

238 Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps CAMPBELTOWN



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Corps Handbook 2019-2020

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Watch the Facebook Page and listen for announcements of changes throughout the year.

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Greetings from the Commanding Officer
Lieutenant (N) Jason C. Finkbeiner, CD

Welcome to the 2019-2020 training year of 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN

For those cadets that are returning to the corps, you're already very much aware of what awaits you – another year full of challenges. We are striving to develop our cadets and programs to a whole new level of excellence. In addition to the very successful Sailing, Band, Guard, Biathlon, Sports and Marksmanship programs that ran last year we have some new opportunities that will be offered this year as well.

For our new members, you're about to embark on an exciting journey into self discovery. This program is not for everyone – and your success is entirely in your own hands. Speaking as a former cadet and having witnessed hundreds of cadets pass through the program as an officer, I can guarantee you that if you're willing to learn and commit yourself to the experience of being a cadet. You will do and accomplish things you never thought yourself capable of. Give the program a full training year and a summer's worth of your time, and you'll be hooked. At the end of your career you'll look back and be amazed at what you will have accomplished.

I encourage parents and guardians of new cadets to stop by the unit to observe a training parade or two but also especially to meet and get involved with our sponsoring association, the Sherwood Park Branch of the Navy League of Canada, made up of parents of cadets who support Campbeltowns' programs and operational needs through their volunteer efforts to organize and operate our recruiting and fundraising requirements. The corps has big goals for this year and the years to come, so we'll need the support of parents in addition to the commitment of your son/daughter in order to accomplish them.

A final thought – it is entirely true that the cadet programs are free of financial cost for enrollment and it is also true that the vast majority of our programs are free from financial expense to the cadets and their families, but there are still costs involved. Not only will cadets be expected to engage in occasional fund raising activities in support of the programs, but there are additional costs in terms of dedication, commitment and perseverance. If a cadet wishes to gain opportunities for career advancement, chances to attend summer training, ship deployments, international exchange, or to earn staff cadet employment opportunities, they must develop these personal qualities as very little is simply `handed` to a cadet if they do not demonstrate abilities.

Campbeltown is truly fortunate to have a knowledgeable, enthusiastic and dedicated staff, sponsoring association, and a group of cadets who strive to prove that they can accomplish most any challenge placed before them, and usually do so. That being said, this training year will once again see Campbeltown move the bar even higher for our cadets – and I'm very confident the cadets shall deliver. Enjoy your year – remember you'll get everything out of the program you're willing to put into it.

About Sea Cadets

Congratulations! You have just taken the first steps toward becoming a member of the best youth program Canada has to offer. The opportunities are limitless – you won't regret it!

The Royal Canadian Sea Cadet program is a national program, developed by the Department of National Defence (DND) for youth ages 12 to 18 who want to make new friends while participating in fun and challenging activities. DND shares joint responsibility for the Sea Cadet Program with its civilian counterpart, the Navy League of Canada.

The goals of the Cadet Program are:

- To promote teamwork, leadership and citizenship
- To promote physical fitness
- To stimulate an interest in the activities of the Canadian Forces

Costs

There is no registration fee to join. We do ask for \$25 to assist with covering the cost of insurance for your cadet. Parents are also encouraged to take out a membership with the Navy League Branch at a cost of \$20.00. There are fundraising efforts throughout the year that Cadets and parents are asked to participate in in order to offset program costs that are not covered by the Department of National Defence. 100% of the fundraising proceeds go directly into our local program to help support the cadets in their activities.

Uniforms

Upon joining, uniforms are loaned to you free of charge. They remain the property of the Corps and **must** be returned if you decide to leave.

Canadian Forces

While cadets will learn about the Canadian Forces, they are not members of the military, nor are they expected to join.

Attendance and Active Participation

Cadets are expected to attend weekly Tuesday meetings (Parades). Missing too many parades can interfere with completion of training and promotions. If a cadet will be absent, they need to notify the corps and ensure that they catch up on any missed training. Cadets should be punctual; arriving 5-10 minutes before an activity starts.

Staff

The Corps staff is comprised of members of the Cadet Instructors Cadre (CIC). The CIC members are a branch of the Canadian Forces Reserve Force responsible for the training and administration of cadets. Other Canadian Forces members, Civilian Instructors/Volunteers, and Subject Matter Experts may also be part of the staff from time-to-time.

Sponsoring Committees

Sponsoring committees are community-level organizations that coordinate local support for the Cadets. Depending on the unit, they can include parents, community members, service clubs, town councils and corporations. The Navy League of Canada is the supervisory body for the local sponsoring committee. Campbelltowns' sponsoring committee is the Sherwood Park Branch of the Navy League of Canada.

The Sherwood Park Branch is mainly responsible for:

- Providing suitable accommodation for cadet training activities (rent, utilities, venue rentals outside of our parade location);
- Promoting the Sea Cadet Program to the community through advertising and recruiting (Sherwood Park Trade Fair, Farmers Market, Canada Day Parade etc).
- Fundraising and managing the funds for additional activities not supported by the DND. With many optional activities being offered, this is the majority of the training that takes place.

Parental Role

Supporting and encouraging your child is an important aspect of your role in the cadet program. Please help your cadet to arrive on time for cadet activities, and be there to pick them up promptly when activities end. We do encourage parents to attend the evening announcements during Sunset. This allows you to hear important information about upcoming activities and requirements of the cadets. It is important that you keep the Corps Staff informed of any changes that may affect your child's personal file such as medical concerns, emergency contact information, legal custody, and contact info. You should also inform the Corps Staff of any incidents or concerns, or if your child wishes to leave the program. Doing so, helps the Staff address concerns early on and make sure your child receives the most out of this program.

The door to the Commanding officer is always open and he is always available to contact should you wish to speak with him.

The responsibility rests on your child to keep you informed of the activities at the cadet unit. However, the staff will always provide documentation through physical copies at the end of each Tuesday evening, and emails prior to events to follow up with the information your child receives.



NAVY LEAGUE OF CANADA – SHERWOOD PARK BRANCH

Welcome to the Sea Cadet program! Your child will learn many new things along their journey in the program and will gain new friends that will last years.

The Sherwood Park Branch of the Navy League of Canada is an organization that believes in and adheres to the Mission Statement of the Navy League of Canada - “to promote, organize, sponsor and support and encourage the education of youth through the Cadet Movement”.

The Sherwood Park Branch is responsible for the fundraising, holding and administration of funds for both Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps #238 Campbelltown and Navy League Cadet Corps #95 E.W. Cormack. Parents are encouraged to take part in the activities of the Sherwood Park Branch by volunteering some time with either becoming a Board member or helping out with the fundraising. Directors and Executive are elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) that is held once a year in May or June.

Parents are asked for a small fee at the enrollment of their cadets that helps cover insurance costs of the cadets themselves. This fee is \$25.00 due within the first 3 weeks of attendance. Parents are also highly recommended to obtain a branch membership. Memberships are \$20.00 per year and this money helps support additional costs with the branch and allows you as a parent to have a voting voice during branch meetings about the program. Having a membership also gives you the privilege of being able to run for a position on the Branch and to secure volunteer clearance under the regulations for the Navy League of Canada (at no cost). It is with the help of the cadets and the parents within the Navy League that helps promote change and growth within the cadet program and the direct deliverance of their local corps.

The sea cadet program is co-sponsored by the Department of National Defence (DND) and the Navy League of Canada. DND supplies uniforms for the cadets and officers, trains and promotes the officers who are responsible for your child, provides rations and transportation for DND sponsored activities as well as the opportunity to attend a Sea Cadet Summer Training Centre at different locations across Canada.

