

THE ARMY CADET LEAGUE OF CANADA (BRITISH COLUMBIA)



ACLBC BC Branch President's Trophy Outstanding Army Cadet Pacific Region

Background

This award was created in 2007 by the Army Cadet League of Canada to recognize an outstanding Army Cadet in each provincial and territorial Branch, thus ensuring a cohesive approach to the Walsh Memorial Sword-the outstanding Canadian Army Cadet. Please refer to Policy 13.19 The ACLC Branch President's Trophy. The Branch President's Trophy was initiated by Col Gene Lake a former president of the ACLC BC Branch from 2000-2010. Gene retired from the Regular Forces at his present rank of Colonel and joined RCSU(P). After his retirement, he joined the Army Cadet League BC Branch as a director, and later became the Branch President. Gene felt the cadets needed an award to strive for. He commissioned a sculptor in Victoria to create the Branch Presidents trophy-a bronze cadets standing on a wooden base.

Scope

The Army Cadet League of Canada, British Columbia Branch will recognize annually, one deserving outstanding Army Cadet in the Pacific Region that has demonstrated leadership, initiative, mentorship, and dedication to the support of The Army Cadet Program in his/her community. The award is called The ACLC (BC) President's trophy. The recipient of the President's Trophy will represent the BC Branch at Remembrance Day in Victoria, BC. Travel will be provided for the recipient and a chaperone to lay a wreath on behalf of the Branch at the official service for the province of BC. The service is located at the Provincial Cenotaph at the Parliament Buildings in Victoria, BC. Participation & travel for this event will be authorized from RCSU(P).

Eligibility

The award is open for anyone to any British Columbia Army Cadet with the following criteria;

- a) Be a recipient of the Royal Canadian Legion Cadet Medal of Excellence;
- b) Be a serving Army Cadet on the date of nomination;
- c) Be in a position to continue to serve as a member of the RCACC until 01 June of the proceeding year;
- d) Be Master Cadet qualified;
- e) Have demonstrated outstanding loyalty to his/her Cadet Corps and the Royal Canadian Army Cadets
- f) Be regarded as an excellent ambassador of the RCACC Program
- g) Have Successfully completed an Advanced Training Summer Course or have participated in a National Level Directed Activity.

Nominations

Nominations for this award may come from the Corps Commanding Officer or other staff members of the Cadet Corps. Nominations must be in the form of a PDF Document of the following;

- a) A copy of the Cadet Record from Fortress
- b) Recommendation letter from the Commanding Officer/Staff Member of Corps
- c) Recommendation letter from the Support Committee
- d) Recommendation letter from a School Teacher/Principal
- e) Grades from current year in School

The recommendation letter will emphasize the Cadet's education, community involvement, attendance, dedication to leadership, extra curriculars and cadet qualifications. Nominations must reach the ACLC BC Branch Executive Director by 31 May in the year of nomination.

Presentation

The ACLC BC Branch Presidents trophy will be presented to the winner at a function arranged by the ACLC(BC). The recipient will be awarded a miniature sword at the time of presentation.

Nomination Board

The due date for nominations for the Presidents Top Army Cadet award is 31 May in the year of nomination. The ACLC BC Branch Honour and Award Committee and a representative from RCSU(P) will schedule a nomination board. If during the nomination board a tie is reached, the President of the ACLC BC Branch will vote on the winner of the award.

Notification & Announcements

The ACLC BC Branch shall be responsible for notifying the National Office no later than 15 June Annually. The recipient of the Branch President's trophy is the Branch's nomination for the Walsh Memorial Sword- Outstanding Canadian Army Cadet. In addition, the Branch is responsible to notify;

- a) Commanding Officer Regional Support Unit;
- b) Branch Board of Directors;
- c) The Cadet Corps Commanding Officer;
- d) The Cadet Corps Support Committee Chair;
- e) The Cadet.

