



Bravo Company News



Commander's Corner: MAJ Keith A. Noppenberger

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Greetings B 935th ASB, family and friends,

January marks the start of a new year, but more importantly it is a new phase in our deployment. With the holiday season behind us, we are looking ahead to new missions and new opportunities to learn and grow. I know that being away for the holidays posed significant challenges both here and at home. Please know that we all missed our families dearly, but made it through ok with the knowledge of your unconditional support. Being deployed this holiday season will make your future seasons that more meaningful and special.

We still have 3 months of hard work ahead of us and there is still much left to do. We have major aircraft maintenance projects, both planned and in the works. We also have essential unit movement initiatives on the near horizon as well as other important operations and various Soldier training events.

In February, March, and April our focus will shift to movement preparation and the welcome reception of our replacements while we continue to perform our daily tasks. When we return to Fort Hood, our sole focus will be to successfully complete the Demobilization process and then reunite with the families at home station.

As we mark each day off our calendars, we are anxiously looking forward to spending the remainder of 2013 with our family and friends back at **HOME** station.

From our hearts to yours, until next month, stay focused and safe. See you soon.

MAJ Keith Noppenberger

B 935th ASB Airframe Repair Platoon completes challenging Main Transmission Module Replacement



Pictured above:

Airframe Repair Platoon Sergeant SFC Michael Sanow prepares to hoist the UH-60 Blackhawk main transmission module with the 7 1/2 Ton Crane on Udairi Army Airfield.



Pictured above left to right:

SPC Robert Wager and SGT Brennan Cox reconfirm the course of action and inspect the main transmission module before installation.

Photographs for the B 935th ASB Chronicle were taken by Combat Correspondent SPC Brenda Moreno



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Airframe Mechanics complete Main "Mod" Replacement



Pictured above: SPC Robert Wager communicates with Technical Inspector SGT Arturo Parra before hoisting the main transmission.



Pictured above: SPC Damon Lappe secures the main mod to the crane hoist with the properly rated chains and straps.



Pictured above: The dedicated members of the Airframe Repair Team prepares to lift the main UH-60 transmission module into place.



"Slow, steady, and safe." This is the motto of the Main Mod Replacement Team.

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Main Transmission Module replacement continued



Pictured above: SPC Cody Smith applies Pro-Seal (an aircraft rated sealant) to the feet of the main transmission module before it is lifted into place.



Pictured above: SPC Robert Wager (on top of the aircraft) and SPC Damon Lappe guide the main mod into place with precision and care.



Communication, planning, and technical skill are the keys to success in aircraft maintenance as demonstrated by the main module replacement team led by 1LT Eric Wiberg and SFC Michael Sanow.



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Main "Mod" replacement continued



Pictured above: The 15T Airframe Repair main mod team successfully mounts the transmission into place on the UH-60 Blackhawk.

Aerial Port of Debarkation (APOD) Mission at Ali Al Salem



Pictured above: Aviation Ground Support Equipment shipped from the Sea Port of Debarkation arrives at Udairi Army Airfield for use at the APOD.

Pictured above from L to R: SGT Ken Rahm, SPC Levi Banton, and CW2 John Boeh begin the blade folding mission.



The Airframe Repair Blade Folding Team works together as a cohesive unit to complete this important and high visibility mission.

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APOD Rotor Blade Folding Mission at Ali Al Salem



Team work, attention to detail, and unity of purpose are all key elements that contribute to the stellar success of the Airframe Repair Platoon this deployment.

Udairi Army Airfield near sunset



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Hydraulics Repair Section recognized for excellence by US Navy



Pictured above from Left to Right: SGT Dion Brown, SPC Andre Jones, SPC Michal Marzec, and PFC Craig “Jimmy” Olson are recognized for their outstanding work on the hydraulics systems of US Navy rotary wing aircraft by LT Commander Vest.



Pictured above: SGT Dion Brown accepts congratulations from Naval Detachment Commander Vest.



Pictured above: SPC Andre Jones shakes hands with LT Commander Vest after receiving a certificate of appreciation.



SPC Michal “the mad man” Marzec is recognized by LT Commander Vest for his stellar maintenance skills.



PFC Craig Olson is honored by LT Commander Vest and shakes his hand.

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Sand Bag Detail



The hard working Troops of B 935th ASB perform many non-glamorous but essential work details to keep the base functioning and safe.

Engagement Skills Trainer (EST) 2000 Virtual Firing Range & Live Fire Range Qualification



Pictured left and below left:

The motivated and dedicated Soldiers of B 935th ASB engage targets on the virtual firing range. The EST 2000 allows Troops to hone their marksmanship skills without using live ammunition.

Pictured below:

The professional Soldiers of B 935th ASB qualify for record on their individually assigned weapons at the live fire range.



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B 935th ASB Soldiers complete 13.1 Mile Half Marathon



Pictured left:

CW2 John Boeh successfully completes his second 13.1 mile half-marathon at the LSA at Ali Al Salem on Saturday 26 January 2013.

CW2 Boeh finished with an impressive time of 1 hour 45 minutes and 56 seconds.



Pictured right:

SPC Russell Sternal crosses the finish line just below the 2 hour mark.



Pictured left:

PFC Craig Olson was the first of the four B 935th ASB contestants to finish the 13.1 mile race. PFC Olson's time was an excellent 1 hour 43 minutes and 33 seconds.

Pictured right:

SPC Phillip Watkins (on the left) runs along side SPC Sternal as they cross the finish line together.

SPC Watkins completed the 13.1 mile trek in 2 hours 15 minutes and 8 seconds.



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T-Wall Barrier Painting



Pictured above: The incredible artistic talent of SPC Javier Rodriguez is displayed on our Unit's T-Wall barrier. SPC Rodriguez designed, drew, and painted the T-Wall Barrier over the course of many weeks during his non-duty time.

Reenlistments

Pictured to the right from left to right:

South Dakota OIC CW3 John Wurtz congratulates SSG Wayne Garner on his 6 year reenlistment after administering the oath of office.

SSG Garner's continued service will not only benefit B 935th ASB while deployed, but also the South Dakota detachment and flight facility in Rapid City.



B 935th ASB Officer Corps Group Photo



The highly professional and dedicated Officers of B 935th ASB take a moment to pose for their official deployment group photo. Front row (kneeling) from L to R: Commanding Officer MAJ Keith Noppenberger, Former Airframe Repair Platoon Leader 1LT Daniel Petrella, Component Repair Platoon Leader & Downed Aircraft Recovery Team OIC CPT Scott Sengenberger, and Present Airframe Repair Platoon Leader 1LT Eric Wiberg.

Back row (standing) from L to R: Maint Test Flight OIC CW5 Jerry Dill, 1st Platoon Leader CW4 Gene McDaniel, Maint Test Pilot CW3 John Wurtz, Aviation Maint Tech CW3 Michael Hanson, Production Control OIC CW6 Shaun Beck, Maint Test Pilot CW2 John Boeh, Avionics & Electrical Systems OIC CW3 Daniel Lieber, Aviation Safety Officer CW3 Bryan Mulgrew, and Quality Control OIC CW5 Joseph Lemens.

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