2019 Nominations for Awards to Individuals



Do you know someone who has shown outstanding dedication or done exceptional work for the Air Cadet Program?

Provincial Distinguished Service Medal (PDSM) Bob McMeekin Special Award of Recognition Board of Governors Certificate of Recognition Provincial Certificate of Merit CIC Awards of Excellence (Cadet Instructor Officers, and Cadet Flying Program Officers.

Nominate them for recognition by the OPC! Deadline: Tuesday, September 3, 2019!

Call for nominations of League Provincial or Sponsoring Committee members, CIC Officers, Civilian Instructors or Civilian Volunteers, Sponsor Organizations, or Community Supporters, for the series of awards for individuals. This year, we will <u>announce all Awards six weeks in advance</u> of the Conference & AGM, as well as advising when and where they will be presented (i.e., a specific Conference venue or at their local Squadron).

Any two members of the OPC community may use *the standard nomination form* that follows this notice, to nominate recipients.

In addition to completing the nomination form – which <u>requires two signatures</u> – we ask you to submit a short (max. 50word) explanation of why they deserve this recognition, together with some background information on their service and contributions (a dozen bullet-points will usually do).

All nominations must be received at the OPC Office – by email, or post – by Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

PROVINCIAL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (PDSM)

The PDSM, was first presented in October 2018 and is the OPC's premier award for Members.

Individuals eligible for nomination include: (a) Provincial OPC members – Governors, Life and Honorary members, and Directors; (b) local members, such as Sponsoring Committee Chairs, Treasurers and Sponsoring Committee members; and (c) employees of the OPC. *CIC Officers, Civilian Instructors and Civilian Volunteers are not eligible.*

The following criteria apply:

- Recipients must have rendered exceptional and valued service over at least ten years. (have received the Volunteer Long Service Medal)
- Such service is not reckoned by the length of membership or tenure in an office alone, but by proactive and
 effective efforts, with demonstrable contributions to Squadrons or the League.
- Recipients should have been previously recognized by the OPC or the League's National level;
- The Medal may also, on occasion, be awarded for a noteworthy and significant achievement.

A maximum of 6 medals will be awarded annually.

OPC Awards and Recognition Committee Form: 2019 Individual Awards Nomination

BOB MCMEEKIN SPECIAL AWARD OF RECOGNITION

The McMeekin Award has been presented since 1997, to recognize distinguished service or a particularly outstanding achievement in a focused area of the Air Cadet Program or League activity. The recipient may be an individual involved in or connected with the Program – in any capacity – who has either demonstrated an effective and selfless commitment to the OPC and Air Cadets in Ontario generally or achieved some notable accomplishment on their behalf.

Only one Award is given annually, although there may be multiple recipients in the case of a joint effort or to an organization. (This Award may not necessarly be given every year).

BOARD OF GOVERNORS CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

This prestigious, senior award was inaugurated in 2001. It is given in the name of the Board of Governors to a member at the Provincial or Squadron level, who has distinguished him or herself by exceptional performance or through significant contributions.

Usually up to nine Certificates are presented annually: six for League members, and three for DND partners or affiliated individuals and organizations.

PROVINCIAL CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Certificates of Merit may be presented to League members working at the Provincial or Squadron level, DND partners – including CIC Officers, Civilian Instructors and Volunteers – or other individuals and supporting organizations. The Certificates may recognize a broad range of endeavours that demonstrate dedication and a high level of performance in any capacity, or specific accomplishments, or generous support of the OPC, a Squadron, a specific activity, or the Air Cadet Program in Ontario generally.

Up to 30 Certificates may be presented annually.

CIC AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

CADET INSTRUCTOR OFFICERS

Since 2001, the OPC annually presents Awards of Excellence to CIC Officers holding the rank of Captain or above – and to "Junior" CIC Officers holding the rank of Lieutenant or lower (since 2008). They are to recognize exemplary service and exceptional achievements in a Regional, Area, Zone, Regional Cadet Instructor School, Training Centre or Squadron role.

Normally, CIC Officers' Awards take their length of service and command experience into account, while those for Junior Officers focus on performance in staff or operational roles. CIC Officers in both Class "A" and "B" postings are eligible.

While nominations are accepted from any two members of the OPC community, those for Squadron Commanding Officers should be endorsed by the Sponsoring Committee Chair, and all submissions are reviewed by the appropriate Area Officer in Charge before consideration is given by the Committee.

Six to eight Awards may now be made in each category, normally two for Squadrons in each of the six Areas under RCSU(C) command, and up to two for non-Squadron postings.

CADET FLYING PROGRAM OFFICERS

The OPC reserves two additional CIC Awards of Excellence – one in each category – for CIC Officers who are employed in the Cadet Flying Program; either at a Cadet Flying Site with Familiarization Flying activity in the Spring and Fall, or the Power or Glider Pilot Scholarships in the Summer.

Nominations are accepted from any two members of the OPC community; however, they normally originate from OPC members or DND partners who are actively involved in or associated with the Flying Program. All submissions are reviewed by the Regional Cadet Air Operations Officer, who will add their endorsement and submit a priority list to the Committee.

Further Information:

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AIR CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA Ontario Provincial Committee

2019 NOMINATION FOR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Award Recommended:

Provincial Distinguished Service Medal Robert McMeekin Special Recognition Award Board of Governors Certificate of Recognition Provincial Certificate of Merit

CIC Award of Excellence
CIC Award of Excellence (Junior Officer)
CIC Award of Excellence (CFS Officer)

Nominee:

Mr/Ms/Rank:	Last Name(s):			Given Name(s	;):
Home Address:					
Municipality:		ON	Postal Code:		Phone:
Email:					

Nominee's Status:

	Governor / Director / MAL	CIC Officer	RCSU or RCAirOps Staff
	SSC Member	CI or CV Staff	Friend / Supporter of Cadets
Aff	iliation:		

Nominated by:

Mr/Ms/Rank:	Last Name(s):	Given Name(s):	
Position and Affiliation:			
Email:		Phone:	
Signature:		Date:	

Endorsed by:

Mr/Ms/Rank:	Last Name(s):	Given Name(s):	
Position and Affiliat	tion:		
Email:		Phone:	
Signature:		Date:	

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2019 NOMINATION FOR AN INDIVIDUAL AWARD

Required Information:

- 1. A completed Nomination Form.
- 2. A brief summary of the reasons this nominee is a worthy candidate. (max 50 words)
- 3. A more detailed description, if available, providing a resume of their service to the Air Cadet Program, and noting any special accomplishments. *Outline or point-form is acceptable*.
- 4. **NOTE**: Send a copy of any nomination for a <u>CIC Award of Excellence</u> to your Area Cadet Officer Air or the RCAirOpsO, as appropriate. Their written support of the nomination is mandatory.

Submit to:

Send forms and additional information to the Awards and Recognition Committee.

By mail or courier:	By mail or courier:
	Air Cadet League of Canada
	Ontario Provincial Committee
	90c Centurian Drive
	Markham, ON L3R 8C5
By email:	recognition@aircadetleague.on.ca
DEADLINE:	September 03, 2019

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