

Hi everyone

Welcome to the November Biggin Hill Users Database Newsletter...

The November edition of the Biggin Hill Airport "BUGLE" by John Bryan is also available for viewing/downloading on the Social Club's website at <http://www.bigginhillclub.co.uk>

Please remember to send JB any stories of interest, and photos, for inclusion in future issues. It's your newsletter so please help JB to keep it coming... (his direct email address is johnbryan@jbpltstd.demon.co.uk, or you can send items directly to me to pass on)

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATES AND ADDITIONS

Keep passing those new and amended email addresses to me. Welcome to those that have recently added their names to the database.... For current member names see <http://www.bigginhillreunited.co.uk> and go to the link to the database membership..

BIGGIN HILL AIRPORT SOCIAL CLUB LTD

As always, because we have no premises where we can all meet regularly, there is little to report – but thanks for your continued expressions of support...

Please keep using those concessions at local restaurants and services – full details can be found on the club site at <http://www.bigginhillclub.co.uk>

Those that are members, please confirm whether you want us to continue to run “the club” for you in its present form. Clearly as things are at present, it is little more than a discount membership card system, which I know many make use of, but I am sure not all do. The annual “membership” is coming up at the end of the year for renewal. Do you want us to continue for another year? Are you happy to continue to support the club with a membership fee as payment for the photo membership card? Please let us know by email to john@bigginhillreunited.co.uk

If the support is not there, we may simply place “the club” on hold until, hopefully, we, or someone else, can do something regarding premises for the membership...

If there is enough support, JB and I will endeavour to renew the concessions with the organisations that have given us support in the past, and to negotiate special arrangements where appropriate.

THE AIRPORT

Nothing to report, except that the South Camp really does look impressive now from the road, for those that haven't been to the airfield or past it for some time.

BIGGIN HILL REUNITED ON FACEBOOK

Earlier this month I decided that I should stop resisting the trend for using Social Networking sites and look at joining Facebook personally. This was largely because the Florida Flying School I attended in 2008 was using Facebook as a means of keeping in touch with all their old students and friends.

Having started on there myself, I could see that it might also help some of the old Biggin Hill'ites to stay in touch or find people that they may have forgotten or lost contact with over the years. I therefore invited anyone whose email I had on the Database that also used Facebook to become my “friend”. In just 3 weeks, there are around 150 plus current and past airport users listed as “friends” on my facebook page, and this enables any of you to look for, and make direct contact with, many people who you would otherwise only be able to find by requesting contact through the database itself. (I apologise if there are also personal people listed there as

well, but I am in the process of creating lists so that it will be easier to sort out the aviation ones from the personal ones – please bear with me.)

If you would like to view the page (you will need to sign up for Facebook to do this, but you can do that from the page, I believe) just go to www.facebook.com/bigginhillreunited Hopefully, if I can work out how to do it, there should be a list entry called “Aviation” and it should be possible to go directly to that list of friends that you may also know. (If you are new to Facebook, and wish to do so, please feel free to request to become “a friend” but add a note that you are an old Biggin Hill’ite with the request, in case I think it is someone I don’t know and ignore it...)

That’s about it for this month...

John Willis
Biggin Hill Airport Users Database

(And Finally:

The following was forwarded to me by an active Biggin Hill Airport Database member. I couldn’t check out the validity of the story but, as I didn’t have anything else for this week’s “and finally”, and it sounds the sort of thing that scammers and crooks do these days, I would include it this month.... Be warned in case...

QUOTE.....

A woman visited the toilet in John Lewis at Blue water and hung her handbag on the back of the toilet door. As she carried on about her business, a hand suddenly appeared over the top of the stall and grabbed her bag clean off the hook!!!

She immediately reported the incident to the head of security, who in turn informed the manager of the store. A couple of days later she had a call from the head of security to say her bag had been found without her purse. So she arranged a convenient time to go and meet the manager to collect her things.

On arriving at the John Lewis store at the agreed time, the manager was not expecting her & neither was the head of security. No one from the store had actually called her as the bag had still not been found.

When the lady got home, her house had been burgled with no sign of forced entry. The Police believe the robbers had used her Driving Licence for the address and her keys to let themselves in!

Please be extra vigilant ladies AND gents (with your man bags) there are lot of desperate criminals out there!

.....UNQUOTE

If anyone else has good examples of, for example: - Governmental stupidity and removal of the population's right to live a normal life, or Simply any unusual and interesting stories or anecdotes that you feel may interest our readers, please email them to me as a possible inclusion in a monthly "and Finally"...))