

# 5 SQUADRON AIR TRAINING CORPS

## *Formal Dinner 2024*

### **Executive Summary:**

**What:** Annual 5 Squadron Formal Dinner with three course meal and events  
**When:** Sunday 8 September 2024 at 5:00pm  
**Where:** Ellerslie Event Centre, 100 Ascot Avenue, Ellerslie, Auckland 1051  
**Who:** 5 Squadron Cadets, Parents and Guardians, Guests, VIPs  
**USC Funding:** Unit Support Committee will be supplementing costs with a budget of \$4-5k estimated  
**Individual Ticket Costs: (Tickets available until 19 August 2024 - 3 weeks before event)**

- **Cadet: \$57.50 (includes GST)**
- **1<sup>st</sup> Parent: \$57.50 (includes GST)**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Parent: \$65.00 (includes GST)**

### **Application Process:**

In order to attend, the RSVP form, Cadetnet application and full payment needs to be completed prior to 18-August-2024 at 11:59pm.

- 1) RSVP Form: <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/kbByhLCBig>
- 2) Cadets must also apply on CadetNet for this offsite activity
- 3) Full payment for the tickets for the cadets and parents/guardians

### **Details:**

The annual 5 Squadron Formal Dinner event is being hosted at the Ellerslie Event Centre on 8-September-2024 for New Zealand Air Cadets starting at 2pm for Volunteers and 5pm for the rest. This formal event offers cadets and their families a structured and ceremonial dining experience, reinforcing the values of discipline, respect, and camaraderie central to the Air Cadet program.

The evening features a formal three-course dinner, providing a refined dining experience for cadets and their families. Speeches delivered by VIP guests and senior officers are a central component, focusing on themes such as leadership, service, and the values of the Air Cadets. The event is well-attended, with cadets accompanied by their parents or guardians. In 2023, the event saw 230 cadets and parents in attendance and this year, we estimate upwards of 280 people attending this year.

### **Dress:**

NZCF Officers: Service Dress with metals (No. 1B), without hat  
NZCF Cadets: SNCO: No. 3A with jersey, without hat  
JNCOs/Cadets: No. 3B with jersey, without hat

Civilian: Black Tie (or jacket and tie)  
Formal evening wear

**Agenda:**

- 1400 (2:00pm) volunteers arrive - pack-in
- 1530 (3:30pm) stewards arrive for briefing
- 1700 (5:00pm) guests arrive
- 1720 (5:20pm) Dinner call
- 1730 (5:30pm) Dinner service commences
- 1900 (7:00pm) Dessert served (at the latest)
- 1930 (7:30pm) table cleared except port glasses for toasts
- 2030 (8:30pm) Dinner completed (at the latest)
- 2100 (9:00pm) pack-out complete (at the latest)

Photos from last year's Formal Dinner.

