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### A Way of Remembrance

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On November 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 Cadets from 21<sup>st</sup> Royal Highland Fusiliers of Canada Army Cadet Corps took post at the Hespeler Cenotaph in Cambridge Ontario. This was the second year that the unit was able to honour the soldiers that fought for freedom and peace.

Through all hours of the night and into the early morning the Cadets would take shifts to stand guard, one at each corner of the Cenotaph. As they stood guard in the cold and snow, silence filled the air.

For some Cadets this was their first time participating in the vigil. As was the case for Corporal Joshua Verbeek . When Corporal Verbeek was asked why he signed up for his shift 8:00 pm - 12:00 am he responded "To give respect to the soldiers for their service for our Country."



Master Corporal Alex Muir participated in the event last year and said he signed up for his shift from 3:45am – 7:00am "because this is a good way to show respect for those who gave everything". Master Corporal Muir also said he felt "peaceful and sombre" while he was standing vigil.

It is this small, yet very important act of remembrance that shows just how much respect and honour these Cadets have, not only for the soldiers that never made it home, but for the veterans, and current serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Royal Highland Fusiliers of Canada Army Cadet Corps staff would like to thank all of the Cadets that participated in this year's Remembrance Vigil, as well as all the parents that brought their Cadets out to their shifts many of whom stayed with their Cadets.

Thank you for the gracious support from our sponsor, The Royal Canadian Legion, Hespeler Branch 272 and the Hespeler Historical Center for allowing us to have access to the Old Town Hall for the Cadets to warm up and rest. The Legion also canvased the local businesses for snacks and refreshments throughout the night.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.

Submitted By:
Officer Cadet Tara Shand
Administration Officer
21 Royal Highland Fusiliers of Canada Army Cadet Corps

#### WHAT AN AMAZING STORY

As the proud parents of this Cadet, we would like to share our experience with the program.....

At the age of 12, our son, Israel David was encouraged to join our local Cadet Corps. As a military family, we were well aware of the program and all the possible benefits. When Israel was 18 months old, he was given to us, and only later did we find out he was on the Autism Spectrum, with severe ADD, Fetal Alcohol and Tactile deprived.

Through a village of teachers, specialists, family and friends we survived and because of Cadets we thrived. This quiet, shy young man went from hiding in the stairwell during parade to standing in front and leading classes. The Officers and CIs supported and encouraged, never expected less of him than any other Cadet. He helped in Supply and became the QM for 2 years.

Officers took him and showed him how to become better. Israel enjoyed the shooting practices and over time earned the Distinguished Marksmanship award, earning Top Shot, 97%, competed nationally with the Dominion Rifle Association and came in 2nd place. He was invited to join the Full-bore program at Connaught. With perseverance, Israel began to stand in front of and teach the younger Cadets.

As a Sergeant, the "Commanding Officers Commendation" was presented to him along with the coin. For two summers, he was employed at Connaught as laundry supervisor and a third summer as Support Staff. Israel has spent many hours volunteering his time with the Legion, Lions, Cancer Society and Cadets. As Israel aged out last year, he received his 6 year bar and was awarded the "Legion Medal Of Excellence."

Because Israel took advantage of the Summer School programs offered during his summer employment at Connaught, all the credits he got, gave him more then enough to graduate with full Ontario Diploma.

So thank-you for the amazing opportunity our family had because of the Cadet Program.

Truly life changing!

Written by: Proud Parents Jim and Wendy Hallock



### **Honouring and Learning About the Past**



During the month of November, the Cadets of the 32 Military Police Army Cadets, 96 Company welcomed SLT Dave Mildon to the York Regional Police Community Safety Village. SLT Mildon spoke to our Cadets about the importance of Remembrance Day, anecdotes of his service, and answered any questions the Cadets proposed. The Cadets enjoyed conversing with SLT Mildon and learning about Remembrance Day from a veterans' perspective while also sharing their experiences and anecdotes about training, FTX weekends and the poppy campaign. Thank you to SLT Mildon for stopping in to 96 Company and giving our Cadets the opportunity to learn and interact with the community.

