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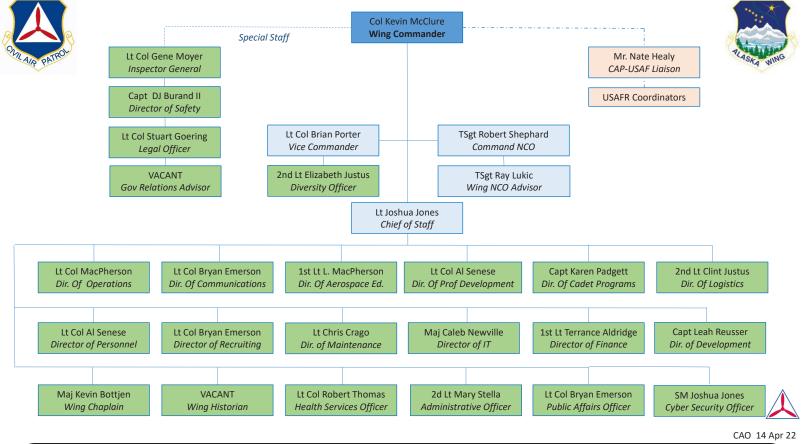
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#### USAF

Capt. Veronica Morthorpe, 99th Flying Training Squadron pilot instructor training student, was recently awarded the Combat Action Medal by Maj. Gen. Kenneth Bibb, 18th Air Force commander, March 14, 2022 at Joint Base Lewis-Mc-Chord, Washington. Morthorpe previously served as a C-17 aircraft commander in support of Operation Allies Refuge at Hamid Karzai International Airport (HKIA), Afghanistan.

#### Citation reads:

On the evening of 29 August, 2021, the crew of Reach 887 came under direct hostile fire while operating in the unsecured airspace in the vicinity of Hamid Karzai International Airport (HKIA) in Kabul, Afghanistan. While outside the defended perimeter of the base, Reach 887 came under direct and lethal heavy machine gun fire while performing noncombatant evacuation operations in support of Operation ALLIES REFUGE.

Upon initial approach into the airfield, the crew observed small arms tracers from multiple points of origin around the airfield. They elected to continue the approach in order to EXFIL the remaining American forces from Kabul. Seconds before the aircraft touchdown, a Taliban-operated vehicle entered the runway, forcing the crew to execute a go-around in close proximity to rapidly rising terrain and ground fire. While

climbing away from the airfield, Reach 887 came under direct aimed heavy machine gun fire. After performing the necessary evasive maneuvers, Reach 887 returned for a second approach

into HKIA. Despite again observing threats in the vicinity of the airfield during the subsequent approach, the crew safely landed the aircraft. During taxi and upload operations, the airfield came under a barrage of direct fire, including heavy machine gun rounds, rocket-propelled grenades, and multiple explosive detonations in the vicinity of the airfield. With small arms and heavy machine-gun fire obstructing the departure flight path, the crew assessed that the threat posed a significant risk of loss of life. After being instructed by the 816th **Expeditionary Airlift Director** of Operations to remain on the ground until the risk subsided, the crew conducted real time analysis of surface fire and detonations to determine optimal departure routing and timing. Once the threat subsided to an acceptable level of risk, after being on the ground for nearly five hours, Reach 887 departed tactically while

successfully evacuating 134 American soldiers during the final hours of operation ALLIES REFUGE.

1st Lt. Madison Lohman and 1st Lt.



Lauren Norell served as copilots on the mission and were also awarded combat action medals. By 12th Flying Training Squadron, Air Education and Training Command, Joint Base San Antonio.









### Operations - Mission

March, 26 - Two CAP aircraft (Fairbanks and Anchorage) responded to an ELT search request. In excellent teamwork and collaboration between the two CAP aircrafts and RCC, the plane was located and the owners shut off the ELT, which had been accidentally activated during landing on an icy, remote lake in the Alaska range.

Photos by Maj Ute Kaden. Below: Lt Hayes during the ELT search in the GA8. Do you see the plane on the snow?





### Operations - Powered Flight Academy



The 2022 Alaska Powered Flight Academy is providing cadets with the opportunity to work toward the their private pilot certificate under the guidance of experienced CFIs.

