

Eastern Region Airflow Club Director Norm Mulloy and Canadian Airflow Club members invite you to attend the Airflow Club's 59th (Inter)National Meet in London, Ontario, Canada. The meet will be hosted by Norm and Jean Mulloy and members Guy Rioux and Joanne Beasley.

Don't get the city confused with London, England. London Ontario is arguably the second-best known London in the world. It was settled in 1793 by Lord Simcoe, on behalf of the Commonwealth, along the Thames River. He proposed making it the capital city of Upper Canada, although this didn't happen. It officially became a city in 1855. The strength of the manufacturing sector, rich agricultural lands, and the proximity to the United States border make it an important economic region. London attracts foreign direct investments in advanced manufacturing, food processing, information technology, and other knowledge-based industries. Enjoy your stay and check out many of our local venues.

According to the US Customs and Border Protection <u>web site</u>, reentry to the US from Canada by air requires a valid US passport. For driving or boating across the border, however, "U.S. citizens can present a valid: U.S. Passport; Passport Card; Enhanced Driver's License; or <u>Trusted Traveler Program</u> card (NEXUS, SENTRI or FAST)".

[Please note that unless marked CDN, ALL prices in this brochure are in US dollars. Quoted prices in US dollars include tax and the expected gratuity in all cases.]

Welcome to Four Points Sheraton • 1150 Wellington Road south, London, Ontario Book your hotel reservation on-line at this link London Four Points Sheraton. Or call 519 681 0680 to book your reservation now! A block of rooms is available for Airflow Club members. The room rate is \$149 CDN plus tax for a double room for August 10 through August 18, allowing you to come early or stay late at the reduced room rate. Register before the July 12 cut-off date to get our special rate. A credit card number is required at reservation time, and the same credit card must be produced upon check in. A hot breakfast buffet (6:30-11 am) at Vic's on Wellington is included for up to 2 people per guestroom. (Breakfast for additional persons in the guestroom cost an \$15.00 CDN.) A \$2.50 CDN gratuity will be processed for every breakfast ticket redeemed. If you wish to reserve dates other than August 12 through 16, contact Janice Griffith at 519-681-0680 extension 8297. Separate parking for Airflows and car haulers will be cordoned off. A small room will be available to keep items secure at all times, laptops, video equipment, trophies, memorabilia and small toy vehicles. Some minor changes may occur before event.

Caution! Use the provided phone number to book your hotel rooms directly with the hotel. Other on-line booking agencies will not know about the special Airflow Club rate and may charge you a higher rate.

As of April 18, 2024, Canadian dollars exchange for \$ 0.73 US. In January 2024, it was \$ 0.75 US, so expect some variation in the exchange rate. You will want to exchange some US dollars for Canadian currency and coins for parking meters and other miscellaneous expenses.

MONDAY, AUGUST 12TH CHECK-IN DAY

When you arrive at the hotel, check into your room first. Your welcome packet will be in the Airflow Club Hospitality Room, London A (our room for the week).

If you booked and paid for the **pre-meet Niagara Falls Experience bus trip**, note that the tour will leave from the hotel lobby Monday the 12th at 8:00 am. Expect to return by dinner time. You might wish to arrive on Sunday if you are registered for this tour to make the 8:00 am departure time. (\$96)

Dinner Monday night is on your own.

7:30 pm - Ice Cream Social with Butter Tarts - \$15 - London Room A

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13TH STRATFORD FESTIVAL DAY

Breakfast is provided in the hotel restaurant from 6:30-11 am today and every day.

8:00 am - Airflow Tour to Stratford

We'll be driving separately to Stratford for the Festival. Owing to expected traffic, we don't plan a caravan. The planned route is 42 miles each way and we hope most attendees will drive their

Airflows. Ride sharing is encouraged! We will meet at the Festival site at 55 Queen Street, Stratford for Airflow photos. Following staging of the cars and the photos, we will head for...

11:30 am - Lunch at the Stratford Community Golf Course, 251 Norfolk St., Stratford. We will enjoy a buffet-style meal including chicken, beef and vegetarian options, along with desserts. Eating lunch together will

help us all get to the theaters on time. Lunch is optional at US\$40 including tax & gratuities. *Please wear your Airflow meet lanyard so the staff can identify us as prepaid!*

2:00 pm - Stratford Festival - Discounted tickets have been arranged for two performances at the Stratford Festival. You must order tickets for the performance of your choice by June 1, 2024, at the latest. Please see the details in the separate Stratford Festival brochure enclosed. Performances often sell out, so it's recommended that you sign up with the 59th Meet committee by June 1. Arrive early to locate your seat.

For those interested in making the trip to Stratford but not in seeing a performance, the town is well known for its ambiance, and offers other interesting attractions. Expect some suggestions in your 59th Meet Welcome Packet. And there are plenty of lunch possibilities.

The performances are:

1. London Assurance • Festival Theatre, 55 Queen Street

Tickets and parking must be reserved and paid in advance by June 1. See the Stratford Festival brochure enclosed. Seats are \$32 to \$72. Parking \$20.

