

NEWSLETTER for the WEEK of 29 NOVEMBER 2009

To all VandenBos Air Cadets and Parents:

Congratulations on their promotion to the cadre of very senior squadron positions of Leadership to:

WO2 (from FSgt) Tyler Mason
WO2 (from FSgt) Nick Spence

Congratulations also to **FSgt Ian Bruce** whose application for a Pilot Training Achievement Award (PTAA) was rewarded by the Air Cadet League of Canada with a selection of a \$300 'Sabre Pilots Association of the Air Division' award. In all there were 72 PTAA's for 2009 granted across the 452 Air Cadet squadrons in Canada. FSgt Bruce earned his private power pilot wings through the Air Cadet scholarships program this past summer.

The **VandenBos Cadet of the Week** on November 26th →

The **VandenBos Squadron Team of the Week** was **TEAM 7** →

The Fall 2009 **Tagging Prize** winners were **Sgt Cheng & FCpl Essue**
Congratulations!

*******NOTE**, for the **NEXT TWO THURSDAYS** (3 Dec and 10 Dec) we do not have the Permit at the Captain Michael VandenBos School. We are at the ENTERPRISE AIRLINE HANGAR on those dates. Let's all be sure that no one shows up at the school on those dates. We will return to the school on December 17th.

Remember, the **next Recruit Course** will start with a Recruit Information Night for prospective cadets and parents at 7:00 PM, on **Thursday, January 7th, 2010** at the Captain Michael VandenBos PS. The best recruiters are the current Air Cadets and their parents. So, pass the word to your friends, school mates, neighbours, co-workers, etc. Do not keep 'air cadets' the best kept secret! We would like to have another 25 recruits join us in January.

Important - anyone who displays **H1N1 virus symptoms** needs to be kept away from the squadron until cleared by a doctor. Be sure to advise of the reason for the absence by phone, in the usual way.

***26 books of **Lottery** tickets and money are still to be returned (sold). Please expedite. Remember that the squadron sponsoring committee must pay for all issued books of tickets. Profits go mainly to pay for the gliding program with a smaller portion coming back to the squadron.

We appreciate every cadet's cooperation in keeping our **facilities** clean and in order whether at our two schools, the hangar or other location. Remember that we develop good, community minded citizens – you! Thank you adult monitors!

The staff would also appreciate cadets being **picked up on time** at the conclusion of activities as the assigned staff member must stay until every cadet is picked up.

(NB - If you are receiving this Newsletter via e-mail you may wish to access the Squadron's SSC **web site** at www.2vandenbos.org where you will find an extensive photo gallery, the Parents Information Handbook and much more.)

Here is the updated schedule of coming Squadron events and activities:

Monday, 30 November 2009 – at the **HANGAR**

Regular Monday Night **BAND PRACTICE**

Civilian Clothes.

Band Officer: Lt L. Cadenhead Band Instructor: CV R. Taylor

Drum Major: FSgt C. Wylie

Arrive for 6:45 PM. Pick-up at 8:45 PM.

Tuesday, 1 December 2009 – at the **HANGAR**

Rifle Team Practice.

Participants --> The Rifle Team only.

Civilian Clothes.

Qualification Officer: Capt J. Goodall. Sr. Cadet Leader: FSgt T. Mason.

Arrive for 6 PM. Pick-up at 8 PM.

Wednesday, 2 December 2009 – at the **HANGAR**

Regular Wednesday Night **DRILL TEAM PRACTICE**

Civilian Clothes.

Drill Team Officer: Capt R. Hutchuk Sr. Cadet Team Leader: FSgt T. Mason with Sgt Abu-Halagah

Arrive for 7 PM. Pick-up at 9 PM.

Thursday, 3 November 2009 – at the *****ENTERPRISE HANGAR** (We do not have the school Permit)

Regular Training Night.

Dress: Tunic with Turtle Neck Sweater.

NOTE: Drill Manuals are available for purchase at the canteen. Price: \$2.50

Arrive for 6:45 PM. Pick-up at 9:45 PM.

Friday, 4 December 2009 –

NO SPORTS on this NIGHT.

We don't have the Permit.

