

## CADETS AT PITCH BLACK OPEN DAY

Seventeen nations have recently completed Pitch Black 2022. The three-week Defence exercise included an Open Day for the Darwin public, which was the perfect opportunity for our Air Force Cadets to view aircraft taking part in the exercise as well as meet Australian and international pilots and ground crew.

The Cadets were there in force, with an impressive tent and display. Leading Cadets (LCDT), Pragad Tiwari, Jack Lewis and Taluga Adakpoku were photographed visiting the United States Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey that was on display.

"I have loved talking to the other nations Air Force members and I traded patches," Leading Cadet Jack Lewis said.



### CADET AND INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

The announcement of the AAFC Cadet and Instructor of the Year for 2022 was made recently at the Air Force Cadets National and No. 2Wing (South QLD) Annual Awards Dinner.

Cadet Under Officer Luke Woodfield from No.508 SQN, Launceston Tasmania, is the AAFC Cadet of the Year and the runner up is Cadet Under Officer Miles Roberts from No. 323 SQN, Blue Mountains NSW.

Pilot Officer (AAFC) Jack Tautz from No. 202 SQN, Daisy Hill, South QLD and Aviation Operations Wing is the AAFC Instructor of the Year and the runner-up is Sergeant (AAFC) Michael Thomas from No. 704 City of Wanneroo Squadron, WA.

#### **OUR FAMILY**



Cadets

6996



**Instructors** 1274

Volunteers 409





### STEM STRATEGY LAUNCHED

Did you know that the Air Force Cadets recently launched a new STEM Strategy?

The new strategy is focused on creating missiondriven opportunities to enable cadets to collaborate and solve problems. It creates learning experiences that are less classroom-like and more real-world.

Future learning will be more about tasks than textbooks, interweaving leadership and personal development to build confidence and resilience. To learn more about the strategy, view the STEM strategy video on the AAFC website.

# CADET FIREARM TRAINING PROGRAM

Aside from aviation and field craft activities, firearms activities have always been a popular activity within the Air Force Cadets.

The Air Force supports the firearm training program and provides access to training, certified shooting ranges, a supply of ammunition, and occasionally a number of its instructors to assist the Cadets.

The program has been operating for over 25 years and has had an incidentfree record of operations. Firearms training is just part of the extensive education and experience program that Cadets receive.



#### LETS CONNECT











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39,000

5,664

2,470

2,000



"The beautiful thing about learning is that nobody can take it away from you." B.B King



QUOTE

