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Another Year, Another Success!



Above: Katie Champion Volunteering at the AGM raffle table; Below: Karen Wiggins receiving her award presented by Don McCumber at the AGM banquet



194 League Members and Cadet Instructors attended this year's Army Cadet League Annual General Meeting and Training Seminar; making it another thrilling and successful year! The event was held on April 5th and 6th at the Hilton Suites in Markham and the theme was *Past, Present and Future Cadets*.

Eight different workshops were held on a variety of topics by fantastic and dedicated facilitators. Workshop facilitators were as follows: Maj. Tim McKee, Capt. Cory Lohnes, Roberta Shaw, Melissa



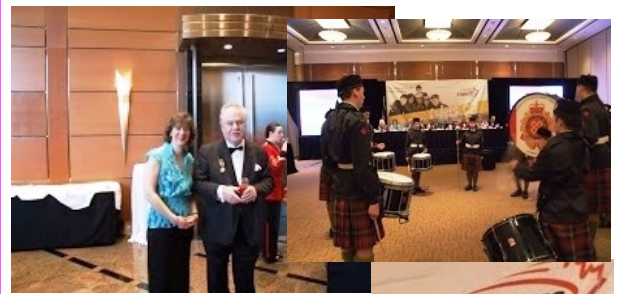
Schenk, MWO Taylor Hope, LCol. J. A. MacMillan, Judi Luscombe, Marian MacDonald and Alan Nanders.

The members enjoyed a banquet the Saturday evening with guest speaker, James Fischer who articulately and charmingly chronicled his life as a past Cadet. Also, Karen Wiggins (*League Member of the Year*); Capt. Preikchas, Sueann Primeau and Judi Luscombe were recipients of awards for their outstanding dedication to the League. 2799 RCACC Aurora won the *Top Large Support Committee of the Year* award (accepted by Sharon Gillam) and 2814 RCACC Hamilton won *Top Small Support Committee of the Year* award (accepted by Donna Puddu).

The Cadet Pipes and Drum from 9 RCACC London provided the entertainment for the banquet; followed by an Elvis impersonator at the end of the night.



AGM Fever!



Cadet Wins a Nine Day Trip to France



Sgt. David Comeau, 17, receives an award from Don McCumber, president of the Army Cadet League of Canada (ON) in recognition of his extended effort in the sale of Vimy Ridge Pins for the Currie Project.

“...I’ve never been outside of Canada and I think it’d be a great experience to see all the monuments and the Vimy Ridge memorial and see what it’s all about.”

Hard work and dedication paid off for 17 year old Sgt. David Comeau who won a free nine-day trip to Vimy, France through the Army Cadet League (ON) Vimy Memorial Project. Sgt. Comeau, who is a Cadet with 21 RCACC Cambridge has been participating in the project; which aims to construct a statue of General Sir Arthur Currie in his hometown of Strathroy, ON.

Sir Arthur Currie was instrumental at Vimy Ridge as he commanded the Canadian troops during the Battle. Participation in the project by the Army Cadets seemed fit as the Army Cadet League has been involved in commemorating the Battle of Vimy Ridge since 2010. The

League also felt it was a great initiative to recognize Currie for his great sacrifices and efforts.

“When I actually read into the project and seeing how there was little to no recognition for General Arthur Currie, I ...wanted him to be remembered...so I went out of my way to raise money for the [Sir Arthur Currie] [F]oundation,” said Comeau.

Every Army Cadet Corps all over Ontario had the opportunity to participate in the Sir Arthur Currie project. In partnership with the Vimy Foundation; 20, 000 Vimy Ridge Anniversary pins were provided to be sold to raise funds towards the project. Not to mention, one dollar from each pin distributed went back to the Army Cadet Corps.

The Army Cadet League of Canada (ON) and the Vimy Foundation also decided to reward the top two Cadets who sold more than 250 pins with a trip to France! This included visits to Vimy Ridge, the Passchendaele memorial and last post ceremony, Ypres, the Somme 1916 museum, Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris and some other attractions in Paris. With an incentive like that, Sgt. Comeau became even more motivated and made tremendous efforts, which resulted in him selling over 900 pins!

