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PRESS RELEASE

Dunstable Air Cadets Celebrate 65 Years

“Air Cadets from 460 Dunstable Squadron have celebrated 65 years of service with a Summer Ball held at the Holiday Inn, Markyate. Joined by the guest of honour The Town Mayor of Dunstable Councillor Mrs Cynthia Gresham, Veterans of 460 Squadron Royal Australian Air Force, and guests, the Cadets sat down to a formal dinner at tables decorated with the trophies won by the Cadets and Squadron during the year. Following the meal, the Loyal Toast was proposed by Cadet Amy Hawkes, aged 15, following which the Officer Commanding Flt Lt Mick Bell RAF VR(T) paid tribute to all the Cadets and Staff of the Squadron who had contributed throughout the years to the Air Cadets and the Community of Dunstable. The Office of Town Mayor of Dunstable is also the Honorary President of the Squadron and Councillor Gresham thanked the Cadets for their ongoing contribution to community life and their help at both Civic and charity events in Dunstable.

The summer ball was also an occasion to formally ‘Dine out’ the Squadron Warrant Officer, Terry Bester who has left the Squadron after 15 years. The Commanding Officer thanked him on behalf of all the Cadets for his help and encouragement that has no doubt made a difference to many young lives over the years and presented him with a framed montage of photographs of his time with the Squadron.

After the formal dinner the Cadets, accompanied by the Town Mayor and guests, loosened their bow ties and enjoyed an evening of dancing to music supplied by the Squadron’s resident DJ, Civilian Instructor Surjit Matharu.”

Dunstable Squadron are currently recruiting so, if you are aged between 13 and 16 years of age with a sense of adventure why not contact Flt Lt Mick Bell on 01234 307776 or at atc460sqn@yahoo.co.uk, visit our web site at www.dunstable-aircadets.org.uk, or visit the Squadron any Monday or Thursday evening.

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