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2006 EFFECTIVE SPEAKING COMPETITION



Winnipeg, MB. The 2006 Air Cadet effective Speaking Competition was held on February 26, 2006 at the Viscount Gort Hotel here in Winnipeg. Eight cadets participated in the event with overall winners being, Gold medal—WO2 J-D Cole of 263 RCACS, Silver Medal—WO2 Jesse Zillman of 199 RCACS and Bronze Medal—WO1 Heather Shonoski of 199 RCACS.

Judges for the event, members of Toastmasters, were Mr. John Melnick, Mrs. Dorian Guerard and Mr. Lionel Guerard. Timer was Ms. Pat McDonald and Teller Mr. George Evans.

The Gold medal was presented to WO2 Cole by Mr. John Melnick. WO2 Cole will represent Manitoba in the 2006 National Competition in Richmond, BC this coming June.



2006 Effective Speaking Competitors

NEW SQUADRON IN STEINBACH

Steinbach, MB. 307 (Stony Brook) RCACS, Manitoba's twenty-third Air Cadet Squadron was officially stood up on February 1, 2006. The name Stony Brook is the literal translation from the German 'Steinbach'.

The organizers of Manitoba's newest Air Cadet location had begun training earlier as a Flight of 249 Beausejour Squadron. More than seventy cadets have registered for the program in Steinbach. The Sponsor of the Squadron is an association of parents supported by local businesses.

The main organizer of the group and new Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Patti Setlack, has been working with interested parents for two years to reach this point in the effort.

The Squadron is parading at the 55 Plus Center in Steinbach on Tuesday evenings. Interested individuals can telephone (204) 422-5443 for more information.

SUMMER TRAINING SELECTION BOARDS

Winnipeg, MB. The Summer Training Selection Boards for 2006 were held here on Saturday February 25, 2006.

More than sixty of Manitoba's Air Cadets applying for National courses were interviewed to confirm their suitability for the coming summer's training.

National summer courses are: International Air Cadet Exchange; Senior Leaders Course; Power Pilot Course; Glider Pilots Course; Air Traffic Control Course; Technical Training Course; Athletic Instructors Course; Survival Instructor Course; Intro to Rifle Coaching Course; and Intro to Aerospace Course.

Successful candidates should be informed shortly.

FIRST MANITOBA AIR CADET SERVICE MEDAL



Winnipeg, MB: The award of the new Air Cadet Service Medal was officially kicked off in Manitoba by the presentation of the first medal to our longest serving member of the program, Mr. George Evans, by the senior Past Chairman of the Provincial program, Mr. Al Finnbogason, at the Leagues Christmas reception on December 19, 2005.

Mr. Evans was a cadet with 82 Brandon RCACS from 1941 until 1946. He has continued his service to the Air Cadet program since that time as a volunteer in the Gliding program and as an officer with several squadrons ending as CO of 191 RCACS in Winnipeg from 1980 until 1986. He has been a Director of the Manitoba Provincial Committee of the Air Cadet League of Canada since that date. He has also been a National Director since 2003.



Cadet Evans circa 1942

82 RCACS WINS 2006 GLEN ELWOOD



CFB Shilo, MB: 82 Brandon RCACS is the 2006 winner in the Glen Elwood Drill Competition held at CFB Shilo on 10 through 12 February 2006. The event was graciously supported by 2PPCLI in CFB Shilo and held in their Battalion facilities.

The Glen Elwood is open to all rural Manitoba Air Cadet Squadrons. The competition has unfortunately not been held for the past eight years and for that reason some squadrons were not able to compete. However, the four competing teams from 82 Brandon, 263 Melita, 519 Swan Valley and 575 Portage La Prairie Squadrons had a great time demonstrating their skills and renewing friendships while enjoying tours of the Base's facilities.

Well done 82! The planning has started for the 2007 Glen Elwood so the challenge is out to all the rural squadrons to come out and show their skills.



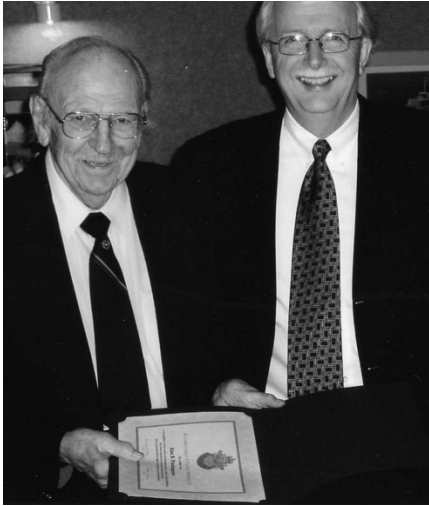
Judges Inspecting the Brandon Team

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AL FINNBOGASON LIFE MEMBER



Mr. Al Finnbogason was presented with Life Membership in the Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. by Mr. Garry Bolton, Past-Chairman at the League Christmas reception on December 19, 2005.

