



Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association

The Manitoba Region of the HKVCA is proud to host the 2013 Convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba from August 15 to 18, 2013!

Plan to join us to catch up with old friends, honour our veterans and enjoy our wonderful city. Please see the enclosed brochure for events planned during this exciting time. Bring the whole family and make it a summer vacation!

The Ramada Viscount Gort Hotel will be the hub of the Convention - the centre for our registration, AGM, Memorabilia Room, Hospitality Room and the Gala Dinner on Saturday evening. Completely renovated in 2010, Winnipeg's Ramada Viscount Gort Hotel is a modern luxury hotel. Ideally located in the heart of Winnipeg, the hotel is just minutes from the Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport (shuttle available) and across the street from Polo Park, the largest shopping mall in Manitoba. Also less than a five minute drive from downtown, as well as only 10 minutes away from the world famous Assiniboine Park that is home to a zoo, conservatory, outdoor theatre and museum.

The Ramada Viscount Gort Hotel has designated a special room rate of \$114.99 for Convention delegates. This rate is available if you book your room(s) on or before July 14, 2013. Please contact the hotel directly for reservations:

Ramada Viscount Gort Hotel, 1670 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, R3J 0C9
(website: viscount-gort.com)

Tel: (204) 775-0451 / Toll-free (North America): 1-800-665-1122 / Fax: (204) 772-2161
General Information: info@viscount-gort.com
Reservations: reservations@viscount-gort.com

In keeping with tradition, we will have our Cash Draw on Saturday evening. Tickets are enclosed, and you may purchase them in advance by completing the required information and returning them along with payment, with your Convention Registration. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the Convention.

Complete and return the enclosed Registration form, postmarked no later than May 15, 2013 to take advantage of the Early Bird Convention Registration Rate! **All** registrations must be received by August 9, 2013.

If you have any questions about the convention please do not hesitate to contact:
Dennis Bell at 204-663-2311 or by email at marden@shaw.ca

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CONVENTION ITINERARY

THURSDAY, August 15, 2013

Convention Registration	2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
Buses leave for Government House	4:30 p.m.
Meet and Greet Reception at Government House	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Hospitality Room Open	7:30 to 10:00 p.m.
Board of Director's Meeting	8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, August 16, 2013

Convention Registration	8:00 – 9:00 a.m.
Annual General Meeting	9:00 -11:00 a.m.
Hospitality Room	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Memorabilia Room	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Buses leave for Manitoba Night Dinner	5:00 p.m.
Cocktail Hour	5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Dinner	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Entertainment and Building Tours	7:30 - 10:30 p.m.
Buses leave for Hotel	10:30 & 11:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, August 17, 2013

Buses leave for Memorial Service at Neil Bardal Centre	10:00 a.m.
Memorial Service	10:45 - 11:45 a.m.
Luncheon at Neil Bardal Centre	12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
Tour of Brookside Cemetery (from Neil Bardal Centre)	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Buses leave for Viscount Gort Hotel	1:30 & 2:00 p.m.
Hospitality Room	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Memorabilia Room	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Grand Banquet - Viscount Gort Hotel	5:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Cocktail Hour	5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Greetings and Dinner	6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Cash Draw, Dance	8:15 p.m.- 1:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, August 18, 2013

Farewell Breakfast at Viscount Gort Hotel	7:00 - 10:00 a.m.
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WHAT TO WEAR?

With our many different events during the Convention, you may wonder what the appropriate style of dress is for each occasion. In order to help you, we have put together the following guide. We have also indicated at which events military medals should be worn. Of course, **please remember there is no mandatory dress code and your presence is welcome and valued at all events.**

Thurs, Aug 15, 2013	Meet & Greet at Government House	Business Casual (no jeans at the request of Government House)
Fri, Aug 16, 2013	Annual General Meeting	Officers and Regional Directors –blues & grays General Members – Business casual
	Manitoba Dinner	Business Casual / as desired (Medals)
Sat, Aug 17, 2013	Memorial Service	Officers and Regional Directors – blues and grays All others – Business Casual or as desired (Medals)
	Gala Dinner	Formal Wear (Medals)