AO REUNION SAN DIEGO 29 MAY TO 1 JUNE 2018



To all Aerial Observers and those superb pilots, both Army and Marine, who flew the Aerial Observation Mission in support of Marine infantry

We are having an all-comers reunion in San Diego at the Omni Hotel from 29 May to 1 June 2018.

We have currently heard from more than 25 Marines, both AOs and pilots, that they will attend. They span the RVN era from 1965 to 1973, from 11th & 12th Marines to 1st Mar Div & 3rd Mar Div and Anglico and from school-trained to OJT. We also have Birddog and OV 10 pilots planning to attend.

Our Tentative Schedule

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Tuesday May 29, 2018			
1200-1800	Arrival & check-in at Omni		
1400-1800	Hospitality Suite open		
1800-2200	Reception Buffet		
Wednesday May 30, 2018			
0600-0800	Breakfast		
1000-1500	Birddog & OV 10 Fly-in at Browns Field/Lunch TBD		
1500-2200	Hospitality Suite open- Enjoy San Diego on your own		
1800-2200	Beach BBQ at Gen. Mike Neal home / Dinner on your own		
Thursday May 31, 2018			
0600-0800	Breakfast		
1000-1300	Tentatively MCRD & Museum or USS Midway		
1300-1800	Enjoy San Diego on your own		
1300-1800	Hospitality Suite open- Enjoy San Diego on your own		
1800-2200	Dinner and (tentatively) Dancing with DJ		
Friday 1 June			
0600-0800	Breakfast		
1200	Hotel Checkout for those not staying on.		

We are focusing the schedule around socializing with old and new Aerial Observer and pilot friends and families. The main activity will be a visit to Brown Field where we have a restored Birddog committed to fly in and we are working on getting an OV-10.

We are considering, as a second activity either a visit to MCRD and its museum or a visit to Midway.

The wrap-up will be a dinner with Col. Charley Goode USMC Ret'd (Sacred Romeo) as guest of honor.

Event Pricing

Omni Hotel Room Rate	\$167 plus Room Taxes per Night (Total:\$188/night)
Event Attendance: Full Event	\$250 per person
Dinner only	\$100 per person

San Diego weather in May is expected to be clear and very comfortable, between 63F and 70F. The weather sites compare San Diego to Casablanca without the camels. There are plenty of other activities you can enjoy beyond those we are planning.

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