

Civil Air Patrol



Want to see what's new at Alaska Wing

February 2023

New members
Communication Information
Change of command
Achievements
Emergency supply
and more

LET'S LOOK INSIDE



Left Seat

Open Mic night, every 3rd
Wed at 1900



Col. McClure
Wing Commander



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Important announcements

Save the Date
2023 AKWG Annual Conference, Anchorage, October 6-8

The AKWG will be conducting wing-wide Aircrew, Ground Team and ICS ES and Communications training beginning, 1900 Friday, 17 Feb ending, 1300 Sunday, 19 Feb 23.

The 085 th will meet at the hangar (Tok Airport) at 0900 Saturday morning for training. We will work on various scanner training and get some of those areas signed off for each member who attends.

Also that Saturday; Major Jim Low is planning to fly the C206 from Fairbanks with a C182 Chase plane. Once they arrive, proficiency flight training in the 206 will be offered, and Major Low will lead our squadron in an ELT search. This will fulfill two areas of the scanner training as well, for each member attending.

Squadron Commander's Course Provides Great Training for Commanders & Those Who Want to Support Their Commanders Better

Info on the class (note Level 3 is not a prerequisite for the SCC): <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/members/ed-training/level-iii-leadership>

Steps to register:

- (1) Complete Show-of-Interest Jotform to receive registration link by 3/1/23: <https://cdn.jotform.com/team/223347095458059/vir-commanders-course--interest>
- (2) Register starting 3/4/23
- (3) Registration Closes 3/11/23

For future classes:

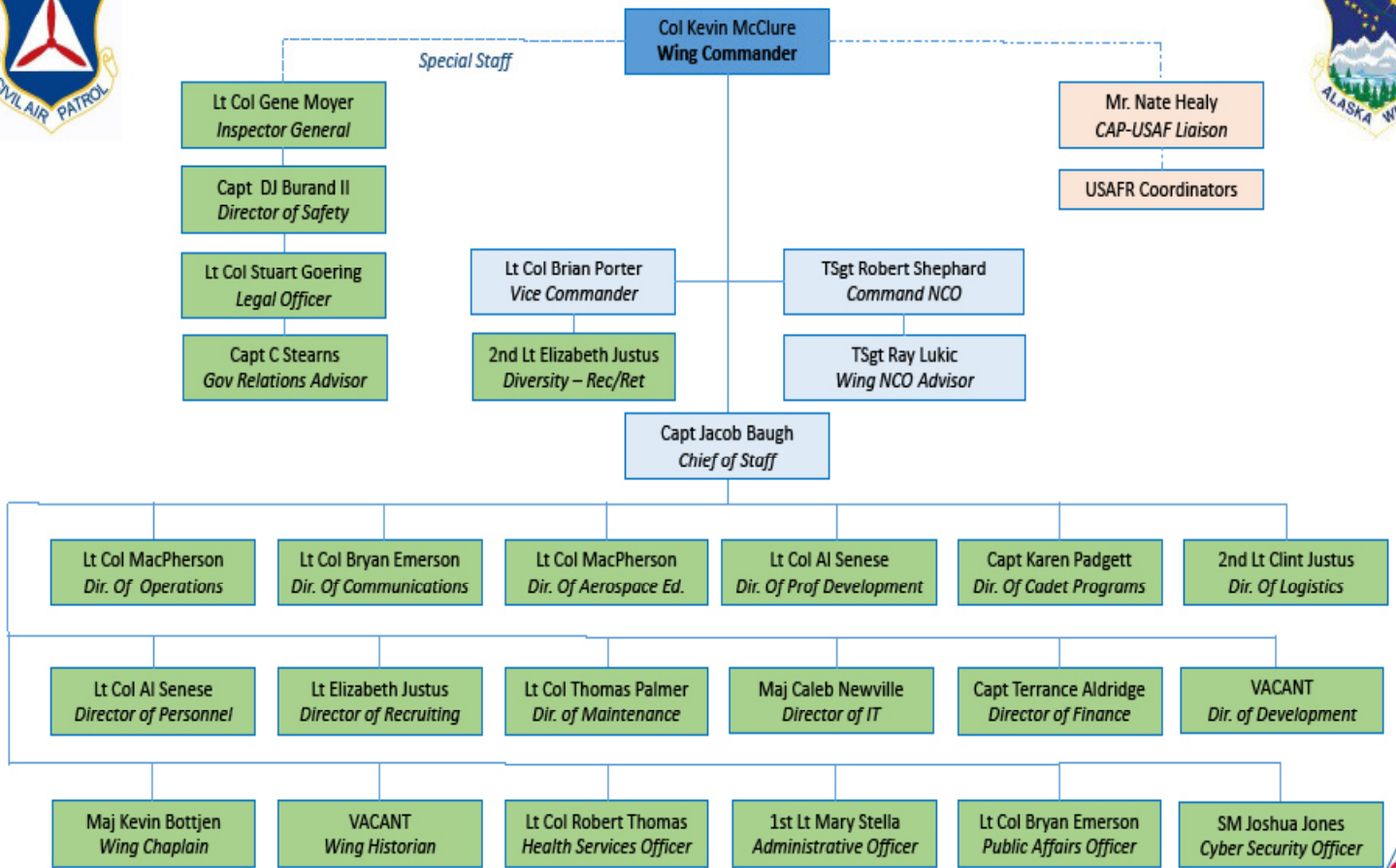
ET Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/635312233678572>

