



## Regional Cadet Instructor School (Pacific)

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#### SIMON FRASER SECURITY OPERATIONS MANAGER AWARDED SWORD OF HONOUR

ESQUIMALT, B.C. – Officer Cadet Steven MacLean, an instructor with 777 Royal Canadian Air Cadet “Neptune” Squadron of Port Coquitlam was presented with the Massey “Sword of Honour” at the graduation parade of the Basic Officer Qualification Course at Regional Cadet Instruction School (Pacific) Saturday (Feb.4). MacLean, who in his civilian occupation is Simon Fraser University Security Operations Manager, was assessed to be the top candidate among the 16 trainees.

A resident of Port Moody, 35 year old MacLean was an air cadet with 521 “Aurora” RCACS in Mission, B.C. as a teenager. As a cadet he earned his cadet glider pilot wings and graduated as a Cadet Warrant Officer 2<sup>nd</sup> Class. He later enrolled in the Canadian Forces Army Reserve for two years before transferring to the Regular Force where he served seven years with the Military Police. Initially serving as a Civilian Instructor with the Port Coquitlam air cadet squadron, MacLean re-enrolled in the Canadian Forces Reserve again as a Cadet Instructor two years ago to give back to the youth organization as an adult leader. He is the Supply Officer at the Port Coquitlam air cadet squadron.

Like all reservists, cadet instructors come from a wide range of backgrounds. Some have served in the forces in the past, some are interested adults and perhaps parents of children in the program and yet others are former cadets.

The basic officer qualification course includes a distance-learning component that must be completed in advance of the ten-day course where the candidates are introduced to the Canadian Forces, take instruction in officer’s duties and responsibilities, leadership, instructional techniques, general service knowledge and material specific to the cadet program of instruction. The course is the first of a series of Cadet Instructor qualifications that combines in-house training with extensive on-the job training. After a years satisfactory service at a local squadron or corps, the candidates are commissioned as officers in the Canadian Forces.

Reviewing Officer, Maj. Yvon Savoie, and Commandant of the School presented the sword to Officer Cadet Maclean.

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