Cadets also participated in the annual wreath laying ceremony at York Regional Police's 3 District Headquarters on Friday November 8<sup>th</sup> to honour those who served and are still serving. Cpl Marshall (above) was one of the Cadets who attended and felt honoured to be part of the annual ceremony.



(Above) SLT Mildon during his talk



(Above) SLT Mildon and 96 Company in the Community Safety Village

Submitted By: Alexandria Pleskina, Volunteer

## **Brighton Army Cadet Corps Doubles In Size: Cadets Shine During Ceremonial Review**



Capt. Pam Hohner presented Connor Reardon his Gold Star award



Captain Robin Brooks presented Keegan Cybulskie his Most Improved Cadet award



Major Christopher Nobrega presented Jeremy Kearney his Leadership Award. Kearney also received awards for Top Master Cadet and Most Inspirational Cadet, and was named the new regimental sergeant major.



Major Christopher Nobrega, Deputy Commanding officer of the Canadian Army Advanced Warfare Centre at CFB Trenton, inspected the cadets at their annual ceremonial review.



**BRIGHTON** — The 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps began its ninth year on a high note last fall. It doubled in size, creating "a strong base of junior cadets that will take us into the future," Commanding Officer Capt. Robin Brooks said at the Corps' annual ceremonial review held recently at the Trenton Cadet Training Centre. RCACC Brighton, one of 287 Cadet Corps and Squadrons in Ontario, ended the year with 37 Cadets ranging in age from 12 to 18. They parade twice a week at East Northumberland Secondary School from September to June.

The Corps' orienteering teams won medals at both the Zone and Regional levels, and the Biathlon team won medals for the first time in the Corps' history. Brooks said three-quarters of the Cadets will spend two to seven weeks at summer training. Two — Jamie Thornton and Brittany Pennington — will travel to Alberta to take part in a leadership and challenge course at the Rocky Mountain Training Centre, while a third, Jeremy Kearney, will be heading to Whitehorse — a first for the Corps — where he will attend a summer training centre.

The Corps bade farewell to five Cadets graduating from the program. (see photo below). "I truly believe that the training they have received as Cadets will be a strong base for them to start their next life chapters," Brooks said. "I have enjoyed watching them grow before my eyes ... but I am sad to see them go. All of them have achieved so much during their time as an Army Cadet in Brighton and they have put our Corps on the map." Reviewing Officer Maj. Christopher Nobrega, Deputy Commanding Officer of the Canadian Army Advanced Warfare Centre at CFB Trenton, said his time as a Cadet gave him a chance to see Canada and to do things he wouldn't have done otherwise, such as rappelling, canoeing and skiing. Nobrega told those headed off to summer training camp to "embrace that opportunity ... the experience and the adventure." "It will allow you a chance to spread your wings and develop yourself," he said.

Nobrega thanked the Cadet Instructor Cadre for their efforts in helping to raise young people to become "responsible citizens" and "Canada's leaders of tomorrow."

Retired Brig.-Gen. Ian Douglas, the Cadet Liaison Officer for Royal Canadian Legion Brighton Branch 100 in Brighton, the Corps' sponsor, said the Cadets "will be well served by the experiences they have had in this Corps."

Twenty of the Cadets headed to Alberta two days after the parade for a nine-day tour of the province that included a visit to Ex Coelis Mountain on the 75th anniversary of D-Day. The mountain was named in honour of the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion and means "out of the clouds." The Corps raised more than \$20,000 to pay for the trip.

Jamie Thornton was named Top Overall Cadet. He also received the Lord Strathcona Medal, the highest award a Cadet can earn in a unit for outstanding achievement and personal involvement in the community. Also receiving awards were: Top Green Star — Spencer Van Bergen; Top Red Star — Hilton Dawson; Top Silver Star — Kathrena Hoddinott; Top Gold Star — Connor Reardon; Top Master Cadet, Most Inspirational Cadet, Leadership — Jeremy Kearney; Most Improved Cadet — Keegan Cybulskie; Top Marksmanship — Jonathan Powers; Top Biathletes — Brendan Pennington, Brittany Pennington; Top Orienteering — Brittany Pennington; and Top Drill — Isaac Sinclair.

