

Dear Cadets, Parent / Guardians:

Re: Fundraising ("Air Cadet Cars & Cash Lottery Tickets") & Community Service

The Royal Canadian Air Cadets is a non-profit, charitable organization, for youth, aged 12-18. The aim of the Air Cadet movement is as follows:

- to develop, in youth, the attributes of good Citizenship & Leadership
- to promote physical fitness
- to stimulate an interest in the Air element of the Canadian Forces

Although events and activities may vary, 659 Squadron is involved in a wide variety of activities, such as: Ground School, Gliding, Aircraft / Aviation, Model Building, First Aid, Sports, Drill, Marching & Parades, Field Training Exercises, Air Cadet Activity Day (CFB Borden), Leadership, Orienteering, Bush Craft & Survival, Marksmanship, Competitions, Special Events, Weekend Excursions, Summer Training Courses, working as Staff Cadets, and planning for Trips.

There is no cost to join 659 Squadron and the Uniform is provided by DND (Department of National Defense). However, Cadets, across the country, perform extensive community service, as well as conduct their own fundraising activities, to support their individual Squadrons. RCAC 659 Brock Squadron is no exception. The Squadron regularly volunteers with the Royal Canadian Legions (Sutton West, Beaverton and Sunderland). In turn, the Legions support our Veterans, as well as other, local, community initiatives and organizations. Cadets participate in Remembrance Day, Poppy Drives, Veteran's Dinners, Parades and are available, upon request, to support other organizations, which require volunteer participation, for their own events. This also allows Cadets to add to their High School Community Service Hours, a graduation requirement.

The Squadron regularly seeks opportunities to fundraise, to support intended trips, activities and events, as well as to help promote the Squadron and to maintain its administrative, office and training materials. Accordingly, one of the fundraisers 659 Squadron participates in, on an annual basis, is the sale of Air Cadet League Cars & Cash Lottery Tickets. The Squadron is responsible for purchasing our allotment of books of tickets. As a result, we pay for the tickets, regardless of how many are sold. Since Fundraising and Community Service are expectations of the Cadet movement, Cadets who do not participate will either not be eligible to attend additional activities and events funded and supported by the Squadron; or may be required to pay fees, in order to participate.

Your Cadet will be issued an allotment, starting with one book of 20 tickets, to start. Ticket sales currently cost \$2.50 each; therefore, each book is valued at a total of \$50. Since we must recoup the cost of each book, prior to distribution, we respectfully request that you deposit \$50 with the Squadron at the time that each book is signed for, by your Cadet(s). Once each book of tickets is sold, you will keep the funds and return the book to the Squadron, for submission to the Air Cadet League. Please remind purchasers to retain their ticket stubs, until the draw is completed. Prizes and Draw Details are printed on each ticket.

If you could deposit your prepayment, with our Office Administrator, next week, it would be most appreciated.

Happy selling!

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