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Sunday 03/18/2012 1:20:16pm

Name: WILLIAM (DAVE) HARRIS

E-Mail: butch179@verizon.net

City/Country: PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Your Entry: Mr. Michael Handgraan: I was there in those days and remmber everything on your list. In fact I skype video with a girl who is old lke me who was one of your sat nite specil at the airman clup. and the name of that pirate station was radio CAROLINE. {NICE LIST} AND THE ALERTS I was in 66fms a/c mech..

Sunday 03/18/2012 11:10:26am

Name: Al Ortiz

E-Mail: alortiz111@gmail.com

City/Country: Juncos, Puerto Rico

Your Entry: As I reviewed the site a couple days ago and made a spontaneous entry in the guest book, I started reminiscing..., as it's been said here hundreds of times, to "the best time of my life". I think is only fair to mention certain things and names that make that experience so precious to me. Some are unique to me, but, some am sure you share with me. So, here we go...20CRS, Orderly Room, Chief Crossland, LTC Graviss, Capt Wilefsky, SrA Parham,Tsgts Swint and Figures, Col Thompson, below the zone, black ice, the tube, mustard, gas rations, Amn Love, Dodie Castillo, Bobby Coulter, Tony Kauss (RIP), A1C Duckson frm Prop, Avionics branch, bldg. 299, kebabs, Super Sarge hamburgers from the window at 2am, dorm 485, Tech Admin, Chief Foss, Lamplighter chow hall, Rec Center, F111, recall, alerts, augie doggie, foxhole, BX, bowling ally, Croughton, Bicester, Banbury, Northhampton, Oxford, Jolly Farmer, Jaguar XJ6, APRs,, Achievement Metals, Commander's Call, gas mask, Warwick Castle, guinness, Bacchuss, NCO club... and thousands more! - Sgt Ortiz, 20CRS Orderly Room 84-87

Saturday 03/17/2012 8:27:17am

Name: Alberto "Al" Ortiz

E-Mail: alortiz111@gmail.com

City/Country: Juncos, Puerto Rico

Your Entry: Just finished reading my yearly perusing of the guest book. Boy, it only gets better year after year! That guy, whom it seems, was stationed everywhere, had me laughing so hard! The "dont ask, dont tell" version of his friend's homemade wines..., his ironic pubs situations... and so on. Saw Gen. Mcpeak on the Duty Roster so I googled him. Interesting guy, new uniform and all. Former 20TFW CC and eventual AF CoS. Keep looking to see if anyone else I recognize has signed in...looking forward to this year's entries!...Al Ortiz, Sgt, 20CRS/Ordely Room/Avionics/TechAdmin, Jul 84-Aug 87

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Friday 03/16/2012 6:28:17pm

Name: Michele Di Masi Jr.

E-Mail: michele.dimasi@united.com

City/Country: Spring/Houston Texas USA

Your Entry: Hi Everybody,

I was stationed in Upper Heyford from 1979 to 1981. I was in the 20th OMS. I was the crew chief on acft 68-040. I don't know what made me Goole Upper Heyford today, but I am glad I did. I would love to her from anybody who was there with me. I now live in Spring, Texas just outside of Houston Texas. I am a Lead Aircraf Technician formerly for Continental now United Airlines. I would like to know if anybody know what happened to Michael Zerbe.

Michele Di Masi Jr.

Monday 03/12/2012 12:38:10am

Name: C. Michael Grasso

E-Mail: caddi57@pacbell.net

City/Country: San Diego, CA, USA

Your Entry: Am here in the UK working for a week and plan to swing by the old base during my free time. I was stationed there from 1973 to 1974 and had the best time of my life. It will surely bring back memories.

Saturday 03/10/2012 8:54:53pm

Name: George Herbert

E-Mail: gherbert1921@gmail.com

City/Country: Monterey, Ca US

Your Entry: Had a great time at Upper Heyford. Avionics 55TH Fighter Sq. 1991-1994

Monday 03/05/2012 12:01:23am

Name: Alfred Finney

E-Mail: alfindestiny@bellsouth.net

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Your Entry: If you were in AGE shop 1969-1973 and interested in reunion in southeast...please email me at alfindestiny@bellsouth.net

Monday 03/05/2012 7:22:15am

Name: Robert Snowden

E-Mail: jbandlo@yahoo.com

City/Country: United States

Your Entry: I was also astonished to see this site. And the artwork of my buddy, A1C Brothers. I remember those days he worked on it, and much more. Others may remember Odie with the bone at whiskey-4. Tony contact me, 20 years to catch up on.

Friday 03/02/2012 2:01:57am

Name: Anthony Gonzales

E-Mail: tdgonzo@gmail.com

City/Country: Mentone, California

Your Entry: Loved my years spent at Heyford, they were some of the best times I ever had.

Monday 02/27/2012 11:13:03am

Name: Pete Hooper, CMSgt (Ret)

E-Mail: faanavlo@aol.com

City/Country: Jacksonville, Florida

Your Entry: Had a great tour at heyford from 1974-1976 as a Tsgt/Msgt. Air Traffic Control Supervisor in RAPCON and spent the summer of 1976 at RAF Greenham Common when the 20th deployed.

Sunday 02/26/2012 11:01:53am

Name: Dan Lusardi

E-Mail: Dryheat007@msn.com

City/Country: Kerrville Texas

Your Entry: Found out the way to get on message board. have to come in from home page and

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just type in ezboard for Upper Heyford.

Saturday 02/25/2012 12:44:22am

Name: brad soehner aka "Radar"

E-Mail: al_bundy3rd@yahoo.com

City/Country: colorado

Your Entry: was stationed at U.H.from feb 80-may 86. was a security policeman. first worked on "Delta" flight..think the flight chief was MSgt Conaway...then decided that humping planes and entry control duties i didn't care for too much lol...started helping the armorer's in the armory handing out weapons/ammo...thought this would be a good job to have...even took the catm cdc's to learn more about weapons lol...in time a position opened up in the armory...worked my way up from a peon night shift armorer, to eventually asst ncoic till i got short, then sent back to "D" flight for my last few months...my nickname that followed from tech school "Radar" stuck with me during this time...i met a british lass in the early 80's courted her and eventually married her...had a daughter Lisa in nov 84..we lived in headington in oxford...had a nice place..previous tenants were pilots..they left us an american washer/dryer (sweet)..i got to work back and forth each day on a 90cc moped (had the big old L plate on the back)..had 2 of them while there...put lots of miles on them..use to shop at the commissary almost everyday while i was working...had a huge backpack i use to load up with food...always had my rain gear on while going back and forth and a full face helmet...could be sunny while i left for work the odds it would be raining before i got to heyford. had ton's of great times while i was stationed here...british beer festivals..rock nights at the nco club...wild dorm shennaigans.. remember getting caught on a surprise dorm inspection with my gf (wife to be) in my room. got a lor for that and not more than two weeks later the first sergeant wrote merry christmas chief hunt and gave it back..i could go on forever with things..6 years alot happened..cnd demos, libya, etc...bottom line it's a time i will never forget..met lots of great people.

Friday 02/24/2012 5:37:06pm

Name: Curtis D Padgett

E-Mail: oneforgod@comcast.net

City/Country: Vancouver Wa USA

Your Entry: I lived there from 1968 to 1972 as a child My father is RET,MSGT Charles M Padgett

Friday 02/24/2012 3:35:56pm

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Name: dalton hill

E-Mail: hilltop42963@yahoo.com

City/Country: fayette,ms

Your Entry: Hello everyone, I was at Heyford from 1979 -1981.would like to re connect.
Carter,clark Burgious.

Sunday 02/19/2012 6:59:37pm

Name: GREG ST.ONGE

E-Mail: hardparts2001@msn.com

City/Country: ROSEBURG OREGON

Your Entry: RAF UPPER HAYFORD 74-76,20TH SUPPLY SQUADRON, FUELS LABRATORY,
POL

Sunday 02/19/2012 8:03:26am

Name: Michael Handgraaf

E-Mail: sgthand@yahoo.com

City/Country: Leavenworth, Kansas

Your Entry: You are a true Heyfordite if you remember:
Radio Luxembourg at nite
Pirate Radio
The Three Shoes
White's in Oxford
Marydowne rum and black at the Bear
Duty Bus from Oxford to the Base
Hitchhiking cause you got to the bus stop too late for the Bus Back
Wondering why the British don't drive after 1030PM andd why you have to walk all the way to the Base
Pendergast's in Bicester
Saturday Nights at the Airman's Club/NCO Club
All the British Virgin's that took buses to come to the Clun on Saturday Nights.
Walking acrss the flight line in the Fall Fog and trying to find the Fire Station, Control Tower or Ops and hearing voice saying, "Halt, you are entering a Secure Area". Then seeing the shape of a B47 and realizing that you made a wrong turn.
Stopping at thee AAFES Snack Bar for coffee and donut cause it was on the way to the hospital (yeah right)
Mickey's Tea Bar at Mildenhall
Col Baxter
SAC
7th AD

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Going to Leon to close the base
Bowling the "modern" 6 lane quonsett hut sic.....Bowling Alley
Cigarette Rations
Walking to the Mess Hall and Larning that the Comm Sqadron had co-ed barracks; or
were they just getting Saturday Night Virgins up to the Taxi Stand to Go home on
Sunday

There are many more, how about somone else adding to my list

Friday 02/17/2012 11:44:03pm

Name: Benjamin Carroll Jr.

E-Mail: bcarroll60@rocketmail.com

City/Country: kandahar, Afghanistan 2012 O.E.F.

Your Entry: I was 20th SPS at Heyford from 1981-1983.'B' flight!Looking for Steve Hagar,Brett Mattern and John Ryan.They were buddies of mine during that time!

Friday 02/17/2012 7:42:48pm

Name: Gregory A Smith

E-Mail: gflage6gems@gmail.com

City/Country: Columbia Ky

Your Entry: D-Flight, Security Specialist. 83-85

Thursday 02/16/2012 9:59:57pm

Name: Gary T. Echeagaray

E-Mail: garyte3@gmail.com

City/Country: Santa Fe, NM

Your Entry: I believe my family was stationed at Upper Heyford 1969+/- . My father, Capt. Arthur G. Echeagaray took part in delivering the first two RF-4C to the base in 1969.

Please let me know if any one remembers?

Thank you!

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Thursday 02/16/2012 3:38:59am

Name: Annett

E-Mail: find@website.ws

City/Country: UK

Your Entry: Hi, I just loved your website.
Loads of interesting info.
Keep up the good work.

All The Best Annett
My Website: www.dream-business.ws

Ps: feel free to sign our guestbook and
leave a link to your main website.

Sunday 02/12/2012 2:32:59pm

Name: Frederick B. Moore, Sr.

E-Mail: fbmoore49@yahoo.com

City/Country: Asheboro, NC USA

Your Entry: Stationed @ 20th MMS from Sept. '71 to Sept. '73. Would like to visit with anyone via e-mail with anyone stationed there at same time. Thanks

Saturday 02/11/2012 8:30:20am

Name: Chuck Van Horn

E-Mail: Chuck_vanhorn@att.net

City/Country: Grand Prairie, Tx

Your Entry: I had the privilege of being stationed at UH from Jun '77 through Jun '79 working with the 20th/AMS WCIN shop. I had some of the greatest times of my life with lots of long lost friends and co-workers. If one could only turn back time!

Friday 02/10/2012 7:10:37am

Name: John Bailey

E-Mail: jayembee85@hotmail.com

City/Country: Brackley/Northamptonshire

Your Entry: Hi! I just want to congratulate you on this fantastic website! I lived in Ardley with Mum and Dad in the early eighties and boy how I loved living there. The 111s were

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beautiful and I would spend hours watching them and the many varied visitors. I moved to Caversfield about five miles away mid eighties when I first got married but moved back to Ardley just to be near the airbase. I don't half miss those days "Jet noise - the sound of freedom!" Bless all of you. JB

Thursday 02/09/2012 2:32:38pm

Name: Donald "Tony" Lane

E-Mail: t3lane731@gmail.com

City/Country: Waldorf, Maryland, USA

Your Entry: Stationed at Upper Heyford Jul 85 to Jul 88. Worked in the 2000 Management Engineering Sq (MES). Member of the Disaster Preparedness Team (Augmentee). Great assignment.

Wednesday 02/08/2012 6:43:34pm

Name: Bob Spencer

E-Mail: ambshad@metrocast.net

City/Country: Rochester, NH, USA

Your Entry: I was in the 17th TRS Photo Cubes as a refrigeration specialist from April 69 until Jan 70 when the whole squadron relocated to Zweibrucken , Germany

Wednesday 02/08/2012 1:13:44pm

Name: Dee Newcom, Capt, USAF (Ret)

E-Mail: gallinirc@cox.net

City/Country: oklahoma city, ok

Your Entry: I was stationed at UH from Jan 74 to May 79. Was assigned to 20 CSG with CBPO. Really enjoyed England.

Thursday 02/02/2012 4:24:24am

Name: gary stephens

E-Mail: higherlifestyles@gmail.com

City/Country: los angeles, ca

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Your Entry: Hi my name is Gary Stephens. Me and my family were stationed in Upper Heyford from like 1974-1976. My father was in the United States Air Force and our last name was the Stephens family. We actually lived right across the street from the elementary school of which I also attended. My father's name was Willie F. Stephens and yes all blessings he's still alive and well. We had such a great time as Air Force Brats exploring all the abandoned military installations and seeing all the thousands upon thousands of keys that looked like they were purposely thrown on the floor for whatever reason and what not. Remember the little path on the left side of the school that went down to that little village about a mile down? At any rate, I just want to connect with people from back them to share memories. cheers.

