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Awards hat-trick for Dunstable Air Cadets

Three members of Dunstable Air Cadets have received top awards for education and training in a recent presentation led by the squadron's Commanding Officer, Flt. Lt. Mick Bell.

Flt. Sgt. Joe Marr (Pictured left) and Sgt Joshua McDade (Right) achieved a credit pass in the Staff Cadet examination, whilst former Sgt. Lorraine Shaw, (middle), now a Civilian Instructor with the squadron, was awarded a distinction. The pass at Staff level, which is the highest cadet education classification, also results in the award of a BTEC Certificate in Aviation Studies. Sgt Shaw was also awarded the BTEC First Diploma in Public Services in which she achieved a Distinction. This Diploma, which the Cadets study when they reach the age of 16 is equivalent to 4 GCSEs (A*-C).

The squadron's Commanding Officer, Flt. Lt. Mick Bell was proud of the latest cadets' achievements. He said: "These cadets rightly deserve these awards that reflect the hard work and determination that they have put into their studies". The C.O. went on to remind the cadets that the squadron allows for free entry at BTEC level for all the cadets. Even the BTEC Certificate in Aviation Studies will result in 2 GCSE's at A*-C level and together with the Diploma gives them 6 GCSE's to add to their school achievements – a useful addition to any school leavers CV.

Dunstable Squadron are currently recruiting so, if you are aged between 13 and 16 years of age with a sense of adventure why not contact Flt Lt Mick Bell on 01234 307776 or at atc460sqn@yahoo.co.uk, visit our web site at www.dunstable-aircadets.org or visit the Squadron any Monday or Thursday evening.

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