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PRESS RELEASE

Air Cadets join TA Celebrations

On Sunday 8th June a contingent of some 60 Cadets plus uniformed staff from the Northern and Eastern Sector of Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Wing marched to Ely Cathedral to attend a service that was part of East Anglia's celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the formation of the Territorial Army. After the service the Cadets along with a contingent of the local TA battalion of the Royal Anglian Regiment, army cadets from Cambridgeshire ACF, members of the Royal British Legion and other Old Comrades Associations, marched past HRH The Duke of Gloucester who took the salute.

Cadet Warrant Officer Julia Robson from 2524 (Oakington) Squadron, the Cambridgeshire Lord Lieutenant's Cadet also undertook specialist duties on the day, opening the Royal car door for HRH The Duke of Gloucester on his arrival, as well as duties at the side of the saluting Dais.

After all of the formal proceedings, the Duke made a tour of all the static displays including the Wing Recruiting stand manned by the Wing Recruiting Team. Whilst at the stand the Duke spoke to Wing Commander Paul Bower, Commanding Officer Beds and Cambs Wing and said *"It is good to see the involvement of the ATC in the TA100 celebrations, and especially pleasing to see such a high turnout of numbers and their smartness of dress. They were very impressive on the Parade"*. The Duke was also introduced to several members of the new recruiting team and cadets who had been manning the stand throughout the day. The Duke showed a great deal of interest in all that the Air Cadet Organisation offer air-minded young people today.

It was a successful day for all concerned.

by Fg Off John Tunesi – Wing Recruiting Team and the Beds & Cambs Wing MCO

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Photo 1 – March past
Photo 2 – CWO Julia Robson being introduced to HRH
Photo 3 – HRH talking to Wg Cdr Bower
Photo 4 – HRH talking to Cadets
Photo 5 – On Parade
Photo 6 – Arrival of HRH

All photos apart from Photo 3 courtesy of the Cambridgeshire ACF.
Photo 3 courtesy of CI Jane Tunesi.



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