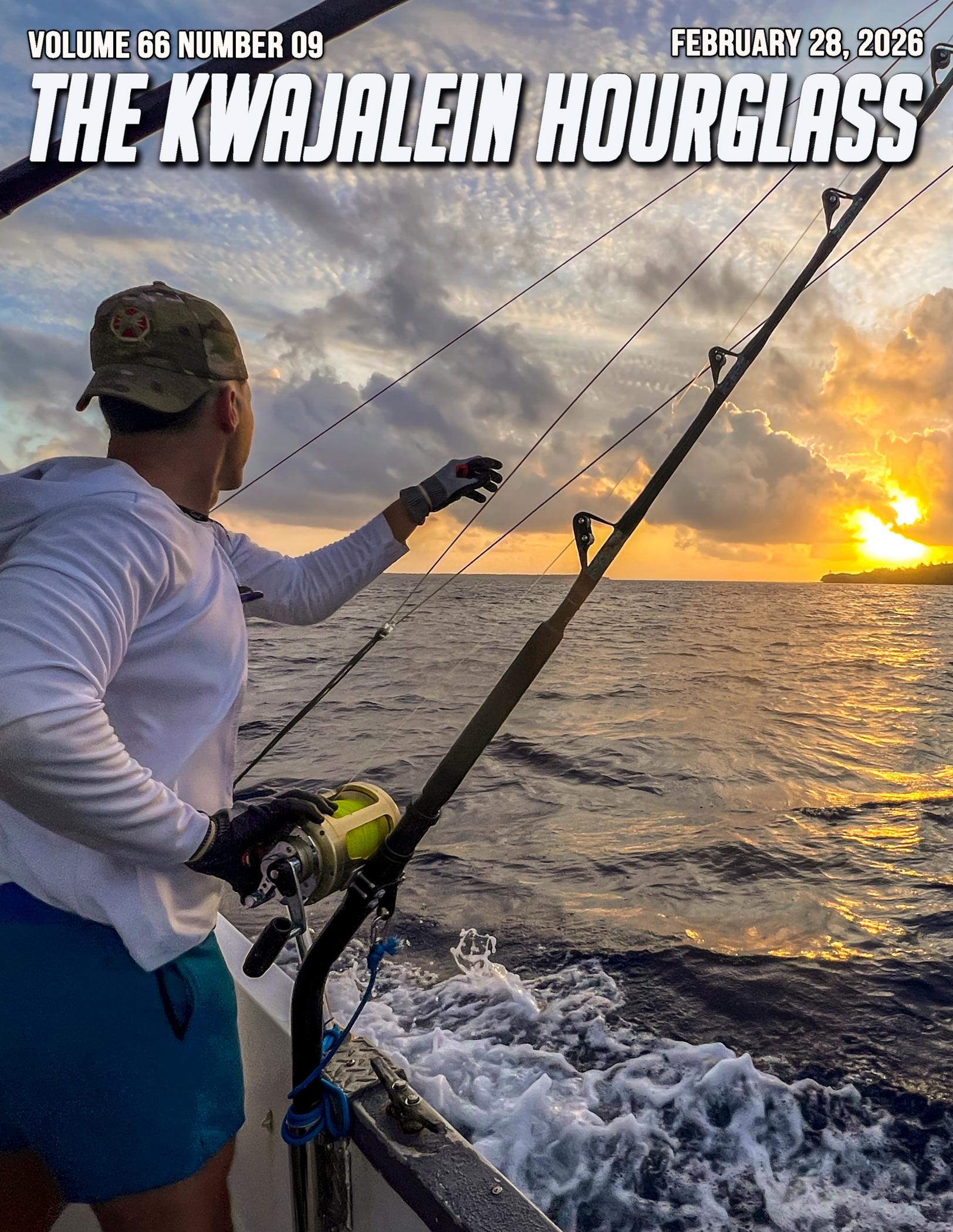


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COMMUNITY

LINES ACROSS THE LAGOON: JABORO FISHING CLUB KAMOLOL DAY TOURNAMENT CARRIES CULTURE FORWARD

By **Isaiah Matthews**,
Hourglass Story Writer

Before sunrise, the lagoon was already awake.

Engines idled. Coolers were packed. Lines were checked one more time in the half-light. Out across the water, boats prepared to head out for the 6th Annual Jaboro Fishing Club Kamolol Day Tournament, one of the anchor events of Kamolol Week.

That's when David House noticed something.

"This morning, about 6 o'clock, when no other boats — no other Kwaj boats — showed up," he said. His crew would be the only American team in this year's tournament.

It didn't change how he felt. House fished aboard a vessel christened the Moana. Six men rotated responsibilities throughout the day — running rods, navigating, driving, clearing lines, managing gear and keeping the operation moving.

"It's a shared endeavor," House said. "Some of us drive, some of us navigate. We just work as a team."

The tournament, hosted annually on Ebeye by the Jaboro Fishing Club, is part of Kamolol celebrations that stretch beyond a single day. Kamolol Day is the celebration of Kwajalein's liberation from Japan during World War II, 82 years ago. The

commemoration has now expanded to a celebration of Kwajalein Atoll heritage. Throughout the week, the community gathers for events that reflect Marshallese heritage. Fishing sits at the center of that identity.

For Junior Enrique, the tournament director, the reason behind the tournament is straightforward.

"Fishing is a big part," he said. "It's a tradition. It's a culture. Just like canoe racing, fishing is a big part of us."

And it is not simply recreation.

"Fishing is not just sport — it's a way of life for us. It was passed down from generation to generation."

The Jaboro Fishing Club

carries that history forward. The club is named after Iroj Imata Jabor Kabua — a paramount chief and respected fisherman. Imata Jabor Kabua served as Iroj from 1996-2019.

"He was somebody everybody looked up to. He loved fishing," Enrique said.

The club, now about 60 years old, was created in his honor. Many of the men leading the tournament today are tied to that lineage.

A 817-pound marlin landed during the tournament set the tone for competition.

"That was very challenging to know that we have to go up against that the next day," House said. "But good for them for landing it. Beautiful

fish.”

Despite the size of the catches, the atmosphere on the water remains measured. When multiple boats converge on feeding fish, there is an unspoken order.

“Very respectful,” House said. “Everyone lets each other have their turn.”

He also noticed the difference in philosophy.

“One of the Marshallese fishing traditions is, if you catch it, you’re going to eat it,” he said. “Americans might do catch and release. But here, it’s efficient to feed their family and their community. It’s not so much of a sport to them. It’s a way of life.”

Enrique hopes to see even more participation in future years.

“We want everybody,” he said. This year included fishermen from Majuro and one boat from Kwajalein. “We’re aiming to have more boats come in.”

Fishing, he added, creates connection.

“Everybody has their own way of fishing. But it’s always good to have great relationship with other nations. Fishing — it brings us together.”

Organizing the tournament requires steady coordination, especially across islands.

“Transportation is one,” Enrique said when asked about challenges. “It took a lot of preparation. A lot of

teamwork. It’s not just me. There’s like another five to ten guys working. It’s a combined thing.”

At the end of the tournament, the focus shifts to the banquet. Catches are weighed. Families gather. Stories get retold.

“It’s challenging,” Enrique said of running the event, “but when we go to the banquet, that’s where everything comes together.”

