



Operation Kimbolton / Wings of Freedom Tour

Event Summary - Updated September 4, 2012

What:

"Operation Kimbolton" is a WWII living history event at the Orange Municipal Airport, in Orange, MA, featuring the Wings of Freedom Tour comprised of 3 vintage WWII Aircraft from the Collings Foundation. This event is being presented by Bill Purple, a WWII B-17 pilot and a staff of enthusiastic volunteers. The event is not-for-profit; all proceeds will be donated to the Collings Foundation to help keep their planes flying. www.collingsfoundation.org

When:

September 17, 18 & 19 (Monday - Wednesday)

Monday, Sept 17:

- 1:00 p.m. (approx) - Low-level fly-by over downtown Athol and Orange
- 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. (approx) - planes arrive at Orange Municipal Airport
- 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Planes open for public ground tours
- 5:00 p.m. - Parachuting from the B-17 and/or other public paid rides in aircraft

Tuesday, Sept 18:

- 8:00 a.m. - Planes available for paid rides
- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Planes open for public ground tours
- 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - WWII Veteran Meet & Greet (specific times TBD)
- 5:00 p.m. - Planes available for paid rides
- 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. WWII Dinner Dance in the large hangar at the airport

Wednesday, Sept 19:

- 8:00 a.m. - Planes available for paid rides
- 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Planes open for public ground tours
- 12:00 noon - Planes depart

Where:

- Orange Municipal Airport, 80 Airport Street, Orange MA 01364

Event Contacts:

- Event details: 978-544-5783 or 978-828-7665
- Website: www.flyore.com
- Email: operationkimbolton@gmail.com



Planes:

- 3 planes owned by the Collings Foundation on display
 - Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress
 - Consolidated B-24 Liberator
 - North American P-51 Mustang
- Planes are open for tours and rides
- Walk-through Tours Hours:
 - Monday, Sept 17: 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
 - Tuesday, Sept 18: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
 - Wednesday, Sept 19: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Walk-through Tours Ticket Price:
 - \$12 for adults
 - \$6 for children 12 & under
 - \$2 for school groups - **call in advance to schedule times 800-568-8924**
 - Free for WWII Veterans
- Flight Experience Rides Price:
 - B-17 and B-24 30-minute Flight Experience - \$425.00
 - P-51 Mustang Fighter Flight - call for details to fly or ride!
 - **To schedule rides call 800-568-8924**

Parachuting:

- FOR QUALIFIED JUMPERS ONLY!! Jump from the bomb bay of the B-17.
- Call **1-800-568-8924** for details and scheduling.
- Monday, Sept 17 at 5:00 p.m. Additional jumps can be scheduled based on demand.
- \$ 4,500 per plane load - Min of 8 jumpers; max of 10.
- Jump times will be publicized for those wishing to observe as the details are finalized.

Collings Foundation Information and Contacts:

- For **scheduling of plane rides and parachuting** - **800-568-8924**
- Hunter Chaney, Director of Marketing 978-562-3255
- www.collingsfoundation.org

Dinner Dance:

- Tuesday, September 18, in the large hangar at the Orange Municipal Airport
- Cocktails at 6:00 pm / dinner at 7:00 pm followed by dancing
- Music by the Point "n" Swing Big Band - a 1940's 20-piece Swing Band!!
- WWII-themed / 1940's attire encouraged!
- Choice of Prime Rib or Salmon
- Tickets - \$50 per person
- Tickets are available at:
 - Bruce's Browser, 1497 Main Street, Athol 978-249-3978



- Trailhead, 1 South Main Street , Orange 978-249-8500
- World Eye Bookshop, 156 Main Street, Greenfield, MA 413-772-2186
- or email: operationkimbolton@gmail.com

WWII Meet & Greet:

- Meet WWII veterans. Ask them questions and hear their stories.
- Veterans wishing to participate can call **978-544-5783** or email operationkimbolton@gmail.com
- More details will be provided once the number of Veterans participating is finalized.

Movie:

- Get in the WWII frame of mind with a WWII movie!
- Saturday, Sept 15 at the Orange Municipal Airport
- Details to follow

WWII Re-enactors (tentative):

- Details being worked

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