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Rise of Flight - A new World War One flight sim	<p>It would be fair to say that with one or two exceptions, compared to other eras, World War One has been largely neglected by flight sim developers in recent years.</p> <p>However, things are set to change with the highly anticipated release of 'Rise of Flight' – a new flight sim still in development by a relatively new company – Neoqb. So, having salivated over some of the recently released screenshots, we decided to find out more about this promising recreation of the air war of 1914-1918!</p>	Issue 59
Rise of Flight - The story so far...	In this editorial of our ongoing series of ROF, we interview 777 Studios which this year acquired all rights to Rise of Flight. They tell us about their exciting plans for the future development of this ground-breaking flight sim	Issue 71

Rise of Flight - Update: Version 1.016	Publishers 777 Studios has released its latest upgrade for Rise of Flight. As well as bug fixes, it introduces a host of new features which include: dynamic lighting, moving clouds with accompanying shadows, plus light and colour reflection. However, the highlight of this upgrade is the inclusion of their first flyable multi-seat and multi-engine aircraft – the legendary Handley Page 0/400	Issue 72
Rise of Flight - A new phase begins!	777 Studios, developer of Rise of Flight, has recently released two major updates for this popular World War I flight sim. These improvements and additional features relate not only to technical aspects, such as the graphics engine, but also to the ‘gameplay’ elements – with the introduction of two new aircraft and a new dynamic career module.	Issue 75
Rise of Flight – The best World War 1 sim just got better	Since our previous feature on Rise of Flight, developer 777 Studios has been busy introducing new features and new aircraft to this already excellent simulation. This article takes a look at some of them, including the Bristol F.2B Fighter, the RAF R.E.8 and the new St Mihiel Campaign.	Issue 78
Rise of Flight – Flying and fighting in the Nieuport 28	This edition of our series on Rise of Flight, offers hints and tips on flying and fighting in the Nieuport 28.	Issue 79
DCS: A-10C Warthog	This issue sees the second part of Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog. His tutorial article in this edition covers taking the A-10C airborne and getting familiar with some of the basic information available to us in flight.	Issue 80
Rise of Flight –Flying and fighting in the Spad XIII	In this instalment of our series on Rise of Flight, we discuss flying and fighting in the French designed Spad XIII, plus how to maximize its virtues in combat.	Issue 80
DCS: A-10C Warthog – Air-to-Air Refuelling	This issue sees the third part of Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog. For our third tutorial flight we are going to take a look at the all-important skill of air-to-air refuelling.	Issue 81
Rise of Flight – News from the ‘Front’!	In this instalment of our series on Rise of Flight, we take a look at the recent major updates that have been introduced to this ever-popular World War 1 sim.	Issue 81
DCS: A-10C Warthog Tutorial 4 – Laser Guided Bombs	This issue sees the fourth part of Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog. In this issue we take a look at laser guided ordnance.	Issue 82
IL-2 Cliffs of Dover - Spitfire!	This issue sees the start of a new series – the aim of which is to offer hints and tips on operating and flying the aircraft in IL-2 Cliffs of Dover. The first aircraft under the spotlight is the iconic Vickers Supermarine Spitfire.	Issue 82

DCS: A-10 Warthog Tutorial 5 – CCIP Bombing	This issue sees the fifth part of Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS A-10 Warthog. In this issue we concentrate on the skills required to accurately drop unguided ordnance.	Issue 83
IL-2 Cliffs of Dover – The Messerschmitt Bf 109E	In the second part of our series on IL-2 Cliffs of Dover, the spotlight is turned on the Luftwaffe’s premier fighter during the Battle of Britain: the Messerschmitt Bf 109E	Issue 83
Rise of Flight – Dispatches from the front	Derek Davis discusses the latest update to Rise of Flight, including two new aircraft and upgraded scenery.	Issue 84
DCS: A-10C Warthog – Using Mavericks!	Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog continues with a discussion on the devastating Maverick missile.	Issue 84
IL-2 Cliffs of Dover - Hawker Hurricane	Derek Davis introduces us to the ‘unsung hero’ of the Battle of Britain, the Hawker Hurricane.	Issue 84
Rise of Flight – The best World War I sim just got better	As we were about to go to press, 777 Studios had just released another major and feature-rich update to their simulation, which included three new aircraft! So, we bring you up to speed with what’s been happening in the virtual world of Rise of Flight.	Issue 85
DCS: A-10C Warthog – Using the GAU-8 Avenger cannon!	Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog continues with a discussion on the fearsome GAU-30 cannon!	Issue 85
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Rise Of Flight – The Airco D.H.2	For this edition of our series on the aircraft in Rise of Flight, we go back to the early days of World War One when the concept of the specialised fighter aircraft was still in its infancy. We explore one of the first aircraft designed as a dedicated fighter, the de Havilland D.H.2.	Issue 86
DCS: A-10C Warthog – Joint Terminal Attack Controller	Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog continues with an overview of the role of the Joint Terminal Attack Controller (JTAC), including the opportunity to engage in a directed strike mission.	Issue 86
IL-2 Cliffs of Dover – The Bristol Blenheim IV	The Bristol Blenheim undertook the first operational mission by the RAF in World War Two. Derek Davis introduces the intricacies of flying the aircraft within the Cliffs of Dover simulation, offering hints and tips for all phases of flight.	Issue 86