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The Corps bade farewell to five of its Cadets (R-L) Jonathan Powers, Zachery Syganiec and three members of the Pennington family, Brittany, Brendan and Sarah. Captain Pam Hohner accompanied them on their March Past.

## **52nd Battalion Expeditionary Force Memorial**

Lake Superior Scottish Regiment RCACC 2511 participated in the dedication and consecration of the 52<sup>nd</sup> (New Ontario) Battalion Expeditionary Force Memorial in Thunder Bay.

On September the 21<sup>st</sup> 2019 a nice moderate day, with partial sunshine our Cadet Corps was privileged to participate in the Parade led by the MacGillivray Pipe Band accompanying the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment (L.S.S.R.) The Legion Colour Party, Air and Sea Cadets.

Attending dignitaries including the L.S.S.R. Senate, (who planned and executed erecting this Monument) City officials, First Nations, Provincial and Federal representatives, the Fort William Male Choir, and the public.

The Keynote Speaker, and the Reviewing Officer was Lieutenant General Omer Lavoie CMM, MSC, CD, Deputy Commander of NATO's joint force command Naples, Italy. Commanding our Cadet Corps was 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Lewis. (C.O. Capt. D. Woloschuck was unable due to illness) Lt. General Lavoie carried out the inspection of both the L.S.S.R. and our Cadets who I must say were in very good form.

The ceremony speakers delivered messages of welcome and historic accounts of the history behind the  $52^{nd}$  ( New Ontario ) Battalion leading up to the creation of this Monument to those men of the  $52^{nd}$  who died. The Memorial was consecrated by Cpt. (Ret.) Kerry McLaughlin CD. , and was concluded with remarks by Hon. L. Col Dr. Michel Beaulieu PhD., and a very moving rendition of "In Flanders Fields" sung by Elder Beatrice Twance -Hynes



Inspection Lt. General O. Lavoie L.S.S.R. C.O. L. Col. David Ratz



Lt. General O. Lavoie Laving his Wreath



**2511 Cadets Marching to Memorial** 

Submitted By: John Walas Support Committee Chair

## SUNSET CEREMONY AT BLACKDOWN CTC











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### **Most Outstanding Cadet in Canada**



Harry McCabe, President Army Cadet League of Ontario presenting CWO Evelyn Wrobel the President's trophy.



LCol Barry Leonard, CO RCSU Central, Gerard Buckley, CWO Wrobel, Maj. Doug Bosch, CWO Giles Godbout.



CWO Giles Godbout, Maj. Doug Bosch, LCol Barry Leonard, Gerard Buckley, CWO Wrobel, CWO Wrobel's Grandfather, parents and sister.

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### LOOK WHAT ARMY CADETS CAN DO FOR YOU!!!

Canada is a big country and within it many provinces, one of them being Ontario. Within Ontario there is a city called Barrie which is home to 2919 Grey & Simcoe Foresters Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps.

One day six years ago a young lady, Evelyn Wrobel, decided to give Army Cadets a try. Being a shy young 12 year old, she was not sure if it was for her. Evelyn had heard it offered a wide variety of opportunities like training in Survival, Map & Compass, Physical Fitness, Field Training Exercises where you get to sleep, eat and partake in activities in the bush plus many more including summer camp opportunities. So she signed up and the rest is history.

Her first year was a bit challenging as she had to push herself to attend weekly training, get involved with new friends and basically come out of her shell....but then she flourished. Each new year brought new challenges that were taken on with enthusiasm and gusto. Evelyn excelled in all areas and eventually became the Chief Warrant Officer of 2919.