Tuesday 01/31/2012 3:09:42pm

Name: Michael Neville

E-Mail: nevram31@yahoo.com

City/Country: San Antonio, TX

Your Entry: I initially signed up without reading other entries, but just wanted to say how reminiscent all this was just reading the many entries. I did not PCS at Upper Heyford but used the base for many medical/dental trips over the 5+ years I spent at RAF Uxbridge (Det 8, 2130 CG). I also spent a couple of weeks attending the NCO Leadership School there and got to make the tourist round of the base...I actually traded my original assignment to U.H. for one at RAF Uxbridge...all in all UK experience was worth its weight in all the joys and adventure it provided...Here's some uniqueness about the UK that'll bring back some memories:

- 54 degree pub beer
- Light and Bitter mixed beer
- Fish and Chips (I lived in a flat above an F&C shop)
- Driving on the wrong side
- Roads barely wide enough for our USAF Dodge Trucks (lost a few side mirrors on the hedgerows and sides of buildings - oops, hope they weren't historical)
- Horribly cheap windscreens on the Brit cars that shattered to a million frightening shards
- Homes with real thatched roof
- That toy soldier marching styles of the British Forces (I was privy to the Queens Color Squadron at RAF Uxbridge, they were the official Band and Marching troops for the RAF)
- No closets in British Houses (that's what wardrobes are for...)
- Storage Heaters and mini fridges
- Milk delivered in bottles with the colored foil caps
- Favorite phrases: Ta; bullocks; bit of fluff (for girls or birds as they were called); have a pinta; tea and biscuits (meaning cookies); chips (meaning fries); crips (meaning chips); pants (meaning underwear); trousers (meaning pants); boot (meaning trunk); bonnet (meaning hood); Lorry (meaning truck); and so on and so on...the memories are great as I get older and can't think of too many things I didn't like (which probably wasn't the case when I actually suffered through the years of overcast days and dreary drizzly days)

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Tuesday 01/31/2012 8:36:29am

Name: Michael Neville

E-Mail: nevram31@yahoo.com

City/Country: San Antonio, TX, USA

Your Entry: I was assigned to Det 8, 2130th Comm GP from June 1976 to September 1981...would like to know if there are any plans to add the Comm Group info in this website

Sunday 01/29/2012 9:42:20pm

Name: Robert L. Cantu

E-Mail: r.cantu1970@gmail.com

City/Country: Houston Texas USA

Your Entry: Shout out to my old friend. I was at Upper Heyford from 1990-1992

Sunday 01/29/2012 12:20:06am

Name: doug mcelyea

E-Mail: dougbcc@yahoo.com

City/Country: azle usa

Your Entry: This was my base in 1972,Loved ever moment.Good to see her again.

Friday 01/27/2012 1:05:04am

Name: Dick Hanson A/2c USAF

E-Mail: kikakila@comcast.net

City/Country: Colorado Springs, CO 80916 USA

Your Entry: Stationed at UPPER HEYFORD 1958-59

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Name: Ernest J Thurston

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E-Mail: ernest.thurston@yahoo.com

City/Country: Quantico, Virginia, USA

Your Entry: I corresponded with Colin Thurston back around 1983 when I was assigned to the 287th MP Co in Berlin. We exchanged patches and information about our units and our mutual family name.

Tuesday 01/24/2012 12:36:26am

Name: C Michael Grasso

E-Mail: caddi57@pacbell.net

City/Country: San Diego, CA

Your Entry: Hey everyone...love reading the stories of RAFUH. I was stationed there from Aug. 1973 through Dec. 1974. I was assigned to the 20th SUP Sqdn., but my work assignment was at 20th BHS as the Supply Sgt. for the Chow Hall, thus I lived in the BHS Dorms. Love it there as we all had a great time. Would love to hear back from any of you guys around my time period so that we could share some of those old memories. It was the best time of my life.

Mike

Friday 01/20/2012 6:25:23pm

Name: Alan Bickley

E-Mail: althevanner@yahoo.com

City/Country: Bicester, Oxfordshire.

Your Entry: Made an entry on here before, but couldn't find it! My father, John, worked as a civilian heavy equipment (Truck) driver for 20th Transportation from '77(ish) to '93, before being transferred to Croughton. I have since worked at UH myself as a yard driver for one of the vehicle storage firms on the flightline, and more recently been delivering hire vehicles to the Thames Valley Police site there. It would be nice to get in contact with anyone who worked in 20th Transportation during that time.

Monday 01/16/2012 5:43:05am

Name: gary stephens (pls delete previous post)

E-Mail: higherlifestyles@gmail.com

City/Country: los angeles, ca

Your Entry: Hi my name is Gary, my dad was in the U.S. Air Force and we lived on the base right across from what i think was Croughton Elementary School literally back in the mid

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70's. I would simply like to meet and talk to people about life in Upper Heyford in hopes of possibly reconnecting or sharing our histories. My families last name was Stephens and my dads name was Willie and my brother's name was Chris and my name is Gary. It would be a lifetime blessing to find someone that I can talk to about this amazing place that we used to call our neighborhood. :)

Thursday 01/12/2012 2:58:12pm

Name: Vickie Moore

E-Mail: moore3901@yahoo.com

City/Country: Greenville, TX. /USA

Your Entry: Hi, I am looking for a man named Jerry Lane. He was in the service at least 1975 and 1976, there in England. Please email me if you know this person of how I can get ahold of him. Thanks

Tuesday 01/10/2012 6:55:25am

Name: Ray Doran

E-Mail: raydoran@hotmail.co.uk

City/Country: Abingdon, Oxford

Your Entry: I was a telephone engineer at Upper Heyford working for British Telecom with a guy called Alan Lidster. In 1988 I entered the New York marathon and came over to UH to get some publicity shots with the Upper Heyford American football team, the public affairs person was a very sweet girl called Sherri Hosch ? spelling of the name may be a bit wrong but anyway it was a great time when you "Yanks" were there always polite, professional and kind. Hope you are all keeping well

Monday 01/09/2012 8:16:22pm

Name: Matthew G. Clark

E-Mail: kralcwehttam@yahoo.com

City/Country: USA

Your Entry: I am the brat of Cpt. Merrill Clark. Born off base in Oxford. Dad was an F-111 Navigator. We were stationed at U.H. in the early 70s.

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Friday 01/06/2012 10:23:18am

Name: Robert Thornotn

E-Mail: robbo2186@gmail.com

City/Country: Northampton/England

Your Entry: was there today visiting a company, but managed to have a wonder round in the car and it was amazing

Monday 01/02/2012 11:17:30am

Name: Scott Veerkamp

E-Mail: sveerka@cableone.net

City/Country: Boise

Your Entry: RAF Bardford St John 1986 to 1989. Heyford was our support base.

Saturday 12/31/2011 5:50:40am

Name: Timothy Laynor

E-Mail: madewooden@hotmail.com

City/Country: Williamsburg, VA/USA

Your Entry: Jul '75 to Jul '79. Both my kids were born in England; one in Banbury and the other in Oxford. I worked in Hanger 3 my entire tour. I also worked at the Sky King theatre my last couple of years there. I also took 16mm motion pictures of the Sky King football team for the coaches to review.

Friday 12/30/2011 11:46:06pm

Name: Windsor Wright (aka Win)

E-Mail: wfwright@hotmail.com

City/Country: Tucumcari, NM USA

Your Entry: I was at heyford from Nov 77 thru Nov 79 with the 20th AMS. Too many fond memories to mention all of them (not just the base but England also). Glad I didn't live on base as it also gave me a chance to mingle with the locals and make that many more new friends. As a Ham operator (KB5ZSM) I can still keep in contact with some of them. As an old @^*% I wish I could go back to those days and do it all over again.
Cheers to all,
Win

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Name: JULIE JACKSON

E-Mail: juliejackson150@yahoo.co.uk

City/Country: Texas

Your Entry: would like to find anyone who was there between 86-89,baccus wine bar ... ralph davis ..claudette spring ..linda smith .. tracy scott... james brown ...edward knight just a few to say but if you know where any of these people are that would be a great start for me to get back in touch and if you think my name rings a bell to who ever is reading this drop me a line i will write back.

Monday 12/26/2011 9:01:48am

Name: Frances Nelson

E-Mail: tejas_ldy@yahoo.com

City/Country: Lebanon, TN USA

Your Entry: Worked at the BX from 1974 to 1978.
When was working was at the bowling alley. Would love to hear from any of my past friends to hear how they are doing.

Friday 12/23/2011 10:22:08pm

Name: MSgt Paul DeHart

E-Mail: pdehart@columbus.rr.com

City/Country: Columbus, Ohio

Your Entry: Stationed at RAF Croughton 1972-1974 working Autodin. Remembering MSgt Dziobecki, TSgt Sprayberry, MSgt Sebert, 1LT Parnell, Capt Marrian, Capt Hitt, Sgt Goldberg, SSgt Glover, A1C Parker, Sgt Edwards, A1C Hill, A1C Bothell, A1C Dedman, Sgt Stone, Sgt Goodwin, SSgt Bowles, SSgt Yavner, TSgt Marks, SSgt Flanery, A1C Roubideaux, Col Doubleday, SMSgt Brown.

Thursday 12/22/2011 8:29:40pm

Name: Mike Noftzger, MSgt, Retired

E-Mail: mnoftzger@inbox.com

City/Country: Concord, NC

Your Entry: Wishing all of my fellow airman that I served with at RAF Upper Heyford from Sept 1977 - Sept 1980 a ver Merry Christmas and a Happy New Years! Special thanks to Duane for continuing to maintain the web site. It's a HUGE undertaking to do so, and I

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really appreciate keeping my memories alive!

Sunday 12/11/2011 11:46:34am

Name: John Ogle

E-Mail: retiredleo@ccvn.com

City/Country: Haystack/North Carolina

Your Entry: I have been looking at the pic from the time I was there. I can not remember a happier time in my life. Looking for people who remember the times at the nco club when it was off base Maureen Southe...David when we went on tour of up north to all the Castles....Where are all you guys now? Dave Lytle, Dan Hebert, Joe Grilio, Sgt Cushing, Sgt Cooper, and does anyone know what the status is on TSgt Hartless... All in the FMS AGE subpool 1973-1975

Saturday 12/10/2011 11:02:17pm

Name: Eric T. Hoover

E-Mail: eth670@comcast.net

City/Country: Middletown/PA/USA

Your Entry: Was a member of "D" Flight Feb 79 to Feb 82. Supervisors MSgt. Conaway, TSgt. Jenkins and SSgt. McClure. Was on the TNT/EST team for a short period of time during that tour. Have a picture of the Flight during that time also. Remember the QRA and WSA and the cattle truck that took us out. Also remember other flight memebers. SSgt Gilland, Cooley and Temple, forgive the spellings.

Friday 12/09/2011 6:40:48pm

Name: R Ward

E-Mail: r.ward@ntlworld.com

City/Country: England

Your Entry: I must write to say what a great site , I have read quite a few of the entries in the guestbook with interest, I was a truck driver in the 70's and 80's and visited many of the USAF bases around the UK Alconbury , Bentwaters, Fairford and Upper Hayford , during that time I got to meet quite a few very nice and very friendly Americans. My Farther was in the military and in fought in France in the Second World War and my nephew is a weapons technician in the RAF working on the Typhoons so I have a soft spot for the military, I also have a passion for fast jets and it was great to hear the roar of the F111 hitting the sky's or the Phantoms over in Alconbury all sadly missed .

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I have always considered the USA as a very dear and close friend and strongly defend it when ever questions are raised re it foreign polices, I am glad the UK has stood by the USA in times of strife (unlike most other Europeans Countries) and will continue to do so, it wasn't only you Americans who shed a tear after 9/11 , when anyone hurts our friends we feel it too and many a Englishman shed a tear that day. I hope you all had a very warm welcome to our Country and during your stay you where shown warmth and respect by the British people.
God bless America (and Great Britain) !!!.

RW
10/12/2011

Tuesday 12/06/2011 11:18:17am

Name: Jimmie Swallows

E-Mail: patjim@twlakes.net

City/Country: Cookeville, Tennessee

Your Entry: Was stationed at Heyford 3 times over my career. Worked in AGE as a mechanic and then as a supervisor. Miss the RF101s and the F-111. Been retired a few years now but still smell the Jet fuel each day at work. Was a wonderful place to be. England was like home to me.

Saturday 12/03/2011 9:28:08am

Name: Brett Kerr

E-Mail: BKerr82874@Aol.com

City/Country: Bensalem, PA

Your Entry: Miss those days from 76 to 78 in England. Trying to catch up with fellow friends from back in the day.

Thursday 12/01/2011 8:07:44pm

Name: WILLIAM THORSON

E-Mail: bsontheroad@yahoo.com

City/Country: Las Vegas NV

Your Entry:

I was a Upper Heyford from 1972-1976 assigned to 20th FMS AGE branch.Would like to here from anyone who knew me or my family

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Monday 11/28/2011 8:25:03pm

Name: Henry E Smith

E-Mail: dalcow2fn@cox.net

City/Country: Niceville Florida

Your Entry: I was at upper heyford 1968-1972 in 20th base supply. would like to get in touch with anyone who worked with me.

Friday 11/25/2011 8:08:31pm

Name: Bert Morgan

E-Mail: LOOM1374@aol.com

City/Country: Concord, NH USA

Your Entry: 20 FMS Egress Shop 74 to77. Would love to hear from anyone from that era.

