



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



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## 2010 GOLDEN FALCON COMPETITION

The 2010 Golden Falcon Competition was held in Stonewall, MB on May 21–24, 2010. The Golden Falcon Competition was initiated as a provincial activity in 1991 to celebrate the fiftieth Anniversary of the Air Cadet League of Canada. The competition has been held each year in various communities throughout Manitoba except when cancelled in 1997 for the flood and 2009 for logistical reasons.

Approximately 300 cadets attended the event. Cadets from participating squadrons were paired with another squadron to form a flight for the Golden Falcon games.

The traditional Air Cadet Wing Parade was held on the Sunday with Brigadier-General Elden Thuen as the Reviewing Officer. The parade included a commemoration of three of Manitoba's Victoria Cross recipients – William Barker, Alan McLeod and Andrew Mynarski.

The Member of Parliament for the area Mr. James Bezan, Member of the Legislative Assembly Mr. Ralph Eichler and the Mayor of Stonewall Mr Ross Thompson joined Brigadier-General Thuen, Air Cadet League members, the event's staff and the cadets for a banquet dinner. Following the dinner medals were presented to the Flights that won the sports and the Esprit de Corps competitions.

Top Flight for this years event was Hornet Flight with cadets from 303 RCACS The Pas and 191 RCACS Winnipeg. Well done to all participants!



## Manitoba Air Cadet Bugle Competition

The Manitoba Air Cadet First Annual Bugle Competition was held in conjunction with the Golden Falcon contest. The competition has been named in honour of our former legal advisor Mr. Telly Mercury, Q.C.

Competitors were required to play three pieces; the Last Post, the Rouse, and the General Salute.

While four cadet musicians competed this year they all performed well with the winner of the 2010 competition being Sgt. Jean Michel Blanchette from 303 RCACS The Pas.

We are pleased to introduce this music competition in Manitoba and it is expected to grow as more cadets become aware of the event.



SGT. JEAN MICHEL BLANCHETTE



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## 2010 SUMMER TRAINING SELECTIONS

### INTERNATIONAL AIR CADET EXCHANGE

#### Destination - Israel

Flight Sergeant Gurkamal DHILLON, 170 RCACS

#### Destination - New Zealand

Warrant Officer 2 Hannah TUFTS, 82 RCACS

#### Destination - United Kingdom

Flight Sergeant Prem JOSHI, 191 RCACS

#### Destination - United Kingdom

Flight Sergeant Kristine HENDERSON, 303 RCACS

### SENIOR LEADERS COURSE

Flight Sergeant Joshua S OSADCHUK, 191 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Gillian E WALLACE, 191 RCACS

Flight Corporal Sarah WALLACE, 575 RCACS

Sergeant Christopher HOLMES, 191 RCACS

Sergeant Trista MITCHEL, 573 RCACS

Sergeant Jaisal PARSHOTAM, 177 RCACS

Sergeant Annick POIRON, 307 RCACS

Flight Corporal Myung G U YANG, 82 RCACS

Flight Corporal Chanda-Labre BAILEY, 177 RCACS

Sergeant Christopher R PHILLIPS, 50 RCACS

Sergeant Bethanie MCCORRISTON, 737 RCACS

Sergeant Shelby L ANDERSON, 9 RCACS

### POWER PILOT

Warrant Officer 2 David P KLEIN, 191 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Joseph J G DARCEL, 199 RCACS

Sergeant Kurt Peter Edward SCHULZ, 170 RCACS

Sergeant Richard SOOS, 170 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Andrew MCNAUGHTON, 177 RCACS

Sergeant Jordan GARRIOCH, 575 RCACS

Sergeant Delroy L HIEBERT, 199 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Adam OSTANSKI, 176 RCACS

Sergeant David KUSA, 177 RCACS

Warrant Officer 1 Lisa D REEVES, 6 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Viacheslav V PANCHENKO, 6 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Franklin A COOK, 737 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Karolina UTKO, 170 RCACS

### ADVANCED AVIATION TECHNOLOGY— AVIATION MAINTENANCE

Flight Corporal Garret G S CURTIS, 170 RCACS

Sergeant Jason K PIRT, 191 RCACS

Sergeant Luke SCHWINDT, 82 RCACS

### ADVANCED AVIATION TRAINING COURSE - AIRPORT OPERATIONS

Sergeant Courtney M PRATT, 6 RCACS

Sergeant Tyler TR RYMAN, 179 RCACS

Sergeant Yongwon JIN, 191 RCACS

Flight Corporal Nicholas SCHULTZ, 191 RCACS

### GLIDER PILOT COURSE

Flight Sergeant Steven Cole DAMSEL, 6 RCACS

Warrant Officer 1 Danielle WARREN, 177 RCACS

Sergeant Kevin GONZALEZ-CONTRERAS, 6 RCACS

Sergeant Marina D HANNAPPEL, 82 RCACS

Flight Corporal Brittany A YOUNG, 82 RCACS

Sergeant Johnathan Buxton KELLY, 170 RCACS

Sergeant Anthony J WILLIAMS, 176 RCACS

Sergeant Taryn LABELLE, 301 RCACS

Sergeant Brent Matthew BLACK, 170 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Joshua REMPEL, 220 RCACS