“At first, it was just the trip to Vimy, France. I’ve never been outside of Canada and I think it’d be a great experience to see all the monuments and the Vimy Ridge memorial, and see what it’s all about,” said an enthusiastic Comeau.

Comeau was also presented with a certificate on March 25th; in recognition for his extended efforts toward the project.



Sweet Victory for a Cadet from Sir Arthur Currie's Hometown

Submitted By: Capt. McCoy
A/Commanding Officer, 11 RCACC



Cadet Ciaran was presented with a camera from the Corps for his trip to Vimy

On Tuesday, March 5th at 8:30 pm; Don McCumber, President of the Army Cadet League of Canada (ON), presented Cpl. Ciaran Dodds with a Certificate in recognition of his contribution and efforts in the Army Cadet League's Vimy Memorial Project. Corporal Ciaran Dodds, an Army Cadet with 11 RCACC Strathroy sold over 600 Vimy pins in the last few



Cpl. Dodds presented with Certificate of Appreciation for his efforts with sale of Vimy Pins

months; which had enabled him to win a free one week trip to Vimy, France! Courtesy of the Vimy Foundation and the Army Cadet League of Canada (ON), Ciaran left for Vimy, France on April 5th along with Cadet Sgt. Comeau. A cheque for \$20,000.00 raised was presented to the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Project on April 13th at the Great War Forum. Gen. Currie's homestead is located near Strathroy, making this win even more rewarding for Ciaran. Excellent job Cadet Dodds!



A Pleasant Surprise for Marian!

On April 20th at the Army Cadet National Annual General Meeting, Ontario's Executive Director, Marian MacDonald received the Canadian Forces Commendation from the Chief of Defence Staff Gen. T. J. Lawson, CMM, CD for her 15 years of dedicated service to the Army Cadet League programme.

The commendation is in appreciation of the meritorious manner in which she, as a member of the Army Cadet League of Canada, contributed to the betterment of the Canadian Cadet organization through her loyal service to the Royal Canadian Army Cadets. Congratulations Marian and keep up the good work! We are very proud of you.



2332 RCACC Ottawa Biathlon

Biathlon is a sport made up of free-style cross country skiing and small bore marksmanship. Over 40 countries around the world participate in this event that became an Olympic event in 1927. For 7 years now, 2332 Major Holland V.C Royal Canadian Cadet Corp has been bringing Cadets to the Area (Eastern Ontario Area) and Regional (Central Region) level competitions.



This year was no different; with 3 ½ months of physical and technical training, 8 biathletes along with one Cadet Official from our unit went to the Area Competitions held in Camp Fortune, just outside of Chelsea, Quebec. The team consisted of Cdt Ryan, Cpl Maloney, Cpl Fraser, Sgt Fraser, Sgt Le, Sgt Tessier, Sgt Lilly and MWO Harris. Team captain was MWO Deland and our coach was Lt Marier with Lt Parsons as his assistant.

Being only her first year, Cdt Ryan did a spectacular job competing and coming 12th out of over 40 biathletes in her category. Congratulations goes to MWO Harris who placed second in her category and Sgt Le who placed 4th and is

moving on to the Regional competition in Sault Ste Marie, February 8-10 2013. As a team we did very well this year and as a captain, I could not ask more of them.

The next competition will be held in Sault Ste Marie, Ontario. Sgt Le will be racing against Cadet Biathletes from across the region. Also, MWO Deland and Sgt Lilly will be at the event as Cadet Officials. I wish them the best of luck as they strive for the Cadet Nation Biathlon Competition, at the Myriam Bedard Center at CFB Valcatier.

As a sport, biathlon requires mental and physical toughness. The athletes require determination and motivation to make it up the steep inclines and have the ability adapt with the frigid temperatures as they shoot.

Not everyone can call themselves a biathlete. It takes a certain amount of pride and dedication; and overall, a good attitude towards the situations and challenges they have to overcome.

//signed//

Deland, Simon

MWO

SSM



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2587 RCACC Kingston Cadets do Great in Regional Shooting Competition

Submitted By: Kyle Grace
Public Relations, 2587 RCACC

On Saturday April 13th, the 2587 PWOR RCACC Marksmanship team placed 2nd in this weekend's Regional Competition. With that being said, there were three shooters who have advanced to the National Competition along with coach Lt Ian Drummond.

