

**Registration Form - For one (1) Delegate only - (Biennial) General Meeting of the RCAF Association - Courtyard by Marriott, Hamilton, Ontario - 16-18 October 2020**

**Early-bird Registration - If you register before 01 August 2020 you could be eligible for the "Early-bird" Prize (Free\* Registration) - Help Support the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum**

**Delegate<sup>1</sup> Status (please select only one)**

Accredited  Fraternal  Member-at-Large

Members uncertain of their delegate status please consult with your Group, or call the RCAF Association Executive Director at 1-866-351-2322 ext. 221

**Attendee Information - one form for each member**

Wing <sup>4</sup> #	Membership No.
Name	
Address 1	
Address 2	
City	
Prov/State	
Postal/Zip Code	
Country	Phone
E-mail	

**Emergency Contact and Special Needs Information**

Contact Name	
Contact Phone No.	

Special Needs: (Dietary, Medical, Handicap Parking, Travel, Other)  
My meal choice for the Awards Banquet is: (Please select one)

Herb Roasted Pork Tenderloin, Green Peppercorn Sauce  
 Atlantic Salmon Fillet with a Lemon Dill Sauce

**Travel (Flying) Itinerary (Arrival in Hamilton|Toronto)**

Airline	Flight No.
Date and Time of Arrival	

**Travel (Flying) Itinerary (Departure from Hamilton|Toronto)**

Airline	Flight No.
Date and Time of Departure	

**Accommodation Information**

 Courtyard by Marriott Hamilton, 1224 Upper James Street, Hamilton, ON, L9C 3B1, \$159 per night, quote "Member RCAF Association" when reserving - call 1-800-960-2608. Reservations must be received on or before 15 September 2020 ("Cutoff Date"). NEC board members are responsible for contacting the hotel directly should their personal itinerary change.

**Events<sup>2</sup> and Registration Fees<sup>3</sup> (Check all that apply)**

**NEC Members Only**

**Friday - 16 October 2020**

National Executive Council - Meeting - Dundurn Room 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM

**Formal Events Begin - All Delegates and Guests Welcome**

Presidents' Reception - Lancaster (B) - 7:00 to 9:30 PM Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, desserts and chef-attended stations, cash bar, Unique Awards Alumni Photos - Bring your pins!	\$35
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**Hospitality Suite - 447 Wing**

**Saturday - 17 October 2020 - Delegate Programme Only**

Opening Ceremony (8:30 to 8:45), Business Session1 (8:30 to 12:30) and Business Session 2 (1:30 to 5:00) - Coffee Breaks	\$10
Aviator's Lunch - Lancaster Ballroom - 12:30 to 1:30 PM	\$35

**Saturday - 17 October 2020 - Spousal Programme Only**

Puddicombe Winery Estate, Transportation, Admission Costs and Lunch	\$50
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**Saturday - 17 October 2020 - Awards Banquet - CWHM**

Awards Banquet - 6:45 to 9:30 PM, 4-course, table-served, cash bar (gratuity and taxes included)	\$85
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**Hospitality Suite - 447 Wing**

**Sunday - 18 October 2020 - Optional Program, Remembrance Ceremony, Visit to 447 Wing, Unique Awards Luncheon**

Remembrance Ceremony 10:00 am, St. Paul's Anglican Church, 2869 Upper St. James St., Glanbrook, ON, L0R 1W0	
Unique Awards Luncheon, Courtyard by Marriott, 12:30-2:00 PM	\$35
Visit to 447 Wing and Wind-down Party 4:00 to 8:00 pm	\$25

Choose one or the other, not both	Sub-total \$225 for accredited delegate	\$225+HST
	Sub-total \$240 for Spousal/Fraternal delegate	\$240+HST

Please accept this donation and provide me with a tax receipt for my donation in support of the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, Hamilton, Ontario - Home of the Mynarski Lancaster	\$
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Total (Pay by cheque, M.O. or Credit Card) including HST, etc...\$254.25 for accredited delegates or \$271.20 for spousal delegates plus donation if applicable	\$
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**Payment Information (Cheque, M.O., or Credit Card)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Visa	<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	<input type="checkbox"/> American Express
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Enter Credit Card No. Above and Expiry Date and CSC Code Below

Expiry Date	/	CSC Code
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Coupon code: \*Guest web/Travel Agent web N67PW61  
Promo code: \*Travel Agent GDS only WCG16



Hop aboard our Agricultural train "Little Pudd" and enjoy a guided tour while dining on the move. Each guest will receive a three (3)-course meal, with each course paired with a different wine/cider while traveling through the scenic orchard and vineyard of the estates 100 acres. To finish receive a fourth food-and-wine pairing of decadent dessert wine and fudge, followed by tea and coffee in our Café. Duration 2.5 hours



"Under Our Wings" Awards Gala, Saturday 17 October 2020 at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. Come join us as we celebrate our Association's finest members, while commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Snowbirds' Airshow Seasons

## You are cordially invited to the Biennial General Meeting of the RCAF Association 16 to 18 October 2020

Dear Fellow Member,

Like all non-profit associations, fraternities and social community-focused organizations, the RCAF Association looks forward to our general meeting every time it comes 'round. We do so because we look forward to seeing you, our members. We write to you today, to seek your active participation in shaping your association, as we move toward the 100th anniversary of the creation of Canada's air force, in 2024. The RCAF has already begun preparing for this exciting anniversary, and the RCAF Association is part of the Commander RCAF's team. The first major event is the RCAF Ball 2020 which will have taken place on 28 March 2020 in Ottawa. Watch for another Gala Ball in 2022 and in 2024.

