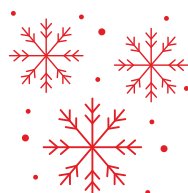


# December Newsletter

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear friends,

As we approach the holiday season, I would like to use this opportunity to report on our semiannual meeting (SAM), which was held virtually on November 15, and attended by the National Board, Advisory Council, and Provincial/Territorial Chairs.

The SAM meeting provided an update on the cadet program's current state and the League's collaboration with the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF). While youth enrollment is the highest in decades, the CAF continues to face financial, logistical, and staffing constraints that limit program delivery, leading to long waiting lists and reduced national training opportunities such as glider sites and international exchanges. The League and CAF continue working closely on the renewal of the MOU, optimizing program delivery, and strengthening partnerships with industry. The cadet training review, involving 70 experts and several League volunteers, is nearing completion, with a final report expected in January 2026.

Key program and administrative initiatives were also reviewed at the SAM. Planning is underway for the 2026 National Effective Speaking Competition, set to once again be held in person alongside the National Leadership Forum. Financial updates included a reduction of the national cadet assessment fee to \$10 per cadet and ongoing development of

the new online ACC9, which remains on track for beta testing in 2026.

Communications initiatives—such as the Spotlight on ACL Volunteers series and the 50th anniversary of women joining Air Cadets—are being enhanced to promote visibility and volunteer recognition. Screening processes have also been improved through updated interview forms and the implementation of a new volunteer confidentiality agreement.

A major part of the meeting focused on follow-up actions from the National Leadership Forum, structured into four phases: stakeholder engagement, governance and infrastructure development, program innovation, and financial sustainability. These phases prioritize consultation, modernization, data-driven oversight, strategic partnerships, and expanded funding pathways. Importantly, the Board of Governors approved a motion authorizing the Air Cadet League of Canada to lobby the Canadian Government for increased cadet program funding, reinforcing the organization's commitment to long-term sustainability. Overall, the SAM meeting emphasized modernization, strengthened collaboration, and the continued enhancement of support for cadets, volunteers, and program partners.

Wishing all members of the Air Cadet League a warm and joyful holiday season, filled with peace, gratitude, and time well spent with loved ones.

As we look ahead to the new year, may it bring renewed energy, continued collaboration, and great success in supporting our cadets across Canada.

Marc Lacroix CD  
Président national

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TO LEARN - TO SERVE - TO ADVANCE

# National Honours & Awards Nominations

Volunteers at our squadrons, provincial/territorial and national levels are essential to the success of the Air Cadet League of Canada. Without the tireless giving of time, skills and financial resources by our volunteers, sponsors, and supporters, we would not be able to accomplish our mission.

We need to make it a priority to demonstrate gratitude for all those who support our mission. Just as we take the time to value our donors, actively thanking our volunteers will keep them eager to continue their support and speak positively about the League to others.

The Air Cadet League of Canada offers a suite of prestigious awards that can be presented. Please note that the deadline for 2026 nominations is 31 January 2026. **P/TC Chairs, please forward the contact details for your committee's honours and awards prime to [honours@aircadetleague.com](mailto:honours@aircadetleague.com).**

The Honours and Awards Handbook and the ACC50 application form, in the Awards and Scholarships section of [aircadetleague.com](http://aircadetleague.com) provides further details and criteria for any of the following awards:

- **Medal of Honour** is the League's highest award for someone that has rendered exceptional service over a long time;
- **Honourary Life Member** is an award that reflects a great honour bestowed on a colleague who has given long, faithful, and meritorious service;
- **Certificate of Honour** for League volunteers, at the Local, Provincial or the National level that has provided exemplary service, over an extended period;
- **President's Citation** is an award that can be made to a member of the League for continuous meritorious service, but has already been recognized with the Certificate of Honour;
- **Director of the Year** is presented annually, by DND to a member of the League in appreciation for the meritorious way the person has stimulated interest in the Air Cadet Movement through service to the Royal Canadian Air Cadets;
- **Certificate of Merit** may be awarded to League members in recognition of meritorious service;
- **Officer of the Year** recognizes a Canadian Forces Officer for outstanding service to the League;
- **Certificate of Recognition** has been instituted for presentation to Canadian Forces personnel and for other persons or organizations that have provided outstanding service to the League;
- **Presidential Certificates** will be awarded to squadrons based on successful criteria selected by the President. The criteria for 2026 certificates will be advised in future correspondence;
- **Long Service Volunteer Medal** for League volunteers at any level who have provided ten or more years of service.

