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VICTORIA ARMY CADETS TOP BC CADET AIR RIFLE MARKSMANSHIP COMPETITION

VICTORIA, B.C. – Six Victoria area army cadets including the five member team from 2483 Esquimalt (Princess Patricia's) Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps (RCACC) will be among 10 cadets that will represent B.C. at the National Cadet Air Rifle Championship, May 6 to 13 in Regina, Sask. The Esquimalt team, comprised of cadets Greg Perron, Garnett Edge, Nicole Morrison, Ryan Deveau and Alex Redden placed first in the B.C. Regional Championship held in Comox on Saturday (April 1). The **Esquimalt** team broke the four-year winning streak of the 907 "**White Rock**" Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron (RCACS) team who placed second in the team event. Third place went to 205 RCACS "Collishaw" of **Nanaimo**.

A sixth Victoria cadet, Rebekkah McCutcheon of 3005 "11 Service Battalion" RCACC of **Sannich** will join cadets Alexander Frost of 746 RCACS "Lightening Hawk" of **Langley**, Robert Lahaise of 103 RCACS "Thunderbird" of **North Vancouver**, Elizabeth Martin of the **White Rock** Air Cadets, and Chris Pinch of 788 "BC Dragoons" RCACC of **Penticton** on the composite team for the National Championship. The team is made up of the top individual marksmen not on the winning team. Cadet Greg Perron of the **Esquimalt** team with a score of 386 out of 400 was overall individual winner in the competition. Frost and Lahaise placed second and third.

The cadet marksmanship program is an integral part of cadet training that teaches self-discipline, builds confidence and allows young people to compete equally in a recreational sport that is gender neutral. To compete at the nation level is the result of hard work and perseverance and requires that the competitors have individual target scores that are consistently greater than 95 out of 100.

While in Regina for the national competition, the cadets will have the opportunity to participate in citizenship and cultural activities and learn more about "The Queen City." Lieut. Bart Yarmoshuk of the Esquimalt army cadet corps and retired RCMP Corporal Verne Brown, coach to the White Rock air cadets will accompany the teams.

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