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Sailors support joint warfighting experiment

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—More than 4,000 U.S. Navy and civilian personnel, including 140 Naval Reservists, participated in *Fleet Battle Experiment Juliet (FBE-J)*. The joint warfighting experiment brought together live field forces and computer simulation at various locations in the United States from July 24 to Aug. 15.

FBE-Juliet, the 10th in a series of FBEs, is being conducted under the overarching objectives of *Millennium Challenge '02 (MC '02)*, a Congressionally-mandated joint event designed to simulate a realistic 2007 battlefield to assess interoperability of new methods to plan, organize and fight.

The largest and most ambitious joint experiment ever, *MC '02* was conducted by the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Joint Forces Command. The exercise spanned three time zones and involved more than 13,500 personnel. Naval Reserve personnel participated at every level.

For more information about *MC '02*, check online at www.jfcom.mil/.

—ENS Michael Harnar, NR NIB East Det 102



Photo by ENS Michael Harnar

MENTORING

Naval Reserve SEALs trained midshipmen from the Naval Academy and ROTC programs this summer. More than 65 Naval Reservists are supporting operations on one-year presidential recalls to Navy Special Warfare Group ONE in Coronado, Calif. At left, Reservist IS1(SEAL) Ed Dambach (right) assists a college senior with his life jacket before a two-hour run-swim-run on the beaches of Coronado.

Divers, Seabees help rescue trapped miners

Naval Reservists were among rescuers who responded to help nine miners trapped in a Pennsylvania coal mine in late July.

QUEECREEK, Pa.—Divers from Naval Reserve Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit Two Det 507 Norfolk joined active duty Navy members of their gaining command to help rescue the trapped miners. They deployed a hyperbaric chamber to the rescue site for treatment of decompression sickness due to the extended period of time under pressure experienced by the miners.

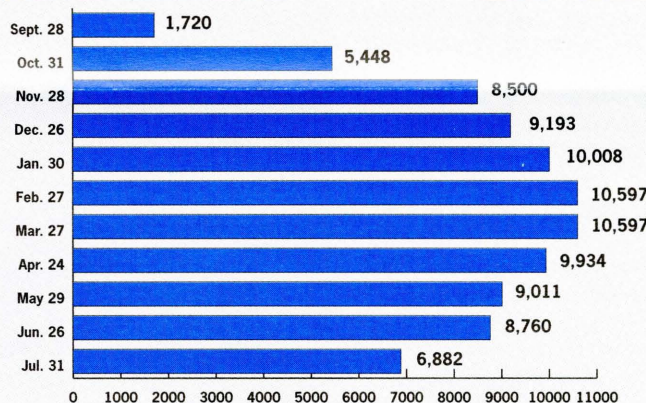
On site, the team helped fabricate a 30-inch diameter pressure cap for the access shaft, set up and manned a washdown station with local firefighters and rescue personnel, cross-trained with rescue personnel on evacuation procedures and proper chamber loading of the patients, and assisted with security measures.

When the trapped miners were freed, the team participated in their evacuation to the surface and provided subsequent treatment of a miner for decompression sickness.

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Mobilization...

Naval Reservists mobilized for *Noble Eagle* and *Enduring Freedom*



Graphics by JO1 Mark Kane and AM1 Tina Puzzilla, using data excerpted from Armed Forces Information Service releases available online at www.defenselink.mil/afis/cmd_info.html.

Dependents get retroactive medical entitlements

A DoD demonstration project now allows demobilized Reservists' dependents to receive transitional health care coverage for the same amount of time as their sponsors.

On July 12, 2002, the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) approved the Worldwide TRICARE Transitional Health Care Demonstration Project.

A demobilized Selected Reservist is entitled to 60 days of transitional health care benefits when he or she has less than six years of total active service, or to 120 days of health care

with six years or more of total active service.

This benefit now applies to dependents of the sponsor. The demonstration project will be in effect for two years. This project will test whether allowing 60 or 120 days of health care eligibility for dependents is beneficial and cost-effective to the DoD. The demonstration project is retroactive for dependents of service members who were involuntarily separated from the Armed Forces on or after Jan. 1, 2002.

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Military Members Get Fast Track to Citizenship

WASHINGTON—All military members who are legal resident aliens can now apply for citizenship without a mandatory wait period.

There is a five-year conditional period from the time individuals get their green cards through the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) until they can apply to become naturalized U.S. citizens, INS officials said. Under previous rules, that mandatory wait time was reduced to three years for military members.

After a July 4 executive order, there is no mandatory wait period for military members.

"Thousands of our men and women in uniform were born in other countries and now spend each day in honorable service to their adopted land," said President Bush. "Out of respect for their brave service in this time of war, I have signed an ex-



Sailors Matter



FORCM(AW/NAC)
Tom Mobley
Force Master Chief

Over the course of the last year, our Naval Reserve Force has been challenged to meet the growing needs of fighting terrorism and protecting our homeland.

Through it all, a remarkable thing has happened. We have seen the best the Citizen Sailor has to offer.

Reservists have endured personal hardships and made significant sacrifices to fulfill the mission. Each one has excelled in the job he or she was mobilized to do. And with all that our Sailors have been faced with, we are retaining Sailors at a rate far beyond our greatest expectations. Retention rates prove our Reservists want to be challenged, want to contribute and are a key part of our national defense.

Over the past two years a slew of initiatives have addressed decreasing attrition, increasing retention, increasing pay and benefits, improving current readiness and realistically funding training. We have seen tremendous progress.

Now the CNO, ADM Vern Clark, has detailed his vision for the future. In "Sea Power 21," the CNO takes a careful look at the big picture to keep our Navy moving forward. At the root of all the improvements envisioned by the CNO is what he terms the principle of "Covenant Leadership," the promises that we make to people and that people make to us. In the words of the CNO, "It's leaders committing themselves to the growth and development of people, giving people the tools they need. It's about leaders committing to giving young people the chance to make a difference and, ultimately, a chance to lead."