Rise of Flight – The Fokker Eindecker	The aircraft under discussion in this edition of our series on Rise of Flight is one that had both a material and psychological effect on the Allies and its pilots at the beginning of World War I. Its impact was such that for a period of time RFC airmen were referred to as ‘Fokker Fodder’. The aircraft in question was the Fokker Eindecker.	Issue 87
DCS: A-10C Warthog - Emergency	Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog continues with an in-depth discussion of emergency procedures and what exactly to do when things go horribly wrong!	Issue 87
IL-2 Cliffs of Dover – Junkers Ju 87 Stuka	Derek Davis gets hands-on with flying the iconic Ju 87 Stuka, famed for its screaming vertical dives! The aircraft featured in this edition of our Rise of Flight series is the rather underrated Sopwith Dolphin, successor to the Sopwith Camel. The concept behind the design of this particular aircraft stemmed from a desire to give the pilot the best all-round view possible in a biplane configuration.	Issue 87
Rise of Flight – Sopwith Dolphin	Chris Frishmuth’s series on The Fighter Collection’s DCS: A-10 Warthog continues with a discussion on coordinating with your AI wingmen.	Issue 88
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DCS: A-10C Warthog – Graduation Exercise	Derek Davis introduces us to the FE2b. The FE2b was considered to be a great workhorse and along with the DH2, is generally credited with ending the ‘Fokker scourge’ of 1915-1916.	Issue 89
Rise of Flight – The FE2b	An opportunity to explore and fly the iconic Junkers Ju-88, generally considered to be the Luftwaffe’s best all-round bomber of World War II.	Issue 89
IL-2 Cliffs of Dover – The Junkers Ju88	Derek Davis discusses the Heinkel He 111, one of the most recognisable shapes in the British skies during 1940. The twin engine bomber bore the major burden of the Luftwaffe bombing offensive during the Battle of Britain.	Issue 89
Cliffs of Dover - Heinkel 111	Derek Davis launches a new series of tutorials, delving into the intricacies of air combat	Issue 90
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Air Combat Simulation	Derek Davis discusses the origins of aerial combat and how reconnaissance missions led to the genesis of the dogfight!	Issue 92
Air Combat Simulation	Chris Frishmuth gets hands on in the first in a series of tutorials for the iconic MiG-21bis.	Issue 93
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Air Combat Simulation	Derek Davis discusses the crucial role of energy management in air combat.	Issue 95
Air Combat Simulation	Derek Davis discusses pursuit paths. The path an attacker takes to converge on a target can mean the difference between winning or losing a dogfight!	Issue 96
DCS: MiG-21bis – Take-off and landing	Chris Frishmuth introduces us to the key concepts of take-off and landings with the DCS MiG-21.	Issue 96
DCS MiG-21bis – Navigation and fuel	Chris Frishmuth introduces us to navigating the MiG-21 and also offers advice on fuel management.	Issue 97
DCS MiG-21bis – A Tutorial Flight	In this issue we will take a short flight from Batumi to Sochi-Adler using the RSBN navigation radio.	Issue 98
Air Combat Simulation	In this edition, Derek Davis explores the use of gunsights in the fine art of aerial gunnery.	Issue 98
DCS MiG-21bis – Radar and Air-to-Air missiles	In this issue Chris Frishmuth puts the MiG-21bis to work and shows us how to employ this aircraft in the role for which it was designed - shooting down the enemy.	Issue 99
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DCS MiG-21bis – Air to Ground Weapons Part 2	We further explore the array of weaponry available to the MiG-21, including the use of nuclear ordnance.	Issue 101
DCS: MiG-21bis – Air-to-Ground Weapons - Part 3	We discuss the options for ground attack, including strafing runs!	Issue 103
DCS MiG-21bis – Graduation Exercise (GradEx)	In this final issue featuring the DCS: MiG-21bis, we put all of the things we've learned in the previous tutorials to the test in a graduation exercise: The GradEx.	Issue 104
DCS: Operation Epsom	We offer some valuable hints and tips on getting the most out of the first campaign module designed for DCS: Spitfire LF Mk. IX.	Issue 112

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Challenging Airports

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Saint Barthelemy's Gustav III Airport	Chris Frishmuth starts a new series of articles that will take a look at some of the most interesting airports from across the globe. Over the next few issues, he will attempt to replicate some of the challenging and unique approaches that can set the heart beating that little bit faster!	74/56
Lukla	As far as airports are concerned, you would be hard pressed to find one with as many challenges as those presented by the airport that serves as the doorway to the highest mountain on earth: The Mount Everest region's Tenzing-Hillary Airport, otherwise known as Lukla.	75/56
Courchevel, France	Chris Frishmuth's challenging airport for this issue is Courchevel – a small airport carved out of the side of the French Alps!	76/56
Toncontin International Airport	Chris Frishmuth's challenging airport for this issue is Toncontin International Airport in the city of Tegucigalpa - located in the mountainous interior of Honduras.	77/56
London City Airport	Chris Frishmuth's challenging airport for this issue is London City Airport. Situated just inland of the Thames on the eastern edge of London, the airfield is shoehorned into a tight geographic area.	78/56
Aspen – Colorado	Our challenging airport for this issue is Aspen/Pitkin County airport in the heart of Colorado's Rocky Mountains – a frequent destination for the jet set.	79/56
Washington National Airport (KDCA)	Chris Frishmuth's 'Challenging Airport' for this issue takes a look at the challenging River Visual approach to Washington DC's Ronald Reagan National airport (KDCA) USA.	80/56
Saba – Juancho E. Yrausquin Airport (TNCS)	Chris Frishmuth's 'Challenging Airport' for this issue takes us to the Caribbean and the imposing volcanic island of Saba, with the shortest commercially serviced runway in the world!	81/56
Hong Kong Kai Tak	Chris Frishmuth's 'Challenging Airport' for this issue takes us to Hong Kong and the infamous Kai Tak approach.	82/56
Paro, Bhutan's Only International Airport	We visit the reclusive Kingdom of Bhutan and its only international airport at Paro, deep in the Himalayas.	83/76
Mountain Air Airport	A visit to North Carolina, to the infamous Mountain Air Airport – a tiny airstrip carved into the side of a mountain.	84/52
McMurdo Ice Runway (NZIR)	Chris Frishmuth invites us to put on our thermals and take to the ice at McMurdo base in Antarctica.	85/52

