



# **TA100 ARMED FORCES MEMORIAL PARADE**

**National Memorial  
Arboretum  
Alrewas  
Saturday 13 September 2008**

***Information Leaflet***



## **DRESS**

### **Serving Personnel:**

No2 Dress / Service Dress (leather and medals, no swords).  
Serving soldiers without No2 Dress should wear CS95 with medals.

### **Veterans and Comrades Associations:**

Gentlemen: Lounge Suit or Blazers  
Ladies: Day Dress  
Headdress: As appropriate  
Medals: No Commemorative Medals, only Awarded medals to be worn

## **WET WEATHER**

The event will be conducted outdoors whatever the weather. It is recommended that all spectators bring umbrellas.

## **TA100 ARMED FORCES MEMORIAL PARADE OUTLINE OF EVENTS**

1.45 pm **Prelude.** The combined Bands of the Mercian Regiment and the Nottinghamshire Royal Engineers will play a Musical Medley.

2.00 pm **Arrival of Royal Guest and Memorial Service.** A Drumhead Memorial Service will be followed by the planting of a tree as a foundation stone for a TA100 Memorial.

2.45 pm **A Parade and March Past.** The parade of serving TA soldiers and TA Veterans and Comrades Associations, led by the Colours and Guidon's of the TA, will conduct a march past. 6 Flight Army Air Corps (V), equipped with Gazelle helicopters, will conduct a fly past.

3.15 pm **Afternoon Tea.** 1000 invited guests will be served afternoon tea in the marquees situated to the left of the main entrance area. All visitors and spectators are invited to visit the Arboretum and Armed Forces Memorial.

5.00 pm **Finale Band Display.** The Volunteer Band of the Mercian Regiment will conduct a display culminating in the playing of the National Anthem.

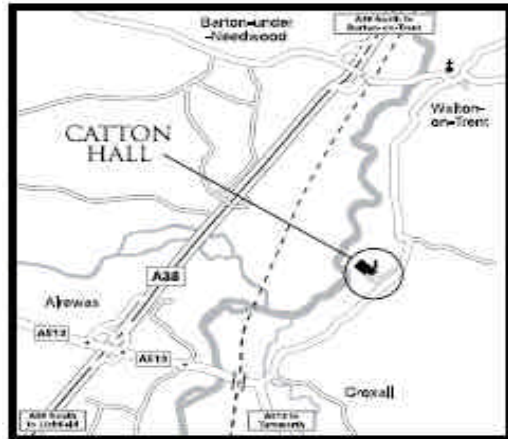
5.30 pm **Dispersal.**

## FINDING YOUR WAY THERE

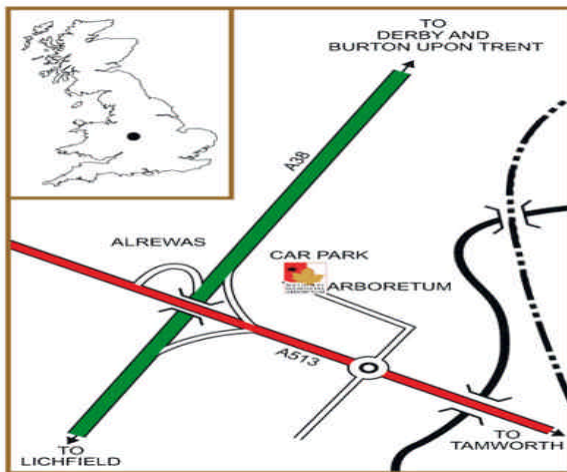
### Access by Car and Coach.

All coaches and cars are to park at Catton Hall where a park and ride system will operate. Catton Hall will be clearly signposted.

Alternatively Catton Hall is located at grid reference SK208154. The map below shows the main roads in the vicinity of the Arboretum. The M42 is just off the map and the nearest major town is Lichfield.



### Access by Public Transport.



Bus timetables can be found on the [Arriva Town Linx web-site](#). Lichfield Trent Valley is the closest railway station (5-6 miles). Burton Railway Station is about 8 miles away.

**Bus route 112** runs up to every 60 minutes from Burton Railway Station (ideal for customers making connections to and from the Cross Country Rail Network) to Birmingham via Burton on Trent, New Street, Branston, Barton under Needwood, Alrewas, National

Memorial Arboretum, Lichfield, Hill Hook, Sutton Coldfield and Erdington.

**Bus route 7E** between Burton on Trent and Lichfield via Branston, Barton, Yoxall, Alrewas and Fradley, will call at the Arboretum.

**From Lichfield:** City Cars are offering a special pre-booked taxi rate of £8 each way (4 seat car) or £12 (8 people mini bus) for visitors to the Arboretum. Phone **01543 254999** for bookings.

## **CAR PARKING**

WHEN NEARING THE NMA FOLLOW THE SIGNS TO CATTON HALL

**WITH THE EXCEPTION OF VVIPS, WHO HAVE A SPECIAL CAR PASS, THERE WILL BE NO PARKING ALLOWED AT THE NMA. FOR SAT NAV USERS THE POSTCODE TO CATTON HALL IS DE12 8LN**

**ALL VEHICLES MUST PARK AT CATTON HALL AND UTILISE THE PARK AND RIDE FACILITY.**

### **ARRIVAL AT THE NMA**

Entrance to the site will be through the Reception area of the NMA. On entry spectators will be guided to the viewing area for the event.

Wheelchair users will be directed to a dedicated area.

### **SECURITY CHECKS**

Security checks will be in place and delays may occur so please arrive with plenty of time to spare. Please do not bring anything that could be considered a weapon, for instance a penknife. Such items will be removed by the police.

### **ENTRY DETAILS**

Admission to the NMA is not ticketed and free, although the NMA rely on donations to continue its work. Entrance to the marquee for Afternoon Tea is by invitation only.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Photography will be permitted during the event. Please respect the Dedication service.

There will be lavatories available on site.

Motorised wheelchairs are available for hire direct from the NMA. Contact details

Refreshments and food is available from the NMA main building and packed lunches can be ordered in advance at a cost of £5 - £7 from the NMA. The NMA contact details are:

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