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Cover: Taku River flooding mission. Above: C/Capt Mitchell Anderson is congratulated, after passing his Private Pilot Glider practical test, by FAA DPE Hon Kinzie (L) and Mitchell's instructor LTC Jim McCarthy (R).



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By Alan Brown

Public Affairs Officer, Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

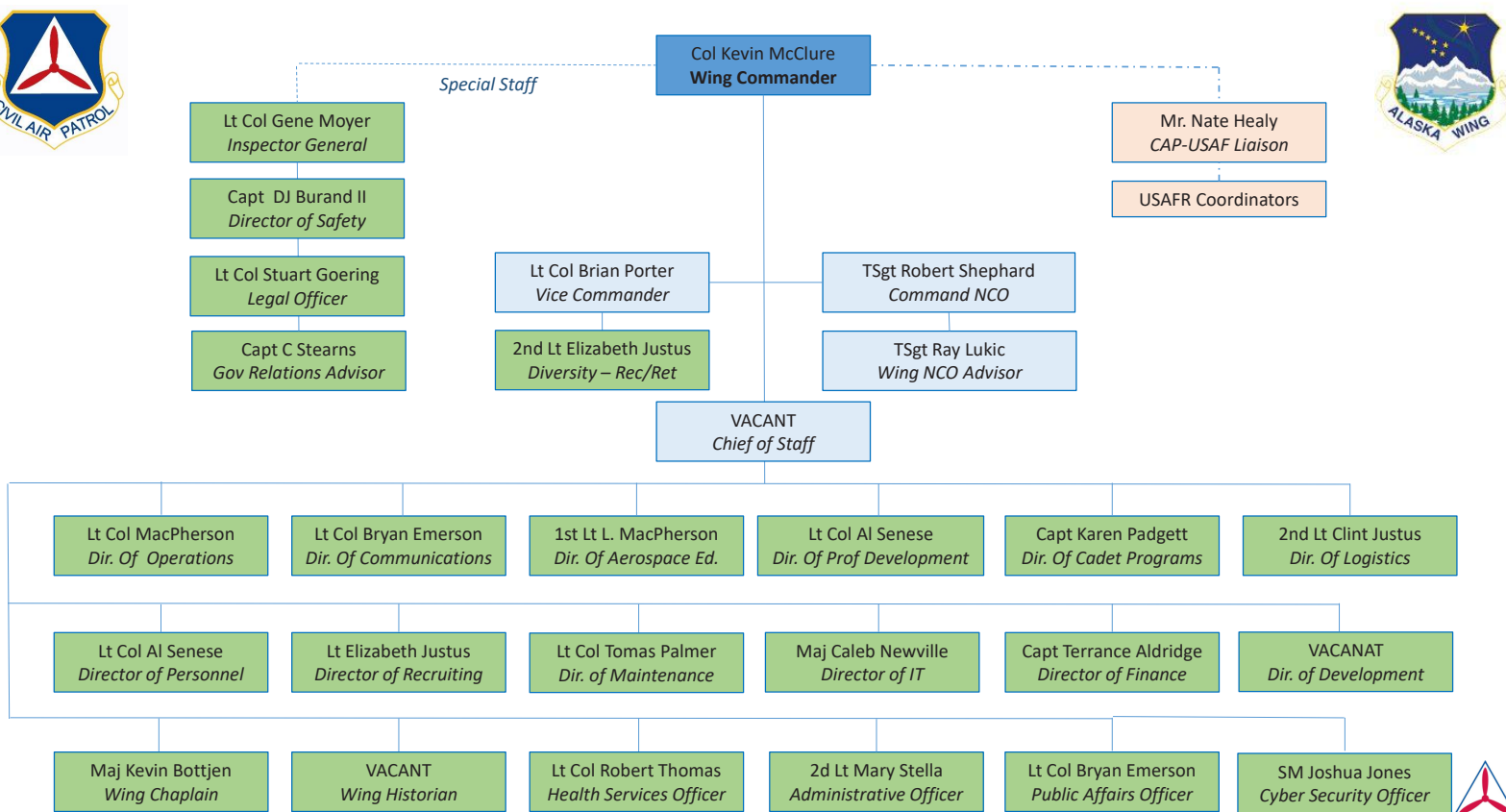
Alaska Civil Air Patrol wing aligns with DMVA to increase partnership, capability

Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska -- The Alaska Wing of the Civil Air Patrol became officially aligned underneath the Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs this month, opening the door for closer state-wide cooperation and partnership between the two organizations.

According to the Alaska CAP Wing commander, Col. Kevin McClure, the new alignment is a welcome change. "I've always thought we belonged under DMVA," he said. "We're here to support the state in anything they need."

The new administrative alignment is made possible through a \$250,000 grant which will be awarded through the DMVA's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, said the division director Bryan Fisher. He said the Alaska legislature made the FY23 allocation for the Alaska Wing with the intent on having DHS&EM award the annual grant by the beginning of each fiscal year.

The CAP is the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force and operates as a federally chartered nonprofit organization, receiving most of its funding from the Department of the Air Force. According to McClure, the grant will help CAP offset the essential operational and maintenance costs of their 16 detachments which support more than 500 members and 200 cadets across Alaska.