All nominations are to be completed using the online form ACC50 (<https://aircadetleague.com/forms/>). Nominations are to be completed no later than 31 January 2026. Any nominations received after that date will be considered for 2027.

On the ACC50 you will be asked to specify if the award is to be presented at a squadron ACR, the National Leadership Forum (if the recipient will be in attendance), or at P/TC AGM in the fall. As we did last year, award recipients will be announced on social media during National Volunteer Week 2026 - April 19 to April 25.

We have added a chart, in the honours & Awards Handbook, that will assist with selecting the correct award for our various groups of volunteers and supporters.

The Certificate of Volunteer Service Air Cadet League of Canada can be awarded to retiring Air Cadet League volunteers for service rendered. This certificate is designed to be approved at the local, provincial/territorial, or national level. The Certificate can be accessed and downloaded from the Air Cadet League website in the Awards and Scholarships/For Members & Volunteer section.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to recognize and honour our outstanding volunteers.

Jan Reidulff  
Chair, ACL Honours and Awards Committee

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# NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION PERIOD STARTING SOON

Application period is coming up for cadets entering any post-secondary schooling in 2026. Look for the form mid-January on the ACL website [www.aircadetleague.com](http://www.aircadetleague.com) under Library/ Documents & Forms/ Forms/ ACC64 for further details. Deadline for submissions is April 1st, 2026.

Forms can only be completed online and will utilize workflow management, whereby once applicant has completed form, form goes on to CO and then on to Sponsor Chair for recommendation. If you plan to apply, please ensure you have the correct email address for your CO and the CO has a proper email address for the SSC Chair. A big thank you to our many sponsors for providing these great opportunities for cadets.

The National Scholarship Committee hopes to hear from you soon.

## 2025 POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS RECIPIENTS & RCL AIR CADET OF THE YEAR



Ron Ilko,  
Chair, National Educational Scholarships





# 2025 CADETS MUSIC AWARDS RECIPIENTS



**For immediate release**

## The Air Cadet League of Canada Announces **2025 Music Awards for Excellence**

**OTTAWA, ON** (November 22, 2025) - To promote music in the Air Cadet program, the Air Cadet League of Canada has established annual Music Awards for outstanding air cadet musicians. This year, two awards are presented, one for Air Cadet Military Band musician and one for Air Cadet Pipe Band Musician – Air Force Association Pipe Band Award. Each cadet will receive a \$350 cash prize sponsored by Long & McQuade Musical Instruments as well as \$300 in cash from the Air Cadet League of Canada.

The Air Cadet Military Band Musician Award goes to **Warrant Officer Second Class Michkat Feteke of 921 l'Ancienne-Lorette squadron** in Quebec & Ottawa Valley Provincial COmmittee. Thanks to the opportunity to be musical director for parades and concerts during music camps at the CTC in Valcartier, Michkat developed a deep love for conducting an orchestra. She now wants to pursue graduate studies in orchestral conducting in order to make music her career. Eventually, she would like to return to the cadets as a music instructor to train the cadet musicians of tomorrow.

The Air Cadet Pipe Band Musician Award goes to **Warrant Officer Second Class Benjamin Lees of 296 City of Cambridge Squadron** in Ontario. He performed at the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo in 2025, an achievement of which he is very proud. As the Major Piper of his squadron, he also has the opportunity to mentor young cadets. Ultimately, he would like to train as an aircraft mechanic to become a fully qualified pilot.

Congratulations to WO2 Feteke and WO2 Lees!

