



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



## NEWSLETTER

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### 2007 NATIONAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



NOT ALL WAS HARD WORK, THE NATIONAL MEMBERS HAD A RELAXING NIGHT AT THE ASSINIBOINE DOWNS ON FRIDAY EVENING

The sixty-sixth Annual General Meeting of the Air Cadet League of Canada was held in the Canad Inn Polo Park in Winnipeg from June 14 to 16, 2007. Over 100 members of the National and Provincial Organizations met to conduct the business of the League.

Committees met on Thursday preparing for the General Meeting. Friday featured the National Air Cadet Effective Speaking Competition in the morning followed by the Annual Awards Luncheon at which six Manitobans were recognized for their contributions: Mr. Roy Moir of 249 RCACS Beausejour, Mr. Claude Laferriere of 170 RCACS Winnipeg and Mr. Doug Rogers of 199 RCACS Winnipeg received the Air Cadet League Certificate of Merit. Lieutenant-Colonel Tom Szczerski, Lieutenant-Colonel Jim Forestell and Captain Alexis McCormick received the Air Cadet League Certificate of Recognition. While not all were present, those awards will be passed on at the Manitoba AGM in September.

The Manitoba Provincial Committee, as hosts of the event, sponsored a casual evening at the Assiniboine Downs which was recognized by the running of the Air Cadet League President's Purse.

The Annual General Meeting took place on Saturday at which Mr. Jan Reidulff of Manitoba was elected as First Vice-President. That evening the President's Dinner was held with Lieutenant-General Charles Bouchard, Commander 1 Canadian Air Division, as the Guest of Honour. The General spoke of his time as an Air Cadet and we will miss his strong support of the program when he leaves for his new posting in Colorado Springs. Following presentation of several senior awards, the retiring President, Mr. Craig Hawkins, passed on the President's Diamond Pin to President elect Mr. Michel Cataford. The 2008 meeting will be held in Quebec City.

We convey a special thanks to all the volunteers and supporters who helped to make the event such an enjoyable success.

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## SELECTIONS FOR NATIONAL SUMMER TRAINING COURSES

**Winnipeg, MB.** As of publication, here are the candidates for the National courses for summer 2007.

### International Air Cadet Exchange and Destination

- \* **New Zealand**  
WO2 Gabriel Roger Tellier 176 RCACS
- \* **United Kingdom**  
F/Sgt Joshua Logan Kummerfield 191 RCACS
- \* **United Kingdom**  
WO1 Kendra Leigh Page 519 RCACS
- \* **United States**  
F/Sgt Orry Thomas Lamb 249 RCACS

### Power Pilots' Course

- \* WO2 Katherine Weber 9 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Malary Wood 220 RCACS
- \* WO2 Ashley Ocran 177 RCACS
- \* Sgt Melanie Pratt 6 RCACS
- \* WO2 Joseph Yorke 220 RCACS
- \* WO2 Johnathon Nixon 177 RCACS
- \* WO2 Anthony Setlack 307 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Grant Cullen 191 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Robert Holt 182 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Matthew Luik-Sunderman 191 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Alex Jawa 176 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Michael Hnatiuk 6 RCACS

### Glider Pilots' Course - RGS Gimli, MB

- \* F/Sgt Jessica Biggs 177 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Victor Hashemian 220 RCACS
- \* Sgt Julie George 220 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Raakesh Bharathi 191 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Jeremy Appolloni 170 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Andrew Stewart 573 RCACS
- \* Sgt Gregory Moran 176 RCACS
- \* Cpl Robert Cohoe 303 RCACS
- \* Sgt Shawn Miller 9 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Collin Toews 176 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Harrison Bochurka 182 RCACS
- \* Sgt Adam McGrath 170 RCACS
- \* Sgt Taylor Ellement 177 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Janelle Normandeau 199 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Kelsey Howard 6 RCACS

### Advanced Aviation Training—Airport Operations Course—Georgian College Barrie, ON

- \* Cpl Luke Lazaruk 6 RCACS

### Senior Leaders' Course - ACSTC Cold Lake, AB

- \* F/Sgt Brendan Clark 573 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Curtis Dowsett 158 RCACS
- \* Cpl Terrance McLeod 303 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Brittany Vermette 249 RCACS
- \* Sgt Tasia Knysh 6 RCACS
- \* Sgt Jordan Kostelnyk 176 RCACS
- \* Sgt Jena Patterson 575 RCACS
- \* Sgt Mikhael Razumov 573 RCACS
- \* Sgt Adam Rac 191 RCACS
- \* F/Sgt Kimberly Shesterniak 191 RCACS
- \* Cpl Tifanie Tomson 307 RCACS
- \* Sgt Trevor Bailey 6 RCACS

### Technical Training Course—Blackdown ACSTC Borden, ON

#### Aircraft Servicing

- \* F/Sgt Stephen Ashcroft 191 RCACS
- \* Cpl Anthony Basarowich 573 RCACS
- \* Cpl Erika Brown 170 RCACS

#### Basic Electronics

- \* LAC Benjamin Wood 307 RCACS

### Athletic Instructors' Course—HMCS Kingston, ON

- \* Sgt Gordon Yesterau 170 RCACS
- \* Sgt Kendra McKenna 158 RCACS
- \* Sgt Jason Hoshowski 573 RCACS
- \* Sgt James Dunn 191 RCACS
- \* Cpl Rafael Morales 177 RCACS
- \* Cpl Steven Taylor 182 RCACS
- \* Sgt Daniel Przybytkowski 6 RCACS
- \* LAC Melissa Gerbrandt 307 RCACS
- \* Cpl Prem Joshi 191 RCACS