The Aircraft Carrier the USS Nimitz	Chris Frishmuth discusses one of the ultimate challenges in aviation – making a successful landing on an aircraft carrier!	86/52
St Maarten Princess Juliana International (TNCM)	Chris Frishmuth takes us on a trip to the beach, visiting the infamous St Maarten Airport.	87/52
Barra	Chris Frishmuth takes us to the isle of Barra, the only location in the world where scheduled airlines land on the beach!	88/54
Madeira	Chris Frishmuth takes us to the island of Madeira, with its notorious and mountainous	89/52
Castlegar British Columbia (CYCF)	Chris Frishmuth takes us to Castlegar, British Columbia, one of the world’s most notorious mountain airports!	90/56
Congonhas – Sao Paulo	Chris Frishmuth takes us to São Paulo in Brazil and one of the world’s most difficult approaches.	91/56
Sion Airport in the Rhone Valley of Switzerland	Chris Frishmuth takes us to Sion in Switzerland to one of the world’s most notorious alpine airports.	92/54
KTEX- Telluride, Colorado	Chris Frishmuth takes us to the highest airport in the USA, at Telluride in Colorado	93/54
Sandane Norway	Chris Frishmuth takes us on a flight over the Norwegian fjords, culminating in a tricky landing at Sandane.	94/54
Lamidanda and Syangboche, Nepal	Chris Frishmuth takes us on a flight deep in to the Himalayas, with a visit to Nepal.	95/54
Lugano, Switzerland (LSZA)	Chris Frishmuth takes us to Lugano in Switzerland with its mountainous terrain and steep IGS approach.	96/54
Queenstown, New Zealand - NZQN	Chris Frishmuth takes us to Queenstown New Zealand for a challenging landing in the mountains!	97/54
Khe Sanh	Chris Frishmuth takes us to Khe Sanh, an extremely challenging airstrip in Vietnam, that played a pivotal role in the Vietnam war!	98/58
Kokoda	Chris Frishmuth takes us to Papua New Guinea and shows us how to fly the Kokoda track.	99/58
Tivat	This flight takes us to Tivat in Montenegro, with a challenging mountain approach.	100/58
Catalina Island (KAVX)	Chris Frishmuth takes us off the coast of California, for a challenging landing at the iconic Catalina Island Airport.	101/58
Vagar, Faroe Islands (EKVG)	Wedged between the freezing, windswept waters of the Norwegian Sea and the North Atlantic Ocean, we visit the challenging airport at Vagar in the Faroe Islands.	102/58
Falklands/Malvinas 1982 Part 1	In this, the first of a two-part series, Chris Frishmuth examines the amazing feats of airmanship the pilots of both the Argentinian and British Air Forces	103/48

Port Stanley, Falkland Islands Part 2	In this second part of our two-part series on Port Stanley Airfield in the Falkland Islands, we examine the challenging conditions the counter-attacking British forces were faced with.	104/48
Cuzco, Peru (SPZO)	In this issue we find ourselves on the South American continent, this time heading into the mountainous highlands of Peru to take a look at one of the highest and tightest commercial airports in the world: Cuzco.	105/48
Unalaska	Our challenging airport for this issue is the small airport on Unalaska (a port town sometimes referred to as Dutch Harbor), which lies just shy of 800 miles southwest of Anchorage. Unalaska is located midway out along the chain of islands that form the Aleutian Islands.	106/48
Skiathos, Greece (LGSK)	Our challenging airport for this issue is the airfield located on the beautiful Greek isle of Skiathos.	107/48
Fernando de Noronha (SBFN)	In this edition, Chris Frishmuth features the airport on Fernando de Noronha - a tiny airport 200 nautical miles off the coast of Brazil and discovers that it has its own unique considerations that make a visit worthwhile.	108/48
Innsbruck (LOWI)	Chris Frishmuth tackles Innsbruck Airport that is a fascinating airport for both VFR and IFR pilots alike.	109/48
Milford Sound (NZMF)	Chris Frishmuth revisits New Zealand and the scenic coastal tourist destination of Milford Sound. Located on the west coast of South Island, the Milford Sound fiord is a wildly popular scenic extravaganza attracting up to one million visitors every year.	110/48
Svolvaer, Norway (ENSH)	In this issue of Challenging Airports, we return to the frozen fjords of Norway. So, strap in for a scenic flight into the coastal destination of Svolvaer.	111/48
Ísafjörður, Iceland (BIIS)	This issue we visit another extreme destination on the northwestern tip of Iceland – the scenic and challenging airport of Ísafjörður.	112/48
Narsarsuaq, Greenland (BGBW)	Whether you are flying scheduled airline routes to Narsarsuaq or utilising it as a mid-trip fuel stop on a longer journey, operating to the airport requires careful consideration and preparation due to the extremes of distance, weather and geography that the area features.	113/48
Valdez, Alaska (PAVD)	Flying MilViz's DHC-3 Otter, we take a look at Valdez, a small fishing town in southern Alaska that features a major oil export terminal, diverse wildlife, glaciers and world-class backcountry skiing.	114/56
Aosta, Italy (LIMW)	For the first time in his Challenging Airports series, Chris Frishmuth heads to Italy and the scenic Aosta Valley in the heart of the Alps.	115/56

Lord Howe Island (YLHI), Australia	In this instalment of our Challenging Airports series, we cover our first Australian airport after skirting the continent on previous trips to New Zealand and Antarctica.	116/56
Alert, Nunavut, Canada (CYLT)	In this instalment of our Challenging Airports series, we travel to the uniquely situated, northernmost permanently inhabited place on the planet: Alert, Canada.	117/56
Bolzano, Italy (LIPB)	Chris Frishmuth revisits the spectacular mountain landscapes of northern Italy and the scenic vistas of the Dolomites surrounding the valley city of Bolzano.	118/60
Sucre, Bolivia (SLSU)	In this instalment, we travel to Sucre, the capital of the South American country of Bolivia. Located in the highland valleys of the Central Cordillera and with mountain peaks to over 21,000ft, it is an extremely challenging region for aviators.	119/60
Gilgit, Pakistan (OPGT)	We travel to Gilgit, deep in the mountainous region of northern Pakistan. Serving the local population of nearly a quarter of a million people, the airport is an important gateway to the area via the capital city of Islamabad.	120/60
Challenging Airports: Manizales, Colombia (SKMZ)	Chris Frishmuth travels to the city of Manizales, deep in the western foothills of the Central Andes. Air travel to Manizales ticks off many of the boxes that should give visiting pilots pause for thought...	121/60
Challenging Airports - Petersburg, Alaska (PAPG)	In this Challenging Airports instalment, we travel to the isolated island community in Petersburg, Alaska, located midway between Juneau and Ketchikan.	122/60
Challenging Airports – Annecy, France (LFLP)	Tucked away in the eastern corner of France, Annecy is on the doorstep of the high Alps. We take a look at this charming but challenging airfield.	123/60
Challenging Airports - Akureyri, Iceland (BIAR)	In this instalment of our popular series, we travel to Akureyri on the northern coast of Iceland. Nestled in the southern terminus of the 35-mile long Eyjafjörður fjord, high terrain and unpredictable weather combine to make this a challenging airport to fly to.	124/60
Challenging Airports – Saint-Tropez, La Mole (LFTZ)	For this issue, we travel to La Mole in the south of France. Just inland from the sun-drenched shores of Saint-Tropez, it is the point of entry for the rich and famous - with stunning beaches, world-class dining and a mild Mediterranean climate.	125/60

