



The 2018 Air Despatch AGM, Reunion, Evening Social and the Annual Arnhem Memorial Service at Down Ampney



'Primus Inter Pares'.

The 2018 AGM, Reunion and evening social event for all Air Despatchers and their guests will be held at 47 Air Despatch Squadron RLC over the period of the 8 – 9 September 2018. The weekend will also include the annual Arnhem Memorial service in Down Ampney. A quick breakdown of the weekend is as follows:

Saturday 8th September 2018:

All attendees meet at the main gate to RAF Brize Norton at 1400 hrs (please ensure you have a form of photo ID, this is essential for entry onto RAF Brize Norton). All personnel are fill in the car details on the attached proforma, please remember **NO ID NO ENTRY**. For those arriving by taxi, there will be a minibus shuttle to Sqn Lines.

The AGM itself will commence at 1500 hrs in Dakota Lines, the home of 47 AD Sqn RLC and will include briefs and presentations by the Sqn on current and future capabilities. Once the formal AGM has finished the Sqn Crew Bar will remain open for the rest of the day/evening. A Buffet dinner will be provided at a small cost. Dakota Lines will remain open until 2300.

A list of local Hotels and B&Bs. The ADA will provide a minibus shuttle to local area. Local taxi numbers are also provided for those who require them.

Sunday 9th September 2018:

The Arnhem Memorial Service will take place at All Saints Church, Down Ampney (the Air Despatch Church) and at the Down Ampney Airfield memorial. All Members are welcome to attend the service to pay their respects to the brave men of the RASC AD column who made the ultimate sacrifice in the events of September 1944 and forged the Air Despatch '*Esprit de Corps*' we all have come to work and live by.

All those who wish to attend the service are requested to be at the church for 1030 for an 1100 service.

This year the ADA and Maj Gen Martin White will be unveiling the Air Despatch 'Operation Market Garden' Memorial Slate after the service in the Church's Memorial Garden. The service should end no later than 1300.

Attendance

If you would like to attend, please fill out the proforma overleaf with the names of all those attending and return it to .

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Please **DO NOT** send your annual membership or Open Door subscription with this form.

MEMBERS DETAILS

Name: _____

Address: _____

Post code: _____ **Telephone** _____

Email: _____

If guests are planning to travel directly to RAF Brize Norton by car please include the following: (You must be at the control of entry by 1400 hrs on Sat 8th September 2017 to meet the escort).

Car Registration _____

Car Make and Model _____

Car Colour _____

I will require **disabled facilities** Y/N I have the following **dietary needs** _____

Names of all additional of guests _____

Attendance at the Down Ampney Memorial Service I will be attending the memorial service Y/N With the following personnel/guests



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Additional Info

Local Taxis

Angelas Taxis
01993 771122

Hunts
01993 705136

DAMO's Taxis
01993 703322

Bampton Cars
01993 851900

Abacus Taxis
01993 709188

Tammis Taxis
01993 776976

Local Bed and Breakfasts

Cotland House B&B
Fullbrook
Burford
01993 822382

Burford House hotel
99 High St
Burford
01993 823151

The Jays B&B
Brize Norton
Carterton
01993 844222

Carpenters B&B
Brize Norton
Carterton
01993 844222

A40 Travelodge
Burry Barn
Burford
0871 9846018

The Lamb Inn
Sheep St
Burford
0993 823155

The Royal Oak
26 Witney St
Burford
01993 823151

Four Pillars
4 Ducklington Lane
Witney
01993 779777