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# 2025 CADETS FLYING AWARDS RECIPIENTS



**For immediate release**

## The Air Cadet League of Canada announces 2025 Flying Scholarships Recipients

**OTTAWA, ON** (November 22, 2025) – The Air Cadet League of Canada is proud to announce the 2025 Flying Scholarships recipients. Thanks to the generosity of our partners and donors, we are able to award 19 Continuing Flight Training Awards (CFTA) totaling \$47,000.

The purpose of the Continuation Flying Training Awards offered is to provide cadets who have successfully completed the Power Pilot Training Course the opportunity to continue to accumulate flight time. The awards range from \$2,000 to \$2,500 each.

Name	Squadron	Awards	Value
WO1 Sebastian Addis	604 Moose	ATAC	\$2,000
WO2 Sean Miao	135 Bell-Irving	ACL	\$2,500
WO2 Ethan Hu	699 Jasper Place	ACL	\$2,500
WO2 Rowan Fehr	333 Lord Beaverbrook	ALPA	\$2,500
F/Sgt Edward Zhu	18 Dartmouth Lions	ALPA	\$2,500
WO2 Thomas Clenche	567 Random	ALPA	\$2,500
WO1 Jannie Kemp	38 Anavets	ALPA	\$2,500
WO2 Megan Maxwell	5 Cyclone	ALPA	\$2,500
WO1 Nathaniel Brennan-Lee	632 Phoenix	ALPA	\$2,500
WO2 Cizar Alromhein	687 Richelieu Laval	ALPA	\$2,500
WO2 Noah Elle	504 Blatchford Field	RCAFA	\$2,500
WO2 Will Grover	875 Antigonish Lions	RCAFA	\$2,500
WO2 Noah Sak	364 Lancaster	RCAFA	\$2,500
WO2 Maceo Arruda Kyriakidis	615 Bluenose	RCAFA-SPAADS	\$2,500
WO2 Onkit Saha	333 Lord Beaverbrook	RCAFA-SPAADS	\$2,500
WO2 Adrian Leduc	204 Black Maria	CAE	\$2,500
Sgt Emily Sawchuk	624 Tisdale	CAE	\$2,500
WO2 Callum Prouty	44 Sarnia Imperial	Collins Aerospace	\$2,500
F/Sgt Ao Feng Luk	351 Silver Star	Collins Aerospace	\$2,500

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Congratulations to all recipients!

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# 2025 CADETS FLYING AWARDS RECIPIENTS



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## The Air Cadet League of Canada announces 2025 Flying Scholarships Recipients

OTTAWA, ON (November 22, 2025) – The Air Cadet League of Canada is proud to announce the 2025 Flying Scholarships recipients. Thanks to the generosity of our partners and donors, we are able to award 19 Pilot Training Achievement Awards (PTAA) totaling \$ 8,600.

PTAA: The purpose of the Pilot Training Achievement Awards is to provide funding for use in continuing a cadet's flying or gliding training. The awards average \$300 in value.

Name	Squadron	Awards	Value
F/Sgt Isabelle Query	51 Aviation & Space Museum	Association esc. 426 Thunderbirds	300\$
WO2 Evan Dennis	107 Spitfire	Jim Goodhand	300\$
Sgt Abigael Girouard	911 Memphrémagog	99 Canadiennes	500\$
WO2 Eiman Chaudhry	504 Blatchford Field	99 Canadiennes	500\$
F/Sgt Finley Aubin	386 Komox	BC Ex - Air Force POW	300\$
F/Sgt Kylie Parmiter	653 Champlain	BC Ex - Air Force POW	300\$
F/Sgt Jackson Calder	187 Foothills	Bomber Harris	300\$
Sgt Eric Peng	845 Avro Arrow	Bomber Harris	300\$
WO2 Lawrence Chan	53 C.E. Monty, DFC	Frank Kobe	300\$
F/Sgt Raphaëlle Chicoine	806 Optimiste Ste -Thérèse	Frank Kobe	300\$
F/Sgt Malik Roy	500 Outaouais	Canadian Fighter Pilots	300\$
F/Sgt Atharva Saraswat	104 Starfighter	Club Dodo Bird	300\$
WO2 Griffynn Dow Priest -Phillips	334 Oromocto	Club Dodo Bird	300\$
F/Sgt Aidan Brake MacSween	515 North Atlantic	Club Dodo Bird	300\$
WO1 Neil Wang	292 Halifax - Fairview Legion 142	ASCAC	1000\$
WO2 Marie Jacques	894 Charlesbourg	Erb & Mitchell	1000\$
Sgt Amir Mohammed	888 Avenger	Erb & Mitchell	1000\$
Sgt Annanya Mishra	810 Grant McConachie	Garbutt Family	1000\$
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# Remembrance in the Capital: My Trip to Ottawa as the 2025 RCL Air Cadet of the Year