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Cadet Programs

14 Sep 2022 - Capt Karen L Padgett, AKWG Director of Cadet Programs

As always, a lot is happening in the Alaska Wing Cadet Program!

Periodically peruse the Alaska Wing Cadet Programs web pages for the very latest & greatest: <https://akwg.cap.gov/programs/cp>

2021 Encampment Weekbook is now available here: https://issuu.com/capakwg/docs/2022_akwg_summer_encampment_weekbook_818c298de5de5?-fr=sYzU3ZDI5MTc0MzI

Wing Conference 10/1/22: See other articles in this newsletter concerning the upcoming Alaska Wing Conference. Cadets are invited to participate in Senior Member sessions that may interest them, especially the Cadet Programs SM sessions where cadets will be able to help. There will also be a track of sessions specifically for cadets on topics such as Encampment Prep, National Cadet Special Activities (NCSAs), Cadet Advisory Council (CAC), CadetInvest (free money for cadets!), and Cadet Competition. Bring your laptops to get the most out of the Wing Conference. Senior Members, make sure your Cadet Protection Training is up-to-date!

CadetInvest AKWG Contest starts 10/1/22: A \$100 Vanguard Gift Certificate will be awarded to a randomly-selected cadet who registers for CadetInvest in the first week of October

(10/1/22-10/7/22). All cadets who register by 10/14/22 are eligible for a \$50 drawing, \$30 by 10/21/22, and \$20 by 10/28/22. CadetInvest provides cadets access to scholarships and financial aid for cadet activities, flight instruction, and college. In 2021, only 30 Alaska cadets applied. Our goal this year is for 200 cadets to apply. Many cadets unexpectedly ended up attending activities but had missed the CadetInvest deadline. CadetInvest closes 12/31/22, long before cadets know their summer plans. So hedge your bets and apply early. Initial registration takes 5 minutes. To apply: Starting 10/1/22, go to eServices, Cadet Programs, CAP CadetInvest, red pulldown menu, "Apply for CadetInvest." On Tab 1, check all boxes & enter your info. On Tab 2, choose a level of financial assistance you'd like. On Tab 7, submit. That's it to get on the list!! You can go back in until 12/31/22 to add supporting information (highly encouraged!). More info on CadetInvest can be found here: <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/cadets/cadetinvest>

Oregon Winter Encampment: At least 20 Alaskans plan to participate in the Oregon Winter Encampment 12/28/22-1/3/23 (Staff/cadre report a day earlier). Registration is now open until 11/10/22. Registration link: <https://orwgcap.regfox.com/winter-raptor-2022-encampment>, Encampment memo here: <https://akwg.cap.gov/encampment/orwg22> Contact your DCC to coordinate travel with other

AKWG members.

\$\$ for Winter Encampments: We encourage all families who can use encampment financial assistance (CEAP, or Cadet Encampment Assistance Program) to log into eServices & apply here starting 11/1/22: <https://www.capnhq.gov/cap.events.web/modules/ceap.aspx> Register for encampment now. Then register for CEAP starting 11/1/22.

Cadet Advisory Council (CAC): Find out who the CAC representative & alternate are in your squadron! If there isn't one, consider serving as the voice of your squadron! The new CAC year begins 10/1/22. We are happy to announce that the Alaska Wing Chair for FY23 is C/2d Lt Michael Krol. Wing Recorder is C/2d Lt Thomas Clifton. Pacific Region Rep is C/Capt Michael Porter. FY22 CAC information here: <https://akwg.cap.gov/programs/cp/cac> Cadet officers interested in serving as Vice Chair and Region Alternate can contact SM Advisors Maj John Bittle (208341@akwg.cap.gov) and SM Colin Pawletzki (594266@akwg.cap.gov). To represent your squadron, talk to your Deputy Commander for Cadets (DCC).

Save the Dates:

- Thu 12/1/22: Registration for Summer NCSAs opens—click on each link on this website to

learn more NOW before these NCSAs are removed to make room for next year's similar NCSAs: <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/cadets/activities/national-cadet-special-activities> Many NCSAs have their own Facebook pages and websites. See the table at the bottom of this webpage: <https://akwg.cap.gov/programs/cp/activities/ncsas>

- Sat 12/3/22: Virtual & in-person Alaska Wing Cadet Competition. Details including a briefing are available here as plans develop: <https://akwg.cap.gov/programs/cp/activities/22cc>
- Sun 12/4/22: Alaska Wing Cadet Programs Conference. Details here as plans develop: <https://akwg.cap.gov/programs/cp/activities/22cpc>
- April-June 2023: Alaska Wing Distributed Powered Flight Academy. Applications will be available soon! Cadets, take your FAA written test! Get your FAA medicals! Update your Flight Instruction Binders!!
- 5/26/23-6/4/23 (tentative): Alaska Wing Glider Flight Academy. Applications will be available soon!
- June 18-24, 2023: Alaska Wing Encampment
- June-August 2023: NCSAs at various US locations

Arcturus

On Sunday, August 28, C/Capt Mitchell Anderson earned his private pilot glider rating in Alaska Wing's Blanik L-23 glider at Birchwood Airport.

