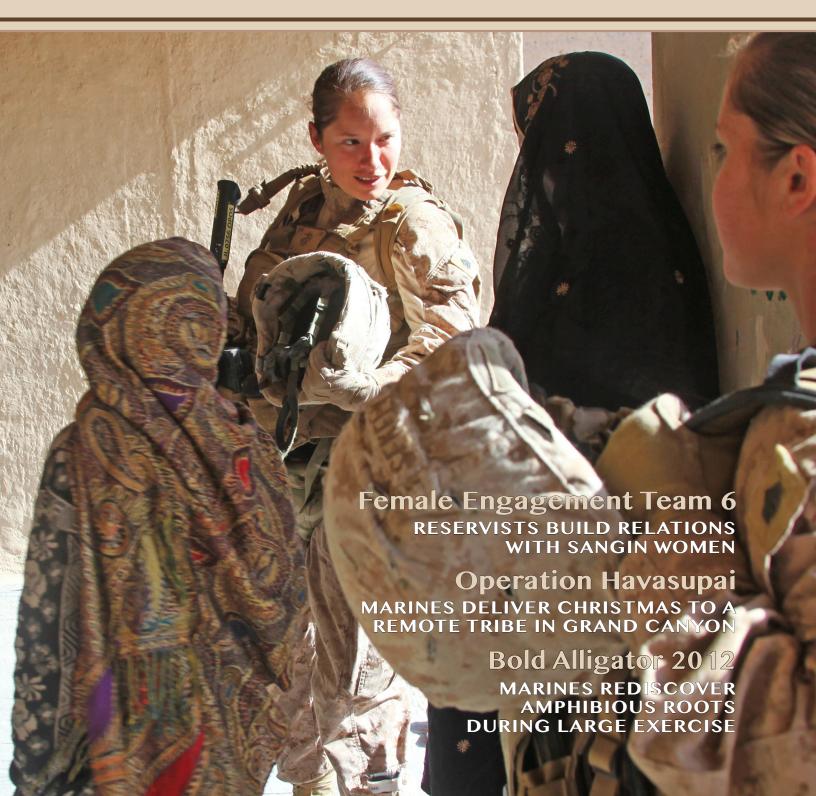
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Commander's Corner



I ask that you take the time to read page six in this edition of *Continental Marines* magazine, which explains our new initiative here and across the Force - the Culture of Responsible Choices program. The Culture of Responsible Choices aims to recalibrate our mindset, to remind us all that it is our duty as Marines, Sailors and civilian employees to make responsible choices well beyond established work hours. Alcohol abuse, DUIs, sexual assault, suicide, domestic violence, accidents and mishaps are but a few of the unhealthy behaviors that can be mitigated or circumvented by a change in our mindset.

Alcohol misuse is the first topic I chose to address because of the devastating effect it has on Marines, Sailors, their families and society as a whole. Although all the Services have seen an alarming rise in binge drinking, the Marine Corps has the highest rates. Anecdotal evidence suggests that alcohol misuse is a contributing factor in suicide, domestic violence, sexual assault and fatal motor vehicle accidents.

I am not suggesting that alcohol be avoided, unless you have a diagnosis of alcohol dependency. Instead, I am suggesting that you actively seek to drink at low risk levels in social and public settings in order to reduce any potential risk, and that you proactively help others who may be having a challenging time in making the right, healthy choices.

Semper Fidelis means always faithful. We are not just faithful during working hours; we are always faithful. Accordingly, Marines take care of Marines and make the right choices. Thank you for all that you do for Marine Forces Reserve and our great Nation.

Semper Fidelis,

Lt. Gen. Steven A. Hummer Commander, Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North



JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J.- Staff Sgt. John Lastinger, a crew chief with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 773, loads a belt of 7.62mm rounds into an ammunition can that will be fired from an M240 machine gun during a Joint Tactical Recovery of Aircraft and Personnel exercise held Oct. 15, 2011. The exercise tested Reservists' ability to recover downed aircrew from behind enemy lines. U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Dennis L Sloan.



On the cove

CAMP LEATHERNECK, Afghanistan-Sgts. Jessica Lugo and Autumn Sekely, of Female Engagement Team 6, walk into a village leader's compound in Sangin district, Helmand province. Lugo, of San Pedro, Calif., who led the FET, and Sekely, of Pittsburgh, are Reservists assigned to support 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, by engaging with the local women and children, building trust and rapport between local residents Afghan National Security Forces and coalition forces. Photo by Cpl. Katherine Keleher.



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Special Operations Command seeking Reserve Marines for global deployments

MARADMIN 042/12 provides information and guidance to solicit applications from enlisted Reserve Marines to fill critical skills operator billets within MARSOC. Enlisted Marines who meet specific requirements from the selected Marine Corps Reserve, Individual Mobilization Augmentation program, or Individual Ready Reserve may apply to become a critical skills operator with MARSOC, return to active duty and receive a primary MOS of 0372 upon completion of the training. Active Reserve Marines are ineligible.

ACTIVE RESERVE (AR) OPPORTUNITIES

The Corps is seeking enlisted Marines to join the AR Program. In this program Marines serve full time as Reserve support staff at units across the nation. Benefits include active-duty pay and entitlements, including potential to attain active-duty retirement benefits. Limited lateral move allocations are available. Affiliation bonuses are avialable for certain rank and MOS combinations. See MARADMIN 062/12 for details and current open MOS billets. Active component Marines can submit an application up to 180 days prior to the end of their active service. Applicants are processed through a prior service recruiter in their local area. Find a recruiter here:

Web: www.marines.com/contact-a-recruiter Email: mcrc-psr@marines.usmc.mil

Bilingual Marines of certain languages to get additional MOS 2799

If you speak a second language from the Middle East, Africa or Asia you may qualify for an additional MOS. There are nearly 50 in all. See the complete list of languages and how to qualify: MARADMIN 286/10.

Seeking Marines to serve full time in global billets

Former active-duty members and nonobligated Reservists find job security back in the ranks by volunteering for special roles worldwide. Search open billets at:

www.marines.mil/unit/marforres

(Click the red "Global Billets" link on the right side of the page toward the bottom).

Reserve Resident PME courses

Enlisted Reservists are encouraged to enroll in a resident Professional Military Education school this summer. Sergeants through gunnery sergeant are eligible provided that they have finished the MCI for their rank and completed a screening process. Contact your local training office to get enrolled. All courses will be held at MCB Quantico. See: MARADMIN 060/12.