Wednesday 11/23/2011 5:31:19pm

Name: teresa (vanderlaan) clayton

E-Mail: terabird259@hotmail.com

City/Country: northridge ca

Your Entry: I worked at the audio/photo club from 1979 till 1980. Loved every minute of it. Lots and lots of men and women from all over the world came through our door. looking for *Randy Swallow* he was based at the smaller base known as Croughton. He left in 1980. I believe he was from Arizonia (not sure) if that is right. Would love to reconnect and talk over old times. Thanks

Tuesday 11/15/2011 4:03:49pm

Name: james glezen

E-Mail: jglezen1@msn.com

City/Country: usa/az

Your Entry: i was stationed at rhein main 85-88 & on a whim i caught a flight to mildenhall. there were no rooms at mildenhall or lakenheath. i heard over the p.a. that there was a van lving for u.h. in 15 min. i called u.h. billeting & asked if there was a room available. they said yes. i took the van to u.h. i didnt realize how far u.h. was from mhz/lh. i was there for 3 days. went to oxford town & uni. blemhem palace & saw chuchill's

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memorial. oxfordshire sure was a nice part of the U>K>

Thursday 11/10/2011 3:07:31pm

Name: Harvey E. Marshall, Smsgt (Ret.)

E-Mail: Hmarshhey@aol.com

City/Country: Colo. Spgs., CO

Your Entry: I was stationed at RAF Upper Heyford 1974-1977. Was 1st Sgt of 20th FMS and 20th Trans Sqd. Would appreciate contact information for Col. Richard Maxwell and any others that may want to contact me. Saw photo of Sid Jarvis and mention of Cmsgt Tom Clarkin. Good friends.

Tuesday 11/08/2011 1:53:40pm

Name: Terry K Nestle

E-Mail: tneville@tampabay.rr.com

City/Country: Saint Petersburg FL

Your Entry: Just wanted to say that moving from weathersfield to upper heyford and squeezing three squadron on to that base was challenging for all of us but we made it work. Thanks to our sgts that helped us along Lt Walden who made capt. but mostly to sgts Snooky Terrell, BULLDOG MASSEY, last but not least Rocky Nelson who had two of the prettiest daughters on base...

Tuesday 11/08/2011 9:11:19am

Name: David E. Clark

E-Mail: d.nclark@juno.com

City/Country: Coon Rapids, Mn. USA

Your Entry: Relocated from RAF South Ruislip AS Oct 15, 1969 to RAF Upper Heyford there till May 21, 1971 got discharged in UK Joe I. Castro and myself then traveled in Europe for 2 months before coming back to the US worked in the CBPO.

Monday 11/07/2011 9:40:47pm

Name: Pam Jones (formerly Mitchell)

E-Mail: volfan9@live.com

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City/Country: Florida

Your Entry: My ex-husband and I were stationed at Heyford from August 1974 thru December 1977. I ran the base laudromat for a couple of years and think I met almost everyone on base. I also worked at the Stars and Stripes Bookstore from 1976-1977 when we were transferred to Shaw AFB. I loved it at Heyford and think of it often. What a different world it was then.

Sunday 11/06/2011 0:42:31am

Name: Stephen "Knip" Knipstein

E-Mail: sknipstein@hotmail.com

City/Country: Thornton, New Hampshire

Your Entry: Was in the 2130th Comm Grp, stationed at RAF Barford St John, 1971-74. Loved my time in the UK...it was actually my second time there, as my father, William Knipstein, was career AF and was assigned to RAF Wethersfield 1955-57. While there, I was a member of the Upper Heyford soccer team which won 3 UK Championships and one USAFE title. I also played slow pitch softball for RAF Croughton. Would love to hear from any old friends or teammates!

Saturday 11/05/2011 8:55:13pm

Name: Rick Vltmen

E-Mail: papapitt@stny.rr.com

City/Country: Lowman, NY

Your Entry: Looking for anyone who was a member of the 20 TFW team that participated in the 1977 RAF Strike Command Tactical Bombing Competition at RAF Lossiemouth. I was one of the Avionics specialists on the team. I'm trying to find one of the program books.

Saturday 11/05/2011 4:21:48am

Name: P B Smith

E-Mail: pbsmith@iburst.co.za

City/Country: South Africa

Your Entry: I was born 1939 Dad went away dont remember seeing him really until 45/46 when he came home to Littleborough Lancs. However I do know he mentioned Upper Heyford and I think (Lower)? He told me he had to drive a Fire Vehicle on runways. Saw some bad sights.

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He has passed away but If he sees this "I know you did your bit Dad"

Sunday 10/30/2011 10:53:23am

Name: liz

E-Mail: e_betts@sky.com

City/Country: northamptonshire

Your Entry: just been to the old base, what a memory walk i had....am trying to trace a very good friend, clark carter that was at the heyford air base until i think 1986-87, not sure...anybody know were he might be. many thanks

Sunday 10/30/2011 1:22:42am

Name: David Ausherman

E-Mail: dtankman@msn.com

City/Country: Los Angeles

Your Entry: 2130th Comm Gp., RAF Croughton
May '73 - May '77
Worked in several shops while assigned there, including the shop under the tower next to Tech Control. Would like to hear from others I served with.

Monday 10/24/2011 8:31:45pm

Name: Anneen Bullcok

E-Mail: neenbull@cablelynx.com

City/Country: Vicksburg MS

Your Entry: Hello. I really enjoyed looking through your guest book.. in doing so i found a long lost friend that was stationed at upper heyford in 1988. I emailed a few of the others that were stationed at that time as i am looking for Richard Rogers that was stationed there during that time and i have recently found out he was the father of my 21 year old son. My son would like to meet him and i am sure he would like to know he has a son, so i am asking for help. Thank you for your time.

Friday 10/21/2011 6:28:47pm

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Name: Richard J. Meier
E-Mail: rick_meier3@yahoo.com
City/Country: Taylors, SC
Your Entry: 20th Tactical Hospital 1968 to 1973

Thursday 10/20/2011 2:41:07pm

Name: MATTHEW MILLER, JR, AKA- M & M
E-Mail: MM5552@HOTMAIL.COM
City/Country: CHICAGO,IL. / MT. VERNON IL
Your Entry: THIS IS PROBABLY MY THIRD TIME ON THIS PAGE,I WAS STATIONED AT UPPERHEYFORD SEPT. 74- SEPT. 76, WORKED AT THE MAIN CHOW HALL I'M ON FACEBOOK, LIKE TO HERE FROM OLD FRIENDS, I HEAR FROM ERNIE FRIDAY ONCE IN AWHILEAND AL. DOWDEN WHO LIVE'S IN VEGAS NOW.

Thursday 10/20/2011 12:53:54am

Name: Jo Ann Haney (Phillipson)
E-Mail: jhaney3579@gmail.com
City/Country: Columbus, Ohio
Your Entry: My Dad, SM/Sgt Philip N. Phillipson (R), was with the 3918th at UH from 1956 to 1960. As a family, our time there was good. Mom saw to it that we visited each and every tourist trap, landmark, and castle that England had to offer. She also made sure we got involved in local civilian activities as well. We loved England.

If you go to the Kids Page on the main website and view the class photo submitted by Bill Roberts, you will see my classmates. The photo must have been taken just after we rotated back state side in May or June 1960. I'm not in the photo but that is my 7th-8th-9th grade class.

Our Junior High School was in old wooden barracks near what was then the new on-base housing. At that time, High School was still Boarding School off base. I remember several of my teachers and thank them for preparing me for highschool--they were excellent. For years, I felt that Mr. Braun, Mrs. Landsbury, and Miss Voss taught me all I ever really needed to know.

My Dad retired from Lockbourne AFB in Columbus, Ohio in 1964. He lives in Los Angeles, CA with his second wife and is 93 years old.

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Tuesday 10/18/2011 5:35:26pm

Name: Tammy D. Batchelor

E-Mail: tamaray_77@yahoo.com

City/Country: Clovis, NM

Your Entry: 77th Crew Chief Oct 91-Aug 93 Aircraft 68-0077

Friday 10/14/2011 11:13:11pm

Name: Karen Walchak

E-Mail:

City/Country: Colorado Springs, Colorado

Your Entry: I grew up at Heyford from 1970-74.
My Dad was stationed there. Bob (WALLY)
Walchak. Best yrs I will remember.

Friday 10/14/2011 5:17:22pm

Name: Arthur E. Sevigny

E-Mail: sevignya@cvc.net

City/Country: Sumter

Your Entry: Hi all, I'm the historian for the 20th Fighter Wing Association and had a request to help locate a past member. If anyone can help would appreciate it. His information is

Age: 43-48
Name: Richard Rogers
Nickname: Rich
Career: Ammo
Time frame he was there approx 1988-89

Friday 10/14/2011 11:31:01am

Name: CATHERINE BOUSQUET

E-Mail: cbous345@yahoo.com

City/Country: KLAMATH FALLS

Your Entry: I am looking for some help in locating my biological father who was stationed at Upper Heyford. I know he left in 1961, probably in the Spring. I have no name only that he knew about me and his grandmother was Italian (rumor). My biological mother was Lesley Claxton, she worked at the Aluminum Factory and lived in Banbury. I can email

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a picture if anyone is interested. I was adopted by Msgt Walter Firestone, who was in the 11th MMS and also worked as the assistant manager at the NCO club. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions, I am open to them. Lesley has passed on. Thanks to anyone that can come up with something...I have tried everything I can think of. :)
Cathy cbous345@yahoo.com

Thursday 10/13/2011 8:07:57pm

Name: Ernie Bosley

E-Mail: thornyredrosebud@hotmail.com

City/Country: Northwest Missouri

Your Entry: I was crewchief on 68-004 upon her arrival to UH until I left UH in Jan. 1972 for discharge. I've had contact with several from the 55th over the past several years. Still looking for names I know in the entries.....

Thursday 10/06/2011 6:57:45pm

Name: Dennis A. Krueger

E-Mail: dak1937@bellsouth.net

City/Country: Lawrenceville, GA USA

Your Entry: 1268 AACs/2168 AFCS 5/58 - 5/62

Thursday 10/06/2011 2:46:45pm

Name: Steven Kates

E-Mail: steven.kates@valp.net

City/Country: Valparaiso, FL. USA

Your Entry: Worked in the RAPCON at RAF Upper Heyford from Dec. 1982 until Dec. 1986
Here's a list of co-workers I have compiled during that time, feel free to add names if you remember those I didn't list. Chief Hollman, Capt. Wes Whitmore, Danny Wilson, Scott Hazelwood, JT Smith, ?Varner, ? Jamison, Brian Deamer, Keith Pyles, MSgt Owens, Bill Paxton, Robbie McGurn, Jamie Galli Owen, Ed Allen, Kirt Warner, Nivia Robles, Bob Anderson, Randy Hillenburg, Dave Matsueda, Sylvia Esqueda, Ronnie Burrus, Michael Bieber, Wanda Wynn, Duane Lee, Dale Schulteis, Jackie Post, Craig Stevens, Jeff Gaddy, Stan & Nadene Norwood, Jim McAllister, CJ Travis, Enoch Rhoden, Dave Saltmarsh, Mike Gambino, Leyland Jossy, Tony Elliot, Tommy Graham, Bobbie Brown, Scott Kelly, ? Conroy. I'm sure I have left lots of others off the list so please recall additional names and post accordingly. Also several of us are in contact with each other on Facebook so check us out there as well. Hope to run into

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all of you someday, give us a holler!! Until then take care my friends!!

Monday 10/03/2011 11:33:50pm

Name: Neil C. Knowles

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City/Country: Fairfax, Virginia USA

Your Entry: The 11th Wing Retiree Activities Office at the Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling DC publishes a "Still Serving" news letter three times a year. The recently published (October 2011) edition has several items that pertain to all Air Force retirees and some information concerning the latest redevelopment status of Upper Heyford.

The following is verbatim concerning Upper Heyford:

UPPER HEYFORD LIVES - A local council has approved RAF Upper Heyford redevelopment. Once among USAF's largest bases in Europe, it was shuttered in 1993. It became largely dormant as the Cherwill District Council and developers battled over its future. That changes with the council's approval of 1.075 homes (including 311 original base houses that will remain) as well as a school, pub, shops, and a heritage center. Upper Heyford was the long-time home of the 20th Fighter Wing. Its Ardvarks pounded targets in Libya in 1986, and aided in the liberation of Kuwait in 1991.

The news letter also has some important information including Death notices to DFAS, keeping DFAS informed concerning addresses, etc, and final pay arrangements.

The news letter can be downloaded from
www.andrews.af.mil

Sunday 10/02/2011 6:54:24pm

Name: John Ogle

E-Mail: retiredleo@ccvn.com

City/Country: Burnsville USA

Your Entry:

A new email address for all you guys that wish to contact me.
I read all 597 pages of the list and boy did I feel great...

Where are all you guys now? Dave Lytle, Dan Hebert, Joe Grilio, sgt Cushing, Sgt Cooper, and does anyone know what the status is on Tsgt Hartless... All in the FMS AGE subpool 1973-1975

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Tuesday 09/27/2011 11:37:18am

Name: Jack "Rabbit" Wetnight

E-Mail: jwetnight6574@yahoo.com

City/Country: Indiana

Your Entry: Served at RAF UH from 1970-the end of 1973. Was crew chief on 68-055 in the 55 TFS.