Leaders throughout the Navy are heeding the words of the CNO. Covenant Leadership is making a difference. Involved and engaged leaders are improving retention and lowering attrition in their commands.

I encourage you to carefully review "Sea Power 21," available online at www.chinfo.navy.mil/navpalib/cno/speeches/clark-csf02.txt.

T. W. Mobley

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Force Master Chief, U.S. Naval Reserve

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"Community involvement in the rescue operation was tremendous and a key to its success," said BMCS(DV) Donald Thrush. "We were just happy we could help."—LCDR Walter Rickert, NR MDSU 2 Det 507

FORT BELVOIR, Va.—Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 23, Det. 0523, from Ebensburg, Pa., worked in their civilian job capacities during every step of rescue operations. Mine safety inspector CEC Bill Collingsworth was one of the first federal mine rescue members on the site, organizing rescue site preparation and clearing a road through a local farm for equipment access; he oversaw manual tapping of drill steels that enabled communication with trapped miners. EO1 Louis Kuhar, a heavy equipment mover for a construction company, transported the second drill, a 175,000-pound 36" diameter boring machine, and moved it from site to site as needed. Both Reservists were scheduled to attend military training the weekend of the rescue, but responded to the emergency. "It was an honor to have had a part in the rescue," Kuhar said.

—JO1 Brigitte Barnes, NMCB 23 Public Affairs Office

Focus on the Force

News and Views from Naval Reserve Leadership

What's New

Issue	Summary	References
High Year Tenure (HYT) for Active Duty only	The Navy has lowered limits for active duty only: E-4 to 10 years (vs. 12 years previously) and E-6 to 20 years (vs. 22 years previously).	<i>Note:</i> No changes to Reserve HYT limits are anticipated this year.
Deletion of Ratings GM, FT, LI, MT, NC for Naval Reserve only	These ratings are deleted from the Naval Reserve Force only. Personnel have an extended deadline of Oct. 31 (vs. March 31, 2002) to submit a Change of Rating request to PERS-812.	ALNAVRESFOR 020/01* COMNAVRESFOR message 131012Z SEP 01 <i>Note:</i> New guidance will be released in the near future.
Sustainment policy established for mobilized Reservists	Policy has been established for Naval Reserve personnel.	NAVADMIN 227/02* available online at www.bupers.navy.mil
Increased drug testing	DoD is strengthening efforts for consistent application of its "no-drugs" policy across all military services.	www.defenselink.mil/news/aug2002/n08162002_200208161.html
*VIEW MESSAGES ONLINE—Reservists can view messages on the Internet. For Navy ALNAVs and NAVADMINs, go to www.bupers.navy.mil and select "messages." For Reserve Force ALNAVRESFORs, go to www.navy.mil/navresfor/ and select "Command Services," then "Command Services Sites."		

Force Focuses On Customer Service

Providing the best possible support and services for Naval Reservists is the priority of the Naval Reserve Forces Command.

"Customer Service must involve a cultural transformation where it is practiced at all echelons in the Naval Reserve Force," said CAPT Jim Monahan, Forces Command Special Assistant for Customer Service. "But we need to establish a baseline so we can measure our improvement."

Other initiatives underway include a Guide for Selected Reservists; Call Center ("help desk") operations for travel, orders and pay functions; unit COs reviewing customer support at Naval Reserve Activities (NRAs); and continued improvement of business processes.

The customer service effort will focus on policies, procedures, processes, customer expectations and the realities of our Navy work environment. In addition to drilling Reservists, target "customers" include the active duty gaining commands and the full-time staffs at Readiness Commands (REDCOMs) and NRAs.

Check the Forces Command Web site www.navres.navy.mil/navresfor/navsurf and future issues of the *The Naval Reservist* for further information.—CAPT Ginger Garbarini

Navy releases new fitness/evaluation report

Navy fitness reports and evaluation revisions went into effect Aug. 31. Commands must implement changes immediately, beginning with commanders in August and followed by chief and senior chief petty officers in September. See NAVADMIN 213/02.

All Naval Reserve units and commands must submit fitreps and evals on time.

Reservists can view LES statements online

Do you know that you can receive your Leave and Earning Statements (LES) online? Benefits include a format that mirrors a hard copy LES (in a more secure environment), a display of current and previous two LES, and elimination of printing and postage costs.

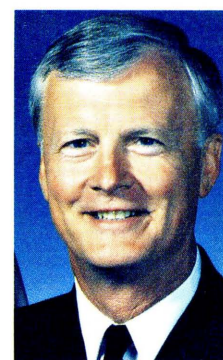
If Drilling Reservists use Employee/Member Self Service (E/MSS) and choose the option to stop receipt of hard copies, we could save the Navy money. Under the new July 2002 implementations, Drilling Reservists can also update their correspondence address and change their withholding information for Federal and State taxes online. In the future, E/MSS will allow you to print selected screens for your Thrift Savings Plan.

Sign up today on the SECURE internet site at <https://emss.dfas.mil>. If you have lost or forgotten your PIN, you can request a new one online using "Pin On Demand." Call the Customer Support Unit at 1-800-390-2347.—LCDR Pete Greenwald, COMNAVRESFOR N12

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An Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) official explained that anyone who has served honorably between Sept. 11 and a date to-be-determined is eligible under the new rules. "If someone got out of the military before the change but has served since Sept. 11, that individual is still eligible to apply for naturalization," said INS spokesman Chris Bentley. The naturalization process typically takes eight to 10 months from the time an application packet is submitted until the oath of citizenship is administered. An application packet must contain several INS forms, all available on the Internet, a set of fingerprints, and other documentation. Information on naturalization is on Web site www.ins.gov/graphics/lawreas/handbook/PolMem88_Pub.pdf or available by calling the National Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-800-375-5283. Individuals can get assistance from INS field offices or the Application Support Center. Locations of these offices can be found on the agency's Web site.—Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem, USA American Forces

Commander's View



VADM John Totushek
Commander
Naval Reserve Force

Dear Shipmates,
Your response to the War on Terrorism, and the response of employers in taking care of you, is remarkable.

