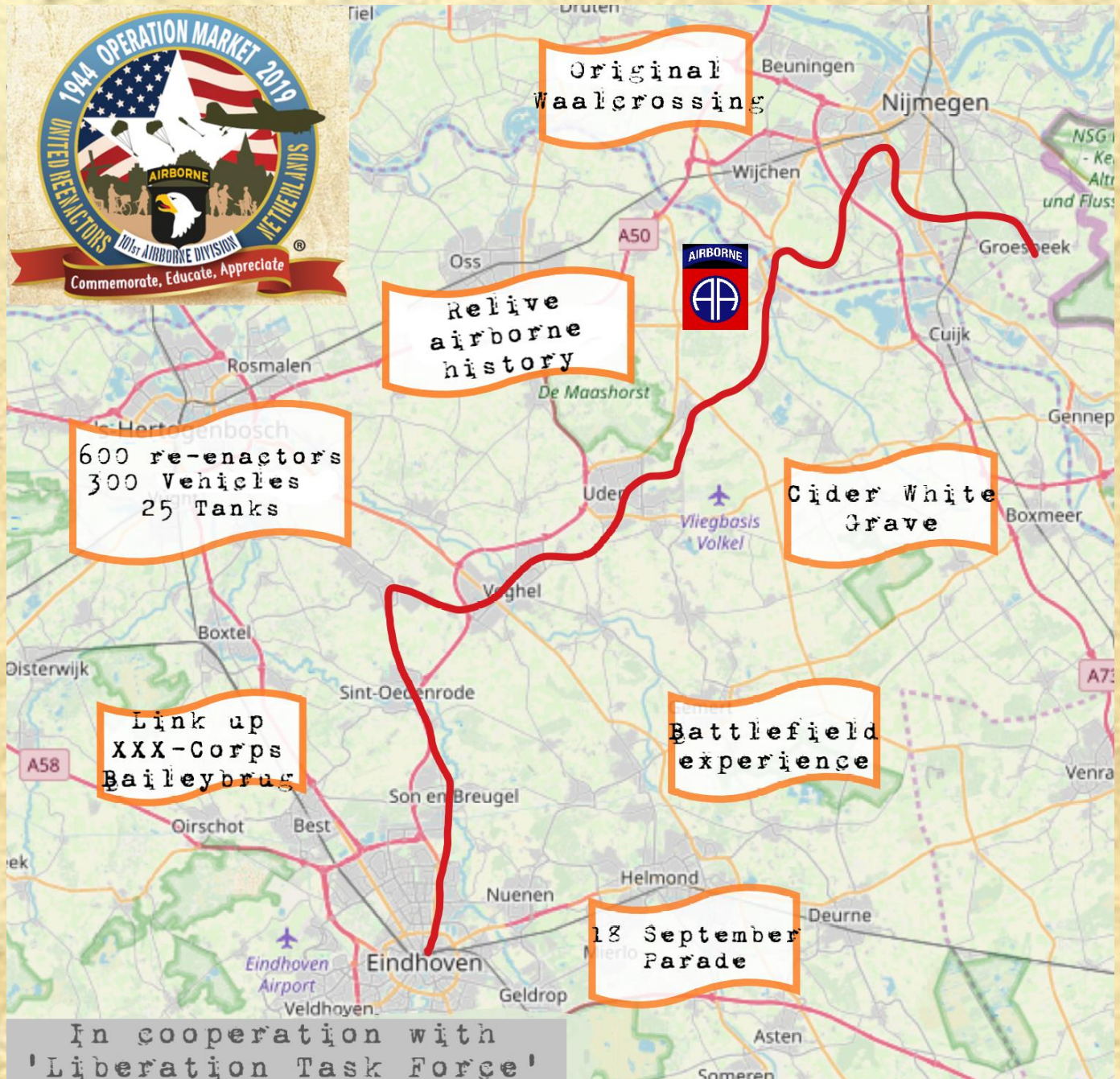


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Introduction

In cooperation with operation Garden 2019 (of the Liberation Task Force) we present our plans for "Operation Market 2019". (All plans and schedules hereafter mentioned are susceptible to alterations).

