



Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum

DATE: Tuesday, October 8th, 2013 TIME: 1:40 pm

LOCATION: Hamilton

GUEST SPEAKERS:

DESCRIPTION: Home to over 40 aircraft from WWII to military jets; including an operational Avro Lancaster.

website: <http://www.warplane.com/>

BIOGRAPHY:

A collection of over forty aircraft has grown through the friendship of Dennis Bradley and Alan Ness. Their love of aviation and their desire to maintain and preserve Canada's aviation history saw restoration projects that were not only great pieces of workmanship but airworthy examples.

Dennis Bradley and Alan Ness approached friends Peter Matthews and John Weir to become partners with them to acquire the first aircraft, a Fairey Firefly. This aircraft was to become the masthead of the Museum's advertising and stationery and continues to this day to be incorporated into logos, crests and memorabilia. A tribute to the four flying founders is located in the Museum's main entrance.

The Museum now houses over forty aircraft, and also an extensive aviation gift shop and exhibit gallery. Special events take place throughout the year and facilities including the main aircraft exhibit area can be rented for private events.

Group Tours of the facility, with the services of an experienced Tour Guide, are available to groups of twenty persons or more with arrangements made in advance. Many of the groups that visit are school children learning the theory of flight, aircraft design or military history. A visit to the Museum is a worthwhile field trip to enhance many areas in the provincial curriculum.