

Six picked as Lt-Governor's cadets for this year

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A SPECIAL group of young people have been selected to be this year's Lt-Governor's cadets.

Each year teenagers from the island's youth organisations and groups are selected to take on the role, which involves helping with ceremonial activities.

Lt-Governor Air Marshal Peter Walker presented the new cadets with their special medals during a ceremony at Government House.

He said it was a pleasure to recognise their high standards with the medals.

Their appointment as the Lt-Governor's cadets is part of a tradition that dates back to the late 1980s and their duties will see them involved in a wide range of public events throughout the coming year,' he said.

This year six youngsters – Peter Bourne, Scott Dorrity, Yvette Griffiths, Morgan Johnson, Luke Laine and Alexander Ogier – have been chosen to take on the role.

Ms Johnson, Cadet Petty Officer with the TS Sarnia



The Lt-Governor, Air Marshal Peter Walker, with this year's Lt-Governor cadets who will assist at formal occasions. Left to right: Scott Dorrity, Alexander Ogier, Luke Laine, Yvette Griffiths, Peter Bourne and Morgan Johnson. (Picture by Steve Sarre, 5785325)

Sea Cadet Corps, felt honoured to have been chosen.

She had seen two other members of the Sea Cadets chosen for the ceremonial role in the past.

'I always thought that was a great thing to achieve and I would like to do that one day,' she said.

The 18-year-old was given particular credit at the pres-

entation for saving her sister's life last year with her first aid skills.

She was nominated for a Cadets Force National Award for her quick thinking when her sister collapsed and hit her head, putting into action what she had been taught.

Peter Bourne, 17, is a member of the Royal Navy section of the Elizabeth College Com-

bined Cadet Force and this year passed the Royal Navy CCF senior leadership course, at HMS Raleigh, with distinction.

He is also a member of the 9th St Peter's Explorer Scouts.

He also felt honoured to be one of this year's Lt-Governor's cadets and receive such recognition.

'You work so hard all the

time and it is great for recognition to come from such a high figure as the Lt-Governor,' he said.

Family and invited guests watched the teenagers collect their medals and raised a toast to the new cadets.

Scott Dorrity and Luke Laine were praised for their dedicated involvement in Scouting when they received their medals.

Yvette Griffiths was similarly credited for her involvement in Girlguiding and helping a Rainbows group.

Her other community work includes volunteering for the GSPCA and helping at an African orphanage during a trip.

The final new cadet, Alexander Ogier, is currently the Royal Marine Detachment's senior cadet with TS Sarnia, where he has been described as a 'natural leader'.

The Lt-Governor's cadet medal is struck locally by Bruce Russell and Son and features a green ribbon and gold clasp.

The new cadets were also presented with a certificate and cloth badge, which they are entitled to wear on their