



Honiton Squadron ATC



Welcome to a New Year at 1064 Squadron, we hope it will be a good one. 2007 was a good year for 1064 as we participated in many



activities such as Easter Camp at RAF Halton, various sports trials and activities, Summer Camps at RAF Brize-Norton and RAF Scampton plus a Squadron Visit to Brize-Norton. We also attended RIAT, Arnhem, Wing Activities, three weekends of cadet training at Fremington and more recently:



Griffin

For some this was a first to Griffin Camp while for others it was another under their belt. This years Griffin was Royal Griffin. The members of our squadron were split into different flights labeled from alpha to Lima in phonetic order. There were many activities including shooting .22 and L98, a visit to Newquay, archery, swimming and much more. Each activity gained flight points towards the inter flight competition. It was a very close heat throughout the week between Kilo (with Cpl Small as part of the flight) and Lima (with Cpl Trechmann). Lima Flight won the overall competition and Kilo Flight came a close second. A good week was had by all.

Remembrance Parade

This year was a good one for 1064 at Remembrance Parade as we had our best turn out yet with over 35 cadets on parade as well as two cadets manning the war memorial with our drill purpose rifles. Many compliments were paid about how smart we looked and how well we all did.

The Big Blue Footprint

On November 24th Air Cadets throughout the United Kingdom were out bag packing at their local supermarkets. Honiton Sqn was no exception and we had plenty of cadets at two stores, the Co-Operative and Marks and Spencers where we packed over 1000 bags of shopping and raising over £600. The money will go towards the new Regional Training Centres in the South West. Our picture was displayed in the Local Honiton paper the 'View from Honiton.'

Sergeant Small said it was the most successful bag pack he had attended.

Squadron Dinner

Another successful evening was enjoyed by all, delicious food interrupted now and then by fun and games. Presentations made then made by our WSO Sqn Ldr J Parsons and the CO to cadets as well as a paper plate presentation to staff and cadets by cadets.



The awards were as follows:-

Aeromodeller – Cdt Koerie Wilsdon
Best Improved Shot – Cdt Daniel Donovan
Sports Cadet – Sgt Heather Johnson
Richie Shield – Sgt Matthew Cantell
Most Improved female Cdt – Cdt Emma Weir
Most Improved Male Cdt – Cdt Edward Vining
Most Promising Cdt – Cdt Koerie Wilsdon
CIs award – Cdt Emma Weir
Best NCO – Flt Sgt Liam Goodwin
Cadet of the Year – Cpl Selina Small



Squadron Fancy Dress and Skittles

On 13th December the Sqn hosted a friends and relatives evening. The cadets paraded in fancy dress, Christmas themed, which was then judged by the audience.

After a short break of mulled wine, orange juice and mince pies, three different “Sods Operas” were performed, two by cadets and one by the NCO team.

Our last parade night was spent at the Royal British Legion where a night of inter-flight points scoring was enjoyed with a game of skittles.



COs Corner

I believe that 2007 was a successful year for 1064. We saw cadets come and go but I'm pleased to say that cadet numbers continue to be healthy with parade strength in the thirties.

Some cadets decided to leave because it was time to move on and others left because of university or career commitments. We wish them all success in their chosen paths and at the same time welcome all our new cadets to the Sqn.

Once again 2007 was a busy year with cadets attending and taking part in a whole range of activities such as Camps at RAF Halton, RAF Scampton and RAF Brize Norton where the Sqn also spent a great weekend as guests of 4624 Movements Sqn. In addition we attended RIAT, Griffin, Wing Athletics and just about every sporting event.

These were in addition to the regular popular activities such as gliding, flying, shooting and adventure training. We were also fortunate to have received a lot of upgrading to our Sqn hut over the last twelve months with a new kitchen, new floor coverings throughout, new heating and new improved internal and external lighting.

I'm looking forward to 2008 at 1064 which hopefully will be another exciting year with lots of activities and opportunities.

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A great year for the Sqn in 2007, lets hope that 2008 will be even better.

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