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PC Pilot Rise of Flight	This special digital edition is a compilation of all the previously-published tutorials for Rise of Flight series. In this comprehensive guide you'll learn about the history and development of this premier World War One flight simulation.	https://pocketmags.com/pc-pilot-magazine/rise-of-flight
DCS: A-10C Warthog	In this digital only special edition of the DCS: A10C Warthog, the team behind the world's favourite flight simulator magazine, PC Pilot, provides a series of tutorials by Chris Frishmuth on how to fly and fight in the A-10C. The tutorials, which were released in previous issues of PC Pilot, cover a wide range of topics from start-up procedures through to basic handling as well as more advanced lessons on how to operate the weapons that can be carried by this successful ground attack aircraft.	https://pocketmags.com/pc-pilot-magazine/dcs-a-10c-warthog
PMDG MD-11 Tutorials	Full tutorial on how to fly the MD-11 Tri-jet. Learn how to operate the aircraft from start-up to shutdown. Discover how to configure the FMC and autoflight systems. Tutorial flight from LA Los Angeles to San Francisco.	https://pocketmags.com/pc-pilot-magazine/pmdg-md-11

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Virtual Airlines – Mutley's Hangar Easter Bunny Air Rally	This instalment of our Virtual Airlines takes a look at the annual Mutley's Hangar Easter Bunny Air Rally, or MEBAR. This event gives pilots a chance to test their navigation and flying skills, as well as compete against their flight sim friends for the title of MEBAR champion.	110/64
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GA Aircraft in-depth	GA aircraft come in all shapes, sizes and uses. In this in-depth feature, we examine how some modern GA aircraft are utilised and what Flight Simulator add-ons are available.	50/28
Air Combat Simulation	People get into air combat simulation for a variety of reasons. The aim of this piece is to introduce you to the 'dark side' and explain the appeal as well as the design philosophy behind this branch of flight simulation.	50/28
Flight Simulator Scenery	The scenery over which we fly our virtual aircraft has become a very important part of our flight simulation experience. The level and realism of the scenery within the virtual world goes a long way towards 'creating' a realistic flight experience. Tony Radmilovich explores the ever-expanding FS world of scenery and airports.	50/34
Multiplayer Flying	To the 'outsider' Flight Simulation may be viewed as a solitary pastime. However, Jane Whittaker's piece on multiplayer flying shows that in reality this is not the case and suggests that once you have flown in the online environment, simming is never quite the same again.	50/44
Freeware	If you're a subscriber or regular reader of PC Pilot, you'll already know that we diligently scour the flight sim community for interesting freeware to add to our CD every issue. But what is freeware anyway? Joe Lavery sheds some light on this vibrant side of Flight Simulation and offers advice on installing this type of program.	50/50
Hardware	As flight simulation has become more sophisticated and realistic, we are finding an increasing need for greater computing power and also a desire to accurately replicate the controls of the real aircraft. Richard Benedikz takes a comprehensive look at the 'hard stuff'.	50/58

Concorde to New York	Ladies and gentlemen, please fasten your seatbelt as we take you on a flight to New York in the British Airways Concorde, G-BOAC. Flying time is expected to be a little under three hours and 30 minutes.	50/68
A virtual flight adventure	Jane Whittaker takes us on a humorous virtual flight adventure along the West Coast of USA - flying from Reno, Nevada, to Los Angeles, California. We hope you enjoy the flight!	50/77
Building a 737 Cockpit	Part of the appeal of this fascinating hobby is its diversity. One aspect of that is the growth of popularity of cockpit building. Joe Lavery's fascinating piece on this subject offers a wealth of hints and tips, as he begins building his very own throttle quadrant.	50/84
A Flight Simmer's Buyer's Guide	Although we do not have the space to provide an exhaustive list of all the flight sim products which are available on the market today, we provide a brief overview of some of our favourites which we have reviewed over the past years.	50/94
Reality Check! – Sim vs Real	The main theme of our "Summer Special" is realism. This and subsequent articles set out to show newcomers and veteran flight simmers alike how realistic desktop Flight Simulators really are and what is involved in the creation of our virtual world	54/11
Reality Check! – Airliner aircraft	Airliners are the most complex simulations to produce and are becoming ever more sophisticated. Developers can now not only recreate aircraft that look like the real thing, but included systems and gauges now closely mimic the functionality of the actual units. So how do developers create these masterpieces in miniature.	54/16
Reality Check! – GA aircraft	Peter Stark puts the spotlight on two popular modern GA aircraft add-ons for FS2004 and FSX to find out how they compare with their real world counterparts.	54/22
Reality Check! – Military Aircraft	RealAir simulations has a long-standing reputation for producing exquisitely detailed and highly accurate single-engine replicas. Its latest release is Spitfire 2008 – an add-on package for FSX, which has further enhanced its reputation. So, given our theme of realism for this "Special" we invited RealAir to shed some light on how the team achieved such high standards with its latest creation.	54/28

Reality Check! – Military Aircraft	Shockwave Productions is well-known within the flight sim fraternity for its passion and attention to detail in pursuit of what it terms “absolute realism” when it comes to producing World War Two aircraft. So, of course, we had to talk to the CEO – Scott Gentile – to find out how the company has achieved such a high fidelity with its simulations.	54/34
Reality Check! – Scenery and airports	Flight simulator scenery has evolved tremendously over its relatively short lifetime to the point where we are now beginning to see some blurring in the lines between our real and virtual worlds. Tony Radmilovich takes a look at the current state of flight simulator scenery and examines what goes into the development of some of these ground-breaking products.	54/38
Applied Flight Simulation – Microsoft’s ESP	Although a majority of readers use flight simulation for recreational purposes, flight simulation has a more serious application in the commercial world, where it is used as a tool for training both civil and military personnel. Microsoft will be venturing into this professional world of flight simulation when it releases ESP later this year. This article sheds some light on this new development.	54/48
Applied Flight Simulation – CAE	Continuing our review of the professional use of flight simulation, Richard Benedikz takes a look at one of the best-known names in the commercial flight simulation industry - CAE	54/50
Applied Flight Simulation – PC Pilot visits RAF Benson	Flight simulators play a crucial role in training military pilots and are used extensively by air forces throughout the world. PC Pilot had the opportunity to visit one such training facility at RAF Benson where Merlin, Puma and Chinook helicopters are used.	54/52
Hardware	Modern flight simulators have taken realism and visual detail to a new level and so the choice of graphics card has become crucial when it comes to performance in flight simulation. In this article we take a look at some of the cards currently available on the market and determine how well they perform with the most demanding of flight simulators - FSX	54/58
An Oriental Odyssey – an airliner adventure	Welcome on board the versatile Boeing 767-300ER as we take you on an oriental adventure from the island of Penang to Hong Kong.	54/68
Liverpool to Land’s End – a GA adventure	In our second flight adventure we take you on a pleasure flight down the west coast of England and Wales, from Liverpool to the tip of Cornwall at Land’s End, flown in the rugged Dornier DO-27.	54/76