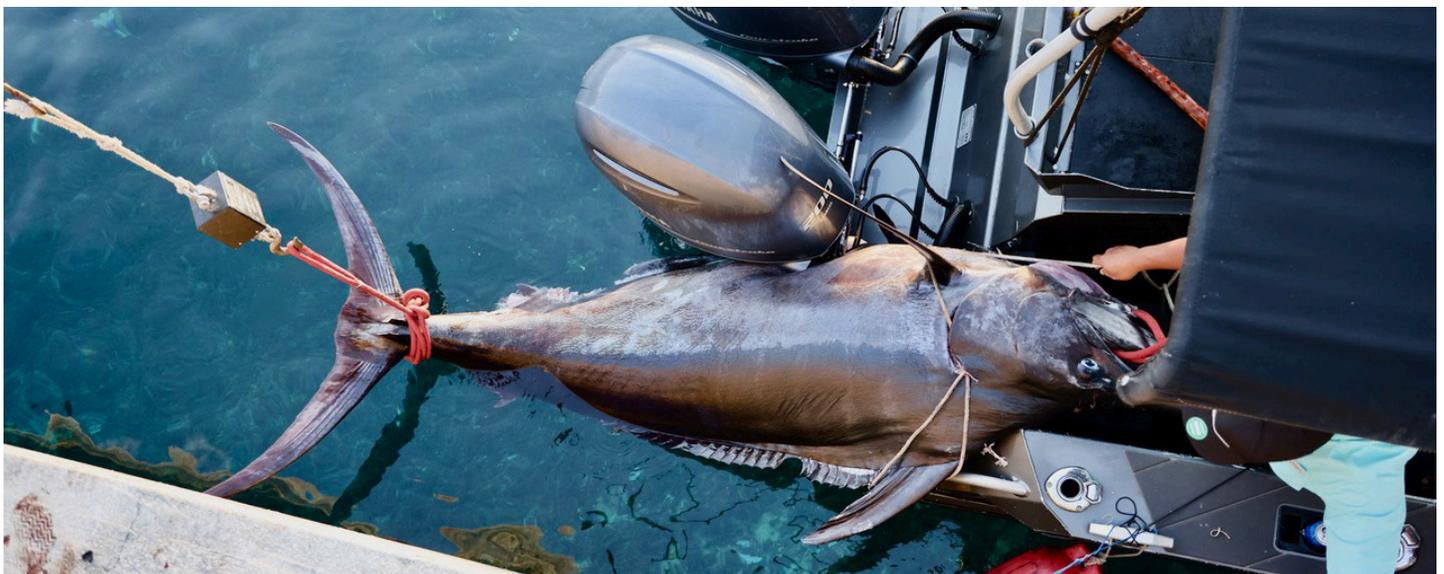
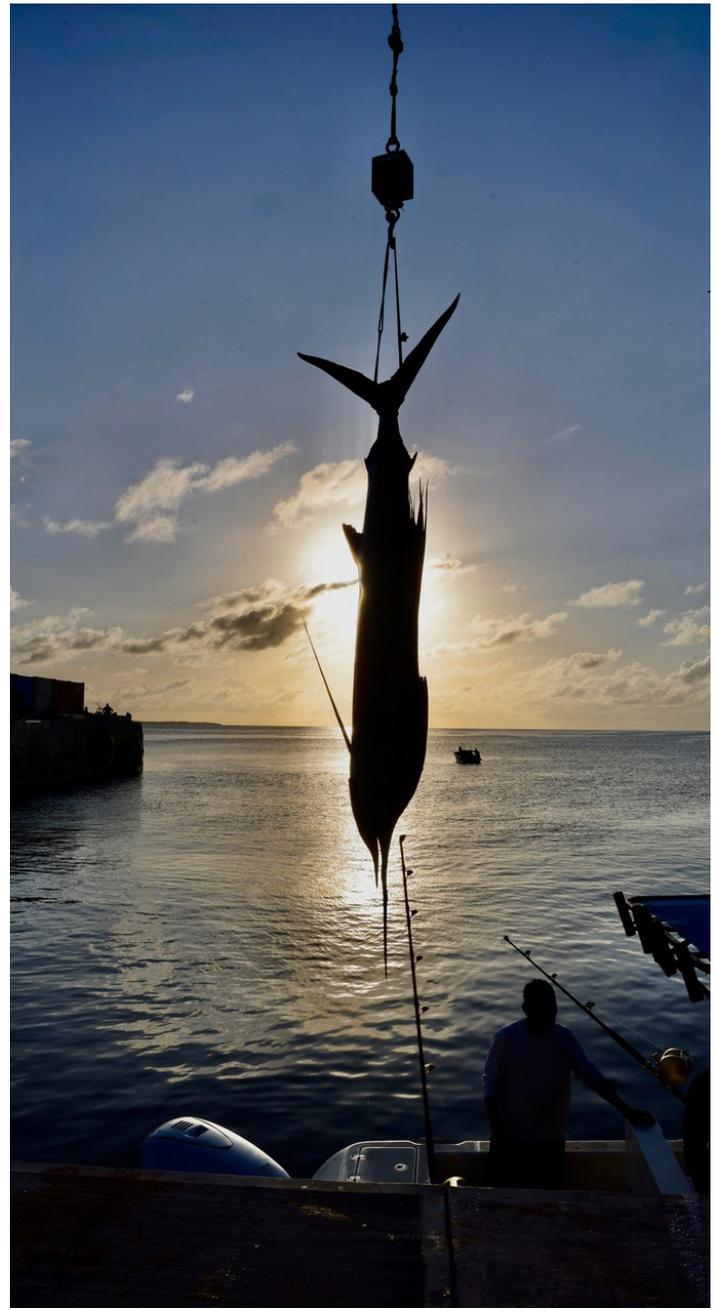
For House, one moment stands out more than the numbers on the scale.

“We actually saw it come up out of the water and take the lure and run,” he said of a sailfish his crew hooked. “It was just so beautiful. Sharing that experience with our friends on the boat — I’ll never forget that.”

Kamolol Week includes many celebrations. The fishing tournament remains one of its most visible — not just because of the competition, but because of what it represents.

In the waters surrounding Kwajalein Atoll, boats drift in the same current. Lines stretch into deep water. For a few days, rivalry and respect sit side by side.

And when the engines cut and the weigh-ins begin, the tournament feels less like an event and more like what it has always been — a continuation of something older than the boats themselves. ❧





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COMMUNITY REMEMBERING RICKY TREBAS: A GENTLE SPIRIT IN THE SKIES AND IN OUR COMMUNITY

HOURLASS REPORT

By Annette Monk, Hourglass Staff Writer

The Kwajalein community is mourning the sudden and heartbreaking loss of Ricky Trebas, a pilot who was new to the island but had already begun making a lasting impression. Ricky passed away peacefully in his sleep, leaving behind a wave of shock, sorrow, and deep gratitude for the light he brought during his time here.

Originally from Great Falls, Montana, Ricky carried with him the quiet strength and warmth of his hometown wherever he went. Aviation was more than a career for him — it was a calling. He approached flying with precision, professionalism, and a deep respect for the responsibility of transporting people safely across skies and oceans. To those who flew with him, worked beside him, or simply met him in life, Ricky was known for his calm demeanor, kindness, and genuine spirit.

Ricky began his service with the Department of Defense in 2010, working across multiple countries and supporting numerous military units. Whether conditions were stable or uncertain, he was committed to ensuring the utmost safety for those around him. His work took him to places most people never see, yet he carried out every mission with humility and dedication.

To his family, Ricky was the steady center — “the glue,” as his wife Angela lovingly de-

scribed him. A devoted family man, he raised four children and celebrated the joy of becoming a grandfather to four grandchildren. Even with the demands of his career, he protected and cared for his family fiercely, and they felt that love in countless ways.

Angela shared stories that revealed the depth of Ricky’s character — thoughtful, selfless, and quietly heroic in everyday moments. Once, while they were deployed to different bases, he flew across countries just to bring her tacos because the chow at her location was scarce and she was struggling to find time to eat. On another occasion, he arranged for a birthday cake to be delivered from Dubai to a forward operating base in Afghanistan, just to make her feel celebrated. These gestures weren’t grand to him; they were simply who he was.

Ricky and Angela’s love story began in 2002, and they married in 2007 on a beach in Alaska, where Angela had graduated as an air traffic controller. Though their contracting work often placed them one step ahead or behind each other, their bond remained unshakeable. They were soulmates who supported one another through every challenge and every deployment. In recent months, Ricky was looking forward to the future with excitement. He and Angela were preparing to move to Texas, where he dreamed of spending his days bass fishing from a boat — a peaceful retirement he had more than earned. He was also deeply grateful for the life he had lived, often reflecting on how fortunate he



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felt to have outlived his father and to have experienced so much love, purpose, and adventure.

Though his time on Kwajalein was brief, Ricky’s presence was felt. He arrived eager to serve, to learn, and to be part of the community. Colleagues recall his willingness to jump in, his positive attitude, and his quiet confidence — qualities that made others feel at ease, both in the cockpit and on the ground. He was the kind of person who didn’t seek attention yet naturally earned respect.

Michael Bockler, Kwajalein Site Manager and Check Pilot, remembers Ricky not just as a skilled aviator, but as a genuinely good man. “Ricky

loved life and flying and was a loyal friend you could count on,” Bockler shared. “He was always willing to help and went the extra mile to make anyone around him feel at ease and welcome. I never saw him angry or upset at anyone.”

Bockler had a unique connection to Ricky — he was the first new-hire pilot student Bockler trained at Berry Aviation in winter of 2020. That professional relationship soon became a friendship. After Ricky’s first temporary duty assignment (TDY) to Kwajalein, the two sat together at the island’s “Leaving Tree” and shared a beer. Ricky presented Bockler with a Kwajalein shot glass

as a thank-you gift and made a heartfelt request: he wanted to come back full-time as a DHC-8 pilot. "I was able to honor that request," Bockler said. "A month later, he was back here full time. He wanted to be here."

David King, who recently flew with Ricky as his captain on the commuter flights between Kwajalein and Roi-Namur, felt that closeness deeply. The two not only shared the flight deck multiple times a day, but their living quarters were directly across from one another. "Not only was he my co-pilot, but my room was directly across from his," King said. "I think of him every time I open or close my door. I will miss his

cheerful spirit and his kind heart. He was a one-of-a-kind pilot and friend."