A small but efficient crew came together in support of this effort, with Birchwood squadron cadets Ben and Jack Parker providing all of the "muscle" as the wing-runner team. Mitchell's brother, Capt Kyle Anderson, and SM Steve Parker provided "Airboss" oversight, while LTC Tom Palmer served as the day's towplane pilot.

Although the weather appeared sketchy initially, the proverbial "Birchwood bubble" prevailed in the lee of Bear Mountain, even as cumulonimbus clouds started popping up in every quadrant. Once the morning tow pilot briefing was over, Mitch retired to a small room for more than two hours of grilling with questions by his FAA Designated Pilot Examiner (DPE), Mr. Hon Kinzie.

Hon reported that Mitch was the most well-prepared examinee he had seen in a long time - no doubt a testament to the "tag-team" sessions coordinated by Alaska glider program instructors LTC Jim McCarthy, LTC Don Burand, and Capt Pete Brown, as well as powered instructor LTC Brian Porter.

While Mitch was undergoing the oral portion of his evaluation, the Parker brothers accomplished two glider orientation flights each with LTC McCarthy. Once C/Capt Mitchell and Mr Kinzie appeared on the flightline, the flight portion of the practical test occurred quickly - almost an afterthought. Two high tows (to 3000 and 2300 feet respectively) followed by a simulated rope break at 200 feet. Voila! Alaska Wing's newest FAA-rated pilot. Congratulations C/Capt Mitchell Anderson!

Cadet Captain Anderson,

"Mitch"

Congratulations!! Today was a big day for you and you have the right and privilege of feeling pretty great about yourself. Please do so in abundance, as you have earned it!

And when the euphoria has begun to slightly abate, I want you to know that there is a very large group of folks who are also celebrating along with you. Your success today is a validation of what all the volunteers in the "Glider Group" strive for. So rest assured, that we are also feeling very proud of your accomplishment.

I hope that your success today will also serve as a catalyst for other cadets who are "right there" only a few tasks away from taking that same very important first step into a life of, or a career in, aviation. I can still remember that day 51 years ago in June, 1971, when I took possession of my first "Private Pilot" license. Trust me, that feeling you have inside right now, is not a temporary one. It has become, literally, part of your DNA.

That little piece of paper also now gives you an even greater role to play in mentoring cadets who are hoping to follow in your footsteps. This is a privilege, as well as a responsibility, to take on with vigor.

Again, Well Done, Mitch.

Lt Col Donald Burand
AK Wing, Director of Operations-Glider (D.O.G.)



LtCol John Western with Cadets TSgt Grania Wegemer and A1CPatrick Johansen.

Arcturus, continued

Color Guard and Promotions Night by Lt Elizabeth Justus



Kenai

Every Monday from 6:30 to 8:30 Kenai Cadets and Seniors make Aerospace, Leadership, Safety and Character Development presentations. New Cadet Caleb McCoy made an exquisite Safety presentation. He described the different types of extinguishers. Different ones are used on 1) paper and wood 2) flammable liquids, 3) electricity and 4) grease fires. Excellent conversation followed.

Concerning ATV's, wear a helmet, goggles, chest protector, long sleeves, and boots above the ankle. Always check the oil and gas before your ride. Use a tire gauge to measure pressure. Never ride with low tire pressure. Tighten all bolts. Also, "Keep it like you bought it!" Read the manual! Many accidents occur because an adequate check of the ATV was not done. Conversation of experiences made cadets realize that safety is a matter of life and death. Caleb McCoy's safety talk was well done.

C/SMSgt Lydia Schwartz made a Leadership Presentation. What does it take to be a good leader? The Core Values are necessary. Trust, honor and good communication are also necessary. Cadets had to name a leader they admired. They explained further how the Core Values are important. Cadets continue to practice Core Values in the community in order to make this a better place to live. C/SMSgt Lydia Schwartz continues to do excellent work.