Participating in the affairs of your association is not difficult, nor does it require much of your time. Rather, all we ask is for you to be aware of what other members are thinking about and for you to weigh in with your ideas, where you feel the need. We took steps recently to emphasize we do not seek to burden the few with all the chores, but instead we are a team, at the Wing, Group and national levels. It is together we prove to be smarter than one, and together we have much more energy than one. Those steps include a preference for leadership terms other than "President" although anyone preferring to continue using the term is certainly welcome to do so. But, we prefer Chairperson because it is more aligned with another step we took, emphasizing board dynamics, and how the chairperson and other members of the executive councils are supposed to be elected. Over many years our electoral processes have evolved to become ineffective practices that contribute to our problems, rather than helping to put leaders in the right places, to take our association forward.

We are a diverse organization - not all of us have served in the air force, for example. Some of our members devote themselves toward important community-supporting activities. Others also give of themselves to help local cadet squadrons, devoting countless hours, days, weeks, months and years to young Canadians who one day may pursue an aerospace career - civilian or military - for the betterment of Canada. And, still others contribute a great deal to our efforts to advocate in support of their country's air force. Such are the components of our broad set of stakeholders, and our mission which happens to be depicted in the Business Ecosystem and Stakeholder Map recently distributed to help members understand everything that we do.

Our General Meeting this year takes place in Hamilton, Ontario. Events will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott and the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. In past years we have held these general meetings nearby to some of Canada's best military museums. Consequently, a fundraising effort has

been undertaken in conjunction with the visit, to help provide a donation to the CWH museum, during the meeting.

On Saturday evening, 17 October 2020, we will hold our annual Awards Banquet, and present a number of awards to association members present, wings and organizations. No presentations will be made to non-awardees in lieu of the awardees themselves. The weekend's activities open in a formal way, with the Presidents' Reception on Friday night.

When considering the decision to join us in Hamilton, please keep in mind this is an election year; like any organization of this type we need a constant stream of members willing to step up and help lead the RCAF Association into tomorrow's opportunities and challenges. Members of the RCAF Association may nominate and elect any other member who agrees to the nomination; any member of the RCAF Association may step forward on their own, in the absence of a nomination. We have room for nine elected board members, and an additional three appointees. Please give every consideration to volunteering your services and leadership, to help sustain us in the years ahead.

Currently, the Board of Directors comprises nine elected directors (including six nominated at the Group/Regional Level) plus up to three appointed directors (including the Honorary National President and the Executive Director). Four of the elected directors are completing a second consecutive term in office; therefore, they will be stepping down in October and their names cannot be on the ballot again. We, therefore, require nine nominations forthwith, and four must be new-to-the-NEC. Strength comes from diversity - and diversity simply means new volunteers, new people. Our work is important, and there is much to do. Please give every consideration to helping us lead our great organization.

Stephen MacDonnell, P.Eng, National President and  
Chairman of the National Executive Council



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### Notes:

1. Only Regular members-in-good-standing qualify as delegates. Wing Presidents, certain Group executive members, members of the National Executive Council (Board of Directors) and past presidents constitute Accredited Delegates. All other Regular members-in-good-standing, unless acting as proxy, constitute Fraternal delegates. Members-at-Large are Regular members. Only Regular members may vote at the National General Meeting. Regular members affiliated with a Wing are expected to vote on General Meeting issues at a meeting of their Wing, before sending their delegate to vote on their behalf at the meeting of the Association. Regular members-at-large who are affiliated with the headquarters may cast a vote at the general meeting and their vote will be carried by their proxy (Vice-President MAL Policy or the National President, or the MAL proxy designated, as the case may be).

2. Members and delegates are not obligated to attend all events. The Presidents' Reception is optional. The banquet is optional. Anyone, especially Accredited delegates, wishing to attend the Business Session is/are required to pay the participation fee, which may cover breakfast or coffee breaks (see registration form), mid-morning coffee break, lunch and mid-afternoon coffee break, venue (meeting space) rental, audio-video costs and other administrative costs are shared across the membership.

3. Registration fees must be paid in advance. Payment will not be accepted at the door. All costs per person. One delegate per form; registrants must use separate registration forms. If you require an additional form, you may photocopy it locally, or print another form, by visiting:

<http://rcafassociation.ca/hamilton2020>

4. Wings unable to send a delegate are encouraged to employ a proxy form (see website), and have their Regional Vice-president and/or Group President carry their proxy to the meeting, on behalf of their Wing members. Please note that the RCAF Association is a non-profit organization built on a direct-democracy foundation, meaning every member-in-good-standing has a vote. Wing Presidents are elected to ensure when they speak they speak with every one of their Wing members' votes in mind. To this end, it is critical that Wing Presidents sound out all of their (RCAF Association) members on all of the issues for which information has been posted on the General Meeting webpage (see URL above).

