

Air Cadet League of Canada Awards



Mr. Michel Cataford, then President of the Air Cadet League of Canada, presents awards at the 67th annual AGM in Quebec City in June 2008. LGen Angus Watt, Chief of the Air Staff and Commander of Air Command, was also present at the event.

Left: Grant Fabes (left) receives the Presidential Citation
Below: Capt Andrea Onchulenko (left), Air Cadet Program Developments Officer with the Directorate of Cadets and Junior Rangers, receives the Officer of the Year Commendation.



Two members of CAMC's Youth Initiative Advisory Committee (YIAC) were honoured with awards at the Air Cadet League of Canada's AGM this past June. Grant Fabes and Capt Andrea Onchulenko are long-time members of YIAC and work very hard on behalf of Canadian youth and the aviation industry. Congratulations from CAMC to both.

ACLIC Presidential Citation: Grant S. Fabes

From the citation: "... His constant efforts have ensured the success of our ever-widening partnerships with the aerospace industry. His leadership and superior communication skills have been key factors in obtaining for air cadets and the Air Cadet League considerable advantages and benefits that mark an important advancement for the air cadet movement."

Recently, Grant Fabes negotiated several Memoranda of Understanding: with the Canadian Aviation Maintenance Council (CAMC), the Canadian Aerospace Association Human Resource Alliance (CAAHRA), the Air Transport Association of Canada (ATAC), and the Canadian Business Aviation Association (BCAA). The most recent agreement, signed formally at the AGM in June, is with CAE, a world leader in simulation and modeling technologies. This new agreement provides for an additional cadet Power Pilot Scholarship, but also provides, for the first time, access for cadets to CAE's full-flight simulators at that company's training facilities in Montreal, Toronto, and Vancouver.

ACLIC Officer of the Year Commendation: Capt Andrea Onchulenko

The ACLIC's Officer of the Year Commendation is awarded annually to an officer of the Canadian Forces who has helped advance the Air Cadet Movement in Canada.

From the citation: "Capt Onchulenko was a key leader of the re-write of the air cadet summer training program, conducting multiple writing boards across the country in 2002 and 2003 to redevelop 11 of 15 summer courses. ... She has also been instrumental in the reshaping of the Air Cadet Training Program through the Cadet Program Update (CPU) project currently under way, to include better ground-based aviation subject matter both in the Squadron Proficiency Program level and in the program courses at the Cadet Summer Training Centres.

Capt Onchulenko has been active in reaching out to a variety of industry groups to tap their programs and materials for possible inclusion in the air cadet program. The Canadian Aviation Maintenance Council (CAMC) is one group that she has been significantly involved with. ... The air cadet program of today is, and that of tomorrow will be, much stronger as a result of her direct contribution in reshaping it." ■