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*E02 Francis aids in base-wide
cleanup after tornado strikes ROTA*

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FY23 FALL Installation Integration Working Group

On November 30th, Matt Ryan, our Asset Management Branch Head, led the NAVSTA Rota Installation Integration Working Group (IIWG), chaired by CDR Anthony Myers, Installation Executive Officer. During the presentation, Matt discussed the proposed Program Objective Memorandum (POM)25 Unspecified Minor Construction (UMC) project, Installation space management plan along with the major Military Construction (MILCON) sequencing, POM26 MILCON and FY23 Maintenance Execution Plan (MEP). Most of all, this working group is a forum for representatives from all tenant commands and NAVSTA Rota N-Codes to verify the status of the critical projects necessary to support the mission.

Photo and Article by LT Chanhon Lee



Did you know PWD Rota has its own Indoctrination Class for the new check-ins? As part of the sponsorship program led by UT1(SCW/EXW) Juan Selvera, this indoctrination class is a one-day full-dive into PWD Rota's role at NAVSTA Rota and its individual divisions. Seen on this picture is CECS(SCW/EXW) Matt Markowski, our Senior Enlisted Leader, speaking during his portion of the indoctrination class.

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WELCOME ABOARD!



“Enjoy life, always smile, never regret, get your stuff together, and get it done.” This is the quote that **EO2(SCW/EXW) David Francis** (left) abides by. EO2 comes from NMCB 5, where he’s done three deployments. While here, he would like to extend his tour if possible and visit every country in the European Union. His goals while here are to compete in several body-building competitions as well as obtain his Professional Body Builder Card. EO2 joined the Navy on February 21st, 2017, and was born in Tecolutla, Veracruz, Mexico in 1995. Welcome aboard EO2!

Gene Casey (right) was born and raised in North Carolina. He started his DoD career as a crane inspector and building code enforcer, and joined NAVFAC in Camp Lejeune as Engineering Technician before moving to Albany, Georgia working at the Marine Corps Logistics Base. He is currently an Engineering Technician here at FEAD. Both he and his wife (Jane) are excited to be here in Spain!





Leo Tancreti (left) was born in New Haven, Connecticut, and raised most of his life in East Haven, Connecticut. He joined NAVFAC back in 2008 as an Engineering Technician in Groton, Connecticut. His educational background is a major in business from Quinnipiac University. He and his wife Janet are also looking forward to a new life abroad here in Spain!

Quinn Newton (right) and his wife, Kristen, just checked in from Aviano, Italy. Quinn was born and raised in Wisconsin, and did his undergraduate at the University of Wisconsin and his graduate at the University of Washington. He will be PWD Rota's new Facilities Management Division (FMD) Director, and is excited for some sunshine, Spanish food, and getting to know the local area



WELCOME ABOARD!

David Caballero SantaMaria (right) is the new Chief Operator of the Electrical Crew in UEM. He recently checked-into PWD Rota in November 2022, and has extensive background in the electrical maintenance expertise. Before he joined NAVFAC, David worked for MWR for almost 7 years, and before working on-base he worked for Imeluz as a maintenance electrician. David was born and raised in Rota, and lives with his wife and two sons.

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Maria Nuñez Castel (left) recently checked-in as a new member of FMD here in PWD Rota. She is taking over for Lolo, and will be managing areas previously covered by him, including BLDG 1, NCTAMS, and Fire Department buildings. Before joining NAVFAC, Maria worked for SEMI as construction liaison for almost 20 years, before joining BUMED (hospital) in Rota most as a translator for about 2 years. She was born in Jerez and raised most of her life in Rota. She says she is excited to join the FMS team!

PWD Christmas Party



PWD Rota held a Christmas lunch party on December 16th, 2022 at Restaurante El Pesebre in Rota. The event was filled with great food, great atmosphere, laughter, fun give-aways, and PWO doing his best to do a speech in Spanish! A big thank you to Oliva Gonzalez, Manoli Fernandez, Cristina Lopez, Juan Marquez, and UT3 Vandenbrink for organizing this great event!

Photos and Article by LT Chanhan Lee

Winter Wonderland



PWD Rota 'Bees organized the last fundraiser event in preparation for 2023 Seabee Ball on December 2nd, 2022 during NAVSTA Rota MWR-organized Winter Wonderland event. Our Seabees, led by EO2(SCW/EXW) Alex Jackson, served slow-cooked shredded chicken barbeque sandwiches as well as home-made cookies baked by CM1(SCW) Andres Henriquez's wife. The 'Bees were surely the loudest booth in the event; they dug up an old speaker/microphone system and were hollering at the crowd!

