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# Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. Newsletter

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## EFFECTIVE SPEAKING COMPETITION

The 2003 Manitoba Effective Speaking Competition was held in Neepawa, MB on Sunday May 18, 2003. Nine candidates competed for the opportunity to represent Manitoba at the National Air Cadet Effective Speaking Competition to be held in Thunder Bay, ON on June 20, 2003 during the 2003 National Annual General Meeting. Top contenders were: first and the Manitoba Representative at Thunder Bay; Sergeant Kiran Dhillon of 170 RCACS Winnipeg, second; Flight Sergeant Robin Claus 737 RCACS Thompson, third; Sergeant Matheau Grabau 573 RCACS.



## GOLDEN FALCON 2003

282 Air Cadets and 33 officers and adult supporters gathered in Neepawa, MB from May 16 through 19, 2003 for Golden Falcon 2003. Activities concentrated at the Yellowhead Centre, with sporting activities including marksmanship, baseball, soccer; ultimate frisbee and orienteering. The winner of the Golden Falcon Trophy at this year's competition was Sabre Flight which consisted of cadets from 249 RCACS Beausejour and 170 RCACS Winnipeg. A cadet dance was held on Saturday evening with the final parade and banquet on Sunday. Cadets returned home on Monday. The Mayor of Neepawa, Mr. Robert Durston, was the Reviewing Officer at the parade, where despite the cool weather and strong winds the cadets provided the citizens of Neepawa with an excellent display of their talents.



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An awards banquet followed the parade; winning Flights were presented medals for their accomplishments. Breakfast and lunch were provided by the Lions and Rotary Clubs of Neepawa, evening meals were catered. A cadet canteen was operated by the parents of cadets of 9 RCACS Neepawa. A special thanks to Branch 23, Royal Canadian Legion for their support of the event. Golden Falcon 2004 is planned to take place in Russell, MB on dates to be determined. Photographs of the 2003 parade are available on the ACLC (MB) Web Site.

## **2003 AIR CADET RAFFLE**

Tickets for the 2003 Raffle have been distributed to participating Squadrons; 20,000 in total. The draw will take place on June 16, 2003. If you have not purchased your ticket, contact any of the following Squadron sponsors for your tickets: participating Squadrons are 50 RCACS Dauphin, 82 RCACS Brandon, 158 RCACS Fisher Branch, 170 RCACS Winnipeg, 176 RCACS Winnipeg, 182 RCACS Gimli, 220 RCACS Winnipeg, 249 RCACS Beausejour, 263 RCACS Melita, 573 RCACS Winnipeg and 575 RCACS Portage La Prairie,. Remember \$1.00 per ticket and the selling Squadron earns the money, less their share of the prizes. You could win - first prize: a lap top computer; second prize: a digital camera; third prize: a DVD player. Help our Sponsors support AIR CADETS!

## **MANITOBA AIR CADETS SELECTED FOR SUMMER COURSES**

The complex task of loading cadets on summer training courses is well in hand. Our Area Cadet Officer – Air staff are ensuring that the maximum number of Air Cadets will be able to participate in the Summer Training Program. Except for last minute reallocations most of you will be aware of the assignments. As of publication, here are the candidates for the National courses for summer 2003. Congratulations to all selected and we wish you a safe and successful summer.

- Cadets selected for the **International Air Cadet Exchange** are: Cadet Jason Otto 249 RCACS to visit Australia; Cadet Asith Weeraratne 191 RCACS to visit the U.S.A.; Cadet Amrit-Pal Dhillon 573 RCACS to visit the United Kingdom; and Cadet Chantel Massey 177 RCACS to visit the United Kingdom.
- Cadets awarded the **Flying Scholarships** are: Cadet Daniel Lang 6 RCACS, Cadet Sarah Craig 170 RCACS, Cadet Pamela Birt 176 RCACS, Cadet Patrick Cross 176 RCACS, Cadet Lindsay Murphy 176 RCACS, Cadet Steven Rogers 176 RCACS, Cadet Kerri-Anne Niema 177 RCACS, Cadet Brent Dziadek 182 RCACS, Cadet Kyle Maurice 191 RCACS, Cadet John Lyon 220 RCACS and Cadet Kyle Reid 303 RCACS.
- Cadets awarded the **Gliding Scholarships** are: Cadet Melville Buist 170 RCACS, Cadet Timothy Hiebert 170 RCACS, Cadet Sebastian Walker 170 RCACS, Cadet Richard Gagnon 176 RCACS, Cadet Brian Latour 176 RCACS, Cadet Nicholas Plett 176 RCACS, Cadet Blair Clayton 177 RCACS, Cadet Joey Sliwinski 182 RCACS, Cadet Neil Evenson 191 RCACS, Cadet Blaine Bell 220 RCACS, Cadet Shane Savage 220 RCACS, Cadet Henk Venter 317 RCACS, Cadet Devan Jones 575 RCACS, Cadet Matthew Siemens 575 RCACS and Cadet Robin Claus 737 RCACS.
- Cadet selected for the **Air Traffic Control Course** is: Cadet Eric Jagat 191 RCACS.
- Cadets selected for the **Senior Leaders Course** are: Cadet Kenneth Neufeld 82 RCACS, Cadet Kiran Dhillon 170 RCACS, Cadet Sylvia Rodriguez 176 RCACS, Cadet Mylene Bouchard 177 RCACS, Cadet Kayla Henderson 182 RCACS, Cadet Tracie Moir 249 RCACS, Cadet David Wade 249 RCACS, Cadet Kory Dumas 263 RCACS, Cadet Danielle Vanbeselaere 263 RCACS, Cadet Riley Booth 317 RCACS, Cadet Erica Bissessar 573 RCACS and Cadet Cody Bruce-Smith 573 RCACS.
- Cadets selected for the **Technical Courses** are: **Tech – Aircraft Servicing**, Cadet Eric Durand 6 RCACS, Cadet Colin Williamson 50 RCACS and Cadet Justin Bolton 179 RCACS, **Tech – Electronics**, Cadet Christopher Cain 176 RCACS and Omobolanle Famuyide 191 RCACS.

