

RunwayNews

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Welcome

Welcome to the eighth edition of the London City Airport community newsletter, Runway News. In 2008, the physical distribution of this newsletter will widen from 15,000 homes in Newham to include residents from areas of Tower Hamlets and Greenwich. As such, I thought it useful to give some background to the Airport Community Programme and the purpose of Runway News, which was launched on the Airport's 18th birthday in 2005.

A structured community programme at London City Airport has been in existence for over 12 years, ensuring that our neighbours share in the benefits from the growth and success of our business. In recent years, the Airport community team has grown alongside the Airport operation, increasing to three employees working full time on local education, employment, volunteering, and health & wellbeing programmes in 2008.

Runway News is delivered to thousands of local homes three times a year and always available on the Airport website. The newsletter is designed to keep our neighbours up to date with what is going on at the Airport, the community programmes our staff are participating in, and the contacts that you may need for any communication, including recruitment. I do hope that you find it interesting and useful.

Should you have any questions or comments on this newsletter or the Airport in general, please contact me on 020 7646 0042 or email me at elizabeth@lcy.co.uk, or Victoria on 020 7646 0025 or victoria.jeeves@lcy.co.uk.



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AirportUpdate

Lufthansa Launches New Route to Berlin

On Monday 14 January Lufthansa launched their twice-daily service to Berlin. To celebrate the launch, passengers were greeted by burlesque model Cherrri Shakewell.

Passengers were treated to a show stopping performance, with Cherrri popping the balloons that covered her outfit, whilst dancing in a giant Martini glass erected in the middle of the terminal concourse.

Berlin is the fifth Germany city served by Lufthansa from London City Airport and complements existing routes to Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, Hamburg and Munich.



Cherrri celebrates Berlin launch

2007 - A Record Year

Last year saw over 2.9 million passengers travelling through London City Airport, a 23 per cent increase in passenger numbers compared with 2006.

Richard Gooding OBE, Chief Executive of London City Airport, said: "the Airport had a great 2007. There is no doubt that passengers all across London and the South East are waking up to the options offered by this Airport; not least the attractive five minutes taken to exit the terminal from the steps of the aircraft. New services commenced during the year to Belfast, Glasgow, Groningen, Madrid, Nice, Oslo and Vienna."

BA Announces Four New Routes for Spring 2008

BA CityFlyer has announced the launch of four new routes from London City Airport. Starting in March, BA CityFlyer will launch its first new service from London City to Nice, followed by flights to Amsterdam, Barcelona and Warsaw in May. These new routes will increase British Airways' network to nine destinations direct from London City Airport.



From Newham to New York

In addition to the new European routes, British Airways also recently announced the launch of a twice-daily, business class-only service to New York, in early 2009. The new route marks the beginning of another exciting chapter in London City Airport's success story. This will be the first scheduled transatlantic service from the Airport and the first time the Airbus 318 is introduced to London City Airport.

Terminal Optimisation Project

In line with the increasing passenger numbers, the Airport's departure lounge is being expanded to allow additional seating and facilities. The extension of the departure lounge will utilise space which previously housed the Meridian Business Centre.

The extension of the departure lounge will accommodate approximately 250 seats and additional retail and catering units.

Planning Application Update

As you may know, in August 2007 London City Airport submitted a planning application to the London Borough of Newham to increase the number of flight movements to 120,000 from the current level of 80,000. Public consultation recently closed and a decision from the London Borough of Newham is expected soon.



Save the Date!

This year's annual London City Airport Fun Day is taking place on 5 July 2008. The free community event is currently in planning and is looking to be the best yet!

www.funday2008.com

Airbus 318

The February 2007 edition of Runway News reported on test flights for the Airbus 318 (A318) at London City Airport. The aircraft has now been chosen as British Airways' preferred aircraft for services to New York from East London, meeting the Airport's aspirations of acquiring more modern environmentally friendly aircraft for the future.

The A318 is a new generation, twin engined jet aircraft with up to 100 seats. The "baby" of the Airbus family, it should not be confused with the Airbus 380, which is the latest long haul double decker aircraft, too large to operate at London City Airport.

The A318 is likely to eventually replace aircraft currently operating at London City Airport as they come to the end of their productive life. In order to operate at London City Airport, all aircraft are required to comply with the Airport's stringent environmental and operational restrictions, including noise limits, routings and steep approaches.

The A318 also brings added benefits of new technology, with cleaner, quieter, more efficient engines assisting the Airport's aspirations for sustainable growth.



Airbus 318 at London City Airport - October 2006

Community Update

Newham Schools Hit the Hoops

Royal Docks Community School showed off their basketball skills during the London City Airport Basketball Mini -Tournament last term. With the assistance of Pat Hector, Langdon School Sport Partnership Development Officer, London City Airport brought together local Newham secondary schools to compete in the tournament.