When I was told I was chosen as the 2025 Royal Canadian Legion Air Cadet of the Year I was incredibly honoured. I felt even more honoured when I discovered I would be representing over 24,000 air cadets at the National Remembrance Day Ceremony in Ottawa. This trip would be one of the best experiences of my life that I will hold dear to me for years to come.

I was allowed to take one of my parents on the trip with me, so I was very happy to share this experience with my mom, Carrie. As luck would have it, I was on the same flight with the top army cadet, then Master Warrant Officer Geoffrey Reed (now Chief Warrant Officer). When we landed in Ottawa, myself, my mom, as well as MWO Reed and his parents took a taxi together to our hotel, the Fairmont Château Laurier.

As soon as we arrived, we were instantly greeted by hotel staff who happily opened the doors for us as we entered the hotel. Walking in felt like walking into a castle. The beautiful marble pillars and floors, the lush furniture in the lobby, and the friendly hotel staff all added to the experience. After settling into our rooms, myself and MWO Reed and our families decided to explore the area. We toured Parliament Hill, learned about the history of the area and shared how honoured and awestruck we were that we were given the opportunity to be part of such an important and meaningful event.

The next morning, we had breakfast with the Top Sea Cadet, CPO1 Julie Hammond, the top Junior Canadian Ranger (JCR), Sgt Brooklyn Chippett, and their mother. It was inspiring to hear about their journeys and accomplishments in cadets, and to realize how much dedication each of us had brought to our respective branches.

After breakfast we took some group pictures before being given some free time which me and my mom used to explore the local small businesses.

Later that day, we met with the legion representatives where we also were introduced to the winners of the National Youth Remembrance Day Contests. The next day I would get to see their artwork and writing that won the contests and I was deeply moved by their expression of remembrance and had no doubt in my mind as to why they were chosen. I was incredibly honored to find out I would bear a wreath for these four incredible and talented winners at the ceremony.

The next day we were taken on tours of the senate, where we met the Usher of the Black Rod, and the Parliament building where we saw the House of Commons chamber and the Room of Remembrance which held the names of every known Canadian who have lost their life while in service. The moment I entered the Room of Remembrance I felt the weight of the loss and sadness caused by war. It was a very solemn experience and remains one of my most vivid memories of the trip.

After the tours, we had a ceremony rehearsal before having lunch with the Silver Cross Mother, Mrs. Nancy Payne. Before lunch I briefly got to speak to the CJCR commander Brigadier General Brais whom I met this summer while staffing at Cold Lake and I was introduced to the CJCR chief CWO Arndt. During lunch Mrs. Payne shared a brief but moving speech about her son, Corporal Randy Payne, who lost his life in 2006 while in Afghanistan. Though her speech was brief, she deeply moved the hearts of everyone sitting in that room. Her speech made everyone think more deeply about those we lost and made the moments of silence seem, at least to me, a bit quieter.





# Continued...

We then toured the National War Museum where we learned more about the actions of service members during wartime. One exhibit stood out from the rest, "Encounters - Echoes of War" was a room that had spotlights where when you stood in the middle of one you could hear veterans and veterans' families telling stories about their experience with war. It was a heavy moment listening to each story, but I was comforted knowing that so many soldiers' stories were being told to so many people.

The next day was the National Remembrance Day Ceremony. It was a cold morning in only the cadet uniform, but I kept thinking of the soldiers who gave their lives for me to wear the uniform and the families who felt the coldness of grief and in a way it made me feel a little warmer. As I looked at the hundreds of people crowding around the war memorial to watch the ceremony, I was touched by how many people came together to honour those who gave us the freedom to be able to stand together.

