

COMMITTEE REPORT – VETERANS GROUPS – 13 Mar 2018

1. Veterans Club of Barrie:

The next VCB dinner will take place at 17:00 hrs on Thursday, 26th April, 2018 at the Barrie Legion Br 147. Guest speaker is Captain (Ret'd) A. Kent Smerdon, a former pilot turned author. His career has spanned flying CF-101 Voodoo interceptor in the RCAF to VIP Challenger flights for the RCAF/Government to Boeing 767s in the commercial world. He has chronicled his high-flying stories in his compelling memoir, [*Flight Lines: Assorted lies, recollections and war stories*](#) and will be speaking about his book.

2. Barrie Legion Branch 147:

- a. The Legion will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day celebration Sat, Mar 17th from 5 pm. Corn beef and cabbage will be on the menu with music provided by DJ Paul Rogers.
- b. For the regularly scheduled sports, music, lunches and dinners see the Barrie Legion site for details. (<http://barrielegion147.ca/>)

3. 16 Wing Borden:

- a. The RCAF 94th Anniversary Mixed Dinner will take place on Wed, 28th March 2018 at the CFB Borden Officers's Mess. Reservations for the dinner were to be made to 16 Wing Wing CWO Necole Belanger at [<Necole.Belanger@forces.gc.ca>](mailto:Necole.Belanger@forces.gc.ca) by 9th Mar 2018. The cost of the dinner will be \$70 per person.
- b. This year's Battle of Britain Parade will take place in Barrie on Sunday, 16th September 2018. Murray Conley will be heading the Wing committee to work with 16 Wing on the details. Volunteers for this committee are to contact Murray through the Wing email at [<admin.@rcaf441wing.com>](mailto:admin.@rcaf441wing.com).

4. ANAF:

The ANAF will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day Party on Sat Mar 17th starting at 8 pm. Members are free, \$3.00 for non-members.

5. Other Events:

The dedication of the Scared Soil from Vimy, France at the renovated Memorial Square in downtown Barrie will take place on Friday, 1st June 2018. This may include a fly-by by the Snow Birds. The Snow Birds will be putting on an air demonstration over Kempenfelt Bay on Saturday, 2nd June 2018. Details to follow.