I am confident that no matter what the future brings, the Naval Reserve will be prepared and will meet the call.

Retention is the issue of the month. Survey results in the past year clearly tie leadership to our ability to retain our best Sailors. The effect of Manpower Summits last year was that we started paying closer attention to attrition—and got results.

We are now at historic lows with our attrition rate, and you are responsible. We are still above 20% attrition. That means that, on the average, for every four Sailors in your shop, division, unit or squadron, one of them will leave this year. We are better than that.

If leadership is the key, what do we as leaders do? When I use the term "leader" here, I mean everyone in a leadership position—especially our LPOs and Chiefs. As leaders, we get to determine the environment in which those in our charge work. This environment must be one in which our Sailors can succeed. Success, in this case, is defined by the Sailor, not us.

Retention is Goal #5 of the Executive Steering Committee (ESC). Visit the Leading Change Web site at www.navres.navy.mil/navresfor/nrf/ldg_chg/frames/index.htm. Learn more about what the ESC is doing to meet its objectives of retaining eligible, dedicated members to retirement; of engendering loyalty by providing meaningful training; efficient administration of pay and personnel issues; and providing means for enhancing career opportunities eligibility.

Last month, I met with Reservists in San Diego. The genuine enthusiasm of Reservists, as we spoke on a variety of topics, reminded me once again of why we make an effort to visit Naval Reserve activities. There is nothing I like more than talking with our Sailors—you, the men and women who are the heart of our Naval Reserve Force.

This month, as always, do what you can to help us retain our best Sailors by taking care of each other.

J. B. Totushek

J. B. TOTUSHEK
Vice Admiral, U.S. Naval Reserve

Excellent Advancement Opportunities to E-6



Drilling Reservists may check with their career counselor for news of unusually strong advancement opportunities in ratings above. See COMNAVRESFOR message 161115Z JUL 02 online at www.navres.navy.mil/navresfor/n1/ecmo.html.

September 11 . . .

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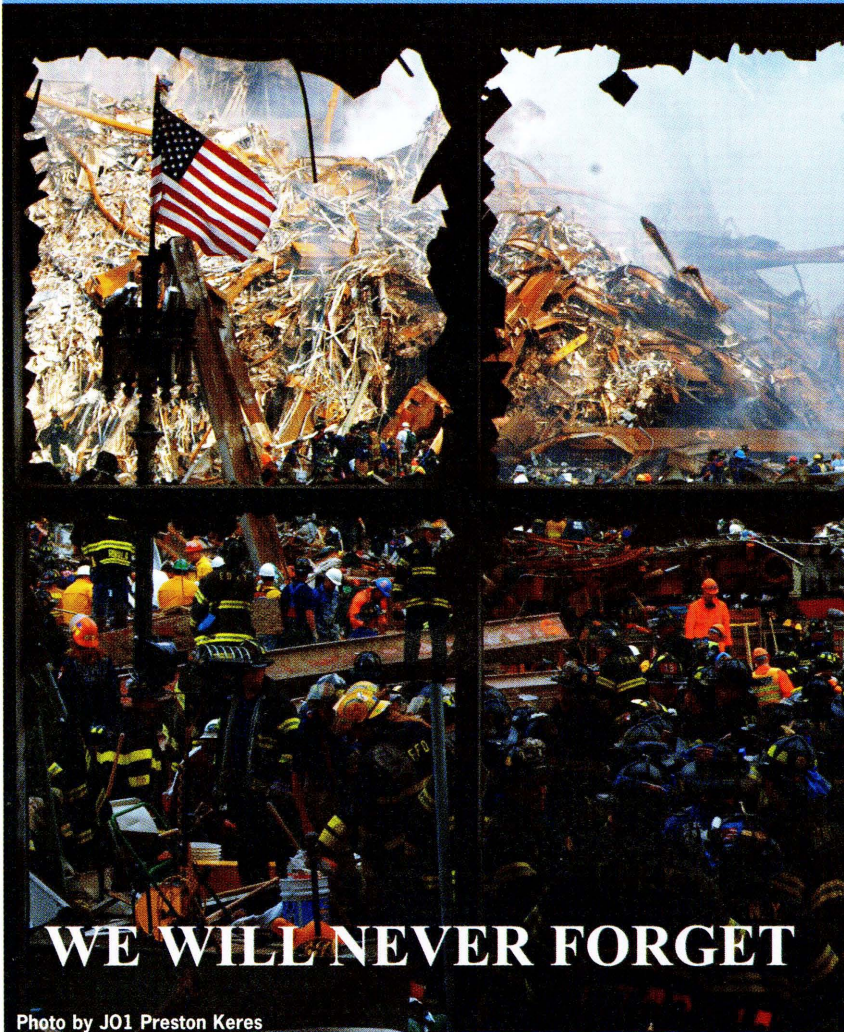


Photo by J01 Preston Keres

New York City firefighters walk past the American flag as they work their way toward the heart of the devastation that was once the World Trade Center in New York, Sept. 14, 2001.

Reservist remembered in memorial service

A shipmate offers a final salute to his colleague and friend, GMG3 Thomas Butler, at a memorial service for the fallen Sailor.



Photo by LCDR Chris Scholl

KINGS PARK, N.Y.—Bagpipers and fire engines led a funeral procession down Church Street, lined with uniformed Naval Reservists and Fire Department personnel. They bid farewell to their colleague and friend, Thomas Butler.

