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### A BUSY WEEKEND - WITH A NEW MINIBUS TO HELP

A full weekend of activities over the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> February saw cadets from 1220 (March) Squadron taking part in charity fund raising, ATC Sunday parade and trying out their new minibus.

On Saturday cadets and staff took part in a charity Bag Pack at Rainbow in Chatteris. The fundraising, on behalf of the Air Cadet Organisation and the RAF Benevolent Fund, raised nearly £270. Part of the proceeds goes towards the RAF Benevolent Fund's Princess Marina House which offers short recuperative or respite breaks to serving or ex-serving members of the RAF family, their spouses and adult dependants.

On Sunday cadets from March and the seven other northern sector squadrons joined up to parade through Wisbech celebrating the 67<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formation of the Air Training Corps. The parade was reviewed by the Commandant Air Cadets, Air Commodore Gordon Moulds MBE and the opportunity was taken to inform him of our fundraising on the Saturday.

Sunday was particularly special for the cadets with the chance to try out their new minibus. The minibus had been formally unveiled to the cadets at Presentation Evening the week before but this was its first outing. The 16 seater has more capacity, improved safety and better fuel economy than the old bus which, has completed nearly 11 years of faithful service. The squadron will continue to run both minibuses until later in the year when the old one will be retired.

Officer Commanding 1220 (March) Squadron, Flight Lieutenant Kirsty Burnham, said "Having a minibus is such a great asset to the squadron. It enables us to fulfil our commitments to the community, the Corps and, just as importantly, our cadets. Having transport to hand means that we can venture further and offer cadets more varied opportunities and experiences."

For further information on March squadron log onto the website at [www.1220atc.org.uk](http://www.1220atc.org.uk) or Tel: 01354 651788.

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**Attachments**

minbus.jpg – cadets and staff with the new and old buses prior to ATC Sunday parade



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