Flight Sim cockpit building	In this, the second part of our cockpit-building series, in which the ultimate goal is to create a 737 cockpit simulation, Joe Lavery focuses on the 737 communications centre, which sits between the two pilots and is known as the pedestal.	54/84
A Flight Simmer's Buyer's Guide	This "Summer Special" sees the return of our popular flight sim buyer's guide. We have selected the cream of the crop of flight sim products on the market today. As before, we provide a brief overview of some of our favourites which we have reviewed over the past few years.	54/94
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FSX Compatibility	The compatibility labelling of some commercial products for FSX can be confusing. Just what are the degrees of compatibility, how have they come to exist and how does the consumer ensure they are getting the product they are expecting?	58/22
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Best Buy's - Sophisticated GAs	Compared to Airliners, GA aircraft are generally considered to be less sophisticated. However, there are a number that do contain a high level of cockpit systems and so require greater pilot knowledge and experience. We highlight our choices for those who prefer a little more complexity in their GA flying.	58/42
Best Buy's - Airliners for Beginners	We discuss our recommendations for those taking their first steps beyond the default airliners. We introduce aircraft of intermediate complexity, suitable for a beginner who is happiest flying, rather than wading through systems manuals.	58/50
Best Buy's – GA 'Lites'	For those who want something a little less complicated, but still be of high quality – an aircraft they can just jump into and fly – here are our top five recommendations!	58/56
Best Buy's - Military add-ons and Combat Simulations	Military add-ons and combat simulations have a wide appeal among the young and old. So, whether you're 7 or 70, here are our recommendations for those who prefer their flight sims to be both 'shaken' and 'stirred'!	58/60
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Just Flight's Rescue Pilot – A Preview	<p>Just Flight is soon to release its first Mission pack for FSX. Peter Stark gives us a preview of what to expect from this exciting new add-on!</p>	47/26
The Human Element	<p>Last issue we interviewed the highly successful MAAM-Sim team – makers of R4D/DC-3 and Briefing Time B-25J packages. This time we will complete our visit with the team by learning a bit about members Fred Banting, Mark Beaumont, Howard Sodja and Rob Young.</p>	47/50
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AVSIM Flight Simulation Conference	<p>The annual AVSIM Fight Simulation Conference, otherwise known as FANCON, was held in Seattle this year and it gave attendees the opportunity to meet up and talk about recent developments within the flight sim industry. We sent our reporter, Richard Benedikz, to find out more!</p>	51/80

Flight Experience - Flying an airline simulator	Wouldn't it be great if there was a jet simulator that you could hire for a reasonable price? An innovative New Zealand company – Flight Experience – has managed to achieve this goal. Peter Stark recently paid them a visit at their offices in Sydney, Australia	52/36
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TFT Monitors - Our Window to our Virtual World	TFT flat screen technology has moved on in leaps and bounds over the past few years and it is now possible to purchase screens that provide razor-sharp and fluid images at very reasonable prices. Richard Benedikz takes a detailed and informative look at this often-overlooked component of our flight sim hobby	52/76
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Air Combat Simulation Tutorial - Pilots notes; Flying the Supermarine Spitfire	For this edition of our combat series the spotlight is turned on the legendary Supermarine Spitfire. Specifically, we offer hints and tips on getting the most out of the mark V and IX and compare their respective performances with that of the Luftwaffe's FW190	53/56
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Scenery Creation in FSX - Part 1 – Creating an airfield	Welcome to a new series of where we will examine how to create our own scenery projects in FSX. We start the series by showing you how to create your own airfield	55/50
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Air Combat Simulation Tutorial. Pilots notes; Flying the P-51 Mustang	For this issue of our combat simulation series we offer some hints and tips on how to fly and fight in the ‘Cadillac of the Skies’ – the P-51 Mustang	56/56
Digital Combat Simulator: Black Shark - From Russia with love!	DCS: Black Shark models the Russian Ka-50 attack helicopter in excruciating detail and promises to be something special! Chris Frishmuth give us a preview of this highly anticipated helicopter sim.	56/92
Sydney Seaplanes	Our recent PC Pilot tutorial series, which detailed the mechanics and creation of FSX Missions was based on the float plane tourism company Sydney Seaplanes - located in Sydney, Australia. Peter Stark recently visited the city and took the opportunity to fly with them on a warm and sunny winter day.	57/44
Scenery Creation in FSX - Part 3 – Creating an airfield	Peter Stark continues with his third instalment of scenery creation by showing us how to add runways and taxiways to the project.	57/50
Computer Round-up - The power behind flight simulation	In this, the first part of a two-part series, Richard Benedikz assesses the performance of four computer systems costing under £1500, by running a series of flight tests using FSX, X-Plane, Lock-On and IL-2 1946.	57/88
Windows Vista	Microsoft’s Vista has received a fair amount of ‘bad’ press since its initial release. However, we may be pleasantly surprised to learn that Vista has seen a marked improvement since its initial release. Peter Wright offers some useful hints and tips on making the most of Microsoft’s latest operating system.	57/94
As Real as it Gets - FSX versus X-Plane’s real weather in tropical storm “Fay”	In August of this year, as Tropical Storm ‘Fay’ approached the southern half of the USA, Peter Wright wondered just how realistic the weather and aircraft handling would be in FSX and X-Plane. So, he decided to put these two sims to the test. His findings make interesting reading!	59/44
Scenery Creation in FSX - Part 4 – Adding scenery objects	This issue, Peter Stark gets into the simple, but seriously enjoyable part of our project – adding scenery objects.	59/50