VIR Webpage/Calendar: <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/members/ed-training/virtual-in-residence-program>

Be patient with VIR. They were formed as a stop-gap measure to help individuals get training until individual squadrons and wings could get VolU instructors trained up. Want to help? Please consider becoming a VolU instructor:

Capt Karen L Padgett
Alaska Wing Director of Cadet Programs

Wing Staff

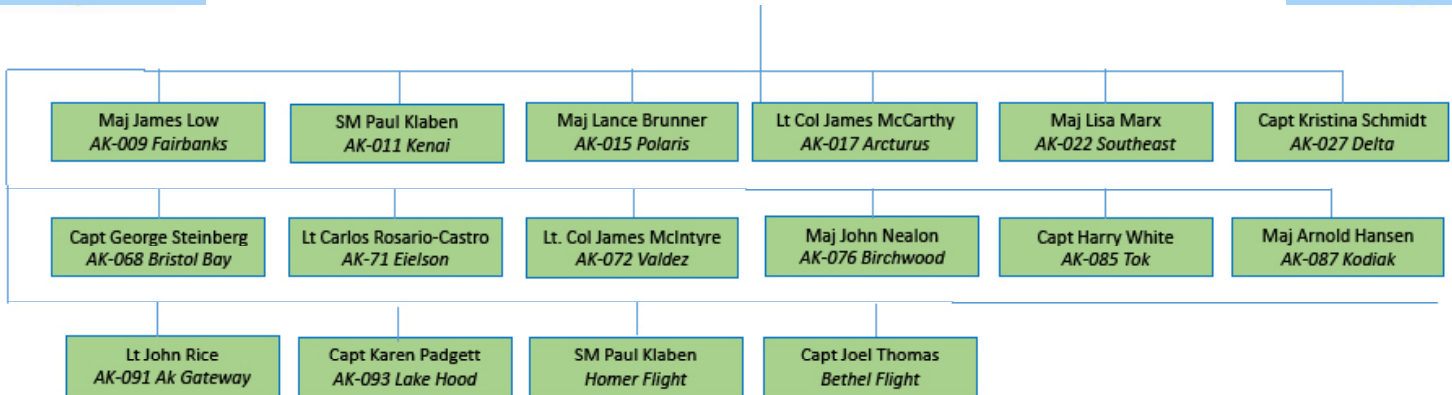


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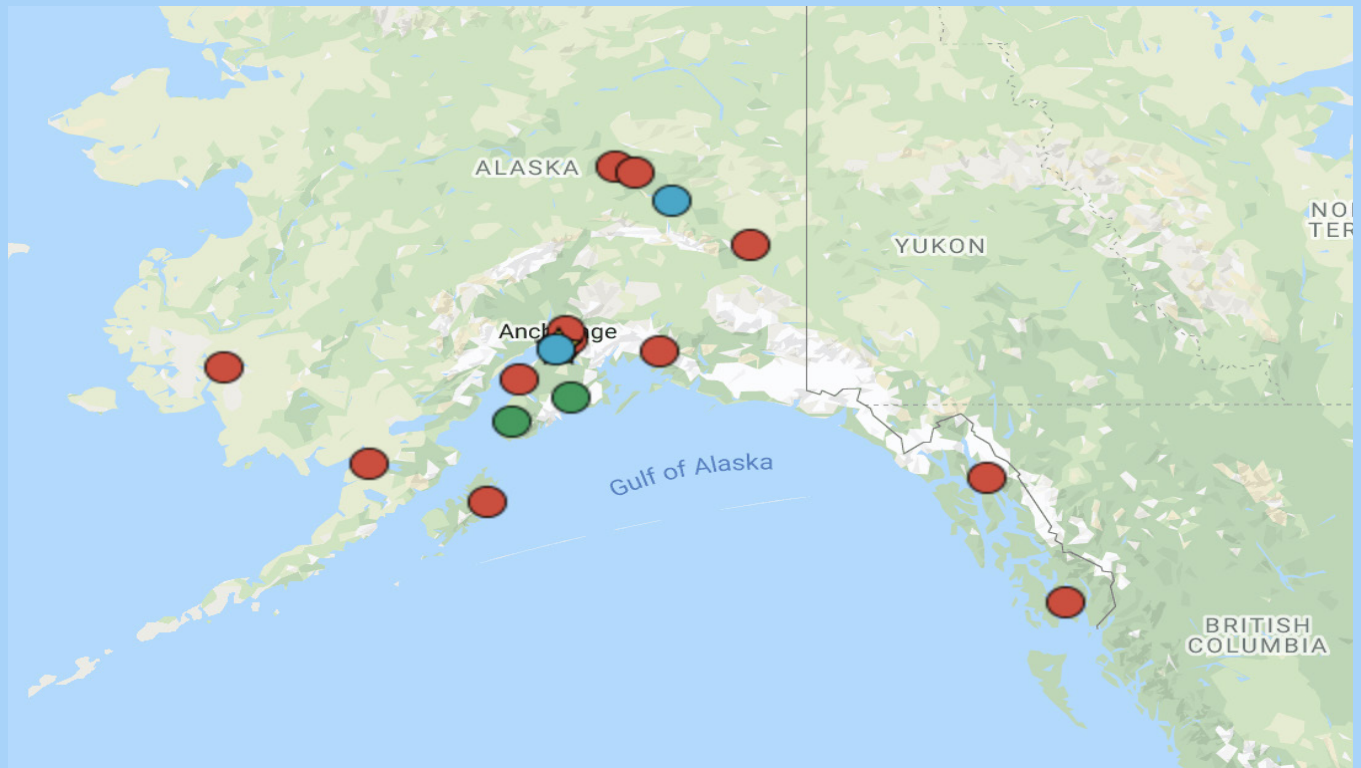
[CLICK HERE](#) to see current Wing Staff position vacancies including:

