Welcome Aboard!

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Welcome seems to be our theme for the month of September and it is fitting for the start to what will be a great year ahead. This month we have welcomed many new cadets and parents and welcomed back those returning from last year. The Welcome BBQ was very well attended and supported by our Navy League of Canada London Branch volunteers – thank you!

We received a warm welcome from the Kanagio Yacht Club members in Port Stanley who opened their doors and boats to us for a great weekend of on-water experiences. HMCS PREVOST, our host unit here in London also welcomed us at their Port Stanley Boatshed, providing accommodations, a galley for meals and a great training location for classes like small engine safety and pre-start checks. Cadets also had the unique opportunity to meet members of the Port Stanley (Elgin) Fire Rescue and see the rescue boat and trucks up close during the presentation.

Behind the scenes, the COURAGEOUS staff has been planning the training year activities. Below is an overview of the year ahead in addition to Tuesday nights and most Sunday afternoons. These will be posted weekly. Please add these dates to your family calendars so that your cadet can plan to participate:

Upcoming Events 2016 - 2017

Sept 30, Oct 1, Oct 2  Tag Days Fundraising
Tues Oct 4  Ceremonial Divisions Parade
Sun Oct 23  Biathlon Training Day
Nov 11 Remembrance Day Parade
Nov 18, 19, 20 Nautical Training Weekend
Sun Jan 15  Marksmanship Training Day
Jan 21-22  WOA Biathlon Competition
Sun Feb 5  Sports Training Day
Sun Mar 12  Orienteering Training Day
May 4-7  Spring Tag Days
May 7  Battle of Atlantic Parade
June 3-4  ACR Weekend
June 17-18 and 24-25  Sailing Weekends
Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps
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The Canadian Cadet Organization develops attributes of leadership, engaged and active citizenship and physical fitness, all within a safe environment that stimulates an interest in the Canadian Forces. Cadets is a great place for young people to have fun and make friends while learning many life skills that they will carry on long after cadet years.

As parents, your support is key as your son/daughter advances through the Sea Cadet Program. If you have any questions please contact us; we will be able to provide you with information about Corps procedures, the Sea Cadet program and the Navy League of Canada.

There are many opportunities for cadets that are merit-based so it is important for cadets to attend regularly and to participate fully in the training and activities offered during the year. Cadet attendance, participation, behaviour, qualifications and experience are all taken into consideration when it comes time to submit and prioritize applications for opportunities such as summer training courses and staff cadet positions, competition teams, sail regattas, International Exchanges and Sea Cadet Sea Deployments (March Break to British Columbia for training).

Training Nights for Cadets take place Tuesday evenings
- Staff arrive at 1800 hrs and Cadets should arrive by 1815 hrs
- Training is three 30-minute classes instructed by staff and senior cadets
- Cadets progress through 5 Phases of training, year 1 is Phase 1, etc.
- Cadets have a “Stand Easy” break during the evening at 2000 hrs
- Parents are encouraged and invited inside for “Sunset” and announcements at 2100 hrs and to ask us any questions you may have
- What to wear is published in monthly “Routine Orders” and is typically the Sea Training Uniform with ball cap and boots

Training also takes place on Sunday afternoons and several weekends scheduled from September to June
- Events, Teams and upcoming training is announced weekly and posted on our online locations
- Cadets need to attend most Tuesdays and weekend events to complete training requirements for rank promotions
- Cadets can request to be marked 'excused' rather than ‘absent’ if unable to attend due to family or school commitments
- If an unexpected event or illness prevents cadets from attending please call the office 519 433-2933
- Cadets are also encouraged to participate in Sunday training and to join the various teams. This is the best way to get the most from the cadet program, learn new skills, increase knowledge, have fun and make friends within the cadet corps
- Attendance is recorded weekly and cadets who are absent will be contacted by their Divisional Officer or Divisional Petty Officer
- Uniforms and activities are provided at no cost to cadets or parents.
- Cadets and parents are expected to participate in fundraising a few times a year, organized by the Navy League of Canada, such as Tag Days
- Cadets are encouraged to 'bring a friend' to Tuesday nights and designated events and please make sure they sign in at the office
- We work closely with parents for the success of each cadet within our corps. If you have any questions about your cadet’s participation or responsibilities, contact us so that we can assist.

CONTACT US

The office is open when cadets are in the building for training - Tuesday nights and most Sunday afternoons

Please drop in to speak to our Training or Administration staff or the Commanding Officer if you have any questions or concerns. Phone: 519 433-2933 Tuesday evenings and Sunday afternoons or leave a voicemail message for us to call back

Email: londonseacadets@gmail.com
You can reach us throughout the week

We are active on Social Media so check us out for info and updates

Facebook: RCSCC COURAGEOUS
London Sea Cadets (Official Corps Page) – public access

RCSCC COURAGEOUS – closed group for cadets only (monitored and supervised by our staff)

Website: www.londonseacadets.com

Twitter: RCSCC COURAGEOUS

There are other sites related to the Canadian Cadet Organization also:

http://cadets.ca/ and http://www.navyleague.ca/ sites also have great information posted

RCSCC COURAGEOUS is located at 39 Becher Street, London Ontario in the HMCS PREVOST building.