At last we are happy to inform you about our collaborative plans for Operation Market 2019. Our operation will span the entire week which is subsequently divided in 2 parts. The first part will take place from Friday until Wednesday in the 101st area, the second part will take place in the 82nd area. To ensure the credibility of this operation, it is decided to also wear the 82nd. This means that some rebadging has to be done! In accordance with the LTF, we are allowed to pursue our goal: 100% re-enactment!

Together with the LTF, we have access to over 600 British 30th corps re-enactors, 300 British vehicles and **25 World War II tanks**. This will be an unique experience that hasn't (yet) been performed on such a scale in Europe.

The programme is shown below, the proposed route is shown on the front page.

On behalf of the AIRBORNE organisation

United Re-enactors the Netherlands

- Band of brother NL
- Triple A
- Klondikes (LHGH)
- Etor 40-45
- Dutch Deuces (HRVM)



Start

13 September (Friday)

Meeting up at the parking space of the museum in Best, or in the surrounding area of Nijmegen. We have allocated a second meeting and parking space near Nijmegen for Re-enactors coming from the North and West to load-off their jeeps and park their luxury cars. From there, the jeeps will travel to Best and after the re-enactment week, the parking area is a short distance away from our final destination.

This evening a briefing will be held for the CO's and final details are discussed. After that, the evening will emphasize on a "meet and greet" with fellow Re-enactors.

14 September (Saturday)

The majority of this day will be dedicated to the 502PIR. In the morning, a tactical relocation will be performed and during the afternoon, wreaths are laid at memorial points. The day ends in the woods where we set-up camp and rest for the night.

15 September (Sunday)

This morning we will move towards the village of Son and a wreath will be laid at the Cole monument. In the afternoon, a basic camp will be set-up at the Oranjeveld in Son and some tactical relocations will be performed. This day we expect many visitors, so keep the re-enacting spirit high!



16 September (Monday)

During the day we guide school children from Sint-Oedenrode as a part of their WW2 education day. Next to the education activity, there will be an authentic airdrop from a C-47 in this region. We will be present with a delegation of our own. At the end of the day we return to Son and between 18.00 and 20.00, the base camp is open for public.

17 September (Tuesday)

This day will be the Link up with the 30th corps (LTF) and we will be present at the memorials in the region of Son and Eerde. After the memorials, we return to base camp in Son, where the Dutch Engineers are building a bailey bridge.

18 September (Wednesday)

Just as in the war, the 101st will secure and guard the bridge to ensure that the 30th corps can cross it. Then we will escort the corps up to Sint-Oedenrode, Veghel and Uden. After a short stay in Uden we will return to Eindhoven where both companies will participate in the 18 september torch-lit parade. We return to camp at Son where we will stay for the last time during this re-enactment week.

19 September (Thursday)

We clear our camp at Son and move via Uden towards Grave. In Grave we join the 82nd AB and we have to rebadge our 101st company patch. We will move from Grave to Groesbeek, activities and overnight stay are "TOP SECRET".



20 September (Friday)

In the morning, we travel with the 30th corps column towards Nijmegen. When we have reached the Waal river, we will cross the river together with the 82nd AB in authentic boats used in the war. During the afternoon, we set up camp at the other side of the Waal. This will be in Oosterhout together with the 30th corps. In the evening we will join the Sunset march in memory of the 48 fallen American soldiers during the Waalcrossing on 20th September 1944.



21 September (Saturday)

On Saturday morning, a Battlefield tour will take place in the Betuwe. We have invited a guide to elaborate on the history and personal anecdotes of the 101st and 82nd companies in the Betuwe. In the afternoon we travel towards Grave, here we can participate in a Battle that has been organised. In the evening there will be a 40s party where all of us are invited. We spent the night in Grave.

22 September (Sunday)

On Sunday, we stick to the planning of the 82nd AB in Grave. During the day we expect a lot of visitors and 2 battles will take place. At the end of the day there is a closing party for everyone, after which we can go home.

