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Members of the Crew

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2010 USS CANBERRA

Reunion Information

Florence, KY

13-16 October 2010

Time is running out to sign up for our 2010 Reunion. The cutoff for all reservations is **Thursday, September 14th**. *The Hotel Contract and our Contract with Armed Forces Reunions both state that reservations must be in their hands by Thursday, September 14th to be able to "guarantee" your spot.*

After that date, hotel and tour reservations will only be accepted on a space available basis and hotel rates cannot be guaranteed. As in the past, tour reservations may be limited to a first come first served basis. Please remember, we have a very liberal cancellation policy. So reserve early and cancel out at a later date if you find you cannot make the reunion.

Commemorative Hats & Mugs

This year's ball hats and coffee mugs are in the process of being manufactured. They will both be sent directly to the hotel in Florence. A free coffee mug will be given for each registration. **Sorry, only one cup per registration!**

As in past years, ball caps will be given to those shipmates that purchase tickets for the Raffle Table at the reunion. Additional hats and mugs will be available for sale at and following the reunion. This years ball caps will again come in Navy Blue, Scarlet and Summer White. If you do not plan to be at this years reunion, you can contact me to reserve your cap and mug for delivery after the reunion. They will ship sometime from late October to early November. The price of hats will be at \$17 each including postage, the price of mugs will also be \$17 each including postage, if ordered separately. Mugs are in full color. The cost of one cup and one hat, including Priority Mail postage is \$32.00 if ordered at the same time. Write, e-mail or phone Ken for multiple order prices.

USS Canberra Wearables

Ship's Silhouette Hats

We have Ship's Silhouette Hats in stock. The cost for each hat will be \$17.00 per cap including priority mail postage. The hats are available in Navy Blue and Summer White in the CA-70 version.

The CAG-2 version hats are available in Navy Blue, Summer White or Scarlet. If you are interested in purchasing one or more of these hats you can contact Ken via mail, e-mail or telephone.

USS Canberra Jackets

USS Canberra jacket orders are now being accepted. We are only offering the CAG-2 version. The price of a jacket is \$100 including shipping, your first name can be embroidered on the left breast for an additional \$5. The Jackets are only available in Blue.

USS Canberra Golf Shirts

We now have a limited number of golf shirts in Red, White or Blue. They are \$28 including shipping. You can order either the Jacket or Golf Shirts by contacting: Ron Nullet at P.O. Box 614; Centereach, NY 11720-0614.

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Found Shipmates

Following are more names of
USS Canberra Shipmates
that have been found since the
2006 Directory was published.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div.</u>	<u>Years</u>
Bidwell, Barry L.	CAG-2	FM	66-69
Findley, Claude R.	CAG-2	N	56-58
Glass, Reid	CAG-2		58-60
Grundtisch, Gary	CAG-2		64-66
Jones, Herschel	CAG-2	M	64-65
Marcoux, Don	CAG-2	1st	
Moorehouse, George	CAG-2	OL	64-67
Nichols, Robert A.	CAG-2	OI	65-68
Reimer, Henry E.	CAG-2	FM	61-66
Samuelson, Edward S.	CAG-2	2nd	67-69
Sheldon, Laurence F.	CAG-2	F	57-60
Simmons, Paul D.	CAG-2	B	58-59

Agent Orange

The USS Canberra has been listed as exposed to Agent Orange in Mar/Apr 66, Dec 66 and Jan 67. Please visit the below website for more Information.

<http://vnvets.blogspot.com/2009/05/hr-2254-agent-orange-equity-act-of-2009.html>

The Supreme Commander

Following are names of **USS Canberra Shipmates**
that have met the Supreme Commander.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div.</u>	<u>Aboard</u>	<u>Died</u>
Phillips, Frederick D.	CA-70		43-46	1969
Conboy, Thomas J.	CA-70	M	43-45	1993
Jones, Cooledge	CAG-2	S	64-65	1995
Longenecker, Dale G.	CAG-2			2003
Brance, Phillip S.	CAG-2	OI	64-66	2007
Joshnick, Arnold R.	CAG-2			2009
Andersen, Arnold R.	CA-70	S	43-46	2010
Arias, Michael	CAG-2	N	66-68	2010
Arnold, Irving G.	CAG-2	R	56-58	2010
Coats, Branch P.	CA-70	H	43-44	2010
Cooper, Robert R.	CAG-2	9th	64-66	2010
Ervin, Donald E.	CAG-2			2010
Fawcett, Arthur	CA-70		43-46	2010
Houde, Robert K.	CA-70		43-45	2010
Lamb, Ralph J.	CA-70	L	44-45	2010
Macri, Theodore	CAG-2	Ops	59-60	2010
Mueller, James D.	CAG-2	E	65-68	2010
Murphy, Edward K.	CA-70	L/E	43-46	2010
Pratt, William V.	CAG-2			2010
Rowland, James C.	CAG-2	Eng		2010
Scheffler, Raymond R., Jr.	CAG-2	VN era		2010
Shovlin, John F., III	CA-70	E	46-46	2010
Tumlin, Thomas M.	CAG-2			2010