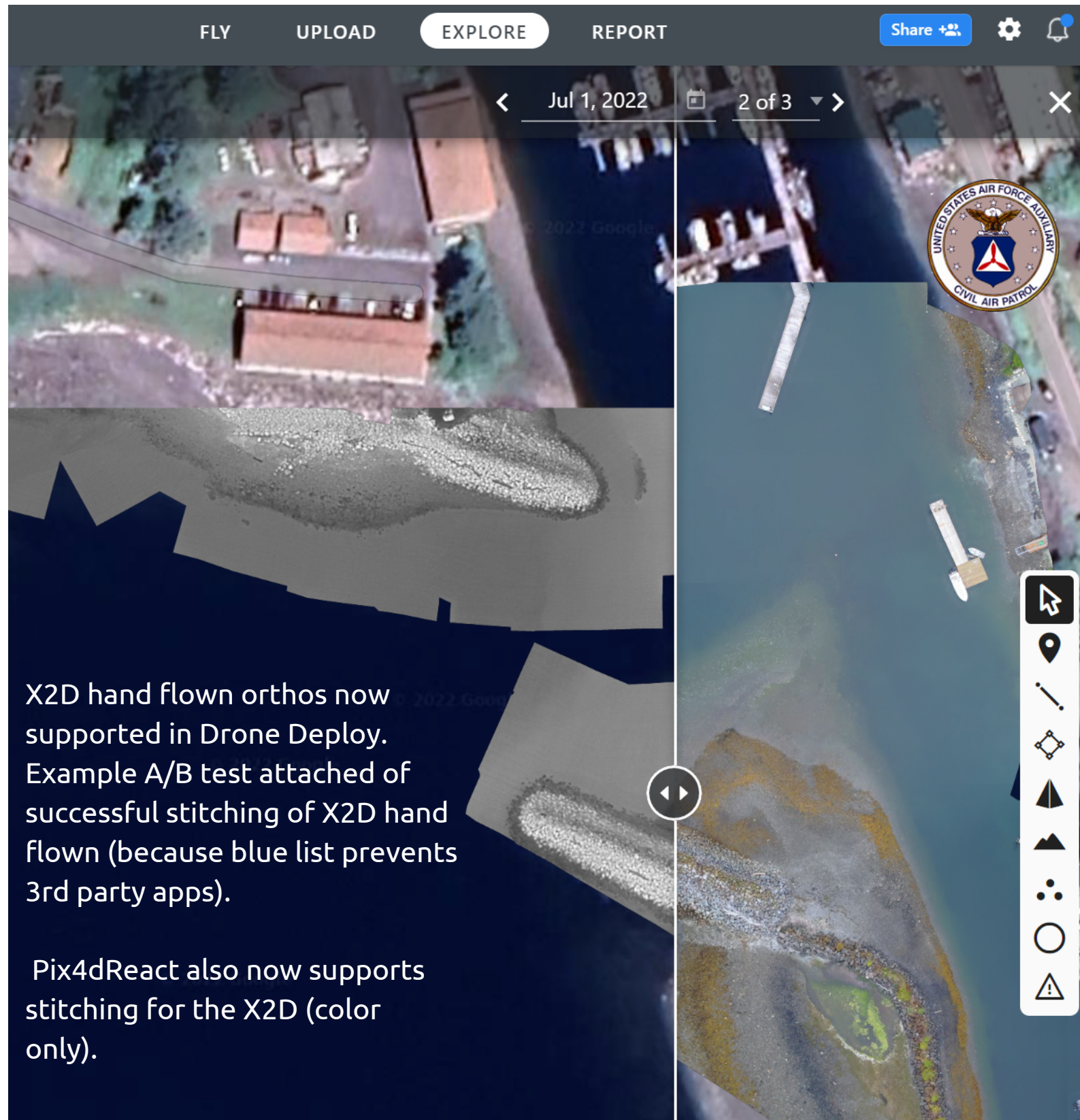
Poor weather prohibited Orientation flights.

All cadets are working hard, setting a good example in our community and supporting each other in practicing the Core Values.



HFZ Day From bottom to top: Cadets Matthew Schwartz Luke Cole Joseph Schwartz Lydia Schwartz Luke Hillyer Lane Hillyer and Wyatt Cole.

PCR AK-091 lab testing X2d in ways not yet flown. Ortho stitching IR.



X2D hand flown orthos now supported in Drone Deploy. Example A/B test attached of successful stitching of X2D hand flown (because blue list prevents 3rd party apps).

Pix4dReact also now supports stitching for the X2D (color only).

Due to OpSec no open web link sharing is allowed with CAP Drone Deploy missions online, but sUAS pilots and technicians can contact Lt. Rice to schedule a screen sharing session to discuss additional details regarding processing 2D/3D built from Prime of Wales and others.



X2D Thermal Cam up and running off the grid near Hollis, AK.

This article in AOPA's June 2022 Mag has our very own Lt. Col Jeff DeFrest and Capt. Kari DeFrest in it. Well done! [Read online!](#)



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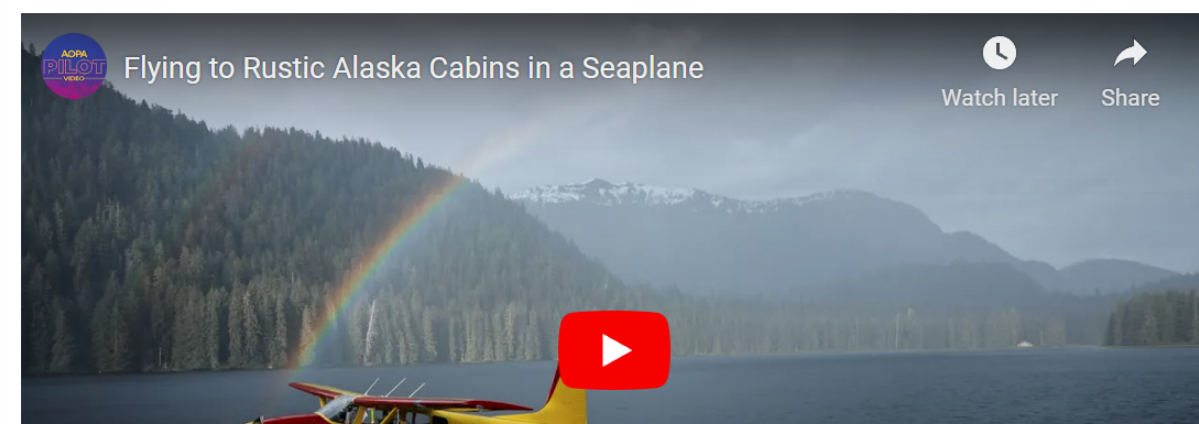
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By Dave Hirschman