Sergeant Jessica PARSHOTAM, 177 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Jared PAYMENT, 182 RCACS

Sergeant Evan TRUSS, 573 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Jordan R TWERDUN, 9 RCACS

Corporal Patrick GRAY, 575 RCACS

Sergeant Anthony CARTER, 170 RCACS

Flight Corporal Luba ROGANOVA, 573 RCACS

### ATHLETIC INSTRUCTORS COURSE

Sergeant Connor CA TEMPLEMAN, 176 RCACS

Sergeant Jessica Elizabeth NEMETCHEK, 177 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Perry SMOKE, 263 RCACS

Corporal Jacquelyn WIEBE, 191 RCACS

Sergeant Brian Paul JAREMA, 170 RCACS

Flight Corporal Prince Shane JONES, 170 RCACS

Sergeant Nicolas J J ROBITAILLE, 199 RCACS

Sergeant Stacy IRVINE, 182 RCACS

Sergeant Jonathon D SPARROW, 82 RCACS

Flight Corporal Clarence C J AUDY, 177 RCACS

Sergeant Marcus John SMALE, 307 RCACS

### SURVIVAL INSTRUCTORS COURSE

Sergeant Miranda GUIBOCHE, 220 RCACS

Sergeant Romeo VERGA, 177 RCACS

Sergeant Brendon William STERMA, 519 RCACS

Sergeant Karly Tekla BLUNDELL, 573 RCACS

Sergeant Eric AC COOK, 176 RCACS

Flight Corporal Bryan Joseph FEHR, 170 RCACS

Sergeant Andrew Joseph OVERTON, 220 RCACS

Sergeant Keith DAMSEL, 6 RCACS

Warrant Officer 2 John Anthony POHL, 9 RCACS

Sergeant Brittany Dawn HASTINGS, 158 RCACS

Flight Corporal Alix Zandria BOYACHUK, 575 RCACS

Sergeant Tristan E BLAIKIE, 82 RCACS

Flight Corporal Wesley POTT, 307 RCACS

Flight Corporal Tasha Claire ANNIUK, 182 RCACS

Corporal Stuart MCCORRIE, 199 RCACS

Sergeant Thomas Rigby DEVOS, 50 RCACS

Sergeant James L LAVALLEE, 249 RCACS

### OSHKOSH AIRVENTURE

Flight Corporal Julian Thomas AUDETTE, 307 RCACS

Flight Sergeant Kyle Grant MATTOCKS, 158 RCACS



## JOHN 'JACK' MOWAT



**JOHN "JACK" MOWAT**  
April 29, 1925 - March 13, 2010

Captain John "Jack" Mowat was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba on April 29, 1925, eldest son of Edward and Naomi Mowat. Educated in Winnipeg, he joined the R.C.A.F. in 1943 and was commissioned at the age of 19 as a Wireless Navigator for the Mosquito aircraft. He was discharged from service in 1945 with the rank of flying officer.

In 1945 he joined the YMCA and it was then that Jack's focus in life turned to mentoring and training young men to be proper, responsible and capable adults. From that point in time, Jack devoted the balance of his life to this task, and as a consequence, was heavily involved in the community and many organizations in his effort to improve and enrich the lives of many young men.

In 1946 he became involved in gymnastics, a sport that he loved. He was initially an active gymnast himself and later became an instructor, judge, coach and mentor to many young gymnasts. He was a founder of the Manitoba Gymnastics Association in 1967 and rose to the level of National Judging Chairman for the Canadian Gymnastics Federation, ultimately traveling throughout Canada and to Japan, Russia, Cuba, Santo Domingo and France in the capacity of Coach, Judge or Meet Director. He was the Head Coach of the Junior Gym Team from 1969 to 1987 when the Downtown YMCA closed for renovations.

From 1956 to 1985 Jack was also heavily involved with the Royal Canadian Air Cadets serving initially as an instructor Supply Officer, later as Chief Training Officer and ultimately as a Commanding Officer, roles which he loved and to which he devoted his full attention. Jack was a member of the Air Cadet League Manitoba Committee and the Air Cadet League of Canada, and held many positions within both organizations.

