



WHAT IS THE AIR CADETS?

The AIR CADETS is a youth movement aimed at: -

1. Promoting and encouraging among young people a practical interest in aviation.
2. Providing training, which will be useful, both in the services and in civil life.
3. Fostering the spirit of adventure and developing the qualities of leadership and good citizenship.

AN INVITATION TO ADVENTURE SEEKING BOYS AND GIRLS

If you are interested in aircraft and flying, gliding, shooting, overseas travel, expeditions, sport, visiting RAF stations and you want to make new friends, why not join the AIR CADETS?

ELIGIBILITY

You can join the ATC at 13 years and at 13 ¼ years become enrolled in the Squadron. Upon enrolment you are entitled to wear the uniform of the Air Cadets, which is issued free with the exception of footwear i.e.) socks and boots/shoes. There is a small weekly subscription.

PARADE TIMES

Tuesday 7.00 pm to 9.45pm
Sunday 9.00 am to 12.45 pm

TRAINING

Training is divided into four stages: FIRST CLASS, LEADING, SENIOR AND STAFF CADET TRAINING.

1st CLASS CADETS

Training takes 6 months and you learn about the ATC, the RAF, History of Flight, Airmanship, Map Reading & Initial Expedition Training and Shooting.

LEADING CADETS

Training comprises of an understanding of Principles of Flight, Basic Navigation and Airmanship II.

SENIOR CADETS

Training at this level is in the subjects of Air Navigation and Propulsion.

STAFF CADETS

This final stage of training involves study in Satellite Communications and Operational Flying.

PROJECT TRAINING

There is an opportunity to become involved in special projects in IT Skills, Field Craft, and Modelling, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, Millennium Volunteers and Aircraft Recognition together with opportunities to take part in special courses.

Can you meet the challenge of becoming a 492 Air Cadet?

If the answer is 'YES', then come and see us:

**492 (Solihull) Squadron ATC
1 Cadet Drive
(Off Haslucks Green Road)
Shirley
Solihull
B90 2FD**

Or phone:

0121 744 9362 (during parade times)

The Air Cadets is a Nationwide Youth Organisation sponsored by the Royal Air Force and is recognised as the best Youth Organisation in its field.

492 (Solihull) Squadron is one of four in the Solihull area carrying out the activities detailed in this pamphlet and has an unequalled record of achievements in the Warwickshire and Birmingham area.

Our main objective is to provide an interesting and challenging environment, which will give you confidence and life skills for your future careers in line with the Air Cadets motto:

VENTURE - ADVENTURE

APPLICATION TO JOIN OUR TEAM

Name:.....

Age:.....

Address:.....

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Tel. No:.....

School / College:.....

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SQUADRON HISTORY

492 Squadron has recently moved to new, purpose built accommodation and the building has been computer networked to provide an interactive training environment.

Our current strength is 70 cadets, which makes us one of the strongest squadrons in the local area. The staffs' commitment enables the squadron to deliver the highest standards in creating an exciting youth group.

The young people who take the challenge and put 492 (Solihull) Squadron on their CV's can boast of flying, gliding, shooting, adventure training, overseas camps, Millennium Volunteers and the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme. You then enter the next phase of your life with the Squadron motto in mind:-

'ENTER TO LEARN, GO FORTH TO SERVE'

and the Air Cadets motto:-

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