The Navy League of Canada and its partner DND jointly support the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, a premier youth organization. The Sea Cadet program is a comprehensive program which is run in a structured, disciplined and safe manner. In this context, it is important to ensure all volunteers are appropriately selected, initially supervised, well-intended, offer skills which add value and complement the program and are good role models for Sea Cadets. Knowing the volunteers, their skills and talents, and their intended contribution is very important to the corps Officers, staff and the Sherwood Park Branch. A team effort produces the best results for the greater benefit of the Cadet Movement.

There are different activities that are not sponsored by DND and are paid for from the money we raise from fundraising. Items like band equipment, biathlon skis, extra training and the list goes on. These items are paid for solely by the Branch. In order to provide these items, it is necessary for the Branch to raise money through fundraising initiatives such as casinos and Bingos. And those are just a few of the fundraising opportunities. All

these activities take a great deal of manpower and it is absolutely necessary that our cadet parents pitch in and all do their part to make these fundraisers a success.

If you have a unique skill set that can benefit the cadets, please let us know. We can always use help with recruiting, open houses, and fundraisers and you do not need to be a Board member to aid with these activities.

It should be understood that the Branch's responsibilities for civilian volunteers compliment those of DND and are of a supporting nature. The Commanding Officer and his supporting staff have command and control of the cadets and are responsible for supervision and implementation of the training program set out by DND. To fulfill its responsibilities to the cadets, DND is required to conform to rulings by the Supreme Court of Canada that defines the level of care required by any organization in protecting youth under its direction. This level of care has been defined as that which would be exercised by a prudent parent in protecting their child. As a full active partner in this aspect of the Sea Cadet program, it is also reasonable that we should also ensure that our registration and screening protocols meet the same standard required by our military partners.

In order to be properly acquainted with volunteers, certain information is required. A volunteer registration and information form must be completed. An interview with a League representative will be required after receipt of the completed form and a Police Record check with Vulnerable Sector Screening is done.

By applying and being approved, the volunteer undertakes an obligation to report any subsequent change to his/her situation/circumstances that is of a nature to reasonably and usually require a re-evaluation and re-screening.

We thank you for your generous offer of volunteer services and hope you understand the legal and moral obligation of the Branch in reviewing the suitability of all individuals working or involved with youth. Volunteering will enhance your cadets' experience.

Welcome to RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN and the Sherwood Park Branch. We are happy to have you join us.

The Sherwood Park Branch - Navy League of Canada



CORPS DEPARTMENTS

CORPS STAFF 2019-2020

****Cadets: Always use the chain of command. Contact your Divisional Petty Officer first, if they are unreachable or unable to answer your question, call your Divisional Officer.**

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CI Friend, Sonja	Administration Officer	sonja.friend@cadets.gc.ca
CI Eddy, Perry	Supply Officer	perry.eddy@cadets.gc.ca
CI Ross-Blevis, Lucy	Special Training Officer	lucy.ross-blevis@cadets.gc.ca
CV Girod, Lauren	Asst Special Training Officer	
Cpl Sallenbach, Chad	Instructor	
Lt(N) Finkbeiner	Unit Cadet Conflict Management Advisor	
Lt(N) Finkbeiner & CV Girod	Biathlon	
NCdt Marinus & CI Ross-Blevis	Music	
NCdt Marinus & CI Ross - Blevis	Drill	
Lt(N) Finkbeiner & NCdt Marinus	Marksmanship	
CI Ross-Blevis & CV Girod	Duke of Edinburgh Officer	

CV = Civilian Volunteer CI = Civilian Instructor

ADMINISTRATION

The Ship's Office.

The Administration Department is responsible for corps personnel and administrative files, attendance, recruiting, and correspondence. All forms, including applications to join the corps and/or to attend summer training are submitted to the Administration Department.

If you will be missing training (mandatory or complementary) the cadet must inform the Administration Department either **by phone (780-271-7245)**, or in writing using a Request for Leave Form found at Admin Desk. On Tuesday evenings, there is ample opportunity for the cadets to fill out a leave form and submit it to their chain of command for submission. This is important so that we can prepare and plan for activities appropriately and make sure that each cadets is provided with as many opportunities to succeed within the program.

CORPS CONTACT INFORMATION

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Facebook: **238 RCSCC Campbeltown - @238Campbeltown**

Instagram: 238rcscc_campbeltown

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SUPPLY

Cadets are equipped, at no cost, with a uniform after 3 consecutive weeks of training (subject to availability). The uniforms are supplied by the Department of National Defence, and are **on loan to the cadet** for the duration of their membership in the Corps. Our supply office maintains a small inventory of uniform pieces for the purpose of replacing uniform components that are too small or in ill repair. The care of this uniform and asking for replacement parts is the **responsibility of the individual cadet**.

The supply office is open Tuesday evenings at 1815 until start of parade, during stand easy and after sunset until 2130, and appointments can be made to see the Supply Officer on some Sundays as well. These are the times that you can exchange uniform parts (it is expected that **the cadet** take the initiative to visit supply to have parts ordered/exchanged when necessary). If you require a uniform part that is not in stock it must be ordered in from our supplier which is located in Quebec. This process can take some time (3-4 weeks) depending on availability (ie. Usually takes longer in Sept- Oct due to all units ordering parts). When your uniform part(s) arrive the Supply Officer will make an announcement.

When a cadet leaves the Corps, either by aging out at 19, moving to another city, or choosing to leave the program, the uniform **must** be promptly returned to Supply.

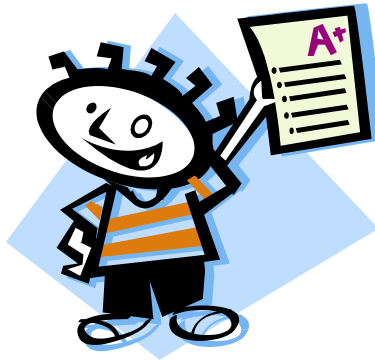
TRAINING

The Training Office.

The sea cadet-training program consists of 5 phases of mandatory training. These levels start at phase 1 which is basic and gives way for phases 2, 3, 4 and 5 to build upon. Some of the classes you can expect to learn include Drill, General Cadet Knowledge, Citizenship, Leadership, Fitness, and various aspects of Naval History, Seamanship, and Sailing. Mandatory training runs on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 9:30pm.

Complementary Training is training that helps to supplement the classroom teachings. These include museum tours, sailing, citizenship tours and activities, ceremonial parades, community service, sports, and anything else we can come up with that is fun and relevant! This training takes place throughout the year on parade nights and weekends making it possible for maximum participation.

Optional Training is training that reinforces the cadet program which aims towards Leadership, Citizenship, and Physical fitness. These activities also help to boost morale and esprit de corps within the Corps. These activities include sports teams, drill teams, band, guard, marksmanship and biathlon. Most of this training runs in addition to the regular Tuesday night. Days and timings may change from time to time depending on supervision requirements and space availability but, they will be posted in the monthly calendar and routine orders with reminders posted on our social media outlets.



