

## **104 (City of Cambridge) Squadron**

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# **PRESS RELEASE**

## **CADETS NAVIGATE TO SUCCESS**

Twelve cadets from 104 (City of Cambridge) Squadron have succeeded in achieving their National Navigation Award Scheme (NNAS) bronze award.

The National Navigation Award Scheme was launched in 1994 at the Royal Institute of Navigation in London, and since then over 10000 awards have been gained. The NNAS scheme was devised as a non-competitive, personal performance scheme for all ages, to encourage people to be confident in their navigation in the countryside.

The Bronze Award involves the cadets learning how to interpret features on a map to what they can see in their surroundings, orientating a map, compass skills, route planning, six figure grid references and walking techniques. Following this training the cadets were then able to demonstrate their skills in a practical environment by completing a walk over 5km in the local area.

These cadets will now begin to work towards their silver award. This stage award will involve more complex navigation skills over further distances and in more challenging terrain. The award is supplementing work already underway as part of the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme.

Pilot Officer Chris Cox, who assessed the cadets during the award, said *'The cadets can be proud of what they achieved whilst undertaking the award, they will now begin to work towards the silver and gold level'*

Corporal Sam King added *"I really enjoyed completing my bronze award, it was good to put classroom learning into practice during the expedition phase"*

**104 (City of Cambridge) Squadron meet on Wednesday and Friday evening at our headquarters on Newmarket Road. For more information about joining as either a cadet or member of staff please contact 01223 295324 (Wed and Fri Evenings) or email [info@104atc.org](mailto:info@104atc.org)**

**For the latest news and information from the Squadron you can now follow us on Twitter at [104AirCadets](#)**

Pilot Officer Chris Cox RAFVR(T)  
Media and Communications Officer

### **Notes to editor**

#### Picture

Cadets pose with their National Navigation Award certificates with Group Captain Brett Morrell, Regional Commandant Central and East Region Air Cadets