

# Bushy Tales

Dedicated to all who attended London Central High School  
at Bushy Park, London England from  
1952 to 1962



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A little reminder to all –if/when you change your email address, please let Pat Terpening (58) Owen [nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net) or me know, if you want to continue to receive the newsletter. Too many times we only find out when you send us an email saying you haven't received the newsletter in few months. Thanks, guys.

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**Classmates Who  
Have Transferred to  
the Eternal Duty  
Station**

## **Memories of Bushy Park**

Robert Harrold (60) maintains a Bushy Park website at [BushyPark.org](http://BushyPark.org) Among the things you can see at this website is a "Guestbook", in which many website visitors have left comments. There are many entries, dating back to April 2007. Here is a direct link: [Bushy Park Guest Book](#)



**From: Ellis Young (59)**

*From the internet:*

"Purton is a large village and civil parish in north Wiltshire, England, about 4 miles (6 km) northwest of the centre of Swindon. The parish includes the village of Purton Stoke and the hamlets of Bentham, Hayes Knoll, Purton Common, Restrop, The Fox and Widham."

*From me:*

In 1954 dad was assigned to Fairford AFB, UK. We rented a house named Packhorse Corners, near Swindon. The property was at one time a Way Station with a hotel as the main structure, along with several attached cabins. The locals were not sure what to make of my sister and me, what with our shiny bicycles and California-style clothes.

We were transported daily to a DOD school, which was a two-story manor house with about 35 students.



*Packhorse Corners 1955*

In 1955, in order for me to attend Bushy, my dad was transferred to West Dayton. We rented a house near Staines/Laleham overlooking the Thames River.

Contract school buses (#102) provided transport to and from Bushy Park near Kingston.

I'm age 85 now. Amazing.

Life was about to change. Some say for the better.

Ellis Edward Young (59)

Facebook "Life's Experiences" group

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**From: Harlan Frymire (60)**

I had a good friend while at Bushy. Well, probably more than one. This one was Alan (last name unrecalled). His dad worked for one of the tire companies, and I think he came to Bushy from Ohio. We fooled around together on weekends and became pretty good friends. Later, my dad was transferred to Brussels and, lo and behold, Alan's father got a transfer to Brussels. Alan and I were both in college but came "home" for the summer in Brussels. Again, he and I hooked up. We drank the Belgian beer, played tennis together, and probably made fools of ourselves. I think Alan was a student at Ohio State, and I was studying (and drinking beer) at Kansas University. I'd love to get hooked up with Alan again if you can make that happen. I think Alan was also class of '60 at BP.

Thanks, Harlan Frymire, Bushy '60.

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Try Alan Meyers (various spellings on both names!) from Dayton, Ohio. Thanks

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Hello, Harlan,

Good to hear from you again. Thank you for your great email about your friend Alan and your time in Brussels. Don't worry about memory issues. I have them too. I was told after a three-hour memory test - average for age!

I don't know how comfortable you are on a computer. You can go to the Bushy Park website at <http://bushypark.org/>

There, you can click on a class you want to explore. You will then see a list of all the people who were part of that graduating class (any time during their stay at Bushy Park). If you find a name that you want to look at further, click on the name for the yearbook year you want to view. Not everyone who attended Bushy Park made it into the yearbook. It depended on when they were there. Because the yearbooks were published in the USA, the lead time was huge.

You can, for any class, scroll to the very bottom of the list of names. There you will see an image of the cover of that class's yearbook. Click on it, and you can scroll through the yearbook page by page, looking for whomever you are seeking by name or image.

I hope this is helpful for you. I am happy to answer any questions you may have about this.

Kind regards,  
Bill R

P.S. This is Alan Meyer (60)



## Letters to the Editor



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