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Bermuda Sea Cadets Overseas

The Corps sponsored 9 Cadets overseas this Summer on training and exchange programmes. Three of the Cadets, Jason Ingham, Jason Pitcher and Ian Frith traveled to Edinburgh to join the UK Sea Cadet Corps flagship TS ROYALIST. Royalist is a two masted square-rigged Brig on which the Cadets spent 6 nights at sea sailing from Port Edgar to Inverness before qualifying as Offshore Sailing Hands level 1.

In Inverness they traveled to Ault Bea, Rosshire and joined a Northern Area Sea Cadet Summer Camp. This Camp hosted 3 more Bermuda Cadets, Roger Perret, Phillip Anderson, Andy Kerr and Petty Officer Calvin Hayward escort officer. The group participated in a variety of activity including sailing, windsurfing, kayaking and adventure training.

In terms of qualifications all received proficiency awards in Camp Craft while Cadets Perret, Ingham and Kerr graduated to Expeditionary Leader level 6. Adventure training is a new feature in the local Sea Cadet programme and these Cadets will progress to Level 1.

After the Northern Area Summer Camp they journeyed to HMS Bristol in Portsmouth for an International Summer Camp where Cadets from the USA, Canada, Belgium, The Netherlands and Sweden joined them.

International Cadet News

Bermuda Sea Cadets hosted its International Summer Exchange with Cadets from the Royal Canadian, UK and United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps. Part of their 2-week programme involved VIPs visits that included H. E. The Governor, the Director of Youth, Sport and Recreation and the Director of Tourism. The Cadets in the adjoining picture are seen with Judith Hall-Bean Director of Tourism. The Cadets were accommodated at Warwick Camp, but during the day were they had a hectic



schedule of activity involving Tours to Bermuda Underwater Exploration Institute, The Biological Station, The Aquarium, Air Traffic Control and Bermuda Weather Service to name a few. Highlights of their visit were being hosted in Cadets homes, Boat Tours, Beaching, and Fresh TV.

All of the International training and exchanges are conducted with members of the International Sea Cadet Association (ISCA) in which the Bermuda Sea Cadet Corps is a Founding member.



Corp to get additional Optimist Prams

Commander of the Corp Anthony Lightbourne said he was delighted when he was called on July 16 with the News that they will be able to purchase an additional 6 Optimist Prams. Commander Lightbourne indicated that a proposal for the purchase of additional prams also included the cost of building a proper storage system for the Prams. More importantly it will allow Cadets in the West End of the Island to sail closer to home. The idea of forming a strategic alliance with one of the West End boat Clubs will be pursued as well. The Commander said he strongly supports outreach programmes that will allow not only Cadets to learn to sail but other budding sailors as well in the community.



Pictured are Cadets from TS Admiral Somers, The St. George Sea Cadet Unit, going through the paces at their Annual Inspection in 2002.

Iron Duke

Being at the right place at the right time had its benefits for local Cadets of TS Admiral Somers. Trying to find Cadets at this point in summer is difficult with families vacationing abroad. However 8 Cadets from TS Admiral Somers and Sub Lieutenant Mark Guishard (second from right) accepted the offer from the Ship for a private tour. HMS Iron Duke a Type 23 Frigate arrived in Bermuda on the 8th of August for rest and relaxation after a seven-months of patrolling Caribbean waters.

HM Ship visits are a treat for Sea Cadets as there isn't much activity of Naval Ships in Bermuda. Most of the Cadets pictured are recently back from summer training in the UK or Canada.

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