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Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc.

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ROYAL GOLDEN JUBILEE VISIT

Photo Courtesy of 179 RCACS Morden

Three hundred and fifty cadets and thirty officers volunteered to support the province during the Royal Golden Jubilee Visit to Winnipeg 8 October 2002. Manitoba Protocol solicited support from the nation's premier youth organizations to assist in several tasks. With the cooperation of the other cadet units, the air cadet organization played a highly significant part in the success of the Royal visit.



The cadets set the stage and provided the degree of pageantry and ceremony appropriate for a royal event. An Honour Guard enacted a "street lining" to recognize the attendees of the Official Reception and Dinner (**above**); a custom practiced since the middle ages to recognize personages of high standing. Cadets escorted the Reception and Dinner Guests and attended to the Royal Party. The cadet band played the requisite ceremonial music at the dinner. At the concert site cadets handed out flags and pins to the crowd. At the Forks cadets collected the flowers given to Her Majesty on Her walk about. Three cadets, Sea Cadet Cailin Rehill 16, Army Cadet Anil Sukhan 16 and Air Cadet Benjamin Ashley 12, had the added honour of attending the dinner. The support from the cadet organization was a very important factor contributing to this auspicious occasion for our province and our country.

Well done to all the officers and other adults for their volunteer involvement which enabled the cadets to participate. In particular, the efforts of Major Mar and the staff of 177 RCACS, Captain M. Gass and the staff of 573 RCACS and 2Lt M. Craig are most appreciated. The support of the Cadet Detachment, especially WO Doug Mills and 17 Wing WCWO and MSE was crucial for the cadets to be part of this important citizenship event.

Did you know that sixty one Air Cadet Squadrons have been formed in Manitoba since 1941? Twenty one are functioning today. Twenty one of the sixty one Squadrons were located in what is now the City of Winnipeg; eight of those are parading including 182 RCACS which is now located in Gimli.

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DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARDS



H.R.H. The Prince Philip Addresses the Recipients and Guests
(Photo courtesy of the Manitoba Division, Duke of Edinburgh's Award)

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award *Young Canadians Challenge* promotes community service, skill development, physical fitness, explorations and expeditions. During the Royal Visit to Winnipeg and Manitoba on October 8, 2002, H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh presented Gold and Silver Awards to 74 participants of the program, seven who are past or serving Manitoba Air Cadets. The recipients were:

GOLD AWARD

Mr. Jay Hingwala - a former cadet with 191 RCACS.

SILVER AWARD

Cadet Amie Slater - 170 RCACS
Cadet Caroline Bernjak - 176 RCACS
Cadet Logan Binda - 176 RCACS

Cadet Patrick Lambert - 176 RCACS
Cadet Marie Hutchison - 177 RCACS
Cadet Rebekah Grinham - 573 RCACS

Presently more than 30,000 able and disabled young people are engaged in the program in Canada. If your squadron is interested in this program you may obtain more information from Mrs. Marion Jagger, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, *Young Canadians Challenge*, Manitoba Division, Main Floor, One Canada Centre, 447 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB, R3C 3B6 or telephone 204-988-3016 or at www.dukeofed.org/provincial/manitoba.htm.

GOLDEN JUBILEE MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

Commemorative medals are struck from time to time to mark important anniversaries and other great occasions. In keeping with this tradition, the Golden Jubilee Medal of Queen Elizabeth II commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of Her Majesty's reign as Queen of Canada. The Medal has been awarded to Canadians who have made a significant contribution to their fellow citizens, their community or to Canada. Six Manitobans have received the award for their involvement with the Air Cadet Program. Medals were presented to four of the recipients at the Annual Christmas Reception of the Provincial Committee on December 16, 2002; in recognition of their long time service with the Air Cadet League of Canada, medals were presented to Mr. Wally Mildren, Mr. Max Goldack,



Mr. Jan Riedulff and Mr. George Evans. The fifth recipient, Mr. David Odell was awarded his medal at the Board meeting on January 20, 2003. The sixth medal was presented to Officer Cadet Charles Lindell, (right) formerly a cadet with 170 RCACS, who was active in the Air Cadet Program on the occasion of Her Majesty's 50th Anniversary, February 6, 2002. Officer Cadet Lindell is presently a Cadet at the Royal Military College in Kingston, ON



More about the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal at www.gg.ca/honours/golden-jubilee_e.asp

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Commemorative ceremonies to recognize the 60th Anniversaries of five Manitoba Squadrons were held during 2002. Commencing with **170 RCACS** on October 4, 2002, **177 RCACS** on October 19, 2002, **191 RCACS** on November 2, 2002, **220 RCACS** on November 25, 2002 and **176 RCACS** on December 9, 2002. These events bring to eight the number of squadrons that have marked their sixtieth year of operation, joining 6 RCACS, 9 RCACS and 82 RCACS which reached the high point in 2001. In addition to the above, two of our squadrons, **303 RCACS** and **573 RCACS**, celebrated their 50th anniversaries in 2002. Congratulations to all involved for your outstanding support to Manitoba's youth through these memorable years.