- Commander, AK-93
- Character Development Instructor
- Historian
- Development Officer
- Director Aerospace Education
- Public Affairs - Public Relations, Digital Engagement

Unit and Flight Commanders



Map of Squadron or Flight



Find your Squadron or Flight

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Fairbanks
Kenai
Polaris
Arcturus

Southeast
Delta
Bristol Bay
Eielson

Valdez
Birchwood
Tok
Kodiak

Gateway
Lake Hood



We will recognize our cadets in their new promotions and special recognitions

Birchwood Composite Squadron celebrated several promotions and a Change of Command Ceremony on January 31.

Congratulations to:

C/A1C Long

C/A1C McAtee,

C/A1C C. Noble

C/SrA McArthur

C/SrA R. Noble

C/SSgt H. Cole

C/SSgt A. Tolbert-Nielsen

C/TSgt M. Cole

C/TSgt Shelley

C/MSgt Klostermeyer

C/SMS Mullins

C/SMSgt J. Parker

C/2d Lt Moehring (ghost promotion)

C/1st Lt Benedict

C/Maj Anderson

Promotions were followed by a Change of Command Ceremony where C/1st Lt Benedict assumed command as Birchwood's new Cadet Commander. Cadet staff for the new term were also announced. Thank you to all cadets who served in positions last term. A special shout-out to the Noble and Cole families for providing cake and refreshments.

Our squadron will be hosting our first Great Start of the year starting on February 28. We look forward to meeting prospective cadets and sharing with them all of the opportunities that CAP has to offer.



1st Lt Anderson, Cadet 1st Lt Benedict, and Cadet Major Anderson on following Change of Command Ceremony on 31 Jan 2023



C/1st Lt. Sigge Mellerstig receives his Commander's Commendation Award from Wing Commander Col. Kevin McClure.

After a brief break for Christmas, Joint Polaris-Lake Hood Cadet Operations resumed squadron activities with great enthusiasm. A Great Start added several new cadets to the unit. The squadron meeting, which occurred later that evening, gave our new cadets more experience and helped show them the ropes. The flight staff led drill tests, which were a great opportunity for encampment-fresh cadets to teach their fellow cadets and perfect their own skills. While they focused on personal leadership, the cadets welcomed their fellow cadets back from the Oregon Wing Winter Raptor Encampment and finished up NCSA and Wing Encampment Staff applications.

On January 13th and 14th, cadets served guests dinner at the VFW Post 1685 as a fundraiser. Flying an entire Cadet Competition Team to the Regional competition is expensive, and the event will help defray airfare costs. The Cadet Competition Team has had sixteen practices this month, and their dedication indicates a great chance of success.

The Change of Command Ceremony was held on the 17th, and many cadets were promoted as well. C/1st Lt. Mellerstig finished his term as Cadet Commander, passing the torch to C/2nd Lt. Vanderlugt. Cadet 2nd Lt. Vanderlugt actually promoted to 2nd Lt. at the meeting, minutes before he received command. Many other

cadets promoted as well, and Col. Porter led a character development class about integrity and his experiences at USAFA.

At the PT meeting on the 24th, cadets participated in a variety of fitness activities. There were three stations which cadets rotated through: Drill Practice, PT Tests, and TLPs. The blend of problem solving, PT testing, and drill practice improves the cadets in several aspects, keeping mental and physical aspects of fitness in mind.

The fifth Tuesday of January was a much-anticipated "Fun Meeting". Cadets met at Dimond Bowling for an evening of competition and camaraderie. Due to the danger of blunt trauma from bowling balls, a safety briefing was held before the fun began. The evening was a much-needed chance for our cadets to take a break from their various actives to relax and socialize.



C/2nd Lt. Benaiah Vanderlugt now commands the Polaris-Lake Hood Joint Squadron

Delta Force Cadet Squadron Update for February 2023

Congratulations are due to C/Airman A. Harwood for his recent promotion, as well as his graduation from the Alaska Youth Military Academy at JBER.



C-Amn A Hardwood Pinned by C-SrAmn J Medlin

The squadron welcomes its newest senior member, Brandon Elkins, who is the Emergency Services Officer and assists with other aspects of squadron activity.