Tuesday 09/27/2011 2:54:43am

Name: Phil Devlin

E-Mail: phildevlin@bluefrog.com

City/Country: Williamson, New York

Your Entry: '72-'73 20th fms machine Shop

Monday 09/26/2011 2:51:36pm

Name: Neil C. Knowles

E-Mail: ncknowles@msn.com

City/Country: Fairfax, VA

Your Entry: After basic training at Sampson AFB, NY (long closed), I was sent to tech school at Scott followed by assignments to Rabat-Sale AB, French Morocco (closed), Westover AFB, MA (now an ANG base), Grenier AFB, Manchester, NH (closed), and Portsmouth AFB, later renamed Pease AFB (now an ANG base) – exactly 5 PCSs in 36 months.

After Pease, I was stationed at RAF Croughton from 1959-62 and worked at the Communications Relay Center. My family and I lived in Banbury for one year and for our last two years in a little place called Halse outside Brackley. Halse had no shops, no post office, no petrol station and worse of all, NO PUB.

The military Croughton population was approximately 500 plus some U.S government civilians including school teachers and some technical representatives (contractors). In my early days at Croughton the enlisted club was in parallel Nissen huts near the Communications Relay Center. In 1960 a new brick club was built across from the enlisted barracks and the mess hall. It had a flat roof (yes – a flat roof in England) and within several months it had to be repaired due to severe leaking. In those days no English beer was sold in the club, just American swill. I remember that when the club had happy hour the American beer, all in cans, was sold for 5 cents. Once the new club was opened, the Nissen huts were torn down and a new structure was erected as an Officers Club. It had 25 members, 11 officers, several contractors and

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government civilians. The rest were school teachers. In later years it was a service club, sort of a unit day room, which was used several times a week for God knows what.

I played base-level baseball in 1961-62. We played teams from Brize Norton, Greenham Common, South Ruislip - their field was at West Ruislip, High Wycombe – their field was on the grounds of a private girls school, Fairford, Upper Heyford and a few other bases I can not remember. The Upper Heyford field was later the grounds where a base hospital was built. Croughton had a mediocre team and I was a mediocre player. We enjoyed our tour in England and never expected to return.

After Croughton, I was assigned to MacDill AFB, FL during the Cuban missile crisis, followed by assignments to George AFB, CA (closed), 15 miserable months in Peshawar AS, West Pakistan (thankfully closed), four and a half frustrating years in the Pentagon, USAF headquarters at Lindsey Air Station, Wiesbaden, GE (closed), Richards-Gebaur, MO (closed) and Scott AFB, IL.

In January 1980 I was assigned to Croughton again. It was at this time Croughton and Upper Heyford communications units merged and I was "dispatched" to Upper Heyford to run all its comm maintenance workcenters. The Wing Commander was Col McPeak, Approximately ten years later he was the CSAF. At the end of 1980, I was called back to Croughton to run a handful of maintenance workcenters including the Heavy Satellite Terminal, commonly called the receiver site, at the "back gate" of Croughton. The Satellite maintenance workcenter had a bunch of RAF technicians – outstanding technicians – supervised by Warrant Officer Blake – a real gentleman. He made all sorts of home made wine – some of which were drinkable. I remember once I asked him how he made the wine. He said I really didn't want to know. It was sort of a variation of don't ask- don't tell, so I didn't ask.

We lived in a 500 year old thatched roof cottage in Murcott, four miles south of Bicester. Our rent was 185 pounds a month. I found it ironic that during my first tour in England I lived in a "village" without a pub and during my second tour I lived in a cottage that at one time was a pub. It was closed in 1939. Murcott did have a pub known as the Nut Tree which was managed by a pompous fool. We rarely visited it.

In my thirty year career -1953-1983, my three favorite assignments were Croughton, Upper Heyford and Wiesbaden. I'm 76 and now live in Fairfax, Virginia. We have access to two PBS stations which broadcast numerous English shows weekly. We're addicted to them. We love England to this day and miss it terribly.

For those that don't know, if you have Google Earth/Maps, you can type in any location in England and find some of the places where you lived, were stationed or visited

Sunday 09/25/2011 7:42:57pm

Name: Billy DePew

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City/Country: Poplar Bluff, mo63901
Your Entry: 1972 - 1974 MMS Lead Crew

Saturday 09/24/2011 8:24:31pm
Name: Thomas Wade
E-Mail: wadefiremedic@gmail.com
City/Country: Myakka City, Florida
Your Entry: Does anyone know what Leroy Sprow is doing now

Thursday 09/22/2011 7:54:05pm
Name: James R Goddard
E-Mail: airguard642@aol.com
City/Country: Mathews Va
Your Entry: Stationed @ UP from Jan. 84 to Jan.87 20th Supply Sqn. POL

Wednesday 09/21/2011 2:12:28pm
Name: Mike Kaplan
E-Mail: afmike1981@yahoo.com
City/Country: Falcon, CO
Your Entry: Hi Duane, just realized I don't look at the site enough! A friend "read me my bio" regarding my assignment to the 55th AMU back in 86/87, asked him if he knew my SSN too! Ha! Anywho, taking a look at the site, keep up the good work! Just emailed you a few photos you may want to post. MIKE

Wednesday 09/21/2011 7:39:08am
Name: Timothy Crump
E-Mail: alcecrump@hotmail.com
City/Country: United States
Your Entry: Member of the 20th SPS from 73 to 76 SKYKING footballer DE

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Tuesday 09/20/2011 5:46:14pm

Name: Craig Timmermann

E-Mail: TAASS@aol.com

City/Country: Gardnerville, NV

Your Entry: Hi Larry... I also had orders for Leon AB, France in 1966... was diverted into Heyford October '66... left June '70... was assigned to 66th Air Police Squadron...

Cheers!
Craig

Monday 09/19/2011 5:41:09pm

Name: Larry Grice

E-Mail: larryogrice@bellsouth.net

City/Country: Bossier City La.

Your Entry: I arrived at RAF Heyford in Oct. 1966. My original orders was for Leon France which were change to Heyford. The first person i met at heyford was Carrol Saxe. I remember Jon Stuart John Deering, Chuck Abbott, John Taylor, Mike Thomas , John Ratzenberger, Bob Cole, Jim Saunders. I work the Phase dock with Chuck (Jolly) Abbott. MSgt Raymond Wild and SSgt Nix were dock Supervisors. I retired from the Air Force and Civil Service. Would love to hear from anyone that remembers me. I left there in June 1969.

Monday 09/19/2011 12:52:09am

Name: Harold D DePue

E-Mail: cmshd@yahoo.com

City/Country: Winfield WV

Your Entry: Stationed at Heyford from Sept '66 to Apr'70.66FMS, AR Shop.Lots of good memories (some bad) from those 3 1/2 years assignment there.Have been back several times with my (X) British wife plus a few deployments with the WV Air National Guard. Retired as a CMS, Quality Assurance Superintendent from the WV Air National guard 130th AirliftWing in Apr 2002. I was a fulltime technician there from June 1972 To Apr 2002.

Saturday 09/17/2011 8:34:24pm

Name: Tony Primarolo

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E-Mail: t_prim@hotmail.com

City/Country: Oxford, UK

Your Entry: Stationed here in 1959 to 1961. In the 1268 AACGS Squadron to service TACAN which wasn't installed until after I returned home to Utica N.Y. in 1961.

Thursday 09/15/2011 6:52:57pm

Name: Roy Gamble

E-Mail: roygam@pldi.net

City/Country: Enid OK

Your Entry: station heyford 77-81,and 82-86

Wednesday 09/14/2011 11:00:33pm

Name: John Ogle (Sep Sgt)

E-Mail: delta162@charter.net

City/Country: now North Carolina then Upper Heyford

Your Entry: Duane, Man you are the greatest. This site bring it all back..
The time that I went to the club at Croughton and wrecked my car on the way back. It didn't hurt it much. Hay! one of your guys at SPS bought it from me in May because I recieved early papers out of UH..Don't remember his name, but it was an Orange Plymouth Cricket...Maybe you know him..It was in May 1975...
I remember the cold nights, man it was cold.... on the Flight line and making my rounds to all the aircraft that was scheduled to be worked on that night. Them were good nights though....If you ever need anything just let me know

Where are all you guys now? Dave Lytle, Dan Hebert, Joe Grilio, sgt Cushing, Sgt Cooper, and does anyone know what the status is on Tsgt Hartless... All in the FMS AGE subpool 1973-1975

Wednesday 09/14/2011 10:50:13am

Name: John Ogle (Sep Sgt)

E-Mail: delta162@charter.net

City/Country: now North Carolina then Upper Heyford

Your Entry: I remember the times I spent at RAF Biscester on the weekends flying gliders. It was the most relaxing way to explore the countryside. I remember the first time I was so afraid but from then on I went there a couple times a month...Looking for the guys...Dave Lytle, Dan Hebert, Joe Grilio, sgt Cushing, Sgt Cooper, and does anyone

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know what the status is on Tsgt Hartless... All in the FMS AGE subpool 1973-1975

Monday 09/12/2011 0:48:57am

Name: Frank Gomes

E-Mail: gomes54@yahoo.com

City/Country: Vacaville CA

Your Entry: NCOIC 20TH SPS ARMORY 1975-1977

Saturday 09/10/2011 11:29:35am

Name: John Bright

E-Mail: jlbright41@aolcom

City/Country: Tampa Florida

Your Entry: I was to the 3918th Air Police Sqd. from 1960 to 1963. I was surprise at the lack of info for that era.,i.e., the Sky Kings fast pitch softball team won the U.K. title, of which I was a member, and the arrival of U-2s being assigned to Upper Heyford. Would enjoy corresponding with someone from that era.. Sincerely, John Bright

Thursday 09/08/2011 11:40:04am

Name: James A. Morgan (Jim)

E-Mail: james@jamorgan.co.uk

City/Country: Isle of Wight, England

Your Entry: I was stationed at Heyford from Jan. 1956 till May 1957 in the AACS sq.(Air traffic controller). Several of us were transferred to RAF Sheppards Grove to open the base and receive a wing of F-84's. In October 1958 I was transferred again to Mildenhall and returned to the States in July 1959. Like to here from anyone who was in AACS during this time in England.

Thursday 09/08/2011 5:21:05am

Name: John Marshall

E-Mail: jkmarsshall001@yahoo.com

City/Country: United States

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Your Entry: Stationed there '85 to '89. My first base. I worked Reprgrphics in the Wing HQ building and spent several years as an SP/LE Auggie Doggie!

www.thedrillmaster.org

Tuesday 08/30/2011 8:39:44pm

Name: Daryl Stewart

E-Mail: darylstew23@yahoo.com

City/Country: Detroit, Michigan USA

Your Entry: Sra Airman 20th SPS Feb 1980 Feb 1982 B-flt

Tuesday 08/30/2011 6:55:32pm

Name: Jermaine Paul

E-Mail: jermainepaul@hotmail.co.uk

City/Country: Banbury

Your Entry: Looking for EDWARD (FAST EDDIE) GORDON,
He was based at Upper Heyford in the years of around 1978 to 1981 and I think had a Sergeant Rank (supply).
He was from Atlanta Georgia.
He is my father someone please help if your know him,

Tuesday 08/30/2011 2:37:08pm

Name: Lysander Bell

E-Mail: lysanderbell@hotmail.com

City/Country: Atlanta

Your Entry: Stationed at UH 1980-1983. Assigned to the 20 SPS. Worked in Pass & ID, Reports & Analysis, and QC

Monday 08/29/2011 6:47:40pm

Name: Linda Lee Allen

E-Mail: allen1958@comcast.net

City/Country: Dallas, Georgia, USA

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Your Entry: Enjoyed revisiting memories. Thanks! Bit of history... The men of Company A, 801st COE poured first airstrip (1949-1952); brother and I were children of company M/Sgt Paul H. Lee. Nation was still rationed and nothing fresh (dairy/produce) available for duration of posting. St. John's Priory accepted children for a year but bused to Brize Norton thereafter. We lived with one packed bag (for three) and quart of sterilized water always at the ready. Mother and Mrs. Fern Eastham (S/Sgt. John Eastham) staffed dry cleaners when first opened. Remember shopping trips to Bicester and Oxford and to local shop on base for small treats. Good memories overall despite some fine English weather!!

Monday 08/29/2011 7:47:46am

Name: Charles Abbott (Jolly Green Giant)

E-Mail: cjabbott@live.com

City/Country: Perrysburg, Ohio USA

Your Entry: I had a great weekend. From this web site I been in contact with one of the fellows I went over to Loan Air Base with in July 1966, then later to Heyford for the past couple yrs. Duane Smith (Smitty). My wife & I went to a casino last week in Niagara Falls N.Y. by bus from Toledo, Ohio. Smitty & his wife live 2 hrs. from the casino, they came to the casino on Sat. A M for breakfast & talked about the old times at Loan, Heyford, working on the Voodoo, places we been & what we have been doing for the last 42 yrs. That day was a JACKPOT to me to see him & meet his wife. A GREAT visit. Then coming home on the bus I was telling this couple about meeting my old A F friend & the fellow behind me over heard what I was saying & he said he was in the A F, station at Heyford in the 50's, a A P, guarding the B-47, I could not believe, WOW!, I said to him about this web site & to ck. it out. He said he didn't have a computer, I said maybe your grandchildren could help you.

Sunday 08/28/2011 5:01:51pm

Name: Jay Vought

E-Mail: jayvought@yahoo.com

City/Country: Northumberland PA.

