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PRESS RELEASE

MARCH CADETS GO FOR GOLD IN THE LAKE DISTRICT

8 Air Cadets from 1220 (March) Squadron travelled to the Lake District during their summer holidays in order to complete the expedition section of their Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award. The cadets planned their own route and made all necessary bookings prior to travelling to the Lakes.

The expedition was for four days and three nights covering a distance of 50 miles through and over the Lakeland fells. The group had to be self sufficient and carried everything they needed for the four days which along with necessary clothing and emergency equipment included tents, cookers and enough food to feed themselves (and teenagers can eat a lot of food!).

During the expedition the group saw a mixed bag of weather, they got wet on day two and finished with glorious sunshine and fantastic views on day 4. They have all returned with a good collection of blisters and aching shoulders but are proud of their achievement.

Flight Lieutenant Kirsty Burnham who supervised the expedition said "I am extremely proud of the cadet's achievements. They are a young group aged between 16 and 18 but put a lot of time and effort into preparing well for the expedition which paid dividends. There were a few scary moments for me when they were behind time and I couldn't see them, but I had confidence in their navigation ability and they turned up eventually."

Having completed the expedition, Instructor Cadet Flight Sergeant Toni Arnold is to be congratulated as she has completed all sections of the Gold award. When relevant paperwork has been completed she will be presented with her Gold badge and should receive an invitation to St James' Palace to receive her certificate.

1220 (March) Squadron are now recruiting! Our next intake night will be Friday 11th September. If you are aged 13 to 17 come along to our HQ in Gas Road, March on



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Wednesday 9th at 7:30pm for a presentation on what we do. More details are on our website at www.1220atc.org.uk or Tel: 01354 651788.

Address: 1220 (March) Squadron Air Training Corps, Gas Road, March. PE15 9LU.
Parade nights: Tuesday and Friday between 1900-2130hrs.

Kirsty Burnham

Flt Lt
OC 1220 Sqn

Attachments:

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L-R: Cpl Tom Ward, I/CFS Toni Arnold, Sgt Hannah Foad, Cpl Daniel Woods, Flt Lt Kirsty Burnham, CFS Alexa Ferguson, Sgt Luke Goodall, Cpl Alex Ogden and Cpl Tim Kightly



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