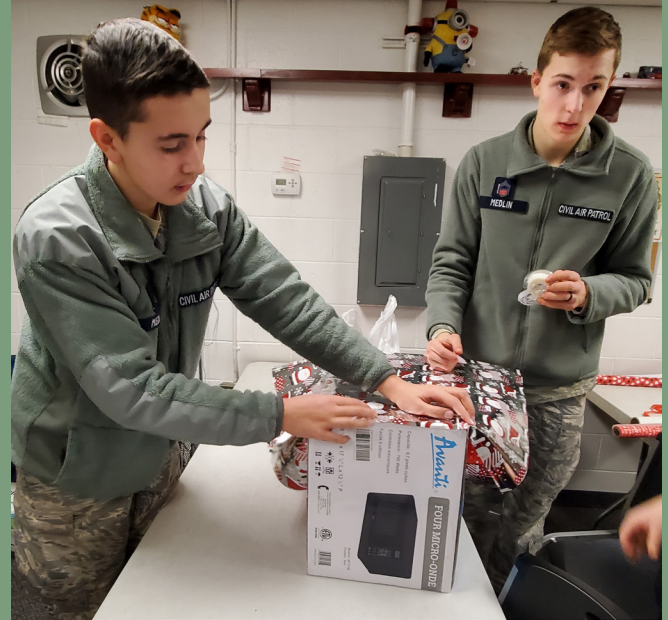
Capt Jacob Baugh has returned to the Delta area and is sharing his broad experience with the squadron.

SM Jorge Lorenzana is filling the role of Deputy Commander for the unit, as well as helping with other tasks. Much appreciation to everyone who has stepped up to serve!



Wreaths Across America Ceremony 17 Dec 2022

In late December, squadron members and some parents placed around 60 wreaths at the Delta Resthaven Cemetery to honor deceased veterans. Special thanks go to the Tok Squadron and Commander Harry White for their support in this activity.



C-SrAmn J Medlin and C-CMSgt M Medlin Wrap Gifts 17 Dec 2022

Later, the squadron converged at the Clearwater Volunteer Fire Station to help community youth wrap gifts for their families through the Shop With a First Responder program.



C-SrAmn J Medlin and C-CMSgt B Lee James Webb Space Telescope Model

January featured the highlight of guest speaker LtCol Stutz (Fort Greely Army Space Ops), thanks to coordination via SM Lorenzana. Cadets also continued to work on their odels of the James Webb Space Telescope. Another Fort Greely positive was the squadron being able to go on post and utilize the track for PFT and drill, thanks also to SM Lorenzana.



C-Harwood PT Test Fort Greely

Capt Baugh has been instrumental in instruction of VolU courses so that SMs Lorenzana and Elkins could finish their Level 2 Part 1 training.

Near-future plans include the squadron completing their First Aid/CPR/AED certification since it has been 3 years since that was completed.

Do you want to have a good time, learn leadership, receive training in search and rescue, emergency service, learn aerospace education, come be part of our Delta Force Cadet Squadron contact me and join us.

Capt Kristina Schmidt
027 Delta Force Cadet Squadron - PCR-AK-027
Commander
AKWG Asst Dir of Cadet Programs
Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Air Force Auxiliary
(M) 907.803.9610



"On January 16, Arcturus cadets Eowyn Davidson and her brother, Seamus Davidson, went on their first CAP orientation flight with LTC Jim McCarthy. For Seamus, this happened to be his first flight ever, in any kind of aircraft! His smile says it all and he's looking forward to his next flight."



Being part of the Civil Air Patrol is living a constant adventure. Where every day we meet, different things are learned. Also the cadets have the opportunity to, in addition to internal activities, participate in external activities, where they have fun. They share with other people, squads, community among others. Let's take a look at what our cadets have been up to, during the month of January.

Cadet Activities Gallery



Posting of color at at Birchwood promotion and change of Command Ceremony



Birchwood Squadron had the honor to attend and post colors at the pioneer home located in Palmer Alaska for Veterans Day



Cleanup service project for veterans at the pioneers home palmer



C/2ndLt Benedict preparing of the colors at Alaska Veterans & Pioneer Home Palme
Photo by C/TSgt Parker
Birchwood Squadron

Cadet Activities Gallery Continue



C/SrA Bressler talking with a retired Marine officer.



C//SrA Barnette Talking with a retired Air Force Pilot



Operating Hangar Doors



The Tok Composite Squadron, by Capt Richard Dennis, PAO



Cadet Weihrich Capt Anderson of Birchwood Squadron post orientation flight



Did you know the importance of communication in the Civil Air Patrol?

The system operates in support of all CAP missions, including Emergency Services, Aerospace Education and the CAP Cadet Program. The focus of the CAP system is tactical communications, including air to ground, ground team to ground team, and communication with mission base.

Let's go step by step, this month we are going to start learning the phonetic alphabetic and numbers, and its pronunciation.

Phonetic Alphabet & Numbers

A	Alpha	(<u>A</u> l fah)	N	November	(No <u>vem</u> ber)
B	Bravo	(<u>Brah</u> voh)	O	Oscar	(<u>Oss</u> cah)
C	Charlie	(<u>Char</u> lee)	P	Papa	(Pah <u>pah</u>)
D	Delta	(<u>Dell</u> tah)	Q	Quebec	(Keh <u>beck</u>)
E	Echo	(<u>Eck</u> -oh)	R	Romeo	(<u>Row</u> me oh)
F	Foxtrot	(<u>Foks</u> trot)	S	Sierra	(See <u>air</u> rah)
G	Golf	(Golf)	T	Tango	(<u>Tang</u> go)
H	Hotel	(Hoh <u>tell</u>)	U	Uniform	(<u>U</u> nee form)
I	India	(<u>In</u> dee ah)	V	Victor	(<u>Vik</u> tah)
J	Juliet	(Ju lee <u>ett</u>)	W	Whiskey	(<u>Wiss</u> kee)
K	Kilo	(<u>Kee</u> loh)	X	X-Ray	(<u>Ecks</u> ray)
L	Lima	(<u>Lee</u> mah)	Y	Yankee	(<u>Yang</u> kee)
M	Mike	(Mike)	Z	Zulu	(<u>Zoo</u> loo)

Pronunciation of Numbers

1	Wun
2	Too
3	Tree
4	Fo-wer
5	Fife
6	Six
7	Seven
8	Ate
9	Niner
0	Zero

WELCOME



Lt. Col. Kristin Freeman of Idaho is a new member of the Alaska Wing, but well known for her several trips to the Great Land to offer Annual Wing Conference classes on communications. Welcome, Kristin!