- Cadets selected for the **Athletic Instructors Course** are: Cadet Shane Fehr 9 RCACS, Cadet Jennifer Ziegler 176 RCACS, Cadet Jonathan Neima 177 RCACS, Cadet Kody Taylor 182 RCACS, Cadet Matthew Tomasz 220 RCACS, Cadet Ian Fulford 303 RCACS and Cadet Kevin Mitchell 573 RCACS.
- Cadets selected to participate in the **Oshkosh - Airventure** are Cadet Thomas Imlah 158 RCACS and Cadet Scott Leighton 573 RCACS.
- Cadets selected for the **Survival Instructor's Course** at Cold Lake, AB are: Cadet Ella Louison 9 RCACS, Cadet Annie Louison 9 RCACS, Cadet Patrick Windling 176 RCACS, Cadet Tony Klatt 179 RCACS, Cadet David Anderson 191 RCACS, Cadet Danielle Clark 220 RCACS, Cadet Brandon Lucas 220 RCACS, Cadet Tyler Whitbread 303 RCACS and Cadet Michael Banias 573 RCACS. Cadets attending course at Bagotville, QC are: Cadet Michael Hince 176 RCACS, Cadet Alfred Lalonde 176 RCACS and Cadet Katrina Collet 575 RCACS.
- Cadets selected for the **Space Course** are: Cadet Kimberly Van Cauwenbergh 179 RCACS, Cadet Timothy Thiessen 249 RCACS, Cadet Bryce Palmer 50 RCACS, Cadet Shaun Vanbeselaere 176 RCACS and Cadet Will Cieurko 176 RCACS

## ***NEW SQUADRONS FOR MANITOBA***

Plans are in hand to form new squadrons in two communities in Manitoba. The size of 176 (Boeing of Canada) RCACS has caused overcrowding in the facilities that the Squadron now occupies, thus the Commanding Officer, Sponsors and parents have concluded that the division of the Squadron into two units will best serve the Air Cadets of Eastern Winnipeg. Accordingly, application has been made to form a second squadron to parade in the St. Boniface Arts and Technology Centre that will be sponsored by the Squadron's Parents Committee with support from other community organizations. It is planned the new Squadron will parade on Thursday evenings.

Discussions are also ongoing with organizers for a potential squadron in the City of Steinbach. This initiative was started by former participants in the Air Cadet Program that now live in that community. Applications are being completed for forwarding to Ottawa for formal establishment.

## ***GOLDEN JUBILEE ROYAL VISIT TO MANITOBA***



The Government of Manitoba has acknowledged the support of those who assisted with the Royal visit to Manitoba on October 8, 2002 by presenting Certificates in commemoration of the occasion.

All cadets who participated have received a certificate for their involvement, in addition to the lasting memories they will have of the event.

## **AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA BRIEFINGS**

The Air Cadet League of Canada Web Site now contains two Microsoft Power Point briefings that will be of interest to all members of the Air Cadet Program. Sponsor Committees or other interested persons can gain information to improve their knowledge of the League's role and what is expected of individuals that have specific assignments. The League Basic Training and the Sixtieth Anniversary briefings may be found at [www.aircadetleague.com](http://www.aircadetleague.com) under the 'For League Members' section of the Site.

### **SURPRISE IN MORDEN**

The Cadets and Officers of 179 RCACS in Morden, MB received a grand surprise at their Annual Ceremonial Parade on 14 May, 2003. The Parent's Committee presented the Squadron with a 72 seat blue bird bus. The driving force behind the acquisition was Wanda Watkins; she was helped by donations from the Morden Foundation, the Manitoba Community Service Council, and Provincial Bingo Funds. Well done all!



# **Notice!**

## **UPCOMING AIR CADET AND LEAGUE EVENTS**

**Brandon Air Show** – June 4, 2003 at Brandon, MB

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

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

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

**Cadets Caring for Canada** – September 1 – December 31, 2003 at sites throughout Manitoba

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

**Golden Falcon 2004** – Dates TBD, at Russell, MB

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The Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Incorporated is a volunteer organization interested in growing the Air Cadet Program in the Province. To do so we require the assistance of interested and dynamic individuals who can spare some time to help organize and conduct the programs, that while they are listed under the "Optional Training" category, are very important to adding more fun to our program. Anyone interested in assisting this dynamic program may obtain more information by contacting the Provincial League Office at the numbers below.

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