EFFECTIVE SPEAKING COMPETITION

The Effective Speaking Competition for Manitoba's air cadets will be held on May 18, 2003 in conjunction with the 2003 Golden Falcon weekend in Neepawa. The National Competition will be held this year in the Victoria Inn, Thunder Bay, 19-22 June, 2003 during the National Annual General Meeting of the ACLC.

Topics for the 2003 Effective Speaking Competition are:

1. The Liberation of Holland
2. A Canadian who has made (is making) a difference
3. Why I am proud to be a Canadian
4. How Air Cadets has affected my life
5. Canada's Space History
6. How today's youth can be influential to Canada

Those cadets intending to compete are again encouraged to seek assistance from their local Toast Master Club or community groups who have expertise in public speaking. More information about the competition may be obtained from <http://www.aircadetleague.com/02/general/ES/Foreword.htm>

CONTINUATION FLYING SCHOLARSHIP



A significant number of flying training awards are presented annually to deserving cadets for use in continuing their flying or gliding training and increasing their aviation experience. These awards are funded by trust funds that have been donated to the Air Cadet League for that purpose by various organizations and individuals.

The Continuation Flying Scholarship for 2002 was awarded to Flight Sergeant Paul Iafolla of 170 RCACS. The \$300.00 scholarship is sponsored by the Air Force Association of Canada. Presentation (**left**) of the Scholarship was made on January 3, 2003 by Mr. Harry Adamson, Manitoba Group Chairman, AFAC.



At the stroke of noon on February 15, 1965, Canada's red and white maple leaf flag was raised for the very first time.

SCHWEIZER SGS 2-33A GLIDER PURCHASE

After several years of fund raising your committee has successfully purchased a fourth glider for the Manitoba fleet. The glider Schweizer SGS 2-33A C-FYLQ (**right**) was purchased from the Erin Soaring Society which operates out of Orangeville, ON.



Photo Erin Soaring Society

This now gives us the equipment capability to meet our mandate of a minimum of one glider flight each year for each of our Air Cadets. Once the new glider is operational, the next challenge is to impress upon all our participants the need

to emphasize and promote the gliding program and to encourage cadets to attend the scheduled gliding activities. A very special thank you is owed to the Gliding Operations Committee and Major Dean Gillrie and his staff at Gimli for arranging the pickup of the aircraft and delivery to Gimli. The glider will receive a thorough check at the maintenance centre and it will be utilized at the Brandon Gliding Centre.

NEW SUPPORTER



Canada's first community foundation, The Winnipeg Foundation, was established in 1921. Today it is the second-largest community foundation in Canada, with more than 1,400 endowment funds established by people from all walks of life. These donors, who now number in the thousands, have all shared a commitment to the charitable organizations that enrich and sustain our community and the Foundation's vision of "a Winnipeg where community life flourishes." The role of the Foundation is to make grants to a wide range of local charitable

organizations which, in turn, help strengthen all of our neighbourhoods and families.

The Board of Directors of the Winnipeg Foundation has recently advised that they will support the Manitoba Air Cadet Program with a grant of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of a used Passenger Van for use at the Brandon Gliding Centre. The vehicle, a 1998 Ford Windstar, will be utilized at the Gliding Centre to transport cadets from the flight line to the launch site and to provide a response capability for any off field emergency landings. Well done to the Fund Raising and Gliding Operations Committees and a special THANK YOU to the Foundation.

GOLDEN FALCON 2003

Golden Falcon 2003 will take place at Neepawa, MB on May 16 to 19, 2003 and will be hosted by 9 RCACS with support of, their last year co-winners 176 RCACS. Activities will include: Sports (Volley Ball, Baseball and Soccer), Range and Orienteering, Parade and Drumhead Ceremony, Dance and Awards Dinner. An Operations Order will be sent to all Squadrons by January 31, 2003.

Participants will arrive on Friday May 16 after 1800 Hrs. and depart on May 19. Costs will be the same as last year, \$40.00 per person. The League coordinator is again Mr. Ron Pruden who may be contacted at 204-895-7836 or email rcaf54@aol.com. Hope to see you at **Golden Falcon 2003**.

