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Beds & Cambs Wing Field weekend and Review

The Annual Bedfordshire & Cambridgeshire Wing Field weekend and Review took place at RAF Wyton last weekend.

A variety of coloured Squadron T shirts adorned the teams as they marched round the Station with Flags and Banners flying on the Saturday and Sunday afternoon as the 29 teams vied for points in various exercises including, First Aid, Aircraft Recognition, the Media Communications Competitions, Aero-Modelling, Code breaking exercises, and Drill.

The trophy presentations were given out on the Sunday morning and later on in the field during the afternoon. The Sunday morning was more formal with over 450 Cadets plus Staff on Parade for the Wing Review taken by Commandant Air Cadets, Air Commodore I R W Stewart BSc RAF. Following the Review and Awards ceremony there was a March past led by the Band from 104 (City of Cambridge) Squadron with the salute taken by Commandant Air Cadets.

Individual and Annual Awards were as follows:-

Cadet Forces Medals;

2nd clasp for 28 years service Sqn Ldr Charles Dicks – Wing Staff Officer (WSO). 1st clasp for 18 years service to WO's Chris Wilsher 1451 (Haverhill) Sqn and Ken King 2524 (Oakington) Sqn. 12 years qualifying medals were awarded to Flt. Lt. John Bell 2331 (St Ives) Sqn, Flt. Lt. Mike Davison OC 115 (Peterborough) Sqn, Flt. Lt. Khalid Murad OC 10F (Luton Airport) Sqn and WO Tammy Curwen 1220 (March) Sqn.

Commandant Air Cadet's certificate for long and meritorious service was awarded to CI Paul Whitmore 115 (Peterborough) Sqn, and the Regional Commandant's certification of Merit was awarded to the Wing Chaplain – Rev. Stephen Pullan.

The Brackenborough Bowl, awarded for the Best Female Cadet in the Wing was awarded to Cadet Warrant Officer (CWO) Julia Robson – 2524 (Oakington) Sqn, and F/S Will Staff from 104 (City of Cambridge) Sqn was awarded the Nolan Cup for the best all round male Cadet in the Wing.

104 (City of Cambridge) Sqn was awarded and adjudged to be the best all round Squadron in the Wing and collected the Walker Shield. The Squadron also won The Bower Shield for the best overall band in the Wing and the Davies Shield, for the best percussion presentation in the Wing.



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The Citizenship Shield was awarded to 460 (Dunstable) Sqn for the second year running, for contributing most in the field of citizenship training within the community.

511 (Ramsey) Sqn were presented with the Citizenship Shield, for the Squadron that has shown the most enterprise during the previous 12 months, for its embracement and use of the BADER software programmes.

Sgt Luke Smith from 51 (Orton) Sqn was awarded the Parker Britannia Trophy for his noteworthy achievement of a genuine aviation nature within the year. Also from 51 Sqn Warrant Officer's Chris & Angie Bone were presented with the Gibson Goblet for performing well beyond their normal duties within the past 12 months, resulting in a particular success for the Wing or Squadron.

The Wing Chairman, Mr Dave Ellis was presented with the Davies Cup awarded to the Civilian member of Staff for his outstanding contribution as a Sqn and Wing Chairman during the year.

Cadet L Arnold from 1220 (March) Sqn won the Female Sports Cadet of the Year and the male Sports Cadet were jointly won by F/S S Denham and Cadet J Riches from 134 (Bedford) Sqn.

During the afternoon Commandant Air Cadets accompanied by his ADC Flt. Lt. Ted Sellers and OC Wing, Wg Cdr Paul Bower made a tour of the field accommodation and cooking area, where Air Commodore Stewart was able to talk to the Civilian Committee members, Staff and Chefs, who accompanied the Cadets over the weekend.

The Field Presentations followed during the late afternoon with winners as follows:-

The Media Corporate Communications Trophy was won by 134 (Bedford) Sqn's CI Chris Wiggins, the Squadron's Cadet Sgt Tye won the Cadet Photographic Competition. The Staff Photographic was won by CI Suvi Tenkanen from 511 (Ramsey) Sqn.

1094 (Ely) Sqn won by Air Recognition Trophy with F/S Montgomery winning the individual Cadet award, and CI Rob Hart from 460 (Dunstable) Sqn winning the Staff award. Medals were also presented for the Aero-Modelling as follows:-

1406 (Spalding) Squadron won Gold medals in Classes 1, 3, 4,6 and 7, Class 2 - Gold 1220 (March) Sqn Cpl Goodall, Class 5 – Gold Staff entry, SAC England.

134 (Bedford) Sqn were awarded the Drill Competition Trophy.

The overall winners of the Field Day Trophy were 2331 (St Ives) Sqn.

Congratulations to all winners and participants.

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Photo Review 1 – Commandant talking to Cadets
Photo CWO Julia Robson - being presented with the Brackenborough Bowl
Photo Review 2 – Commandant talking to Cadets
Photo Wing Chaplain – being presented with the Regional Commandant's certificate of Merit
Photo Wg Cdr – Wing Commander Paul Bower OC Wing on parade with Cadets, awaiting Review



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