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ACTIVE RESERVE (AR) ENLISTED BONUS MARADMIN 565/11	\$10,000 for E-4 and \$15,000 for E-5, limited time only	
SMCR UNIT AVIATION OFFICER BONUS MARADMIN 507/11	\$10,000 bonus for certain SMCR pilots who join for 3 years	
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OUR LEGACY

10 Jan 1995

The Pentagon announced 2,600 U.S. Marines would be deployed to Somalia for Operation United Shield to assist in the final withdrawal of U.N. peacekeeping troops from the region.

29 Jan 1991

The first serious ground fighting of Operation Desert Storm broke out when Iraqi troops



into Saudi Arabia. I MEF had a strength o more than 92,000 making Operation Desert Storm the largest in Marine Corps history.

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Four days after the initial landings on Iwo Jima, Marines made their way up Mt. Suribachi to



secure the crest and raise the American flag. This came to be regarded as one of the most significant and recognizable images of the war and possibly the most reproduced photograph of all time.

8 Mar 1965

Some 3,500 men from the 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade landed at Da



Nang, Republic of Vietnam as the first U.S. ground combat troops to be committed to that conflict.

"The safest place in Korea was right behind a platoon of Marines. Lord, how they could fight!"

Maj. Gen. Frank E. Lowe, U.S. Army; Korea, 26 Jan 1952

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Culture of responsible choices

Initiative challenges Marines to be more accountable

"The program is being implemented to challenge Marines to make better choices both on and off duty."

Lt. Gen. Steven A. Hummer, commander, Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North

Story by Lance Cpl. Marcin Platek

NEW ORLEANS—Marine Forces Reserve recently implemented the Culture of Responsible Choices (CoRC) program in order to emphasize personal responsibility and accountability of Marines.

"CoRC will impact a wide range of human behaviors from drinking and drug use to healthy fitness behavior, tobacco use, sound financial management, vigorous suicide prevention, effective sexual assault response and prevention and safe practices at work, at home and on vacation," said Lt. Gen. Steven A. Hummer, commander, Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North.

The program is being implemented to challenge Marines to make better choices both on and off duty, he said. The policy seeks to develop Marines to their full potential as men and women of exemplary physical, mental and spiritual character. Marines who do so are better prepared to successfully operate in, and respond to the demands and stressors of both combat and garrison environments.

"CoRC is really a change in mindset vice an actual new formal program," he said. "A mindset where all Marines and people in Marine Corps organizations are asked to rethink how they do business and conduct their lives to ensure their decisions lead to safe and healthy outcomes."

CoRC puts emphasis on personal liability for decision making, not only within Marine Corps fence lines and work centers but at home, in leisure activities and in their personal lives, said Col. Ralph L. Price, command inspector general, MARFORRES.

Because alcohol has been found to be a common denominator for negative behavior outcomes across the behavioral health spectrum, the initial efforts will focus on alcohol abuse and mishap reduction, said Price.

One of the program's initiatives developed to lower the number of alcohol-related incidents is referred to as 0-0-1-3. The first two numbers simply restate the law: zero underage drinking incidents and zero driving under the influence arrests. The next number represents one drink per hour. The last number represents no more than three drinks per event/occasion to prevent binge-drinking and keep blood alcohol contents at low-risk levels.

"Although people may not immediately adhere to the standard, they will start counting and comparing their personal habits in relation to the standard," said Price. "This is a proven method of promoting change in society."

Price said CoRC emphasizes that it is a responsible choice not to drink and it is never responsible to drink if you have a diagnosis of alcohol dependency.

To reinforce the focus on responsible decision making, Marines are asked to sign a statement of understanding indicating they have had an opportunity to talk with their leadership about the levels of risk regarding alcohol consumption.

The statement of understanding is not a legal document, but instead will be used to verify that leadership has had the opportunity to discuss low-risk alcohol use with their Marines.

The initiative also re-energizes the Marine Corps Mentoring Program's "Buddy System." The Buddy System is a program that enhances the "Marines take care of their own" ethos. It will pair Marines together so they can look out for each other's well-being and help ensure they maintain the highest standards of behavior on duty, on liberty and on leave.

The focal point is currently alcohol abuse, but CoRC will be tailored in the future to address other issues.

"CoRC is Force-wide and is reaching out and touching all 183 sites," said Maj. Thomas J. Rose, executive officer, Headquarters Battalion, MARFORES.



Responsible Choices

A change in mindset where all Marines are asked to rethink how they conduct their lives to ensure their decisions lead to safe and healthy outcomes.



MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE - THE RESPONSIBLE CHOICE

is a Norwegian armed forces-sponsored multinational invitational exercise focused on cold weather maritime/amphibious operations. Participants include forces from Great Britain, the Netherlands, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Austria and other NATO partners.

BOLD ALLIGATOR is a large-scale multinational Naval amphibious exercise conducted by United States Fleet Forces and Marine Forces Command that focused upon the planning and execution of a brigade-sized amphibious assault from a seabase in a medium threat environment. The underlying scenario of this exercise was designed to emphasize the Navy/Marine Corps capabilities in undeveloped theaters of operations.

RESERVE FORCES AROUND THE

From warm tropical Caribbean islands to the cold snowy mountains of Norway, Marines participate in exercises to prepare them for real-world conflicts and operations. (From December 2011 - March 2012)

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Lieutenant General Steven A. Hummer Commander, Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North

BOLD ALLIGATOR

SOUTHCOM SECURITY **COOPERATION TEAM**

a Navy and Marine Corps team supports theater security cooperation and stands ready to provide humanitarian assistance/disaster relief if required.

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is a Marine Forces Europe sponsored security cooperation task force in Romania, Bulgaria, Ukraine and Georgia, conducting various security cooperation events from April through August.

COLD RESPONSE

AGILE SPIRIT is a joint operation exercise between approximately 350 Marines, from the Black Sea Rotational Force, and the Georgian Armed Forces

KEY RESOLVE is

a 10-day combined exercise that involves more than 2,300 U.S. forces and nearly 10,000 South Korean forces. The primary focus of Key Resolve will be to exercise alliance crisis management, defensive and stability operations.

to increase interoperability, exchange and enhance each others capacity in counter insurgency and peace keeping operations.

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is a joint exercise between American military members and Filipino military members stimulating humanitarian assistance and disaster response in the event of a large earthquake.

is a task force led by elements of the 4th Force Recon Company that sends small security and logistics cooperation teams into Africa to train with native militaries facing regional terror threats.

Marines from 4th Marine Logistics Group provide a rotational communications detachment in support of Combined Joint Task Force Horn of Africa in Djibouti.

880 Marine Reservists are currently deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Marine Reservists conduct security cooperation events throughout the Central Command area of responsibility.