### Survival Instructors' Course—ACSTC Cold Lake, AB

- \* Sgt Shane Dutkowski 573 RCACS
- \* Sgt Cody Todd 199 RCACS
- \* Cpl Christopher Hurd 573 RCACS
- \* Cpl Trevor Adam 176 RCACS
- \* Cpl Melissa Favell 182 RCACS
- \* Cpl Christopher Lamy 50 RCACS
- \* Cpl Keenan Dyck 176 RCACS
- \* Cpl Trevor Slack 82 RCACS
- \* LAC Stephen Klassen 307 RCACS
- \* Sgt David Klein 191 RCACS
- \* Cpl Braden Blaikie 82 RCACS
- \* Cpl David Propkowich 6 RCACS

Congratulations to all selected; we wish you a safe and successful summer.



## 2007 NATIONAL EFFECTIVE SPEAKING COMPETITION

The 2007 National Air Cadet Effective Speaking Competition was held this year on July 15 at the Canad Inn Polo Park in Winnipeg. Twelve competitors from all provinces and the Northwest Territory competed for the Gold Medal.

This year was a first for the competition to involve a cadet from the Northwest Territory and also the Civil Air Patrol of the U.S.A. Chief Master Sergeant Justin McDowell from Fargo, ND spoke but not as a competitor. It is hoped that future years will see continued participation from other CAP cadets.

The Masters of Ceremonies were two previous Manitoba competitors Officer Cadet Heather Shonoski and Mr. Dana Gregoire. The Judges were members of Toastmasters' Clubs in Winnipeg.



WO2 BURNS, WO1 GAGNON AND F/SGT NANTES

### AIR CADETS IN STONEWALL?

Stonewall Branch #52 of the Royal Canadian Legion held an open house on Sunday June 10, 2007 to introduce the Air Cadet Program to the citizens of that community. Legion representatives approached Cadet Detachment Winnipeg and the Manitoba Provincial Committee to determine the feasibility of resurrecting the #301 Alan McLeod Squadron that paraded in Stonewall from 1943 to 1948.

We are aware that a number of cadets from the Stonewall area parade with Winnipeg squadrons and therefore, the potential of developing a successful unit is excellent. The interest expressed by families who attended the open house was encouraging and the support from the Legion and community organizations is positive.

A minimum of thirty cadets are required, therefore individuals interested in more information about the Stonewall initiative or how to join the Air Cadet program may contact Mr. Barda at 467-1112 in Stonewall or the Provincial office.

The National Competition winner was WO1 Julie Gagnon of 697 (Rotary) RCACS Rimouski, QC with the judges selecting WO2 Holly Anna Burns of 527 (Simonds) RCACS St. John, NB in second place and F/Sgt Scott Nantes of 53 (C.E. Monty DFC) RCACS Summerside, PE in third place.

The cadets had an active time in Manitoba visiting the Pilot Training Centre in Southport on Thursday, competing on Friday morning, visiting the Canadian Forces Air Navigation School in the afternoon and participating on a river cruise with cadets from 573 (Andrew Mynarski VC) RCACS in the evening.

The competition winner was awarded a flight in a Grob 120A aircraft at the Southport Centre on Friday afternoon compliments of Allied Wings.

On Saturday the cadets visited the Western Canada Aviation Museum in the afternoon and attended a Goldeyes Baseball game in the evening as guests of the team.



WO1 JULIE GAGNON PREPARING FOR FLIGHT WITH PILOT MAREK SOSULSKI

### MANITOBA AIR CADET RAFFLE

Due to difficulty obtaining the license for the 2007 Manitoba Air Cadet Raffle, tickets will now be available for the end of August.

The draw is planned for November 19, 2007 in conjunction with the November meeting of the Board of Directors at #283 Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans of Canada, 3584 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg.

The prizes and other particulars affecting the raffle will be announced in August. Squadrons wishing further information can contact the raffle coordinator Mary Ann Shipley.



## 2007 GOLDEN FALCON COMPETITION



2007 GOLDEN FALCON BRASS BAND AND PIPERS ON PARADE AT MELITA ARENA

The 2007 Golden Falcon Competition was held in Melita the weekend of May 19 through 21. Thirteen squadrons, with 205 cadets and 30 officers and supporters, participated in the event.

"F" Flight, composed of cadets from 573, 677 and 170 squadrons, was declared the winner by the competition judges. Teams competed in Soccer, Dodge ball, Basketball, Frisbee Baseball and Marksmanship.

The cadets paraded a Drum Head Ceremony in Melita with Reviewing Officer Mr. Larry Maguire, MLA for Arthur-Virden, taking the salute. Following the parade an Awards dinner ended the activities.

Well done to Captain Shirley Slack and 263 RCACS for hosting this very successful event. Many thanks to all the organizers, supporters and participants in this year's Golden Falcon.

### The Training Year is Done



The 2007 ACC9 Squadron Annual Financial Report

**Do It Now!**

**It is Due in October.**

### IS YOUR SQUADRON'S CONTACT INFORMATION UP TO DATE ON THE INTERNET?

Check out the sites to confirm -

- ◆ Your Squadron's website
- ◆ Air Cadet League website
- ◆ National Cadet website

*Fix it now!*

## UPCOMING AIR CADET AND LEAGUE EVENTS

**MANITOBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 30, 2007 AT WINNIPEG, MB**

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