

Norman Motley Scholarship 2021

Ever since gaining my PPL ten years ago, I have dreamed of becoming a flying instructor and particularly being able to teach people to fly vintage aircraft and 'taildraggers'. With a young family and all the financial commitments that come along with that, this dream has seemed consistently unobtainable. However, this year I applied for an FI scholarship from the Honourable Company of Air Pilots, and to both my surprise and elation, I was selected as the lucky recipient of the Norman Motley Scholarship 2021.

I chose to complete my Flight Instructor's Course at Andrewsfield Aviation due to their strong reputation. The level of instruction I received was outstanding and my instructor, Paul Slater, was excellent, really taking the time to share his experience. I thoroughly enjoyed the course, although it was certainly challenging with the focus more on communicating effectively, facilitating learning, and assessing student performance.

I am extremely grateful to the Honourable Company of Air Pilots for the scholarship which has enabled me to realise a long-held aspiration and become a flying instructor. I am now eager to put my newly acquired skills to the test, teaching and coaching PPL students.

Gary Jackson MBE