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Luxair & Cargolux News

Cargolux was delivered on 30th October 2013. LX-ECV a Boeing 747-400F was previously registered as N452BA/N797BA.



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Montenegro Airlines

On 16th November the following Fokker 100 was present in Luxembourg. Montenegro Airlines operated a charter flight from Podgorica with 4O-AOP.



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Luxembourg - Police Helicopter

On 27th November this MD-900 was seen without any colours. The LAR helicopter (LX-HPG) has been leased to the Police. On the right the same aircraft in 2011.



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CityJet leaving Luxembourg?

On 19th December Luxemburgish newspapers printed that CityJet (VLM) might stop its route between Luxembourg and London-City by April 2014. This route has been operational since 1998 and since 2003 in cooperation with Luxair. Mostly Fokker 50 were used. Nothing has been confirmed officially yet. (Photo of VLM F50: 07.10.2007)



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Nordavia Regional Airlines

On this 28th November, a nice grey and misty winter day, VP-BRG arrived from St. Petersburg. The Nordavia Boeing 737-500, operated a charter flight with Valery Gergiev and his orchestra on board.



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Avcom Malta Embraer

On 17th November this Avcom Malta Embraer Legacy, 9H-IMW, was present in Luxembourg.



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Turkish Airlines

Turkish Airlines operated a flight with their Boeing 737-700 to Luxembourg on 27th November 2013. TC-JKK is one of four 737-700 of THY now regularly operating from Istanbul to Luxembourg.



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Saudi Arabian Airlines Cargo

TF-AMU was present on 16th December 2013 for an engine check. The Boeing 747-400 is operated by Saudi Arabian Cargo (leased from Air Atlanta Icelandic).



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New aircrafts in the Luxemburgish register

Apart from Cargolux LX-ECV two other aircrafts have been added to the LX-register. The first one is LX-STN, a private Aero L-39 Albatros based at Reims Champagne airport (*left*). The second one is LX-GVV, an Airbus A319-115X CJ operated by Global Jet Luxembourg (*right*).



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Airline:	Belair
Registration:	EW-76836
Aircraft:	Ilyushin Il-76TD
Date:	9 th June 1994
Notes:	This aircraft crashed in December 1994 in Sarajewo. Another interesting point for Luxemburg spotter is that this photo was taken on P7... at that time only a ramp for stored aircraft...
Photographer:	Paul LINK

This second part of our spotting "TOUR DE FRANCE" 2013 shows you the most interesting pictures of Toulouse Blagnac Airport, Limoges, Chateauroux, and Reims Champagne. Even though the weather conditions had not been the best, several good shots were possible.

Toulouse-Blagnac (LFBO)



Star of the day: second test flight of the new Airbus A350XWB (F-WXWB) at Toulouse-Blagnac. Take off RW 35L on 19th June 2013



Test flight of a new ATR72-600 F-WWED of LIAT (Leeward Islands Air Transport). Will become later V2-LIC





EC-402: Test Flight of an Airbus A400M Military Transporter (Dozens of Touch and Go)



D-AZAK: Special test flight with biofuel by this A321 with sharklets (in cooperation with AIRBUS, AIR FRANCE, SAFRAN and TOTAL).



Test flight of a brand new Airbus A330-200 F-WWTP of LIBYAN AIRLINES. This one was prior delivery and got one day later the final registration 5A-LAS.



Still in primer colors, this A320 (B-9941) of China Eastern. (On a ground rolling test)



A320 (B-9935) of Sichuan Airlines (just prior delivery)



Take off of an Airbus A300B4-608ST BELUGA SUPER TRANSPORTER (with JOIN US titles). (Just check three Belugas on one picture...!)

Limoges Airport (LFBL)



Passenger Terminal of the small LIMOGES AIRPORT



EI-DLX Boeing 737-800 of Ryan Air departing to London Stansted



EI-EPH Boeing 737-800 of Ryan Air coming from East Midlands

Châteauroux Marcel Dassault Centre Airport (LFLX)



SX-FIN Boeing 747-200 of Finaval Aviation (stored)
(was ex: LX-OCV of CARGOLUX mid 80's)



F-GTOM (ex: LX-ACO) Boeing 747SP of Corsair
(will be scrapped soon) VERY SAD...!



EC-GPB Airbus A340 of Iberia (got a new color
scheme at LFLX, now flying in AEROLINEAS
ARGENTINAS colors)



Passenger Terminal of Chateauroux Airport

Reims Prunay CHAMPAGNE Airport (LFQA)



LX-MIK Aero L-39 Albatros (private and based at
Reims) often visiting ELLX...!



LX-STN Aero L-39 Albatros (private and also based at
Reims) in special dragon colors

We hope you had enjoyed the pictures. Part 3 will come soon showing pictures of museum planes at Bordeaux, Toulouse and La Ferté Alais.