Re-enactors that went by car to Nijmegen have an estimated travel time of 15 minutes. Those that have parked their car at Best have an estimated travel time of 35 minutes.

100% Re-enactment 100% experience

As is described above, a lot of equipment has to be moved and it is desired that everyone carries their own equipment, or transport it in historic transport. Please consider that, when you bring more equipment to the re-enactment, this will be transported in a vehicle that we have discussed with, and assigned to, you beforehand. Ad hoc requests for transport of equipment will be denied. Please consult with your CO beforehand if you or your group require transport of (more) equipment in time.

In the following pages, we listed the requirements of the equipment you can or cannot wear during the re-enactment. Please pay attention to these details. We perform and cooperate very often with LTF and we urge you to give it the 100% Re-enactment we strive for!



Sign up

We offer you the opportunity to join in on this unique experience! Sign up for the full re-enactment experience (13 – 22 September) or for both weekends (13 – 15 September & 20 – 22 September). To make it a truly unique experience, we hope you could join us for the full re-enactment week and (re)create a memorable moment of our history.

Signing up can be done at your CO.
Your CO will then sign in a full squad for the event.

First name:
Sur name:
Date of birth:
Address:
Postal code:
City:
Vacation nr:
Weapon nr.:
Type of weapon:
Calibre:
Vehicle:
Tent:
Availability:

We are complying to **GDPR** (General Data Protection Regulations). This means that any information hereby provided are strictly and only used for organizational purposes and requests for weapons licenses. After the 30th of September 2019, all GDPR-documents will be destroyed.
When you sign up, you agree that you may be photographed during the re-enactment.

For our latest news and information, follow us on Facebook at:
<https://www.facebook.com/OperationMarketGarden2019/>

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Clothing and armament requirements for Market 2019

Please read the following carefully! **"Back to basic"**

Since this event is comprised of the 101st and 82nd Airborne Division, a 101st and 82nd patch is mandatory on the M43 coat. For the 82nd Airborne Division it is also possible to wear a M42 coat with a 82nd patch. Having a corresponding (and correct) patch on you woolshirt is optional (as a rule of thumb: no patch is preferred over an incorrect patch. If you decide to leave the 101st patch on, we strongly urge you to keep wearing your coat).

Uniform: All ranks, Standard Uniform:

- M43 Jacket, with 101st and M42 jacket with 82nd Patch (armflags to be worn)
- M43 and M42 Trousers with Airborne Leg Pockets, with or without canvas leg ties
- Wool Shirt
- Paratrooper Jump Boots or M43 "Double Buckle" Combat Boots. M43 Combat Boots are preferred with the M43 uniform. **(82nd M42 Uniform only with Paratrooper boots)**
- Infantry piped Wool Garrison Cap
- M2 or Fixed-Bale Paratrooper Jump Helmet, or standard M1 Helmet
- Flashlight TL-122
- Extra pair of socks

Equipment: Rifleman/BAR Gunner, Standard Equipment:

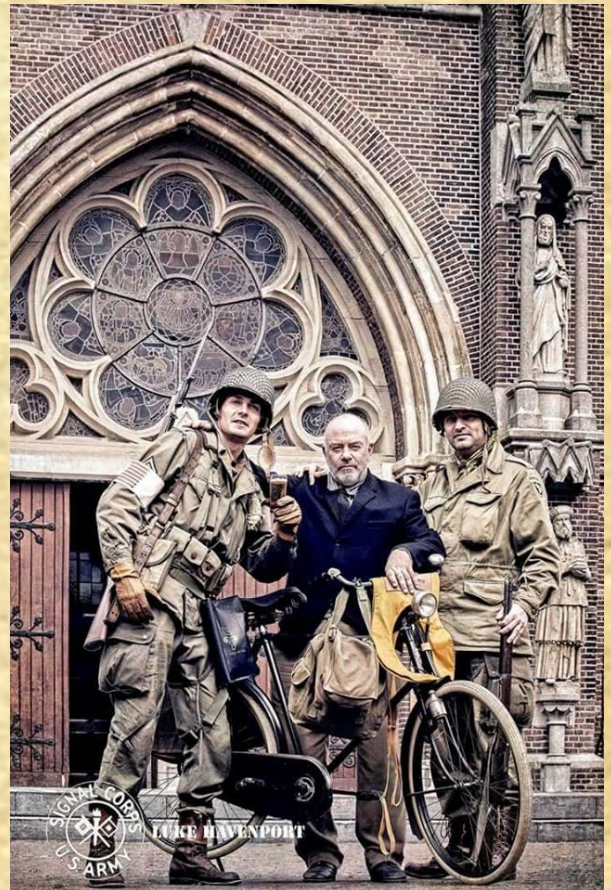
- M36 Musette Bag
- M36 Suspenders
- Water bottle (Canteen) Set
- M1943 Folding E-Tool
- First Aid Pouch
- Rifle Ammunition Bandoliers (up to two)
- For Riflemen: M23 Rifle Belt & M1 Bayonet (10") and M1 Garand Rifle
- For BAR Gunners: M37 BAR Magazine Belt & M3 Knife in M8 or M8A1 Scabbard and M1918 BAR

Equipment: Machine Gunner or MG Assistant, Standard Equipment:

- M36 Musette Bag
- M36 Suspenders
- Waterbottle (Canteen) Set
- M1943 Folding E-Tool
- First Aid Pouch
- M3 Knife in M8 or M8A1 Scabbard (on belt, not on leg)
- M36 Pistol Belt with Carbine Belt Pouch(es) or .45 Auto Magazine Pouch (as applicable)

NOTE:

Machine Gunner is armed with M1A1 Carbine or .45 Auto Pistol together with the Light Machine Gun.





Machine Gunner Assistant is armed with M1A1 Carbine or M1 Garand Rifle (and Rifleman's Equipment).

Additional equipment for MG Gunner or MG Assistant:

- G.P. Ammunition Bag with .30 Cal Ammo Box, or single .30 Cal Ammo Box

Equipment: Radio Operator

As per Rifleman or Machine Gunner Assistant

Equipment: Assistant Squad Leader

As per Rifleman

Equipment: Squad Leader

As per Rifleman, but with following additional equipment:

- Compass : Corps of Engineers Compass in Pouch
- Binoculars, M3 with Case, M17 (some, not all)
- Map Case (some, not all)



Optional weapons for Assistant Squad Leader or Squad Leader, replacing M1 Rifle and associated equipment:

M1A1 Thompson SMG

- Pistol Belt with Spare Magazine Bag

M3 Grease Gun SMG (not many seen in use)

- Pistol Belt with Spare Magazine Bag (Thompson type, not later M3 type) or GP Ammunition Bag or spare magazines in pockets



The following items are optional:

- Wool Beanie or A-4 Mechanics Watch cap
- 5-button Highneck Jumper (preferably, but V-neck, or any type of sleeveless or Red Cross/ homemade OD jumper will also be acceptable).
- OD Wool Trigger-finger, Wool or Wool & Leather Palm Gloves
- OD Wool Scarf
- OD Wool Overcoat
- OD Handkerchief
- Dismounted Enlisted Man's Raincoat
- Lightweight Gasmask Bag

The following items are mandatory for everyone:

- Blanket (maximum 2 pieces) or M1945 / M1949 Mountain sleeping bag (with or without cover), both packed in a Shelter-Half Roll (or tied together with rope / wire).
Please pay attention, no modern sleeping bags!
- Fuel Tablet / Wood Alcohol, 1 or 2 pieces per person
or
- Esbit kocher
- (Reflecting) safety vest in Musette Bag (in case of emergency)
- Modern light torch in Musette Bag (in case of emergency)

The following items are optional per squad:

- 1 M1942 Aladdin Stove including cooker
or
- 1 Coleman 520 Field stove including cooker

