



The Panther

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Mrs Alford rewarded for commitment..

Flt Lt Aileen Alford was awarded the Cadet Forces Medal after 12 years of uniformed service.

Wing Commander Morris visited the squadron to present the prestigious award.

All the staff, cadets & NCO's would like to a huge thank you to Flt Lt Alford for all her hard work which has helped shape the Sqn into what it is today!



Poppy Appeal is a huge success..again!

Cadets took to the streets of Northwich to raise money for the RAFA at the annual poppy appeal. Huge thanks to all the cadets who turned out.



146 Goes Ape at Delamere...

Cadets took to the trees on 15th December to take part in the high ropes course.

The course took just over 2 hours to complete with all cadets and staff having a fantastic time!

41 Entry Campex..not even the rain could dampen the spirits of the keen cadets!

On the 8th and 9th December, 41 entry had an Camp-Ex weekend at Forest Camp in Sandiway. With just over 20 cadets attending the weekend (although no-one stayed over night due to the winter weather), a great time was had by everyone! Thanks to all the NCOs and staff who helped organise the weekend



CI Priestly is a Halford Hero.

Another thank you to Leanne Priestly who, after winning the Halfords Hero award for all the work she has done for the squadron, she won £100! And is donating half of this to the Squadron.

WELL DONE LEANNE!

Other News

Promotions:

Sgt Yarwood to Flt Sgt
Sgt Brooks to Flt Sgt

DI Course

Following from a Drill instructors course at Altcar wing training weekend, CWO Hensby, Flt Sgt Brooks & Sgt Hughes all passed the course with Sgt Hughes also receiving the Best On The Course award.

Christmas Disco

The Squadron Xmas disco was held at the Polish Club this year on 21st December. A fab night was had by all with some brilliant costumes. Thanks to CI Moores for organising a brilliant night.

Hockey & Football

Hockey & football practices have started up again run by Fg Off Pinder at Moss Farm astro-turf every Sunday from 16:30 to 17:30.

Happy New Year..we wish you success in everything you do during 2008 !!

Buses arrive at last

After years of fund raising by cadets and staff over the past 4-5 years, the Sqn has finally received 2 brand new mini buses! The buses are a welcome replacement of the older buses, which are on their last legs. The Sqn received a matched funding grant from VRBC, we raised the money for one bus and they paid for the other, so they certainly deserve a mention. The buses will soon be printed up with the Sqn logos and web address, so keep your eyes out.



Cadets celebrate success at Gold...

All cadets who received their Gold in the last year celebrated at The Hazel Pear. Everyone enjoyed a fantastic night. With Flt Lt Alford receiving a temporary chocolate air cadet medal as unfortunately the Wing Commander was unable to attend to present the real one. Congratulations to everyone who has achieved their Gold and we hope you have a brilliant time collecting your certificates from the Palace next year.



Christmas Bag Pack

Cadets raised over £1900 at the Christmas bag pack at Sainsbury's. Barclays have also donated a further £750 to the squadron. A huge thanks to all the cadets and staff involved. The amount raised is more than ever before with 25 cadets in total attending the event.



Staff take an unusual career path in the Xmas revue

Revue night was superb with a huge amount of effort put in by all, particularly Cdt's Pickup & Smart who's revues were especially popular with the Cadets. But the Staff stole the show with a live act featuring Sqn Ldr Twose as a ballet dancer and CI Bishop as an enthusiastic drill instructor. Thank you to everyone who took part to make the review night a success! Make sure you put your names down for a DVD copy!

