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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Winners and achievers**

Four Air Cadets from 22 (Sandy) Squadron have recently achieved in their particular area within the Air Cadet Organisation. Parachuting, a Gliding Scholarship and Swimming.

Cdt Cpl Ben Mitchell joined 60 other Cadets selected from the United Kingdom to attend a Parachute Course, and jump out of an aircraft at 3,500 feet. Based at RAF Weston-on-the-Green in Oxfordshire Ben's initial briefing on the course was followed by intensive training delivered by highly professional and experienced RAF (PTI's) Personal Training Instructor's that are specialised in that area. He commented "I was very nervous as I waited for my turn, but it was brilliant, it is something I always wanted to do".

Cdt Sgt Alex Turtle in the meantime was completing a week's Gliding Scholarship at RAF Henlow, gaining his Blue Wings. Alex has been accepted by the Royal Air Force once studies have been completed as a Fighter Controller.

Cdt Robert Hubbard won a bronze medal at the Wing Swimming Championships held at Peterborough, and Cdt Alice Ward went on to represent the Wing at Region level which was held recently at RAF Cranwell. She was presented with her Wing Blues by Wg Cdr Paul Bower, Officer Commanding Beds & Cambs Wing. The swimming team came fourth overall. Congratulations to them all.

If you would like more information on how to join as a Cadet or a member of Staff or Civilian Committee please call 01234 307776, email [22Sqn@BedsCambsWgATC.org](mailto:22Sqn@BedsCambsWgATC.org) or log onto the website at [sandy-aircadets.org.uk](http://sandy-aircadets.org.uk) and follow the link.

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