She has deep experience in CAP at both national and regional levels, as originator, trainer, and operator of many communications projects. On the National Communications staff, she served in the Communications Operations Division as the first net manager for the National Traffic Net and founding net manager of the national ALE net; in the Communications Training Division; in the Communications Plans and Projects Division; technical consultant/operator for CAP's only team in QRPX (a low power HF exercise/contest for DoD entities); and technical consultant/

operator for CAP station US286 in Noble Skywave, an international HF exercise/contest run by the Canadian Armed Forces.

Lt. Col Freeman served as the Rocky Mountain Region Deputy Chief of Staff – Communications. She worked with North Central Region to run the NCR RMR HF Net (a joint region HF net, the largest and most active net run below the national level). During the pandemic, she worked with NCR to hold virtual communications conferences and training.

She has been on staff at MARC and at Desert Scorpion; has served on encampment staff in two wings (ID and NV). She enjoys mentoring cadets in communications. Apart from communications, she flew as a sensor operator for Green Flag, and a MO for Reaper Escort missions.

Here in Alaska, Lt. Col. Freeman will now be the Assistant Director of Communications, working with Lt. Col. Emerson. Her focus will be on ways to encourage more senior and cadet members of our squadrons to participate in Communications.

Any squadron leaders interested in the following are invited to contact her. Ideas include: squadron level amateur radio licensing classes and exams as a way of recruiting people and partnering with amateur radio groups to serve local communities at special events (such as the Great Aviation Gathering, road races, bike races, parades, and festivals. Working at local events will build operator skill and confidence and make CAP more visible in our communities. She also hopes to build an HF radio network within Alaska Wing, bringing the units together and working with other agencies on HF within the state. Working with state agencies on radio on a regular basis will establish relationships that will lead to enhanced effectiveness on real missions.

We know that Lt. Co. Freeman will be an excellent resource for our wing.



Members of the Alaska Wing,

AKWG will be conducting wing-wide Aircrew, Ground Team and ICS ES and Communications training beginning 1900 Friday, 17 Feb ending 1300 Sunday, 19 Feb 23.

For those located in the interior, contact Maj Jim Low, akjimlow@me.com for assignments.

For those located in the Anchorage area, all aircrew, ground team and mission base personnel should forward their interests (what they are working on) and availability (Friday, Saturday, Saturday AM-only, etc) via email to the undersigned, Mission Staff Assistant C/Maj Michael Porter, 636865@akwg.cap.gov

Other areas (e.g. Kodiak, Juneau, Gateway, Kenai), interested in planning/coordinating virtual (or in-person) participation, please contact the undersigned, Mission Staff Assistant C/Maj Michael Porter, 636865@akwg.cap.gov with training requirements and availability for further coordination.

Here is a list of areas/functions we plan on offering:

- Aircrew (MP, MO, MS)
- Planning and Operations Section Chief

- Air Operations Branch Director
- Ground Team Member (bring your Arctic-capable 24 and 72 hour packs, see attached packing lists for details)
- Mission Radio Operator

In addition to required Aircrew and Ground Team equipment (24/72 Hour Pack), participants should prepare for extreme cold/wet weather. This includes, but is not limited to, heavy insulated Gortex boots (DO NOT wear standard black leather uniform boots to this event), balaclava, gaiters, heavy extreme temp mittens/gloves, multi-layered fleece/Gortex shell jacket, hand-warmers, shelter-building supplies (tarps, paracord, etc) and food for 2.5 days. This is the opportunity to see if your gear and you are really ready to survive and operate in the Alaskan wilderness for extended periods!

1900-2100 Friday, 17 Feb 23 Birchwood Squadron in Chugiak will host classroom training for new Ground Team Members. Instructors will also be able to assist with accomplishing prerequisite training and task training of other ICS staff positions as needed by members in training required to participate in the SAREX the following day. Advanced Ground and Aircrew participants will deploy Friday evening to the bivouac area. Please be clear when you RSVP what training you need to your geographic POCs (C/Maj Porter). All participants should report to Birchwood Composite Squadron (20100 Birchwood Spur Rd, Chugiak, AK 99567) at 1900 Friday, 17 Feb 23 for mission sign in. Bring your 24/72 Hour Gear-Arctic and a color copy of the attached topo in a ziploc bag to be prepared for training.

If this is your first SAREX, you will be training as UDF/GTM and must accomplish at least the GES qualification online PRIOR to 1900 Friday, 17 Feb 23 to participate.

