

Colchester Sea Cadets

T.S. Colne Light

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Ahoy Shipmates

Any Cadet that achieves, within the Corps should be praised.

A young person will join the Sea Cadet Corps as a New Entry. After a probationary period & a short quiz on the knowledge gained New Entry's are reated up to the honour of "Cadet".

On the roll of honour are:

Cdt Luke Doell

Cdt Thomas Peacock

Cdt Alexander peacock

Cdt Rory Butcher

Cdt Katie Pratchett.

Well done

Welcome aboard

To Junior cdt Alfie Anderson.

We wish him well in his Future Sea Cadet Career.

A Colne Light 1st

The rank of Petty Officer Cadet is the highest rank that an Cadet can achieve, This achievement takes a lot of effort, commitment & hard work.

To have 1 Cadet in the unit achieve this is good, to have 2, is great. 3 POC's in the unit is fantastic. LC Sam Brazier, LC Joe Brazier & LC Josh Syrett attended a weeks POC training at HMS Caledonian, Scotland. It was a credit to all that they passed with flying colours.

Congratulations & wear your gold badges with pride.

Trafalgar Day Reception

5 Cadets & 2 members of staff were invited to the Foreign office on 26th Oct, to assist with the presentation of lunch to Trafalgar day dignitaries.

The feedback on the conduct of the Cadets was complimentary of their turnout & behaviour.

Well done, to those in attendance.

Imperial War Museum

7 cadets took the opportunity of a visit to the Imperial war museum on 30th Oct. They were able to see the exhibition of world War 1 which was a learning curve and experience to all.

Lunch at Colne Light

The intention is to make a regular event of setting Sunday Lunch for Staff, parents & guests on board the lightship. 2nd Nov was the pilot of this event. The bar was opened & all in attendance enjoyed a wonderful Sunday meal.

Remembrance

Remembrance day parade is the most important event in the Cadet calendar. A full squad of the ships company marched from the town hall to the memorial to join LC Sam & Joe Brazier who were honoured to be standing as guard.

The Sea Cadet wreath was laid by OC Laura Kemp.

In the afternoon, the Cadets & the Corps of Drums attended a memorial service at Frating on behalf of the Royal British Legion.

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WW1 Commemoration.

This year we joined with the Army Cadet Force to Parade at Colchester Memorial on 11th Nov to commemorate the passing of the 2 known youngest casualties of World War 1. POC Joe & Sam Brazier, LC Niall Butcher, OC Chunk Adams & OC Josh Richards were in attendance to honour Pte Percy Mortlock & Boy 1st class Ernest Rogers RN.

As the parade was presented exceptionally well, it is hoped to conduct this each year.

District drill & piping.

16th Nov Colchester piping team took place in the District competition to defend their trophy.

All units presented an exceptional effort. Colchester team was proud to achieve 3rd place individual & 3rd place overall. Well done to the lads & thanks to CI Alan Crabb for training to such a high standard

Drill Course

Drill is a big part in training of young Cadets. The drill course involves a weekend away at RAF Halton.

The course is tough & the Cadets are put through their paces by SCC drill instructors. AC Toni Andrews qualified to intermediate standards with OC Steven Blower, OC Dan Hartley and Cadet Keiran Pratchett achieving their basic qualification.

2009

2009 is planned to be a busy year with plenty of competitions, boating weekends & band activities .

It is hoped that all Cadets will participate in as many event as possible and most importantly work hard having *FUN*