More importantly, Ricky was humble in ways that defined true leadership. Even as an experienced captain, he willingly stepped into the co-pilot seat whenever needed to allow newer pilots to gain valuable captain time. "If I asked him to fly as co-pilot so someone else could build experience, he would do it without hesitation," Bockler said. "That says a lot about who he was."

His passing is a profound reminder of how fragile life can be, and how meaningful even a short time can be when lived with integrity, compassion, and purpose. He

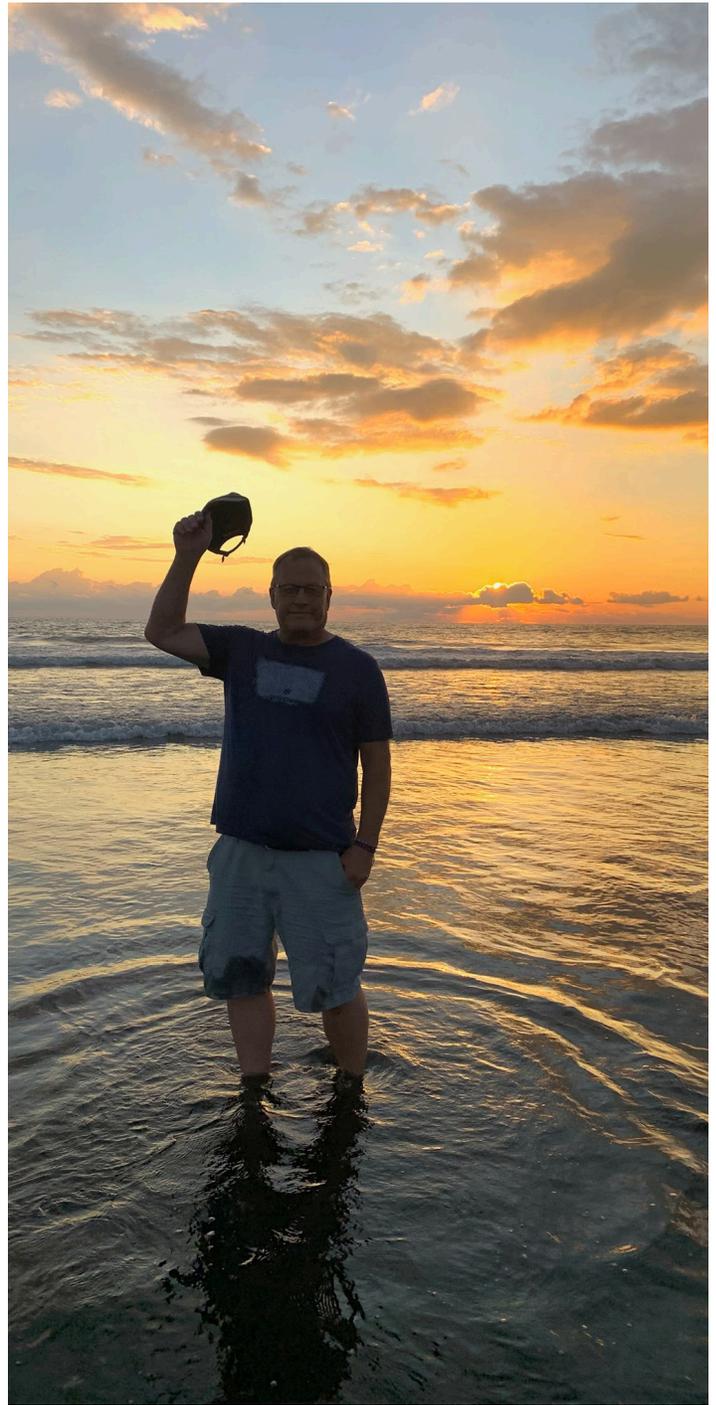


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leaves behind family, friends, and coworkers who will forever carry his memory — in stories shared, in skies flown, and in the impact he made simply by being who he was.

The island community extends its deepest condolences to Ricky's loved ones in Great Falls and beyond. We grieve with you, and we honor a life that, though too short, was full of dedication, kindness, and quiet excellence.

Ricky Trebas will be re-

membered not only as a skilled pilot, but as a good man — one who touched lives, uplifted those around him, and left this world better than he found it. His wings may have folded too soon, but his legacy will continue to soar in the hearts of all who knew him. ▾





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COMMUNITY

KWAJALEIN OPTOMETRY TEAM BRINGS VISION SCREENINGS TO EBEYE STUDENTS

HOURLASS REPORT

By **Isaiah Matthews**,
Hourglass Story Writer

On a recent visit to Ebeye, Will Black of Kwajalein Optometry carried only what he and his team could reasonably screen in a single trip — and a simple goal: check the eyesight of students who might be struggling to see clearly in class.

The outreach began with a conversation. Sue Wynn, a Kwajalein School System educator who works with students on Ebeye, had noticed that some children were having vision-related challenges. She reached out to Black about the possibility of bringing limited screenings across the lagoon.

“This is the first time we’ve been to Ebeye,” said Black. “At this point it was just kind of to see what was over there.”

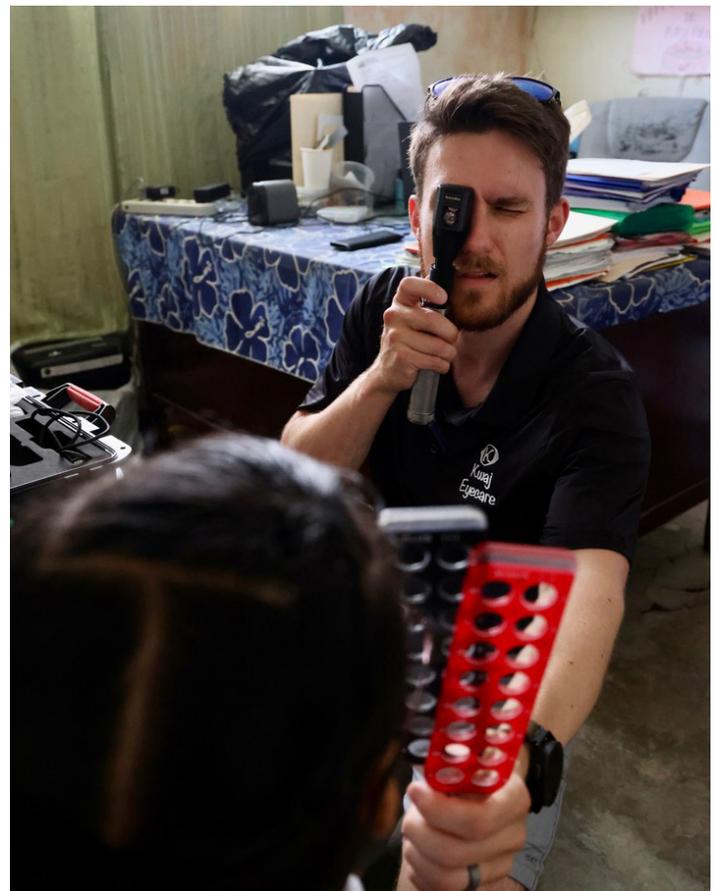
Because of time and travel constraints, the team focused on screenings rather than full exams. The setup was straightforward and efficient, designed to work within the limits of the day. The emphasis was on identifying obvious concerns and determining which students might need follow-up care.

In children, he explained, the biggest concerns are often undiagnosed vision problems that affect learning. Near-sightedness showed up in several of the students they screened.

“They were struggling at a distance,” stated Black.

Once corrected, those students are expected to perform better academically. The team relayed their findings to Wynn so she could communicate with teachers.

Black noted that while the screenings centered on children, eye disease in adults is



also a significant issue in underserved communities, particularly conditions associated with diabetes. But on this trip, the focus stayed with students.

“We have to limit the number,” he said, acknowledging the realities of providing care in a remote setting. Even with those limits, he called the visit successful and described it as a good starting point for future collaboration with the schools.

For Black, the most rewarding part was simple.

“Being able to help solve their problem,” he said. “That’s probably the most rewarding thing.”

He sees community in-

volvement as part of the job. Whether it’s supporting school systems or participating in local events, he believes medical providers should be visible and engaged.

“You have to be out in the community,” Black exclaimed. “You have to be out there.”

For those who may be hesitant about seeking care, his advice was direct: “Just take the leap.”

Jared Denton, a four year student at Arizona College of Optometry who joined the outreach effort, described the experience as meaningful in a different way. He has lived in other communities before, including the Philippines,

and said each place brings its own set of challenges. On Ebe-eye, what stood out most was the reaction from families.

“Just seeing how happy they were,” said Denton. “And then also finding people who didn’t have help to know that they had.”

Denton stated outreach programs like this matter because they show that care is not only about business or appointments. It’s about meeting people where they are.

“Community-centered care,” he said, is about giving to individuals who need it most.