GMG3 Butler, a Naval Reservist and civilian firefighter who died at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, was laid to rest Aug. 17, 2002.

Butler was killed when Tower Two of the World Trade Center collapsed. His brother, a volunteer firefighter, and his father, a retired fire captain, worked every day since then at Ground Zero trying to find his remains, but they were never found. Nearly a year after he perished, he was remembered with a symbolic coffin and his name on the side of a Squad 1 Brooklyn fire truck, joining the names of 10 others from his Fire Department New York (FDNY) unit who were killed that day.

During the memorial, GMG3 Butler was posthumously awarded the Navy and Marine Corps medal. Five members of his Reserve unit, Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Unit 204 from Fort Dix, N.J., were flown in from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where they are currently mobilized. They arrived Thursday night, attended the Saturday service to pay their respects and headed back to Cuba on Sunday.

After the church service, Butler's memory was honored with an honor guard, 21-gun salute, and a bugler playing "Taps" at the cemetery where CDR Hiltz presented the American flag draping the coffin to Butler's wife Martha. CDR Hiltz then pinned the medal on Butler's 6-year-old son Sean. Behind the Gunner's Mates, a bagpiper played "Amazing Grace."

—ENS Kris Garland, NR NAVINFO East 102

Mobilization: Reservists Answer the Call

Naval Reservists have responded to defend freedom against terrorism wherever needed around the world. Here are a few areas of operational support strengthened by Reserve contributions. Today, the war continues and Reservists are ready to defend "life, liberty and the pursuit of all who threaten it."

Center Honors Demobilized Reservists

GLENS FALLS, N.Y.—Demobilizing Naval Reservists from Glens Falls were recently honored and awarded National Defense and Armed Forces Reserve medals.

"There are 140 Selected Reservists at NAVRESCEN Glens Falls and out of 21 who were called, every single one was ready to go—they got out there and did the mission," said LCDR Jason Wyatt, commanding officer at NAVRESCEN Glens Falls. "These weren't necessarily duties they always thoroughly enjoyed, but 'Reserve' means 'ready to serve.'"

One of the 21 mobilized Sailors was PN2 Shelly Weidner, who spent five months serving at Commander Sixth Fleet in Gaeta, Italy. She was in nursing school when mobilized and worked with the active duty unit in support of USS LA SALLE (AFG 3).

"The ceremony honoring these Reservists was a project close to the hearts of all involved," said PN2 Nigel Casanova. "At the Reserve Center, we understand what the sacrifice meant for each one. We got many calls from family members in the area."

For more information about NAVRESCEN Glens Falls, go to www.nrcglensfalls.navy.mil/.

—JOSN Geraldine Hawkins, NR NAVINFO EAST 102, New York

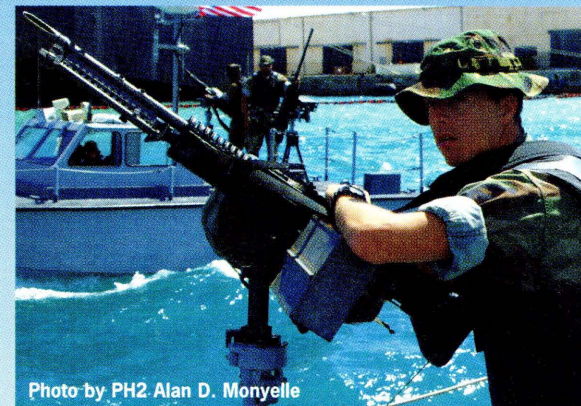


Photo by PH2 Alan D. Monyelle

Harbor Patrol

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"We mobilized Reservists using improvised processes," Connolly explained. "We had to begin a whole new way of business, because everyone was using the Cold War plan used during *Desert Storm*, based on moving units. We had to look down to the level of individual detailing."

"Operational requirements were for individuals with specific skills to augment forces," said CAPT Tom Blakeney, former Reserve Liaison at Fifth Fleet and now director of the Programs, Plans and Requirements office at Naval Reserve Forces Command. "The lion's share of requirements were for internal and homeland defense."

Staying on top of changing requirements, updated policy and the latest in the war on terrorism made constant communication essential. Active and Reserve Navy leaders met daily using Video Teleconference systems, and they still meet twice a week.

"We're talking constantly," said CAPT Carl Hill, Mobilization Coordinator. "We have to talk with the Fleet to see what they need and how their requirements are evolving; we talk through policy and other changes."

One important outcome of the mobilization successes and "work-arounds" is a Mobilization Working Group, made up of members from COMNAVRESFOR, the Bureau of Naval Personnel, OPNAV staff, Atlantic Fleet and Pacific Fleet, examining all issues related to mobilization planning, ownership, tracking and more.

"We need input, we need ideas, we must find out what worked and what didn't work," said Blakeney. "We are institutionalizing changes and process improvements. We want to make sure that the next time we have to mobilize, it's not as painful."

For more information, go to www.navres.navy.mil/navresfor/n5/mobilization/mobtoc.htm.

—COMNAVRESFOR Public Affairs

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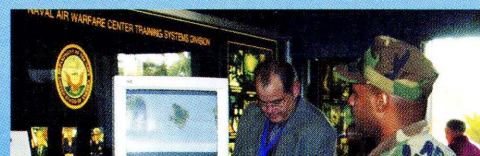
If a claim is denied because he or she has been improperly coded as ineligible, contact the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) Support Office prior to resubmitting further health care claims. Documentation you will need, to be coded properly, includes a copy of orders to active duty, DD 214, and Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. Call the DMDC (also the DEERS) support office to rectify the situation. The number is: 1-800-538-9552; in California, Hawaii and Alaska, 1-800-930-2929.