TRAINING NIGHT TIMETABLES

Mandatory Training Parades - Tuesdays – Ships Routine

Regular Parade

1800	Officers & Staff Cadets Arrive
1815	Cadets arrive/ Duty division sets up
1825	Ships company falls in, Attendance taken
1830	Inspection
1840	Ships Commanding Officer on parade
1845	Colors and March Past
1900	Period One Class Commences
1930	Stand Easy
1935	Period Two Class Commences
2005	Stand Easy
2020	Period Three Classes Commences
2050	Secure
2055	Muster for Sunset
2100	Officers on Parade
2102	Ships Commanding Officer on Parade
2105	Announcements
2110	Sunset
2120	Liberty Boat
2130	Dismiss

Ceremonial Divisions

1800	Officers & Staff Cadets Arrive
1815	Cadets arrive/ Duty division sets up
1825	Ships company falls in, Attendance taken
1830	Inspection
1840	Duty Colors
1845	Practice March Past
1905	Stand Easy
1915	Ceremonial Divisions
1935	Period Two Class Commences
2005	Stand Easy
2020	Period Three Classes Commences
2050	Secure
2055	Muster for Sunset
2100	Officers on Parade
2102	Ships Commanding Officer on Parade
2105	Announcements
2110	Sunset
2120	Liberty Boat
2130	Dismiss

Parents are encouraged to be in attendance for the Sunset Parade each Tuesday evening to hear the announcements about upcoming corps activities.

Some nights we are finished earlier or later than 2115 (9:15 pm) depending on the number of announcements, please be flexible.

All junior cadets and those that are not on duty should be picked up no later than 2130 hrs (9:30 pm). The duty division for the evening is posted in advance on the monthly routine orders. These orders are posted and available to the cadets at all times.

CORPS ORGANIZATION

CHAIN OF COMMAND

Our Corps utilizes three interlinked chains of Command: Officers, Parent Sponsoring Committee, and Cadets. The chain of command is used to pass information up and down the corps hierarchy. It can be compared to the rungs on a ladder that sit one atop another. The chain of command is simply the best way of organizing people so that orders and information get passed from one person to the next while taking into consideration their rank and qualifications.

The Officers are responsible for the day to day operations of the Corps. At the top of The Officer Chain of Command is the Commanding Officer (CO). The CO is also in charge of liaising with the Sherwood Park Branch Navy League of Canada, the Zone Training Officer (Edmonton), The OIC (Officer in Charge) Edmonton Training Group and the Regional Cadet Support Unit (RCSU Northwest) in Winnipeg.

The Sherwood Park Branch of the Navy League of Canada is in charge of raising funds and supporting the Officer staff in daily operations. Sometimes a Liaison is appointed from the Sherwood Park Branch NLC to work with the Commanding Officer.

At the top of the cadet chain of command is the Coxswain (pronounced Cox'n) and is in charge of daily operations at the Corps (with officer guidance and support). The Cox'n acts as a liaison between the officer staff and the cadets.

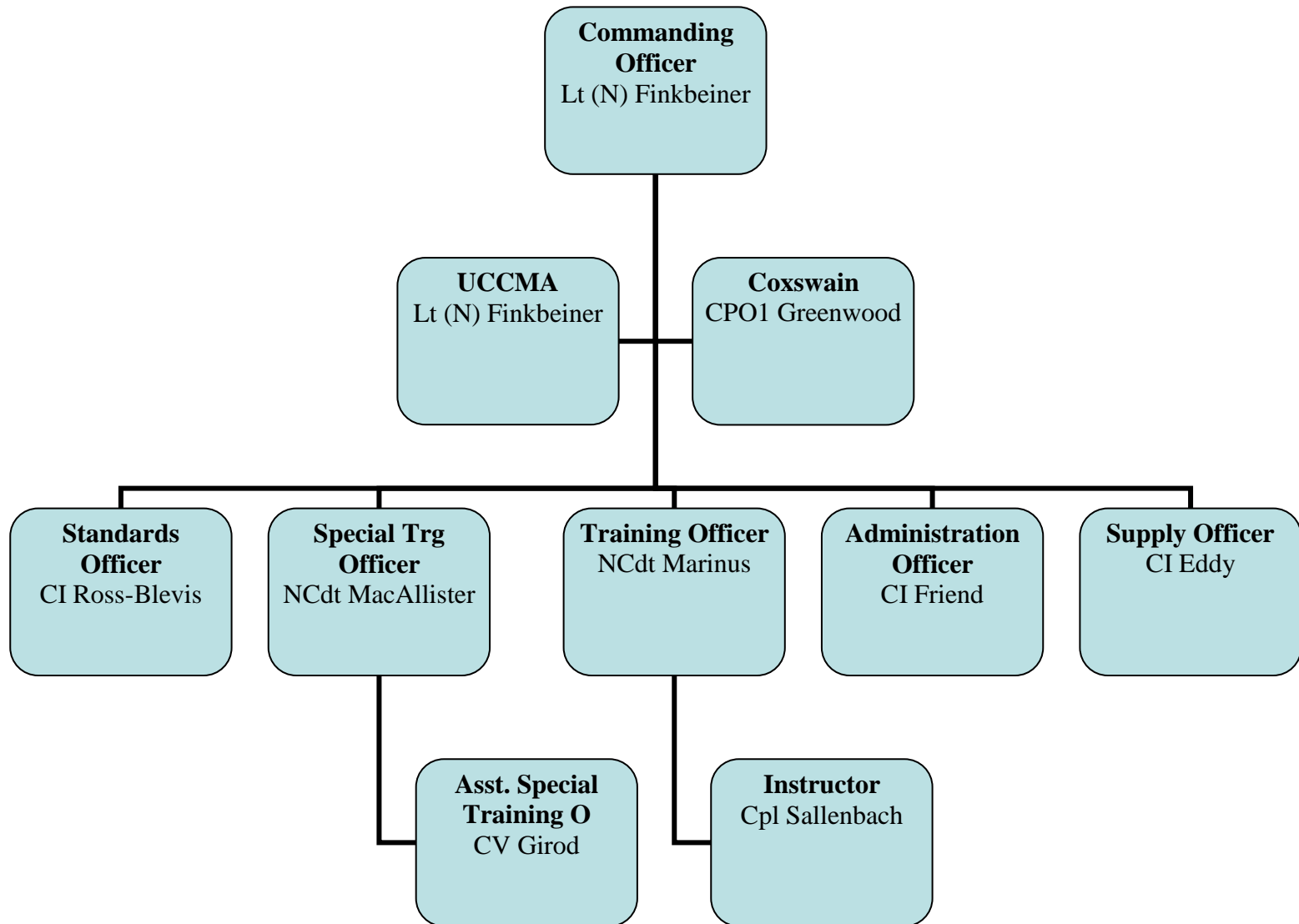
There is a vast amount of things that are required to happen in order to have the corps run effectively. These three chains of command are crucial to ensuring information is passed along, training is effective, and that problems are solved in a timely and efficient manner.

It is very important to follow your chain of command. They can answer your questions, offer guidance and support, and keep you informed.