Your Entry: Hi, was stationed there from Aug 1981 to Nov 1984. A Corrosion control specialist with the 20th EMS until 1984. Now after 26yrs. I retired and moved back home.

Thursday 08/25/2011 9:37:41am

Name: John Ogle

E-Mail: delta162@charter.net

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City/Country: Burnsville NC,USA

Your Entry: Duane, I would like to say how much I appreciate all the hard work you have put into this site. While reading the entries I found myself back at the flight line watching the Ardvark's. I worked about a 16 months on night shift delivering Equipment to the mechanics on the line working on the Vark's..It brings back a lot of memories. These were the years of my youth worth remembering.. John Ogle ps....I have a new Email address for any of the men and women I new at RAFUH to contact me..Sgt Dave Lytle, Sgt St Germain, sgt Giuseppe Grioli,daniel Hebert, Chuck Craig, The boys I went down the Thames with on a boat, where are you today...

Sunday 08/21/2011 6:28:23pm

Name: Sgt John Ogle

E-Mail: retiredleo@charter.net

City/Country: Burnsville NC USA

Your Entry: Duane, I would like to thank you for this very informative Database. I have not found anyone that I was with at RAFUH but I will keep trying.People from AGE Shop TSGT Hartless, SSgt Cooper, Sgt Cushing, Sgt Dan Hebert, and many others...Thank you and I can be reached at retiredleo@charter.net

Saturday 08/20/2011 10:21:57pm

Name: John Ogle

E-Mail: retiredleo@charter.net

City/Country: Burnsville NC

Your Entry: I am trying to locate TSgt Hartless from the AGE Shop in 1974-75. Would appreciate any help to be given..John

Saturday 08/20/2011 5:55:01pm

Name: Lt. Johnny (John) Ogle BC SO

E-Mail: retiredleo@charter.net

City/Country: Burnsville Nc USA

Your Entry: I am a retired Deputy Sheriff....Ha everybody, I was stationed at RAF Upper Heyford in the 20 FMS from July 1973-May 1975. I remember some good times there, at the NCO Club and I think I bought the Rod and Gun Club on Base the first four months I was there. Then I met Maureen Southee and fell in love with her..Sold me car to an Air Police when I left..Remember the 12 hour shifts on our compound gate with a M-16 in 1974, and the price of gas went from \$2 a fill up to \$10 a fillup..I am looking for

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Sgt Daniel J. Hebert from RAF Mildanhal, he lived in Newark NJ. He was my BF at Eglin AFB..Dan I hope this finds you buddy..Hope someone can give me a line on Dan....John

Friday 08/19/2011 11:07:14am

Name: Susan Harlan

E-Mail: sharlan2@cox.net

City/Country: Tucson, AZ

Your Entry: Just wanted to let folks know that UH has a page on Facebook, check it out. There are tons of pictures. There's also a couple of websites for the Three Horseshoes also with lots of pictures

Wednesday 08/17/2011 3:05:38pm

Name: Kim Stevens

E-Mail: Cassiopeia1979@yahoo.com

City/Country: California USA

Your Entry: Served AGE 1975-1976 - anyone out there from those days

Sunday 08/14/2011 6:44:43pm

Name: Marc Cayson

E-Mail: marccayson@yahoo.com

City/Country: walnut hill FL

Your Entry: 1990 through 1991. Bitched like crazy while there but met my wife there and had a lot of fun.

Saturday 08/13/2011 8:38:11pm

Name: David E. Fahnestock

E-Mail: kd4ko@cfl.rr.com

City/Country: Orlando/USA

Your Entry: I was stationed at RAF Croughton from 1954 to 1956. The barracks were WW2 Quonset huts with a separate building for latrine and showers.

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The mode of communication was via morse code. the operators were very proficient in the use of the Vibroplex (bug) key and typewriter.
RAF Croughton was the receiver site. RAF Barford St. John was the transmitter site. While at Croughton I constructed a one tube RF oscillator for the medium broadcast band. I modulated it with the output from a record player and microphone. One of the guys picked up the mic and said "The music your hearing comes to you from the ballroom high atop hotel Croughton."
That day another carrier zero beated my frequency and a voice was heard saying " We are making a search for" and then faded out.
Put the fear of God up me! I thought the BBC was about to show up with one of there tracking vans. I quickly shut down and dismantled the equipment.
I was later assigned to Barford St. John and tried to fire up the little transmitter. The tubes 1.5 volt filament was open. I think the high surrounding RF energy was the cause of its demise.
June, my fiance and I rented a Ford Prefect car from the taxi lady and drove to Little Hampton to visit her mother. The car had no heater and we were cold.
On the way back we past through the Marble Arch in London, It was about 3 am and we had the road to ourself. London was practically deserted! So many memories
David (KD4KO)

Friday 08/12/2011 6:35:03am

Name: Dave Schmeltzer

E-Mail: j.schmeltzer@yahoo.com

City/Country: Isle of Wight, England

Your Entry: UH 57-61. Supply Sqd. Currently retired in England. Would like to hear from guys of that era. Jack Reese, Roger Trude, Don Walker, Joe Marlow, Hayden Johnson or any others.

Wednesday 08/10/2011 11:11:56am

Name: David E. Fahnestock

E-Mail: kd4ko@cfl.rr.com

City/Country: Orlando/USA

Your Entry: Sure wish There were pictures of the Quonset huts we lived in during the fifties. All communication was via international morse code. The operators were very proficient at using the Vibroplex "Bug" and typewriter.
I built a small one tube transmitter for the broadcast band. It was modulated by the output of a record player and microphone.
One of the guys was speaking into the mic, saying "This music is coming to you from high atop Hotel Croughton", when suddenly another signal came in on my frequency saying "We are making a search of the location this transmission" and faded out.
I quickly shut down and dismantled everything. Had the fear of God put up me!

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Thought the BBC was after me!
To this day I don't know if some one was playing trick on me.
David

Tuesday 08/09/2011 2:53:40pm

Name: John Piowaty

E-Mail: jpiowaty@hotmail.com

City/Country: Titusville FL

Your Entry: 20FWA has reunion scheduled for Oct in San Antonio. Check 20fwa.org for details

Sunday 08/07/2011 0:48:03am

Name: Randy Gibbs

E-Mail: Dep1@centurytel.net

City/Country: Montrose, Mi. U.S.A.

Your Entry: Hoping some of you folks can help me out. I was at Heyford 1975-1977 in 20th SPS. Am Looking for two (2) former co-workers that were Staff Sgt's at the time. They are 1. Guido (Guy) Libertini and Ron (P) Parker. Current info/E-Mail addresses would be greatly appreciated. Thanks and Cheers to all.

Thursday 08/04/2011 9:20:21pm

Name: Janet Washington

E-Mail: janetwashington38@yahoo.com

City/Country: Omaha/ U.S.A

Your Entry: We where there from 1990 - 1993, loved it miss it!

Saturday 07/30/2011 11:51:00am

Name: Vern Dander

E-Mail: coloradogreengiant@yahoo.com

City/Country: USA

Your Entry: Brother Jeffrey was Civil Servant at Upper Heyford circa 1978-80. He's now deceased. Have a few photos taken while he was there, in particular ones where he

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was a member of local brass band. Can forward for posting if interested.

Friday 07/29/2011 5:53:25pm

Name: Wilson "Dean" Guthrie

E-Mail: wdeano7@aol.com

City/Country: Mo.

Your Entry: Requesting any information on MSgt Delaney, 20th SPS, time frame of 82-85. I really enjoyed working with him. Thank you

Thursday 07/28/2011 11:55:18am

Name: Sgt Dan Martineau

E-Mail: dmartineau@technic.com

City/Country: RI/USA

Your Entry: 20th CRS 1988-1991

Thursday 07/28/2011 3:56:30am

Name: Gina Floyd Hulsey

E-Mail: Ginafloyd@aol.com

City/Country: Elizabethton, Tn

Your Entry: I helped close the base in 1993-1994. I was E7 in Base Supply moving the equipment out.

Gina

Wednesday 07/27/2011 12:31:03am

Name: Jim Steele

E-Mail: j-steele6373@att.net

City/Country: Abilene Tx

Your Entry: Stationed at UH from 92 to 94. Weapons troop in the 55th. One of the best bases in my career. Retired 3 years ago, working for the city of Abilene.

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Wednesday 07/27/2011 0:31:21am

Name: Susan Harlan

E-Mail: sharlan2@cox.net

City/Country: Tucson, AZ

Your Entry: UH EMS Phase 1978-82 and 1985-93. Anyone aware of a Heyford alumni reunion in Tucson sometime in 2012?

Monday 07/25/2011 2:30:23pm

Name: John L. Blackmore

E-Mail: John.Blackmore@va.gov

City/Country: Chillicothe OH

Your Entry: Looking for Dan Moomaw and Bill McSparren.

Sunday 07/24/2011 11:29:38am

Name: samantha conway

E-Mail: samantha.conway@ntlworld.com

City/Country: leamington spa england

Your Entry: Hi
iam lookng for my father. he was in the usaf based at UPPER HEYFORD in the 1970's....i was born in january 1978. he went by the name SKI and i believe his name is RONALD KWIATKOWSKI,although i am not exact on the spelling of the surname !!!
IF ANYONE CAN HELP PLEASE CONTACT ME,i have been searching for years.

Sunday 07/24/2011 11:21:10am

Name: edward william polsin

E-Mail: epolsin32@att.net

City/Country: lawrenceville , ga. u.s.a.

Your Entry: i was with the 4th aaa bn. b battery from 1951-1952. i have searched for years to find 4th aaa patch . can someone help. i am now 78 yrs. old and am running out of time.
thank you. if yo find something email me

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Sunday 07/24/2011 10:24:39am

Name: Lisa Corwin

E-Mail: corwin4ever@msn.com

City/Country: Phoenix, AZ USA

Your Entry: I was stationed at RAF Upper Heyford in the 2168th CS from May 1978 to Aug 1980. I worked at Heyford but lived in the coed dorms on RAF Croughton.

Wednesday 07/20/2011 9:15:35pm

Name: John T. McNEILL, IV

E-Mail: jtmcneill4@att.net

City/Country: N. Charleston, SC / USA

Your Entry: Former USMC Captain sends Greetings to my Son-in-Law, Sam Kunz, Daughter Audrey as well Ailey & Connor. Hope you are having a great time in a great country. We miss you here in Charleston, SC !!!!!

Wednesday 07/20/2011 3:39:03pm

Name: David Fahnestock

E-Mail: titan123

City/Country: Orlando/USA

Your Entry: Tom Atkinson: Nice hearing from an old timer. The only time I visited Upper Heyford was to get the chaplains advice on my upcoming marriage. Could hardly see him for the cigarette smoke.
Married a gal from Little Hampton. Just finished our 55th wedding anniversary. I am 76 years young. I think most of the guys I served with are now gone.
At the time, the AACS transmissions were by morse code. That form of communication has gone the way of the Dodo bird, but I still like it.
David

Monday 07/18/2011 1:37:25am

Name: Roy Thomas (Tom)

E-Mail: 123thomas46@gmail.com

City/Country: Texas

Your Entry: Stationed from 1961 to 1964. We live on Trenchard Circle. Went to school in London and Lakenheath.

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Saturday 07/16/2011 8:36:58am

Name: Edward T. Curran (Ned)

E-Mail: rocky2371@cs.com

City/Country: Clifton Park, New York USA

Your Entry: I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters from Jan 1981 to Jan 1983.

AB-A1C

70250C/Unit Orderly Room

81st Aircraft Generation Squadron (AGS).

RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge doesn't have a web site like RAF Upper-Heyford so thank you for allowing me to post a message here in your guest book.

I lived off-base at 50 Fairfield Road in Aldeburgh, near the English coast. Felixstowe was my favorite English town, though. I spent a lot of time in London (Pinner/Potters Bar, etc).

I had a lot of fun in England and really miss those bygone days-of-yore.

Permanent change of station to Carswell AFB, TX after England.

Ave atque vale
(Hail and Farewell)

Edward T. Curran
P.O. Box 5196
Clifton Park, New York 12065

Thursday 07/14/2011 7:26:28pm

Name: Tom Atkinson

E-Mail: papatomack@aol.com

City/Country: Niagara Falls, NY. USA

Your Entry: To Dave Fahnestock: Move aside as I also lived in the stucco walled and asbestos corrugated roofed barracks at RAF Upper Heyford 1956-57 while assigned to the 1st Aviation Field depot squadron (AFDS) Nuclear Weapons Squadron out in the weapons storage area. We had the old M-80 (I believe that was the nomenclature) kerosene heaters one at each end of the barracks (single story). Our latrine was out side in an alley which served about 6 bldgs. We had english Bat Men to keep the fuel levels up in the 55 gallon barrels just outside the bldgs. If they ran low at night we had to refill them ourselves. I wouldn't want to live that way now but as a young kid we handled it okay. Seems like an eternity ago. Tom Atkinson 7-14-11

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Thursday 07/14/2011 2:53:31pm

Name: Kenn Morton

E-Mail: kennmorton@hotmail.com

City/Country: Napa, Ca

Your Entry: I was stationed at UH from 1961 to 1963. Met my wife Shirley there, still married! Would love to hear from anyone from the 3918 USAF Dispensary, if anyone knows how to contact Jerry Davidson I would love to know. Many fond memories of my time there.