OSD(HA) is very interested in the welfare of you and your family. The new program will ensure undue financial hardships are prevented during transition from military to civilian life. Information and experience gained as part of this demonstration will provide the foundation for longer-term solutions in the event of future Reserve activation. For more on medical entitlements, go to TRICARE's Web site www.tricare.osd.mil/reserve/default.htm.

—LCDR Michelle Dunsmore, BUMED Reserve Affairs, Director Force Health and Readiness

"To prevent the next attacks, we have to be vigilant . . . America has to hunt down terrorists and put them out of business. . . To do that, our Defense Department needs to transform its capabilities." —U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld

—For complete story with SECDEF's remarks, go to www.defenselink.mil/news/aug2002/n08062002_200208062.html.



Travel Corner

Information for traveling Reservists

By LCDR Bill Tower, Director, Force Travel

New Order Writing System

The New Order Writing System is operational for FY 03 orders. Key features of NOWS include:

- Web-based application entry
- Availability of travel itinerary via the Web
- Official Orders via the Web

Problems? Call the NOWS help desk at (504) 678-7070 or visit their Web site at www.navres.navy.mil/navresfor/Now/index.html.

Business Class Travel

Joint Force Travel Regulations stipulate that business class *may* be authorized for some travelers when various criteria are met. It is not an entitlement. Due to prohibitive cost, the Force purchases business class only when coach fare is unavailable.

Direct Commission Quota

Force Travel is currently quota control for the Direct Commission Officer Course (DCO) in Pensacola.

Procedure for obtaining a quota: Only the Order Writing Activity (OWA) can call to obtain a quota for FY 03. The Order Writer will be issued a billet control number (BCN) that will be attached to a member's request upon entering the application into NOWS. If the member cannot attend that particular class, the quota should be canceled. If the member has to reschedule after orders have been approved, the order writer must submit a modification to the order and a new BCN will be issued. All modifications are routed through Commander Naval Reserve Forces Command (CNRFC) N331 for approval. Personnel arriving in Pensacola without a valid BCN will be sent home.

Refer questions concerning DCO quotas to CNRFC N331 at (504) 678-0372/1850/1446 (DSN 678) and visit the CNET Web site at www.cnet.navy.mil/nascweb/dco/dco.htm.

Travel Assistance 24/7

The COMNAVRESFOR (N33) duty travel counselor is on call 24 hours per day, 7 days per week to assist Naval Reservists who encounter travel emergencies while in a travel status (AT/ADT/IDTT).

The travel counselor can be reached at 1-877-583-8671. Emergency travel assistance phone numbers are listed on each set of AT/ADT/IDTT orders. Please do not call the counselor if you are not in a travel status. Refer all other travel or order writing related questions to the AT/ADT/IDTT Coordinator at your Naval Reserve Activity.

DoD Closes Inactive Government Travel Charge Card Accounts

Inactive government travel charge card (GTCC) accounts will be closed immediately, as directed in a July 19 memo by Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) Mr. Dov Zakheim.

Accounts to be closed include those not used during the previous 12 months of billing cycles, as well as any accounts associated with expired cards.

The action to close accounts will be taken by Department of the Navy eBusiness Operations Office, not by local Agency or Activity Program Coordinators (APCs). Beginning in December, semi-annual reviews will be conducted of accounts with no charges in the previous 12 months. These accounts will be closed, unless justification is provided to keep particular accounts in an active status.

Accounts can normally be reopened at request of the APC, unless they were canceled by the bank, e.g., for non-payment.

Infrequent travelers can choose not to use GTCCs

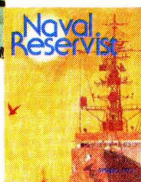
Infrequent travelers (those who travel two or fewer times per year) are exempt from requirements to use the GTCC for official travel. At a field commanders con-



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Critical Skills Needed in Force

The Naval Reserve Force currently has openings for these drill pay billets across the nation:

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Steelworker (SW)	Storekeeper (SK)
Aviation Maintenance (AM)	Builder (BU)
Intelligence Specialist (IS)	Electronic Technician (ET)
Boatswain's Mate (BM)	

Tell people about these opportunities to serve in the Naval Reserve. For more information, contact a local recruiter, call 1-800-USA-USNR or go to the new Naval Reserve Recruiting Web site: www.navalreserve.com.

Telecommunications Support in Puerto Rico

Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station Puerto Rico is seeking qualified personnel in any Seabee rating, IC, or ET. A security clearance is not required but beneficial. For more information contact LTJG Ron Terry or Mr. Jeff Johnson. E-mail terryr@nctspr.navy.mil or johnsonj@nctspr.navy.mil; or call NCTSPR Support Officer, LTJG Terry, at (787) 865-4231/4980 (DSN 831).

Command Master Chief Leadership Continuum

The Naval Reserve Command Master Chief (CMC) Leadership Continuum is scheduled for New Orleans Nov. 18 to 22. The leadership continuum will address current programs, policies and leadership challenges.

All commands with primary duty CMC billets with the Navy Enlisted Classification Code 9580 are strongly encouraged to send their CMC. Commands with a 9580 billet currently gapped or being filled by either a Command Senior Chief/Command Chief are encouraged to send that individual. Specific guidance about the conference, billeting and travel information is available in COMNAVRESFOR 250100Z JUL 02, "Naval Reserve Command Master Chief Leadership Continuum."

Public Affairs Support for Fleet Week San Francisco

Reservists are needed to provide Annual Training to support Fleet Week San Francisco in October. Prospective applicants should forward their contact information, e-mail address, background, etc., to SFFLEETWEEK@aol.com.

For news of more opportunities, Naval Reservists may browse the Force's Web site and its related links at www.navres.navy.mil/navresfor.