Training



Story and photos by Lance Cpl. Emmanuel Ramos

MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO, Va. - Marines from Reserve units as far as Washington state came here for pre-deployment training, called Quantico Viper, Nov. 7, 2011.

The training, which lasted 14 days, covered everything from cultural training to Humvee Egress Assistance Training.

"It's all about getting these Marines in the right mindset for what's ahead," said Maj. Cliff Russ, the officer in charge of Logistics Combat Element, 4th Logistics Support Battalion, 4th Marine Logistics Group. "We're making sure these Marines have the most up-to-date training."

Marines who went through Quantico Viper were broken into two groups. Alpha Group was preparing to deploy to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, and Bravo Group was preparing to deploy as part of a Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force

to Italy and Africa.

"I'm excited to be going," said Cpl. Victor Tamino, a maintenance engineer with Alpha Group, 4th LSB, 4th MLG. "This is my second time going through Quantico Viper and the training has grown a lot from the first time I came through in 2008. I've learned a lot of new information that I know will help me when I head overseas."

The MAGTF will be conducting a variety of humanitarian missions as well as helping train foreign armies.

"This is all part of the Long War concept," Russ said. "This benefits not only our country, but helps other nations as well."

Even though both groups of Marines have different missions, both are brought up to speed on improvised explosive devices.

"IED training is constant," said Dan Arnold, counter IED instructor, Camp Lejeune, N.C. "They are always evolving,

and it is the main threat that our troops face while on deployment."

A large aspect of Quantico Viper is for the Marines to build a strong relationship with each other.

"Most of these Marines come from units from all over the country," said Master Sgt. Thomas Parrella, inspector instructor staff, 4th Maintenance Battalion, 4th MLG, Charlotte, N.C. "It's important that they build that band of brotherhood before they deploy."

Marines are able to build that bond by looking up to noncommissioned officers who have been on previous deployments for guidance.

"I tell my Marines to constantly keep a fresh eye and don't become complacent," said Sgt. Richard Rubio, a Marine with Alpha Co., Beach Terminal Operations Reinforcement, 4th LSB. "At the end of the day my mission is for all of them to come back to their families in one piece."



Cpl. Victor Tamino, a maintenance engineer with 4th Maintenance Battalion, 4th Logistics Support Battalion, steps out of a Humvee, rifle ready to engage the enemy while participating in Humvee Egress Assistance Training.

Quantico Viper Preparing Marines for deployment



Cpl. Victor Tamino, a maintenance engineer with 4th Maintenance Battalion, 4th Logistics Support Battalion, climbs out of a simulated Humvee that has been rolled on its side while participating in Humvee Egress Assistance Training A large aspect of Quantico Viper is for the Marines to build a strong relationship with each other before they deploy.



Marines train to clear routes of IEDs

Story and photo by Pfc. Nik S. Phongsisattanak

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. — Operation Enduring Freedom has lasted for more than a decade, and more than 2.835 service members with coalition forces have made the ultimate sacrifice.

More than 50 percent of those fatalities were caused by improvised explosive devices, according to statistics published by iCasualties.org. Without essential Marines such as combat engineers, who are trained to detect and remove IED threats, the number of lives lost could be greater.

Marines with Company E, 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Marine Division, Marine Forces Reserve, hope to minimize IED threats with the help of route clearance mobile training that started on Dec. 16, 2011.

During the training course, the Marines learned about the different types of IEDs they could encounter while deployed, and how to detect and remove them with the vehicles and devices implemented in a route clearance.

"The most challenging part about this

training is getting them into the engineer mindset, because these guys are not traditionally trained for this. They are tankers, so we have to teach them to think like an engineer," said Garret Czesak, a contracted instructor with Marine Corps Engineer School, MCB Camp Lejeune.

Numerous practical application training missions helped the Marines learn how to utilize various Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles, or MRAPs, to support route clearance operations.

One type of vehicle was fitted with an arm that could be used to dig up detected IEDs. Three "Cougars," variants as pictured above, had elevated gyro-cameras with night and thermal capabilities to offer a better vantage point. One Cougar carried a Small Unmanned Ground Vehicle, which is essentially a remote controlled robot used to investigate and survey areas or objects that may be high risk for personnel.

"Teaching route clearance is really trying to teach a thought process," said Kevin Cassel, an instructor with Marine Corps Engineer School, MCB Camp Lejeune. "The vehicles are a small part of it; you can teach anyone

how to drive the trucks. But they need to learn how to calculate risks and have a mitigation process continually (going on) in their head as they are going through all these different threats."

"This training was amazing," said Lance Cpl. Thomas Jackson, a maintenance management specialist with Company E, 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Marine Division. "The hardest part about the training was being patient."

According to Czesak, the average time it takes a unit to complete the milelong training route is three hours, which challenged them to detect more than six IEDs.

"Route clearance is an extremely slow mission," said Czesak. "They're traveling at 5 kilometers an hour. It's extremely slow and it is easy to get complacent. They are going to be literally moving three to four miles an hour, so it turns even a short route to a very very long day."

After graduating from this course, the Marines will continue to Mojave Viper at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center in Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Reserves prepare for Afghan deployment

Story and photo by Cpl. Ned Johnson

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. - Reserve service members often wake at a normal hour after sunrise and go to their civilian jobs or college classes.

Last winter, however, for the Marines of Headquarters Battalion, 4th Marine Division, the California sun meant they had been up for hours preparing for their upcoming deployment to Afghanistan.

Time off for the Marines was a myth, said Capt. Brian Kerg, executive officer, Headquarters Battalion, but the training is invaluable.

"It's very important because if you don't do it [training], when you get into a real situation you won't have those skills and abilities," said Sgt. Mark Stickney, platoon sergeant, Headquarters Bn. "It's muscle memory, when you do it on the range you will be able to do it in real life when that situation comes."

"We are going over as part of NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan, and we will be acting as mentors and advisers to the Afghan National Army and Afghan National Police," said Lance Cpl. Alexander Foucher, motor transport operator.

The Marines will be guiding and assisting the Afghan Army and Police noncommissioned officers to ensure they train their men correctly. This includes weapons handling and maintenance, tactics and discipline.

Yet, this mission is no ordinary deployment for these Marines. Most of them are from Reserve units responsible for communications or motor transportation.

Kerg says it's difficult to form a unit out of several companies across multiple states, but then added the Marines have come together well.

"The workload we threw at them was tremendous," said Kerg, a native of Piqua, Ohio. "But they performed every day like Marines and are knocked things out of the park."

More than just performing their assigned duties, the Marines of Headquarters Battalion appeared excited and ready to go.