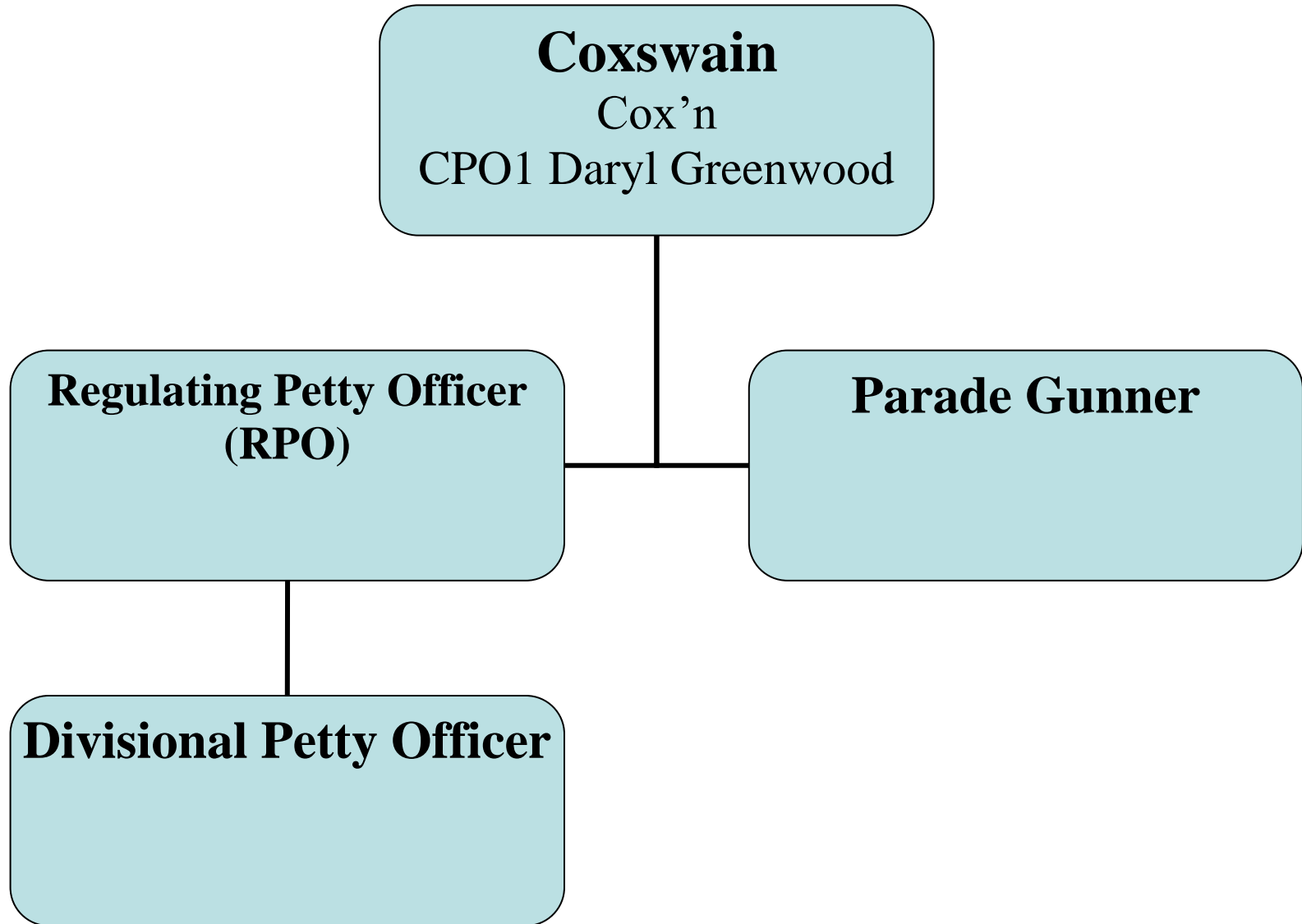
(There is a higher chain of command outside the Corps for both the officers and the Sherwood Park Branch, Navy League of Canada. Your contact with them should be only under extenuating circumstances. All questions and concerns can be addressed within one of the Corps chains of command.)



238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN – Corps Staff Chain of Command

















238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN – Cadet Chain of Command



Please note that ranks, positions and cadets may change throughout the year

Rank Structure for Officers and Sea Cadets

Naval Officer Ranks (Army/Air equivalent shown in italics)	Sea Cadet Ranks
<p>Naval Cadet (NCdt) <i>Officer Cadet (OCdt)</i></p> 	<p>Ordinary Seaman (OS) No insignia</p>
<p>Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A/SLt) <i>Second Lieutenant (2Lt)</i></p> 	<p>Able Seaman (AB)</p> 
<p>Sub-Lieutenant (SLt) <i>Lieutenant (Lt)</i></p> 	<p>Leading Seaman (LS)</p> 
<p>Lieutenant (Naval) Lt(N) <i>Captain (Capt)</i></p> 	<p>Maser Seaman (MS)</p> 
<p>Lieutenant Commander (LCdr) <i>Major (Maj)</i></p> 	<p>Petty Officer Second Class (PO2)</p> 
<p>Commander (Cdr) <i>Lieutenant Colonel (LCol)</i></p> 	<p>Petty Officer First Class (PO1)</p> 
<p>Captain (Naval) Capt(N) <i>Colonel (Col)</i></p> 	<p>Chief Petty Officer Second Class (CPO2)</p> 
<p>Officer Ranks Not Shown: Commodore, Rear Admiral, Vice Admiral, Admiral</p>	<p>Chief Petty Officer First Class (CPO1)</p> 

STANDARDS

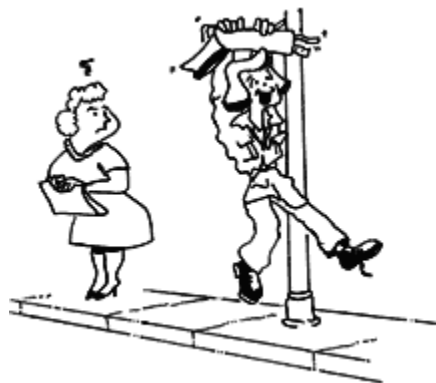
UNIFORMS

Cadets are issued, at no cost to them, a uniform that they must maintain throughout their cadet career. They will be taught how to shine their boots, iron their shirts, tunics and pants. The uniforms are supplied by the Department of National Defence, and are on loan to the cadet for the duration of their membership in the Corps. Uniforms **must** be returned promptly to Supply when a cadet ceases to be a member of the Corps.

CADET UNIFORM DRESS STANDARDS

1. Sea Cadet Orders of Dress appear in CATO VOL 35-01
(This document can be viewed in the Ship's Office)
All orders of dress shall be worn in a clean, neat, professional manner at all times.
2. The uniform of the day, as promulgated, will be worn in its entirety for the duration of the event. **The only acceptable excuse for being out of uniform is that you do not have one** (this applies to new cadets). New cadets who have not yet received their uniforms will be asked to wear **black pants and a white shirt** until such time as a uniform is issued to them. If a situation arises that you must attend a parade night in civilian clothing, appropriate civilian attire will be expected (ie. No jeans, spaghetti straps, exposed mid-riffs or flip-flops). **Your civilian attire should be equitable to the uniformed dress of the day.**
3. Cadets are to wear the issued overcoat/toque/gloves as applicable to the weather conditions. The wearing of suitable civilian heavy winter coats, hats, mitts and boots over the uniform is authorized if a cadet has not been issued the uniform equivalent.
4. All issued clothing is to be clearly marked with the cadet's name.
5. Replacement of lost or ill-fitting articles of clothing is the responsibility of the individual cadet. To replace an item you must see the supply officer.
6. Nametags shall be worn with all ceremonial and service orders of dress. Nametags shall **not** be worn as follows:
 - a. on the gun shirt
 - b. on the outside of overcoats
7. Cadets shall not wear their uniform except when:
 - a. on training, or proceeding to or from their place of training; or
 - b. attending a military function or ceremony at which the wearing of uniform is appropriate, and the CO has granted permission for this to occur.
(in other words, the cadet uniform is NOT to be worn as a Halloween costume)
8. Cadets require the permission of the CO to wear any order of dress on any occasion other than an authorized cadet function. This includes events such as weddings, baptisms, funerals, and Remembrance Day services at the cadet's school.

