



GORDON BOWMAN-JONES

Overview of Aviation related experience

Gordon Bowman-Jones is one of the most respected authorities in the aviation entertainment industry. His impressive record as a safety and operations professional, earned him an honorary appointment by the F.A.A. in 1999 as an Inspector for their Aviation Safety Program. His expertise spans all aspects of military and civilian aviation with particular depth in international operations.

Announcing and narrating air shows since 1970, his cumulative professional aviation experience is diverse. He has served two terms as a director of *I.C.A.S.* (International Council of Air Shows) and was appointed Industry Marketing Chairman of that organization. In addition to being a leading international air show broadcaster at events such as Oshkosh, Paris and Farnborough, he has achieved professional accreditation as an *I.C.A.S.* certified Air and Ground Operations Director. In this role he calls on twenty-five years of air show logistics experience to produce and direct major domestic and international aviation events, such as the *San Francisco "Fleet Week" Air Show*, the *Australian International Air Show*, and the *Atsugi "Wings"* series of air shows in Tokyo, Japan.

In other aviation-related activities, he scripts and narrates aviation video specials, and writes feature articles for many aviation publications. As a U.S. television personality, he hosts the aviation, military and space segments of the *"Popular Mechanics Show"* on the Discovery channel, *Sports Flying* specials for ESPN-2 and is the international events correspondent for the ESPN *"Ultimate Flights"* series. In January of 1991 he was contracted by the Disney Corporation to develop, script and produce fifty four performances of a barnstorming air show, featuring bi-planes and wing-walkers for the six month *"Voyage to 1939"* celebrations held aboard the "Queen Mary/Spruce Goose" complex in Long Beach, California.

Gordon Bowman-Jones is internationally acclaimed as an avid aviation historian, he has written many articles related to our aviation heritage. He was recently recognized for his contributions to aviation, joining two past U.S. presidents and a prominent U.S. astronaut in being named an honorary lifetime member of the *Delaware Valley Historical Aircraft Society*, located in Willow Grove, PA. This prestigious institution is the home of an extensive collection of historic U.S., Japanese and German aircraft, and is the original site of the Pitcairn Aircraft and Autogyro factory.

As an aviation industry and safety advocate, he has been engaged many times to provide perspective on breaking aviation news stories, speak at F.A.A. Safety Seminars, Advertising Industry Associations, Event Marketing Associations and other organizations. He is also a frequent guest on "talk-format" radio and T.V. programs in this capacity. A licensed pilot since 1974, he has owned and flown a diverse range of modern, classic and antique aircraft, logging over 2000 hours of accident free flight. He also possesses a thorough working knowledge of aircraft avionics, airframes and powerplants.

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