Sunday 07/10/2011 11:08:03am

Name: Archie Ferrier

E-Mail: archie.f@tiscali.co.uk

City/Country: Poole, UK

Your Entry: Posted to the joint RAF/USAF manned Satellite Terminal at RAF Croughton from 1982-1985 whilst serving in the RAF. Had some great times there playing softball and drinking beer, oh, and working a bit too. Made many USAF friends, a couple of whom I am still in touch with. If anyone remembers me it would be great if they said "hello".

Tuesday 07/05/2011 12:09:03am

Name: Bill Ward

E-Mail: dal2whw@gmail.com

City/Country: Texas

Your Entry: Was a teenage dependent there from 1960-1963. Father was 1st Sgt 3918th CES. Still have a lot of contacts from that time

Monday 07/04/2011 8:23:39pm

Name: Charles West

E-Mail: cwest1@ftc-i.net

City/Country: Sumter, sc

Your Entry: Was assigned to Upper Heyford twice once in 1984-1988 and from 1991 to closing. Best assignment. 20th Supply Sq.

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Sunday 07/03/2011 5:42:42pm

Name: Paul Desmond

E-Mail: pdesmo6@ntlworld.com

City/Country: oxford England

Your Entry: Looking for a James Paul Moore,i think he was at UH in 1958/1959,nothing heavy,just would like some contact for curiosity sake,shouldve done it years ago but..... never mind hope he,s still with us???? anyone out there got any info??? cheers.

Saturday 07/02/2011 11:31:59am

Name: Steve Rollins

E-Mail:

City/Country: Aberdeen, Md.

Your Entry: 20th FMS Electric Shop Apr 75- Jan 77. The concerts, pubs and those wonderful alerts. Great time in the UK. Will get to see the now closed base some day.

Friday 07/01/2011 7:23:52pm

Name: David E. Fahnestock

E-Mail: kd4ko@cfl.rr.com

City/Country: Orlando/USA

Your Entry: I guess I'm the only old timer who lived in WW2 Quonset huts with kerosene heaters in each room while stationed at Croughton and Barford St. John. I was stationed at RAF Croughton from 1954 to 1956. Toward the end of my tour I was also assigned to the Tropo Scatter facility near Princes Risborough while it was being constructed. It was stipulated that no barracks were to be constructed. The facility and the antennas had to be painted green to blend in with the hillside. We were on separate rations and resided in the Buckingham Arms hotel. It was a very cushy job until the head man of "Pace Communication's" and I locked horns.
I would love to see photos of RAF Croughton and RAF Barford St John from that time period.
David

Thursday 06/30/2011 11:45:59am

Name: Alan L. Page

E-Mail: apage@netins.net

City/Country: Marengo / USA

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Your Entry: USAF MSGT Ret. - Served from 1967 to 1970 at Upper Heyford. It was great to be there.

Wednesday 06/29/2011 9:10:08pm

Name: Ren Goff

E-Mail: Wmgoff@gmail.com

City/Country: Herndon Virginia

Your Entry: Was there as a dependent 67-69. Attended UHHS. Great HS memories still today. We continue with UHHS reunions every 5 years. My Dad was with the 17th TRS I believe.

Tuesday 06/28/2011 2:28:22am

Name: Gary Smith

E-Mail: gmanpug@gmail.com

City/Country: Atlanta/us

Your Entry: I was stationed at Croughton from 1983 to 1985. I would like to hear from guys stationed there at that time.

Sunday 06/26/2011 5:23:31am

Name: Christian

E-Mail: lewisgee123@talktalk.net

City/Country: Oxford England

Your Entry: Hi, my sister was based at Upper Heyford with her husband during the 1970s her name was Sandra/Sandy married Don Wescote, Does anyone remember them? I often came over to the base and stayed with her and often went to the NCO club and made lots of friends but have now lost contact, so if any one can remember me or my sister please get in touch. Thanks, Christian Gee.

Saturday 06/18/2011 10:05:05pm

Name: Don Davis

E-Mail: bevdondavis@yahoo.com

City/Country: Spartanburg SC/ Maggie Valley NC

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Your Entry: I was stationed at upper heyford from 1969-1974 with the 77tfs as a crew chief on F-111 tail # 072 and with the base dental clinic until i left in 1974. Would like to hear from anyone durning that time period

Saturday 06/18/2011 4:59:03pm

Name: Darrel DeLong

E-Mail: ddejong@austin.rr.com

City/Country: Austin, Texas

Your Entry: 55/79/20th 77-81, 85-89: 20th Reunion in San Antonio (see reunion link) should be great! We're trying to get more folks from the F-111 years to attend. Take a look and see if you can fit it into your schedule. Cheers!

Saturday 06/18/2011 7:42:45am

Name: Don Davis

E-Mail: bevdondavis@yahoo.com

City/Country: Spartanburg SC

Your Entry: I was at Upper Heyford from 1969-1974 Crew Chief with the 77 TFS and Hosp Dental Clinic was also at Weathersfield with the 77th

Wednesday 06/15/2011 8:09:44pm

Name: Steve

E-Mail: ec_135cpaccs@roadrunner.com

City/Country: USA

Your Entry: I was there in the early 60s with a B-47E from the 98th Bomb Wing. I was a radio maintainer.

Tuesday 06/14/2011 10:19:36am

Name: David E. Fahnestock

E-Mail: kd4ko@cfl.rr.com

City/Country: Orlando/USA

Your Entry: I was stationed at RAF Croughton from 1954 to 1956. Toward the end of my tour I

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was also assigned to the Tropo Scatter facility near Princes Risbouro while it was being constructed. We lived in the Buckingham Arms hotel.
I would love to see photos of RAF Croughton and RAF Barford St John from that time period.
David

Tuesday 06/14/2011 2:44:03am

Name: Alfred J.W. Dowden II

E-Mail: alijama1@cox.net

City/Country: Las Vegas/USA

Your Entry: Haven't been on the site for awhile. Busy with retirements from former job. Was happy to make contact with Matthew through this medium. Hope to be able to contact more.
Thank you.

Sunday 06/12/2011 6:17:57pm

Name: Sandy Hodges

E-Mail: shodges14@tampabay.rr.com

City/Country: Clearwater USA

Your Entry: The best times of my life! How fortunate I was to serve with the greatest at the best base there was. I miss you friends. 20th CES, Sandy

Saturday 06/11/2011 3:47:34pm

Name: Florence Muldoon

E-Mail: florence.muldoon@talktalk.net

City/Country: UK

Your Entry: I worked whilst a student in the Officers Club 1968-1970 and met Capt. David Settle. My family lives at Ardley and we had the F1 11s flying over their home "all the time". I remember the school teachers coming in for lunch plus all the uniforms. Many local girls married US servicemen. I also remember visiting USAF Croughton.

Wednesday 06/08/2011 12:53:49am

Name: Gary Kline

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E-Mail: gary_kline@hotmail.com

City/Country: San Juan Puerto Rico

Your Entry: worked at the 77TFS from 86-89. Some of the best times ever!

Monday 06/06/2011 0:32:13am

Name: Rick Mitchell

E-Mail: g_force58@att.net

City/Country: Loudon, TN USA

Your Entry: I was stationed at UH 1973-1977 as an aircraft crew chief in Yellow c Flight. Sad to see such a beautiful base in such disrepair.

Sunday 06/05/2011 8:00:19pm

Name: Jack Hoge

E-Mail: hogephoto@aol.com

City/Country: Washington/ U.S.A

Your Entry:

Saturday 06/04/2011 10:47:20pm

Name: Ray Stewart McDonald

E-Mail: prrsmcd@gmail.com

City/Country: Tucson AZ

Your Entry: Served in the supply squadron from June 1968 to November 1972. Great memories.

Friday 06/03/2011 9:45:36pm

Name: Steve Marcum

E-Mail: Smarcum1@insight.rr.com

City/Country: Galena/USA

Your Entry: 20th AGS
Crew Chief

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Thursday 06/02/2011 10:07:15am

Name: J Michael Machacek

E-Mail: machaceks@aol.com

City/Country: Land O Lakes, WI. USA

Your Entry: In those days (1961) we called ourselves Air Police! Thanks for the memories!

Wednesday 05/11/2011 1:48:46pm

Name: Alan Treankler

E-Mail: adontr@hotmail.com

City/Country: Fairfield Ca./USA

Your Entry: Stationed at Upper Heyford (base Supply)
from 1970>1975

Wednesday 05/11/2011 8:46:45am

Name: Annette (Perez) McCreary

E-Mail: amccreary3@hotmail.com

City/Country: Avon, Indiana

Your Entry: Hi you guys,
I really kinda miss Upper Heyford. It was my first time away from home as an independent girl. Was there at 20th Supply between 1989-1991.

Tuesday 05/10/2011 4:03:59pm

Name: Oscar Witherspoon

E-Mail: res03kl7@hotmail.com

City/Country: Bloomington Il.61704

Your Entry:

Sunday 05/08/2011 7:20:56pm

Name: Andre Peltier

E-Mail: railrader1027@verizon.net

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City/Country: Greenville Virginia

Your Entry: Was stationed here from 1983-1986. Was a Jet Engine Mech in shop. Sure do miss the old gals flying.

Sunday 05/08/2011 12:50:15am

Name: Norman Ivins

E-Mail: nivins@juno.com

City/Country: Middletown. OH

Your Entry: If you have been trying to get to the message board but are unable, here's the link:
<http://rafupperheyford.yuku.com/forums/1/RAF-Upper-Heyford-Memorial-Web-Site>

Sunday 05/08/2011 8:55:37am

Name: Denise

E-Mail: [deniseja @tiscali.co.uk](mailto:deniseja@tiscali.co.uk)

City/Country: Loughborough England

Your Entry: Hi just wondering if any of you were stationed @ Upper Heyford in 1948-1952 and knew a staff sargent named Edward R Walter if so I would be delighted to hear from you.

Saturday 05/07/2011 0:11:29am

Name: Chris Syphrit

E-Mail: c1syphrit@aol.com

City/Country: Tucson, Arizona

Your Entry: Nov 2, 1978-Nov 2 1982. Worked in the FMS Fuel Systems Repair Shop. My wife at the time, Nancy Syphrit worked in Finance. Our Daughter, Sara was one of the very last babies born at the Hospital in Banbury..right before the New Hospital was built. Great Website. I would love to hear from anybody that might remember me or Nancy. We had the time of our lives at the Heystack. And we knew it every day we were there. Tail # 033 is here in Tucson on static display at the Pima Air and Space Museum. I remember it well as a Piece of junk that always leaked fuel. It was parked ALOT more than it flew.

Friday 05/06/2011 5:49:40pm

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Name: JASON L. BARNUM
E-Mail: jlbarnum2010@yahoo.com
City/Country: LOGANDALE, NV
Your Entry: I SERVED AT RAF UPPER HEYFORD 1992-1994.

Sunday 05/01/2011 4:52:40pm

Name: Lee Ellison
E-Mail: ellison@bis.midco.net
City/Country: Bismarck ND USA
Your Entry: My Dad John W. Ellison was stationed on this base in the early 60's. 1961 thru 1964 I believe. Any one that has info on him please let me know.

Monday 04/25/2011 10:18:32am

Name: Lorin Berry III
E-Mail: LBerry1@woh.rr.com
City/Country: Urbana OH
Your Entry: I was in Flight Simulator from Apr 1973 - Aug 1978. I retired in 1986 from Wright-Patterson AFB OH as CMSgt.
Hello to all those who I was lucky enough to have served with. All the Best.
Lorin Berry III

Sunday 04/24/2011 9:05:35pm

Name: Troy Wilkins
E-Mail: tvmarine@myexcel.com
City/Country: Mountain Home USA
Your Entry: Looking for anyone from Jet Engine Shop - 1974/1977 1983/87

Sunday 04/24/2011 5:27:06pm

Name: Tom Ryan
E-Mail: coltomiv@yahoo.com
City/Country: near Boston

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Your Entry: The best assignment ever still long for past, its all good. 1968-1971 Supply.

Sunday 04/24/2011 11:17:09am

Name: Alison Ratley

E-Mail: mollyaugustasmith@hotmail.co.uk

City/Country: Coventry - England

Your Entry: Hi

Im looking to find out any information about the Henry family from 1980's who lived in Greatworth and served in Upper Heyford base.

Thank You :)

Thursday 04/21/2011 9:51:19am

Name: Sgt James reed

E-Mail: Jimreed2008@comcast.net

City/Country: Cherry hill, new jersey

Your Entry: 66th trw motor pool, 1968 - 1970. Looking for members info. Facebook ID:Jim.t.reed
26yrs, last assign McGuire AFB, NJ in 1994

Wednesday 04/20/2011 10:21:36am

Name: Jim reed

E-Mail: Jimreed2002@comcast.net

City/Country: Cherry hill, new jersey, 08043

Your Entry: 1968-1970 66trw, motor pool. Looking 2connect with anyone station at this time.