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The haunting call of a loon pierces the early morning stillness on Heckman Lake, a mirror-smooth body of water surrounded by towering Sitka spruce, hemlock, and pines in Southeast Alaska.



Congratulations are due to C/SrA Joshua Medlin for his selection as the squadron's Cadet Advisory Council Primary Representative!

Cadets enjoyed a game night with plenty of snacks at the squadron's 5th Tuesday meeting.

Cadet Sponsor Amber Lorenzana and C/Amn Alex Lorenzana continued their robotics and coding instruction for the

monthly aerospace meeting.

The squadron held an outdoors Searching for Clues emergency services activity, and successfully located 75% of the clues. C/CMSgt Matthew Medlin presented a class on boot and shoe care

and shining.

AKWG Conference is in two weeks, and Capt Schmidt is planning to attend.



Cadets Play Ultimate Frisbee



C-A1C P Porter & C-Amn A Lorenzana & C-CMSgt B Lee Robotics

Birchwood

Birchwood cadets met or exceeded all of our August 2022 Challenge goals! The goals involved online courses, promotions, and Blues uniform inspections. To celebrate the success of the challenge, Birchwood enjoyed a fun night of games, snacks, pizza, and ice cream on August 30th. Pizza Hut of Wasilla generously donated the delicious pizza. Thank you Pizza Hut! Special thanks to Cadet Sponsor Linda Kabealo for arranging the donation.

Cole, C/SrA Dooley, C/SrA Shepard, C/SSgt Foreman, C/SSgt Larsen, C/SSgt C. Tolbert-Nielsen, C/SSgt T. Tolbert-Nielsen, C/TSgt Mullins, C/TSgt J. Parker, C/CMSgt B. Parker, C/CMSgt Connolly (Ghost), C/CMSgt Moehring (Ghost), C/2d Lt Benedict (Ghost), C/Capt Anderson (Ghost). Senior Members who recently promoted are 1st Lt Rena Anderson and 2nd Lt Rick Benedict.

Congratulations are also in order to C/Captain Mitchell Anderson for earning his Private Pilot Glider Certificate on August 28th. Thank you to all of the CAP senior members and cadets who made this accomplishment possible!

Congratulations to all of our recent promotees: C/A1C Christiansen, C/A1C H.Cole, C/A1C S. McArthur, C/A1C A. Tolbert-Nielsen, C/SrA Bressler, C/SrA M.



Doug Stark after he and Sandy mowed several years of overgrown grass and beat back alders in Homer.



Cadet Benedict of Birchwood Squadron Proudly Displaying Billy Mitchell Award taken by C/SrA Evans.



Birchwood Squadron Cadets Thanking Pizza Hut for their Pizza Donation taken by SM Heather Parker.

Polaris/Lake Hood

2022 marks the 70th anniversary of the Alaska Air National Guard 176th Wing. On August 4th, Polaris and Lake Hood cadets helped commemorate the anniversary by staffing the registration and sales tables at the 70th Anniversary Gala held in downtown Anchorage, Alaska.

On August 9th, the Lake Hood and Polaris cadets watched a presentation about the space ops NCSA in Cape Canaveral, Florida, given by Alan Padgett. The talk showed interesting pictures of rocket launch pads and rockets. Cadets were extremely excited about the space ops NCSA after the presentation. Afterward, the cadets built paper airplanes

and test flew them in the hangar. They experimented with different designs to see what wing shapes flew farther.

During the August 16th meeting, new and prospective cadets got to do their PT tests and played capture the flag.

The character development and change of command meeting took place on August 23rd. There was an informative class on teamwork led by Chaplain Wiseman before the ceremony. During the ceremony, the position of Cadet Commander was passed from C/Capt. Michael Porter to C/1st Lt Sigge Mellerstig.

New staff positions were chosen for the fall term. At the August 29th staff meeting, the staff put a plan together for the upcoming sessions and planned the goals for cadets. It was a very productive staff meeting, and the staff was ready for all forthcoming meetings. The

staff plans were to promote all cadets and increase qualifications too. During the August 30th fun meeting, cadets played Neft games at a field near the radio club. It was a great time, and everyone enjoyed it.

Afterward, we had cupcakes for C/Amn Isaac Petersen's birthday and chatted.