2003 WING COMMANDER TOMMY COOPER DRILL COMPETITION

The 2003 Wing Commander Tommy Cooper Drill Competition was held on January 19, 2003 at 17 Wing Winnipeg. The competition among the City of Winnipeg Squadrons was very intense this year with 170 RCACS coming out on top by a very narrow margin. Second place went to 191 RCACS with 177 RCACS in third position. The performance of all the participants was of a high standard and gave the judges a tough challenge in selecting the top performers.

Lieutenant Colonel Tom Szczerki, Deputy Commanding Officer, RCSU Prairie, was the reviewing Officer. The event was organized by Mr. Dave Odell and supported by Cadet Detachment Winnipeg who also provided the judges, Warrant Officer Doug Mills, ACA (Air), Warrant Officer Paul Haughey, ACA (Army), and Petty Officer Guy Kostello, ACA (Sea). Well done to all the participants.



170 RCACS Drill Team winners of the 2003 W/C Cooper Competition

2003 MANITOBA AIR CADET RAFFLE

The Air Cadet Raffle Committee has advised that all Squadrons who have indicated that they will participate in the 2003 Manitoba Air Cadet Raffle will be receiving their tickets by the end of February. The draw will be held on June 16, 2003 in conjunction with the June meeting of the Board of Directors at #283 Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans of Canada, 3584 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg.

2003 Manitoba Air Cadet Raffle

- 1st Prize – **Lap Top Computer** retail value \$1895.00
- 2nd Prize – **Digital Camera** retail value \$299.00
- 3rd Prize – **DVD Player** retail value \$200.00

Draw June 16,2003

Tickets \$1.00

ACLC POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL

The ACLC P&P Manual has been updated. A PDF version can be found under the League Members section of the Air Cadet League web site and may be found at www.aircadetleague.com. In addition, links outlining the affected sections – summary and detailed versions – have been included. A hard copy version is not available at this time.

ALTITUDE IS EVERYTHING - 100 YEARS OF FLIGHT

The year 2003 marks the centennial of the Wright Brothers' flight at Kitty Hawk, NC, U.S.A. The Centennial Year will not merely recognize the success of the Wright Brothers but will acknowledge a century of achievement that has changed the world. Many events will be taking place throughout the year to commemorate the 'first powered flight'. **Altitude is Everything** is a national campaign to encourage Canadians coast to coast to join together in celebrating our achievements in aviation and raise national awareness of Canada's amazing world-wide contributions to aviation.

The Manitoba Aviation Council will kick off Centennial Celebrations with Aviation Week in Manitoba, March 1-7, 2003. Canadian Celebrations of 100 Years of Flight are described at the **Altitude is Everything** web site www.altitudeis.com; events in the U.K. are publicized at <http://www.raes.org.uk/public2003/>; and events in the U.S.A. are publicized at www.100yearsofflight.com/index.cfm. The celebratory events include many activities in which squadrons or cadets may wish to participate to mark this special occasion in their local communities.

The first controlled powered flight in Canada occurred February 23, 1909 when the Silver Dart was flown off the ice at Baddeck, Nova Scotia, by the designer J.A.D. McCurdy.

AIR CADET LEAGUE - MANITOBA PROVINCIAL OFFICE

Note the new telephone numbers and email address for the Provincial Office in the box at the bottom of this page. In a move to lighten the load on our Treasurer we have made some adjustments to our way of doing business. The Post Office Box remains the same.

Notice!

UPCOMING AIR CADET AND LEAGUE EVENTS

Summer Training Selection Boards – February 22, 2003 at Western Canada Aviation Museum

Op Purple Leader – March 14 – 15, 2003 at Winnipeg, MB

Exercise Honour Band 2003 – March 21 – 30, 2003 at Penhold, AB

Golden Falcon 2003 Weekend – May 16 - 19, 2003 at Neepawa, MB

Effective Speaking Competition – May 18, 2003 at Neepawa, MB

Cadets Caring for Canada – June 7, 2003 at sites throughout Manitoba

Winnipeg International Air Show – June 7 – 8, 2003 at Winnipeg, MB

National Annual General Meeting ACLC – June 19-22, 2003 at Thunder Bay, ON

2003 Air Cadet Raffle Draw – June 16, 2003 at #283 ANAVETS Winnipeg, MB

2003 Manitoba Annual General Meeting – September 27, 2003 at Western Canada Aviation Museum.

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