In the Spotlight:



Naval Reserve Security Group



securing our Naval Reserve Force

Naval Reserve Security Group Unit Locations



What We Do

- Members of NRSRG provide vital support to active duty forces in the emerging Information Operations (IO) arena. NRSRG supports information and information systems. Reserve cryptologists go on active duty individually or on select teams to support specific IO missions. Over 20 percent of NRSRG personnel are currently activated for Operations *Noble Eagle* and *Enduring Freedom*.
- NRSRG IO missions include intelligence support, Web risk assessment and information assurance. The three components of information assurance are information assurance/monitoring, computer network defense and communications security.
- CTIs receive some of the best training available at the Joint Language Training Center (JLTC), established by NRSRG in 1992. JLTC's goal is to provide flexible training with quality instructors and equipment in a proper atmosphere. Personnel have provided support by traveling to crisis spots around the world on short notice.
- In addition to augmenting its active duty counterpart, Naval Security Group, NRSRG works for a variety of joint commands and agencies, such as the Office of the Secretary of Defense; the National Security Agency; the Joint Staff; Central, Southern, and Pacific Commands; and the National Infrastructure Protection Center.

Join our Reserve Cryptologists

- NRSRG is a leading command in the war against global terrorism. Members of the NRSRG team represent diverse occupations, skills, and educational backgrounds. If you speak a foreign language, are good with computer hardware or soft-

Who We Are

- Naval Reserve Security Group (NRSRG) Command consists of about 850 Reserve cryptologists in 20 NRSRG units located across the United States. The command is divided into four geographic Reserve Cryptologic Areas, with headquarters at Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth, Texas.
- Reserve cryptologists come from a variety of backgrounds. Their specialties include military intelligence; computer science; geography; physics; business management; mathematics; political science; law enforcement; and maintenance and operation of electronic equipment, such as radio receivers and computers. Many cryptologists are fluent in a foreign language.
- Enlisted ratings for Reserve cryptologists include Electronic Warfare Technician (EW) and Cryptologic Technician (CT), with six different sub-specialties: Administrative (CTA), Communications (CTO), Collection (CTR), Technical (CTT), Electronics/Maintenance (CTM) and Linguistics/Interpretive (CTI).



LCDR Yatim Abdul (left) of the Royal Malaysian Navy works with foreign observer program escort LCDR David Todd, (not shown) a Naval Reservist from Minneapolis, during a practice amphibious assault on the beach July 14 at Bellows Air Force Station, Hawaii, in support of RIMPAC 2002. "I've had more of an opportunity to see the broad spectrum here as a Reservist than I did on active duty," said Todd.

VP-62 Supports Multi-National Ops

MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII—Naval Reserve squadron VP-62 "Broadarrows" proved themselves to be worthy sub hunters in exercise *Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC)* 2002. The P-3 squadron from Jacksonville, Fla., sent two planes and about 100 personnel to participate in the month-long exercise in waters off Hawaii.

"This is a major opportunity for an East Coast squadron to participate in a coordinated antisubmarine warfare (ASW) exercise and experience West Coast operations," said LCDR Don Stafford, officer-in-charge. "These guys are getting real-world ASW experience."

VP-62 flew with P-3 squadrons from Australia, Canada, South Korea and Japan, along with U.S. Navy active duty squadrons VP-4 and VP-9.

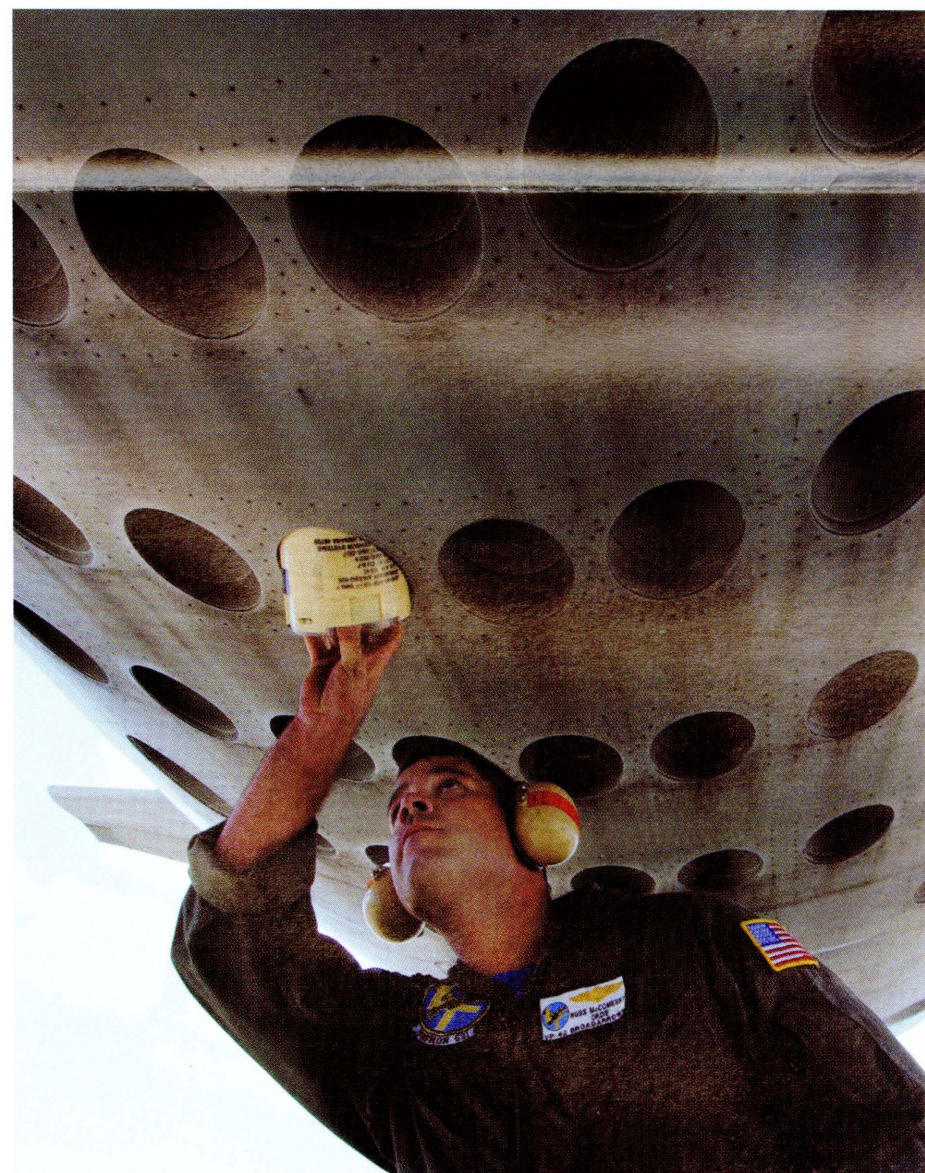
Four different aircrews and two maintenance detachments worked the exercise for almost a month, switching out after two weeks. Crews of VP-62 flew 24 operational flights averaging seven hours each. The unit, normally involved in counter-narcotics operations in the Caribbean, made a big impact.