Both emphasized that the work isn’t finished. The

screenings were a first step, not a final solution. There is more to coordinate and more to assess.

Still, for one day, the focus stayed on a small group of students, a few vision charts, and conversations about what comes next.

“Just thank you to everyone,” Denton added, recognizing the people who helped make the visit possible. ▼



COMMUNITY

BARGAIN BAZAAR: THE BEATING HEART OF KWAJALEIN'S GIVE BACK CULTURE

HOURLASS REPORT



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By Annette Monk, Hourglass Staff Writer

On a tiny atoll in the middle of the Pacific—more than 2,500 miles from the nearest consignment shop—there's a place where generosity, resourcefulness, and community spirit come together twice a week. The Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club Bargain Bazaar, affectionately known as the BB, is far more than a thrift store. It's a lifeline, a gathering place, and a joyful engine of support for education across the Marshall Islands and Micronesia.

At the center of it all is Nellie Longoria Walter, the YYWC Bargain Bazaar Chair, whose enthusiasm radiates through every corner of the shop.

Nellie began volunteering at the BB in October 2020—just days after emerging from quarantine. “I am a firm be-

liever in volunteerism and giving back to the community,” she says. “I have volunteered in every community I have lived in.” By August 2021, she was appointed Chair by the YYWC President, a role she embraced wholeheartedly. As a former educator, the mission of the YYWC—raising funds for scholarships and school grants for Marshallese students—resonated deeply. “We can truly make a difference in children’s lives,” she says, “and that keeps me motivated week after week.”

In a place where shipping takes months and big box stores are a distant memory, the Bargain Bazaar fills a unique and essential role. It's the only consignment style shop within 2,500 miles, and its impact is felt daily. “We provide items that may be hard to find, and we provide them at an affordable price,” Nellie explains. “We also help

families who are moving or decluttering and want to give back.”

From kitchen essentials to small appliances, towels, décor, and clothing, the BB's inventory is as varied as the community itself. PCS season brings an especially eclectic mix—mini fridges, TVs, and household goods that disappear almost as quickly as they arrive.

The BB opens only twice a week, but the work never stops as a labor of love. Donations are processed as soon as they come in—cleaned, sorted, bundled, priced, and placed on the floor by a dedicated team of volunteers. “No week is the same,” says volunteer Sarah Morrissey. “There is always a need to help keep Bargain Bazaar open and running.”

Volunteers sign up for shifts to sort, price, and organize. Some gather on week-

ends for extra processing sessions. And because everything is donated, every item has a story—and sometimes a surprise.

Darcy Oswald still laughs about the “killer platform shoes with goldfish in the heels.” Christi Cardillo has learned that “a surprising number of people buy ice cream machines.” Sarah has sorted everything from espresso makers to artificial Christmas trees.

Volunteer Charlotte Nienu loves the treasure hunt aspect—sorting through decades old costumes and one of a kind outfits—but says the most meaningful moments come when customers find exactly what they need: pots and pans for a new home, work clothes for young employees, baby essentials for new parents. “Almost everyone on Kwaj has been a part of BB in one way or another,” she says.

For many volunteers, the BB is also a place of friendship and connection. “We have all learned each other's tastes and sizes,” Darcy says. “Volunteering gives you a first look at new products, and we always pull items for each other.” Cardillo agrees. “Working at the Bargain Bazaar allows you to meet so many people you would never know otherwise. I love getting to know our regulars well enough that I can suggest items for them when they walk in.”

She also offers a heartfelt invitation: “I would highly recommend that anyone who wants to make a difference while they live here in the Marshalls come and volunteer. When we have enough volunteers, it really only requires one shift a month. And if you've never visited the Bargain Bazaar, come check

With new volunteers come new perspectives. Volunteer Kate Cannon joined shortly after arriving on island in August 2025. As the commander's spouse, she holds an honorary YYWC board position, which introduced her to the BB.

For her, the appeal is twofold: "It's a great way to help the environment and community reduce, reuse, and recycle clothing and home goods. And I enjoy getting to know our shoppers." Kate also emphasizes something volunteers see regularly: the importance of thoughtful donations. "We appreciate every donation—we couldn't do this without our donors. But we do receive items that should have gone in the trash, like unuseable garments. It's so helpful when people donate items they themselves would want to buy and follow our donation guidelines."

The BB is known for its themed events, which have become beloved island traditions. The annual Boo teek transforms the shop into a Halloween wonderland of costumes and décor. This

year, Nellie launched the first Snow Teek, featuring Christmas decorations and gifts. And each spring, the prom dress sale brings smiles to teens and volunteers alike. "It makes me so happy when shoppers find something special," Nellie says.

Volunteer Karen Read shares that joy: "I especially love seeing the teenagers dress for 'new' prom dresses. If you're missing Walmart or Target, come on down to the BB and find something you didn't know you needed."

Bargain Bazaar Donation Guidelines: How to Give Thoughtfully

When donating:

- Park and go into Dock Security Checkpoint to ask them to open the gate. This lets you bring large loads directly to the BB door.

We accept:

- Baby and children's clothes and gear
- Men's clothing
- Shoes, hats, backpacks, tote bags, purses, suitcases
- Linens, towels, dishware, pots and pans, kitchenware
- Household items and décor

- Storage containers
- Working appliances and electronics
- School supplies
- Fabric, craft, and sewing supplies
- Puzzles, games, toys
- Children's books, CDs, DVDs, and electronic games
- Jewelry, reading glasses, sunglasses
- Holiday décor and costumes
- Please donate CLEAN clothing.

We do NOT accept:

- Medications
 - Food or pantry items
- Please keep in mind:**
- Wrap glass and knives to prevent hazards.
 - Space is limited—very large items may not be appropriate. Ask if unsure.
 - Include instructions or manuals when possible.
 - Tape cords or parts to appliances and electronics.
 - Recycle old electronics like printers appropriately.

Proceeds from the Bargain Bazaar support Marshallese and Micronesian education through the YYWC Education Assistance Committee (EAC). Kommel tata for your

donation!

A Community Effort With a Lasting Impact

Perhaps the most remarkable thing about the Bargain Bazaar is that it is run entirely by volunteers—no paid staff, just people who care deeply about their island community and the students their work supports. "We welcome new volunteers and train them year round," Sarah says. "Two hours a month can make a difference."

Nellie agrees wholeheartedly. "I love serving my community and have such love and respect for my Marshallese family," she says. "I love that we raise money for education. It truly is an amazing experience."

On an island where resources are limited but generosity is abundant, the Bargain Bazaar stands as a testament to what a community can build together—one donation, one treasure, one volunteer at a time. ▲





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COMMUNITY

RECOGNIZED ARMY CHAPLAIN BRINGS MESSAGE OF SERVICE, UNITY TO KWAJALEIN

HOURLASS REPORT

By Anthony Carnelli,
Hourglass Story Writer

A New Orleans Saints pennant hung from the podium inside the meeting room of the Religious Education Building on Feb. 19 — rescheduled from earlier in the month — drawing laughs from a room packed with Kwajalein community members and garrison leaders. The pennant belonged to Chaplain Col. Khalid Shabazz, the U.S. Army Pacific (USARPAC) command chaplain and the morning's guest speaker, who said he brought it on the advice of a "guest speaker handbook": Bring something from home to settle the nerves.

"I just don't understand why all the people of God are not Saints fans," Shabazz said with a grin, warming up a room that had gathered for

something far weightier than football team allegiance.

The event marked Kwajalein's observance of the National Prayer Breakfast, a tradition rooted in informal congressional prayer meetings of the 1930s and formalized in 1953 under President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Every sitting president since has participated in the Washington event, which was renamed in 1970 to reflect broader participation beyond the White House.

The morning followed a structured program: an opening welcome, an opening prayer led by Father Dan Gardner, the catholic Chaplain of Kwajalein, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a series of guided prayers before Shabazz took the lectern. The intercessions were deliberate and specific, with communi-

ty members praying not only for the nation but for civilian leadership, military families, local unity and the Republic of the Marshall Islands — a reflection of the partnerships that define daily life on the atoll.

Command Sargent Major Stanley L. Jackson set the tone in his opening remarks, framing the gathering as part of something larger.

"Today we are going to intercede for our nation, and we are challenging you not only to pray for our nation today, but to continue to pray for our nation daily," Jackson said.

He pointed to biblical examples of prayer changing the course of events — Paul and Silas from the New Testament, Queen Esther and Elijah from the Old Testament — and emphasized that

prayers are still answered today.

One of the morning's prayers addressed the community directly, asking those gathered to "destroy perceived barriers" between military, civilian, and contractor populations and to work as "one team." In a garrison community shaped by everyday collaboration across agencies, commands and contractors, the words carried both spiritual weight and real-world implications.

Garner's opening set a tone of shared purpose, noting the gathering joined "hundreds of other people" meeting in prayer across the country.