9. **Uniform parts shall never be worn in combination with civilian clothing.** For example, the uniform jacket (tunic) is never worn as a jacket with civilian clothes. The cadet overcoat is never worn over civilian clothes and civilian overcoats should **NOT** be worn over the uniform unless no overcoat has been issued. See the Supply Officer to order an overcoat if you don't have one. (the only exception to this is when "boots and white tops" are ordered for certain practices in conjunction with civilian clothing. In this case, the boots and white tops should be carried to the training facility and put on when the cadet arrives – they should not be seen in public wearing boots and white tops with civilian attire).
10. Undergarments will be worn with all orders of dress and shall be of an appropriate colour so as not to be visible through uniform items of clothing.
11. While in uniform in public, **cadets must wear the complete uniform at all times,** and behave as good citizens and good ambassadors for the cadet program and for 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN. (A cadet should never been seen on the street or in a public place wearing only part of a uniform and/or behaving in an inappropriate manner). **Consider yourself a walking billboard – you are on display, advertising the best youth program Canada has to offer. Wear that uniform with pride!**



CADET CIVILIAN DRESS STANDARDS

1. Civilian dress standards are to be followed for EVERY cadet function where the dress is civilian clothing.
2. Clothing worn will be appropriate to cadet activity (e.g. Sports attire for sports practices)
3. Clothing is to be clean, and in good repair.
4. No spaghetti straps, mid-riffs showing, low cut tops, saggy pants that reveal underclothing.
5. Jewelry and make-up standards are to be the same as if you are in uniform. (E.g. Females one pair of earrings, males no earrings)
6. For cadets who have not yet been issued a uniform, the dress shall be black dress pants and white dress shirt.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

1. Neatness is a prime virtue. Therefore, every cadet shall strive for it, beginning with their own personal appearance and dress.
2. The deportment and standard of personal dress, appearance, and grooming of all cadets in uniform shall on all occasions reflect credit on the individual and project a positive appearance on the Cadet organization. It is the responsibility and duty of all senior cadets (rank of PO2 and above) to ensure that, by their vigilance, actions and example that the policies, regulations and instructions are adhered to.
3. Cadets in uniform shall present themselves well groomed, with footwear cleaned and shone, and uniform cleaned and properly pressed. In particular, buttons, fasteners, and zippers shall be kept closed, pockets shall not be bulged, nor shall items such as glasses, sun glasses, pens, pencils, key rings or paper be visible extended or protrude from pockets or be suspended from waist belts or pockets.
4. Behavior such as chewing gum, slouching, leaning on walls, sauntering, hands in pockets, smoking, walking hand in hand or arm in arm, and similar deportment detracts from a military appearance and is unacceptable.
5. The regulations are not intended to be overly restrictive. The intent is to ensure the maintenance of a high standard.

PROMOTION POLICY

Sea Cadet Rank Promotion policies appear in CATO VOL 1-13.02 which can be found in Training.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

PERFECT ATTENDANCE – 85% attendance or better

RANGE TEAM SCROLL – Range team members

BIATHLON TEAM SCROLL – Biathlon team members

DRILL TEAM CAPTAIN – Drill team IC and 2 IC

COCK of the WALK – Awarded to the division that has the highest level of perfect attendance at parade nights, weekend activities, and extra functions. Division maintains the highest level of dress and drill as marked at weekly parades and during Ceremonial Divisions.

JOCK of the WALK – Awarded to the division that has the highest level of Cadet Fitness Assessment levels achieved. Also takes into account if the cadets that have achieved a position on the various teams including – Marksmanship, Biathlon, Sports, Drill, Regatta and Honor Band.

MOST PROGRESSIVE JUNIOR RANK (Formerly New Entry) – This cadet joined the program this past training year. From the moment they joined, they have made significant improvements with themselves in the areas of drill, dress and deportment. This cadet has worked extremely hard to develop seaman like qualities in the difficult world of the CCM. This cadet also has a high level of Esprit de Corps.

MOST OUTSTANDING JUNIOR RANK (OS-MS) - Awarded to any junior cadet who this year has displayed a high level of leadership and whose uniform has exceeded the standard consistently. This cadet has perfect or near perfect attendance and is constantly improving themselves. This cadet also fulfills all the aims of the CCM.

MOST IMPROVED BAND MEMBER – This cadet over the past year has worked extremely hard as a band member has displayed the most improvement in themselves in the areas of drill, dress, deportment and music playing.

MOST OUTSTANDING BAND MEMBER – This cadet leads the band in the areas of drill, dress, deportment and music playing. This cadet attends nearly all parade nights and band practices and has a high level of Esprit de Corps in the band.

MOST PROGRESSIVE GUARD MEMBER – This cadet most likely joined the guard this past year. This cadet has worked extremely hard and has displayed the most improvement in themselves in the areas of drill, dress and deportment all the while newly learning the rifle drill that comes with being a guard member.

GUARDSMAN OF THE YEAR – This cadet leads the guard in the areas of drill, dress, deportment and rifle drill. This cadet attends nearly all parade nights and guard practices. This cadet has a high level of dedication to the guard and Esprit de corps.

238 RCSCC OFFICERS AWARD – This is awarded to cadets that have gone above and beyond their duties. They may not be the best in a particular area but have represented the corps extremely well outside of the unit at a provincial/national or international level.

LAMPLIGHTER AWARD – This is awarded to the cadet or cadets that have shown a great deal of Esprit de Corps, eagerness and active participation this past year. These cadets are the backbone of the corps in keeping everyone working towards the same goals all while having a very positive attitude. This cadet brings energy to the room and continually promotes the unit both in and outside of cadet activities.

MOST PROFICIENT MALE CADET – This award can be awarded to any Male cadet in the corps. This is awarded to a Male cadet that has displayed excellence in leadership and professionalism. This cadet has perfect or near perfect attendance, fulfills the aims of the CCM and is respected by the cadets as a leader.

MOST PROFICIENT FEMALE CADET - This award can be awarded to any Female cadet in the corps. This is awarded to a Female cadet that has displayed excellence in leadership and professionalism. This cadet has perfect or near perfect attendance, fulfills the aims of the CCM and is respected by the cadets as a leader.

MOST PROFICIENT PETTY OFFICER (PO2-CPO1) - This award can be awarded to any Petty Officer in the corps. This is awarded to a Petty Officer that has displayed excellence in leadership, Instructional Technique, and professionalism. This cadet has perfect or near perfect attendance, fulfills the aims of the CCM and is respected by the cadets as a leader.

BEST ALL AROUND MALE CADET – This is awarded to the top male cadet whom throughout the year has displayed a high standard in drill, dress and deportment. This cadet tries very hard to attend all extra activities, take part in the regional directed activities and has the cadet unit in their very best interest. This cadet has shown determination to improve their skills and assisting all others. This cadet maintains a very positive attitude and is an asset to the corps and the CCM.

BEST ALL AROUND FEMALE CADET – This is awarded to the top female cadet whom throughout the year has displayed a high standard in drill, dress and deportment. This cadet tries very hard to attend all extra activities, take part in the regional directed activities and has the cadet unit in their very best interest. This cadet has shown determination to improve their skills and assisting all others. This cadet maintains a very positive attitude and is an asset to the corps and the CCM.

MOST OUTSTANDING CADET – Awarded to the cadet who displays the highest standard of leadership, knowledge, and willingness to improve and fulfills the aims of the CCM. This cadet excels in helping, teaching and is able to adapt to any situation with the CCM both at the LHQ mandatory and optional training exercises. This cadet

has dedicated a lot of their time to the corps and has shown personal growth over the last year. This is presented to the top cadet in the corps.

