



THE PANTHER

www.theaircadets.org



The Official Newsletter of 146 (Northwich) ATC

Special Wing Co Visit Edition

September, 2002

Llanbedr Success

The last week in August saw 28 cadets completing Silver and Gold expeditions during their stay at the Llanbedr Training Centre. They also participated in rock climbing, orienteering and leadership exercises.

The week at the centre coincided with a visit by Group Captain Gambold, Commanding Officer North Region, who had an opportunity to see the cadets in action attempting to solve the leadership problems, and also to check on two of the six expedition groups at their campsites.

The highly successful week saw no less than 11 cadets complete Silver expeditions and 17 cadets complete Gold expeditions. It was rounded off with a Dining-In night back at the centre, where staff served a seven course meal they had prepared for the occasion.



Cadets relaxing while staff work - nothing new there then!

Despite completing Silver Award expeditions in the Peak District earlier in the year, the expedition training had still been significantly affected by last year's Foot and Mouth epidemic. Successful completion of these expeditions at the Centre helped put the squadron's award scheme training programme back on schedule.

Band News



Down the straight, its Bass Drum in the lead closely followed by Lyre.

The Squadron Band once again entertained the crowds at the Superbike Championships on September 1st at Oulton Park.

30 Entry Passout

A busy weekend for 30 entry culminated in their Passout Parade in front of proud relatives and friends at the Memorial Hall on Sunday 8th September.

The reviewing officer was Wing Commander Martin Mayer who has recently retired after a very distinguished career in the RAF as a test pilot, and latterly, as Officer Commanding of 10 AEF at RAF Woodvale.



30 Entry prove that they can outstare an audience!

Wing CO Visit

The Squadron played host to Wng Cmd Walkey during his annual inspection on Tuesday 10th Sept.

As usual, the Wng Cmd was very impressed with the cadets enthusiasm and commitment.

Light refreshments were provided by the Civilian Committee.



Wing Co takes the salute on the March Past.