

It is with regret I have to inform you of the passing of yet another very old colleague - "Mac" Salter - who died last week following a fall. He was in his late 80's.

Known mostly to those Biggin Hill'ites who were around in the 60's and 70's, and mainly people on the engineering side, Mac was actually trained by the Royal Air Force at the end of the war as a pilot but, as a result of the end of hostilities, ceased flying and became an aircraft engineer.

He worked initially for people like Johnnie Longmore and Mike Conry at Croydon (who many of us will remember), before joining Air Couriers at Biggin, which eventually became Express Aviation, of course. He also, I understand, worked for a time at Shipping and Airlines at Biggin.

Although he didn't keep up his flying, he took it up again in his 70's, flying with the late Richard Elles, and achieved his ambition at that ripe old age to fly solo again.

I am sure many of us will have fond memories of Mac.

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