The three individuals are MWO Nick Flint, MCpl Kara Evans, and LCpl Jake Metcalfe. 2587 RCACC Kingston team did really well and was only 15 points behind the first place team that has been in first place for the past four years.



Ambitious League Member Supports Northern Ontario Corps

Norm Nadeau, Chair person for the Support Committee for 1635 RCACC Kapuskasing is assisting some of the Northern Area Cadet Corps (Kapuskasing, Cochrane and Hearst) with radio interviews to increase enrollment of

Army Cadets in these three corps. Well done Norm, keep up the good work!

Photo on right shows Norm Nadeau at 1 of 3 Radio interviews he has done so far



We Welcome Your Help...



In order to continue; as well as improve our support of the Army Cadet program and activities, the Ontario Branch of the Army Cadet League needs your help! If you are able to help us monetarily, please make a Donation to the Army Cadet League in Ontario. All donations of \$10.00 or more will receive a charitable tax receipt for income tax purposes.



Please make your cheques payable to:
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Gerard Buckley Award Presentation

Submitted by: Ruth McArthur
Representative, 1944 RCACC



1944 RCACC Creemore was selected as 1 of 4 Cadet Corps across Canada to receive a \$3,000.00 grant from the Gerard Buckley Cadet Fund (GBCF). Mr. Gerard Buckley was in attendance on May 13th to make the presentation personally, as well as Lt. Don McCumber, President of The Army Cadet League of Canada (ON).

The awards fund; created jointly by former Army Cadet Gerard Buckley, the Army Cadet League of Canada and Scotiabank, is used to support optional training for Canadian Army Cadets.

The Gerard Buckley Award was jointly created by Mr. Buckley, a former Army Cadet from Newfoundland and Labrador; the Army Cadet League of Canada and Scotiabank, to fund training and activities not covered by the Department of National Defence.

The Gerard Buckley Cadet Fund (GBCF) has welcomed applications from Army Cadet Corps across Canada since 2001 to support activities and training expenses in Canada, not funded by the Government of Canada. These activities may include biathlon equipment, local music programs, ceremonial equipment, marksmanship and hunter safety training, facilities, slings, scopes, local adventure training and expeditions.

1944 RCACC Creemore will be using the money to replace worn equipment for their biathlon and marksmanship teams as well as Corp Sports equipment. Creemore has had many successes in the past few years with these teams and will welcome the equipment.

Congratulations to 1944 RCACC Creemore! The deadline for the 2013 Gerard Buckley Fund is November 30th.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.armycadetleague.ca/resources/policies-manual/> and refer to policy 17.1 for the online application form.



From Left to Right: Gerard Buckley, Patrick Belford, Victoria Banks, Lt. Don McCumber, Devlyn Lohnes, Anthony Flack, Lt. Steve Connor



YOU ARE INVITED TO

League & Sponsor Appreciation Day at Blackdown Camp

Saturday, 27th July, 2013

Start Time 0800 - 0845 hrs

Parade at 0900 hrs



Tour of the Camp

After the parade, Guests will have the opportunity to tour the facilities with a "tour guide" provided by Camp staff. This will be an opportunity to observe training and possibly participate in some of the training activities the Cadets are doing that day.

BBQ Lunch



First come, First Serve Basis, so please respond well in advance to ensure a seat!

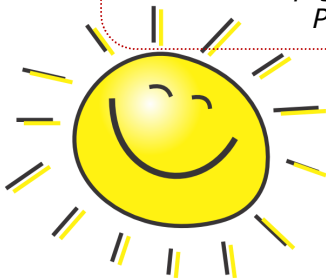
RSVP To

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1800-561-4786 or (416) 635-2792

No Later Than Monday, 15th July, 2013

The League & Sponsor Appreciation Day is an opportunity for the Sponsors and League members to receive recognition for the outstanding support that they provide to the Cadet Corps in Ontario. Also, this event is to reinforce existing sponsor support and to help generate new sponsor support for the Cadet Program at the community level.



