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**Air Training Corps**



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Dunstable Air Cadet's Summer Camp**

45 Air Cadets and Staff of 460 (Dunstable) Squadron have just returned from their annual Squadron Camp. Each year the Squadron takes the opportunity to go away for a weeks training and team building and this years camp was held at the Cinque Ports Training Area in Folkestone Kent.

During the week the Cadets took part in various training activities including shooting, with both the No8 .22 Cadet rifle and the full bore L98 Cadet rifle, initiative exercises, fieldcraft, navigation and radio training. The training was then put into practice during an 18 hour day and night exercise on the training area that included a search and rescue scenario.

The Cadets also made an educational visit to France where they visited the Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery at Longuenesse and the Royal Air Force Memorial at St Omar.

An inter-flight competition held during the week saw the Best Cadet certificate being awarded to Cadet Jay Thanky, aged 16. The Best NCO was won by Cpl John Stanbridge, aged 17, with the Best Shot Certificate being awarded to Cadet Flight Sergeant Laretta Matthews, aged 18.

Commanding Officer, Flt Lt Mick Bell RAF VR(T) said "the camp is an opportunity for the Cadets and staff to work closely together as a team. They work very hard during the week and both Cadets and staff get a lot from the experience. They are tired at the end but all the Cadets are looking forward to next years camp"

Dunstable Air Cadets will be joining the Dunstable Detachments of the Army Cadets and the Sea Cadets on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September to exercise their Freedom of Entry to the town with a march through the town centre to Priory Gardens for a parade which will see a display by the band of the Sea Cadets as well as a parade of the unit's Standards. The parade will march along High Street North at 12 o'clock midday to reach Priory Gardens at 12:15pm. Her Worship The Town Mayor, Councillor Brenda Boatwright will take the salute along with other VIP Guests outside the Town Council offices at Grove House.

If you are aged 13 to 17 with a sense of adventure why not contact Flt Lt Mick Bell on 01234 307776, or go down to the Squadron in Victoria Street Dunstable on any Monday or Thursday evening.

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(1) *460 (Dunstable) Squadron on camp*

(2) *Cadet Cpls Curren, Shaw and Spendelow improve their marksmanship with the L98 Cadet Rifle*