The ceremony was incredible to experience. The periodic 21-gun salute during the speeches and the spiritual reflection made the moment very memorable. When the time came, I was honoured to be a wreath bearer for the contest winners, the people I had befriended over the previous days in Ottawa. As we moved to watch the march past, we passed a line of veterans who looked pleased to see young people so dedicated to showing respect to fallen soldiers. I can still picture their faces, smiles, and hear their thanks to us being there. Representing air cadets at such a significant event was the greatest honour I could imagine, and I did my very best to represent our organization with respect and dignity.



Following the ceremony we had our final event, a lunch at Rideau Hall. I had the prestigious honour of sitting next to His Excellency Whit Fraser, the husband of the Governor General. As a former air cadet himself, we had plenty to talk about. Our table was very lively, and I was grateful that everyone was interested in listening to my experience and achievements in cadets and in turn I was very interested in listening to the stories they had to share.

When all was said and done me and the other CJCRs went back to the war memorial to lay our poppies. MWO Reed's father, who is a retired army CWO, led us in a formal laying of our poppies. One at a time each of us laid our poppies and as we all saluted we had a moment of silence for those who lost their lives for us to be there. It was especially memorable to see all the poppies and wreaths that people left for those who are no longer with us. This small yet impactful experience was the perfect way to end the trip and I am very grateful that we were able to go back and pay our respects.

Overall, my trip to Ottawa taught me more than I could have expected about the people affected by war. Meeting the Silver Cross Mother, speaking with veterans, hearing stories of loss and service, and witnessing hundreds come together in remembrance changed me in a profound way. I am especially grateful to have been able to experience all that I did during my time in Ottawa, and I have a much more profound and personal idea of what remembering means.

Submitted by WO Casey Garrett, SK  
RCL Air Cadet of the Year



# Honours Presented Mr Paul Dowling - Sovereigns Medal for Volunteers

Mr Paul Dowling was presented with the Sovereigns Medal for Volunteers at a ceremony on 31 Aug 25. Paul was nominated by the Air Cadet League of Canada (NB Inc) for his tireless dedication to the League as Chair of the provincial Effective Speaking program as well as his volunteer efforts in many other aspects of our program.

Pictured are Mr Dowling and the Honourable Louise Imbeault; Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick.



R.W. (Bob) Mackay, Executive Director  
Air Cadet League of New Brunswick

Photo Credit: NB Lieutenant Governor's Office

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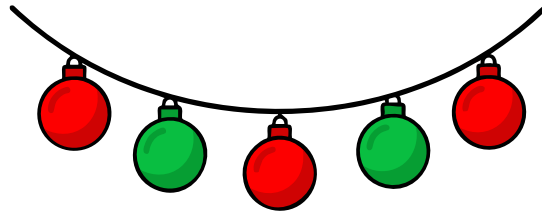
## IN MEMORIUM



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It is with regret that we inform you of the passing of CPO David Bliss FCWO CJCR Group. He joined the Cadets organization in 2014 until his passing. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends and colleagues.

# Season's Greetings



During the Christmas and New Year celebrations, I would like to acknowledge my colleagues on the Board of Governors, Advisory Council members, Provincial Board members, and Head Office staff who give so generously of their time and passion to support the Air Cadet League of Canada. As part of the League's extended family, your support and friendship have taught me that the holiday season is a state of mind that drives us throughout the year in the League's various weekly activities. This only strengthens our bonds to better support the cadet program.



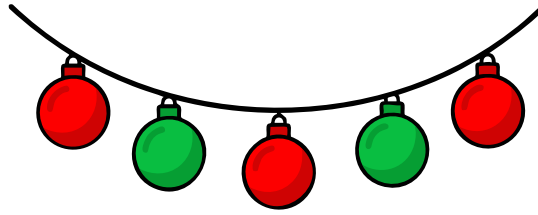
A special thank you to the nearly 5,000 Air Cadet League volunteers who work hard to support the cadets in their squadrons with perseverance and dedication. You have earned my admiration and that of the Board of Governors for your accomplishments.

