

SHARP SOUNDS: With precision and strong sounds, the Air Cadets band, wiht Drum Major Flight Sergeant Danielle Morin made an impressive showing at the 197 Typhoon Squadron's 22nd annual inspection, on Sunday at the Acton arena/community centre.



MARCH PAST: Members of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets 197 Typhoon Squadron looked sharp as they marched past reviewing officers at the 22nd annual inspection at the Acton Arena/community centre on Sunday.

## Acton Air Cadets shine at annual inspection on Sunday

With well-deserved pride and well-earned confidence, members of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets, 197 Typhoon Squadron strutted their stuff for dignitaries and guests at the annual inspection at the Acton arena/community centre on Sunday.

With the inspection, demonstrations, cadet speeches and awards to top cadets, it was a chance for proud parents to applaud their children, some who are learning how to fly in the flight scholarship program.

Cadets, a federally-sponsored program with no fees, dues or uniform costs, builds leaders, teaches teamwork, leadership, citizenship, self-confidence and physical fitness

Acton has between 40 and 45 cadets, evenly split between girls and boys. They attend a weekly parade at the Acton Legion and the Cadet band also meets weekly.

Along with fun, Cadets provides discipline, teaches self-reliance, survival skills and the opportunity to learn how to fly.

Legion President Wes Kutasienski, said the inspection reminded him of his days as a cadet (before most of the cadets present were born) and made him emotional.

"I look around at this group of young people and I remember times I've heard people say 'what is today's youth coming to', Well, if this is an indication – we're going to be in pretty good shape," he said, prompting drawing long and loud claps and cheers from the guests.

Commanding Officer Captain Richard Chapman said its was a great year and praised the Cadets for looking and sounding good and earning record-setting scores.

Captain Chapman said it is unusual that all 23 Acton



EAGER TO FLY: Flight Sergeant Ryan Martin, named Top Instructor at the Royal Canadian Air Cadets 197 Typhoon Squadron annual inspection on Sunday at the Acton arena community centre, tested his flying skills on a flight simulator .

## Story and photos by Frances Niblock

cadets that were assigned to the summer training they applied for, and for the second time, two cadets earned flight scholarships.

"We are investing in everyone's future and in tomorrow's leaders," Captain Chapman said, thanking all of the people that help make the program a success.

Cadets offers 28 cadet summer training centres across Canada including music, leadership, aviation, physical education, survival training.

Acton Air Cadets have earned scholarships sponsored by the Air Cadet League to both Glider and Power Pilot courses which result in the Cadets earning their wings as licenced private and glider pilots.

All of the programming – on the parade square, during a familiarization flight,



SPIT & POLISH: Warrant Officer First Class Aaron Smelsky (right) invited Acton Legion president Wes Kutasienski to inspect the Royal Canadian Air Cadets 197 Typhoon Squadron during the 22nd annual inspection at the Acton arena/community centre on Sunday.

while teaching younger cadets or participating in a sporting event—is done with a commitment to the core values of loyalty, professionalism, mutual respect and integrity.

Cadet awards include: Best First Year Cadet – Chantel Foley

Best Dressed Cadet – Aaron Smelsky

Best Junior NCO – Christopher Legge

Top Lottery Sales – Mariah Claridge

Leadership Award – Aaron Smelsky

Band Award – Chris Leg-

Initiative and Enthusiasm Award – Danielle Marin

Top Instructor – Ryan Martin

Cadet of the Year: Tiffany Gunn

## Wellington O.P.P. Report

A 22-year-old Shelburne woman was arrested and faces charges of impaired driving and driving without a licence following a vehicle rollover on the Ninth Line, Erin, near 27 Side Road, on Sunday, June 18 at 10:12a. m.

She is to make a Guelph Court appearance September 20 to answer to the charges.

## SPEEDER OF THE WEEK

On Friday, June 16 at 2:43am, Constable Steve Hunter of Wellington O.P.P. was conducting speed enforcement on Highway 6 (Hanlon Expressway) at Clair Road in Guelph. The officer observed a 1997 Dodge Caravan travelling at a high rate of speed northbound on Highway 6. He activated his stationary radar and the vehicle entered the beam and recorded a speed of 135-km/ h in a posted 80-km/h zone. A 19-year-old Guelph man faces a speeding charge.



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