USS Canberra Relics Aboard the HMAS Canberra II

I have been asked by some of our shipmates if the Wardroom Bar that was made from USS Canberra decking had been sunk with the ex-HMAS Canberra (FFG-02). I contacted two of our honorary members (Mackenzie Gregory and Lee Webster) in Australia. I received answers about the bar from both. Mr. Gregory informed me that the bar was removed before the ex-HMAS Canberra was sunk. The following is the e-mail from Mr. Lee Webster with his answer.

Hi Ken,
How goes it?

I know the HMAS Canberra 2 had several relics from the USS Canberra including the Wardroom Bar. The historical relics on Australian Warships are on a special register and are accounted on a regular basis, in addition they are sent to Spectacle Island in Sydney Harbour for safe keeping and will be assigned to HMAS Canberra 3 which is currently being built in Spain and fitted out in Australia to be commissioned in 2013.

http://www.afloat.com.au/afloat-magazine/2009/june-2009/Spectacle_Island

Yours Aye,
Lee Webster
CPOCSM
RANR

For Reunion First Timers

It won't take you long to figure out that the place to be at the reunion is the USS Canberra Hospitality Room. It will be located in Salon III, IV, and V. The daily dress code is casual. October is usually a beautiful month in the Florence area with warm days and cool evenings.

At the Friday evening buffet the dress is also casual. It is casual as well for all of our tours.

At the Saturday evening banquet, the men usually wear a suit or sports coat with tie. Some of our tours require some walking, so bring a good pair of walking shoes.

Here McGurt by Delee

He must have weighed four hundred pounds,
and stood near six foot five.

He looked to all who saw him there
like he might leave no one alive.

His cloths were mostly black horsehide;
his boots came to a point.

His hair was strings of matted mess,
and he smoked a stinking "joint."

He was mounted on a Harley Hog,
(without a sissy bar).

The power of it shook the walls,
and blew away a car.

He'd come to town from God knows where,
and we wondered what he craved,
when he roared into the "No Park" zone
at our town's SPCA.

He spun the hog into a stop,
then dropped the kick-down stand,
and hauled his ass down off the seat
while he surveyed the land.

He lurched his bulk into the room,
and scared the little blonde
who runs the dog pound for the town
of which she is so fond.

She thought of all the bad-assed dogs
that harbored there in stir;
The Dobbie, Rott or Pit, perhaps,
that this dude might prefer.

And then he spoke so all could hear,
(and wrung our hearts with pity),
"My life's become so lonely, ma'am,
please, may I have a kitty?"

USS Canberra 2010 Reunion Site

**HILTON CINCINNATI AIRPORT
FLORENCE, KY
(859) 371-4400**

The Hilton Cincinnati Airport Hotel is located at 7373
Turfway Road, Florence, KY 41042-1356

Directions To The Hotel

The Hilton Cincinnati Airport Hotel is located at I-75 &
Turfway Road at Exit #182 in Florence, Kentucky.

Going South on Interstate 75 from Cincinnati, take Exit
#182, turn right at the light on Houston Road, turn right at
the light on Turfway Road, turn right at the light on
Steeplechase.

Traveling North on I-75 towards Cincinnati, take Exit
#182, turn left at the light on Turfway Road, turn left at
the next light on Steeplechase.

Airport Transportation

The hotel provides complimentary shuttle service to and
from the Airport. The shuttle service runs every 30
minutes, but the hotel recommends you call them upon
retrieving your luggage in baggage claim. They will let the
shuttle operator know of your arrival and pick you up as
soon as possible.

RV Information

The Hilton Cincinnati Airport Hotel has complimentary
RV parking for registered guests. For full RV hookup
service, call Oak Creek RV Campground at (859) 485-
9131 for more information and reservations. They are
located at 13329 Oak Creek Road, Walron, KY,
approximately 13 miles from the hotel.

Rental Wheelchairs

Should you need to rent a wheelchair for the reunion,
ScootAround rents both manual and power wheel chairs
by the day and week. Please call their toll free number at
(888) 441-7575 for details.