I wish you a holiday season filled with joy and friendship. Let's be careful when traveling.

Marc Lacroix, Président national



# Season's Greetings



“On behalf of the National Office staff, we extend our warmest holiday wishes to all members of the League. As we reflect on the past year, we are grateful for your dedication, support, and unwavering commitment to our shared mission. May this festive season bring you peace, joy, and well-deserved rest, and may the coming year be filled with success and continued collaboration. Happy holidays to you and your families.”

Pierre Forgues, Directeur général

On behalf of the Air Cadet League Advisory Council and its members, we extend our warmest wishes for a joyful and peaceful holiday season.

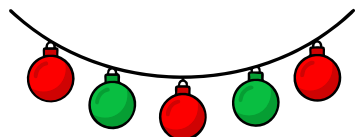
As we reflect on the past year, we are deeply grateful for the dedication and service shown in support of the Air Cadet League. Your commitment—whether through squadron support activities, efforts to advance our organization, or invaluable behind-the-scenes expertise—has created meaningful opportunities for Air Cadets across the country and helped shape the next generation of leaders.

As you celebrate this festive season, may you enjoy time with your loved ones and find moments to rest and recharge. We wish you a very happy holiday season and all the best in the New Year. Looking forward to continuing our work together in 2026!

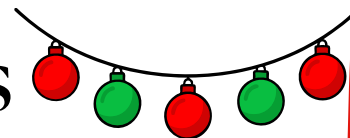
Seasons Greetings,

Hille Viita, CD,  
Advisory Council Chair





# Season's Greetings



On behalf of the Pan-Territorial Air Cadet Committee, representing squadrons in Nunavut, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon, I extend to you best wishes for a joyous and happy holiday season, with time to enjoy with family and friends. Please take time for yourself as well, to reflect on the bounty we have and the value of what we contribute to the youth of Canada - from coast to coast to coast.

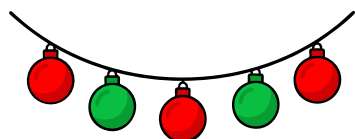
Happy Holidays  
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Gu.àlshé yá yıs tâkw i jiyıs wùk'ê (Tlingit)  
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Chairperson, Yukon Director  
Pan-Territorial Air Cadet Committee  
Whitehorse, YT

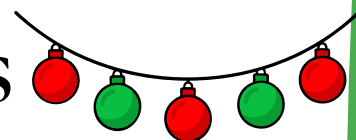
On behalf of the members, directors, and officers of the Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba), I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Jim Bell  
Chairperson, Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba)





# Season's Greetings



Season's Greetings from British Columbia!

As we approach the close of another remarkable year, I extend warm wishes to all members of the Air Cadet League of Canada.

This season is a time for reflections, gratitude and renewed commitment to the values that unit us.

Together, we have achieved significant milestones, and your dedication continues to inspire progress across our provinces. May this festive season bring joy, peace, and opportunities for rest and renewal to you and your loved ones.

Looking ahead, let us embrace the coming year with optimism and a shared vision for even greater collaboration and success.

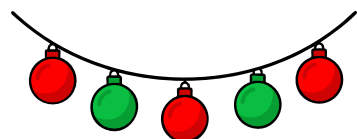
Happy Holidays and best wishes for a prosperous New Year!

Andrew King

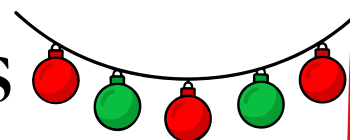
President, British Columbia Provincial Committee







# Season's Greetings



## New Brunswick

On behalf of the New Brunswick Provincial Committee,  
from our families to yours, best wishes for the holiday  
season.

Chuck Nicolle, NBPC Chair

## Alberta

On behalf of the Alberta Provincial Committee, we  
send our warm greetings to all our fellow provinces  
engaged in supporting the Air Cadet movement  
across our nation. Your continued support and  
comradery are deeply appreciated as we work  
together to continue to enhance this program for  
our Cadets. Wishing you a holiday season filled with  
happiness, family and friendship, and to a new year  
of peace and harmony and continued progressive  
collaboration.