Epic Aircraft and the real Epic LT - An inside look at the fastest production single-engine turboprop in the world	When you've read the review of Lionheart Creation's rendition of the turboprop Epic LT (on page 92 of this issue), you can then find out how they make the real one, by reading this article by Tony Radmilovich, who was given a guided tour Epic Aircraft's factory, located in Bend, Oregon, USA.	59/96
Scenery Creation in FSX - Part 4 – Final instalment	In this, our final instalment of our series on creating scenery in FSX, we add some finishing touches to our airfield project, before bundling it all up for release.	60/50
Human Element - The true meaning of life finally revealed	Tony Radmilovich, in the return of his 'Human Element' series, shows us how flight sim-based relationships are every bit as real and important as any other type.	60/88
FSX v FS2004 Pros and cons!	Of all the letters and emails we receive at the offices of PC Pilot, the most popular topic is the debate between advocates of FSX and FS2004. We get a lot of correspondence from people asking us why we focus so much attention on FSX when FS2004 is still a viable sim? This article will hopefully go some way to answer that question.	60/92
Mosquito Raid - Precision bombing raid on Gestapo Headquarters	In this, the first of a series, we re-enact a real combat mission as realistically as possible using Microsoft Flight Simulator. This also means navigating employing 'dead reckoning'. The chosen aircraft for this mission is Just Flight's Mosquito . Our mission for today is a precision bombing raid on the Gestapo headquarters.	61/56
Human Element - When minutes make a difference	This edition of our 'Human Element' series, Chris Frishmuth, a pilot for MedCenter Air in Charlotte, North Carolina. A Captain on both the King Air B200 and Citation Ultra, Chris has been flying for MedCenter Air for over 10 years providing inter-facility patient transfers, organ procurement flights and distant trauma response across North and South America. He gives us a fascinating insight into what it's like to be a 'rescue pilot!'	61/92

P-47 Thunderbolt - A memorable mission	In this, the second of a series, we re-enact a real combat mission as realistically as possible, this time using A2A Simulations' superlative P-47 Thunderbolt add-on for FSX. The purpose of this article is to recreate the last mission of Lt Col Neel Kearby – an American ace who had already received the Medal of Honor. This mission took place in 1944 – targeting Japanese airfields centred on Wewak, in the South West Pacific. However, you will be flying as one of Kearby's wingmen, Bill Dunham.	62/56
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PC Pilot's 10th Anniversary - Our origins and the last ten years of flight simulation!	Time flies when you're having fun and that's certainly been the case here at the offices of PC Pilot, as we celebrate our tenth year of publication. In this special feature we look back at what was happening in the flight sim world ten years ago and how the hobby has changed in that time.	63/16
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PC Concorde Simulators - The tales of two Concorde	If our feature on the Brooklands Concorde Simulator has whetted your appetite to go fly a Concorde, Jane Whittaker compares the two best simulations of this aircraft currently available.	63/42
Kearby's Last Mission - A memorable mission in a P-47 thunderbolt	This is the second of a two-part recreation of a memorable mission in FSX, using A2A's excellent P-47 Thunderbolt.	63/56
Flight Sim Hints and Tips - Improving your Frame Rates!	Welcome to the first in a brand-new column focusing on flight sim hints and tips. To begin this series Peter Wright shows you how to achieve both great visuals and improve the performance of FSX!	63/88

Human Element - A "Small" developer with big ideas!	This instalment of The Human Element extends our look at the people who make their living from flight simulation. In this edition we talk to the man behind Lionheart Creations – William Ortis - the developer of the excellent Epic LT package reviewed in issue 59 of PC Pilot, who overcame the odds to do something that he truly loves for a living!	63/92
The Brooklands Concorde Simulator - What it is like to fly the Concorde	In our previous issue we featured Brooklands Museum which hosts the only functional Concorde flight simulator in the world. PC Pilot was kindly invited back to experience the simulator first-hand to find out exactly how realistic it is. So, what is it like to fly Concorde	64/44
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iPilot Boeing 737-700NG Simulator - At a shopping Centre near you!	iPilot is the first company in Europe to open up a flight simulator experience in a major shopping centre (yes, you read that correctly). Intrigued, we sent our roving reporter, Richard Benedikz, to find out more about this innovative concept!	65/44
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IL-2 Sturmovik: 1946 Update	For fans of World War Two combat flight sims, the IL-2 franchise has been the lifeblood of this genre for nearly a decade – and it's still as popular as ever! Recently, the 4.09 update was released, and is believed to be the final official patch for the long running IL-2 Sturmovik lineage. Chris Frishmuth gives his appraisal.	65/96
FSX AI Traffic Round-up - Which traffic jam is right for you	Tony Radmilovich, in the start of a new series looks at the commercial and non-commercial AI traffic packages currently available	67/24

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Logbook - Meteor over Nashville	<p>Continuing his new series on memorable flights taken from his logbook, Chris Frishmuth recounts a short flight he took on November 4, 2000 – one of the most interesting flights he's ever experienced. With a little help from Flight Simulator and some imagination, you too can 'relive' the experience.</p>	68/57
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DCS A-10 Warthog - A Preview of Digital Combat Simulator's new combat sim	<p>Eagle Dynamics, creators of Lock-on, Flaming Cliffs and Black Shark, are poised to steal the hearts and minds of hard-core combat flight simulator enthusiasts with the release of their A-10C Warthog. Chris Frishmuth brings us a preview of this eagerly-awaited simulation.</p>	71/40
Logbook - Out of options	<p>In this instalment of Logbook in which Chris Frishmuth relates his most memorable flights, he recounts how complacency and routine conspired to allow him and a fellow pilot to be backed into a corner with ever diminishing chances of escaping unscathed.</p>	71/56
Microsoft Flight	<p>This issue sees the start of an exclusive new series that will serve as a developer's diary, in the form of Q&A sessions, which over time will reveal the key aims and objectives of the Microsoft team, as well as the main features to be included in Microsoft Flight.</p>	72/34

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IL-2 Sturmovik: Cliffs of Dover Preview	<p>Derek Davis previews the long-awaited IL-2 Sturmovik: Cliffs of Dover – the sequel to the highly successful IL-2 Sturmovik series.</p>	73/46
Flight Sim Flight Test - P51-D Mustang	<p>Flight Sim Flight Test is the start of a new series in which Dave Unwin will describe what it's like to fly the world's greatest fighters in the real world, while at the same time assessing their simulated counterparts in the virtual. We begin this series with the mighty P-51D Mustang!</p>	73/54
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Lockheed Martin's Prepar3D - The serious side of flight simulation	<p>In issue 70 of PC Pilot, back in 2010, we featured Lockheed Martin's exciting development of Microsoft's ESP, which was aptly called Prepar3D. The primary aim was to create a cost-effective training tool for commercial use. This follow-up feature sees how far the project has progressed since then.</p>	76/52