Chaplain (Col.) Shabazz
The U.S. Army Pacific Command chaplain, who joined the service in 1992 as a field artilleryman before becoming chaplain in 1998, holds

two doctorate degrees, and four master's degrees, has authored three books and maintains a social media following of more than 600,000 people. But, on this morning, he led with humor and humble storytelling, not credentials.

His central message was direct: "Your leadership is a sermon. Be careful how you preach it."

Shabazz built his keynote around two familiar narratives. He cast Dorothy from "The Wizard of Oz" as a model for leaders thrust into unfamiliar circumstances who still find ways to help others move forward — the scarecrow lacking confidence, the tin man unable to feel, the lion missing courage. He then turned to the parable of

the Good Samaritan, framing it as a test of leadership.

"Which leader are you going to be — the one who passes by, the one who feels sorry, or the one who stops and help?" Shabazz asked.

He shared a personal turning point: a sergeant major who once stepped in during one of Shabazz's lowest moments, telling him simply, "I believe in you." That act of investment, Shabazz said, changed his trajectory and modeled the kind of leadership he now preaches — one measured not by rank but by awareness of the people around you.

"The people who work for you — and with you — some-

times believe you can change their lives," he said.

Throughout the address, Shabazz returned to themes of integrity, humility and service, offering lines that landed with quiet authority. "Leadership is not about income — it's about outcome," he said. "Disagreement does not diminish you. Only disrespect does."

Closing Remarks

Shabazz closed with a call that echoed the morning's prayers: "We don't pray for victory over one another, but wisdom beyond ourselves — truth over convenience, unity over division, and service over self-interest."

The prayer breakfast con-

cluded with a benediction and invitation to greet Shabazz — who was also given a commemorative 'Kwaj' coin. However, the morning event offered something the daily operational tempo rarely allows — a pause to reflect on the values that hold the work together.

The National Prayer Breakfast tradition, now more than seven decades old, has always been about unity across differences. CSM Jackson's challenge to the room still stood as plates were cleared: pray not just today, but daily. ❏

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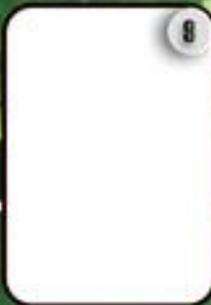
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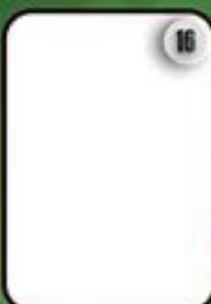
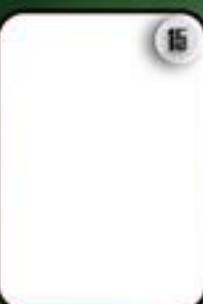
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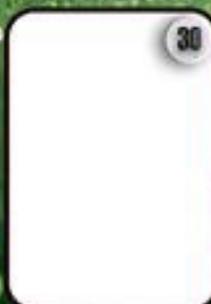
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ATTENTION...

Non-Potable Water Restriction

Non-potable water usage on Kwajalein has increased over the last month and is currently greater than we can sustain.

Please restrict irrigation of grass and plants to less than 30 minutes every other day during the dry season to conserve this limited resource. Please report any suspected water leaks to the Service Desk at 480-3550.

Call Stan at 480-4400 with any questions.



BARGAIN BAZAAR: COMMUNITY & MISSION

- Volunteer-run resale shop on Kwajalein
- Donations fund scholarships & school grants
- Supports education across the Marshall Islands & Micronesia
- Open Every Wednesday 4:30 to 6:30 PM
& 1st Saturday 4:00 to 6:00 PM
- Promotes reduce, reuse & recycle
- A hub for connection and community

We Accept:

Clean clothing, baby gear, shoes, linens, kitchenware, décor, working electronics, books, toys, school supplies, jewelry & holiday décor

We Do NOT Accept:

Food or medications

How to Donate:

- Stop by DSC for gate access
- Bring items directly to BB door
- Wrap breakables & attach cords

Donations
ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE YYWC EDUCATION ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE.
KOMMOLTATA FOR YOUR DONATION!

Kwajalein Drinking Water Notice - Important Information

Recent tests showed a small amount of a chemical called Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) in Kwajalein's drinking water that was slightly elevated than allowed. The minimum standard for a locational rolling annual average (LRAA) is 0.080 mg/l. The tests revealed three sampling locations had TTHM levels of 0.087 mg/L, 0.088 mg/L, and 0.101 mg/L.

This is ***not an emergency*** and does not require you to boil your water.

What happened? TTHMs form when the disinfectants like chlorine, that are used to clean our water, reacts with natural organic materials in the water source. A carbon-based filtering system is used in the water treatment plant to reduce TTHM levels.

What's being done? The spent carbon in the filter system is being with clean carbon. This will lower TTHM levels and ensure our water quality.

Do I need to take action? No. You do not need to boil your water or take any other steps. If you have health concerns, please consult your doctor.

Note: Long-term exposure (over many years) to high levels of TTHMs *may* have health effects, but the amount found in Kwajalein's water and the short duration of the exceedance pose minimal risk.

For questions, contact Environmental Services at 480-0722.

Melele Ko Raurok Ikijeen Drenin Draak Eo Ioon Kwajalein

Ilo kar teej ko maan tak ekar walok jirik in kamikol eo im jej nae etan (TTHMs) ilo dren in idraak ko ioon Kwajalein im ekar lap jen jonan eo kar kotmene. Jonan driklok in jonok emoj an kar (LRAA) kwalok ej 0.080 mg/L. Jilu ien jikin kein ej kwalok ke TTHM kin jonon in 0.087 mg/L, 0.88 mg/L, im 0.101 mg/L.

Men in ***ejjab emergency*** im ejjab require non am boili dren eo nimum..

Ta eo ewalok? TTHMs ej walok tok einwot juon chlorine eo im einwot emoj an jejjot, eo im ej jermal nan kareoik dren ko, ej ejaak im koba ippen kij ko remon ilo dren ko. Kein liklik eo im eiton einwot juon carbon ej jermal nan kareoik im kadriklok jonan TTHM.

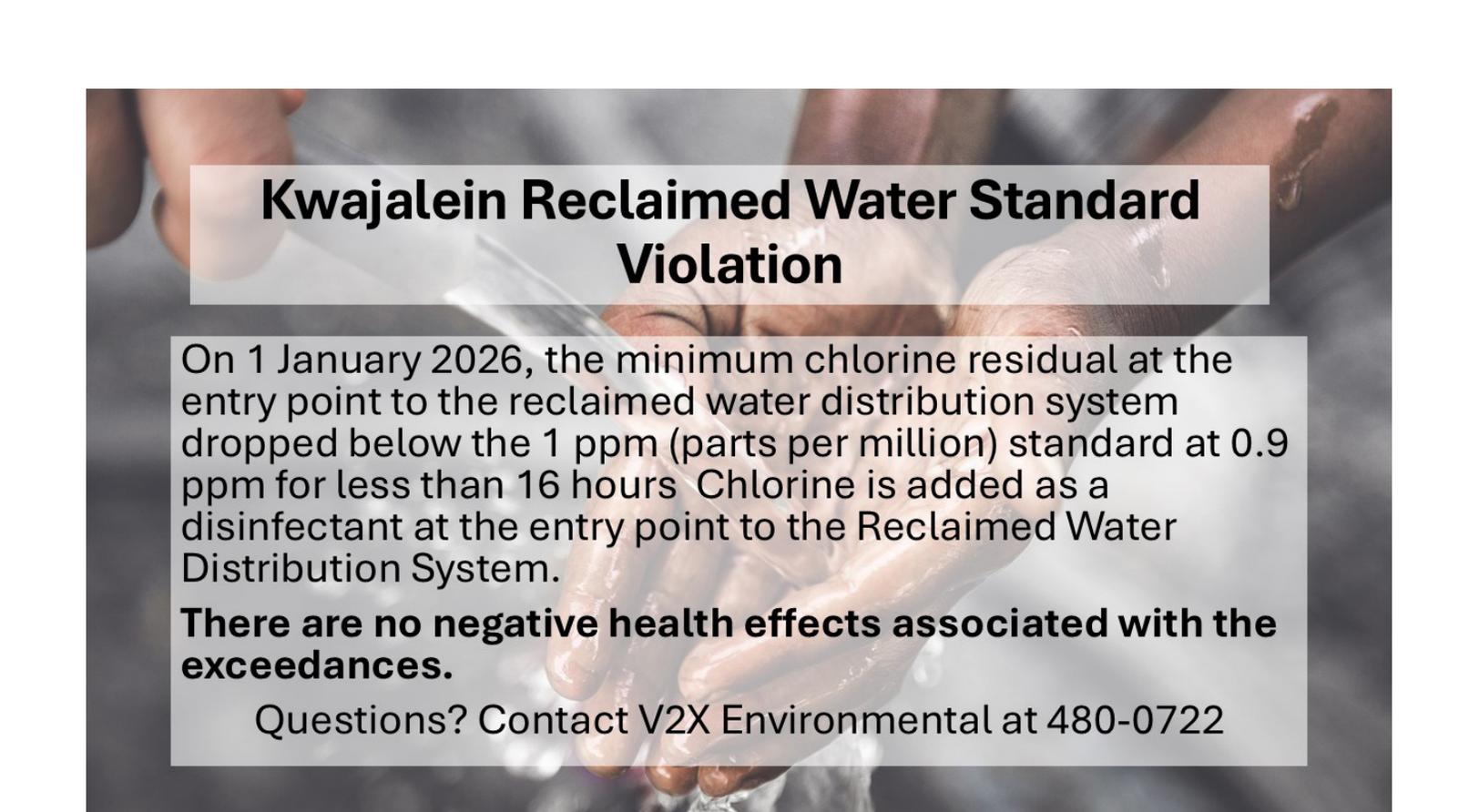
Ta eo emoj komane? Ilo filter system kein ilo jikin likik dren eo emoj aer erre. Wawein in ej jiban kadriklok TTHM im kajejjot eman eo an dren eo.

