

# PIPER OPERATION COBRA



An historical event that will gather the highest number of Piper L4 and Cubs aircrafts in Europe, since the Second World War.



ANNIVERSARY OF THE D-DAY LANDING  
AND THE LIBERATION OF FRANCE  
AND EUROPE



From July, 31<sup>st</sup> to August, 4<sup>th</sup> 2019

Granville - Mont Saint Michel Airfield

Jullouville Beach

An extraordinary re-enactment with:

- More than 500 military vehicles coming from Jersey, Guernsey, UK, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Spain and France
- More than 2000 volunteers dressed in period outfits
- A 1932 steam train going through Granville



An incredible air display with landings on Jullouville Beach

- More than 100 Piper planes
- More than 20 military planes from 5 different nationalities
- Acrobatic show by the French Red Arrows: La Patrouille de France

## A BIT OF HISTORY

In 1944, the Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force (SHAEF) were based in Jullouville. Staffs of approximately 11,000 soldiers (including 4,000 British soldiers) were stationed at Chateau de la Mare and the adjacent buildings, under the leadership of the Allied Expeditionary Forces Supreme Commander, General Eisenhower - with one purpose in mind: the Liberation of Europe.

Granville and Jullouville were liberated the same day, on July 31<sup>st</sup> 1944. Exactly 75 years later, Piper Operation Cobra will commemorate this extraordinary act of courage by the Allied Forces.

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