"We have the highest number of hours on top of actual targets tracked," said AWC Randy Pierce. "One night we dropped numerous sonar buoys, maintaining contact with a sub taking evasive maneuvers. You're flying fast and low, you're yanking and banking, throwing sonar buoys out. That gets you pumped. We were all over them."

Pierce said he's enjoyed the camaraderie and experience. "From my perspective, it's been the crew coming together, working as a crew and seeing the job we trained for coming to fruition," he said.

BMCM Joseph Butler said, "It's the first time I've been here, after 37 years in the Navy. It's great to be part of RIMPAC representing the Navy and VP-62."

This year's exercise is the 18th RIMPAC exercise conducted periodically since 1971. More than 30 ships, 24 aircraft and 11,000 Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Soldiers and Coast Guardsmen participated in RIMPAC training operations.



A02 Russ McComesky, a Full Time Support Reservist of VP-62, loads sonar buoys before a seven-hour mission during RIMPAC 2002 at Marine Corps Base Hawaii.



**Story and photos
by J01 Kevin Elliot**

Farewell, Fathom That

"Fathom That" will be discontinued in *The Naval Reservist* to provide more space for news of Reservists' accomplishments and Fleet support. We will continue to accept submissions for "Fathom That" until Oct. 15.

Send complete information in the format shown below, with weekday phone numbers and points of contact. Submissions must be received by Oct. 15 to be published. Do not send citations and do not abbreviate name of award.

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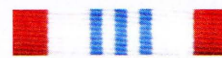
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Fathom That



Legion of Merit

CAPT John W. Rogers of NR COM-NAVELSF Det 106, Williamsburg, Va.



Defense Meritorious Service Medal

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Meritorious Service Medal

CAPT Billy K. Dodson of COMNAVELSF, Williamsburg, Va.

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CAPT Walter W. Farrell of NR COM-NAVELSF Det 106, Williamsburg, Va.

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LCDR Kimberly S. Evans of NAVRESCEN Louisville, Ky.



Joint Service Commendation Medal

LCDR Joseph S. Cockcroft of NR Defense Remediation Team, NAVMARCORESCEN Columbus, Ohio.

MMCS(SS) Timothy P. Tully of NR DESRON 2 St. Petersburg, Fla., at Special Operations Command Central MacDill AFB, Tampa, Fla.



Army Commendation Medal

CDR John F. Weigold of NR SOUTHCOM HQ STAFF at NAVMARCORESCEN Miami, Fla.

LCDR Paul D. LeBrasseur of Joint Detention Operations Group, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

OS3 Ricky R. Lee of Joint Force 160, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.



Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

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Roundup

news summaries about Naval Reservists from around the nation

By JOC Cleve Hardman



REDCOM Northeast

BRONX, N.Y.—Naval Reserve Naval Dental Clinic Bethesda Det B, Bronx, N.Y., has earned the Leo V. Bilger Award for achieving a high level of mission effectiveness and accomplishment. The unit is responsible for maintaining dental readiness for more than 900 Reservists who drill at the center.

—REDCOM Northeast Public Affairs

GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba—Reservists from three Naval Reserve Centers in New York recently completed the first phase of temporary detention facility construction for Taliban and Al-Qaeda detainees at Camp X-Ray. Seabees constructed guard towers and wooden buildings and installed lighting, while also providing quality of life improvements for living facilities of U.S. military personnel.

—REDCOM Northeast Public Affairs



REDCOM Mid-Atlantic

BALTIMORE—The crew of Inshore Boat Unit (IBU) 25 is headed home after completing service in support of Operation *Enduring Freedom* in Fifth Fleet.

IBU 25, a Naval Reserve unit, mobilized and deployed on short notice to provide force protection to naval forces operating in the North Arabian Sea, Gulf of Oman and Arabian Gulf.

—COMNAVRESFOR Public Affairs

BETHESDA, Md.—The National Naval Medical Center Reserve Liaison Office (NRLO) welcomed 375 Naval Reservists aboard to backfill the hospital during a recent deployment of Naval hospital ship USNS COMFORT (T-AH 20). NRLO processes 4,500 to 6,000 Naval and Marine Corps Reservists in the National Capital Area.

—REDCOM Mid-Atlantic Public Affairs



REDCOM Southeast

ORLANDO, Fla.—An Orlando-based Reserve unit participated in NATO exercise *Dynamic Mix*. Reservists from Commander Submarine Squadron 22 (NR COMSUBRON 22) directed NATO submarine exercises, helped repair and supply submarines in port and protected forward-deployed ships against a terrorist attack.

—LT Brenda Steele, NR COMSUBRON 22

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—The training classroom at Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center Tallahassee has a new nautical look. Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 14 Det 1114 installed stud strips on the walls, hung drywall, painted the room blue and gold, installed baseboards, finished trim and conduits, and hung several model ships and photographs.