Aikuij ke bok kilton ko? Jab. Kwojjab aikuij boili dren eo nimum ak komon jabdrewot. Ne ewor am uwota ejelet ejmour, jous im lolak tokto eo am.

Note: Ne ej aitok am kar bok ak idraak jen dren ko (elon yio ko) ilon lok jonon ko kin TTHMs emaron jelete ejmour eo am, ijo wot ke jonan eo rakar loe jen drenin draak ko ioon Kwajalein im jonan mokaj in aer kar loe im jerbale ejjab lukun kauwotata.

Non Kajitok, kir Environmental Services ilo 480-0722.



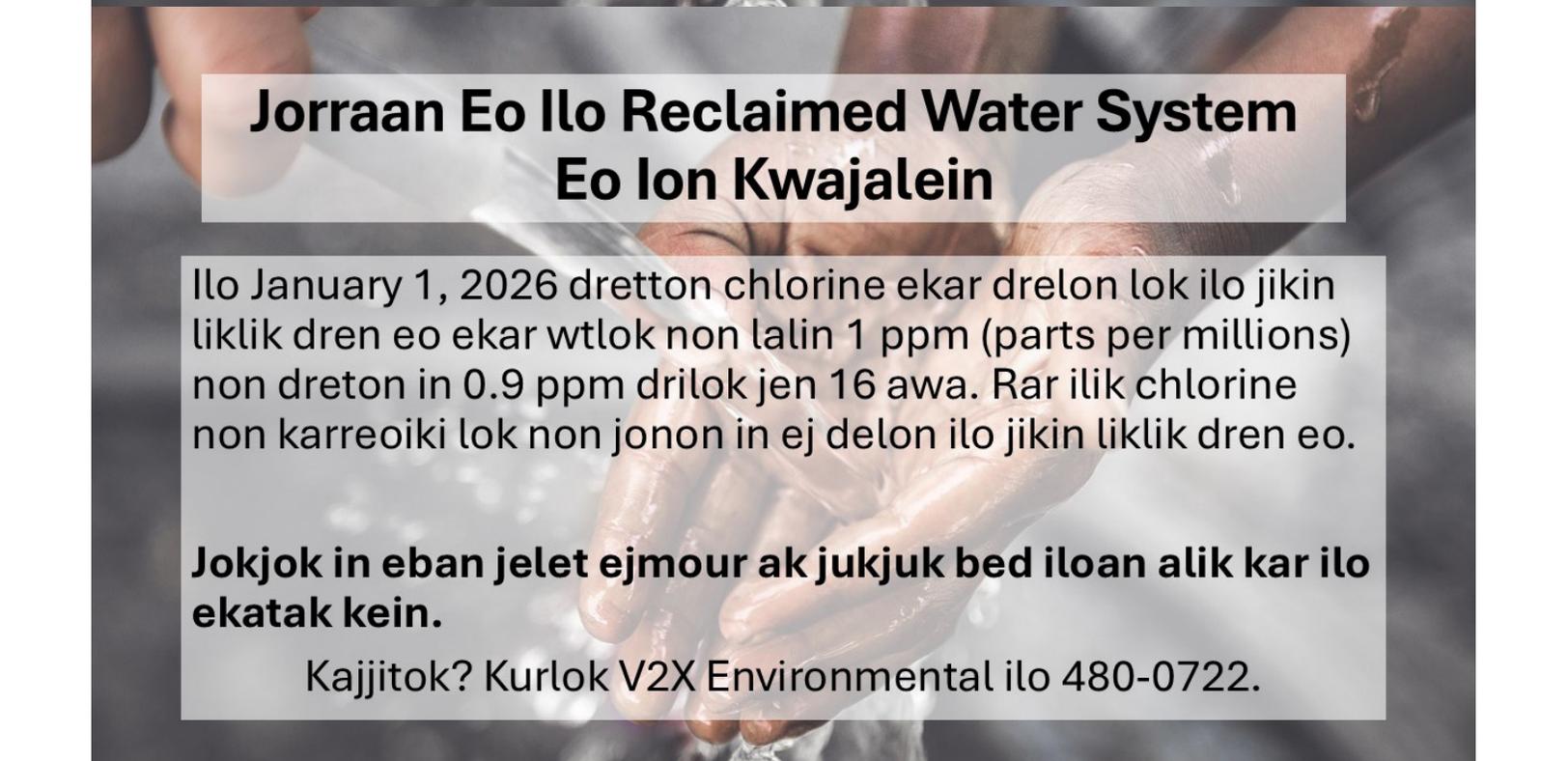


Kwajalein Reclaimed Water Standard Violation

On 1 January 2026, the minimum chlorine residual at the entry point to the reclaimed water distribution system dropped below the 1 ppm (parts per million) standard at 0.9 ppm for less than 16 hours. Chlorine is added as a disinfectant at the entry point to the Reclaimed Water Distribution System.

There are no negative health effects associated with the exceedances.

Questions? Contact V2X Environmental at 480-0722



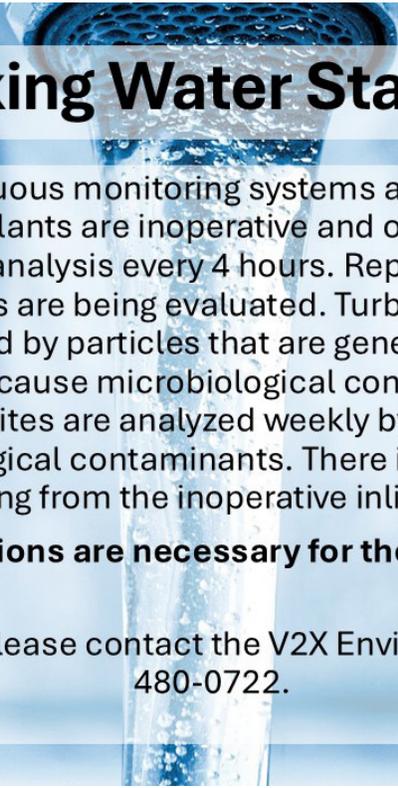
Jorraan Eo Ilo Reclaimed Water System Eo Ion Kwajalein

Ilo January 1, 2026 dretton chlorine ekar dreton lok ilo jikin liklik dren eo ekar wtlok non lalin 1 ppm (parts per millions) non dreton in 0.9 ppm drilok jen 16 awa. Rar ilik chlorine non karreoiki lok non jonon in ej delon ilo jikin liklik dren eo.

Jokjok in eban jelet ejmour ak jukjuk bed iloan alik kar ilo ekatak kein.

Kajjitok? Kurlok V2X Environmental ilo 480-0722.



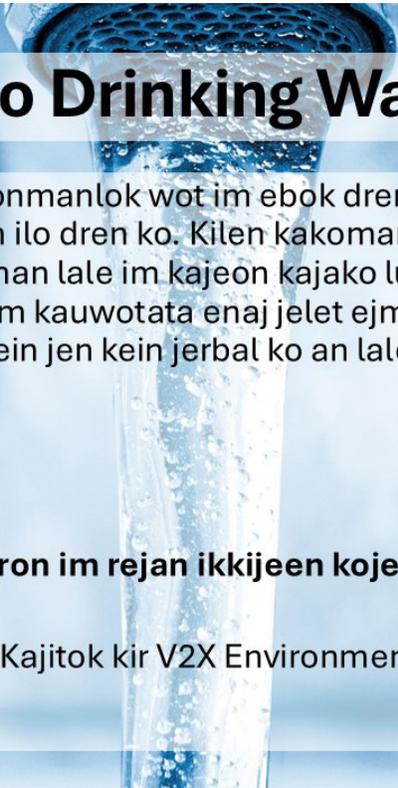


Drinking Water Standard

The turbidity inline continuous monitoring systems at the Kwajalein and Roi-Namur Water Treatment Plants are inoperative and operators are collecting manual grab samples for analysis every 4 hours. Repair or replacement projects for the monitoring systems are being evaluated. Turbidity is the cloudiness or haziness of a liquid caused by particles that are generally invisible to the naked eye and by itself does not cause microbiological contamination. Drinking water from several distribution sites are analyzed weekly by the Kwajalein Hospital Laboratory for microbiological contaminants. There is no threat to public health or the environment resulting from the inoperative inline monitoring equipment.

