

Heathrow Open - International Club meeting - September 2006

Additional information for participants from outside Great Britain

Bracknell Leisure Centre:

- Venue for the competition
- Two swimming pools open to the public from 11.00 to 17.45 on Saturday and 08.00 to 17.45 on Sunday, including fun sessions with inflatables from 12.00 to 14.00 on both days. Cost: Adult : £2.40 and Child under 16: £ 1.70
- Café open from 09.00 to 20.30 serving drinks, snacks and meals - for example sandwiches and baguettes from ££2.30 - £3.10, jacket potatoes with fillings £2.50, scampi and chips or curry and rice £4.95, salad bowl 80p.

Hotels:

- **Hilton Hotel** – just 0.5 miles away from venue, maximum 15 minute walk along footpath or via local park to venue, about 1.25 miles from Bracknell station but 1mile to Martin’s Heron station, **special rate discussed for Heathrow Open : rooms £60 per night including breakfast - speak to Paul on 0044 (0)1256 316920**. Has restaurant with full menu including pasta and chicken (will accommodate special needs). Also walking distance from Coral Reef and the Lookout (see local attractions below). See:
https://www.hilton.co.uk/Reservation/300_CheckAvailability.jsp?hid=1100180
- **Premier Travel Inn Bracknell** – in town centre, 10 minutes walk to shops and to Bracknell station, about 1.5 miles from the Leisure Centre, rooms £58 per night, ask for rooms on quieter side, breakfast extra (£5.25 continental or £7.50 cooked), good “pub” style restaurant next door (eg. roast chicken dinner £7.50 or lasagne £6.99). See:
<http://www.premiertravelinn.com/pti/pTiibsRedirect.do?INNID=BRAWEA>
- **Premier Travel Inn Camberley** – about 3 miles away from venue, not near the station, opposite a park, rooms £50 per night, again ask for rooms on quieter side, breakfast extra (£5.25 continental, £6.95 cooked), also with a good restaurant next door (eg. chicken breast with vegetables and potatoes£9.25 or salmon linguine £8.75). See:
<http://www.premiertravelinn.com/pti/pTiibsRedirect.do?INNID=CAMRAC>
- **Travelodge Bracknell** about 1.5 miles from Bracknell station, 2 miles from venue See
http://www.travelodge.co.uk/find_a_hotel/hotel/hotel_id/15/Bracknell

Airports:

- **Stansted** – about 1.5 – 2 hours away by car depending on time of day/traffic; or travel by train into London, then across London by tube to Waterloo to get train to Bracknell or Martin’s Heron depending on which Hotel you’re staying at.
- **Heathrow** – about 0.5 hours away by car; or take bus to Feltham station, then train to Bracknell or Martin’s Heron as above.

Mini coach service to and from airports

- **Stansted** – quote for 9-16 people: £268 from Stansted to Bracknell hotel and £278 from Bracknell to Stansted between 06.00 and 24.00, more outside those hours
- **Heathrow** – quote for 9-16 people: £130 from Heathrow to Bracknell hotel and £140 for Bracknell to Heathrow, again for between 06.00 and 24.00, more at other time
- For both see AMK: <http://www.amkxl.com/amk/amkframeset.htm> or tel: 0044(0)1428 751675

Car hire

- **From Stansted** : try <http://www.budget-stansted.com/> , example cost: £77 for 4 seater or £200 for a 6 seater MPV for three days Fri 15th to Mon 18th
- **From Heathrow** : try <http://www.avis.co.uk/car-hire/london.html> or <http://www.carrentals.co.uk/car-hire/heathrow-guide.html> - prices more expensive than Stansted, about £100 for 4 seater for 3 days or £150 - £200 for MPV

Taxi services from and to airports

- **F & D taxis** – tel: 0044 (0)1344 456777 or fax 0044 (0)1344 456321 – talk to Jo – they charge £35 to collect and £35 to return with a 4 seater vehicle to Heathrow, or £50 to collect and £45 to return with a 6 or 7 seater vehicle between the hours of 07.00 and 23.00 – between 23.00 and 07.00 this rises to £45 for the 4 seater. They charge £110 (£150 between 23.00 and 07.00) to collect from Stansted and £100 to return with the 4 seater and £150 with a 6 or 7 seater
- **JJM taxis** – tel: 0044 (0)1344 455355 and speak to Chris or Alex. They charge £28 plus parking (c. £5) to Heathrow with 4 seater vehicle (£40 between 23.00 and 07.00) or £40 for a 6 or 8 seater (£60 between 23.00 and 07.00) each way. For Stansted it is £110 plus parking each way for a 4 seater (£160 between 23.00 and 07.00) or £160 for a 6 or 8 seater each way
- Note: both companies would want paying by cash on arrival in Bracknell – if you give them your flight details they will meet you off the flight in the arrivals hall of the airport – a mobile phone number for them to contact you in case of any problems is very useful

Local Attractions:

- **Coral Reef Waterworld** (swimming pool with flumes) – 0.75 miles from venue along same road, walking distance from Hilton Hotel, 1.5 miles from Bracknell, £6.35 adult entry
- **The Lookout** (country park and science centre – good for walks) – opposite Coral Reef, walking distance from Hilton, free entry to park, science centre adult £5.20, under 16 £3.45
- **Windsor** (quaint old town beside River Thames, with shops) and Windsor Castle (home of the Queen) – about 10 miles
- **Thorpe Park** (a theme park with extreme rides) - about 13 miles, entry for age 12+ is £28.50