

Air Cadet League of Canada
British Columbia Provincial Committee
Robert (Bob) Burchinshaw
BC League Member/ National Governor

Bob Burchinshaw, a former Air Cadet of 324 REVELSTOKE SQUADRON served 36 plus years in the Canadian Forces. IN 1988, he retired to Kelowna with his wife and daughter and signed on as a member of the 243 Ogoopogo Squadron in Kelowna, BC. In 1989, he was appointed Chairperson of the Squadron Sponsoring committee and served in that position for four years.

IN 1993, he accepted an appointment to the B.C. Committee of the Air Cadet League of Canada, as Chairperson of Okanagan Wing, responsible for the Squadrons in the Okanagan, North Thompson areas and served in that capacity until 2004.

Bob's commitment to the Air cadets spans sixty plus years and during his military career he had the opportunity to work with Air Cadet Squadrons in Ontario and Nova Scotia. In particular, he provided direct Base support to the Air Cadet Summer Training Centre at Greenwood, Nova Scotia as well as to the Halifax Military Tattoo in Halifax.

In his early years Bob earned his private pilot's licence through the Air Force Flying club in Ottawa and was given the opportunity to attend the Royal Air Force National Gliding School, in the United Kingdom where he learned to fly gliders launched by winches.

In 2004 he was appointed as Governor to the Air Cadet League of Canada and currently serves in that capacity. Bob continues to support the BCPC as a Member and serves as the Honours and Awards Coordinator. Currently, he continues to work with a colleague on the development of an electronic data base that will contain the history of the BC Air Cadet Program going back to 1939.

Bob was appointed to the Canadian Forces order of Military Merit in 1985 and was awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2013.