No health-based restrictions are necessary for the normal use of drinking water.

If you have questions, please contact the V2X Environmental Department at 480-0722.



Jorraan Eo Ilo Drinking Water Standard

Rijerbal in dren ro rekar wonmanlok wot im ebok dren nan kamelmel im lale elane elap ejake eo an lum ilo dren ko. Kilen kakomanman lak im tiljek lok jirik kon dren ko ekar bok jikin nan lale im kajeon kajako lum ko ilo dren iumwn kajojo 4 awa. Ejjelok joraan elap im kauwotata enaj jelet ejmour eo ilo juon kabijuknen eo elane ej koman katak kein jen kein jermal ko an lale dren eo.

Ejjab jelet ejmour non karon im rejan ikkijeen kojerbal dren in non aikuij ko jet.

Elane ewor am Kajitok kir V2X Environmental ilo 480-0722.

Tried to STOP, But You
Can't

Has Alcohol become an
OBSESSION

There is a Solution to
the Problem with Alcohol

**REACH OUT FOR
HELP**

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

ROOM 214 KWAJ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
BUILDING (UPSTAIRS)

BUILDING #671

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

7PM-8PM

QUESTIONS? EMAIL: kwajchapel@gmail.com
OR CALL 480-2116



**American
Red Cross**

Service to the Armed Forces

Volunteer Opportunity at Kwajalein Atoll

Join the American Red Cross and help bring our Services and Programs to the Kwajalein Atoll community!

Online & Virtual Training Provided

No experience needed!

We provide all necessary training. Just bring your passion and commitment to helping others!

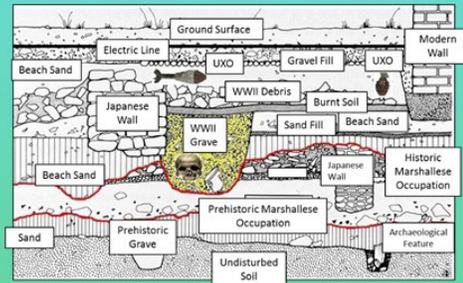
Contact **Alana Wilson** at alana.wilson@redcross.org

Let's work together to build a more prepared and resilient community.

E-Wareness:

Title: Dig Permits

Call 480-0722 for more info



ANY excavation more than 6 inches requires a Dig Permit. A signed dig permit must be on site for ALL excavations on USAG-KA. The permit holder is responsible for all stipulations of the permit, such as, marking known utilities and having a monitor on site during excavations. For more dig permit information call V2X Environmental at 480-0722.

Aolep ien kob ko remulalak jen 6 inj reaikuj dig permit. Permit ej aikuj bed jikin kob ko ion USAG-KA. Eo ej an permit eo aikuj loori kakien ko enwot, maak e utilities ko ejela kaki im eaikuj wor juon eo ej monitor ilo ien kob. Nan melele ko relaplak ikujeen dig permit, call e V2X Environtmental ilo 480-0722.



Kwajalein Atoll

Do you have a Concern or Kudos?
Go to the Interactive Customer Evaluation
and give us your feedback.

GO
TO

ICE
INTERACTIVE CUSTOMER EVALUATION



Kwajalein to Ebeye Ferry Schedule



- C-BADGE WORKERS** have priority, EXCEPT on the following runs:
 - 0650 run (arriving at Ebeye at 0715) High Schools students have priority ridership.
 - 0720 run (arriving at Ebeye at 0745) and the 1600 run (departing from Kwaj) Kwajalein School Guest students have priority rider-ship.
- On Stevedoring days, workers involved with cargo operations have priority on the 2000 ferry.
- SMOKING, TOBACCO, CHEW, BETEL NUT, EATING and DRINKING ARE PROHIBITED ON ALL FERRIES.
- Boats will not be overloaded: Maximum capacities are 150 passengers (CATs and ferries) and that number may be reduced during inclement weather or at the Captain's discretion due to safety concerns.
- Meck catamarans may operate on a dynamic schedule and will be available by calling Meck Management.
- SATURDAY ONLY – THERE WILL NOT BE A 2130 FERRY INSTEAD THE FERRY WILL DEPART AT 2200.**

EBEYE – Tuesday to Saturday

EBEYE – Sunday & Holiday

ETD	ETA EBEYE	ETD EBEYE	ETA KWAJ	TYPE VESSEL	ETD KWAJ	ETA EBEYE	ETD EBEYE	ETA KWAJ	TYPE VESSEL
0245	0310	0315	0340	FB N/1	0400	0425	0430	0455	FB N/1
0420	0445	0450	0515	FB 1	0500	0525	0530	0555	FB 1
0450	0515	0520	0545	FB 2	0600	0625	0630	0655	FB 1
0520	0545	0550	0615	FB 1	0830	0855	0900	0925	FB 1
0550	0615	0620	0645	FB 2	1140	1205	1210	1235	FB 1
0620	0645	0650	0715	FB 1	1530	1555	1600	1625	FB 1/N
0650	0715	0720	0745	FB 2	1700	1725	1730	1755	FB N
0720	0745	0750	0815	FB 1	2000	2025	2030	2055	FB N
0900	0925	0930	0955	FB	2200	2225	2230	2255	FB N
1140	1205	1210	1235	FB 2/A	Holidays only ADD extra run below				
1300	1325	1330	1355	FB	1830	1855	1900	1925	FB N
1440	1505	1510	1535	FB A	Monday				
1600	1625	1630	1655	FB A	0315	0340	0345	0410	FB N/1
1700	1725	1730	1755	FB A	0500	0525	0530	0555	FB 1
1730	1755	1800	1825	FB N	0600	0625	0630	0655	FB 1
1800	1825	1830	1855	FB A	0720	0745	0750	0815	FB 1
1830	1855	1900	1925	FB N	0830	0855	0900	0925	FB 1
1900	1925	1930	1955	FB A	1140	1205	1210	1235	FB 1
2000	2025	2030	2055	FB N	1440	1505	1510	1535	FB 1/N
2130	2155	2200	2225	FB N	1645	1710	1715	1740	FB N
(TUESDAY-FRIDAY) 2130 is final run of day					1745	1810	1815	1840	FB N
2200	2225	2230	2255	FB N	1900	1925	1930	1955	FB N
SATURDAY - No 2130 ferry; 2200 is final run of day					2000	2025	2030	2055	FB N
	FB =	Ferry	Boat		2130	2155	2200	2225	FB N



Roi-Namur / Enniburr Ferry Schedule



Tuesday to Saturday

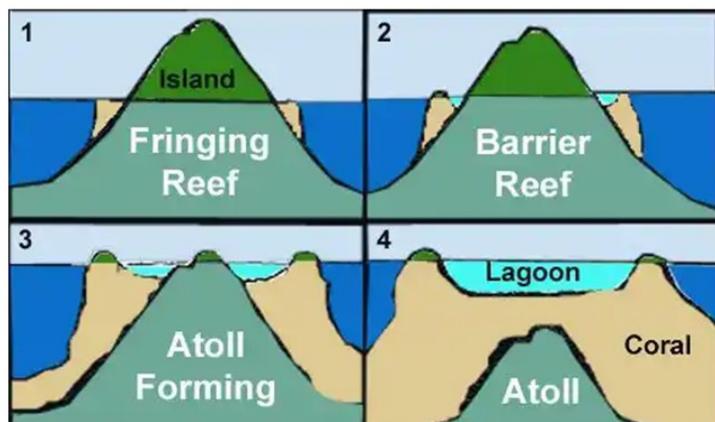
Run Number	ETD Roi-Namur	ETA Enniburr	ETD Enniburr	ETA Roi-Namur	Vessel
1	0520	0535	0555	0610	FB
2	0730	0745	0805	0820	FB
3	1250	1305	1325	1340	FB
4	1715	1730	1750	1805	FB
5	1940	1955	2015	2030	FB

Sunday-Monday-Holiday

Run Number	ETD Roi-Namur	ETA Enniburr	ETD Enniburr	ETA Roi-Namur	Vessel
1	0650	0705	0725	0740	FB
2	0940	0955	1015	1030	FB
3	1450	1505	1525	1540	FB
4	1940	1955	2015	2030	FB

FIRST PRIORITY: BADGE WORKERS
 Passengers are to board and disembark ONLY at the gangway area. As deemed by the Captain, any passengers, who are unruly and pose a safety hazard to the crew, other passengers, or vessel will not be allowed to ride the ferry. Maximum passenger load is 150 passengers.
SMOKING, TOBACCO CHEWING, BEETLE-NUT, EATING and DRINKING ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON ALL FERRIES.
 The clock kept by the ferry Captain is the official time. Departure times from Roi-Namur are mandatory times. Return times to Roi-Namur may be change slightly due to the offloading of water at Enniburr.
 Any questions? Please call the Port Captain in Kwajalein, 480-2173.

