

Asian Breeze (1)

(Christmas Special Edition)

December 18, 2008

Merry Christmas to you all !!

We hope you all are enjoying this Christmas holiday season. As part of 'Asian Tea Gathering', we have decided to circulate a newsletter called 'Asian Breeze' among schedule coordination offices in Asian Region to get to know each other much better.

Since this is the first trial of circulation, there must be a lot to be improved. Please let us know if you have any comments or suggestions. Please use the 'asianbreeze@schedule-coordination.jp'. In addition, if you support the idea of Asian Breeze circulation, please send us hot news or topics of your office, new airport developments or whatever. We are willing to volunteer to edit and deliver to you every two months.



Farewell to Eiichi Ohara

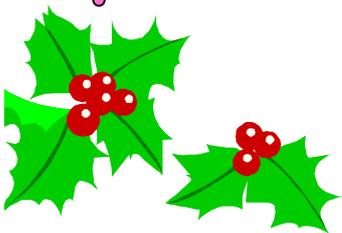
He spent more than ten years in NRT/KIX schedule coordination office. He is now leaving our office for a new position at the end of this month. He left many remarkable achievements in schedule coordination procedures as a core member of WWACG. 'Asian Tea Gathering' is one of his achievements. Although we miss him, we will see him off with a smile for his journey to a new horizon.



Leaving our office, his message to all the coordinators in Asian regions is as follows. "Perhaps the most rewarding experience of attending international conferences is the warm friendships one is able to make and build. I will always remember and cherish many pleasant moments I had and the supports I received. My dear friends, I wish you happiness."

Self Introduction of our staff members

There are 6 staff members in the office, a head coordinator, two assigned for Narita, two for Kansai, and one supervisor. Two staff members are on loan from JAL, two are on loan from ANA, and one is on loan from NCA.





Hiroki Takeda (Far left for chief):
Born in 1952. Spent some 30 years in JCAB, I was suddenly appointed as a head coordinator in August. As part of learning process, I am now struggling with IATA WSG. My hobby is golf and swimming.

Akihiko Shirai (Second from left for Narita):
I joined 4 years ago. I have experienced 14 years of Airline Business; Passenger Service, Passenger Sales, Property Management, and Company Budget & Corporate Strategy.

Nahoko Shingu (Third from left for Narita):
I joined this office in April 2007 after 15 months of maternal leave from my original company. I am spending harder time (?) on weekends than weekdays at office to tackle with two little rascals, but it gives me good exercise to keep in fit.

Keiko Ozawa (Third from right for Kansai):
Wishing you a season filled with happiness and good cheer. Happy Holidays!
I'm back to the SC community after 10 years' absence. Glad to have opportunities to work with you again.

Shunsuke Yamada (Second from right for Kansai):
Born in 1974. I have been a coordinator from January 1st, 2008. I take charge of KIX coordination. One of my hobbies is watching American-football games on weekends.



Jun Yokokura (Far right for supervisor):
My career in this office reached five years last October. I have a great time playing with my lively daughter, who was born just after Osaka Conference in 2005. I am looking forward to an addition to my family next spring.

Introduction of our computer system

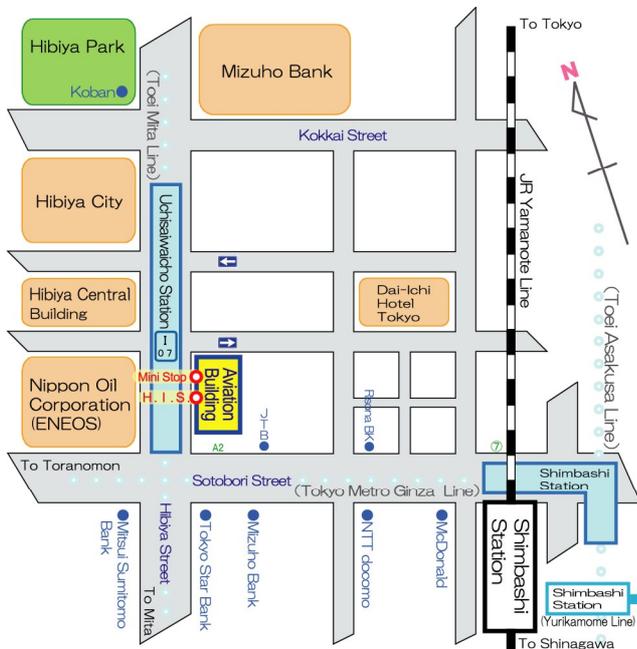
The computer system we are using for schedule coordination is called J-Clair system developed by JAL. The Narita International Airport has very strict constraints because of environmental protection. The unique aspect is that the daily limit of operations for A-runway and B-runway is set up respectively. In addition, ATC slot limit for 30 minutes is also set up for A-runway and B-runway respectively and A+B runways combined.

These unique constraints are embedded in our J-Clair system. J-Clair system is running on the Windows XP (OS) with a processor of Intel® Core 2 Duo (2.2GHz).



Facing the capacity increase at Narita Airport in March 2010 and introduction of international scheduled flights at Haneda Airport in October 2010, we are now considering how we should deal with these expansions. There are two options. One is to modify the current J-Clair system. The other is to introduce new software from third parties. We are in the middle of selecting from two options.

Location Map of our office



Our office is located in the center of business district closed to Ginza. We are on 4th floor of Aviation Building, 1-18-1 Shimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo. When you are in Tokyo, please stop by at our office. The location is shown in the left hand map.



From Santa Clause (Chief Editor)



Ho-Ho-Ho! Be careful, too much work and no play will ruin you! Relax and enjoy the year end and a new year. We hope you all will have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Santa Clause is baton-passing to Buddha saying that the next edition of 'Asian Breeze' would come from Hong Kong Schedule Coordination Office (HKSCO) featuring a New Year's celebration in Hong Kong around February 2009.