



# USS Canberra

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CA-70 / CAG-2

## Members of the Crew



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### \*\*\*PLEASE READ FIRST\*\*\*

#### 2016 USS CANBERRA Reunion Information Portland, Maine 12-16 October 2016

Time is running out to sign up for our 2016 Reunion. The cutoff for all reservations is Monday, Sept. 12th.

***The Hotel Contract and our Contract with Armed Forces Reunions both state that reservations must be in their hands by Monday, September 12th 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.

### 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, located in the hotel's Evergreen Ballroom. Early October is usually a beautiful time in the

Portland area with temperatures averaging about 60 during the day and the near 40 at night. You may want to bring along a light/medium jacket.

The daily dress code is casual. It is also casual for all of our tours. Some of our tours require some walking, so bring a good pair of walking shoes.

Saturday night is our more formal banquet dinner. A suit, sport coat and tie or simply a nice shirt and pants is fine. The ladies know what is right for them, let's face it, they always look good anyway, it's the guys who need to be told what to wear, so listen to your lady.

### Commemorative Hats & Mugs

This year's ball hats and coffee mugs are in the process of being manufactured. They will both be delivered to the hotel in Portland.

A free coffee mug will be given for each registration. Sorry, only one free 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. This years ball caps will again come in Navy Blue, Scarlet and Summer White.

Additional hats and mugs will be available for sale at and following the reunion.

If you do not plan to be at this years reunion, you can contact Ken 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 \$18 each including postage, the price of mugs will also be \$18 each including postage, if ordered separately.

**The cost of one cup and one hat, including Priority Mail postage is \$30.00 if ordered at the same time.**

**Write, e-mail or phone Ken for multiple order prices.**

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### \*\*\*Reunion Registration Forms\*\*\*

If you need a replacement Reunion Registration Form, contact Ken or Ron. Those with computers can register on-line at: [www.afr-reg.com/canberra2016](http://www.afr-reg.com/canberra2016)

### HMAS Canberra and RIMPAC 2016

This year's Exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2016 included forces from Australia, Brazil, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Denmark, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the People's Republic of China, Peru, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Tonga, the United Kingdom and the United States.



ABOVE

A CH-53E helicopter landing on HMAS Canberra at 'RIMPAC' 2016.



ABOVE

Marine Corps MV-22B Osprey aircraft lands on board HMAS Canberra off the north east coast of Hawaii during Exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2016.

## USS Canberra 2016 Reunion Site

BEST WESTERN Merry Manor Inn  
700 Main Street,  
South Portland, Maine, 04106-5402  
207-774-6151

### Directions To The Hotel

#### From: Interstate 95.

Take Exit 45 (South Portland) from either north or southbound lanes. Drive to US Route 1 to Main Street, South Portland. The Best Western Merry Manor is just ahead.

#### From: Interstate 295.

Take Exit 2 and follow signs to Main Street, South Portland. The Best Western Merry Manor is just ahead.

### Parking and Shuttle Information

There is plenty of free parking in the newly paved parking lot.

RV's can park at the hotel, but it does not provide any electrical or sewer hookups.

There is free transportation to and from the Portland International Jetport using taxi's. The hotel will reimburse guests on the way in and prepay for taxi's for the trips back to the Jetport.

### Rental Wheelchairs

ScootAround rents both manual and power wheelchairs by the day and week. Please call 888-441-7575 or visit [www.scootaround.com](http://www.scootaround.com) for more information or to make reservations.

### On-Line USS Canberra Museum

Check out the new on-line USS Canberra Museum at [usscanberramuseum.org](http://usscanberramuseum.org).

It pertains to both the CA-70 and CAG-2.

You can contribute by taking a photo of an item or scanning a document and sending it by email.

Please include a brief description including the person's name, date (if known) and current location of the item.

The email is [gordon@usscanberramuseum.org](mailto:gordon@usscanberramuseum.org).

You can also access it by going to our website at: [www.usscanberra.com](http://www.usscanberra.com) and clicking on the link at the bottom of the main page.

## 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>Departed</u>
Robinson, Robert B.	G-2/70	Weap.	67-69	2010
Trower, Ross H.	CAG-2	X	56-58	2014
Buxton, Lewis D.	CA-70	4th	43-46	2016
Clark, Thomas R.	CAG-2	9th		2016
Clay, Calvin S.	CA-70		45-46	2016
Collins, James A.	CAG-2	OI	63-65	2016
Hugyez, Robert J.	CAG-2			2016
Lite, John C.	CAG-2	B	65-67	2016
McClimans, David	CAG-2	H	59-61	2016
Osifchok, Joseph	CA-70	1 <sup>st</sup>	43-46	2016
Price, Thomas D., Jr.	CAG-2			2016
Spadaro, Salvatore J.	CA-70	L	43-46	2016
Taff, Clarence, Jr.	CAG-2			2016

## Found Shipmates

Following are names of **USS Canberra Shipmates** that have been found since the Spring 2016 Newsletter was published.

If you want to contact them, let Ken know.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>
Dimit, Gerald K.	CAG-2	OE	63-65
East, James E	CAG-2	OE	62-64
Greenley, Alan W.	CAG-2	OE	64-65
Muller, Weldon C.	G-2/70	E	67-70

## USS Canberra Wearables Jackets, Shirts, etc

We still have CAG-2 jackets, chambray shirts and golf shirts available. The golf shirts and jackets are only available in blue. CAG-2/CA-70 shirts are available for shipmates who were aboard during the last few years of the Canberra's commissioning.

**Jackets are \$100      Golf Shirts are \$33**

**Chambray Shirts are \$38**

All of the prices include shipping. If you are interested in these items, contact Ron Nullet at PO Box 614;

Centereach, NY 11720-0614 or

ronsteam@optonline.net

or phone 631-736-3444.

**Jacket**



## Ship's Silhouette Hats

We have Ship's Silhouette Hats in stock.

The cost for each hat will be \$18.00 per cap including priority mail postage.

The hat is only available in Navy Blue 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.

**Hats**