Casselman Cadets Supports Injured Soldiers

Submitted by: Rob Gill
Liaison Officer, 2804 RCACC

When it was discovered that 2804 RCACC Casselman would be attending a Team Canada sledge hockey game to cheer on the Canadian Forces' own Corporal Dominic Larocque, the Cadet Corps' affiliated unit and "Soldier On" arranged for the Cadets to attend for free. Knowing that the money from ticket sales would assist the growth of the sport, the Cadets felt guilty accepting the free tickets. As a result, the Cadets and Sponsoring Committee agreed to present a cheque in the amount of \$200 to "Soldier On" to support injured Canadian Forces members.



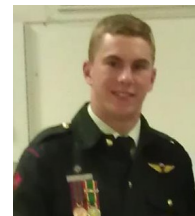
Pictured from Left to Right: Mr Perron (Sponsoring Committee President), Second Lieutenant Deschamps (2804), Cadet Master Corporal Cholette, Corporal Larocque (Soldier On/Team Canada), Cadet Warrant Officer Denis, Cadet Lance Corporal Tremblay, Major Barnshaw (28 Field Ambulance) and his son Anthony

A Cadet's Experience on the Paracourse

This summer, I attended the Canadian Forces basic parachuting course. The course was one of the hardest things I have ever done. It was 5 weeks long in CFB Trenton. The first two weeks consisted of physical training run by our CSM, for the second two weeks, we were under the instruction of the parachute instructors. Week five, the best week of all, was our jump week. This is the week that many Cadets dream of! You are required to jump 5 times in order to pass this course.

The last three jumps were with full parachute equipment which consisted of a parachute drop bag (PDB), snow shoes and a dummy rifle. After completing the course I was given my "wings"; a badge worn on my uniform that shows I have taken the course. This is one of the most sought after badges in Cadets. This badge is kept if the Cadet joins the Military; which I plan on doing. This course was a great experience and I am grateful for getting this opportunity.

MWO Stefan Hoerdt,
2360 RCACC Arnprior



The Royal Canadian Army Cadets

Honouring Canada's Past and Celebrating Canada's Future

The Army Cadets is Canada's oldest youth programme, tracing its history back more than one hundred years. As early as 1862, five years before Confederation, "Drill Associations" that included teenage students were set up in Canada in response to cross-border Fenian Raids and the American Civil War. These associations are considered to be the prototypes of the present day Army Cadet Corps.

A century later, The Royal Canadian Army Cadets remains the youth program of choice for many teenagers in all of Canada's provinces, territories and vast Northern expanses. Through its core foundations of citizenship, leadership and physical fitness, the Army Cadets helps prepare today's young Canadians to become tomorrow's leaders.

It is indeed a proven maxim that our Cadets are the future of this nation.

Acer Acerponi... As the Maple to the sapling... Many Canadians contribute to the realization of that remarkable motto. The dedicated officers of the Cadet Instructors Cadre, the many volunteers within Parent Support Committees, the Royal Canadian Legion, ANAVETS, generous community Sponsors and the branches of the Army Cadet League of Canada, all work seamlessly together to support over 18,000 Army Cadets who weekly parade in more than 425 Army Cadet Corps across Canada.

The Army Cadet League of Canada is now extremely pleased to partner with one of Canada's leading watch designers, Time is Ticking Inc., which has a long and honourable history of creating watches which reflect our nation's historic military milestones.

To help show your continued pride in the Royal Canadian Army Cadets, its illustrious history and its remarkable members, both past and present, we are very pleased to be able to offer a Limited Edition Royal Canadian Army Cadets (RCAC) watch. The cost to you is only \$75.00 plus applicable sales tax and postage. The watch is being sold far below its retail value of approximately \$200.00.

The RCAC slim-line watch has Seiko movements, 24K gold plating on its face, an engraved case back and a designer Speidel leather band which is being offered in black and red. The watch will be delivered in an RCAC embossed velveteen collector's box. This limited edition commemorative watch will make an excellent gift.

The Royal Canadian Army Cadets honoring Canada's past and Celebrating Canada's future. Wear your commemorative watch with pride!