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Flight Sim Flight Test - The Piper Cub	"Ah, the good old Piper Cub! From the tip of the jaunty upturned spinner to the graceful curve of the rudder, it just looks 'right'." Dave Unwin compares the real Piper Cub with Flight Replicas' virtual rendition.	77/52
Microsoft Flight Preview - A fresh approach to flight simulation	Here it is folks – the long-awaited PC Pilot Preview of Microsoft Flight! A few months ago, we were invited to the headquarters of Microsoft to get an exclusive look at Flight and to meet the new team. It was an opportunity to find out more about the underlying concept and perhaps get answers to some of those unanswered questions...	78/18
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Microsoft Flight Simulator – First look! - Part 1	Our roving reporter, Thomas Haynes, gets hands-on experience for the first time with Microsoft's new Flight Simulator at the Rainier Flight Service training facility in Renton, Washington. This is the first of a special two-part report.	124/52
Baron's Combat Corner - Air Combat Simulation for beginners, Part 2	In this the second part of our feature on air combat, we explore other key elements of air combat simulations that affect our sense of immersion, namely: the graphics engine, ATC and wingman communication, the campaign mode, and the online multiplayer aspect.	124/72

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Meet the Flight Sim Producers - An Interview with Gary Summons	The name Gary summons is well-known within the flight sim community – due mainly to his series of high-quality airport scenery packages. His latest – VFR Airfields Volume 1 – south England and Wales – is reviewed in the previous article. So, with this new venture we thought it was high time we found out more about this talented designer.	56/48
Storm of War: Battle of Britain - An interview with Oleg Maddox	Oleg Maddox's much anticipated 'Storm of War: Battle of Britain' was first covered by PC Pilot back in issue 44, so we thought it was time we caught up with him and his team to see how things were progressing.	57/56
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Lockheed Martin's Prepar3D - Microsoft's ESP comes of age – the serious side of simulation	PC Pilot was recently informed of the exciting news that Lockheed Martin had purchased the source code and intellectual property from Microsoft from the Microsoft ESP platform. So, we invited Lockheed Martin to take part in a Q&A, which they very kindly agreed to do.	70/46
Microsoft Flight - Part 2: Design, Performance and Online Experience	Our exclusive developer's diary continues, in the form of Q&A sessions - revealing the key aims and objectives of the Microsoft team. In this issue we learn more of the design, performance and online features of Microsoft Flight.	73/34
X-Plane 10 - An Interview with Laminar Research	X-Plane 10 is probably the most anticipated release of X-Plane to date. With that in mind, we invited its creator, Austin Meyer to share his thoughts with us on this ground-breaking addition to the X-Plane franchise.	74/44

Lockheed Martin's Prepar3D - The serious side of flight simulation, Part 2	We continue our series on the serious side of flight simulation, by focusing on how users of Lockheed Martin's Prepar3D can customize training missions to suit their needs, how experienced programmers can develop new features, plus we also look at how third-party flight simulation companies are working with Lockheed Martin to bring their expertise to the Prepar3D ecosystem.	77/48
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Lockheed Martin's Prepar3D - Inspiring the Next Generation of Aviators and Technologists	Part 4 of our series on Lockheed Marin's Prepar3D takes a look at how the software is being used as an educational tool for young people – helping students to engage in science, technology, engineering and maths.	79/82
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Just Flight Hawk T1 Interview	We recently received word that Just Flight was working on a brand-new Hawk T1, so we invited Development Manager Richard Slater to shed some light on this exciting release.	103/24
An Interview with Scott Gentile, founder and owner of A2A Simulations	What does it take to produce an A2A Simulations product? To answer that question and much more besides, we invited its owner, Scott Gentile, to take part in an exclusive Q&A with PC Pilot.	103/36
Interview with John Venema, CEO of Orbx	In this interview with Orbx's CEO, John Venema, we get an overview of the products his company produces, plus an insight into the thought and decision-making process involved in the production of its popular scenery additions.	103/42

PMDG's Queen of the Skies II - We interview PMDG's CEO, Robert Randazzo, about this highly anticipated release	With the airliner simming community eagerly awaiting the arrival of the new Boeing 747-400 Queen of The Skies II package, Jane Whittaker interviews PMDG's CEO, Robert Randazzo, about this highly anticipated release.	104/26
X-Plane 11 - Exclusive Interview	Richard Benedikz speaks to both Austin Meyer and Ben Supnik to find out about the upcoming release of X-Plane 11.	106/28
Interview with Just Flight	We interview Just Flight as the company celebrates 20 years in the flight sim industry.	108/52
Prepar3D version 4 - Interview with Lockheed Martin	The announcement of Prepar3D version 4 from Lockheed Martin marks a major milestone in the world of flight simulation this year, so we decided to speak to Prepar3D Engineering Project Manager, Adam R. Breed to find out more.	110/32
Reality Check - Simulation to real world flying?	In this interview feature, we look at the major role flight simulation played in the lives of five individuals in deciding to take up a career in aviation. In addition, we also discuss the extent flight simulation can be used as a training aid in the real world.	112/32
REMEX Software - Deadstick	We interview REMEX Software, a newcomer to the flight sim industry, in which we find out about the company and its first standalone simulation - 'Deadstick'.	113/24
Honeycomb Aeronautical	Honeycomb Aeronautical, a new hardware developer in the flight sim industry, has announced two new products: the Alpha Flight Control yoke and the Bravo Throttle quadrant. In this exclusive interview we find out more about the company and its plans for the future.	113/72
BlueSky Flight Simulations' Curtiss P-40F Warhawk	Another newcomer to the flight sim industry is BlueSky FS, whose first release, the Curtiss P-40F Warhawk, has been designed for Dovetail's FSW. In this exclusive interview we discuss both the company and the product.	113/52
Rotate	Rotate is a third-party developer which released its first payware add-on for X-Plane in 2015. We took the opportunity to speak to one of its founders, Alfredo Torrado, to find out more about the company and their plans for the future.	114/40
Team Fusion	With the recent release of Team Fusion's IL-2 Sturmovik: Cliffs of Dover BLITZ Edition on Steam, we thought it would be a good time to get some background information on this major project.	114/68