"Ever since I joined, I have wanted to go to either Iraq or Afghanistan and work with the people over there," said Lance Cpl. Tyler Adkins, data technician. "It seems like something that is going to be beneficial for my character as well."

The Marines also know the importance of the success of their mission.

"The most important mission in Afghanistan is to ensure they can secure their own nation once we leave," said Foucher, a native of Bradford, Pa. "We need to make sure it's in secure hands, and that they know what to do once we leave."



Unit Deployment Program sends Reserve Marines to Japan for six months of training





Gunnery Sgt. Raoul P. Sheridan, left and Sgt. Justin R. Burch, with Hotel Battery based in Richmond, Va., train in Japan as part of the Unit Deployment Program which provides six months of intensive training alongside an active duty element. The Marines joined forces with 3rd Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force. Sheridan likens an artillery battery to a "Swiss army knife" because in combat operations it is a self-contained unit that provides its own security in addition to conducting its primary mission.

Story and photo by Lance Cpl. Erik Brooks

CAMP FUJI, Japan – Typically, they only get together once a month. Typically, they work nine-hour days or attend classes full time. However, for this group of Marines, the next six months will be anything but typical.

The Unit Deployment Program has united Hotel Battery, a Reserve artillery unit based in Richmond, Va., with 3rd Battalion, 12th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, based in Okinawa, Japan.

Before being selected to join III MEF in Japan, Hotel's Marines only met once a month to practice firing drills.

"On a selected Friday, the Marines would come in and prepare to go to the field the next day," said Capt. Eric L. Jones, commanding officer for Hotel Battery. "We would then push out to the firing site, fire, and on Sunday push back home. We also annually execute extensive training for two weeks during the summer."

This limited schedule only allowed the Marines so much training, said 1st Sgt. David T. Orsi, the first sergeant for the battery.

"The UDP is a great opportunity for our Marines," said Jones. "Since we only met once a month before, they will now be able to learn a lot more about their MOS (military occupational specialty) than they would back in the States."

While attached to III MEF, Hotel Battery will have the opportunity to train extensively as part of the Artillery Relocation Training Program. Just weeks after arriving in Japan, Hotel Battery. left Okinawa to conduct ARTP 11-3 from Nov. 4-30, 2011 with 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines. Their ability to immediately deploy on arrival did not magically happen.

Hotel had to do a variety of things to make this UDP happen, said Orsi. The battery got the Marines administratively, medically and legally prepared as well as ensuring the completion of all required training qualifications.

"Most of the training we did was driving," he said. "We needed to make sure the Marines were up to date on all requirements so we could start training as a battery immediately on our arrival."

Additionally, Hotel Battery needed to fill a personnel requirement in order to deploy. For this, they received augments from Golf and India Batteries, both Reserve units from the Northeast, said Jones.

Most of Hotel's Marines either go to school full time or have full-time jobs, said Orsi. This required most of his Marines to put their everyday life on hold in order to come to Japan.

"The Marines in this battery are a very close-knit group," said Orsi.

According to Orsi, some of the Marines go to school and work together. There are even brothers and cousins who are serving or have served together.

"It is not uncommon for one brother to be checking out of the battery while another is checking in," said Orsi.

Hotel Battery will be deployed under the UDP to III MEF for six months, said Jones.

"The Marines were excited to come here to train and get a look at what active-duty Marines do every day," said Orsi. "This is a great opportunity to train day in and day out. We will be taking full advantage of what we have here."



Story and photos by Cpl. Katherine Keleher

PATROL BASE WISHTON, Afghanistan – At barely 39 degrees Fahrenheit outside, the two Reservists of Female Engagement Team 6 warmed their red, sniffling noses by drinking hot chocolate from canteen cups. It was early morning and they had little sleep from the cold night before. After breakfast the Marines began dressing in their body armor, preparing for their upcoming day of work.

Sgts. Jessica Lugo and Autumn Sekely were getting ready to go out in support of Marines with Weapons Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, and the Afghan National Civil Order Police for a security patrol through their area of Sangin district, Helmand province.

The purpose of the day was to familiarize Marines new to the unit with the area, while also giving Lugo and Sekely the opportunity to interact with local women and children.

While supporting the infantry Marines with 2nd Marine Division (Forward), FET 6 socialized with local children passing by, handing out candy and pencils while sharing smiling faces through the language barrier.

"Establishing a good relationship with the children and their families is very important, and it's one of our primary tasks here," said Sekely, a Reservist from Pittsburgh. "It helps build trust and rapport. They really appreciate that the Marines make an effort to respect their culture by having FET out here."

"The women, they stay in the compounds while the men are in the bazaars and farming fields working," explained Lugo, also a Reservist who is from San Pedro, Calif. "They hear a lot of things from the people who come in and out of their compounds. So when we get there, these women are just aching to talk. They're just like we are, and they want their voices to be heard."

During a visit with the village leader and his family, the Marines and Afghans used an interpreter to discuss the possibility of building a water well in the village, as well as raising money to build a mosque.

"Things like this take a lot of money and time," Lugo, the FET 6 team leader, told them.

While carrying on the conversation with the adults, Lugo and Sekely played with the children, giving them crayons and paper, showing them how to color.

"We have the capability of talking to 100 percent of the population," Lugo, a military policewoman by trade, explained. "It's not only engaging the women of Afghanistan for us, it's engaging with everyone. Like today, the village leader talked to us. You would think in (this culture) the men wouldn't want to talk to us, but they do. They're kind of intrigued by having women in military clothing around."

"The (local residents) are very intrigued by us. They see us, the color of our skin, the color of our eyes, us carrying a rifle walking alongside the males. They see that we're equal," Lugo added.

Working side-by-side, FET and 3/7 have worked together to win over hearts and minds and helped the Afghan people toward a brighter tomorrow.



Shoulder to shoulder: Ohio Reserve Marines support combat operations in Helmand

Story and photos by Sgt. Justin Shermanski

FORWARD OPERATING BASE NOLAY, Afghanistan - Many of the familiar trappings of life are half a world away from the small base nestled atop a hill on the outskirts of the Sangin Valley, but a handful of the Buckeye State's own who are based here have found echoes of home in each other.

Hailing from cities and towns across Ohio, four Marine Corps Reservists have spent the last several months shoulder-toshoulder supporting combat operations in Helmand province. The rush of war has drawn the quartet closer, but other familiarities existed among them long before their boots touched down in Afghanistan.

Their parent unit, with which they perform their monthly drills together, is Military Police Co. Charlie based in Dayton, Ohio.