Cadet Ben Vanderlugt (pictured lower right) from the 71st Eielson squadron flys in the N9547L C172 out of Fairbanks and works on his traffic patterns and landing skills. Flying on a towered

airport requires communication skills and the ability to adjust the traffic patterns as instructed by the tower. "CAP 5037, Fairbanks Tower, extend downwind, I call your base....", are typical radio calls Cadet Vanderlugt has to acknowledge and comply with. This is not an easy task for a student pilot and requires skills to deal with the additional workload. Keep up the good work! Photos by Maj Ute Kaden.

### **Awards**



Above: MG Phelka presents a Level V Wilson achievement certificate to Captain Padgett.

Below: Captain Padgett receives the Region CDI award of the year.

In addition to Capt Padgett, the other fourteen members of the Alaska Wing who have earned the Level V Wilson are Lt Col Michael

Fullerton, Lt Col Mickey Stockwell, Col Carl Brown, Lt Col Bryan Emerson, Lt Col Derk MacPherson, Col Kevin McClure, Lt Col Brian Porter, Lt Col Albert Senese, Col Skip Widfeldt, Lt Col Edward Young Sr., Lt Col James McIntyre, Lt Col David

Thompson and Lt Col Jeffrey Defreest. Congratulations to all!





Above (L to R): 2nd Lt Elizabeth Justus, MG Phelka, C/TSgt Ryan Justus, 2nd Lt Clint Justus. Below: 2nd Lt Justus accepts the Region LG Award of the year.



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### Cadet Programs

#### 2022 Alaska Wing Encampment

Registration Deadline: 8:00 p.m. Thursday, April 28, 2022. Registration Instructions: <a href="https://akwg.cap.gov/encampment/2022">https://akwg.cap.gov/encampment/2022</a> Encampment Financial Aid Instructions (a separate process): <a href="https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/cadets/activities/encampment/ceap-application-process">https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/cadets/activities/encampment/ceap-application-process</a>

The 2022 AKWG Summer Encampment will be held at JBER Sunday, June 12 to Saturday, June 18 for students (staff report in on Thursday, June 9). Encampment provideS cadets with a foundation from which to build on their Civil Air Patrol careers. Register soon!

To view the 2022 AKWG Encampment Promotional Video, click here: <a href="https://www.you-tube.com/watch?v=XTi1P8DR-3g">https://www.you-tube.com/watch?v=XTi1P8DR-3g</a>

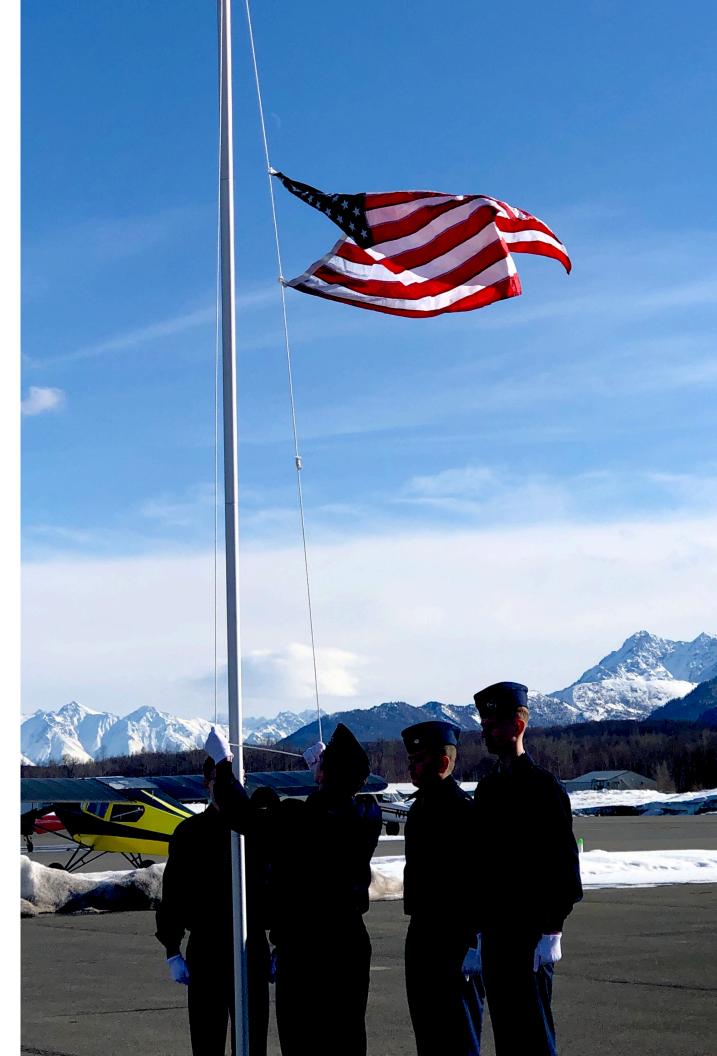
#### National Cadet Special Activities (NCSAs)