In 1977 Jack was awarded the "Anniversary Medal" celebrating the 25th anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty the Queen for his contribution to the community for his work with youth in gymnastics as well as Air Cadets. In 1981 he was awarded a 25 year service gold pin for his membership in the Canadian Gymnastics Association and joined the honour roll of "Builders of Canadian Gymnastics". In 1988 Jack was inducted into the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame as a Builder, an honour which he treasured throughout the balance of his life. In 1985 he received a Certificate of Service for 25 years of service to Canada from the Chief of the Defence Staff of Canada. He also received a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of services rendered to the Royal Canadian Air Cadets Gliding Program.

Following his discharge from the R.C.A.F. in 1945, Jack began his working career cleaning spark plugs for Standard Aero. His adept skills at math and keen attention to detail saw him rise through the ranks rapidly culminating in a position with the Department of National Defence in the Aeronautical Inspection Directorate as an aircraft inspector where he initially inspected P-51 Mustangs before moving on to the CF 101 Voodoo. He was promoted to the Canadian Forces Technical Services Detachment C.F.T.S.D. HDOTS Winnipeg. He retired in 1990 as contract manager for Itinerant Contracts.

Jack was always proud of his efforts, his principles and his achievements. He was a car aficionado, and a fine marksman. He was a raconteur extraordinaire and maintained lifelong friendships with many of the gymnasts and cadets that he instructed and who came to exemplify all that Jack had stood for and that to which he had devoted his life. He loved his time at his cottage in Lac du Bonnet with his brother Norm, who Jack missed terribly after he passed away in December 2001.

Jack was not only a long time officer and Commanding Officer with 6 (Jim Whitecross) RCACS in Winnipeg, he served for many years as a senior 'Tow' pilot with the Air Cadet Gliding Program. He was also a Life Member of the Manitoba Provincial Committee and a past-member of the National Committee of the Air Cadet League of Canada. He was awarded the National Air Cadet League Certificate of Honour in 1997.

Through his Estate, Jack has left a generous donation to the Manitoba Air Cadet League and accordingly, he will be recognized by the naming of a Manitoba Scout 'Tow' aircraft in his honour.



## 2010 GALA HOMECOMING DINNER

The 2010 Air Cadet Homecoming Gala Dinner was held on May 8, 2010 at the Marlborough Hotel in Winnipeg. More than 160 persons participated in the event and the fund raising auctions that were held following the dinner.

A special thank you is proffered to all the contributors and especially to Advance Quality Electronics and Peerless Garments for their generous support to the program.

To all the Members of the Air Cadet League and those Squadron members who volunteered their time and monetary support to the endeavour we send a grand thank you. Keep your calendar open for next year's event.

## AIR CADET SCHOLARSHIPS

Squadron staff and cadets' parents are directed to the Scholarships and Bursaries page of the Manitoba Air Cadet League web site at [www.aircadetmanitoba.com/scholarships.html](http://www.aircadetmanitoba.com/scholarships.html) for information on awards available to Manitoba air cadets.

While the application dates for National awards have passed, the June 1st date for Manitoba Air Cadet Scholastic awards is rapidly approaching and it is now timely to submit any applications. Several thousands of dollars are available for Manitoba Air Cadets that qualify.

## ACL (MB) 2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle

The 2010 Manitoba Air Cadet Electronics Extravaganza Raffle - Third Early Bird Draw was held on Monday May 16, 2010. The winner of the Apple iPod Nano 160GB with retail value of \$279.00 was Helga Valousek of Winnipeg.

The winner of the Second Early Bird Draw for an Apple iPod Nano 16GB with retail value of \$199.00 was Cam Zacharias of LaSalle. The Sellers Prize of \$100.00 went to 249 RCACS Sponsoring Committee.

The winner of the First Early Bird Draw for an Apple iPod Nano 8GB with retail value of \$169.00 was Rob Ferens of Winnipeg. The Sellers Prize of \$100.00 went to 176 RCACS Sponsoring Committee.

The Final Grand draw will take place on June 14, 2010.

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## UPCOMING AIR CADET AND LEAGUE EVENTS

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- **Final Draw - 2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle** - June 14, 2010 at 283 ANAVETS, Winnipeg
- **2010 Hubbell Awards Dinner** - September 11, 2010 at 17 Wing Winnipeg, MB
- **Manitoba ACL Annual General Meeting** - October 16-17, 2010 at Clairion Hotel, Winnipeg

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