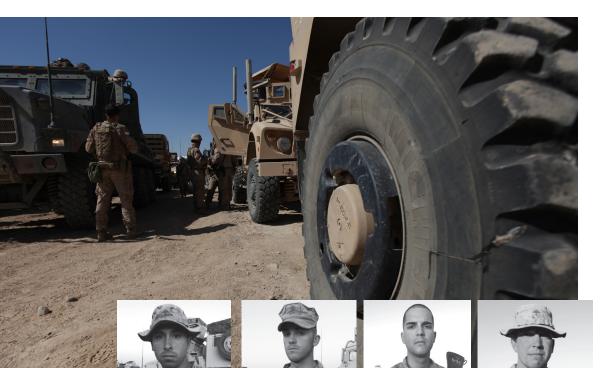
"It's great being out here with these guys," said Lance Cpl. Adam Roos, of Cincinnati.

Roos, a married father of one daughter, serves as a machine gunner with Combat Logistics Company, Combat Logistics Battalion 6 – an element of 2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward).

"To be able to talk about home and our families, and get to know the guys you drill with back home is nice. It makes us that much tighter," he said.

Cpls. Ryan Kaethow, of Columbus, and Joshua Keeton, of Fairborn, Ohio, are also married with children of their own.

"We'd spend time together on drill weekends, and our wives still talk now that we are gone," said



Marines with Combat Logistics Co., Combat Logistics Battalion 6, look over their equipment and vehicles prior to leaving Forward Operating Base Nolay, Afghanistan.

Sat. Thomas Bolander Security Team Leader Toledo, Ohio

Cpl. Joshua Kelley Vehicle Commander Fairborn, Ohio

Cpl. Ryan Kaethow Combat driver Columbus, Ohio

Lance Cpl. Adam Roos Machine gunner Cincinnati, Ohio

These four Marine Reservists from Ohio served together in Iraq in 2009 and are currently deployed to Afghanistan with Military Police Co. Charlie, headquarted in Dayton, Ohio. They are now attached to Combat Logistics Battalion 6 - an element of 2nd Marine Logistics Group (Forward), providing military security and support operations in the area.

Kaethow, who drives the lead truck for his platoon's security team within the company.

"There's a closeness." This closeness is, in part, rooted in another combat zone.

The men chewed some of the same dirt during a deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom when they were activated in 2009. They returned home in January 2010.

A year ago, each of them was nearly settled back into their respective post-deployment lives as college students, restaurant managers and tree trimmers, when the opportunity for active service came knocking once again. Though they had been home for barely a year, all three

men, along with security team leader Sgt. Thomas Bolander, of Toledo, Ohio, volunteered to head to Afghanistan.

The Marines are currently tasked with daily missions escorting resupply convoys throughout their area of operation. On occasion, they complete multiple trips in one day. The pace is a grueling one, but in the end, they all agree their time and effort factor into a greater purpose.

"It's all about support," said Kaethow, as he explained how critical it is to ensure the riflemen have what they need to continue the fight. "We fuel their operations."

Though the busy schedule before them occupies nearly every

minute of every waking hour, Ohio is never far from their minds.

"I just miss being at home with my family, friends and my dog," said Bolander.

Kaethow's daughter, now 2 years old, was born while he was in Iraq. He looks forward to spending time with her and his wife.

"We keep up in emails and pictures, but I've missed a lot of developments," he said. "I just want to watch her grow up."

Family is important to them, and it's the same sense of dedication which drew them toward military service in the first place. It's evident today as they provide

direct support to the infantrymen of the 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment.

The unit is currently fighting its way through the Upper Sangin Valley of Northern Helmand province.

"It's an honor to be part of CLB-6 and to do our part to support 1/6," said Bolander.

Kelley, who serves as a vehicle commander and navigator, added, "By the time we left Iraq, things were winding down, but here it's fast paced ... a lot more activity. It's great to be a part of something so big."

"I'm proud to hit both wars of my generation."

BOLD ALLIGATOR 2012

Marine Corps rediscovers amphibious roots
Combined story by Lance Cpl. Scott L. Tomaszycki and Lance Cpl. Jessica DeRose



"Amphibious forces are critical to maintaining the maritime flexibility required to preserve America's vital interests."

Lt. Gen. Dennis Hejlik Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command

Amphibious assault vehicles hit the beach after departing the USS Kearsarge (LHD 3) during the amphibious assault phase of Bold Alligator 2012. Bold Alligator 2012, the largest naval amphibious exercise in the past 10 years, represents the Navy and Marine Corps' revitalization of the full range of amphibious operations. The exercise united both active and Reserve personnel and focused on today's fight with today's forces, while showcasing the advantages of seabasing. The exercise took place Jan. 12 - Feb. 12, 2012, afloat and ashore in and around Virginia and North Carolina. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Tom Gagnier.

Bold Alligator 2012



ABOARD USS KEARSARGE (LHD 3) – Since 9/11, the Marine Corps focused on engaging enemies in largely land-locked combat. Exercise Bold Alligator 2012, the largest amphibious exercise in a decade, was designed to revitalize the capabilities of the Navy and Marine Corps team in the full range of amphibious operations.

The exercise focused on today's fight with today's forces, while showcasing the advantages of seabasing and included: an amphibious landing, flight operations, landing craft air cushion operations and amphibious assault vehicle operations.

Before the amphibious landing actually took place, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 774, a Reserve unit from Norfolk, Va., made daily trips from the Joint Visitor Bureau at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., to participating ships in Exercise Bold Alligator 2012. Aboard HMM-774's CH-46E Sea Knight helicopters, distinguished visitors and civilian members of the press were transported to view operations taking place during the exercise.

Most of the distinguished visitors who came aboard were policy makers and it was important for them to view and assess the exercise, said Lt. Col. Mark Sexton, the commanding officer of HMM-774. After observing the exercise they should be informed as to the capabilities and limitations of the current force, he said.

"In addition to showcasing the capabilities of amphibious warships and the ability of the Marine Corps to make amphibious attacks, the exercise also highlights the

importance of the Marine Corps Reserves and the increasingly crucial role they will play in maintaining national security," said Sexton.

The Marine Corps typically operates as a Marine Air-Ground Task Force capable of conducting operations from a sea base, like an Amphibious Ready Group, and maintaining a campaign on land. While the command element plans the overall operation, one of the first boots to step foot on shore typically comes from the ground combat element who utilizes various amphibious crafts to get from the ship to the shore with all necessary equipment.

"Anytime you can go from the sea to shore, that means we can be anywhere in the world in a matter of hours," said Sgt. Maj. Paul T. Archie, the Regimental Landing

Team 2 sergeant major. "Amphibious ops are very important in the art of war fighting, or peacekeeping, or whatever type of operation we have to do."