AYVA MALLON MEMORIAL AWARD – This is awarded to a cadet whom portrays the traits and characteristics of Ayva Mallon. Ayva was always he one to step in and protect others if she felt they were being shamed, excluded or mistreated. Like Ayva, this cadet is energetic, creative, helpful, engaging, positive, artistic, and happy all of the time. This cadet is not afraid to stand rom the others by being silly and goofy if it means putting a smile on your face.

OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD – This award is picked by the cadets and is awarded to the officer who they feel has most represented them. This officer without doubt is dedicated to the corps and the cadets. This officer goes above and beyond to ensure the corps is viable and effective.

LONG SERVICE MEDALS

Awarded to cadets who achieve 4 years of service or greater.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION CADET MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE

Awarded in recognition to an individual that endeavors in citizenship that meets or enhance the aims and objectives of the cadet movement.

LORD STRATHCONA MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE

Awarded to a cadet in recognition of exemplary performance in physical and military training and receives the nomination by the corps' officers.



(Awards may change without notice)

CONDUCT & DISCIPLINE

GENERAL INFORMATION

The cadet program is based on military discipline, which is a system that promotes efficient action and protects the individual. Cadets are expected to display high standards of behaviour and strict discipline shall be enforced to maintain this high standard. Canadian Forces members, including Officers of the CIC, are subject to the Code of Service Discipline along with all international, federal, provincial and municipal laws. A Civilian or a cadet is not subject to the Code of Service Discipline, but by consenting to participate in the Canadian Cadet Organization they shall be considered to have agreed to conform to regulations, orders and instructions issued by competent authorities.

Cadets shall be governed in their conduct and discipline by the Cadet Administration and Training Orders (CATO). 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN also requires that cadets sign a Code of Conduct upon joining the unit. Failure of a cadet to follow these codes of conduct or violation of orders shall result in administrative or disciplinary measures being taken.

PAYING COMPLIMENTS

The salute is a mark of respect and courtesy for an officer's commission that is granted to them by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, for the Canadian Flag, or the National Anthem. Salutes are not performed if the individual is not wearing a headdress (including cadet issued tilley cap or ball cap), instead they are to stand at attention and remove civilian headdress.

WHO to Salute: Only officers receive salutes. Officers can be recognized by the gold braid rank they wear around the sleeves of their uniform jackets or on their shirt epaulettes (for examples, see the Rank Structure examples provided in this handbook). When you recognize an officer who happens to be in civilian attire, you DO salute them if you are in uniform. The only exception to this rule is if the officer has not received their commission yet. This only applies to the first officer rank of Naval Cadet. Once a curl is added to their rank (as seen in the above rank structure) it is the commission that you are saluting, not the individual themselves.

WHO NOT to Salute: Do NOT salute cadets (regardless of rank), Civilian Instructors, or other civilians.

The following areas are deemed saluting areas at the local headquarters:

Outside of the building.

The Parade Square (the Deck).

When passing through the Quarterdeck

Upon entering or leaving an office where there is an officer present.

Compliments will be paid to officers while in the gangways/stairwells by means of turning your head and eyes and a proper greeting "Good Evening Ma'am/Sir"

All adults will be addressed as Ma'am or Sir (including cadet's parents)

TOBACCO/E-CIGARETTES/CANNABIS

Under **no** circumstances shall cadets smoke or be in possession of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or cannabis while at or travelling to/from cadet activities. No Corps staff member, including civilian volunteers, civilian instructors and CIC Officers, shall consume or be in possession of cannabis or be impaired while performing their duties as a CV, CI or CIC Officer.



ALCOHOL

No cadet shall consume or be in possession of alcoholic beverages or be intoxicated during Corps activities. No Corps staff member, including civilian volunteers, civilian instructors and CIC Officers, shall consume or be in possession of alcoholic beverages or be intoxicated while performing their duties as a CV, CI or CIC Officer.

DRUGS

No member of the Corps, including cadets, civilian volunteers, civilian instructors and CIC Officers, shall be under the influence of or be in possession of any illegal drug of any sort.

The Corps Commanding Officer shall immediately notify proper local authorities and chain of command of any breach of the above paragraphs

POSITIVE SOCIAL RELATIONS FOR YOUTH (PSRY)

The safety and well being of every cadet is of primary importance to the Canadian Cadet Movement. That's why the Cadet Harassment and Abuse Prevention (CHAP) Program was created and implemented several years ago. Commencing with the 2010-2011 training year, CHAP was replaced with an updated and revised program called **Positive Social Relations for Youth (PSRY)**. Attending PSRY training is mandatory for every cadet in Phase 1 and Phase 4.

The objectives of the PSRY program are to prepare cadets to:

- Interact comfortably within the cadet community
- Interact positively with others
- Exercise sound judgment
- Accept personal accountability for actions and choices
- Deal with interpersonal conflict
- Seek assistance from available resources when needed

It should be noted that if a cadet has a situation outside of cadets they are still free to talk to whomever they feel comfortable with, be it an officer, another cadet, parent...should they choose to do so.

The Unit Cadet Conflict Management Advisor (UCCMA) for 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN for this training year is: Lt (N) Finkbeiner.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

General attendance for mandatory training:

An excused absence is when a phone call to the Corps or prior notification to Administration is given. It is the cadet's responsibility to contact the corps before the training being missed (if you are sick that day then you must call and leave a message at the corps no later than 1800 on the training night). If there is no notification of the absence then it is considered an Unexcused Absence, or Absent without Leave (AWOL). Too many AWOL's on a cadet's record can impact selection for optional activities and summer training.

Regular training on Tuesday's is mandatory. Three or more consecutive absences without prior permissions from the Commanding Officer is unacceptable. This results in the cadet being taken off of our parading strength, and possibly out of the program. There are situations that arise where the cadet has no prior knowledge of absences (i.e. sickness in family...), these are handled on a case to case basis. These rules also apply to our optional programs (i.e. Band, drill team, range...).

Attendance for weekend and optional training:

Activities and training sometimes occurs on weekends. Some of this training is required for successful completion of the cadet training level. Mandatory weekend training includes Nautical Weekend, Sail Weekend, SIDC Weekend, Remembrance Day Ceremonies, and citizenship activities (i.e. poppy sales). If you sign up for an activity you must attend or inform us of your absence (same procedure as regular attendance). Attendance at weekend activities counts towards special trips which take place usually every second or third year (for example, CFB Esquimalt in Victoria B.C. or in 2017 to Vimy, France). If you sign up for an activity and fail to attend without notice it will count against you for future optional events. It is important for you to inform us as soon as possible because you are potentially taking away the opportunity from another cadet.

Selection Process for Fun/Optional Activities:

Throughout the training year we will have fun events/trips for the cadets. The following are the criteria used:

- Corps Attendance at mandatory training / support training activities
- Cadet Attendance at optional training
- Cadet Attendance at Fundraising activities (not including bingos or casinos)
- Cadet Department/discipline
- Sufficient rank structure to support event (if necessary structure is not met)
- Cadet time in program (if necessary)

*note: parental involvement has no bearing on selection process

REGIONALLY DIRECTED OPTIONAL TRAINING

DRILL TEAM

Any member of the Corps may apply for membership on the Drill Team, but only those who display dedication and competence will remain. If you have what it takes to learn the movements and perform the drills, you will have a year to remember. Are you ready to be part of the Corps tradition this year?