Eastlea, Royal Docks, Langdon, Cumberland, and Rokey Schools all participated in the competition refereed by Newham All Star Sports Academy Officials. The winning team and their school coaches were each awarded a winning medal and attended the O₂ on Wednesday 10 October 2007. They watched the NBA Live Basketball Match between the Boston Celtics and Minnesota Timberwolves, as guests of London City Airport.

The Basketball Mini -Tournament is part of the Airport's health and wellbeing community programme, promoting health, fitness, commitment, team working, motivation and aspiration amongst local young people.

Enterprising Young Leader

Kamal Imafidon from Stratford has been named Eastside Young Leader of the Year 2007. In the third year of the Airport competition, run in partnership with the Newham - based Eastside Young Leaders Academy, Kamal completed a project and presented his ideas on environmental sustainability to Airport managers.

Thanks to Kamal's enterprising ideas, outstanding written project and confident presentation style, he and his family will be jetting off to Madrid, with flights courtesy of BA Cityflyer, and accommodation, transfers, activity passes and spending money courtesy of London City Airport. Prizes were also awarded to Kaleem Brown for second and Jay Letang-Wilson for third place. They will be visiting Zurich and Edinburgh respectively for day trips with their families.



Kamal celebrates victory with Victoria

Christmas Comes Early at Richard House

5 December 2007 was a good day at London City Airport's chosen charity, Richard House Hospice, as Airport employees presented a cheque for £35,000. The donation was raised during 2007 through a variety of fundraising efforts, in particular the Airport Fun Day. A large number of the Airport's employees have been dedicated to helping out the Beckton Hospice during the 12 year period the Airport has worked with Richard House.



Richard Gooding presents the cheque to Richard House Hospice

Getting Fruity!

London City Airport staff are getting fruity through the Airport's ongoing commitment to local social enterprise, Community Food Enterprise (CFE). A charity founded in 2002, CFE works in partnership with Newham and East London communities to safeguard and sustain their right to healthy food for their ongoing good health and well being.



Fruit for all at LCA

The Airport has commissioned CFE to supply fruit to all departments for staff to enjoy a healthy snack. The project is not only supporting the charity, but engaging staff in the Airport's community support programme.

Airport Educational Tours

October 2007-February 2008

The following education groups have been to see us at London City Airport. If your school or college would like to visit the Airport, please call Victoria on 020 7646 0025.

Lewisham College
London Leisure College
Thamesmead Cubs
Mulberry School
South Camden Community School
University of Arts
Hackney College
Great Yarmouth College

St George's C of E School
Newham College
Orpington College
Gallions School
Redbridge College
Greenwich College
Old Palace Primary
Barnet College
Wandsworth College

Greenwich School Triumph at Tag Rugby

Wednesday 12 December saw the exciting London City Airport North versus South Tag Rugby Festival of 2007. Primary schools from the boroughs of Newham and Greenwich competed against each other to win the London City Airport Tag Rugby Trophy. The Festival, funded by London City Airport, followed four weeks of rugby coaching by professional coaches from Blackheath Rugby Club in six primary schools across Newham and Greenwich. Students were taught basic skills and rules to enable them to participate in the festival.

Eltham Church of England School triumphed and took home the London City Airport trophy and a medal for each player. Goodie bags and certificates were also distributed to all players, including those from Britannia Village Primary School. Other schools that participated in the programme include St Luke's, Drew, Deansfield and Linton Mead Primary Schools.



Eltham C of E School celebrate

Partnering Old Palace Primary School

In 2007, London City Airport extended its school partnership scheme by developing a relationship with Old Palace Primary School in Tower Hamlets. Thus far, the Airport has implemented the reading partner programme, Airport educational tours, and visits for students to local educational facilities, such as the Discover Centre in Stratford.

Competition Corner

WIN TWO FREE RETURN TICKETS TO GENEVA flying from London City Airport

To enter, all you need to do is answer the question below. Complete your details and post this form to Rohima Begum, London City Airport, City Aviation House, Royal Docks, London, E16 2PB, or hand your completed form in at the Information Desk in the Airport Terminal.

Which local school won the London City Airport Basketball Mini Tournament in 2007?

- a. Langdon School
- b. Royal Docks Community School
- c. Eastlea School

Name:

Address:

Contact daytime phone number:

Question answer:

Competition is not open to employees at London City Airport. Competition closes 31 March 2008. Flights must be taken by 1 October 2008.

Team Update

I am pleased to announce that Community Relations Trainee, Rohima Begum, was successful in her application to the permanent post of Community Relations Co-ordinator in October 2007. Rohima joined the Airport team in April 2006 through an East London Business Alliance training and work placement programme for unemployed Tower Hamlets residents.



Rohima reading Harry Potter with a local student

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