Staffing the 176th Wing's 70th Anniversary Gala registration table are, from left to right, C/CMSgt Dylan Pittsenbargar, C/CMSgt Madeline Ashlock, C/Lt Col Annika Ziesmer, C/2d Lt Taran Harris-Barnes, Capt Karen Padgett (CAP Alaska Wing Director of Cadet Programs), and Lt Col Jessica Pisano (Alaska Air National Guard Deputy Commander of the 176th Mission Support Group).



After much Nerf fun, Polaris-Lake Hood Joint Ops Cadet Commander C/1st Lt Sigge Mellerstig and Capt Jason Mellerstig celebrate C/Amn Isaac Petersen's birthday.



Three Southeast Alaskan towns, Juneau, Sitka, and Hoonah, make up Southeast Composite Squadron. Initially chartered in the 1950s, the squadron has a long history. They have a hangar in Juneau and currently have a Cessna 185 on amphibious floats and a Cessna 172. While Sitka and Hoonah do not have a hangar, both are an important part of the squadron.

Since the squadron is geographically separated with no roads connecting the towns, it has been difficult for the cadets to interact with each other. The cadet staff developed several ideas to help remedy this problem. One was to plan and execute a weekend activity in Juneau called the Alaska Coastal Training Academy (ACTA). The activity was

a resounding success; you can read more about it on the following pages.

Since the squadron needed emergency services training, they used this activity to accomplish this goal. For this academy to happen, we needed to have skills evaluators. The weekend before the activity, Alaska Wing vice commander and SET trainer Lt Col Porter flew to Juneau to recertify our skills evaluators and certify available cadets for Urban Direction Finding and Ground Team Member 2. This “Train the Trainers” event made ACTA, conducted the following weekend possible.

Every Saturday, Sitka cadets conduct their weekly meetings. This month cadets enjoyed a drone class, learning about the aerodynamics and

sensors that keep them in the air. Cadets participated in an interactive phonetic alphabet class, allowing them to learn and practice using it. Sitka has four new prospective cadets who are enthusiastic and are on their way to their Curry Achievements. Three cadets from Sitka also attended ACTA in Juneau. This month C/Amn Anders received his promotion.

Last month the cadets in Juneau welcomed a new cadet to the squadron, as well as several potential and returning cadets and senior members. They hosted ACTA and got multiple members qualified for Ground Team 3 and Urban Direction Finding in the process. They have also focused on becoming more proficient in drill, encouraging cadet-led classes, and promotions.

All three cadets from Hoonah attended the ACTA. Before they could participate in the training, they had to take the tests for the Curry Achievement and a variety of other Civil Air Patrol and Federal Emergency Management Agency tests. The cadets worked hard to complete these prerequisites before the event and spent several full days together working on them. Following the ACTA in Juneau, the Hoonah cadets have kept busy practicing drill and taking drill tests. The cadets have served their community this month by providing firewood for their church and the elderly. Because of their hard work, C/Amn Austin, C/Amn Clark, and C/Amn Bishop received their promotions in August. Photo: All participants (courtesy 2d Lt Brenda Clark).

Southeast, contined



The Alaska Coastal Training Academy (ACTA), was an overnight, weekend activity hosted by Southeast Composite Squadron from August 19-21, 2022. The goals for this activity included certifying cadets for urban direction finding and ground team qualifications, and boosting enthusiasm and camaraderie within the squadron by bringing the squadron's cadets from Juneau, Sitka, and Hoonah together. These three towns have no road system connecting them which makes travel both challenging as well as expensive; and as such, many of the cadets had never met each other. Both goals were accomplished; eleven cadets from all three locations met in Juneau and participated in the

training. Finally, the squadron's cadets were able to meet and work with other members of the squadron. C/MSgt Ava Coppin, the first sergeant for the activity, said, "This was a momentous achievement for us and has allowed cadets to accelerate their training, improve communication, and become quickly and efficiently qualified in ways that would've taken a great deal of time otherwise."

The cadets participated in two field exercises as well as classroom training. While out in the field, they practiced orienteering, communicating on radios, keeping a pace count, logging course information, and many other skills while they searched for sim-

ulated crash sites using direction finding techniques and equipment. Upon locating the practice ELTs, cadets practiced correct procedures and learned about deactivating ELTs and similar devices. Classroom instruction included identifying potential threats that can arise during a mission and how to handle them and learning how to identify and treat specific injuries, as well as the other required tasks outlined in the Ground & Urban Direction Finding Team Tasks Guide.

Ultimately, ACTA was a big success. All 11 attendees became GTM 3 and UDF qualified. ACTA will be a regular activity, open to anyone in AKWG. Each ACTA will have a different focus as

we aim to gain training and proficiency in many areas, including rocketry, leadership, and other areas of emergency services. This activity was possible because of the extraordinary senior members and cadets from Juneau, Hoonah and Sitka who sacrificed time and energy to make this activity a success. Any cadets or senior members interested in getting involved with future ACTAs may contact C/2d Lt Clifton at 630632@AKWG.CAP.GOV and will be added to the email notification list. By C/MSgt Coppin.

Photo: Capt Marx teaching a group of cadets during a field exercise (courtesy C/A1C Gunner Lotz).