BAND



Welcome to the 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN Band and what is going to prove to be a strong musical year. The cadet music program offers many opportunities that should not be missed. This band is made up of Beginner (first time) and experienced musicians. The cadet music program gives cadets a chance to advance in their level of playing abilities as they progress in skill. This advancement is done through formal testing (levels one through five). Band members have the opportunity to participate in ceremonies, parades, music concentration weekends, and if selected, regional directed activities with other musicians from across the country.



Our focus this year is on musicianship, the program consists of drill/marching, sectional instruction/workshops/clinics and ensemble practices.

The band practices are typically on every other Thursday from 1800-2000 and the mornings prior to corps practice usually held on the last Sunday of each month. (dates will be published to all on a month to month basis). Our goal, as the 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN Band, will be to act as the Corps ambassadors. As a band, we not only give the first impression of the Corps; but also the last. It is a serious position to be in; however, through hard work and commitment, we will accomplish our goals and have fun at the same time!

GUARD

The Guard is a group of hard working cadets, who through training and dedication are on display as the Corps show piece, carrying parade rifles, each and every Tuesday Parade. They often accompany many special events, such as Remembrance Day Services, and Battle of the Atlantic, as well as specialized events throughout the year. To be a part of the Guard it takes a dedicated team player that has a desire to hone their self-discipline, confidence, stamina, drill and leadership potential. Since a solid understanding of basic drill movements, dress and deportment are required.

RANGE/MARKSMANSHIP TEAM

Range is open and available to all cadets interested. We have specialists that work with our Marksmanship Team for competitors. In the past we have had cadets qualify for the Provincials and our goal is to have cadets advance to Nationals. Success requires dedication and eagerness to achieve the various marksman levels.

BIATHLON

The 238 RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN Biathlon Program provides cadets with the opportunity to learn and compete in the combined sports of target shooting and skate skiing. Biathlon is a sport that offers a test of individual endurance as well as the disciplined art of rifle handling and skiing. Teamwork and leadership are an important part of the program.

The Biathlon Team trains on a separate day from regular training (date and time to be arranged in September), focusing on aerobic and strength training and on precision shooting. Some additional fitness training may take place in conjunction with other cadet corps/squadrons in the city on additional days of the week, and additional range practice opportunities will also be offered. The physical training is to build upon an individual's endurance and mental toughness. Range training will teach the cadet proper handling, basic knowledge of the Daisy Air Rifle, the Anschutz small-bore biathlon rifle and range safety. Safety is of the utmost importance throughout all training. The Biathlon season extends from September through March.

There are three levels of competition. In November, there is a Zone Competition which typically involves cross-country running and shooting with the Daisy Air Rifle. The Provincial Championships are held in February, and involve skiing and shooting with the Anschutz small-bore rifles. The National Championship is held in March. There are opportunities for cadets to compete at these competitions, and to serve as staff cadets. There are a limited number of places available on the team, so cadets are required to try out for the team.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

The Duke of Edinburgh Award believes that not all learning happens in the classroom and our aim is to help equip young Canadians aged 14-24 for success in life. By recognizing all of the amazing things young people can do and learn outside the boundaries of formal education, the Award empowers them to discover hidden talents, develop untapped leadership potential, make a difference in their community and explore the wonders of the great outdoors.

The personal journey to earn the Award requires young people to look beyond their comfort zone and tap in to their sense of discovery. Participants set and achieve personal goals in activities they want to experience and develop, making each Award a unique journey. Simply put, they design a blueprint to transform their lives and we support them each step of the way.

SAILING AND SAILING LEVELS

Throughout the training year, cadets will be offered the opportunity to participate in Sailing at one of two Nautical Sites available to the corps. Programs are offered once a year. Sail Canada has developed a sail program called **CanSail**. The CanSail program encourages participants to make healthy lifestyle choices and friendly competition; the program is extensive and levels take repeated skills and practice to earn.

SUMMER TRAINING

Cadets can be selected to summer training for two to eight weeks on a variety of courses. Each training course offers a unique mixture of outdoor activities and valuable instruction. Attendance on cadet summer training courses is free of charge. Courses include training in leadership, instructional techniques, music, marksmanship, sailing, ceremonial drill, physical education, seamanship, and ship's boat driver. Advanced Cadets can qualify as well as international exchange trips and deployments to Canadian Coast Guard Ships and Tall Ships.

Not every cadet is guaranteed a selection for summer training each year. There is a process and pre-requisites to be met when applying for summer training. First-year cadets must have joined cadets no later than 31 January of the training year, be in good standing at the cadet corps (ie. good attendance, good attitude, dress and deportment), be medically fit, and meet the course specific requirements. The process involves filling out an application form, and returning all necessary attachments by the deadline established. For senior level courses, exchanges, deployments and staff cadet applicants, the deadline is typically in December or early January, and for junior level courses, the deadline is typically in February. We cannot accept applications after the deadlines.

Summer training is ongoing throughout the summer months; there are 3 intakes for the two week course and 2 intakes for the three week training courses and the senior courses are 6 weeks in length. With this in mind, we ask that you coordinate holidays and summer training so they do not overlap, (if there are holiday plans please inform us so we also can plan accordingly and apply for the appropriate dates).

There are limited spaces available so paying close attention to requirements and deadlines is of the utmost importance.

*******It is important that all Cadets learn the Songs and Prayer listed below*******

**O Canada is sung during Colors
God Save our Queen is sung at Sunset
Heart of Oak is sung during the March Past and
The Naval Prayer is said right after Colors**

O CANADA



**O Canada! Our home and native land
True patriot love in all of us command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise
The true north, strong and free
From far and wide, O Canada
We stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free
O Canada! We stand on guard for thee
O Canada! We stand on guard for thee.**



GOD SAVE OUR QUEEN

**"God save our gracious Queen
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen:
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.**



Heart of Oak

Come cheer up my Lads, 'tis to glory we steer,
To add something more to this wonderful year.
To honour we call you, as freemen, not slaves,
For who are so free as the sons of the waves?

Chorus:

*Heart of oak are our ships, jolly tars are our men,
We always are ready, Steady, boys, steady,
We'll fight and we'll conquer again , Heart of Oak are our ships, jolly
tars are our men, We always are ready, Steady boys, steady, We'll
fight and we'll conquer again, and again!*

We ne'er see our foes but we wish them to stay,
They never see us but they wish us away.
If they run, why, we follow and run them ashore,
For if they won't fight us, we cannot do more.

Chorus:

They swear they'll invade us, these terrible foes;
They frighten women, children, and beaus,
But should their flat bottoms in darkness get o'er,
Still Britons they'll find to receive them on shore.

Chorus:

We'll still make them fear, and we'll still make them flee,
And drub 'em on shore as we've drubb'd 'em at sea,
Then cheer up my lads, with one hear let us sing,
Our Soldiers, our Sailors, our Statesmen, our King.

Chorus:

We'll still make 'em run, and we'll still make 'em sweat,
In spite of the Devil and Brussels Gazette,
Then cheer up my lads, with one heart let us sing,
Our Soldiers, our Sailors, our Statesmen, our King.

NAVAL PRAYER

**O Eternal Lord God, who alone spreadest out the
heavens,
and rulest the raging of the sea,
who has compassed the waters with bounds
until
day and night come to an end:
Be pleased to receive into thy Almighty
and most gracious protection
the persons of us thy servants, and the Fleet in
which we serve.
Preserve us from the dangers of the sea,
and the violence of our enemy;
that we may be a safeguard
unto our most gracious Sovereign Lady,
Queen Elizabeth
and a security for such as pass on the seas
upon their lawful occasions;
that the inhabitants of our Commonwealth
may in peace and quietness serve thee our God;
and that we may return to safety
to enjoy the blessing of our land,
with the fruits of our labours,
and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies
to praise and glorify thy holy Name.**

Amen.

