

Capt. Arthur Wignall RIP

25th Anniversary

(Former RAF Pilot, Aer Lingus Captain - Ireland's leading aerobatic pilot of the early 80's.)



Sligo Aero Club and friends of the late Capt. Arthur Wignall will hold an informal 25th Anniversary commemoration at Sligo Airport on Sat. April 25th.

A new portrait of Arthur – by artist Andy McKay – will be unveiled and hung at the airport. (mid-afternoon)

This is an opportunity for many of his old aviation friends – and some too young to have known him – to visit Sligo Airport on this informal occasion.

You are invited to attend this event and it is an opportunity to visit Sligo Airport – by plane or car – to meet your aviation peers and chat about aviation past and present.

It is expected that many of today's leading Irish aerobatic pilots and enthusiasts will attend.

Light snacks will be provided in the airport lounge.

The above picture shows Arthur holding a ceramic plate that was specially commissioned for him – as the 1st recipient of a Sligo Aero Club Hall of Fame Award. This was presented to him on the evening before his tragic accident. His family requested that the plate be retained at Sligo – and it has been on display there ever since his untimely demise on April 1st 1984.

His distinctive display aircraft – a Pitts S2A - was a frequent sight all over Ireland in the early 80's..