During her six year career in Army Cadets, she attended Corps level training, summer camp training and participated in many Cadet activities. She received many medals, including the Major-General Howard Medal, the Royal Canadian Legion Cadet Medal of Excellence, the Lord Strathcona Medal and the Army Cadet Service Medal. In 2018, CWO Wrobel graduated the Canadian Armed Forces Basic Parachutists' course and became the recipient of the Brigadier-General Romses Top Jumper Award. In the same year she was one of 18 Army Cadets to attend the National Expedition Mount Columbia. In April 2019, she was the recipient of the Young Citizen's Foundation Scholarship and travelled in June to Washington, DC to take part in the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps' Junior Leadership and Academic Bowl. She was one of two Army Cadets to represent Canada at this event.

CWO completed her Cadet career on a super high note, being the recipient of the 2019 General Walsh Commemorative Sword Award, which is given to Canada's Most Outstanding Army Cadet. She was presented the General Walsh Commemorative Sword at her home unit on 15 October 2019 in front of her beloved Corps, officers, friends and family. The presentation was done by Mr. Gerard Buckley, where he serves the Army Cadet League of Canada as a Director.

CWO Wrobel's last official cadet duty was to travel to Ottawa and attend the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the National War Memorial as part of the Vice-Regal Party. She had the opportunity to meet the Governor General and the Chief of Defence Staff.

CWO Wrobel has moved on and is attending Fanshawe College in London. We wish her all the best in this new endeavor.

CWO Wrobel has been a most outstanding Army Cadet who has been a positive role model not only for Cadets but youth in Canada. She has stated many times that cadets have given her so many opportunities to grow and develop and take on challenges that most youth do not get to have or experience.

We wish CWO Wrobel the very best in her future endeavors and look forward to hearing what she accomplishes next.

Submitted By: Captain E. Lay, CD Commanding Officer

#### **Top Army Cadet In Ontario**

**Submitted By: Capt. Carl Russell, Commanding Officer** 

The Army Cadet League of Canada Ontario Branch is pleased to announce that Cadet WO Bryce Blancher from the 2563 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps in Petrolia is the winner of the prestigious Major General W.A. Howard award for the Cadet Corps' 2019 training year.

Major-General W. A. Howard, CMM, CM, CD, QC, Colonel Commandant Royal Canadian Army Cadets from 1974 to 1979, established an annual award for outstanding Army Cadets known as "The Major-General W. A. Howard Medal" as a legacy to promote training excellence by Senior Army Cadets through a structured assessment of a Cadet's overall performance. This award recognizes a Cadet in each province and territory who have achieved the highest results in the 4th year Gold training level annually as they prepare to enter into the Year 5 "Master Cadet" level.

WO Blancher has been a member of the 2563 Army Cadet Corps in Petrolia since 2015. WO Blancher is one of those individuals who has the ability to excel at anything he is involved in. Like so many Senior Cadet's in our program, he is busy with School, Church, Cadets and Band, and Sports (Wrestling and ball), as well as many other Community Service activities. He has been involved in his Church's youth group, Volunteer work with the Petrolia Lions Club, as well as the Petrolia And Enniskillen Fair Board. He also has done extensive volunteer work for the Sarnia Seaway's Kiwanis Club, with Easter in The Park and Christmas on the Animal Farm activities for several years. Plus, all the work he does through his Unit with various local Legion branches. He tirelessly gives of himself. His dress and deportment, combined with his demeanor, all of which reek professionalism, makes him very effective, whether as part of a Colour Party, Cenotaph Guard or just an evening parade at the LHQ. A Competitive shooter, He was won many awards at the Unit, Zone and Summer Camp levels, including the Fullbore Marksmanship Phase Two Course – Best Overall Cadet at CTC Connaught 2019. He is the recipient of the Army Cadet League Four Year Service Medal, The Royal Canadian Legion Medal Of Excellence, and the Lord Strathcona Medal. He is an excellent role model and leader, and this award is well deserved. He's an extremely positive Ambassador for our program. Congratulations WO Blancher.