Know Your Ship!

A short Glossary of common Naval Terms and Sayings

BANYAN: A Banyan is barbecue or party, usually with steaks and beer. The term is derived from "banian", a garment worn by an East Indian sect which neither kills nor eats meat. In the 18th century, the British navy denied its sailors meat on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; these days were known as "banian" (or Banyan) days. The custom was introduced during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I as an attempt to economize. The term has now come to mean just the opposite.

BOATSWAIN (pronounced Bosun or Bos'n): This term comes from the Old English batswegan, meaning the boat's swain, or husband. Today it refers to the professional seaman trade.

BRAVO ZULU: Phonetic pronunciation of 'BZ' from the NATO signals codes. Signifies 'Good Job' or 'Well Done.'

BOATSWAIN'S MATE (aka BUFFER): In harbour, this person is part of the gangway staff, under the command of the officer of the day. He makes all pipes and assists the quartermaster. At sea, his post is on the bridge, under the command of the officer of the watch.

BROW: A gangway between two ships or from ship to shore.

BULKHEAD: A wall

COXSWAIN (pronounced Cox'n): The coxswain is the senior non-commissioned officer on board. He/she is the link between the officers and the enlisted personnel, other than that provided by the divisional system. He/she is responsible for routine and discipline. Coxswain may also refer to the seaman in charge of a ship's boat when it is away from the ship.

CRUSHER: The Regulating Petty Officer in charge of administration and discipline.

DECK: the floor

DECKHEAD: the ceiling

GANGWAY: Any recognized entrance to, passageway, or traffic route within a ship. A hallway or corridor.

GASH: garbage

GASH CAN: garbage can

HEADS: toilets

IRISH PENNANTS: Rope yarns or stray rope ends hanging. Often referred to loose threads on the uniform.

KYE: hot chocolate drink.

LIBERTY BOAT: The ship's boat carrying members of the ship's company permitted to go ashore.

MUSTER: Form up and take attendance.

NUMBER ONE or JIMMY: The Executive Officer

PIPE DOWN: An order meaning keep silence; a pipe down at sea means a free afternoon to catch up on lost sleep.

SCRAN LOCKER: Stowage for kit left lying about.

SCUTTLE-BUTT: Rumors or gossip.

STAND EASY: To "stand easy" is a parade command, meaning to assume a relaxed posture. On board a ship, the command "stand easy" refers to a "coffee break".

Background of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets.

Early days

In 1895, due to concern over the Royal Navy's ability to provide adequate naval defence, concerned citizens formed the Navy League, to promote interest in the problems of maritime trade and defence.

The League formed local branches throughout the United Kingdom and in other countries of the British Empire. The earliest Canadian branch was formed in Toronto. Its warrant (Warrant No. 5) is dated December 10, 1895, and currently hangs in the Navy League (of Canada) National Office.

At that time, Canadian branches supported a cadet program called the Boys' Naval Brigades, aimed at encouraging young men to consider a seafaring career and provide basic training in citizenship and seamanship,.

Evolution

At the formation of the Canadian Naval Service in May 1910, (subsequently designated the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) in August 1911 until February 1968) the organization was renamed from "Boys' Naval Brigade" to "Navy League Sea Cadets," to permit closer liaison with the Navy. In 1942, King George VI graciously consented to be Admiral of the Navy League's Sea Cadets, and granted the "Royal" suffix, causing another name change, to the current "Royal Canadian Sea Cadets." Queen Elizabeth continued this Royal patronage and named His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh as the Admiral of the RCSC. Finally, in 1941, the RCN became a joint partner with the Navy League in support of the RCSC.

Girls

In 1950 the Navy League Wrenette Corps' were established for girls aged 13 to 18 years, though some corps existed unofficially before that date. In 1975, the two programs were amalgamated and girls were officially enrolled in Sea Cadets.

Memorial

At the Royal Military College of Canada, outside Currie Hall in Kingston, Ontario stained glass windows relate to the history of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets.

- Donated as a tribute to all national presidents of the Navy League of Canada for the proven love of country in promoting patriotism... seapower ... youth training, the window bestows 'Honour and Glory to patriotic citizens who have and will serve Canada.' The window features images of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, Navy League Cadets and Navy League Wrenettes.
- In memory of David H. Gibson, C.B.E. National President, Navy League of Canada, 1938-1952 a stained glass window features images of a young sailor and God behind the ships' wheel. The window is dedicated to Canadians who in defence of the country went down to the sea in ships. The window includes a poem by H.R. Gillarm: "Proudly in ships they sailed to sea. Ahead their goal, perhaps eternity. But with God as their pilot they had no fear facing all danger as their course was clear. Their cargo? The record of their life. Some good, some bad, some peace, some strife."

Navy League today

In 1995, the Navy League of Canada celebrated its 100th Anniversary. The League promotes the same subjects today, as at its founding: knowledge of, and support for, maritime interests. On a national level, the League supports the International Exchange Program, certain scholarships, and the National Sea Cadet Regatta, while local branches provide vital logistical support to individual RCSC Corps.



Royal Canadian Sea Cadets badge.

This badge is the service crest of the RCSC, and is worn on cadet issued parkas. It also appears as a brass cap badge worn on a black beret.



Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps CAMPBELTOWN

On 23 November 1972, a meeting was called at Salisbury Composite High School in Sherwood Park by Mr. E.M. Silver, Vice-President Western Region of the Naval Officers Association of Canada. At the meeting the Royal Canadian Legion Sherwood Park Branch #277 stated they would like to sponsor a Sea Cadet Corps in Sherwood Park. Local parents and potential cadets informed Lieutenant-Commander W. Love, Commanding Officer of RCSCC Warrior and three of the Corps Petty Officers of what sea cadets had to offer.

From the meeting, the first of the sea cadets emerged. P.J. Beazer and H.J. Pratt transported eight cadets to RCSCC Warrior for the 1972-1973 training year. During the summer of 1973, the cadets attended camp at HMCS QUADRA.

On 5 September 1973, the first parade was held for the sea cadets in Sherwood Park at Sherwood Heights School with twenty cadets on parade.

The corps was named RCSCC CAMPBELTOWN, after HMS CAMPBELTOWN. CAMPBELTOWN was a four stack ex USN destroyer (USS BUCHANAN) that was built in 1918 and handed over to the Royal Navy in October 1940 under the lend-lease program. Another ship bearing the name CAMPBELTOWN was commissioned in the Royal Navy in May 1989 and paid off in April 2011. She was a Type 22 Frigate.

After fighting the Battle of the Atlantic, her end came as a fitting conclusion to her fine service record as she acted as a block ship in the lock entrance to St Nazaire, in occupied France, during the immortal raid on 29 March 1942. She was loaded with five tons of delayed action high explosives and rammed the dry dock gates. This dry dock was the only one on the Atlantic Ocean large enough to repair the German Battleship TIRPITZ which could wreak havoc on Allied convoys. Wrecking the dry dock gates meant the TIRPITZ would be restricted to operating in the Norwegian coastal waters. The ship's captain was awarded the Victoria Cross for the actions of the ship during the raid.

Given that the original name of Sherwood Park was Campbelltown, this seemed a fitting name for the corps.

In naval tradition, a commissioning ceremony was held on 9 Jan 1974 at the Sherwood Heights School. The Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, Dr. J.W. Grant MacEwan, presented the Canadian Flag and Charter to the Corps.