

CANADIAN AIRBORNE REGIMENT REUNION 2008 EDMONTON, ALBERTA



"AIRBORNE FORTY YEARS LATER"

The Airborne Social Club of Edmonton will be hosting the 40th anniversary reunion (Western) of the Canadian Airborne Regiment during the period 19-21 June 2008. The theme of the reunion will be:

The Regiment has always enjoyed a special relationship with the city of Edmonton therefore, it would be befitting to once again relive and highlight those early years and at the same time honouring the full four decades that has passed since the formation of one of Canada's finest Regiments.

Since the Regiment was removed from the order of battle under sensitive circumstances in 1995, it is incumbent on all of us to stay focused on the positive contributions that the Regiment made during its active years, especially, while it was garrisoned in Edmonton from 1968 to 1977. It was here that the Regiment was the proud recipient of its first Freedom of the City honours in 1976.

The members of the Airborne Social Club are hard at work to make this event an unforgettable venue. As the theme indicates the emphasis will be to celebrate the 40 years that have passed since the formation of the Regiment. Most, if not all of the "originals" have passed or knocking on the doors of sixty years of life in the fast lane; so come on out and enjoy the camaraderie of the AIRBORNE FAMILY.

It is acknowledged the Canadian Airborne Regiment Association (ARAC) is also planning a reunion most likely in the Petawawa area around the same time. Having a reunion in two locations will only enhance the celebration in that those who wish to take in both may do so. Those who cannot travel the great distances from the East to West may attend in their half of the country. Dates have been coordinated with ARAC to eliminate any conflict of dates.

Early details of the program are as follows:

19 June 2008

Pre-registration and happy hour

20 June 2008

Registration

Sky Hawk demonstration

Meet and Greet

BBQ

Evening entertainment and dance

21 June 2008

Mass Para Drop

Formal Parade

Dinner

Entertainment and Dance

The Airborne Social Club (Edmonton) is looking forward to hosting all past members of the Regiment, members who were in support roles; current members of the regular force parachute companies; past and current members of the Canadian Parachute Centre; CFPMD; aircrews who provided airlift during the past forty years; all members of 1 Can Para Bn Association; allied paratroopers; troopers from the old Para companies; instructors from CJATC and ALL QUALIFIED PARACHUTISTS, WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAVE SERVED IN A PARA ROLE.

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