Safety

CAP Safety Management System Series

Proactive Safety – Let’s not wait for something to happen before doing something

One of the most important features of a modern safety culture is that we don’t wait for something to happen before acting. By being proactive we can largely avoid undesirable occurrences and outcomes. We have a few ways to do this, both informally and formally, within CAP. This month’s article is going to focus on those.

Let’s tackle the informal means first. I’m sure most if not all of us have heard some version of the “See Something, Say Something,” or “Safety is Everyone’s Responsibility.” As cliché as that statement may sound, it truly is our best safeguard. Ideally everyone should feel empowered to speak up if they see something that they consider a hazard.

If you are in a leadership position, fostering an environment where people feel comfortable voicing concerns or suggestions is one of the best things you can do to create a healthy, functional team dynamic.

On a more formal basis, CAP has two systems for reporting things that could be improved or are hazards that should be addressed. I’ve included pictures with this article to provide a visual aid on where to find the modules I’m going to describe. First, we’ll look at the “Improvement Suggestion/Hazard Report” module of CAPSIS. This module is a great tool to make suggestions or bring attention to hazards before there’s an actual occurrence.

This system can be accessed by going to CAPSIS and selecting “Make a Suggestion/Report a Hazard” in the dropdown menu. By making an entry here you’ll notify the safety officers and commanders in your chain of command, up to Wing Headquarters, of what you would

like to see improved or addressed. Since situations may arise where someone wants to speak up but is, for whatever reason, concerned about being identified with the report, this system allows you to remain anonymous. By selecting that option no one will see your name. As long as you provide enough information to address your suggestion or concerns without providing personally identifiable information, you can remain anonymous, your input will be addressed, and you will be notified of the results via the journal entries.

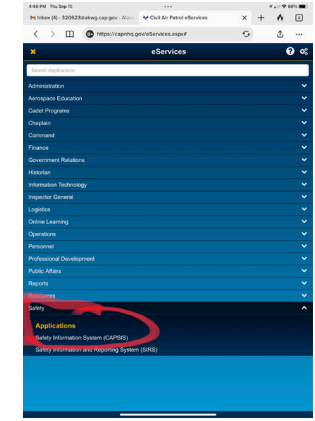
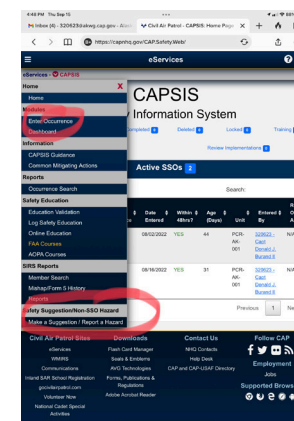
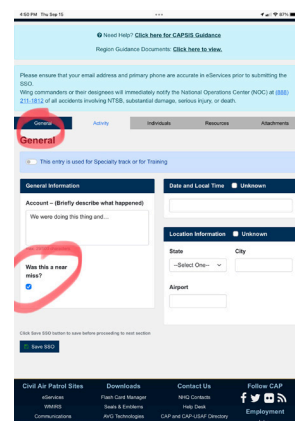
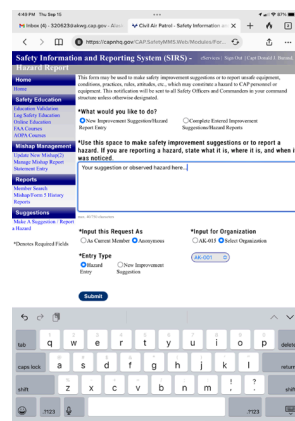
You can even select a specific organization that your report pertains to. The default is your home squadron as listed in eServices, but you can select any organization. Something that applies at a wing level can be listed as input for AK-001, for example.

The second formal means for proactive reporting is found in CAPSIS using the SSO reporting system. In the dropdown menu, under Modules, select Enter Oc-

currence. On the very first “General” data entry section you can check the box “Was this a near miss?” to identify the occurrence as such. The purpose of this module is to report occurrences that didn’t meet the definition of a SSO, but only by our sheer dumb luck. Had something gone slightly different, even a little more against us, damage or injury would have occurred. By reporting these near misses we can identify hazards that should be proactively addressed before anyone less lucky in the moment than ourselves gets hurt.

By being proactive we can keep ourselves and others safe. Whether your contribution takes the form of informal verbal feedback to your team and leaders, or more formal reporting through CAPSIS, there are multiple avenues to raise your concerns and make improvements while they are still “may happens” and not “did happens.”

-Capt DJ Burand



Education and Training

Help Your Squadron Advance! Become a VolU Instructor!

National's vision for this new E&T (Education & Training) program is that each squadron have at least one VolU (Volunteer University) instructor. VolU instructors can teach, in person or virtually, Levels they themselves have completed. If you are interested in joining the team and helping to take CAP education and training into the future, please complete these three steps.