Peter Davis, Chair, Alberta Provincial Committee

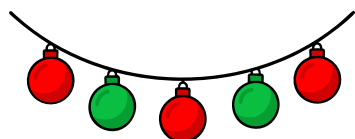
## Nova Scotia

In a turbulent world, Christmas is a bright and hopeful time.

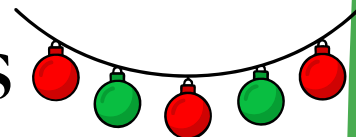
During our hurrying and activities, keep family, friends  
and community close and dear. Our wealth is in these people  
and our faith. May the peace of God be with you and yours  
during this blessed Christmas and the up coming New Year.

Lawrence Pelletier CD, Nova Scotia Provincial Committee





# Season's Greetings



Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

To all Air Cadet League volunteers across the country, thank you for your dedication and commitment throughout the year. Your contributions create meaningful experiences that help shape the confidence, leadership and future of our youth.

On behalf of the Québec and Ottawa Valley Provincial Committee, I extend my warmest holiday wishes and wish you a new year filled with health, happiness and continued success.

Marie Christine Lalonde  
Chairperson, Quebec and Ottawa Valley Provincial Committee

## Ontario

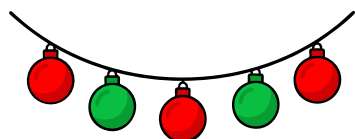
As we approach the end of another remarkable year, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each member of the Ontario Provincial Committee for your dedication, partnership, and unwavering commitment to the Air Cadet program. Our organization is strengthened by the many perspectives and traditions that each of you brings to our shared work.

This season offers us an opportunity to pause, reflect, and appreciate the collective achievements we've reached together in 2025. Whether through supporting our Squadrons, guiding our youth, contributing at the provincial level, or lending your expertise behind the scenes, your efforts have had a meaningful impact across the province. Your generosity of time, energy, and spirit is what makes this community so exceptional.

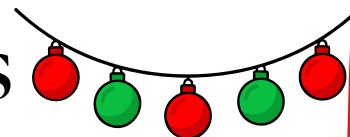
On behalf of the Board of Governors, thank you for everything you do. As we look ahead, I wish you and your loved ones a peaceful holiday season, however you may celebrate, and a healthy, fulfilling, and successful 2026.

Warmest regards,





# Season's Greetings



Season's Greetings from Prince Edward Island!

On behalf of the Provincial Committee of Prince Edward Island, dedicated to supporting and strengthening our province's communities, SSCs, and Squadrons, we extend warm Season's Greetings to everyone across our island and beyond. As we celebrate this festive season, we honour the many traditions that unite our communities and the kindness that sustains us all. Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication throughout the year. Wishing you a safe, restful, and joyful holiday season, and a healthy, hopeful New Year.

Sincerely,  
Provincial Committee of Prince Edward Island



Air Cadet League of Saskatchewan

*Wishing everyone peace and joy this season*

*Season's Greetings from the Air Cadet League of Saskatchewan,*

*On behalf of the Air Cadet League of Saskatchewan, I am sending warm season's greetings to all cadets, sponsors, supporters, and partners. We wish everyone a productive and fulfilling year ahead, filled with growth, achievement, and the continued spirit of service that defines our community.*

*Please take a moment to reflect on our amazing volunteers whose dedication and hard work keep our programs thriving. Their time, expertise, and unwavering commitment create the opportunities cadets rely on to learn, lead, and succeed.*

*We extend a deep appreciation to the families who support us—driving to events, encouraging our work, and sharing in the sacrifices that make this work possible. Your support fuels our passion for making the cadet program great.*

*As we move into the new year, let us carry forward gratitude, teamwork, and a renewed commitment to the development of our youth. Together we will continue to build confident, capable leaders for tomorrow.*

*With sincere thanks and best wishes for the New Year,  
Lisa Tadgell  
Chairperson  
Air Cadet League of Saskatchewan*





# Gift Subscription Offer for RCAF Air Cadets



Were you aware that the CASH offers a free gift membership  
to the CASH for CAHS for Air Cadets?  
They would like cadets to enjoy a complimentary subscription  
to the CAHS Journal  
while they are a member of the RCAF Air Cadets, in  
recognition of their interest in, and contributions  
to, Canada's aviation history and heritage.