So far, more than 20 Alaska Wing cadets are slotted for NCSAs! Many are heading to Hawk Mountain Ranger (Search and Rescue) School, with others attending flight, honor guard, space operations, and robotics academies. Nearly half have been offered funding for tuition and transportation through CadetInvest. Several NCSAs still have openings--check out the Cadet Officer School, Civil Engineering Academy, Hawk Mountain, E-Tech, Honor Guard Academies, and all the

NCSAs at the US Air Force Academy. Cadets can register up to the day before the NCSA begins and must have attended Encampment. For those who met the "ontime" registration Jan 15, it is now safe to make changes to your application without losing your priority. NCSAs information: https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/cadets/activ-ities/national-cadet-special-activities Mark your calendars: Next CadetInvest (Financial Aid) Application Window: Oct 1 to Dec 31, 2022. Next NCSA "Early Ontime" Deadline: Jan 15, 2023.

#### Preparing for the Region Cadet Competition

On April 6, the Kodiak Screaming Eagles hopped a Space-A flight from Kodiak to JBER to meet up with the Birchwood Beavers for a practice cadet competition. The Kodiak Screaming Eagles are Kodiak Composite Squadron's Cadet Competition Team members. The Birchwood Beavers team consists of 4 cadets from Birchwood Composite Squadron and 2 cadets from Lake Hood Squadron. Capt Ed Stickel provided invaluable mentoring, coaching, and teaching to all cadets, Senior Members, Air National Guard, and CAP-USAF personnel present. Color guard events were filmed and debriefed by both teams. For the uniform build, all cadets paired up and tried correctly decorating the hardest of all CAP uniforms--a Class B dress blues shirt of a fictional female Cadet Airman



### Cadet Programs, continued

who has earned several badges and ribbons--no pockets on which to align the ribbons and name tag, and not enough stripes to tell when the rank insignia are parallel to the edge of the collar! For the uniform inspection, cadets from the two teams inspected each other-talk about tough judges! We wish both teams luck as they compete in the Pacific Region Cadet Competition April 22-24 at the North Las Vegas Army National Guard Readiness Center in Nevada.

#### **AEX: Aerospace Education Excellence**

All Alaska Wing cadet units have now registered for AEX, the Aerospace Education Excellence award that all units can earn. The next step is to enter all your STEM activities. Cadets, keep track of all of your squadron's AE and other STEM activities, and ask your AE Officer or Squadron Commander to enter them in eServices before August. This award shows others how dedicated your squadron is to STEM. It also contributes toward your squadron's Quality Cadet Unit Award (QCUA) and Aerospace Achievement Award. Wouldn't it be cool if all 13 Alaska cadet units received all three awards this year?

#### **Glider Academy Fundraiser**

The 2022 Alaska Wing Glider Academy will be held at Clear Space Force Station May 25 to June 5. To defray the costs of the Glider Academy, staff and students will host a car-wash-a-thon 0700-1600 Saturday, April 30th near Polaris Squadron in Anchorage. Stop by! Tell your friends! If you will not be in the Anchorage area that day, or if your car is already clean, you can help support the Glider students by donating through this Facebook fundraiser <a href="https://www.facebook.com/donate/640770337020423/">https://www.facebook.com/donate/640770337020423/</a>

#### **Upcoming Air Shows**

The following Air Shows are coming up soon. Cadets, coordinate with your squadron leaders to attend or help out. If attending with other CAP members, be sure to include Senior Members. Unless otherwise specified, the uniform is ABUs. Represent CAP proudly!

