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Squadron Newsletter

From the Commander



Welcome to the Lebanon Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP)! We are the Auxiliary to the United States Air Force. As part of the New Hampshire Wing, the Lebanon Squadron performs Search and Rescue and Disaster Relief by air and by ground; Aerospace Education; and provides a very active Cadet Program for teens (of both sexes) aged 12 – 18. If you have an interest in flying, helping train (or become) the leaders of tomorrow, and serving your community, we are the place to be.

The Cadet Program

The Lebanon Composite Squadron cadet program is in a state of transition. We currently have a small number of cadets actively enrolled in the program but are attracting new members through the recruiting efforts of the cadets and public relations efforts of SM Jessica Smith. The small enrollment is both a negative and a positive. Its negative aspect is the small number of active cadets in itself. On the positive side, the cadets who are active members now will be the ones shaping the future of Lebanon's cadet program forming the nucleus of cadre who will train new members and help build the squadron's cadet enrollment.

The squadron's first basic training for new cadets and those cadet(s) who have not been promoted to c/Airman will begin on October 10. It will last for six meetings (not including Halloween night) with the graduation being on November 28. The goal of the basic training will be to get the cadets promoted to c/Airman and earn the Curry Achievement. The other purpose of the basic training will be to produce cadets who are excited and motivated about the cadet program at Lebanon, New Hampshire Wing and CAP nationally. It is designed to be a challenge to the cadets to form a solid knowledge base about CAP and how to be successful members of the cadet program. Cadet

Staff Sergeant Filiano will be the basic training flight's flight sergeant.

I have been disappointed in the number of unexcused absences in the squadron.

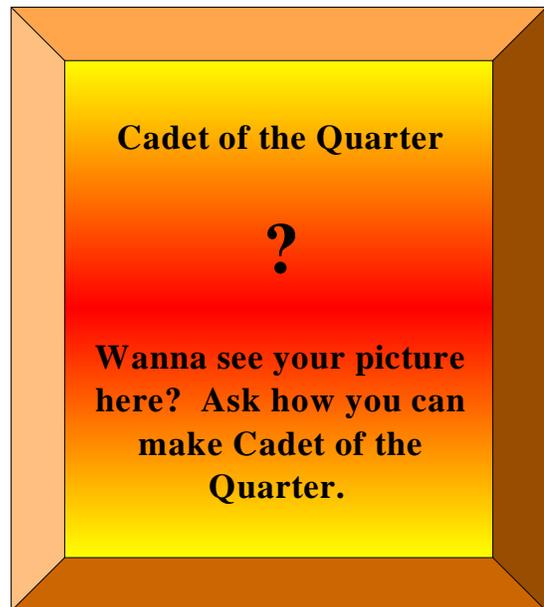
Remember, if you are going to be absent from a meeting you **MUST** notify your superiors in the chain of command. Cadets, do not forget that attendance is one of the criteria for promotion; unexcused absences are unacceptable and will be discussed with you at boards of review when you are eligible for promotion. If you are unable to reach c/1Lt. Bauder, you may reach me by email at: nh014dcc@hotmail.com or by calling my cell phone¹ and leaving a message **BEFORE** 6:30 on the night you will be absent.

Overall I am pleased with the motivation of the active cadets and their willingness to take on responsibility. I am working with the senior cadets to train the cadet corps and develop their leadership potential. The cadet program at Lebanon Composite Squadron has a bright future ahead and I look forward to helping the cadets reach their goals. *Semper Vigilans!*

1Lt. Jesse Davis
Deputy Commander for Cadets

From the Senior Side

Whether you are interested in flying, radio operation, teaching cadets, or just learning a little more about the aerospace industry, you'll find all that and more in CAP at the Lebanon Composite Squadron. Anyone at least 18 years of age may join as a senior member whether a pilot or not. Lebanon Composite Squadron members have been involved in many search and rescue operations over the years and were instrumental in rescuing a pilot from Mt. Kearsarge last year. We are a growing organization and are always looking for new members to join this exciting team.



In the News

Lebanon's new PAO, Jessica Smith, has been hard at working getting publicity for the squadron and CAP. In less than a month as a member she's been able to get us two radio interviews and a spot on WCAX channel 3 news as well as a full page article in the Newport Argus Champion! If you'd like to view the WCAX feature or listen to the radio broadcasts, please visit our website at <http://lebanon.nhwgcap.org/>. We've already had 7 new members join this month in part as a result of this publicity and we have a few prospective members in the wings as well. Our hats are off to Jessica Smith for her passion and dedication!

Capt. Rangi Keen, CAP
Lebanon Composite Squadron

¹ See [e-Services](#) for contact information.

New to Lebanon Squadron

Matthew Smith	Sr. Member
Jessica Smith	Sr. Member
Ernie Collier	Sr. Member
Bill Brown	Sr. Member
Kristen Garcia	Cadet
Ari Brown	Cadet
Jason Cohen	Cadet

Encampment 2005



6-13 August 2005 - Center Strafford, NH — Six Lebanon Composite Squadron members attended the cadet summer encampment. Cadets c/Amn Roy, c/SrA Mather, c/SrA Filiano, c/Amn Reeves attended their first encampment as basic cadets. Filiano received Honor Cadet in Delta Flight which received Honor Flight for the encampment. 1Lt. George attended his first encampment as the Delta Flight TAC officer while Maj. Freeman attend his fourth encampment as the Whiskey Flight TAC officer.

Upcoming Events

October 7th, 8th, & 9th Hawk Mountain Fall Grounds team School.

The Rocket Competition for 2005 is located at the New Hampshire Technical Institute Athletic Fields in Concord, NH. The sign-in table opens by 0800 with the event starting promptly at 0900 on 15 Oct 05 (Rain Date 16 Oct 05).

November 14th Lebanon Squadron Open House Come join us at Signal Base in West Lebanon, NH 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

November 28th Cadet Graduation 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at Signal Base in West Lebanon, NH. Come show your support, to some of your local youths who have achieved their first promotion as a C/Am. (Cadet Airmen - Curry)

Old Rhinebeck Trip

Members of the Lebanon squadron visited the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome on Saturday and saw all sorts of old aircraft from the early 20th century. Old Rhinebeck has a few hangars full of aircraft on static display, but the most unique and interested aspect is their air show where they fly these vintage aircraft. In addition to aircraft, the Aerodrome also has a large collection of automobiles, motorcycles, early engines, and memorabilia from 1900-1935. All the staff are dressed in clothes of the era and they put on quite a good show. Thanks to 1Lt. George for organizing the trip and driving the van down and back. We'll be going back next year hopefully for a two day bivouac so we can see the air shows on both days.