Photos by EO2(SCW/EXW) Alex Jackson/Article by LT Chanhon Lee





JOPA Cooks Breakkie Pt. 2



December 15th, 2022 - The JOPA (Junior Officer Protection Association) of PWD Rota cooked breakfast for the Seabees at the UEM Kitchen. The breakfast was a hit - consisting of sausages, bacon, scrambled egg with Gulfport-special creole seasoning, and pancakes.

Photos and Article by LT Chanhon Lee



RECOGNITION CORNER

RETIREMENT & AWARDS



ON DECEMBER 15TH, 2022, PWD ROTA HELD A RETIREMENT CEREMONY FOR **MARI CARMEN DOMINGUEZ**, OUR INSTALLATION ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST. PWO CDR JOE DUNAWAY AND DPWO CHUCK MONIE WERE PRESENT TO CONGRATULATE HER PERSONALLY. SHE IS REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR BEING THE GLUE AND "THE" FACE OF ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT FOR THE LONGEST TIME IN THE LAST THREE DECADES OF NAVSTA ROTA'S HISTORY. CHECK OUT THE NAVSTA ROTA'S END-OF-YEAR COASTLINE ARTICLE ON MARI CARMEN DOMINGUEZ TO READ ABOUT HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING HER 36 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE!

PWD ROTA ALSO HONORED **JUAN RUIZ-HENESTROSA** AT FACILITIES & SUSTAINMENT BRANCH THROUGH A RETIREMENT CEREMONY ON JANUARY 2023 AFTER 26 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH NAVFAC. JUAN'S MOST RECENT POSITION AS MAINTENANCE LEADER WAS CRUCIAL IN MAKING SURE PWD ROTA COMPLIES 100% WITH ALL IN-HOUSE MAINTENANCE. CDR JOE DUNAWAY, PWO, WAS THERE TO PERSONALLY PRESENT HIM THE LETTER OF APPRECIATION THAT WAS WRITTEN BY CAPT SUAREZ, THE INSTALLATION COMMANDING OFFICER. CONGRATULATIONS, JUAN!





Dan Miller

PWD ROTA ALSO RECOGNIZED CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS AT THE FEAD OFFICE. **DAN MILLER** RECEIVED LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM CDR DUNAWAY AS A FAREWELL AWARD FOR HIS WORK PERFORMED AS CONTRACT SPECIALIST DURING HIS TENURE HERE IN PWD ROTA. BOTH **JODI VANSLYKE** AND **BILL HEPLER** RECEIVED ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL FOR THEIR WORK DURING THE OPERATION ALLIES WELCOME 2021 SUPPORTING THE QUICK FENCE BUILD-UP AND OTHER CONTRACTUAL ACTIONS.

BELOW, **CE3 RILEY NOVOTNY** RECEIVED AN END-OF-TOUR AWARD, AS PRESENTED BY CECS **MAR-KOWSKI**, OUR SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER



Jodi VanSlyke



Bill Hepler



CE3 Novotny



Tornado Clean-Up

EO2 Francis is seen here clearly a fallen tree by NCTAMS building as part of the PWD Rota's response to the damage caused by Tornado storm.



EO2 Jackson in good spirits as he helps out!



CAN'T STOP: EO2 Francis is mission-mode

On December 14th, NAVSTA Rota endured a storm during which a tornado incurred a targeted-linear damage through the base, causing damages to buildings including gymnasium, tennis courts, a construction site, and buildings/facilities by the airfield. All of the buildings sustained damages such as roof being blown off, which were taken care by emergency work orders to patch them up, followed by a IDIQ work to permanently fix them. The Seabees and F&S Custodial workers sprung into action immediately by helping clean up the debris and the torn up trees around the base as well! These personnel, including EO2(SCW/EXW) Alex Jackson, EO2 Ethan Roney, EO2(SCW/EXW) David Francis, EO1(SCW/EXW) Christian Smith, CE1(SCW/EXW) Arthur Bernal, Jaime Diaz and Maria Jose Roman were on-site on the morning of December 14th in order to remove hazardous debris from the streets. Bravo Zulu to these folks!

Photos and Article by LT Chanhon Lee



PWD Rota Seabees discuss way-forward as they provide support to clear debris from the storm.



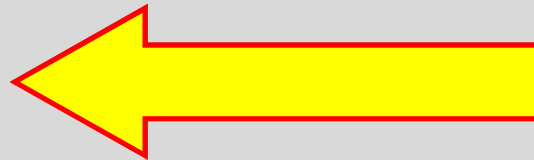
The damages due to the storm were extensive, and required major clean up especially on the Dalmau Street from the base gymnasium toward the Air Cargo Terminal. Below, Jaime Diaz and Maria Jose Roman are seen picking up debris along the Dalmau Street.