May 7 & 8 (Sat & Sun), Alaska State Fairgrounds & Palmer Airport: Great Alaska Aviation Gathering: <a href="https://alaskaairmen.org/greatgathering/">https://alaskaairmen.org/greatgathering/</a> Volunteers can sign up here <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/">https://www.signupgenius.com/</a> Go/10c0f48acaf22aaffc16-2022 If rep-

resenting CAP, be sure you are meeting Cadet Protection, uniform, and all other applicable regulations.

May 13-15, Valdez Fly-in: <a href="https://www.united.com/">https://www.united.com/</a>

July 30-31, Arctic Thunder, JBER: <a href="https://www.arcticthunderopenhouse.com/">https://www.arcticthunderopenhouse.com/</a>

Photos: Kodiak Screaming Eagles and Birchwood Beavers Cadet Competion Teams practice for Pacific Region Competition at Birchwood Airport.



### Lake Hood

By C/CMSgt Adler

Combined with the AE meeting later in the day, this month had a promotion push led by C/CMSgt Ashlock, who involved various leadership, aerospace activities and drill tests to help cadets move forward towards their promotions! Afterwards, March's AE meeting was held and led by C/Lt Col Annika Ziesmer and C/SrA Bennett. Their main topic for the meeting was unmanned aircraft and the Moon.

3/22/2022-March's CD meeting had several promotions and the cadets who have worked hard to get promoted in this month's meeting are C/SrA Andrews, C/SrA Bennett, C/TSgt Brunelle, C/2dLt. Harris-Barnes, C/A1C Kosinov, C/A1C Michele, C/SrA Ori and C/SrA Wegemer.

Photo: C/SrA Wegemer & C/TSgt Brunelle pin on C/SrA Bennett's new rank while C/2d Lt Harris-Barnes and C/ CMSgt Ashlock look on. Credit: Phil Harris.



### Fairbanks



Capt Henry McCarley is getting ready for the 2022 Tow pilot clinic in the C182



Lot's of flying activity to qualify pilots, provide flight training for the cadets, and practice mission skills took place in Fairbanks at the 9th squadron.

Photos by Maj Ute Kaden.

### **Birchwood**

This month the Birchwood Squadron had the opportunity to assist the Trail Life USA troop 226 in Eagle River in getting their Aviation Badge. Senior Member Heather Parker, her daughter Tirzah and Lt. Col. David Thompsen spent a few hours doing a presentation at the Birchwood hanger for the group of about 15 middle schoolers.

Tirzah took the lead by working with this group on the flying and the forces of flight. She also showed them instruments and basic flight information. Tirzah is learning to fly herself and has received the "High School to Flight School" scholarship for flight school. She is one of two that received this last February. One of the requirements of this scholarship is to give back to the community. By presenting this aerospace education she is getting credit towards that requirement. She will be next working with this group to help them get their Rocket Badge.

Lt. Col. David Thompsen, Birchwood's AE Officer, took on the requirement of what is involved in an actual preflight. He took the check list and involved the group through this whole process and answered several questions the group had. From checking fuel to checking oil, you get a better perspective being at the plane versus a classroom. The group really enjoyed the opportunity to be there and now can wear an aviation badge.

Article written by Lt. Col. David Thompsen. Picture taken by SM Heather Parker.



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### Birchwood, continued

Birchwood Composite Squadron Melting ice, longer daylight hours, beautiful sunsets, Nerf Wars, orientation flights, promotion work, and Cadet Competition practice: these words describe Birchwood Composite Squadron over the last month.

On the 5th Tuesday of March, cadets planned a delicious potluck and an exciting Nerf War. Lots of darts to pick up, but it was worth it! Fun was had by all! Orientation Flights are happening again with the nicer weather; thank you to all of our o-ride pilots! Many cadets are working hard and hoping to promote at the end of April. The **Birchwood Cadet Competition Team** received an invite to compete at the Region Cadet Competition in Las Vegas, Nevada on April 22-24. Not all of the original team could travel on these dates; we therefore recruited one more cadet from Birchwood and two cadets from Lake Hood Squadron. The team put in many hours over the last several weeks learning to work together and to excel in the different events. The team, Birchwood Beavers, extends their immense gratitude to the Kodiak Screaming Eagles for traveling all of the way up to practice with us, help train us, and share knowledge with us. We look forward to competing with Kodiak and others next weekend!