Limited Edition Royal Canadian Army Cadet Watch featuring:

- Watch made with Seiko movements
- Polished, Stainless Steel, engraved collectors caseback with: Army Cadets de l'Armée
- 24 karat gold plating
- Exquisite alligator-style leather strap in black and red
- Custom embossed velveteen collector's box



Size approximate. Suitable for men and ladies.



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All orders will be filled as inventory is available. For guaranteed 2013 Christmas delivery, all orders must be received on or before September 1st. Please make your certified cheque or money order payable to Time is Ticking Inc which will be processing orders on behalf of The Army Cadet League of Canada. Order forms should be mailed to: Time is Ticking Inc., PO Box 10066, Don Mills, Ontario, Canada M3C 0J9. Postage and handling within Ontario and Quebec - \$11.00 per watch. All other provinces - \$14.00. Price will be quoted outside of Canada at a reasonable rate. Payment: Visa MasterCard Money Order Certified Cheque
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Commemorative Vimy Coin Presentations



The commemorative Vimy coin was created by the Army Cadet League (ON) to honor the Canadian effort in the Battle of Vimy Ridge during the First World War and to be presented to individuals who have done exceptional work in commemorating the Battle of Vimy. The Vimy memorial is depicted on one side of the coin with the date of the Battle (April 9, 1917) and the words "Army Cadets Commemorate The Battle of Vimy Ridge — Supported by the Army Cadet League of Ontario." The other side bears the League's crest.

To the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario...

On April 17th, Don McCumber, President of the Army Cadet League (ON) presented the Lieutenant Governor, David Onley with a Vimy commemorative coin. The Lieutenant Governor was Also recognized for his role as the Honorary Patron of the Army Cadet League (ON).



Left to Right: CWO Cortez, Lt. White, MWO Hope, Marian MacDonald, Don McCumber, Dan Matthews, Lt. Gov. Onley, Surjit Basarke, LCol. MacMillan

To Taylor Hope...



Taylor Hope was presented with a Vimy Coin on April 6th at the AGM Banquet

To Lou Rinaldi...



On April 9th Don McCumber presented Lou Rinaldi, Former MPP with a Vimy coin in recognition of his assistance with the first Kick off Vimy Commemoration, Queens Park.

The coin was also presented to: Ed Pigeau, Past President of the Provincial Command of RCL; Rob Gill and Roland Vaillancourt for their support and involvement with the Vimy Commemoration and parade held at the War Memorial in Ottawa for the last two years. There will be more coin presentations in the future.





WARRIORS' DAY PARADE

200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF YORK



SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2013

CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA



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Warriors' Day Parade Canadian National Exhibition

The Warriors' Day Parade Council will be hosting this year's 92nd Annual Warriors' Day Parade at the CNE on Saturday, 17th August 2013. Cadet participation is requested to carry the marching unit identification signs on the right flank of each participating marching unit and assist otherwise as required. Cadets are required to wear summer uniform and report directly to the Cadet/Scout Registration Desk in Gore Park no later than 0930. Gore Park is the small triangular park located immediately east of the Princes' Gate, north of Lakeshore Blvd. and immediately south of Fort York Armouries. Upon completion of the Parade, participating Cadets will receive a stipend of ten dollars (\$10.00). Queries regarding this Parade may be directed to Lt(N) Wayne Closs (whcloss@sympatico.ca) / (416) 453-2696 Cellular).



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Blackdown Cadet Training Centre

Sunset Ceremony

Friday, August 9, 2013

Guests to be seated by 1715 hrs for 1800 hrs.

The ceremonial parade is the culmination of the Cadets training, showcasing their newly acquired skills in a spectacular display of pageantry. There will be a reception at Officer's Mess and NCM Mess following Sunset Ceremony.

Final Graduation Parade

Friday, August 16, 2013 at 1800 hrs

Musical Displays commence 1730 hrs

Please RSVP to the League Office:
(416) 635-2792 or 1-800-561-4786

Trillium Grant

Two Cadet Corps have received Trillium Grants recently:

- ◇ 1188 Oakville, \$49, 500
- ◇ 1849 Orangeville, \$32, 200



A total of \$81, 700; the League congratulates all Corps for winning this amazing award.



*Hope You Have
A Great Summer!!*