Tuesday 04/19/2011 1:29:07am

Name: Cmsgt John F Snelson

E-Mail: johnsnelson@sbcglobal.net

City/Country: Temple, Tx USA

Your Entry: Was assigned to the 66TRW Oct 67-Aug 68

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Saturday 04/16/2011 8:06:41pm

Name: kimanderson

E-Mail: getmalika2010@hotmail.com

City/Country: oxford england

Your Entry: himy friends were farah and nicola and i wanted to say hello to haywood jenkins 111
the timeperiod was 1989 to 1993 be blessed

Saturday 04/16/2011 3:22:48pm

Name: Roy SCHMIDT

E-Mail: chillie764@fuse.net

City/Country: Independence KY USA

Your Entry: I was at raf wood bridge from 1966 to 1969 with 79tfs had f 100 then any one rember
me .e mail me thank you

Monday 04/11/2011 10:29:23am

Name: Rick Bowman

E-Mail: rbowman@moainconline.com

City/Country: Nebr

Your Entry: 20th SPS C flight Lived in Thames with paul Smith and Charles Mucollgh had a great
time would love to here from old friends

Monday 04/11/2011 10:06:38am

Name: Rick Bowman

E-Mail: rbowman@moainconline.com

City/Country: Nebraska

Your Entry: Stationed 1981 to 1983 C flight sps

Sunday 04/10/2011 1:31:47pm

Name: Troy McNees

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E-Mail: bluedoberman@juno.com

City/Country: Otsego, michigan usa

Your Entry: Really miss the fun times on base and off.

Saturday 04/02/2011 11:01:23pm

Name: Dan Lusardi

E-Mail: Dryheat007@msn.com

City/Country: Ingram Texas

Your Entry: Every time you attempt to open the message function you get a dating site YUKU....

Webmaster's Note: When you get to YUKU, you have to type in the name of the community message board you wish to visit. In our case, that would be RAF Upper Heyford. Hope this helps.

Saturday 04/02/2011 9:34:54pm

Name: Craig W. Timmermann

E-Mail: TAASS@aol.com

City/Country: Gardnerville, NV

Your Entry: Duane,

Has there been any talk about a reunion for Heyford Air Police, Security Police, Security Force members?

WebMaster's Note: Yes... contact Randy Gibbs for more info. His contact info is listed on The Duty Roster page.

Saturday 04/02/2011 6:28:52pm

Name: George Pugh

E-Mail: Aaron198@live.com

City/Country:

Your Entry: Just found the page and wanted to say hi. I was at Heyford from 1987 to 1992. Kind of miss it.

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Monday 03/28/2011 2:50:01pm

Name: Roger Mark Castro

E-Mail: rcastro15@live.com

City/Country: Las Vegas Nevada

Your Entry: 20th CSG/CBPO July 1985-March 1988

Monday 03/28/2011 2:11:39pm

Name: Lee Stauber

E-Mail: lnmstauber@zoomtown.com

City/Country: Fort Wright, Kentucky

Your Entry: Looking for old friends from Heyford 1953/1954 3918th Operations Sq.

Sunday 03/27/2011 5:33:00pm

Name: ann inskip

E-Mail: anninskip@hotmail.co.uk

City/Country: leamington spa , England

Your Entry: can anyone tell me why i can not get onto the message board ,ive sent an E MAIL TO DUANE ,as yet no explanation,thanks hope someone can give me an answer.

Saturday 03/26/2011 12:01:02am

Name: Greg Kane

E-Mail: gtkane1@hotmail.com

City/Country: Port Charlotte, Fla

Your Entry: I was stationed @ Upper Heyford from '72 til '75. I'd like to reconnect with anyone from Base Wx. Det 17, 28 WxSq that I served with there. Also, I'm looking for "Ski", a maint. tech on the Padro's, who rotated in '73 or '74.

Friday 03/25/2011 8:33:40am

Name: Steve "Spydr" Duval

E-Mail: SFD510@AOL.COM

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City/Country: Manchester NH

Your Entry: WOW...been a long time. I was in CBPO from 1970 to 1974, and played on the base slow pitch softball teams. Sure would like to hear from anyone who might remember me. Sad the base is now closed.

Thursday 03/24/2011 2:12:42pm

Name: Micheal D. Krewson (SrA)

E-Mail: smilinmike5@yahoo.com

City/Country: St. Clair, MO/USA

Your Entry: RAF Upper Heyford was my permanent duty station. I was there from 88' - 90', in the Air Force Communications Command (AFCC), Communications Squadron. That was great first assignment.

Wednesday 03/23/2011 3:44:13am

Name: Jon Palmer, TSgt (Ret)

E-Mail: huskers1996@gmail.com

City/Country: Omaha, Nebraska

Your Entry: I was stationed at Heyford from August 1985 - October 1989, and worked in the Command Post.

I met my wife in Oxford, and our daughter was born at the base hospital.

It is sad to see the buildings are empty for the most part when the base was so alive when I was stationed there. Would like to track down Wyatt Carlson, TSgt, worked in MMS.

I am grateful for the website - brings back a lot of memories.

Sunday 03/20/2011 10:00:31pm

Name: John Marraffino, MSgt, Ret

E-Mail: jmarraffino

City/Country: Canby, Oregon, USA

Your Entry: Nice to find a site devoted to the last base I closed down... in '94. I retired from there. Worked at the bowling center from 91 to 94. Started spraying shoes and ended up as operations manager. Yes, full time all while working my day job as a MSgt in the

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comm squadron. One of the best times of my life. I remember booking bowling parties for Sir Richard B and his friends. So sorry to see it burned and was demolished a few years ago. Eugene, who lived in the village (a national) was the mechanic and a good friend.

Thursday 03/17/2011 7:53:53am

Name: Kevin Olley

E-Mail: kevireno@hotmail.com

City/Country: Manchester, TN

Your Entry: Visit to RAF Upper Heyford, March 2011

Kevin Olley, Retired USAF. Stationed at Upper Heyford (UH) 1983-86.

Dedicated Crew chief (DCC) of 68-056, in the 20thTFW, 520thAGS, 55thAMU & DCC Instructor, Wing level MATD.

I called the phone number that is listed on this website for information on coming to the base and gaining entrance to the base museum. The young lady that I talked with told me that this day (today) would not be a good day, maybe tomorrow. So, I called the next day & got the okay to begin my journey to UH.

Today, from my hotel in London, I took the underground (tube) to the Marylebone train station. At the Marylebone train station, I caught a train to the Bicester North Train station. The whole journey took almost 2 hours, including stopping and purchasing my tickets. (Plus I walk slower these days)

London Underground day pass = 6.00 GBP

Round trip rail service: Marylebone- Bicester North = 24.00 GBP

Once at the Bicester North train station, I walked approx 20 minutes into the town of Bicester. I lived in Bicester, American Anglo housing for 2 years during my 3 year tour at UH. The main part of town in Bicester has changed much. What was the Bicester Post Office in the early 1980's is now a pub. No more vehicle traffic on the main street in Bicester, it is now for walking and biking only (other than delivery vehicles.)

Once in Bicester, I checked on the bus service to UH. I found, in the car park, just behind the Tesco, there is a bus stop. I talked with one of the bus drivers, he informed me of a bus, #25A (approx 20 minutes ride) that would take me to the Heyford Park bus stop (this bus stop is located just near the AAFES gas (petrol) station on Camp Road, which is just a short 5 minute walk from the main gate.

Heyfordian bus line, route 25A

Round trip: Bicester to UH = 4.00 GBP

The bus actually routes/runs through a part of the American Anglo housing area, which is now, British Housing. From what I saw, it is all very well kept.

Once at the main gate, I went in the main gate office building & met with a Mr. Don Todd. Don is a very friendly, UH knowledgeable, man. He has worked at the base, like forever. While I was stationed there in the 1980's he was in charge of the 56 aircraft shelters maintenance. This included the 85 ton doors, the winch, the generator, you name it, and he fixed it. Never thought of it at the time (as a aircraft crew chief) but we would have had a hell of a time getting those F-111's in and out of the shelters if it was not for the efforts and dedicated commitment to the duty of keeping those 56 hardened shelters in top notch shape. Thanks Don.

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I toured the UH museum, watched the UH history video/DVD & spent about 1 hour talking with Don. I was then allowed to walk around the main base area. But not allowed to take photos. I walked over to the areas where one could at least see the flight line area, which is now covered with row's & row's of vehicles. Most hangers and other buildings are still the two tone brown (tan & dark brown) and even have the logos painted on them like: 20th EMS, Comm Squadron and Fuels management. There are even the little brown building tags with the white building numbers. All exterior building paint is in really bad shape, shingles missing from roofs, rain gutters and down spouts falling off buildings. Very sad to see, but still happy to be there. I walked over to the base post office (My address was Box 14, APO NY), all boarded up. Then over to the UH commissary. It too was in the same sad shape, to include broken/missing glass on the entrance & exit doors. Just next to the base AAFES gas station was a small AAFES shop. Well, it is still a little shop, run by a nice man. He caters to the people who now live in the housing that is just behind the base chapel area. Speaking of the base chapel, it is still there and still in use for the local people. It was all locked up, but from what I could see through some of the windows; it appears that it is used as a Christian based child care center during the week and a chapel on the weekends. The chapel Annex is now a Heyford park community center. Most of the base area, by the NCO club, Mess Hall & that area, all off limits/fenced off, including the main BX area. BX parking lot COMPLETELY empty. How strange that was to see! I really don't understand what the BIG secret is, but I minded my own business and played by the rules. I was later told that many of the sidewalks have fallen in/broken and the area is unsafe for walking about. All in all, the day brought back many fond memories of one of the best USAF assignments I had in my 20 year career.

Wednesday 03/16/2011 3:15:47pm

Name: Carol Smith

E-Mail: yubetcha@q.com

City/Country: USA

Your Entry: My late husband was M/Sgt Lawrence R Smith, commonly known as Smitty. Smitty was with the 320th MMS after his tour in Vietnam. We transferred to RAF Upper Heyford in 1970. We left there in 1974, transferred to Holloman AFB, NM. Re-assigned back to Upper Heyford in 1977 until 1981. To those of you who knew Smitty, he passed away on Feb 11th 2010 from heart disease. Please feel free to e mail me, and I can tell you more about Smitty's life. Regards, Carol Smith, New Mexico, USA.

Saturday 03/12/2011 8:57:15pm

Name: Grover C. Brown (Brownie)

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E-Mail: gcbrown1@gmail.com

City/Country: Monument CO

Your Entry: Worked the RATCC and Control Tower from 1961 to 1964. Probably my best assignment in the Air Force prior to retiring Dec 1982. Retired again from Civil Service and enjoying the clean mountain air in Colorado. My only regret is that I can't do it all over again!
Brownie

Friday 03/11/2011 3:40:06pm

Name: Kevin Masse

E-Mail: kevmass@nc.rr.com

City/Country: Hope Mills, NC

Your Entry: My Dad, A/1C Harrison L. Masse, was stationed there and assigned to the 3918th Air Police Sqdn sometime between Dec 1954 and Oct 1958 (dates of his service from his DD214). He passed away in November 2007 in Wolfeboro NH. I was wondering if anyone new him. Please email me if you did. Thanks.

Thursday 03/10/2011 7:43:23pm

Name: Richard Bauman

E-Mail: baumanrb@aol.com

City/Country: Corydon In. USA

Your Entry: 1967 to 1970

Wednesday 03/09/2011 11:27:15pm

Name: gary birchem

E-Mail: garybirchem@yahoo.com

City/Country: chisago city mn usa

Your Entry: ws in the 79th 1964-1967.was at raf bentwaters-woodbidge

Tuesday 03/08/2011 7:13:36pm

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Name: christine gills

E-Mail: oakjjus@yahoo.com

City/Country: charlotte nc

Your Entry: my brother ssgt Larry E Gills was station there from77-79....at the age of 31...i would like to see if anyone knew him...you see my brother was killed ...got off duty one day and when he got home ...someone killed him...the military never investgate...my heart is heavy even after all these years...our dead with a broken heart....just was wondering if anyone knew him....just to say a kind word...thanks...a loving sister

Monday 03/07/2011 3:51:24pm

Name: Ross Best, SPS, TSgt, retired

E-Mail: rmbest1@hotmail.com

City/Country: Montevideo, Mn

Your Entry: Hello to ALL !

I was SPS from 1983-90 and knew many people. I just finished looking at all of the guestbook entries and saw many names I knew. I wrote to most of them but sadly many of the messages came back undelieverable. Would love to hear from anyone that knew of me during that time and who knows someone else from then too. Craig T - sadly I saw that Karl Pfoor passed, and I say back in 08 he came back to the states. The entry simple said he passed suddenly. Anyone know what happened? Have not heard anything from Les yet. OK, GREAT sight!!! Thanks to all that make it possible. Hope to hear from some of you soon!

Ross Best, TSgt, SPS, retired
at Heyford 1983-90

Monday 03/07/2011 4:52:25am

Name: kevin olley

E-Mail: kevireno@hotmail.com

City/Country: manchester, TN

Your Entry: FYI, I travel to UK/London very often. On this stay in London, in my hotel lobby, I came across a flyer: "Bicester Village". Don't know how many of you know, but Bicestr has become a mega shopping outlet village. here is some info for everyone: if staying in London and you want to go to Bicester/RAF UH, check out: www.bicestervillage.com once in Bicester, it is easy to catch a local bus over to the Heyford Park/RAF UH

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Wednesday 03/02/2011 6:15:27pm

Name: amanda mccoey

E-Mail: haleeamccoey@gmail.com

City/Country: banbury uk

Your Entry: my dad was based here when i was born in 85 and i still remember him taking me trick or treating there lol i was so so scared but loved it.

Wednesday 03/02/2011 2:57:49pm

Name: Betty Wittmer

E-Mail: bettywittmer@gmail.com

City/Country: Biloxi/USA

Your Entry: My dad was stationed at Croughton from 1968 to 1972. It was the best time of my life. I was just a kid but we loved living there. Would love to go back for a visit someday.