2. Wendy & Peter Pan • Avon Theatre, 99 Downie Street • Metered parking in the theater neighborhood. Tickets must be reserved and paid for in advance with your meet registration by June 1.

See the Stratford Festival brochure enclosed

Dinner Tuesday night is on your own.

8:00 pm – Airflow Club General Member Meeting Hotel London A and B

Guest speaker: Nicholas Maronese, Author of "Going with the Flow: The wind tunnel experiment."

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14TH MUSEUM DAY

6:30-11 am - Breakfast provided in hotel restaurant for hotel guests

8:00 am - Airflow attendees will be bused to Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum

9280 Airport Road, Mount Hope, ON LOR 1W0 • https://www.warplane.com/ Learn all about Canada's aviation history on this tour of the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. Located in Hamilton, Ontario, the museum showcases a remarkable collection of vintage military aircraft. Visitors experience the rich history of aviation, with a focus on World War II-era planes. The museum provides an immersive journey into the past, preserving and celebrating the legacy of these iconic warplanes. The price of \$87 includes admission, bus fare, lunch, tax and tips. We will return to the hotel about 3:30 pm.





Wednesday Afternoon – free time for further touring or visiting. **Reminder:** the Car Show is Thursday morning, in case your Airflow needs any attention before the show.

4:30 pm - Tech meeting London Room A followed by Judges Meeting

6:00 pm - Social with Finger Food London Room A & B (\$20 per ticket)

7:00 pm - Fun & Ugly fund-raising auction Watch for a silent auction table this year, as well as the traditional Frick and Frack highly experienced auctioneers.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15^{TH} car show day

6:30-11 am - Breakfast provided in hotel restaurant for hotel guests

8:30 am – Judges meeting at the Judging site.

9:00 am-1:00 pm - Show Judging

Please leave cars on the show field until 2:00 pm.

3:00 pm - Board Meeting - London Room A

The afternoon is free to enjoy the area and then return to the hotel.

6:00 pm – Cocktail hour cash bar followed by our **banquet and awards program** (\$60)



FRIDAY, AUGUST 16TH breakfast, added program and depart

6:30-11 am - Breakfast provided in hotel restaurant for hotel guests

11:00 am - Added Program: A tour of the Cadillac Museum at the Plunkett Estate in London has been arranged for those who wish to attend. One of the most prolific Cadillac collectors in the world, Ontario's own Steve Plunkett counts in his fleet about 86 rare and beautiful vehicles from the marque, ranging from 1907 to circa 2000. Mr. Plunkett has graciously opened his doors to all Airflow members. He would be thrilled to see your Airflows on his magnificent property, and this is a great opportunity for group photos. Please indicate your plan to attend on the Registration form. There is no charge for the tour.

REMINDER: Moparfest 2024 in New Hamburg, Ontario – Aug 17th-18th– To register call: 519 342 1284 "Largest Mopar show in Canada" https://moparfest.com/product/prereg24/

AIRFLOW APPAREL

The Eastern Region and the Canadian host team have arranged for souvenir tee-shirts and polo shirts to commemorate the meet. Pre-order your shirts on the registration form!



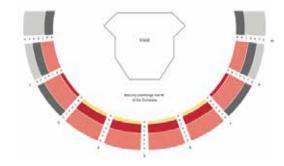
The Stratford Festival - Tuesday, August 13

Be immersed in Stratford festivities! Take in one of two, world-renowned, performances! We will be driving our Airflows to Stratford, departing London at 8 am. Airflow photos are planned at the Festival site, 55 Queen Street, Stratford. Stratford performances typically sell out, so to guarantee a seat and get special reduced pricing, you must register for the meet and pay for your desired seats by June 1. Meet hosts will purchase the tickets for us.

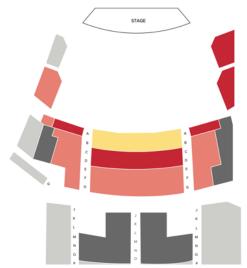
The two performances available to Airflow Club members are London Assurance and Wendy & Peter Pan. Read about both at http://stratfordfestival.ca. Once on the website, click the "What's On?" tab and set the date to 2024-08-13. Click "Search" to see the list of activities for that day, and read about the two plays to make your choice. Read about the production and take a look at the seat maps for each theater to see where B and Bravo seats are. Note that for both productions, the Bravo seats are shaded in light gray and the more expensive B seats are in pink. Accessible seats are available in both B and Bravo categories.

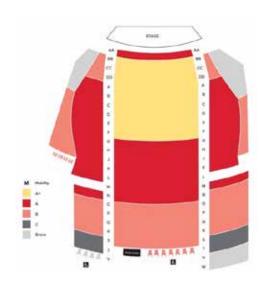
Festival Theater Seating





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Suggestion: Many US cell phone carriers provide a special reduced rate for international coverage IF you arrange for it before travel. Consider signing up for Canada coverage if you will be using your phone for calls, text, or navigation.