The AAVs have to land at a precise time called "H-Hour" which is coordinated so the troops can hit the enemy positions as soon as the naval and aerial bombardments are complete according to Sgt. Devin S. Bisaccia, a section leader with 2nd Amphibian Assault Battalion, RLT-2. Once ashore, the troops in the AAVs secured the beachhead.

"We secured it with our initial waves of AAVs to make sure enemies couldn't attack the beach, which would facilitate the rest of our combat power flowing ashore via LCACs and LCUs. We massed all of our combat power at Landing Zone Falcon in the tactical assembly area. Then, according to scenario, we executed actions from there," said Bisaccia.

Also involved in the landing were landing craft utilities and landing craft air cushions that moved troops, vehicles and supplies ashore to include M1A1 Abrams tanks. After the main body landed, these amphibious vessels switched to a logistical role to keep the troops ashore well supplied and transfer support elements from ship to shore as needed.

"Amphibious forces are critical to maintaining the maritime flexibility required to preserve America's vital interests," said Lt. Gen. Dennis Hejlik, commanding general of U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command.

"This is something [Bold Alligator 2012] is perfectly suited to demonstrate, because it's focused on today's fight with today's forces." he said.

Archie explained that by holding an exercise on the Marine Expeditionary Brigade level, which can be nearly three times the size of the traditional Marine Expeditionary Unit, many more Marines became reacquainted with amphibious operations. The Marines refined the skills they needed to use aboard ships and are able to bring this experience back to their



Combat cargo Marines with the USS Wasp (LHD 1) assist Sailors with Assault Craft Unit 4 chain down their Landing Craft Air Cushion to the ship, Jan. 30, 2011. The LCACs were later used by Marines as part of Exercise Bold Alligator 2012 to move equipment and personnel from ship to shore in support of operations. This exercise, the largest naval amphibious exercise in the past 10 years, represents the Navy and Marine Corps' revitalization of the full range of amphibious operations. The exercise focused on today's fight with today's forces, while showcasing the advantages of seabasing. This exercise took place Jan. 30-Feb. 12, 2012, afloat and ashore in and around Virginia and North Carolina. Photo by Lance Cpl. Jessica DeRose.



A Landing Craft Air Cushion with Assault Craft Unit 4 departs the USS Wasp (LHD 1) to conduct amphibious training, Jan. 31, 2012. Photo by Lance Cpl. Jessica DeRose.

parent commands and out on future deployments.

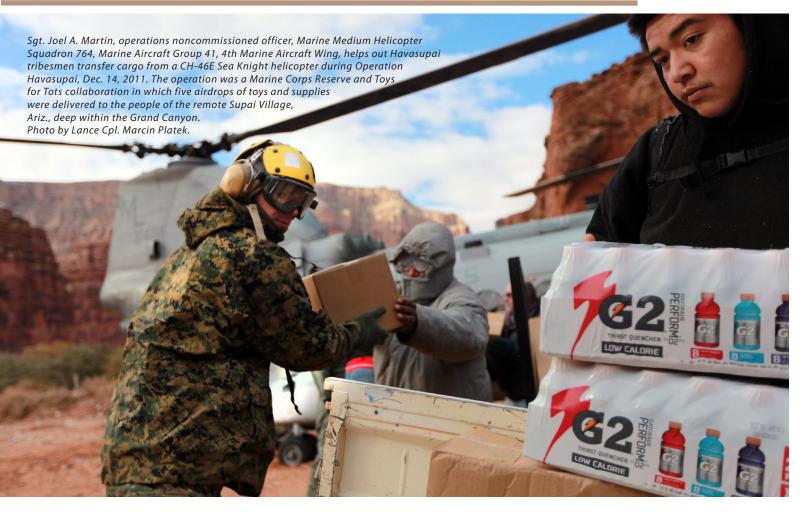
"I think the Marines have learned a lot," Archie said. "They've learned how to work with coalition [forces], they've learned how to successfully on-load

equipment and personnel. I think they refined their [job specialties] working on ships, which is much different from being in an office building back on Camp Lejeune. They've definitely grown a lot over the past couple weeks."





Operation Havasupai



GRAND CANYON, Ariz. — As the red Arizona soil cloud cleared from the sky, the observing Havasupai tribe people turned around from protecting themselves from the dust stirred up by the loud swooshing sounds. They were finally able to see a Marine CH-46E helicopter landing in the middle of their village. The children cheered not only for the Marines, but the special guest they had been waiting for.

When one of the crewmen lowered the stairs to the helicopter, a big, jolly man in a red suit and white beard made his way down. The kids and adults alike started to wave at a friend they knew very well.

With the help of Reserve Marines from the Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 764, veterans from the Flagstaff Marine League Charities, Flagstaff Toys for Tots organization and different civilian charities, St. Nicholas was able to travel down to the bottom of Grand Canyon, Dec. 14, 2011 to help deliver toys in a mission called Operation Havasupai.

"The operation would never happen if the Marines would not do this operation for

us," said Christine McGee, coordinator for Northern Arizona Marine Corps League and the one responsible for contacting the squadron for this operation. "Supai is such a remote location and the only access to Supai is by foot, mule or helicopter."

The village is inaccessible by roads and the only way is an eight-mile steep and narrow path that has an approximate 3,000-foot elevation change and takes more than five hours to complete.

The trail to the village is not easy due to the terrain of the Grand Canyon. For the Marines flying in, the canyon poses its own unique challenges.

Roughly 48 Marines from the HMM-764, the Moonlighters, turned back Dec. 12 to Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., due to bad weather. A two-day storm made it impossible for them to fly in as it dropped more than a foot of snow in the Northern Arizona region.

"We have certain weather requirements if we want to operate safely," said Col. Jon E. Bork, CH-46E pilot, HMM-764.

"The biggest one for us, in this type of environment, is operating in the icy conditions, which is unsafe for this airframe."

"With all the fog and clouds, they said it was unsafe to fly so we turned around and flew home," said Sgt. Christopher Morris, airframe mechanic, HMM-764.

Finally, on the third attempt of flying into the Grand Canyon, Morris and the Moonlighters returned Dec. 14 with four CH-46E Sea Knight helicopters and hopes of helping Santa to deliver toys to approximately 150 Havasupai children in the village.

Morris has been with the unit for four years and he participated in the entire Toys for Tots process, from collecting toys to sorting them, and finally delivering them into the village. He was one of a handful of Marines that handed out the toys to Havasupai children during a big celebration with Santa Claus after the Marines landed.