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# Explore the Air Cadet League of Canada Kit Shop



Looking for a way to show your Cadet spirit or find meaningful items connected to the program? **The Air Cadet League of Canada Kit Shop** offers a carefully selected range of products designed for cadets, supporters, and alumni.

From **pins and medals** to **commemorative items, ties, and apparel**, each piece reflects the pride and tradition of the Air Cadet program. Our collection may be modest, but every item is chosen with care to represent the values, history, and achievements of our community.

## Why Shop With Us?

- **Unique & Official** – Every item in the Kit Shop is designed specifically for the Air Cadet League of Canada.
- **Great for Gifts & Recognition** – Perfect for ceremonies, squadron awards, or personal keepsakes.

## ✦ Featured Items – Limited Time Savings!

For the next few months, enjoy special reduced rates on our current featured items:

- **Participation Ribbons**
- Air Cadet League of Canada **Passport Wallets** (Very few left in stock!)

These savings are only available for a limited time, so don't miss out! Interested? Email Krystel at [kitshop@aircadetleague.com](mailto:kitshop@aircadetleague.com)

## Take a Look Today!

Visit the Kit Shop online at [aircadetleague.com/shop](https://aircadetleague.com/shop) and explore what's available.

Even with a smaller selection, you're sure to find something special that shows your pride in the Air Cadet League of Canada.

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# Squadrons Anniversary

1 October to 31 December

**20 years**

172 Bowmanville

**40 years**

279 Elk Valley

711 Pierre Boucher

**45 years**

881 Lions St-Joseph de Beauce

**55 years**

795 Iqaluit

796 Lasalle Légion

797 Lanigan K of C

**60 years**

757 Optimiste Mascouche

758 Argus

759 Falcon

**65 years**

94 Newmarket

702 Lynx

703 Optimist

704 Air Force City

706 Ottawa Snowy Owl

707 Marion Orr CM

**70 years**

613 St-Jean-Iberville

615 Bluenose

617 Dumbusters

**75 years**

190 Nipawin

524 Sturgeon

525 Pathfinder

526 Barrhead Legion

527 Simonds

529 Armdale Kiwanis





# PRESIDENTS CLUB



Producing young leaders and outstanding Canadian citizens from coast to coast to coast is no small challenge.

By becoming a member of the Presidents Club, you will be at the center of positive change – fostering the same leadership qualities that have always made the Air Cadet program great.

The President's Club is about building Legacies! **Legacies for our youth. Legacies for our movement. Legacies for leaders like you.**

Continue the strong tradition of giving back to our youth. Your commitment will be commemorated in **perpetuity** as a key contributor to our future success.

Like those before us, we invite you to play a part in ensuring that our valuable, national youth movement will succeed and prosper in the coming years.

It takes resources, vision, and leadership! For over 80 years, we have been fortunate to have pioneers and leaders who capture the vision and took on the challenge to build the Air Cadet program – **supporting more than 1 million youth who have participated in our program.**

The time is now to create new visions and to attract the leaders who will help build the program for the future.

The Presidents' Club has been established to help build and shape the future of the Air Cadet program and our League.

As leaders, we are focusing on new, national initiatives to support young people and our organization – from new training and employment streams, renewing and enhancing our fleet, expanding Cadet programs across the country, and working towards a new Centre of Excellence!

For further details and to discuss a Presidents Club membership package that is right for you, please contact our Presidents Club Coordinator, Krystel at [presidentsclub@aircadetleague.com](mailto:presidentsclub@aircadetleague.com)

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## FRANKLIN PRINT



Take advantage of this Limited-Edition, high-quality print that has been signed and numbered by artist Barry Franklin, a skilled artist and former Air Cadet.

**Mountain View Morning' portrays one of the most prestigious parts of the Air Cadet program as the youth of Canada pursue their glider wings!**

*'Mountain View Morning'. High quality print depicting our 233 Glider, paper size 24"x 33"*

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