### Delta

In March, Lt Stricklin provided ES instruction and Safety regarding search crews. He also shared some history of general aviation with the cadets for Aerospace Education.

The squadron roasted hot dogs and held a game night for their "5th Tuesday in March" fun activity, thanks to 2 cadets' parents hosting the event. Cadets had a great time in the snow and playing Apples to Apples and other games.

Cadets J. Medlin and P. Porter both received their first orientation flights in a CAP Cessna 206, thanks to the efforts of Capt White and other SMs from the Tok squadron. They both thoroughly enjoyed their new look at the area from above.

Two squadron cadets continue working on their Mitchell Award testing requirements. Capt Schmidt is completing the SCC courses, and also represents the squadron at the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting. C/CMSgt J Fox is active in the AKWG Cadet Advisory Council and is providing monthly updates on the CAC's activities. Cadets are taking a more active role in providing Safety

instruction, drill practices, PT activities, and other areas of leadership.

The Fort Greely Fire Department will be providing upcoming Emergency Services instruction and career insight. Planning continues for Glider Academy in May/June 2022. One squadron cadet will be attending the MAR Honor Guard Academy NCSA, which is very exciting!

Tok and Delta Force squadrons hope to hold another Promotion Push soon, as well as additional orientation flights. Several cadets may be attending an Encampment either this summer or next December. The squadron is looking forward to hopefully holding PT testing outside mid-May, after 8 months without being able to do so. Snow melt locally is extremely slow, with nighttime temps well below freezing, which is ideal due to the potential flooding hazards faced from massive amounts of snow and a much higher moisture content in that snow than normal.

Upcoming aviation events:

7-9 May - Great Alaska Aviation Gathering (Palmer State Fairgrounds/ Palmer Airport) 13-15 May - Valdez Fly-In (Valdez airport)

21 May - Fairbanks Aviation Day (Fairbanks International Airport East Ramp)

31 July – Arctic Thunder Air Show (JBER, Anchorage).



Payton Porter to C Amn 5 Apr 2022



CA1C Joshua Medlin 1st O-Flight 2 Apr 2022

#### Polaris

This month was wildly successful; we started off the month with Blues where several newer cadets promoted:

- Amn Carolina Vakulich (Achievement 1)
- Amn Michael Michaud (Achievement 1)

We also continued our Character Development breakdown of the leadership lessons in the movie Glory. Then we had a fun night where we were able to let our hair down and have a good afternoon of catching up with food and games.

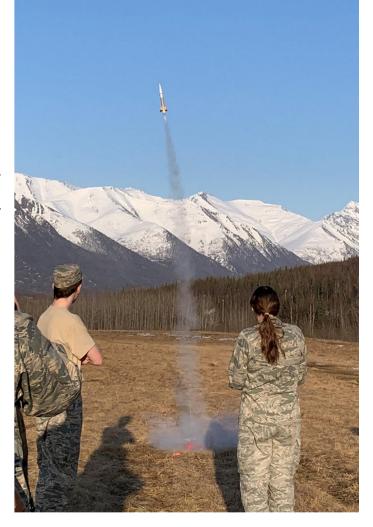
Our AE/ES Meeting of the month was an incredible milestone for our cadet squad. 11 cadets successfully launched their own rockets in the last interactive step before personal testing to earn their rocketry badge. We also worked on flare safety and survival knots.

Two of our cadets, C/2Lt Michael Krol and C/1Lt Madeline Anderson, attended Powered Flight Academy. At the time of this article Cadet Anderson has soloed in the C-172.

V/R
C/2Lt Rachel Anderson
Deputy Cadet Commander
Public Affairs Officer







#### MY JOURNEY TO SOLO - C/CAPT MADELINE ANDERSON

"Back in the fall of 2019 I was able to go on my first O-Flight as a brand-new cadet. This was one of the early moments that sparked my love for aviation, and my dream of earning a private pilot's license.

Since then, I have been able to Solo, accomplish ground school, and pass the FAA Airman's Knowledge Test. None of this would have been achieved if it were not for the effort and dedication of my flight instructor Lt Col Porter. For over a year we met every week to cover core aeronautical concepts, practice maneuvers and VOR training in the Flight SIMS, practice weight and balance problems, and study for the knowledge test.



