## Water System Drain Down & Start Up (New Version Jan 23)

## **Draining Down;**

Note; It is not necessary or desirable to switch off the electrical supply to the hot water system's immersion heaters during the drain down process.

- 1. Turn off the Blue coloured stop cock (clockwise rotation) by the East end (South side) Hangar Door (see Fig. 1 overleaf).
- 2. Turn off the Blue coloured domestic stop cock (clockwise rotation) located beside the outer kitchen door (main entrance) behind and to the left of, the drop down flap. **Note;** the stop cock and the associated drain valves are hard to see, use a torch to help locate them (see Fig. 2 overleaf).

Open the two, red stop cocks (turn anti-clockwise - see Fig. 2). Briefly turn on the kitchen's cold tap to check the water pressure is dropping / dropped. If pressure remains check the water cock has fully closed.

- 3. Open the two drain valves (turn anti-clockwise) that are located under the sink in the North toilet (see Fig. 3 overleaf).
- 4. Open the blue drain valves under the sink in the MT area (see Fig. 4 overleaf for handle positions).

## Starting Up;

- 1. Close the Blue drain valves under the sink in the MT area (see Fig. 4 for handle positions).
- 2. Close the two drain valves (turn anti-clockwise) that are located under the sink in the North toilet (see Fig. 3)
- 3. Close the two, **Red** stop cocks that are located by the outer kitchen door (main entrance) behind the drop down flap. **Note;** the main stop cock and associated drain valves are hard to see, use a torch to help locate them (see Fig. 2 overleaf).

Open the **Blue** coloured domestic stop cock alongside the above Red stop cocks (see Fig. 2).

- 4. Open the Blue coloured stop cock (anti-clockwise rotation) by the East end (South side) Hangar Door (see Fig. 1 overleaf). **Note;** to fully open the valve the handle should be turned approximately 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> turns.
- 5. Open the cold tap(s) in the kitchen until water flows freely. Check that the toilet cistern's are filling flush the toilets again to double check
- 6. Walk along the hangar's Western end and listen for any water flowing from the drain valves, if found investigate and take appropriate action.

**Note;** the hot water system can take 10 minutes or more to fill the tank therefore turning on the hot taps may not show any significant flow during this time.

## See overleaf for pictures and positions of valves and stop cocks



Fig. 1: Hanger Stop Cock



Fig. 2 and 2a: Domestic Stop Cocks Blue = mains water supply; Red = drain valves



Fig. 3: Toilet Drain Valves



Fig 4: MT Area Drain Valves - Closed Position



MT Area Drain Valves - Open Position