Friday 02/18/2011 9:27:31am

Name: Leon Hopper AKA "Big Bopper"

E-Mail: leehopper22@verizon.net

City/Country: Tampa, FL USA

Your Entry: 79th FOREVER...! I was stationed ar RAF Woodbridge, 1958-1959. 79th A&E Squadron. Lt. Chris Pulos,A&E Officer, T/Sgt Ralph Parlin NCOIC. Would love to hear from any of the guys from Woodbridge. 79th went to UH in 1961..? If you remember me, would love to talk about the 'good old days' Weekends at Great Yarmouth beach, pubs in Ipswich.., great young ladies that are now in their 70's...WOW..! Time sure goes fast when your having fun..huh.? Would love to hear from TJ Steele, Tino Corsino, George Montoya, Zed Williams, Jorge Rivera..., any of the guys with the 20th TFW, 79th TFS/A&E Sqdn

Thursday 02/17/2011 7:51:28pm

Name: DONALD GREGORY PIPER

E-Mail: DONALDPIPER1@YAHOO.COM

City/Country: MISSION VIEJO,CALIF.

Your Entry: STILL PLAYING GUITAR, 79TH T.F.S. C- FLIGHT, YELLOW 3,
1970-1974

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Sunday 02/13/2011 11:37:56am

Name: Patrick Romeo

E-Mail: romeopatrick@sbcglobal.net

City/Country: Youngstown, Ohio

Your Entry: Stationed at UH from 84-86, in the 20th Trans Sq (maint.), My daughter was born in the Hospital there in 85, looking for some of the guys from for the shop during that time (Lee Young, Graham Barton, Chris Hoole) would be good to hear from ya!

Sunday 02/13/2011 4:49:17am

Name: Alfred J.W. Dowden II

E-Mail: alijama1@cox.net

City/Country: Las Vegas/USA

Your Entry: Checking in again. Anyone heard anything about Eddie Mack, give me a buzz. We were at Hahn AB(1969) and UH(75-77) together. Started out from Baden-Baden, Germany 1967. Thank you. Love this site.

Thursday 02/10/2011 6:57:03pm

Name: Barbara Williams

E-Mail: blokebar@embarqmail.com

City/Country: Las Vegas Nevada

Your Entry: Just updating my e-mail.My name is Barbara Williams(nee New)met my late husband at the Douglas House in 1962 and married him in Detroit in 1963,He was stationed at Wethersfield when I met him and was in a gospel group called The Stripes of Glory.We were later stationed at Upper Heyford 1970-1974 and he retired in 1976 while at Nellis Air Force Base. If you remember either of us please drop a line.
Barbara Williams

Wednesday 02/09/2011 0:16:34am

Name: MATTHEW MILLER. JR. M&M

E-Mail: MM825@SBCGLOBAL.NET

City/Country: CHICAGO. IL

Your Entry: STATIONED AT UPPERHEYFORD SEPT. 74 - SEPT. 76. WORKED AT MAIN

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Tuesday 02/08/2011 2:50:30pm

Name: Fran Levy

E-Mail: fran@fransevern.com

City/Country: Salisbury, MD, USA

Your Entry: My husband, Ron, was in the 77th and flew the F-111 from 1981-88 (we stayed as long as they would let us!) We visited several years ago and were startled by the 'ghost town.' We attended the final flight of the F-111 in Australia in Dec. 2010. Only a few USAF people were there; no one else from Heyford. Many memories. Glad to see this page.

Tuesday 02/08/2011 12:53:36am

Name: workman martin

E-Mail: workmanml@hotmail.co.uk

City/Country: bicester england

Your Entry: worked on and off long time at upper heyford

Saturday 02/05/2011 4:34:35pm

Name: Trevor Savage

E-Mail: tj-savage@hotmail.com

City/Country: Wakefield. UK

Your Entry: Hi just want to say hello to all that remembers me and my workshop as I used to fix a lot of your cars and drink loads of your beer.you may know me better as TJ. Miss Heyford and you all, drop me a line please Regards Trevor. TJ

Wednesday 02/02/2011 9:15:43pm

Name: Bruce Donnelly

E-Mail: Brucea_donnelly@yahoo.com

City/Country: Lanoka Harbor, NJ USA

Your Entry: Transportation Squadron

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Friday 01/28/2011 10:20:35pm

Name: Victor Rice

E-Mail: rice1vl@suddenlink.net

City/Country: Kinston NC

Your Entry: I remember Barry the barber. in 1978 he was the only barber in the UK who could cut Afro American hair styles. My favorite was the shag.

Friday 01/28/2011 6:32:11pm

Name: Cathleen Snow

E-Mail: wynryder@aol.com

City/Country: Cocoa Beach FL

Your Entry: What amazing memories this site brought back for me. I hope all the guys from the 520 AGS are doing well. Miss you all.

Thursday 01/27/2011 3:12:02pm

Name: Alfred J.W. Dowden II

E-Mail: alijama1@cox.net

City/Country: Las Vegas/USA

Your Entry: Hi. My name is Al. I was stationed with the 55TFS from Dec 75 thru Jan 77. I worked under LC Walbridge and James, as Admin Clerk. Micky Strowthers and Gandy I knew well there. Plus my clerk Schlattsman (I think). My friend Lewis is here with me in Vegas and he told me about the reunions. My daughter is in Portsmouth, UK. Married about 18 months. Would love to hear from anybody from that era. Thank you.

Monday 01/24/2011 9:36:26am

Name: David Lane

E-Mail: dlane16@rochester.rr.com

City/Country: Rochester ny

Your Entry: Looking at the 20th CES Pictures from the 70's the middle pic with an airman standing on top of a fire truck is me! Very cool picture great Joib Os!

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Thursday 01/20/2011 7:33:27pm

Name: Fernando C Esponda, Msgt. Ret

E-Mail: fespon@yahoo.com

City/Country: San Diego, Ca

Your Entry: I was first stationed at Upper Heyford in 69 when we were transferred from Wethersfield I worked in the Engine Shop. I lived near Banbury, in the country side in a a community called Tad Martin house farm. My son was born on Thanksgiving 1970 at the hospital in Banbury. I left Upper Heyford in April 1971. I returned to Upper Heyford in Sept. 1976, By this time I had crosstrained and worked for the Chief of Maintenance, in Plans & Scheduling. Files Maintanance.
I also worked in the NCO Club as a Night Manager. I usually hung around with Tom Gandy & Tony Magnall.
I was known by all as (Blue) I left Upper Heyford in Sept 1979.
I had some very good years there and many fond memories. If any of my old buddies are around, I would like to hear from them

Wednesday 01/19/2011 7:00:03pm

Name: Mike Blood

E-Mail: mbl@blackpool.ac.uk

City/Country: uk

Your Entry: I have good memories of a visit to the 77th TFW UH as a cadet with 2275 ATC mid 1980's. Awesome to see the Ardvarks circling in holding pattern pre landing followed by a close tour of the unit and aircraft. Brilliant day. MB

Wednesday 01/19/2011 10:57:28am

Name: Robert Redmond

E-Mail: falconmaster2@yahoo.com

City/Country: Dade City, Fla.

Your Entry: Was crew chief of 68-075. Last two years i was a bpo team chief. Arrived at UH in 1974 just in time for an exercise,hadn,t even in processed! Lived in the Glory Farms estate in Bicester.

Monday 01/17/2011 10:07:11am

Name: Mike Searfoss

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E-Mail: angloam@mindspring.com

City/Country: Melbourne FL USA

Your Entry: Enjoyed the read. Would love to contribute. Served in 66CSG later 20CSG, Oct68-Sep71

Wednesday 01/12/2011 4:56:34pm

Name: LEE RIGGS

E-Mail: ECLIPSE2003@YAHOO.COM

City/Country: MILWAUKEE WIS

Your Entry: HI

MY NAME IS LEE RIGGS I WAS AT HEYFORD
FROM I BELIEVE REAL EARLY 71 TO SEPT
72 I WORKED IN THE DENTAL CLINIC AT HEYFORD AND LIVED AT
CROUGHTON I REALLY
ENJOYED AND MADE A LOT OF FREINDS AT THAT TIME LT COL D RISK RAN
THE DENTAL CLINIC WITH MASTER SGT BYRNES I WORKED
DR JOE GULAK AND DR CHARLES PUNTILLIO
WHO HAS A PRACTICE IN BURLINGTON WIS THANK YOU FOR THIS SITE
BRINGS BACK ALOT OF MEMORIES IF ANY BODY REMEMBERS ME SHOOT ME
AND E-MAIL I WOULD BE GLAD TO HEAR FROM YOU AND GOD BLESS
HEYFORD FOREVER
LEE RIGGS

Wednesday 01/12/2011 3:25:49pm

Name: Manny Flores

E-Mail: ledsled2u@yahoo.com

City/Country: Los Angeles/USA

Your Entry: SrA-Sgt 520 AGS/79th AMU April 1988-April 1991. Residence: Brackley, Northamptonshire. What a great experience and a great country!

Tuesday 01/11/2011 5:49:25am

Name: Karen Barnes

E-Mail: cookiecrumble2000@yahoo.com

City/Country: England

Your Entry: I am trying to find any information regarding William Hatch who was based at Upper Heyford during 1958 onwards.

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Can anyone help out please?

Friday 01/07/2011 0:21:52am

Name: Lisa Mattson

E-Mail: lisa_r_mattson@att.net

City/Country: Benton Harbor, MI/USA

Your Entry: Looking for a(AF25351572-Class12126)AIB Marshall Johnson from Knoxville, TN who was an Air Police Man at Lackland AFB back in January 1957. I just came across the letter you wrote my mother-in-law some 54 yrs. ago. Her son and I would like to put a face with the letter. You see she died Dec. 1, 2010 and we are now having the job of going through all of her things. And for some reason she kept your letter. Thank you for your time and hope to here from you or someone who know's you. God bless.
Sincerely, Lisa Mattson

Wednesday 01/05/2011 12:36:52am

Name: Ronald C Adams

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Your Entry: From Leon France to Upper Heyford in 1966 Left Upper Heyford England June 1968.
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Wednesday 01/05/2011 11:17:50am

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Your Entry: Hello Everyone! Anyone know how to contact Ned Bandoske, CMSgt, retired?

Tuesday 01/04/2011 6:00:49pm

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Your Entry: 2130th Communications Group
RAF Croughton, UK
Oct 1972- Oct 1974
To all the folks that ever worked Autodin.

Saturday 01/01/2011 10:42:51pm

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Your Entry: This is my 2nd entry. Was at Heyford mid '59 thru Sep '61. Prior to that was stationed at RAF West Drayton, near London (Aug 58 - mid 59) At W Drayton I was in the 3921st RECON TECH SQDN. That operation shut down & i was transfered to Heyford. Anybody ever hear of the 3921st? or West Drayton for that matter? (Ron McGregor, you out there?) At Heyford i was in HQ, 3918th CSG, 3918th CAMS. My buddy in CAMS, Mike Carmaco, I just learned, died in 2001. I had lost contact with him 20 some years ago. Thanks to this great site, I know of his fate. I've enjoyed reading all of your comments about times at Heyford. When I was there I never dreamed it would be such a life influencing time. The comments that I read from all the posts on this site are almost like being there again. My signature experience there was my motorcycle crash on the road between Lower & Upper Heyford. It happened at evening, may 5th (I think), almost in front of the only house on that part of the road, a small rock/stone house on the right (heading toward UH just after a rather long shallow curve) I lost control & smacked a '56 ford, belonging to a S/Sgt in my sqdn. Hit him dead center. I went flying over his car & landed on the shoulder of the road & rolled head over heels down the shoulder until i stopped in front of the house. I was later told the lady of the house was sitting on the pourch & saw the whole thing. She cared for me until other help arrived. She probably saved my life. I don't remember anything about it, only what others told me. I woke up in Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford a few days later. I didn't have a helmet on yet i survived????? It took my about 9 months to recover. (Most of that time was at "Bird-drop Park, US Military Hospital). To my shame I never returned to the lady that came to my aide to tell her "thank you!" She may not have known it at the time but God chose her to be an angel of love and mercy to me. "thank You Lord & Thank you Lady!" "You gave me all these years to have many wonderful times & this opportunity to right a shameful omission." I continue to reminisce; The Brits. What a people they are! In the US, a song called "The Battle of New Orleans" became wildly popular. If you don't know it - it tells about the battle, in 1812, when the Yanks, under Andrew Jackson, defeated the Best of the attacking British Forces and won the war of 1812 for the US. The outstanding line was something like: "...they (the British army being soundly defeated) ran thru the bushes, they ran thru the trees, they ran so fast that-a-rabbit coundn't catch 'em. The blokes at the pub down the road at Upper Heyford sang it out loud & lustfully night after night with us Yankee blokes during the evening get togethers. I enjoyed the Brits. & their country, still do. I remember going to the US Military cemetery outside of Cambridge. If i remember correctly, 22,000 plus US personnel, mostly airforce lie there. Killed during WWII. They didn't die just for the UK but for all of you/us who enter this site. They are still dieing for us today. If you've never been there, you should go if you

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have the opportunity. It's not a fun place but it's the most American place in the UK. Wow! I just keep going on! Oh yeah! In london, did you know there is a statue of Abraham Lincoln in one of the parks near the thames. In London!! I was in London on New Years Eve two different years. Piccadilly Circus & Trafalgar Square. Oh! I wonder if the "Windmill" is still going? The more I go on the more I remember things. I was homesick for England for months after I returned to the states. But i'm home now and I better get off this trip befor I flip out. Thanks for this site & for all of you who shared your thoughts on it.
(John 3:16 - Check it out!) Michael
