety.com/news/audio-archive-recording-powered-flight-the-british-contribution-to-flying>

Sound recordings of six lectures by leading aviation historians Dr. Peter Jakab, Dr. Richard Hallion, Dr. John Ackroyd, Philip Jarre

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