Richard Cunningham, League Liaison Officer presenting Howard Award to Cadet WO Bryce Blancher



























#### **COLONEL ROBERT DOUGLAS BUSARIES**

Colonel Robert Douglas, past Commander of the Royal Regiment of Canada and former Governor of the Army Cadet League of Canada, donated funds to the Army Cadet League Foundation to be presented annually as bursaries to encourage a successful Army Cadet candidate in Ontario to continue his or her post-secondary education. Each bursary is for \$1000.

One bursary is to be presented to a deserving Army Cadet who qualifies on the Basic Parachutist Course held in Trenton and the second bursary is to be given to a top Army Cadet from the Expedition Leadership Course in Blackdown.



Abdulrahman Abu Al Hussein from #2332 RCACC Ottawa winner of the Douglas Bursary for the Para Course.



MWO Joshua Meyer from 1596 "Royal Highland Fusiliers of Canada" Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps in Kitchener, ON. winner of the Douglas Bursary for the Expedition Leadership Course

### Top Small Corps

2884 Engineers Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps (RCACC) is a small Cadet Corps based in Glencoe, Ontario. Cadets in the unit come from Dutton, Wallacetown, West Lorne, Rodney, Glencoe, Newbury and surrounding areas. Over the past few years, the Cadets, staff and volunteers have worked diligently to bring these communities together in order to offer this program. This small rural-based Corps has grown to 30 Cadets. Cadets in the Corps learn, and eventually teach, life-skills such as citizenship, leadership, teamwork, and outdoor activities such as orienteering, GPS technology, camping, survival skills, and canoeing among others. Thanks to the hard work from staff and volunteers, the Cadets at 2884 RCACC have opportunities to join teams for band, orienteering and marksmanship.

The Corps has been awarded the Strathcona Award for the Top Small Army Cadet Corps in SouthWestern Ontario for three years in a row. Adding to this prestigious award, on November 6th, 2019, they were also awarded the Top Small Army Cadet Corps in Ontario for the first time in their history. Along with the trophy, the Corps received a cheque in the amount of \$500. This is a huge honour and the Cadets of 2884 RCACC are very proud and honoured to achieve it.

#### Submitted By:Capt. Bob Dhillon

The photo shows Mr. Joe Langlois (Colonel Retired), a Director of the Army Cadet League of Ontario, presenting the Top Small Army Cadet Corps in Ontario trophy to the Commanding Officer of 2884 RCACC, Capt Bob Dhillon and the Cadet Squadron Sergeant-Major, Warrant Officer Tyler Lunn.



#### **Top Large Corps**

SUDBURY, Ont. - Mr. Norman Duffy, Representative from the Army Cadet League of Canada,



(Ontario), was in Sudbury on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 to present the members of the 2912 Sudbury Irish Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps with the Colonel John H.C. Clarry Trophy, for being the top ranked Army Cadet Corps in Ontario.

The trophy along with a cheque for \$1000 is presented annually to the Army Cadet Corps in Ontario that demonstrates the highest level of efficiency, training, and administrative success. This is the 7th time 2912 has been selected to receive this prestigious award. The training year has seen several accomplishments, including the Corps winning a number of Provincial level competitions in orient-eering and band and drill competitions. It was also an extraordinary year for our Senior Cadets, who were selected for advanced National Training, overseas exchanges and winning National level Awards and Medals.

The Royal Canadian Army Cadets is one of the oldest youth organizations in Canada, dating back to the 1860s. Many generations have experienced the benefits of Army Cadet membership with its focus on responsible citizenship, effective leadership and healthy lifestyles. Sudbury's 2912 Corps was founded in 1973 and located initially in the old post office of downtown Sudbury. More than 2,000 Sudbury youth have risen to the Army Cadet challenge and subsequently gone on to fulfilling careers in law enforcement,

emergency services, military and private enterprise careers.

Submitted By: Capt T Lamirande Commanding Officer

### Remembering Captain Tim Trickey

Capt. Tim Trickey was a very conscientious and committed Commanding Officer who commanded 640 Cloyne Army Cadet Corps for several years. When he passed away in December 2017, it was decided by Maj. Sean Andersen along with the Army Cadet League of Ontario that there should be an award in his name to be presented annually to the Top Cadet Officer of a Cadet Corps affiliated with the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment who embodies the best qualities that Tim had; dedication, loyalty and professionalism

Lieutenant Stuart Humphries of 1129 Haliburton was selected as the first Officer that fit the criteria and he was presented with the Captain Tim Trickey Memorial Award on June 15, 2019.