—LCDR Judi Humpert, NAVMARCORESCEN Tallahassee, Fla.



REDCOM Mid-South

BESSEMER, Ala.—Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center Bessemer is taking a leading role in efforts to fight the war on drugs. The center is the first to sponsor a Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) leadership camp. The one-week camp is the first phase of a year-long drug prevention program for 9-to-12-year-old military dependents.

—CDR Paul DeSmet, NAVMARCORESCEN Bessemer, Ala.



REDCOM Mid-West

BLUE GRASS, Iowa—Reserve Seabees of Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center Rock Island, Ill., put their skills to use to improve hiking trails used by campers at Camp Abe Lincoln. Throughout the Quad Cities area, Seabees built trail bridges, concrete ramps, bathhouses and playgrounds for non-profit organizations.

—Dan Carlson, NAVMARCORESCEN Rock Island

ROCK ISLAND, Ill.—Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center Rock Island tested the skills of local Reservists with a damage control olympics competition. Three teams, comprised of more than 100 Naval Reservists from six units, applied skills in hull bracing, pipe patching, pump operations and firefighting skills in the annual competition.

—Dan Carlson, NAVMARCORESCEN Rock Island



READINESS—SK2 Ann Janendo of NR DESRON 22 Det D at NAVMARCORESCEN Rock Island, Ill., dons an Oxygen Breathing Apparatus (OBA) during firefighting training, held as a part of the center's damage control olympics.

Photo by JO1 Mark Kane



REDCOM North Central

WICHITA, Kan.—Ten youngsters ages 10 to 16 graduated from a special boot camp program at Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center Wichita. The 13-week boot camp incorporates vigorous physical training and self-discipline. Campers also interviewed veterans of various wars as part of the national Veterans History Project.

—REDCOM North Central Public Affairs



REDCOM South

SAN PATRICIO COUNTY, Texas—Sailors from Inshore Boat Unit 15 (IBU 15) and Mobile Undersea Warfare Unit 108 (MIUW 108) recently assisted local authorities in southern Texas in evacuating several families stranded in their homes by rising floodwaters.

Sailors conducted rescues of 16 people and several animals using zodiac inflatable boats. South Texas experienced one of the worst floods in recent history with waters from the Nueces and Frio Rivers quickly rising over roads, farms and buildings in area communities.

—LT Chris Rawley, IBU-15 Public Affairs

TULSA, Okla.—MS2 Benjamin Williams has been awarded the Medal of Valor by the Tulsa police department for his lifesaving efforts in wrestling a loaded gun away from a distraught woman. The Naval Reservist serves as a member of the Tulsa Police Reserve.

—RP2 Tracy Scott, Reserve Support Unit 115



REDCOM Southwest

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Members of Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit ONE, Det 419 (MDSU ONE Det 419) applied their extensive skills to remove a 90-foot barge at Naval Base Point Loma. The effort is part of an experimental project in conjunction with the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan for San Diego Bay.

MDSU ONE Det 419 is a deep-sea diving unit, manned with 34 Naval Reservists, including seven divers.

—JO3 Lily Tuinei, COMNAVREGSW Public Affairs

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii—Naval Reserve ship USS FREDERICK (LST 1184) is set to decommission in October. The 32-year-old Newport-class ship is the Navy's last LST (tank landing ship).

—REDCOM Southwest Public Affairs



REDCOM Northwest

PILE BAY, Alaska—Naval Reserve Seabees from the Third Naval Construction Brigade completed construction of a Bailey bridge spanning the Chinkelye River. The bridge replaces a structure built in the mid-1960s, linking Pile Bay with Williamsport, Alaska.

—Third Naval Construction Brigade Public Affairs

WHIDBEY ISLAND, Wash.—Naval Reserve Patrol Wing Squadron (VP) 69 was recently awarded the Noel Davis Battle Efficiency "E," the AVCM Donald M. Nease "Golden Wrench" and the "Top Bloodhound" awards. VP-69 operates P-3C aircraft.

—NAR Whidbey Island Public Affairs

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Family Focus

notes from your ombudsman

By Yonna Diggs, Naval Reserve Force Ombudsman-at-Large

Being an Ombudsman can be rewarding and challenging. Here are some suggestions to help you balance the duties required to serve as an Ombudsman and still maintain your family life:

- **Set boundaries.** As you publish newsletters that go out to family members, make sure you define your hours of availability. You cannot set hours for emergency calls, but you can state what you consider an emergency.
- **Explain your duties and responsibilities to families and the command** and publish them. Clarify what you cannot do as an Ombudsman. As the Ombudsman Manual states, "You are not a counselor, rescuer, babysitter, or driver."
- **Let people know** that your role is primarily one of information and referral.
- **Be sure to indicate that Ombudsmen hold a strict code of ethics, upholding confidentiality**

Leading Change

retention: a unit-level success

By CAPT Jean Roberts, COMNAVRESFOR ESC PA

"Reservists don't stay in because of an ad campaign found on a billboard," said VADM John Totushek. "They stay because—at the unit level—somebody makes it personal by asking what's important to them, what drives them, and how they measure success. If we expect to keep our Reservists, we must know them and we must take care of them."

VADM Totushek explained that an important part of promotion now involves comments made on individual fitness reports and evaluations about retention efforts. The comments must reflect a sincere effort because there is no replacement for a caring shipmate who makes time to listen to the concerns of unit members and if possible, helps find resolution to various challenges.

Unit commanding officers are directly responsible to know their personnel and



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NATO SUPPORT—Naval Reservist SW1 David Behe welds structural steel for an addition to the NATO Center in Oberammergau, Germany, where officers from NATO nations convene. Behe and other Reserve Seabees from NMCB-23, NMCB-14 and the 3rd Regiment worked with German craftsmen in Peiting, Germany, on the project.

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