"It's just awesome to come out here and see what this is all about," added Morris.

The Supai village is home to more than 400 permanent Havasupai tribesmen, women and children. The Havasupai is the most remote and isolated tribe in the United States. The Flagstaff Toys for Tots organization and the Marines have visited the tribe for the past 16 years, providing logistical support to transfer toys and other supplies.

The operation has grown over the years, said McGee. "The amount that we provide to the tribe has grown in size and quantity when we realized that we could provide them with more than just a Christmas tree and toys," said McGee, who began doing the event 13 years ago with her husband, Lt. Col. James McGee, a retired Marine who passed away in 2010.

"We evolved to providing them other necessities," she said.

In addition to toys, Marines also flew in Christmas trees, crates of food, firewood and other supplies provided by two charities, the St. Mary's Food Bank and The Friends of Utah.

Helping out the local children and the village people was not the only benefit for the Marines.

The actual flights between narrow canyons, difficult weather and confined landing areas helped the Marines gain valuable experience in operations.

"Operating here in the Grand Canyon definitely catches your attention and you want to be aware of what you're doing and how you're doing it," said Bork, who has participated in the operation for more than five years.

"It's very challenging to fly up here in the high altitude and the cold weather," he said. "Dealing with all the weather issues, ice, motors and oil all getting cold are some of the things to think about."

"Getting Marines in this kind of environment with different types of clothing, staying warm and staying hydrated, all those activities are all necessary to provide safe operations," he said. "It needs to be done continuously to maintain the proficiency so we can get out here and operate."

Bork said continuous training in this type of environment is important because over time Marines can lose the experience in formation flying, cold-weather operations, mountain operations and confined areas.





Marines from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 764, Marine Aircraft Group 41, 4th Marine Aircraft Wing, filled four CH-46E Sea Knight helicopters with Toys for Tots boxes, food crates, Christmas trees and other supplies for Operation Havasupai Dec. 14. Photo by Lance Cpl. Marcin Platek.

"That is a great gift that both (locals and Havasupai people) get, seeing the Marines and the Marine Corps story come to them," said Bork. "It supports them, the children, and the families who live up here as well as the folks down inside the canyon."

The operation had brought much needed help and Christmas spirit to the children here as they have next to nothing, said Roland Manakaja, the tribe's wisdom keeper. This year the children were growing especially impatient as the event faced possible cancellation due to weather. The operation has grown somewhat of a Christmas tradition for the tribe.

"The warrior birds, eagles, were flying around this morning and that was a good sign," he said "They told us you guys were coming, the warriors."

Despite all the obstacles, the warriors did arrive this year, bringing happy holidays to the most isolated tribe in America.



COMING SOON



MARINE WEEK CLEVELAND





For the second time in history, residents of Cleveland will witness an unusual occurrence

Story by Lance Cpl. Marcin Platek

n July 18, 1959, nearly 1,200 Marines stormed the shores of Lake Erie beach during Operation Inland Seas Invasion. The incursion was a part of a year-long celebration of the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway, an international water system. This time, more than 700 Marines will arrive for a different type of celebration.

Marine Week is an annual event that celebrates community, country and Corps in a different city every year. It provides a unique experience to directly connect the American public and Marines, said Lt. Gen. Steven A. Hummer, commander of Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North.

"The event will showcase our amphibious roots and reinforce the understanding of the Marine Corps as America's Expeditionary Force in readiness," he said.

Marine Week Cleveland: June 11-17, 2012



at City Club on Feb. 7, 2011. Hummer will kick off the Marine Week Speaker Series where general officers will be holding timely and diverse topic discussion meetings. The Speaker Series will continue throughout Marine Week. Courtesy photo.

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latest technology, state-of-the-art gear and rich history to Cleveland, said Hummer, who is the top officer in charge of conducting the event.

"We're going to showcase the great items of equipment that the Marine Corps uses as we execute what we do in order to defend our nation," said Lt. Col. Michael Hubbard. inspector/instructor of 3rd Battalion, 25th Marines, based in Brook Park, Ohio.

Static exhibits will be displayed throughout Cleveland, but the most interesting one will be Marine Air-Ground Task Force Alley that will display all the elements of the force, said Hubbard.

Walking between exhibits, attendees will be able to catch the sounds of Marine Corps Band Quantico, Va., and the Silent Drill Platoon as they perform numerous times throughout the week.

The Marine Corps will also host events with local major sports clubs. Some of the festivities will include a flag football game, in which Marines will square off against the National Football League's Cleveland Browns, and a night out at the ballpark with Major League Baseball's Cleveland Indians.

Attendees will also be able to view and take part in Marine physical training. Passers-During Marine Week, Marines will bring their by will be able to check out Marine Corps Martial Arts Program demonstrations, engage in clinics with Marine Sports teams and run in the Marine-sponsored 5 kilometer run through downtown Cleveland.

> "It will all accumulate to a MAGTF demo, which is a small-scale amphibious landing where we are bringing every part of the MAGTF that we use to prosecute the Global War on Terrorism," said Hubbard.

The grand finale landing, with the ground, air and sea elements, will take place at the end of the week on the shores of Lake Erie.

A half-million Clevelanders watched the beach assault more than half of century ago, but the events this year are anticipated to bond the Marine Corps with many more people. The anticipated attendance this year is expected to beat last year's Marine Week St. Louis turnout.

"Marine Week is our opportunity to connect with Clevelanders and all Americans, thank them for their support and demonstrate why the Marine Corps is America's Force in Readiness," said Hummer.

The Marine Corps is honored to give back to the city of Cleveland and the state of Ohio for their enormous support, said Hummer.

With 9,371 active and Reserve Marines hailing from Ohio, there is a strong military background here. Cleveland and Ohio have been there for the Marines through the sad time in 2005 when 3/25 lost 46 Marines in Iraq, said Hubbard. They were also there for their Marines once they got back from Afghanistan last year.

"There's a lot of service history associated with this battalion in Ohio, but there is also a great deal to say about the service that the local citizenry takes pride in that most of their citizens have served in uniform," Hubbard said.

To further repay the community, Marines will be working in many local neighborhood service projects like community clean-ups, park restorations and housing rebuilds.

Marines will also lay a wreath and give commiseration at the Vietnam memorial each day of the event to honor Cleveland veterans.

The Marines are planning on getting involved with the community as much as possible. The community-relation efforts done throughout the event will not end with the Marine Week, said Hubbard.

"We are building lasting relationships that will take us well into decades down the road. We will continue providing community services, ensuring the folks appreciate the Marine Corps," he said.