If you do not have "CAPT 116 General ES" course completed online via eServices /Learning Management/AXIS/Emergency Courses, you will not be able to sign into the mission and participate (for liability reasons). Here is the link to accomplish the training in AXIS:

<https://www.capnhq.gov/CAP.LMS.Web/Default.aspx>

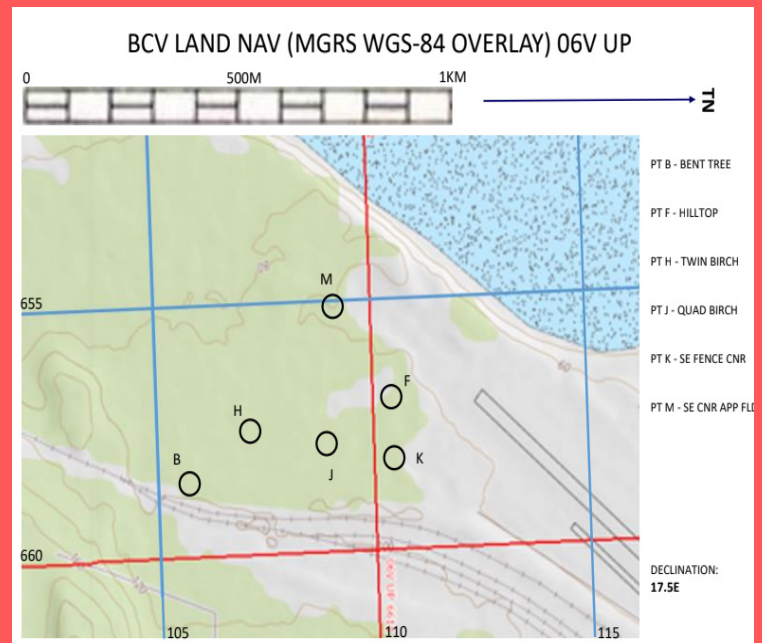
0800-2100, Saturday, 18 Feb 23: Mission briefing will be at 0900 (virtually with IC and ICP personnel in Fairbanks and other locations) with two operational periods, 0900-1200 and 1500-1800, Saturday, 18 Feb 23.

0800-1200, Sunday, 19 Feb 23: Mission briefing will be at 0900 (virtually with IC and ICP personnel in Fairbanks) with one operational period, 0900-1200 and an AAR at 1230, Sunday, 19 Feb 23.

Aircrew: Lt Col Porter will serve as Operations Section Chief and manage air sorties. Expect tasking orders to drop Friday night based on the training requirements provided to either Major Low or C/Maj Porter prior to 1900 Friday, 17 Feb 23.

Ground Team: Lt Col Porter will serve as South Central GBD. South Central ground operations will be staged out of Birchwood Composite Squadron (South Central ground team participants should print out a copy of the attached topo and place it in a ziploc bag for protection).

South Central aircrew and ground teams will be assigned operational periods Friday



evening with a report time to arrive, ready to sign in, brief and deploy, at Birchwood.

Bring your own snacks and meals and be prepared to be outside in the weather for your operational periods. Be prepared to depart at your assigned end time. Participants are encouraged to stay overnight in their shelters at the bivouac area.

Operations will cease at 1200 Sunday, 19 Feb 23, and a virtual AAR at 1230 will be conducted.

Looking forward to training with you, and taking that next step to increase our wing's already legendary SAR capability!

Semper vigilans,

C/Maj Michael J. Porter, CAP
Assistant Emergency Services &
Communications Officer
Alaska Wing

As part of the emergency service program, it is important that we have the proper equipment.

This is why we will be offering you different trainings, with which you will be able to have the knowledge of the necessary equipment with which you will be prepared to be a ground team and more.

**CIVIL AIR PATROL
EMERGENCY SERVICES EQUIPMENT LIST**

ON YOUR PERSON

- Complete BDU uniform (T)
- BDU cap (T)
 - The BDU cap may be replaced by a hard hat or a bright colored cap based on mission needs.
- Notepad (T)
- Pencil (T)
- All CAP Identification:
 - Membership card (T)
 - First Aid card (T)
 - 101 Card
 - 76 Card
- Watch (T)
- Vest, reflective, orange (T)
- Comb or brush (T) - optional, carry if needed
- Pocket knife or multi-tool (T)
 - Multi-tool should have can opener.
 - Swiss Army, Leatherman, or Gerber Tools are recommended.
- Handkerchief or tissues
- Ground Team Member's Handbook
- Signal mirror
- Whistle

**Common Problems
Personnel carry too much stuff**

Pack realistically, not for a war.

There are often multiple uses for one tool or item.

Personnel carrying equipment that they are not qualified to use.

Just because something looks cool, doesn't mean you need it.

Carry what you will probably need for the mission.

