TAG FARNBOROUGH AIRPORT LAUNCHES FLYING SCHOLARSHIP 2018

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TAG Farnborough Airport has today launched the TAG Flying Scholarship 2018. Each year, under the auspices of the Honourable Company of Air Pilots' scholarship programme, TAG Farnborough Airport grants one young person a scholarship with the aim of supporting individuals who might otherwise not have the necessary resources to gain flying experience and ultimately achieve their Private Pilot's Licence (PPL). The TAG Flying Scholarship is part of the airport's "Aviation to Education" programme. Now in its 11th year, the programme engages schools and colleges within the local area to inform and educate about aviation.

Over the past decade, scholarship recipients have progressed to a variety of professional roles within the aviation industry such as commercial airline pilot. Last year's winner, Leo Tang, was able to undergo flight training at Phoenix Aviation's base in Lee-on-the-Solent and was successful in gaining his PPL in Autumn 2017. Leo Tang commented: "I would like to thank TAG Farnborough Airport for providing me with this fantastic opportunity. My ultimate goal has always been to pursue a career within the aviation industry, to become a

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professional pilot and qualify as a flying instructor, allowing me to pass on my skills to the next generation of young flying enthusiasts. The support of the Flying Scholarship has been invaluable, allowing me to make my dreams a reality."

Brandon O'Reilly, CEO TAG Farnborough Airport, said: "We are keen to encourage young people to not only become involved in the world of aviation but also reach their full potential and are extremely proud to support this initiative through our community engagement."

Further information is available on The Honourable Company of Air Pilots' website: www.airpilots.org/career-matters/scholarships/flying-scholarships-2018/

Candidates must be at least 17 years old on 1st June 2018.

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