Al has been a member of the Manitoba League for many years and was Provincial Chairman 1969-71. He is presently a Member of the Advisory Board. More information on AL is available on our web-site.

PTAA AWARDS:

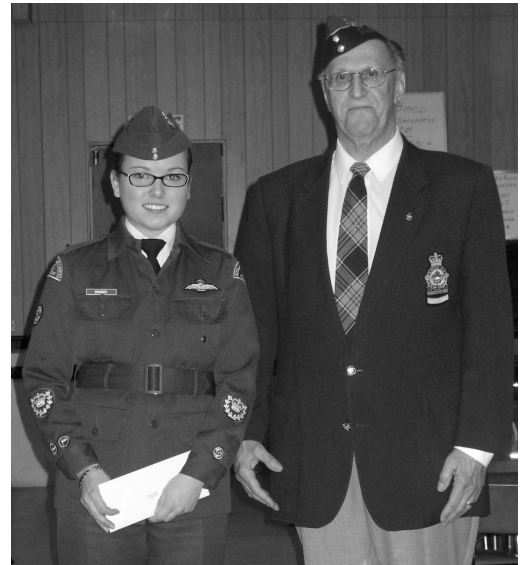


Sgt Ted Hebert receiving the Irvin Erb/Virginia Mitchell Award

PILOT TRAINING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Three Manitoba Air Cadets are recipients of the 2005 Pilot Training Achievement Awards. Awards were granted to:

- The Irvin Erb / Virginia Mitchell Award - **Ted Hebert**, 170 (St James) RCACS;
- The Air Force Association of Canada Award - **Leah Brunger**, 182 (GM Stefnufastur) RCACS; and
- The Commissionaire Frank Kobe Award - **Michael Puttaert**, 191 (West Winnipeg Rotary) RCACS



WO2 Leah Brunger with Mr. Gerald Johnson of the AFAC



F/S Michael Puttaert receiving the Commissionaire Frank Kobe Award

SECONDARY SCHOOL CREDITS

Squadrons are reminded that Manitoba Education and Training will recognize the recording of up to two credits on a student's transcript for work completed by Manitoba students actively involved in the Manitoba cadet programs. The conditions for recognition are as follows:

- One credit can be recognized on the basis of successful completion of the cadet basic training program. Basic training program for Air Cadets is defined as successful completion of the Level Two program;
- An additional credit can be recognized on the basis of successful completion of the cadet advanced training program. Advanced training program for Air Cadets is defined as successful completion of the Level Four program;
- To report this credit for student record purposes the code #9982 is to be used; and

These credits will be recognized only as additional credits beyond the minimum credits for school graduation.

Additional credits also may be available for cadets involved in the Duke of Edinburgh Award, Young Canadian's Challenge.

Commanding Officers have been directed to provide those cadets who wish to participate in this program with a letter to the school principal indicating which level the cadet has attained.

THE AIR CADET LEAGUE ORIENTATION BRIEFING

All Local Sponsoring Committees are reminded that an Orientation Briefing is available to review the responsibilities and organization of the Air Cadet Program. The briefing is designed to be relevant to all members but particularly for those new to the program. The briefing will take approximately one hour dependent on the number of questions.

If your group is interested in this briefing, and it is highly recommended, a suitable date may be arranged through your Liaison Member or through the Provincial office. A copy of the briefing is included on our website.

MANITOBA AIR CADET RAFFLE

At publication we await authorization from the Manitoba Government Lotteries Commission for the 2006 Manitoba Air Cadet Raffle. Tickets will be mailed to participating squadrons as soon as possible. The draw is planned for June 19, 2006 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.

The Raffle coordinator, Mary-Ann Shipley will be contacting all squadrons to confirm their involvement and ticket needs.

Notice!

UPCOMING AIR CADET AND LEAGUE EVENTS

Tommy Cooper Drill Competition - March 12, 2006 at Winnipeg, MB

2006 Golden Falcon Competition - May 19-22, 2006 at Winnipeg, MB

National ACLC Annual General Meeting - June 15-18, 2006 at Richmond, BC

National Effective Speaking Competition - June 16, 2006 at Richmond, BC

2006 Manitoba Air Cadet Raffle Draw - June 19, 2006 at Winnipeg, MB

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