Camaleon Airsoft has been a great place for Seabees and their families stationed at PWD Rota and honestly a lot of different military folks to go out and have a little weekend fun in a family friendly environment for years. That's why when we heard that the tornadic storm did some damage a few of us didn't

hesitate to come help...



Here you see CECN Creech and UTCN Johnson-Powers connecting two pallets together to frame out one of the many walls for one of the new "kill houses" built on January 13, 2023.

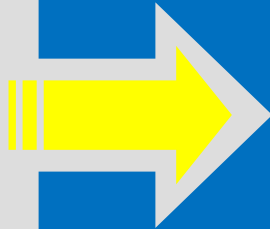
BRAVO ZULU SEABEES!!!





Pictured here is CE2 Neubauer (left) and UTCN Johnson-Powers (right) screwing a brace into two different wall pieces to make sure they stay in place.

Cassandra Johnson-Powers(left) and UT3 Vandenbrink (right) placing an overhead support for one of the corners.



This volunteer event was coordinate by UTCN Johnson-Powers and the owner of Camaleon Airsoft, Victor Santos. We ended up working for about 6 hours to build 2 new structures. The owner had said, "I appreciate your thoughtful and enthusiastic attitude in volunteering... I enjoyed having you as part of our team and thanks for a job well done!" I think I speak for all involved when I say it felt good to give back to someone who hosts us so willingly.

Photos and Article by CE2 Neubauer

Crane Crew Corner



On 28 DEC 2022 Crane Crew responded to the USS Roosevelts need of a refrigeration system due to their galley facilities being out of commission. Luckily, the men with CAN DO attitudes showed up to save the day! The sailors aboard the USS Roosevelt can rest easy knowing PWD Crane Crew are always here.

Article by EO2(SCW/EXW) Alex Jackson



SEABEE HISTORY

1991: By early February 1991, 2,800 Seabees and 1,375 pieces of equipment had been deployed to the region in support of Operation "Desert Shield."



26 FEB 1966: The first element of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 3's advance party arrived at Rosemary Point, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam (RVN), to construct a Seabee cantonment.

CFL CORNER

"Witness the Fitness"



HEEEEEERRREESSSS THE CFL!!!!

Holiday season is behind us folks! That means your friendly neighborhood CFL is back for some fitness/ nutrition pointers!

For starters... NO MORE COOKIES!!!

Actually, you can have cookies as long as it fits into your "Macro Goals", which leads us into the main topic this month. **CALORIES.**

If you are trying to lose weight then you need to burn more calories than you eat, if you're trying to gain weight you need to eat more calories than you burn. Don't go crazy and end up in a 1,000 calorie deficit in the beginning start with 200 calories and work your way up or down from there!

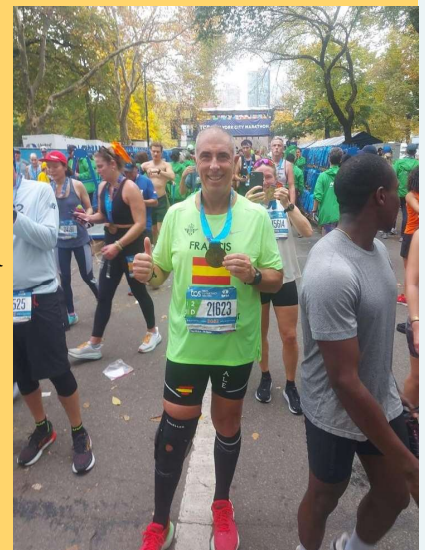
Marathon Completions!

Couple members of PWD Rota recently accomplished feat of running the marathon. Our PWO, **CDR Joe Dunaway** (right), ran and completed the Malaga Marathon on December 11th, 2022. He is seen on the picture joined by his son for the last 50 yards of the race.



Francisco "Paco" Jose CosJimenez (left), Chief Electrical Crew Supervisor, also completed a marathon recently, when he ran the NYC Marathon back in November 2022. Congratulations to both of these motivators!

Article by LT Chanh Lee



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81ST ANNIVERSARY 2023 SEABEE BALL

4 MARCH 2023

**6 P.M. COCKTAIL HOUR
7 P.M. EVENT STARTS**

**AT THE BODEGAS ALAMEDA,
EL PUERTO DE SANTA MARIA, SPAIN**

**TICKET SALES JAN 12 - FEB 28
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
FROM 11-14
AT THE NEX, BY SUBWAY & DUNKIN DONUTS**



**YOU'LL SEE OUR SEABEES @ THE
NEX SUBWAY/DUNKIN DONUTS
READY TO SELL YOU THOSE
COVETED SEABEE BALL TIX!
DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE!**