With the continuing support from Cleveland and the state of Ohio to their service members, looking into the future, Marines might come back to raid the rock 'n'roll capital once again.

For more information visit www.marines.mil/ marineweek

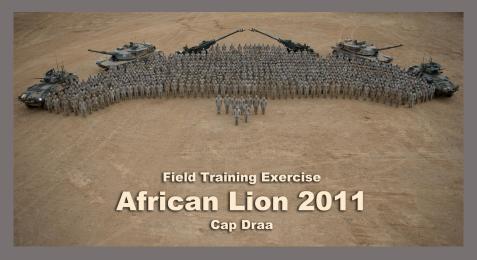


Reserve Marines from Ohio serving at home and overseas. Cleveland is served locally by 3rd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment and Recruiting Station Cleveland.

14TH MARINE REGIMENT



Cpl. Jesse Sangco, a crewman with Battery I, 3rd Battalion, 14th Marine Regiment, muscles an artillery shell onto the loading tray of an M777 howitzer during a fire mission May 25, 2011. The Reserve artillery unit from Reading, Pa., fired their howitzers in support of forward elements during exercise African Lion 2011. U.S. Army Photo by Pfc. Ariel Solomon.





When directed, 14th Marine Regiment provides the MAGTF with a Force Artillery Headquarters in order to command, control, and coordinate Force Artillery delivered fires. On order, 14th Marines assumes the civil-military operations mission for the MAGTF with focus on coordinating and achieving unity of effort among all forces and non-military organizations participating in stability operations in the MAGTF's battlespace.

- 14th Marines is a Reserve artillery regiment of the United States Marine Corps comprising three firing battalions and a headquarters battery.
- The Regimental Headquarters is located at Fort Worth, Texas. However, its units are dispersed among 19 different sites in 13 states.
- It is the Marine Corps' only Reserve artillery regiment as well as the largest artillery regiment in
- Its primary weapon system is the M777A2 howitzer with a maximum effective range of 30 km. However, 2d Battalion, 14th Marines was converted to fire the High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) weapon system with a maximum effective range of 84+ km and 300+ km.

- Nov. 26, 1918, activated at Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va. as the 14th Regiment. Deactivated June 19, 1919.
- June 1, 1943, reactivated to Camp Pendleton, Calif., as Headquarters and Service Battery, 14th Marines, Fleet Marine Force.
- August 1943 relocated to Camp Pendleton, Calif., and assigned to the 4th Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force.
- 1943-1945, participated in the following World War II Campaigns: Kwajalein, Saipan, Tinian and Iwo Jima.
- October -November 1945 redeployed to Camp Pendleton, Calif.. Deactivated Nov. 20, 1945.
- Feb. 1, 1966 reactivated at Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif., as the 14th Marine Regiment, and assigned to the 4th Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.
- Februrary 1967, relocated to Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center Naval Air Station, Dallas, Texas.
- November 1976, relocated to Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center Naval Air Station, Fort Worth, Texas.
- 1970s and 1980s participated in numerous training exercises.
- December 1990-April 1991 mobilized and deployed several batteries in support of operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, Southwest
- 2006-2011 mobilized and deployed several batteries in support of operations Iraq Freedom and Enduring Freedom, Iraq and Afghanistan.



THE TRIALS





Cpl. Anthony McDaniel lost both his legs and his left hand to an improvised explosive device in August 2010. McDaniel, from Pascagoula, Miss., pushed his mind and body to the limit as he competed against other Wounded Warriors in the 2012 Marine Corps Trials hosted by the Wounded Warrior Regiment. Photo by Lance Cpl. Chelsea Flowers.

A Wounded Warrior swims laps during practice for the 2012 Marine Corps Trials, Feb. 15. Photo by Sqt. Mark Fayloga.

Story by Sgt. Heidi Agostini

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. - The Marine Corps Wounded Warrior Regiment kicked off the 2012 Marine Corps Trials with an opening ceremony Feb. 16, at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif.

More than 300 wounded, ill or injured Marines, Marine veterans and international service members participated in the second annual Marine Corps Trials Feb. 16-21.

Several notable volunteer coaches devoted their time and expertise with the athletes, including Olympic Gold medalist swimmer Sheila Taormina, Olympic triathlete Victor Plata, and nationally-ranked University of Oregon track and field thrower Brittany Hinchcliffe.

The Paralympic-style competition will include individual and team events in sitting volleyball, wheelchair basketball, swimming, cycling, shooting, archery, and track and field. Four teams, East, West, Veteran and International, will go head to head for team gold. The international team has military athletes from seven nations, including the United Kingdom, Canada, France, Australia, Germany, Colombia and the Netherlands.

The regiment will select 50 Marines, veteran and active, as members of the All-Marine team for the Warrior Games, a competition between all branches of services in Colorado Springs, Colo., in early May.

"The veterans and Marines last year went on to win the most medals in Colorado with the fewest number of athletes, clearly living up to the Marine Corps motto of 'the few, the proud,'" said Col. Nicholas F. Marano, the base commanding officer.

The Trials bring together allies and friends from the field of battle where they fought and bled together, to the field of fitness in Southern California.

"We fight together," said Col. Jay J. Krail, the Wounded Warrior Regiment executive officer. "We fight oppression. We fight radical, fanatic, evil, perverted beliefs. We fight drug cartels together. We fight fascism. We fight for right and we fight for freedom."

Krail said off the battlefield, these athletes fight personal battles, fighting limitations and amputations, to see when their eyes fail, to move when their bodies are tired. "Our bodies get better," Krail said. "Our minds get better. We win. 'Etiam in Pugna.' Still in the fight. We will always be, still in the fight, because we are warriors."



Marine Reservist Lance Cpl. Christopher Crump, native of Conroe, Texas, places an arrow on his bow during an open practice session. Crump is a field wireman with Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marine Regiment. On Aug. 16, 2011, just weeks after returning home from a deployment in Afghanistan, Crump was cruising on his motorcycle when he was struck by a vehicle that ran a red light in Oceanside, Calif. Crump suffered multiple, major injuries to his skull, fibula, tibia, lungs and ribs to name a few. This was Crump's first year to come to the trials where he tried out for the air-rifle prone, archery and sitting volleyball teams. Photo by Cpl. Lucas Vega.

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Supai Village, Ariz., to gather the remainder of the squadron who helped distribute toys during Operation Havasupai Dec. 14, 2011. The operation was a Marine Corps Reserve and Toys for Tots collaboration in which five airdrops consisting of toys and supplies were delivered to the people of remote Supai Village, deep within the Grand Canyon. Photo by Lance Cpl. Marcin Platek.

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