Eagle Dynamics' F/A-18C Hornet	In this interview, Matt Wagner, Senior Producer for Eagle Dynamics, gives us some insights into what we can expect from the highly anticipated DCS: F/A-18C Hornet.	115/40
BLITZ Part 2	In this the second part of our interview with Neil Pugh of Team Fusion, we discuss the work that has been done on elements of Cliffs of Dover BLITZ that were not covered in the previous issue, such as the audio, graphics, flight modelling and Artificial Intelligence (AI).	115/64
An exclusive interview with Scott Gentile from A2A Simulations	In this special feature, we interview Scott Gentile, owner of A2A Simulations, and discuss his latest project, the Beechcraft V-Tail Bonanza, Prepar3D version 4, his new Accu-Sim engine, along with his future plans.	116/52
Prepar3D – The story so far...	In this special feature, we interview Adam Breed, Lockheed Martin's Engineering Project Manager for Prepar3D and take an inside look at the simulation's development.	117/40
Aerosoft A318/A319 Winfried Diekmann Interview	With the release of the A318/A319 professional - the company's first Airbus for Prepar3D v4 - we met up with Aerosoft's Managing Director, Winfried Diekmann at the company's offices in Paderborn to discuss all things Airbus.	117/52
REX Simulations - A force to be reckoned with	We catch up with Reed Stough and Tim Fuchs from REX Simulations, to talk about their two latest projects: Weather Force and Environment Force.	117/72
X-Plane 11.30 - An Interview with Laminar Research	With the impending release of X-Plane 11.30, we decided to speak to the Laminar Research team to find out what features we can expect in the new version.	118/12
An exclusive interview with Colin Pearson from MilViz	MilViz has only recently taken the plunge into the world of X-Plane with its first aircraft, the C310T, due out in the coming months. We decided to sit down with its creative director, Colin Pearson, to discuss this move and all things MilViz.	118/32
Orbx Simulation Systems - The move to X-Plane - An interview with John Venema	Orbx CEO, John Venema discusses how his passion for flight simulation resulted in the formation of Orbx Simulations and how the release of X-Plane 11 served as the catalyst for the company's expansion into the X-Plane market.	118/48
Flying Circus - A new beginning	We invited Jason Williams, President of 777 Studios and Executive Producer of 1C Game Studios, to discuss their new World War One simulator: IL-2 Sturmovik: Flying Circus.	118/68

Modern Air Combat	We recently learned that Eagle Dynamics was working on a new and exciting project called 'Modern Air Combat' - designed to appeal to a wider audience of flight simmers. We contacted Matt Wagner, Eagle Dynamics' Senior Producer, to find out more.	119/40
Prepar3D v4.4	Prepar3D version 4.4 is, according to Lockheed Martin, "the largest and most comprehensive point release to date". We spoke to Prepar3D Engineering Project Manager, Adam R Breed to discover what the new update includes.	119/48
The Orbx roadmap: 2019 and beyond...	John Venema, the founder and CEO of Orbx, discusses the company's roadmap for 2019 and beyond, and gives us his views on the future of flight simulation in general and of course the role Orbx will play in that future.	120/24
Fly the Maddog X – Interview with Leonardo SH	We interview Stefano Porrà from Leonardo SH to find out more about the company and Fly the Maddog X.	120/36
Wings Over the Reich	Over the Reich is the spiritual and World War Two successor to Old Brown Dog's popular World War One simulation 'Wings Over Flanders Fields'. We invited the developer to take part in an exclusive interview to find out more about the product.	120/40
REMEX Software's Deadstick	With Deadstick Bush Flight Simulator nearing early access release, we sat down with Chris Cheetham, the Managing Director of REMEX Software, to get an update on the progress of this new simulation.	121/40
1C Maddox's IL-2 Sturmovik	1C Maddox's work on IL-2 Sturmovik continues unabated, particularly in the past few months. Jason Williams - Executive Producer at 1C Game Studios, kindly agreed to take part in a Q&A to introduce IL-2 Sturmovik to newcomers, as well as update those who have lost touch with the franchise.	121/44
FlightSimExpo 2019	FlightSimExpo is one of the most anticipated events in the flight simulation community. We spoke to event organisers, Evan Reiter and Phil Coyle, to get their thoughts on the upcoming event.	121/52
SkunkCrafts' P-51D Mustang	In this interview, we talk to SkunkCrafts to find out about the work that was involved in creating their superb P-51D Mustang - designed for X-Plane 11.	121/68
Just Flight's Aerofly FS 2 Adventure	Just Flight, in collaboration with Propair Flight, recently added support to Aerofly FS 2 by releasing the Duchess Model 76. We sat down with Richard Slater from Just Flight and Péter Késmárki of Propair Flight to find out more.	122/48

Just Flight's 747 Classic	After more than a year in development, the highly anticipated Just Flight 747 Classic is nearing completion. We caught up with Richard Slater and Martyn Northall to get a behind-the-scenes look at what Just Flight claims is its "largest and most complex aircraft to date."	123/16
Aerosoft's A330 Professional	We spoke to Aerosoft's Project Manager, Mathijs Kok, about their upcoming A330 and the anticipation that surrounds this new addition to their Airbus family.	123/32
MicroProse – World Exclusive!	Earlier this year we learned that MicroProse had been re-launched. We invited its CEO, David Lagettie, to take part in an interview to discuss his plans for this iconic brand.	123/44
A2A Simulations' T-6A Texan II - Raising the bar	In a May 2019 development update, A2A Simulations showcased its T-6 Texan II, which it is developing for the US Air Force. With the flight simulation community set to benefit from A2A's venture into military training, Thomas Haynes spoke to A2A's CEO, Scott Gentile, to find out more about the aircraft.	124/40
Just Flight – Classic jetliners in development	We caught up with Martyn Northall from Just Flight to get the latest gen on four classic airliners currently in development: the 747 Classic, BAe 146 Professional, Fokker F28 Fellowship and the Airbus A300B4.	125/12
Just Flight Q&A – The challenges of the past and the future	Scott Phillips, Just Flight's marketing manager, provides an insight into what the last 12 months have been like for the company and how he sees the future of this ever-changing industry.	125/28
Aerosoft – The year ahead	As part of our special feature on the current state of flight simulation, we invited Aerosoft's CEO, Winfried Diekmann, to give us his thoughts from his unique perspective.	125/32
Orbx Simulation Systems – The past year and the road ahead	Orbx's CEO, John Venema, discusses the current state of the flight simulation industry, the past year from Orbx's perspective and his plans for the coming year.	125/36
Eagle Dynamics – DCS World in 2019 and 2020	2019 has been a busy year for Eagle Dynamics, which saw the release of many new products and innovative features for DCS World. Executive producer, Matt Wagner, talks about the company's activities over the past 12 months and their plans for the future.	125/40

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