



The Grumman Owners & Pilots Association

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Dear European Grumman Pilot,

the American Yankee Association (AYA) has existed over 25 years to support its members, the Grumman owners and pilots' community, to fly safely and maximize their ownership experience. AYA invites you to enjoy the benefits in an organization of over 1300 members, dedicated to promote and encourage the safe operation and maintenance of the AA-1 series, AA-5 series, AG-5B, GA-7 and Tiger aircraft. Europe is one of the 16 AYA Regions and after the US, the largest with about 90 Grumman owners and pilots. Member benefits include:

- **The AYA Website** – [www.aya.org](http://www.aya.org) with information for members only and the **AYA Forum** on all possible Grumman items also for the exclusive use of members only. You will get the answer on your specific question.
- **The American Star** – A bi-monthly magazine offering member activities, aircraft operational information, maintenance, piloting techniques, aircraft insurance ideas, and much more! Distributed both in print as well as in electronic form.
- **The Operation and Maintenance Compendium** – Available through The Company Store, which includes all of the technical articles from more than 20 years of *The American Star*.
- **Technical support** – We are looking out for the best interests of American / Grumman / Gulfstream / Tiger owners by actively working with the aviation authorities, Tiger Aircraft and other organizations on issues relating to the safe and efficient operation of your aircraft.
- **Discount on spare parts.** In Europe by our UK based Grumman spare part holder Ian Matterface (Bournemouth) and other suppliers, including US.
- **Pilot Training** – If you're new to Grummans, AYA's Pilot Familiarization Program (PFP) will help you transition into the type. The same with recurrency training.
- **AYA Fly-In's and the Annual AYA meeting** – a core benefit for European AYA members
  - **Fly-In's:** Our Fly-In's range all over Europe with about 8 – 10 events p.a.
  - **Annual European weekend meeting**, where most of the members convene: 2003: Welshpool (UK). 2004: Grenaa (Denmark) 2005: Valdera (Italy). 2006: Marmande (France). 2007: North Weald (UK). 2008: Rinteln (Germany), 2009:Valdera (Italy), 2010: Middenzeeland (the Netherlands).
  - **European Cross Country Fly Out's** (Morocco 2007, North Cape 2008, Scotland / Ireland 2009)
  - **Annual AYA Convention** – Fun activities, competitions in air and on the ground, Grumman related seminars and social events. It's always held in North America and makes for a great holiday as well!

The Membership is an excellent bargain for you as Grumman holder and/or pilot and we keep the fee as low as possible (see more <http://www.aya.org/s/358/aya.aspx?sid=358&gid=1&pgid=928>):

- **\$60 for one year**
- **\$107.50 for two years (\$82.50 with initial one-half year membership)**
- **\$155 for three years (\$130.00 with initial one-half year membership. This option is the most appreciated).**

To join, feel free to contact me or the AYA Regional Coordinators. We are all active Grumman holders & pilots and running the Region 15 Europe as volunteers.

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There is no other Grumman organization in the world comparable to AYA. Fly your Grumman always safely with the AYA support in your backseat!

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