Above: Elaine Trickey (Tim's mom), Jordan Trickey (Tim's son), Lt Stuart Humphries and Major Burns.

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#### **Band Camp in the Rockies**

Written By: MWO Tuan Nguyen 2784 Governor General's Foot Guards RCACC, Ottawa

Pipes and Drums is an extraordinary program to learn music that nothing else can compare to! This past summer, I got to be a part of the Intermediate Pipes and Drums program and I loved every single moment of it. Growing up, I always knew that I had a passion for music but I never got the chance to properly foster it. Luckily, the Pipes and Drums course provided me an opportunity to fully invest into my passion for music.

Throughout my time at Pipes and Drums, I had the opportunity of learning the many different aspects of music in general, and pipe music specifically. For instance, I learned about the history and origins of a pipe band, music theory, parts of a highland uniform, and marching in a pipe band. Moreover, I had the wonderful pleasure in specializing my talents in tenor drumming. With the help of my amazing instructor and peers, I was able to pick up the instrument fairly quickly, as well as learning a variety of mesmerizing flourishes, rhythms, and scores. Furthermore, I got the chance to perform at some very significant events such as the Freedom of Banff Parade, Graduation Parade, and many more.

Overall, the experience that I have gained from this camp is incredible. I've made friendships that I know will last a lifetime and memories that can never fade away. It was truly an unforgettable experience that has allowed me to explore a different aspect of the cadet program and expanded my personal versatile musical repertoire.



Master Warrant Officer Tuan Nguyen (2nd in line) 2784 Governor General's Foot Guards Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps



#### The Madawaska Regional

Written By: Master Warrant Officer Esme Geoffion 2784 Governor General's Foot Guards Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps

I had an amazing opportunity this summer to take part in the Madawaska Regional. The Madawaska Regional is a 10 day camping trip that includes hiking, biking, flat water canoeing and white water canoeing. The two weeks were full of learning new skills and having a lot of fun. I learned skills that will stay with me for a long time such as leadership, perseverance and teamwork. The trip consists of 2 hiking days, 1.5 biking days, 2 days of flat water canoeing, 2.5 days of white water canoeing and a triple threat day (hiking, biking and flat water canoeing). We started at the Highlands Backpacking trail around Provoking Lake and ended at the Griffith Takeout Point. In total we hiked 21 km, flat water canoed over 19 km, biked over 100km and canoed 12 rapids.

We all took turns leading the team for every day of the Expedition. This helped develop outdoor leadership skills in addition to the leadership skills you use back at the home Corps. This Expedition is completely different than what you have experienced at FTXs. You get to eat dehydrated meals and semi fresh meals, work on existing skills, lead a team in an expedition setting and learn hard skills such as hiking, biking and canoeing.

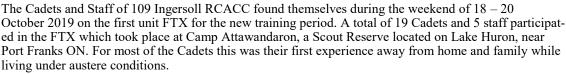
This is an opportunity that everybody should consider because it will help you with establishing new skills and also advance the skills you already have. This isn't only just a learning experience because it is super fun to take part in this opportunity. You come out of the regional with friends that have been through similar challenges with you and they are people that make your experience so much better.

It was an experience of a lifetime, and I will always cherish those memories I made and the people I met. The regional helped me further develop my soft skills and pushed me to improve my hard skills. The staff were amazing as they helped me get out of my comfort zone and to face my fears, and they were there to help every step of the way. This expedition will stay in my memory forever as one of the experiences that have shaped me into who I am today, it is something I will look back at down the line and smile because it was truly an experience of a lifetime.



