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**676 LORNE SCOTS ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADET CORPS.**

# THE CORPS NEWS



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## MCB QUANTICO & WASHINGTON DC

During March break 2010, the 676 RC(Army)CC is planning a 5 day trip to Marine Corps Base Quantico and Washington DC. Planning for this trip is still in its early stages but because of the complexity of this type of trip it is important that we start early. An information session for parents will be held Wednesday 30 September at 1915hrs at the Armoury.

Application has been made to visit the helicopter squadron and night reconnaissance units on the base as well as a visit to the Canadian Embassy, and the Air and Space Museum in Washington DC is also being planned.

It is expected that we will depart at 0600 Monday March 15 and return late Friday March 19. Transportation will be via highway coach from Georgetown to Quantico Virginia. Cadets will be accommodated in a hotel located on the base.

All Cadets travelling to Quantico will required a valid Passport and must be in possession of their passport no later than December 15 2009.

Although a final cost for this event has not been set, it is expected to be in the \$250 range.

These details are all preliminary and subject to change. Access to Quantico and the planned tours is contingent on the military operational requirements of the units stationed there at the time of our visit. Alternate tours and destination will be selected in the event we are advised that we cannot be accommodated at Quantico.



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**Do you have questions?**  
**Are you interested in becoming**  
**part of the 676 Support Committee?**  
**Contact Michele Cameron**  
**at 905-877-7788**  
**or email**  
**support676@look.ca**

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LCpl. Chris Cameron age 12, attended Blackdown ACSTC for the first time as part of the 2 week Serial B.

## MY EXPERIENCE AT CAMP

I'll start my experience about a week before camp. It was my first time going to camp and I really wanted to go but the last few days before I was suppose to leave I was having second thoughts. When I was getting in my parents car to go meet the bus I really did not want to go. When the time came to get on the bus to Blackdown I was thinking to myself its not that long and I'll make new friends.

When we got there I waited in line to find out my company, We were issued PT gear, a tilley, running shoes, track suit, combats, socks, poncho, web belt, canteen, canteen holder and a butt pack. It was put into a mesh laundry bag and then we walked all the way to India company. After checking in, I went in my tent, made my bed, put my stuff in my locker. The next day we woke up at 6am, got on our PT gear and did some stretches. We then went for breakfast, the food was okay. We then had a tour of Blackdown.

Over the next few days, we did many things. We camped, we cut down trees as part of our community service, we shot at the range and more but I still wanted to go home. On Saturday we had a dance. On Sunday I would have free time so I called my parents and asked them to come up. They came on Sunday and we went to lunch. After my parents left I didn't feel as home sick any more. Over the 2 weeks I tried rope bridges and the traverse (zip line). The rope bridge was the most fun. I went on the three strand, it was hard. The traverse was also lots of fun. The two weeks went by fast and I am glad I went. I met lots of new friends. I look forward to next year even though I was very homesick in the beginning.

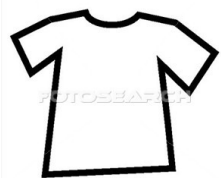
## LEGION OF VOLUNTEERS

The first Saturday of each month, the Royal Canadian Legion in Georgetown puts on its Hungry Man breakfast. They are always in need of Cadet volunteers to help with the breakfast duties. Cadets that are interested in assisting on any Saturday Morning should contact Michele Cameron. Actual dates are posted on the website calendar and additional details are posted in the Updates section on the homepage of the website the week prior. Parents are also welcome to attend the breakfast. The cost is \$5 and includes bacon eggs toast



## 676 T-SHIRTS AND JACKETS

This fall all Cadets will be receive one corps T-shirt free of charge and have the opportunity to purchase additional shirts. Order forms will be sent home in September and will also be available on the website.

