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PRESS RELEASE

Record Numbers in Remembrance.

Sunday 14th November 2010. People all across the country join hands to remember the fallen and the fighting.

Cadets and staff from 207 (Cranfield) Sqn Air Training Corps were certainly no exception.

This year, the Squadron paraded record numbers to provide by far the biggest contingent of the village memorial service, parading both their own standard, and the Union Flag at the ceremony.

Braving the cold and damp November morning, the parade formed up in the car park of the Cross Keys pub, before marching down the High Street to form up at the War Memorial in front of what looked to be the largest crowd yet.

At precisely 11am, Hannah Peake played the last post and the area fell silent and the standards were lowered as all those present paid their respect to those who have fallen in the two World Wars. The roll of honour was then read by John Seamark and members of various groups were invited by Matthew McHugh to lay poppy wreaths around the memorial.

Then, a break with tradition as the parade was led onto the nearby Cranfield Lower School for the main remembrance service due to much needed repair work being done on the Church.

Immediately following the service, the Air Cadets placed a poppy cross on each of the war graves in the Church graveyard, whilst the Army Cadets did the same at the village graveyard nearby. Then, the cadet contingent was marched back up to 207 (Cranfield) Sqn's HQ for a well earned tea and slice of cake.

Flying Officer Matt Dolton of 207 Sqn commented on the day: *"It was great to see so many people turn out today to remember those who have served and paid our Country the ultimate sacrifice and I would personally like to thank each of them for doing so. As for the Cadets, I am very proud to have received several comments from members of the public stating how smart they looked and well behaved they were. They were truly exceptional once again. This has again been a fitting tribute to those to whom we owe our lives."*

For more information about the Air Cadets, please contact the Squadron on 01234 752030, take a look at their website at www.aircadets.org or www.207atc.org.uk or call in at their Headquarters off Merchants Lane, Cranfield between the times of 7:30pm and 9:30pm on a Monday or Thursday evening.

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Notes to Editor

- Attached photo: 'shiny.jpg'
- 'Shoes polished and uniform pressed, the cadets line up ready to form the parade.'
- Attached photo: 'legion.jpg'
- 'Members of the Royal British Legion lead the parade along the High Street.'
- Attached photo: 'post parade.jpg'
- 'Cadets and staff from 207 Sqn pose for a picture before heading n from the cold for a nice warm brew'
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