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#### Fall Field Training Exercise (FTX) Camp Attawandaron



Friday night saw them arrive at the camp after dark where they received a safety briefing and prepared their sleeping areas inside Beaver Lodge for the night. Saturday morning saw them up bright and early where they learned to prepare breakfast from ration packs known as Meals Ready to Eat (MRE). After cleaning up it was time to get on with the morning training which consisted of learning how to live in the field. Under the watchful eye of Senior Cadets and adult staff the Cadets first learned and then set-up normal civilian tents and hoochies (improvised shelter) using two ground sheets for that evening. After that, it was time to learn about knots, survival kits and recognizing hazards which took up the rest of the morning.

After lunch (another ration pack) saw the Cadets receive a surprise which consisted of a military vehicle and troop lift qualified driver from our affiliated unit in London, 31 Service Battalion. The cargo vehicle provided is called a Medium Support Vehicle System (MSVS) and in addition to carrying cargo is designed to carry personnel in the cargo compartment. The Cadets received a briefing on the characteristics of the MSVS as well as a safety briefing on the proper method to board and exit the cargo compartment. After the safety brief, with helmets on and staff in the front and back of the MSVS, the cadets were taken on a short ride using the gravel trails located within Camp Attawandaron to get a feel of what it is like to ride in the cargo compartment. The Cadets

thoroughly enjoyed this surprise and after group pictures in front of the MSVS returned to lectures. We were not done with the MSVS as we arranged for a short impromptu static display for the scouts who were co-located. They too enjoyed the opportunity to learn about the MSVS and being able to climb in and out of the vehicle, with some indicating interest in the Cadet program.

For our Cadets the remainder of the day consisted of lectures on camp routine and leave no trace until supper, which was a fresh meal prepared by staff. The evening saw the Cadets preparing the sleeping areas in the tents and hoochies before nightfall. The evening saw them enjoying some much deserved down time around a campfire. Unfortunately, due to a sudden cold front moving through the area the Cadets were unable to stay in their tents/ shelters and were moved inside to ensure their safety. While abrupt, the Cadets understood what the change meant and moved quickly inside the Beaver Lodge.

Sunday morning, after an MRE breakfast, saw the Cadets tear down the tented camp and pack up their kit. After an MRE lunch, they continued with the cleanup of Beaver Lodge and loading of the cube van. Early in the afternoon they boarded a bus for the return to Ingersoll and home. The FTX was a great success with the Cadets learning new skills, having fun and built up unit esprit-de-corps. They are looking forward to our winter FTX.

Written by: Captain Jerry Juraszko Submitted by: CV Spencer Momney

















### **Working together**

**Submitted By: John Walas** 

**Support Committee Chair** 

RCACC 2511

RCACC 2511 and RCACC 2294 demonstrate that joint exercises provide many benefits both to the Corps leaders and the Cadets.

There are the obvious benefits of resource sharing, but those benefits go much deeper. When Cadet Corps participate in joint exercises the beneficiaries first and foremost are the Cadets. The Cadet lessons and curriculum are a framework to provide leadership skills, as well as showing cooperation, teamwork and trust to accomplish tasks by working together. This provides a much stronger outcome than working alone...

This is strongly demonstrated and reinforced when the Cadets of different Corps see this cooperation within the leadership to provide the best possible experience for the Cadets. As well this type of cooperation will lead to better recruiting outcomes, simply by providing a better experience for the Cadets... Word of mouth is still our best recruiting tool....

Corps working together where it makes sense create synergies and positive outcomes in

areas where it really matters,

while retaining a distinct identity for each....

I am sure, as we move forward with the Army Cadet Corps in Thunder Bay there will be good things on the horizon.....



Joint Autumn Starlight exercise participants RCACC 2511 & RCACC 2294







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**Book your group rate for Army Cadet League of Ontario** 

Last Day to Book: Tuesday, March 20, 2020



April 17<sup>h</sup> to April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020- The Army Cadet League (ON) Annual General Meeting and Training Seminar to be held at the Delta Toronto East in Toronto, ON.

We would love to see a representative from each and every Corps!

Don't be shy!

Join us on our League's biggest event of the year!

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