

## Hornet jet to thrill crowd at RAF Cosford Air Show

Visitors to this year's RAF Cosford Air Show will be treated to a stunning display of noise, power and agility from one of the world's most capable fast jet aircrafts provided by the Swiss Air Force.

The F/A-18C Hornet was designed as a naval fighter with reinforced undercarriage, folding wings and tail-hook, however it is used by many land based air arms across the globe.



### The F/A-18C Hornet

Visitors will be able to witness the aircraft in action in front of their own eyes on June 14<sup>th</sup> with the Hornet having a top speed of nearly twice the speed of sound and the ability to climb at 50,000ft per minute.

Air show spokesman Peter Reoch said:

“The Swiss Hornet Display is likely to be one of the stars of the flying display, and another great attraction for both new and returning visitors to RAF Cosford.”

“This is the first time a Hornet has featured in the flying display at RAF Cosford and will hopefully be the first of many international participants at this year's event.”

The Swiss Air Force operates a fleet of 32 Hornets, which are used for air defence duties, armed with a 20mm Cannon and Sidewinder missiles.

For the first time tickets for the RAF Cosford Air Show 2015 are on advance sale only. Adult tickets cost £22 with accompanied under-16s coming free.



**Josh Beth and Sarb Basran at RAF Cosford's new catering van**

Meanwhile, the catering company looking to serve up a treat at a RAF Museum Cosford has flown into action.

The museum's new onsite caterer Kudos has launched catering van 'Refuel' inside the museum at the National Cold War Exhibition, after the firm signed a five-year deal worth £3.3 million with the museum.

The van will provide home-made food and a barista-style coffee service for visitors in the main auditorium, conference centre and aircraft hangars.

Karen Dixon, RAF Museum Cosford corporate events manager, said: "We are delighted to welcome Kudos as our new onsite caterers who join the museum at an exciting time, as we work towards the centenary of the Royal Air Force in 2018."

The museum houses one of the largest collections of aviation history in the country.