

The 2018 Intruder Reunion Planning Committee would like to offer this last update for the reunion next week in several areas provided below in no particular order. Please share with your spouses.

- **Memorabilia for the banquet:** We are not sure this info is getting out so please share with others as well as spouses. As all of you are well aware, the Intruder has played an important part in the history of Naval Aviation spanning Vietnam, Lebanon, Libya, Bosnia, and the Gulf Wars. In attendance, we will have '60's Intruders to '90's Intruders. Each one of you has at least one or two pieces of memorabilia or artifacts that are of historical significance and very worthy of sharing with your fellow Intruders. As the years pass us by, the opportunities for sharing will become fewer and fewer and those artifacts will be lost forever. Request each one of you bring your treasured memorabilia, such as equipment, charts, pictures, etc., to be placed on the banquet tables Saturday evening. Please remember, this is not a night at the Oscars. Our vision is to make this a night for sharing our individual stories and mementos with those from different Intruder eras.

- **Banquet Table Reservation Procedure.** At the reunion, you will receive a registration packet that includes nametags for those registered, tour and event vouchers, an updated agenda with room locations, a roster of pre-registered attendees, and a table reservation sheet with sticky labels. This form holds ten labels, representing ten seats per table at the banquet. To make a reservation you must use the labels provided on the sheet. Each person is provided one label, so a couple must affix two labels to a form to reserve two seats. Spouse and guest names are not printed on the labels; only the name of the principal attendee is listed for computer reasons. To avoid duplications, write-ins will not be accepted. If a hand-written name is turned in and a label with the same name is found on another form, the label will take precedence.

During the reunion, you will meet with the people you wish to sit with and affix their labels to one of these forms. There is no minimum number required in order to reserve seating, and you may reserve any number of tables. For convenience, everyone is given one of these forms. If there are more than ten people in your party, then more than one form will be needed. Large parties with more than one form should be turned in together for your seating to be in close proximity. Multiple forms will be stapled together so the table assigners know to keep that party together. If your reservation does not completely fill a table, we will likely assign others to fill the space. There will be a roster in your registration packet of who has pre-registered to assist you with identifying your party.

Once your form is complete, you may turn it in at the registration desk in the ballroom foyer on Friday, 4/13 between 4-6pm. Forms will be accepted during other registration hours ONLY if all ten lines are filled. Otherwise hold on to them until the deadline, in case you meet new friends and want to add them to your table. **Table numbers will be assigned in random order on Friday night and posted on Saturday morning.** If it does not matter with whom or where you are seated, you don't need to turn your form in at all. We will then assign you to a table after other reservation sheets are assigned. An alphabetical listing will be posted at the entrance door to the banquet with each person's table assignment. If you need assistance finding your table there will be a host at the banquet to lend a hand.

- **Registration:** We will take walk up registrations if you are still interested in coming. There may be a couple of slots open for the various tours if someone drops out so please check at the registration desk if you are interested. Once you pick up your registration packets, please come by and see us for your 'free stuff' and golf shirts IF you ordered one. You will need your reunion nametags (provided in your registration packets) to pick up your geedunk. Late registrants may not walk away with a t-shirt but we will take names and addresses of those that don't and mail it after the reunion.
- **Ready Room:** The ready room will open at 1400 on Wed for early arrivals and 0800 on Thu, Fri and Sat. We will close at 2400 Wed thru Fri nights and of course, have to close for the banquet at 1400 on Sat. We WILL reopen after the banquet Sat night. We'll have coffee and donuts Thu, Fri and Sat at 0800.
- **Dress:** Dress for the Friday night dinner cruise is casual. Dress for the Saturday night banquet is jacket and tie/cocktail.
- **Golf:** Please send your player pairing requests to Jim Bolcar (jimbolcar@gmail.com) NLT Thursday, 5 April. The golf roster must be submitted to Sewells Point on 6 April.
- **Saturday Navy Base tour:** We've got a lot to see with the USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78), USNS Comfort (T-AH-20), Dillingham open houses and a V-22 Osprey static display. We have a tight time line so would appreciate it everyone can be expeditious in meeting and boarding the buses. We didn't want to cancel any of those for a lunch break so there will be real box lunches provided for the NOB tour. Please eat when convenient.

- **Saturday Night Banquet:** We've lined up the Hurrah Players (<http://www.hurrahplayers.com/>) for entertainment at the banquet in lieu of guest speakers. The Ready Room will open back up after the banquet for a final social.

- **Panel Discussion Saturday morning:** The IA Board meeting will be at 0800 Saturday morning in the Ready Room followed by a panel discussion. Confirmed for the panel are F35 PEO, CNAL, NWDC and Force Paddles. Please join us for their remarks and a question and answer session from 0830-1000.

- **Free room drawing:** There will be drawings for 10 free room nights to be used during your Reunion week stay. You don't have to be present to win.

- **Book signing:** One of our Intruders, Edward Engle, will be present outside the ready room signing his book "To North Vietnam and Back Again". Please come by and visit.

- **Intruder Art:** Tom Duntemann will be exhibiting his A6 artwork Thursday afternoon.

- **AV8RSTUFF:** Please see their tables outside of the Ready Room for various patches, mugs, etc.

We are very much looking forward to having a beer with each of you at the reunion. Please let us know if you have any questions or issues.

Sincerely,

2018 Intruder Reunion Planning Committee