After my Solo Flight

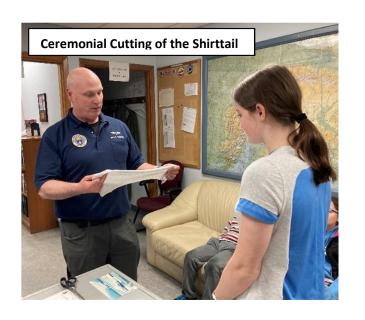
Through this entire journey, I have found that it takes a great deal of patience, stubbornness, and dedication to pursue a pilot's license. I had originally begun my formal flight training back in the summer of 2021, but because of weather limitations, icy runways, and or scheduling conflicts, at the beginning of 2022 I had only gained 10 flight hours.

In the early part of March this year after spending over six weeks studying, I was able to pass the Airmen written knowledge test. A week later I started flight training for the AK Wing PFA. From the beginning of March to the 5th of April, there were only 7 days that I had not spent flying.

The morning of my solo it had started snowing, and I was worried that I had lost my last opportunity (the next day I would be going into surgery). But throughout the day with the amazing help of my parents and my flight instructor, I was finally able to solo the night of April 5th, 2022, 15 minutes before the start of Civil Nautical Twilight.

I am super excited to continue my flight journey, ad am thrilled to see where it will take me in the future! Something I found very special about this entire experience:

When I joined the program, N9694L, was the aircraft I took my first O-Flight in, and later soloed."







#### Kenai

Every Monday 6:30 to 8:30 Kenai Cadets work together on achievements, practicing drill and getting flight simulator time. Kenai Cadets and Seniors present required Safety, Aerospace, Character Development and Leadership Presentations. One excellent presentation was by C/SSgt Luke Hillyer and C/SSgt Lane Hillyer. Their slides on the islands of Hawaii, the Wheeler Composite Squadron, and refueling of a F-22 from a KC-135, started a lot of interesting conversations. Their experience of CAP meetings in Hawaii were truly wonderful. While in Hawaii they participated in powered and glider orientation flights. We're glad to have these brothers back in our Kenai Squadron.

Four new cadets took the Wingman Course. The newest cadets are: Cadet Aaron Fletcher, Cadet Thomas Martin, Cadet Shimi Masson, and Cadet Laif Rothenberger. They are busy working on Achievement 1. They are a positive asset to our squadron.

Cadets have been working very hard.
C/2d Lt Wyatt Cole promoted to Achievement 10. He's an excellent leader and sets a good example for all other members. Cadet Luke Hillyer and Cadet Lane Hillyer achieved the Wright Brothers Milestone and promoted to Staff Sargeants in Achievement 4. Six cadets are working on Achievement 1. C/TSgt Lydia Schwartz and C/SSgt Luke Cole are active in CAC. Cadet Lydia Schwartz leads the new Comms Committee.



C/TSgt Lydia Schwartz, C/2dLt Wyatt Cole, C/SSgt Matthew Schwartz and C/SSgt Luke Cole perform Color Guard.



C/SSgt Luke Hillyer and C/SSgt Lane Hillyer tell about Wheeler Squadron in Hawaii.



## OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COMMANDER NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS CIVIL AIR PATROL

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY
MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, ALABAMA 36112-5937