CIVIL AIR PATROL 72 HOUR PACK EQUIPMENT LIST

EXTENDED DURATION PACK: (T)

- A backpack (preferably with frame) should contain all that is in the 24 hour pack, with the addition of the following:

- Tent (T)
 - Optional, if you are sharing a tent with someone else who is carrying it
- Sleeping bag or bedroll appropriate to climate (T)
- Bag, waterproof (T):
 - Spare uniform,
 - Underwear and socks, 3 changes (T)
- 5 meals (T)
- Toiletry kit that should contain:
 - Toothbrush and paste (T)
 - Shaving Kit (if you shave) (T)
 - Deodorant (T)
 - Washcloth and soap (T)
 - Towel (T)
- Sleeping pad, foam or inflatable.
- Spare rank and CAP cutouts (For cadets)
- 2 large leaf bags
- Spare boot laces
- Sewing kit with spare buttons
- Shoe shine kit

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Durable rainwear
- Nylon webbing, 1" wide, 20' long.
- Handheld FM Transceiver
 - Highly recommended for Ground Team Leaders
- Water purification tablets
- Eye protection (Highly recommended)
- Entrenching tool (Highly recommended for base gear)

CIVIL AIR PATROL UDF MISSION EQUIPMENT LIST

ON YOUR PERSON:

- Complete uniform appropriate to the environment in which you will be working (T).
- Notepad and pencil (T)
- All CAP Identification:
 - First Aid Card, etc. (T)
 - 101 Card
 - 76 Card
- Watch (T)
- Vest, reflective, orange (T)
- Comb or brush (Optional, carry if needed) (T)
- Ground and UDF Team Task Guide (T)
- Change for phone calls, or cell phone (T)
- One meal, or personal funds to purchase a meal during the mission if appropriate. (T)
- Handkerchief or tissues
- Flashlight (With red or blue lens)
 - Spare bulb
 - Spare batteries
- Compass: Lensatic or orienteering (Orienteering preferred)
 - Compass Pouch
 - Compass should have a "glow in the dark" dial.
- Protractor for map work.
- Map Case (Large Zip-Loc bag can be used if necessary)
- Pencil with eraser (Plus sharpener if not a mechanical pencil)
- Fine tip alcohol pens, at least 2 colors
 - Neither should be the color of your colored flashlight lens
- Eraser for alcohol pen marks
 - Alcohol swabs or a special alcohol pen eraser.
- A straightedge ruler
 - At least 6" long
 - Some protractors may have a ruler as well

It is very important to know that depending on the type of equipment you are preparing, you must have the correct backpack. Here are three styles you can use.



**CIVIL AIR PATROL
GROUND TEAM LEADER EQUIPMENT LIST**

LEADER'S EQUIPMENT - Only required of Ground Team Leaders

- Protractor for map work.
- Map Case
 - Large Zip-Loc bags can be used if necessary
- Pencil with eraser
- Fine tip alcohol pens, at least 2 colors
 - Neither should be the color of your colored flashlight lens
- Some way to erase alcohol pen marks on the map case, such as alcohol swabs or a special alcohol pen eraser.
- A straightedge ruler, at least 6" long
 - Some protractors may have a ruler as well
- Ground Team Leader Handbook

As part of the equipment that you must have, one of the most important things is the tents.

Here we present several styles.





The mission of the Civil Air Patrol Public Affairs (PA) program is to inform internal and external audiences of Civil Air Patrol's national importance, safeguard the image and assets of the corporation, and strengthen relations with key audiences and customers, which enables the organization to grow.

WELCOME



The Captain Julie G. Rivera is a new member of the Alaska wing, but is well known for her involvement and commitment to the Civil Air Patrol and the community. Welcome, Julie!

Capt Julie G. Rivera, CAP, distinguished herself by exceptionally outstanding service to Civil Air Patrol in the Cabo Rojo Cadet Squadron, during the period 1-Jun-18 to 23-January-2023.

During this period, Capt. Rivera was instrumental in the success of various activities and events within the Squadron, PRWG Group 3, and the Puerto Rico Wing. As Cadet Activity Officer of the Squadron, she planned and coordinated various activities within a short period of time, between Augusts 2018 and January 2023. In December 2018, she coordinated a

community service activity to bring gifts to children who are orphans at the "Hogar Jesús de Nazaret" a few days before Christmas.

Of all of the events she took part in, the first big one was the first PRWG Group 3 Award Ceremony in January 2019. In the same month of January, Capt Rivera was given the opportunity to be Commander of the Squadron, a position she generously accepted. She quickly started her plan for 08 JANUARY 2019 and completed four years of squadron commander this January 2023.

Squadron in which many activities were planned, all of them being open to all PRWG Group 3 units. She also planificate an island-wide fundraising event aimed towards the "Fundación CAP", a non-profit organization aimed to assist children who suffer from cancer with monetary help for their treatment. Through community outreach programs including selling t-shirts, hair donations, radio and television interviews, the Cabo Rojo Cadet Squadron, presented a check of over \$15,865 dollars to the charity, plus food, cloth, school articles, and others.



In April 2019, Capt Rivera coordinated with the state emergency management agency (NMEAD) a three-day training of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) open to all members of CAP and the general public. Over 20 cadets and senior members graduated from the course and 52 additional persons community leaders, paramedics, teachers, school directors, pastors etcetera finally qualified for CERT.



She participated in the PRWG Ground Search & Rescue Academy and in the summer encampment (Summer Leadership Academy). She graduated from the encampment and obtain the qualifications of GTM2 and UDF. Immediately when GSAR academy ended, Capt Rivera attended the SLA as the logistics officer, along with the cadets from her Squadron. Her work as a logistics officer made a strong impact on the success of the encampment. Capt Rivera constantly set an example by a display of promoting teamwork, resource management, and her hands-on approach to overcoming adversity, in addition, she gave several classes. Even after two complete weeks of CAP work, in the months between July and October 2019, Capt Rivera took on her biggest challenge to date.