Also Friday, 4 December 2009 –

NO, repeat NO Scholarship Qualifying Exam Preparation Classes

***This Session is cancelled due to the Tri-Service Dance.

Also Friday, 4 December 2009 – at the **LVIV HALL in OSHAWA** (38 Lviv Blvd – just East of Simcoe St South and just North of Hwy 401) Phone (905) 723-8762

Don't forget to pick up your reserved and paid for tickets for the annual cadet Tri-Service Cadet Dance hosted by 151 Chadburn Squadron. This is the social event of the year for most cadets as 151 Sqn invites all of the Navy, Army and Air cadet units in Durham Region to join in. As in 2008 it is expected that there will be a full house of 350 cadets in attendance. All are served a full course meal, cooked and prepared by the 151 Squadron staff. Dress is full uniform for male cadets and female cadets wear a dress of their choice. Capt R. Hutchuk Sr. Cadet: FSgt N. Spence

Saturday, 5 December 2009 –

WHITBY SANTA CLAUS PARADE – Band included. The Parade celebrates its 40th Anniversary on a new route this year. It gets going at 10:00 AM at Brock St. & Manning Rd and goes south on Brock St. to Trent St. (just north of the Rotary Park) to be completed at approximately Noon.

This showcases the squadron and its band to the community. It's also good for recruiting. Be part of it! Show time, exact location and more details TBA by Lt L. Cadenhead.

Monday, 7 December 2009 – at the **HANGAR**

Regular Monday Night **BAND PRACTICE**

Civilian Clothes.

Band Officer: Lt L. Cadenhead Band Instructor: CV R. Taylor

Drum Major: FSgt C. Wylie

Arrive for 6:45 PM. Pick-up at 8:45 PM.

Tuesday, 8 December 2009 –

NO RIFLE PRACTICE tonight (by exception).

Also Tuesday, 8 December 2009 –

Squadron Sponsoring Committee meeting (6:30 PM).

Wednesday, 9 December 2009 – at the **HANGAR**

Regular Wednesday Night **DRILL TEAM PRACTICE**

Civilian Clothes.

Drill Team Officer: Capt R. Hutchuk Sr. Cadet Team Leader: FSgt T.Mason

Arrive for 7 PM. Pick-up at 9 PM.

Thursday, 10 December 2009 – at the *****ENTERPRISE HANGAR** (We do not have the school Permit)
Regular Training Night.

Dress: Tunic with Turtle Neck Sweater.

NOTE: Drill Manuals are available for purchase at the canteen. Price: \$2.50

Arrive for 6:45 PM. Pick-up at 9:45 PM.

Friday, 11 December 2009 – **Donald A. WILSON SECONDARY SCHOOL**

Regular weekly **SPORTS NIGHT**.

Capt R. Hutchuk or CI N. Erdelyi

Arrive for 6:15 PM. Pick-up at 9:45 PM.

Also Friday, 11 December 2009 – at the **HANGAR (Durham Flight Centre classroom)**

Scholarship Qualifying Exam Preparation Classes. – For interested squadron cadets who will be qualified by age, etc. to apply for either the Glider Pilot Scholarship Camp or the Power Pilot Scholarship Camp next summer, but also for younger/other cadets who have an interest in aviation.

Civilian Clothes.

Lt L. Cadenhead

Arrive for 7 PM. Pick-up at 9 PM.

Sunday, 13 December 2009 – at the **WHITBY CURLING CLUB** (815 Brock St North, Whitby – immediately north of the railway underpass) (Phone: 905-668-5021)

Holiday Season Social Function –

All VandenBos cadets invited.

Learn-to-Curl and movie. Dinner provided.

SIGN UP on Thursday, December 3rd.

Bring clean running shoes and a toque (or similar hat).

Arrive just in time for 500 PM; Pick up at 9 PM.

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FUTURE EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

*****RECRUIT INFORMATION NIGHT** – Thursday, January 7th (7:00 PM) at the Captain Michael VandenBos PS

*****POWER & GLIDER SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING EXAMS** – Saturday, 8th January 2010.

Details TBA. Lt L. Cadenhead

*****TRIP TO 8 Wing TRENTON** – On Saturday, 16 January 2010. For the TOP 15 CADET ACHIEVEMENT POINT GETTERS (and Lottery Tickets commitment met). Experience the Hercules Aircraft Simulator and other Avionics Training Aids and visit the RCAF/ National Air Force Museum. More details later.

*****SHADOW LAKE Weekend FIELD TRAINING EXERCISE** – 29-31 January 2010. Details TBA.

*****SQUADRON EFFECTIVE SPEAKING COMPETITION** – Thursday, 18 February 2010. Plan to participate, Topics and rules at www.aircadetleague.com (under Info for Cadets). More Details TBA.

*****SQUADRON SKI DAY** – Saturday, February 27th 2010. Details TBA.

*****SQUADRON 'PARENTS-CADETS' DARTS NIGHT** – Friday, March 5th 2010. Details TBA.

*****6th ANNUAL SQUADRON BANQUET** – Saturday, April 10th 2010. Details TBA.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS and SEE YOU AT CADETS!!!

Don't forget to carry your HEALTH INSURANCE CARD with you.