Step 1: Complete the Volunteer University Instructor Application

Step 2: Once your application is approved by region and wing command, you will be enrolled in the VOLU Instructor Course in AXIS for which there are 6 brief modules to work through. For more information or assistance, contact NHQ VolU instructors at INSTRUCTOR@CAP.GOV

Step 3: After completing the online portion of the Instructor Course, you must participate in a one-hour virtual training session to be fully qualified as a Volunteer University assistant instructor

or instructor and to learn how to enter completed modules in eServices. Sign up for this step using the Education and Training Calendar searching for offerings titled "Instructor Course Virtual Session".

Once you have completed the virtual training session, you will receive your eServices permissions as an instructor or assistant instructor. Questions? Contact us at INSTRUCTOR@CAP.GOV

Facebook groups that can support you as a VolU instructor:

CAP VolU Instructors group: [HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/378324606770504](https://www.facebook.com/groups/378324606770504)

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(Reference: [HTTPS://WWW.GOCIVILAIRPATROL.COM/MEMBERS/ED-TRAINING/VOLU-MAIN](https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/members/ed-training/volu-main))

By Capt Karen Padgett

Education & Training Sessions at Wing Conference: L2P1

Look for the "Level 2 Part 1" or "L2P1" Session at the Wing Conference if you need help completing Level 2. Capt Padgett or another VolU Instructor will be providing two of the 2-3 required moderated modules.

"Level 2 Part 1" is a requirement you hear all over the place these days for advancement in many areas of CAP. Also nicknamed L2P1, it is a requirement for new members to achieve the rank of 2d Lt. L2P1 is also required for the Technician Rating in most Specialty Tracks. It may also be required for higher promotions if your current rank was originally awarded on the basis of your military rank or professional qualifications.

You can complete most of the L2P1 modules on your own time via AXIS in eServices. Depending on your track, though, 2 or 3 modules must be "moderated." That means you must attend a class or discussion with a VolU instructor. These two moderated L2P1 modules, "Accountability and Responsibility of the Adult Leader," and "Choosing Your Duty Assignment and Specialty Track" will be offered at the Wing Conference.

To attend the session, you must have completed Level 1.

Priority will be given to Senior Members who have completed the 6-7 Level 2 Part 1 modules that can be completed independently.

Have eServices open on your phone or laptop to show which modules you still need.

Laptops will help you get the most out of the session, but they are not a requirement to participate.

Cadet Programs Technician Rating-in-a-Day Session at Wing Conference

Several of the tasks required for the Cadet Programs Technician Rating require access to cadets and to cadet training materials. We will have cadets, worksheets, and training materials on hand at the wing conference session to help you easily complete items 46-57 on the Technician Checklist in CAPP 60-11.

The TLC (Training Leaders of Cadets) class is required for the CP Technician Rating. TLC will not be offered at the Wing Conference, but you may have

Education and Training, continued

already taken it in the last 4 years, or you can register for the 10/15/22 class here: [HTTP://CAPHCLIB.US/?PAGE_ID=52](http://caphclub.us/?page_id=52) (Click “next”-- you can update your info later if you need to).

You must also serve in a Cadet-related duty position for 6 months, but many of you have already done that. You can complete the tasks at this session, save your signoff worksheet, then request your squadron commander approve your technician rating when you complete your 6 months.

Tasks we will work on include (from pg 65 of CAPP 60-11):

Performance Requirements

Objective: Demonstrate proficiency in CP Officer skill areas by completing the tasks below

- 46 Interview 2 new cadets, learn reasons for joining; document findings via a 1-page outline & share with OJT
- 47 Interview 2 cadets in their second year or beyond; learn reasons for remaining cadets; document via a 1-page outline and share with OJT mentor
- 48 Review any two chapters of *Learn to Lead*; draft 1-page outlines for each and discuss with OJT mentor
- 49 Review any module in *Aerospace Dimensions*; draft a 1-page outline and discuss with OJT mentor (see 1.1)

Complete any 5 of the 7 tasks below

- 50 Administer (or assist) a cadet drill and ceremonies performance test
- 51 Administer (or assist) during a CPFT session
- 52 Observe a cadet Character Development forum or Cadet Wingman Course
- 53 Complete a cadet interactive module for the purpose of familiarizing yourself with the process
- 55 Observe or participate in a cadet leadership feedback meeting; review a completed CAPP 60-90 series
- 56 Assist in entering data and downloading reports in the Cadet Promotions Application
- 57 Review the unit's QCUA report and draft a 1-page list of recommended actions to OJT mentor

Supporter

The [ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME](#) supports CAP by supplying information about invasive aquatic species that are often transported between lakes by float planes, a topic of concern for CAP pilots on floats. One of the members of the area's Elodea Taskforce, [TYONEK TRIBAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT](#), sent out

Kaarle Strailey and Brian to spend a day checking for Elodea at Trail Lake near the northeast base of Mount Susitna, “Sleeping Lady”, on the western side of the MatSu Valley. Below, Brian throws a rake to collect bottom-dwelling plants for analysis. Luckily, no invasive species were found!



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Have you registered yet for the Saturday, October 1, [ANNUAL WING CONFERENCE](#)? The agenda looks great. I hope to see you there!

This online publication is designed to attract, inform and motivate readers through photos, text and stories. We see and feel the four core values in the faces and body language of the cadets and senior members portrayed herein.

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