

The de Havilland Aeronautical Technical School Association

PYLON MAGAZINE

The de Havilland Aeronautical Technical School published a periodic magazine, Pylon, from 1931 to 1970, with gaps at times especially during WW2. A partial set is held by the de Havilland Aircraft Museum.

The de Havilland Aeronautical Technical School Association (DHAeTSA) has published fourteen issues in recent years, six of which were to commemorate successive five-year anniversaries of the founding of the School in 1928.

Pylon 70 (1998) commemorated the 70th anniversary. It was a compilation of items from past Pylons, chosen by Bruce Bosher and Ken Fulton, with the digital work done by Ken's daughter Carol. It was 7.2 ins x 9.4 ins, similar to the size of the original Pylon.

Pylon 75 (2003) commemorated the 75th anniversary. This was an all-new collection of contributions from members, collated by Bruce Bosher and Ken Watkins, who created the computer file. It was in A4 format, as have been all subsequent issues.

Pylon 2005. With much material available, an intermediate issue was published at Christmas 2005, master-minded by Ken Watkins.

Pylon 80 (2008) commemorated the 80th anniversary and again was master-minded by Ken Watkins.

Pylon 2011. Another intermediate issue was published in October 2011, compiled by a new team led by Roger Coasby.

Pylon 85 (2013) commemorated the 85th anniversary and was compiled by the same team.

Pylon 2015. An intermediate issue was published in October 2015, again by the same team.

Pylon 90, commemorating the 90th anniversary, was published in June 2018 by the Coasby team. It remains the largest issue to date.

Pylon 2020 was published in September 2020 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the de Havilland Aircraft Company Ltd on 25th September 1920. It was compiled and published by Roger de Mercado with the help of the Coasby team and editor John Mounce.

Pylon 2021 was the first in a new series of annual 'mini-Pylons', concentrating on members' stories of apprenticeship and careers. It was compiled and published by Roger de Mercado.

Pylon 2022 was the second in the new series of annual 'mini-Pylons', again concentrating on members' stories of apprenticeship and careers. It was compiled and published by Roger de Mercado.

Pylon 2023 was the third in the new series of annual Pylons, slightly larger than the previous two. Again it was compiled and published by Roger de Mercado, in the 95th anniversary year, but was not titled 'Pylon 95' as it was decided to stick with annual labelling. A supplement published only in pdf, online and to members accepting Pylon by email, was 'Vampire Trainer to Twist Mill', by Tony Robinson. It was too long for the printed Pylon, but too good to pass by.

Pylon 2024 continued the series of annual Pylons, again compiled and published by Roger de Mercado.

Pylon 2025 yet again was compiled and published by Roger de Mercado.

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*Roger de Mercado
October 2025*

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