Air Zermatt (Text & Photos by Mike MORO)

Almost traditionally I have to visit the Air Zermatt Heliport every time I'm around. Staying in Zermatt at the end of December 2013, I was able to have a look at the new Bell 429, called "Susi", already acquired at the end of 2012.

Currently 2 helicopters are used for rescue missions and are fully equipped and ready all the time. First the new Bell 429, HB-ZSU and second the Eurocopter HB-ZEF. All the other aircrafts are mainly used for sightseeing, heli-skiing or transport flights.



HB-ZSU, Bell 429



HB-ZEF, Eurocopter Ec-135 T2



Interior and equipment of the Bell 429

Current (January 2014) Air Zermatt fleet stationed in Zermatt and Raron.

Reg.	Type	Since	Heliport
HB-XII	SA.315B Lama	03.1979	Zermatt
HB-XPJ	SA.315B Lama	11.2003	Zermatt
HB-XPJ	AS.350B3 Ecureuil	11.2003	Raron
HB-ZIA	AS.350B3 Ecureuil	07.2010	Raron
HB-ZKF	AS.350B3 Ecureuil	10.2008	Raron
HB-ZPB	AS.350B3e Ecureuil	12.2012	Zermatt
HB-ZVS	AS.350B3e Ecureuil	02.2013	Zermatt
HB-ZEF	EC-135 T2	12.2002	Raron
HB-ZSU	Bell 429	12.2002	Zermatt



Luxembourg's Logbook: Passenger and Cargo Visitors

01.11.2013	D-AEBH	Lufthansa cityline	Embraer ERJ-195LR
	UR-CAF	Shovkoviy Shlyah Airlines	Antonov An-12BP
	F-HJUL	XL Airways France	Boeing 737-800
03.11.2013	PH-EZE	KLMcityhopper	Embraer ERJ-190STD
	UR-CAK	Ukraine AirAlliance	Antonov An-12BP
07.11.2013	SP-FDS	Exin	Antonov An-26B
10.11.2013	A7-MAE	Qatar Emiri Air Force	Boeing C-17A
15.11.2013	UR-CAK	Ukraine AirAlliance	Antonov An-12BP
16.11.2013	4O-AOP	Montenegro Airlines	Fokker 100
	RA-76951	Volga-Dnepr Airlines	Ilyushin Il-76TD-90VD
17.11.2013	4O-AOP	Montenegro Airlines	Fokker 100
	9H-IMW	Avcon Jet Malta	Embraer ERJ-135BJ Legacy
	N952CA	National Air Cargo	Boeing 747-400
19.11.2013	UR-CKL	CAVOK	Antonov An-12BP
24.11.2013	N919CA	National Air Cargo	Boeing 747-400
28.11.2013	VP-BRG	Nordavia Regional Airlines	Boeing 737-500
29.11.2013	F-GVBJ	Private	Fairchild Swearingen SA-227TT Merlin 300
	LN-RDV	Scandinavian Airlines (SAS)	De Havilland Canada DHC-8-402Q Dash 8
	M-ISRK	Private	Dassault Falcon 900
02.12.2013	4K-SW008	Silk Way Airlines	Boeing 747-400F
05.12.2013	744	Hellenic Air Force	Lockheed C-130H
	CS-TJG	TAP Air Portugal	Airbus A321-200
	CS-GLB	NetJets	Bombardier BD-700-1A10 Global 6000
	HB-IPV	Swiss International Airlines	Airbus A319-100
	G-CGSJ	TAG Aviation	Bombardier BD-700-1A10 Global Express
08.12.2013	4L-GAF	Airzena Georgian Airways	Gulfstream G450
10.12.2013	G-MEDL	bmi British Midland	Airbus A321-200
11.12.2013	HB-JLP	Swiss International Airlines	Airbus A320-200
	HB-IJL	Swiss International Airlines	Airbus A320-200
	HB-IJH	Swiss International Airlines	Airbus A320-200
15.12.2013	VQ-BLR	Air Bridge Cargo	Boeing 747-8F
16.12.2013	D-CREY	Triple Alpha	Cessna 650 Citation 3
	G-EJEL	Private	Cessna 550 Citation 2
	LX-FAU	Private	Mudry Cap 232
17.12.2013	F-HSEA	Corsair	Boeing 747-400
	VQ-BLR	Air Bridge Cargo	Boeing 747-8F
18.12.2013	9H-GTY	Private	Hawker B300 King Air 350
	T.18-4	Spain Air Force	Dassault Falcon 900
19.12.2013	TC-ACF	Act Airlines	Boeing 747-400
21.12.2013	RA-76951	Volga-Dnepr Airlines	Ilyushin Il-76TD-90VD
	HB-IJV	Edelweiss Air	Airbus A320-200
24.12.2013	TC-JHU	Turkish Airlines	Boeing 737-800
	UR-CAK	Ukraine Air Alliance	Antonov An-12BP
30.12.2013	UR-DWF	Ukraine Air Alliance	Antonov An-12BP

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