FEMA reached out to CAP for a complete aerial survey of Puerto Rico's electricity grid, WALDO mission. Capt Rivera began this mission as the driver of the CAP members that arrived from the mainland U.S. to Muñiz Air National Guard base but quickly started to expand her roles. Capt Rivera quickly completed Mission Staff Assistant and Mission Radio Operator. When the WALDO mission ended, she completed the qualifications for Mission Safety Officer, Mission Scanner, Mission Observer, Aerial Operations Branch Director, Logistics Section Chief, Planning Section Chief, Finance/Administration Section Chief, Liaison Officer, Public Information Officer,

Operations Section Chief, Flight Line Marshall, and Flight Line Supervisor, sUAS Technician. Capt Rivera accumulated over 360 man-hours during the mission. Capt Rivera's emergency services training came at the right time. Afterward, in the aftermath of Hurricane Dorian ravishing The Bahamas, she took the initiative to use her Squadron, with the assistance of other units in the group, the recollection of food provisions, clothing, and building materials for the islands. Capt Rivera passion for service to our organization is truly remarkable when compared to similar accomplishments of members of like grade, responsibility, and time in the organization.

Her charismatic and down-to-earth demeanor makes her a great leader and an asset to her Squadron and the Puerto Rico Wing. Capt Julie G Rivera continues to be an inspiration for the cadet and mentor to our Senior. She helped with many PD schools, ES training, and Encampments for cadets to include the SLA. Rivera has been of great help for all CAP missions at the squadron, group, wing, and even national level. She has helped with ES missions for the SER and NHQ in many capacities to include Operation Section Chief for the Earthquake support mission.



During these events, she demonstrated great capabilities to work successfully in teams and with interagency. Capt Rivera has been able to work with the cadets and senior members to promote their development inside and outside the organization. She has been an instructor in many trainings for cadets and senior members, and director of a CLC &

commander of group-level encampments. Rivera not only works as a volunteer for the CAP but for many other communities.

Here in Alaska, Captain Rivera will now be the Assistant Director of Public Affair, working with Lt. Col. Emerson. Her focus will be on ways to encourage more senior and cadet members of our squadrons to participate in Public Affairs.

Any interested squadron leader is invited to contact her. She hopes to build a public affairs team, in which both cadets and seniors are involved. She will work on developing training for photography, how to use photo editing programs, and creating magazines among others.

We know that Capt. Rivera will be an excellent resource for our wing.



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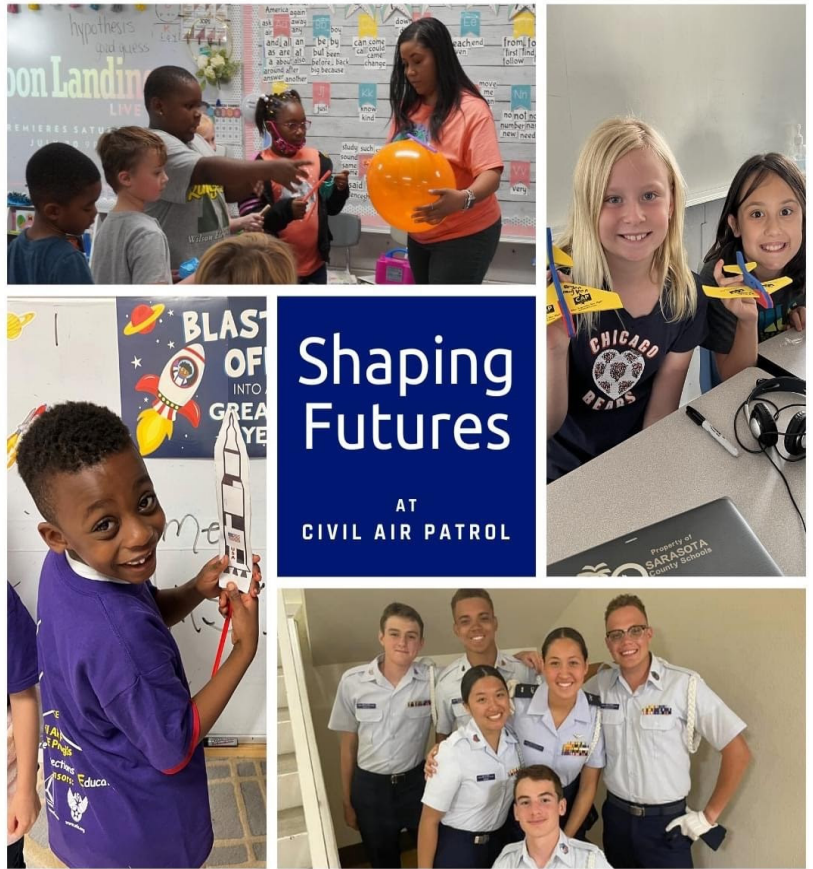
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Tail Section

This is the 27th edition of our monthly magazine. Thanks to your contributions and participation we have grown our readership, outreach and content. What a fun flight!

Winter Encampment each February is a great learning experience for all, not only for cadets and their parents or leaders. As you can see from my photo below, I had a wonderful time several years ago. We compared winter shelters, learned land navigation to track beacons to find downed aircraft (simulated), and how to maintain an all-night fire. I encourage others to attend or to support it remotely.

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.

If you would like to propose any content by the 15th of each month or provide feedback then please contact me.

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