



103 SQUADRON INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS 2020

What training activities are involved?

Activities are organised through the Squadron training programs as part of the National Program. Squadron training occurs as a “parade” on Friday nights and some weekends during school terms. Training times are 1900 hrs to 2200 hrs. Cadets are expected to arrive at 103 Squadron facilities no earlier than 1830h and no later than 1845h. Cadets are also expected to be collected from the facility by 2215 hrs.

Some weekend training is involved. This training is either held at the 103 Squadron facilities or at a number of different facilities around the Ingham area.

General Service Training and Promotion Courses are five to fifteen days in duration and are held during school holidays. These courses are held at RAAF Base Townsville.

Will I be required to give permission for my son/daughter to attend training camps/courses?

Cadets are given an information sheet (Joining Instruction or JI) with details of the training activity. Parents/guardians are required to sign a consent form authorising attendance and detailing medical conditions and treatment. Notifications are online with Internet access available at the Hut for those who do not have it at home. Cadets are to regularly access Cadet Enterprise Application - CEA. More information about this site and how to access it will be given to cadets during the first couple of weeks.

What are the costs for Cadets?

Subscriptions are paid annually at the start of the cadet year. If full payment cannot be paid within thirty days a payment plan can be organised. Please see the Finance Officer ACW (AAFC) Simone Lennox. The 2020 fee is \$160. It is preferred that payments be made via internet banking as per the following:

Bank: Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633000

Reference:

Account Name: Australian Air Force Cadets 103 Squadron Ingham

Account Number: 145045605

Inv # and/or cadet name item reference

For General Service Training and Promotion courses/camps and some Fieldcraft activities an extra fee will be incurred.

Who has responsibility for my son/daughter while attending authorised Cadets activities?

Adult staff are responsible for cadets during all activities. The Australian Air Force Cadets (AAFC) is committed to ensuring that standards are maintained. Cadets are responsible for carrying out instructions for their own safety. Following training, cadets are expected to comply with the requirements of the Australian Defence Force Cadets Behaviour Policy and

to uphold the Cadet Code of Ethical Behaviour. Cadets must respect the property of others and the equipment used.

What uniform will my son/daughter wear?

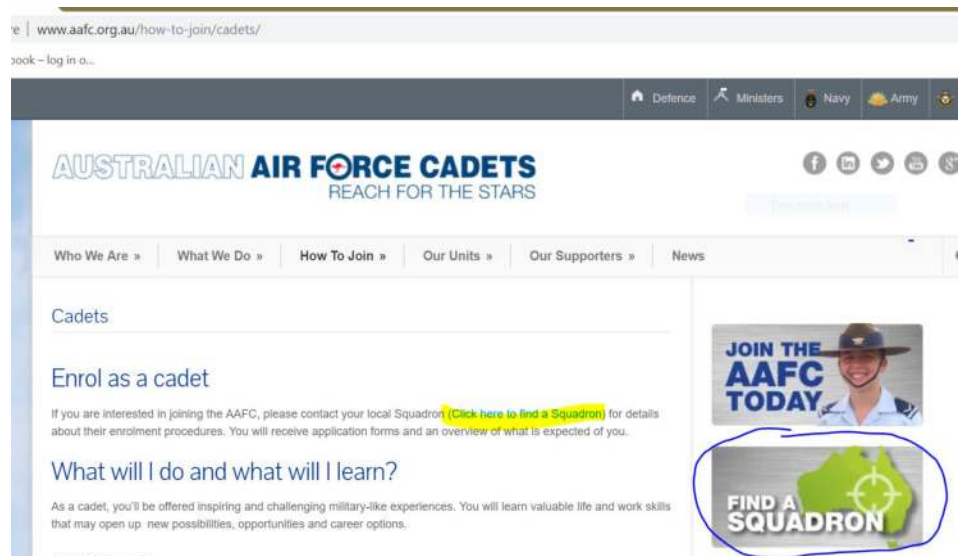
Your son/daughter will be issued with a set of uniforms free of charge. The issue of the uniform could take up to 12 weeks as we are reliant on RAAF issuing the uniforms required. Cadets will be shown how to look after their uniform so their Dress and Bearing is of the highest standard. On leaving the AAFC the uniforms are to be returned, in the same condition as issued, aside from normal wear and tear. As your son or daughter outgrows their uniform they will be re-issued.

What does my son/daughter need to join?

To be eligible for entry as a cadet, your son/daughter must:

- Be an Australian resident
- Be turning 13 in the year you join and be no older than 16 years of age
- Complete the online application process. Further information attached
- Not be a member of another cadet organisation (e.g. Navy or Army Cadets)

To register your expression of interest, go to <http://www.aafc.org.au/how-to-join/cadets/> and follow the prompts.



Interview

An interview can be arranged with the CO, FLTLT (AAFC) Rodger Bow, where you will have the opportunity to discuss any issues if you wish.

Commitment

Your son/daughter is expected to show commitment by attending weekly parades and activities for the cadet year. If a cadet is unable to attend a weekly parade an online leave application is required to be submitted or the Admino informed.

In you need more information please contact on a parade night or FLTLT (AAFC) Rodger Bow after hours by phoning 0408 223 728.