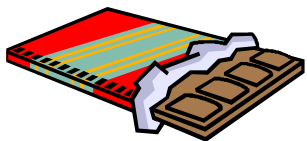


## DONATIONS DONATIONS AND MORE DONATIONS

The yummy lunches, the T-shirts, the photocopier, the pens in the office and our 2008 trip to Ottawa all have one thing in common. They happen because of the corporate and personal donations the 676 receives each year. In addition to tagging in the spring and fall, the Support Committee is always on the lookout for other sources of personal and corporate donations. It takes a lot of money to fund the optional activities and administrative costs of the 676. Every year we ask parents to check with their employer regarding their policy for community giving. Bell Canada, Aecon Construction and Lowes Home Improvement warehouse have all helped out in the last year as a result of parents taking advantage of the corporate community giving program.

There are other ways to help as well. The 676 is always in need of office supplies and other things. Keystone Home Products is helping by donating shelves and uniform racks for the supply room. Others have donated printers, paper, other office supplies, food as well as cash. Remember cash donations are always tax deductible as are many gifts in kind. Check the website for a complete list of items the support committee is working to acquire,

Pro Lube Oil Change donates a portion of the proceeds from each oil change to the 676 when you select the 676 as your charity. Make sure you remember to tell them each time you visit that you want to support the 676.



## CHANGES TO CANTEEN

For those new to the 676, canteen is term given to break time on Wednesday nights. Cadets are able to purchase drinks and a various assortment of snacks and candy. The cost is \$1 each. This year, in addition to cash, Cadets may purchase \$10 or \$20 cards that will be kept in the cash box and redeemed as they are used. Each time an item is redeemed a box will be checked off by a support committee member on the card until the value of the card is used up. This reduces the need for cadets to remember to bring their canteen money each week.

## 2009-2010 TEAMS

The 676 is working to field 3 teams this coming year. The Marksmanship Team, an Orienteering Team and a Biathlon Team. Tryout dates for the teams will be posted on the website. The Marksmanship team will consist of 5 cadets and 2 alternates. The team is expected to practice Sunday afternoons at the Brampton Armoury. The Biathlon team is working to secure the necessary equipment and if successful will field a team in winter 2010. More information will be available on all teams during the fall



## CORPS PROFILES

Each newsletter will profile a 676 staff member. The first in this series features Captain Dave Lima.



**Captain David Matthew Lima** has been involved with the Royal Canadian Army Cadets for the past 15 Years, 10 of which have been with the 676 Lorne Scots Army Cadet Corps. He completed seven years as a cadet, a year as a Civilian Instructor and is coming up on his eighth year as a member of the Cadet Instructor Cadre.

As a Cadet, Captain Lima progressed through the ranks to Chief Warrant Officer, and held the appointment of Regimental Sergeant Major for the 676 Lorne Scots RCACC. Captain Lima was also employed for three summers as a Staff Cadet between 1998 till 2000 as a Section Commander, Platoon Warrant Officer, and then RSM of Blackdown. Captain Lima aged out of the cadet system in 2000.

Captain Lima volunteered as Civilian Instructor and served in that capacity until March 2001; at that time he became a member of the Cadet Instructor Cadre at the rank of Officer Cadet serving with the 2964 Walden Irish as their Assistant Training officer. In 2002 he was promoted to the rank of Second Lieutenant, and received his Commission upon successful completion his Basic Officer Qualification and Junior Officer Leadership Course. In 2005 he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant upon completion of his Lieutenant Qualification. In 2007 he successfully completed his Captain Qualification. He assumed command of the 676 Lorne Scots RCACC in October of 2008 and was promoted to the rank of Captain.

In his civilian life, Captain D.M. Lima is a graduate of Laurentian University, with a Bachelor in Computer Science, and Classical Studies Certificate. He is currently employed with Guelph General Hospital in their Information Technology Department, as a Desktop Support Analyst. He currently lives in Milton with his dog Tucker.



### CALLING ALL CADETS.

The Corps Community Relations Officer is looking for interested Cadets to help with the development of media materials such creating this newsletter, recruiting videos and photo albums and displays. Cadets that are interested in helping should contact OCdt Cameron.

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**WWW.GEORGETOWNARMYCADETS.CA**

All training information, upcoming events and forms are posted on the website. The website is updated weekly September - June.

***It is your best source for current information.***