28 March 2022

#### MEMORANDUM FOR ALL CAP WING AND REGION COMMANDERS

SUBJECT: CAP Spring Recruiting Challenge

- 1. As Civil Air Patrol and our nation start to reopen from the COVID-19 pandemic, it is time to take action to rebuild our organization and to expand CAP's membership. I am pleased to announce a Spring Recruiting Challenge as a friendly competition between wings, with wings encouraged to foster competition among their own units. The Spring Recruiting Challenge will run from 1 April 2022 through 31 July 2022 and consist of two competition categories (total growth and percentage growth).
- 2. Wings will be broken into two categories large wings (greater than 1,000 total members) and small wings. There will be four winners total. The winners will include the wing with the highest total growth and the wing with the highest percentage growth from the large wing category and the small wing category.
- 3. Membership statistics from the end of March 2022 monthly membership report (determined by NHQ/DP) will be used as the starting point for calculating all membership gains. All membership types will be counted. The final numbers will be taken from the monthly membership numbers for July and will be determined by NHQ/DP in early August.
- 4. Because leadership and mentoring are an important part of the recruiting process, wings and their corresponding regions must have their wing/region Recruiting and Retention position staffed to be eligible. If the position is currently vacant, the position must be filled no later than 1 May 2022 and remain staffed through 31 July 2022.
- 5. The four winning wing commanders, their respective region commanders, and their wing/region Directors of Recruiting and Retention will enjoy a special lunch with the National Commander and Vice Commander during the 2022 National Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. The four winning wing Directors of Recruiting and Retention, and their counterparts at the region, will receive a National Commander's Challenge Coin.
- 6. The National Recruiting and Retention Team will host a series of online workshops to provide assistance for Recruiting and Retention Officers at all levels to help plan and conduct open houses, information sessions, and publicity events. Please ensure your staff is aware of the excellent Open House resources that are available for download at this link. We hope this challenge helps motivate and inspire all our units to rebuild their membership rolls. Thank you for your leadership!

EDWARD D. PHELKA Major General, CAP



## Recruiting to Strengthen Pacific Region

Make a short video to promote joining Civil Air Patrol. Get your cadet friends to help.

Save your video to our contest Google Drive Folder to enter it into our contest.

Keep it short, so we can all use your video on social media to attract new members.

There will be cash prizes for the top five videos.

Please direct your questions to:
Scott.maguire@orwgcap.org, PCR Public Affairs Director.
Where to find the rules and save your videos:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1q362X2W25WFWNfoRLB97y\_WWzG4aC\_\_\_?usp=sharing

### Communications

#### ReadyOp in the spotlight

By Lt Col Diego Irizarry

In advance of summer emergencies, now is a perfect time for Command Staff, Emergency Service personnel, pilots, and communicators to learn the ReadyOp system, which was introduced in Alaska in June, 2021. Trained CAP members can efficiently and effectively communicate with other CAP nodes as well as emergency service agencies across the country. They can also utilize the program's realistic training simulations of local, regional, and national emergencies to improve and expand CAP's services to the Air Force and our communities.

For all authorized users, the platform includes encrypted data, voice, and video communications organized in a user-friendly view dispatch. The ReadyOp DT mobile application is downloadable from any mobile device, such as tablets, smartphones, iPhones, Android phones, and iPad tablets. The Chrome Browser is required if using a PC. Incident Commander will no longer be tethered to a desk during an event!

By learning ReadyOp, CAP members can complete a Specialty Track Rating Level within the Communications Program.

Interested individuals with no communications gear assigned, this is your chance! Request your ReadyOp user account and welcome!

To initiate the process, first complete ICUT (Introductory Communications User Training) on the CAP e-services website, LMS. Once authorized, individuals can start monitoring communication channels and learning what the platform has to offer. Don't forget to complete the GES and OPSEC training before ICUT training. These will ensure that your qualifications are recorded. Altogether this training takes less than a few hours.

Points worth noting since ReadyOp was introduced in Alaska:

- 33 Nets logged with 139 accumulative stations check-ins.
- Average checks per net have increased in the past 3 months.
- Participation of 16 unique AK Wing stations.
- Other wings have joined and checked in into our AK ReadyOp weekly Nets, such as California, Washington, and Puerto Rico.
- 17 new users ReadyOp account
- No radio needed.
- Significant increase in None Rating, and Technician Rating completion
- You may use your actual Call Sign; it doesn't matter if it is 2 or 4 digits long.

#### **Arcturus**



O-ride cadets Elizabeth Olson and Rigel Bender take a break during a scheduled stop at Palmer Airport to swap seats. Photos by Lt Col Jim McCarthy.



Arcturus cadets enjoy a fabulous view of the Chugach Mountains during evening formation.

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CLEAN, DRAIN, and DRY boats, trailers, floatplanes, equipment and gear to Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers!

**CLEAN:** Remove visible plants, animals, and mud from inside and outside of boats, floatplanes, and trailers, including propellers, rudders, and trailer bumpers.

**DRAIN:** Pull the plug on your boat, pump out floatplane floats, and empty tanks, compartments and containers holding lake water.

**DRY:** As able, dry all surfaces before you enter another water body.

