Atoll Formation



Atolls are formed from sunken volcanoes. Coral continues growing around, creating some of the most beautiful and biologically diverse habitats. Depending on their size and climate, atolls can take up to 30 million years to form.

Ene ko iloan aelon in rekar walok jen Volcano ko ibulen lojet. Wod ko ilojet ilo imetowan aelon in rej eddoklok ilo aer komman men ko reaiboujwoj ilo lojet eo. Bedbed wot kin jonon im oktak in mejatoto, aelon eo emaron bok 30 million yio non an eddoklok.



Hours of Operation
TUESDAYS - SATURDAYS
07:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Lunch Break
11:30 - 12:30

Call the Kwajalein Veterinary Clinic
to schedule your appointment or e-mail

 **480-2017**

 **KwajVetClinic@gov2x.com**

Kwajalein Island Trash & Recycling

Residential Trash Collection 480-1760
Yard Vegetation Collection 480-1890
Hazardous Waste Pickup Line 480-8858



TRASH & RECYCLING PICKUP SCHEDULE

The Green Residential TRASH receptacles are collected every **Tuesday and Friday**.

The blue RECYCLE bins are also collected every **Tuesday and Friday**.

The large black General Solid Waste Community Containers are emptied on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Safety First! Please keep any curious children away from the Compactor Truck as it feeds contents into the truck.

Recyclable materials are also collected by both solid waste and horizontal maintenance personnel, in conjunction with general trash collection. Currently the island only recycles glass, aluminum, metal, and bulk organic materials. **Cardboard and plastics are not recycled materials on Kwajalein.** These items should be placed into the general trash stream for disposal/incineration.



Residential users will be given a **green trash** receptacle and a smaller **blue** receptacle for recyclable materials. It is requested that residences place their recyclable items into the blue containers, and stack larger materials next to the bins. Lawn clippings and leaves should be bagged and placed next to bins. Palm fronds and coconuts should also be stacked up next to the bins for removal by horizontal maintenance personnel.



Kwajalein /Roi-Namur Driver Licensing

Kwajalein classes are every Wednesday.

- 9:00 a.m. Marshallese
- 12:45 p.m. EXPATS **by appointment only as class size is limited**
- Building 856, Room 101 at the Vehicle Maintenance Compound
- To register, send email to the following: George.parker3@gov2x.com and Wilson.Kaisha@gov2x.com or stop by Bldg 856, Room 101

Roi-Namur Classes are every 2nd Friday (time base on flight schedule and location is Building C). No registration needed for Roi classes. Send any questions to the emails above.

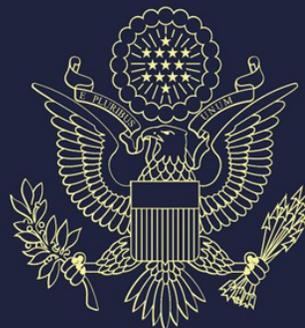
Now Available by Appointment...

PASSPORT PHOTO SERVICES

PASSPORT

Located on the 2nd floor of Bldg. 805 on Kwajalein. When taking your photo, remember the following guidance for a successful shoot:

- Directly face the camera without tilting your head.
- Have a neutral facial expression with both eyes open and mouth closed.
- Take off your eyeglasses, headphones or wireless hands-free device.
- Do not wear a uniform, clothing that looks like a uniform, or camouflage.
- Remove hats or head coverings or submit a signed statement or doctor's note that says you must wear it for religious or medical purposes.



*United States
of America*



To schedule an appointment,
contact IMD/AVD personnel at:

KwajaleinHourglass@gov2x.com



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Kwajalein



MIA Project

NEVER FORGET.

<https://kwajaleinmiaproject.us/>

COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

Submit Announcements to the Roller Channel and The Kwajalein Hourglass

OPEN CALL FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
The island community is invited to submit listings for events and for sale items; announcements; department trainings; safety updates; public service messages; and thank-you messages.

Preparing Your Message

For questions about your messaging, please reach out to the USAG-KA Public Affairs Office at 480-4848.

Ads should always include a point of contact, phone number and/or email address.

Private parties, fundraisers and events requesting and/or accepting donations are typically not allowed for publication per AR 360-1. Fundraisers and support activities for private and schools-based organizations, scouting groups, civic clubs and other listings may be subject to a legal counsel review to determine their eligibility for publication.

Formatting Your Listings

It is recommended that graphical adver-

tisements and announcements intended for the Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel be formatted as PowerPoint slides.

Graphic designers are asked to maintain a generous margin (.75-1-inch) around all sides and to size fonts no smaller than pt. 20.

If your Roller Channel advertisement requires a special expiration date, please note this for the Roller team in the body of your message.

Deadlines for Submissions

Send advertisements for the Kwajalein Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel to kwajaleinhourglass@gov2x.com on Wednesdays by close of business/Thursday morning.

Roller Channel ads are accepted on a rolling basis by 4 p.m. for a mid-week and late-week update. Ads received after 4 p.m. will be loaded in the next update. Please ensure you submit ads in good time to ensure timely upload.

For more information, reach out to the USAG-KA Command team through the USAG-KA Facebook page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFH Construction Is Ongoing. Nan, Inc. Construction is scheduled to commence the telecommunication scope of work for the Kwajalein Army Family Housing project in our community. Residents and commuters should be aware of possible changes in traffic patterns and to plan their routes accordingly. Nan, Inc. Construction is committed to minimizing any inconveniences, and we will strive to ensure a smooth and efficient construction process.

ArMA. Log in to ArMa, the Army Maintenance Application, to report issues for all buildings maintained by the Department of Public Works. Contact Public Works at 480-3550.

CAC Office. Before your visit to the Common Access Card Office, ensure all paperwork is completed by your human resources representative before making an appointment. Bring two forms of government-issued IDs with you. Walk-in appointments are welcome, but there may be a wait. CAC Office Hours, Bldg. 835, are Tuesday – Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.; (Lunch: noon - 1 p.m.). Call 480-8496.

Demolition at the Capt. Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility. Phase three of the Zamperini DFAC demo has begun and is projected to be finished March 2026 for the dining and serving area. Be careful around the dining facility during the phases.

Do Not Take Cultural Artifacts. It is illegal to remove cultural resources from the atoll. This includes any protected species, unexploded ordnance, WWII-era artifacts and ancient Marshallese artifacts. These resources are protected under U.S. federal and RMI law. Contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 480-8867.



Contact the USAG-KA Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response and Prevention Victim Advocate

Sergeant First Class Darrius Hodge
SHARP Victim Advocate

Work: 480-1419

USAG-KA SHARP Pager:

808-580-3241

DOD SAFE Helpline: 877-995-5247



Emergency Management. Visit the USAG-KA Emergency Management webpage, <https://home.army.mil/kwajalein/index.php/my-fort/EM/>; 2) Click on "Mass Notification"; 3) Follow the registration instructions.

E-Wareness: It is each driver's responsibility to ensure vehicles are not leaking fluids other than air conditioning condensate. Call 911 to report spills and arrange with automotive for routine maintenance. Please call Environmental at 480-0722 with questions. Ej an ri-kator eo eddo non lolorjake bwe wa eo ejjab leak jabdewot oil ijelak in drennin air condition eo jen wa eo. Ne elon jabdwt leak/lutok in oil jen wa eo, Kiir 911 non report- e lutok eo. Ak kiir Environmental ilo 480-0722 non kajitok.

Fire Safety Tips. Some pets are chewers. Watch pets to make sure they don't chew through electrical cords. Pets are curious. They may bump into, turn on, or knock over cooking equipment. Keep pets away from stoves and countertops. Make sure pets are included in your family's fire evacuation plan. Build an evacuation kit for each pet in your household.

Flights. Please note that all flights are subject to change. For the latest update on your flights on United, ATI or Air Marshall Islands: ATI: 480-2169; AMI: 480-3469; United: 480-4852 or 1-800-UNITED1; Air Terminal Services: 480-2660; Flight Information Recording: 480-3589

UA Schedule Effective Now: Monday and Friday—UA 155 (HNL); Check-in 2 – 4:50 p.m.;

Wednesday—UA 133 (HNL); Check-in 2 – 4:15 p.m.; Tuesday and Saturday—UA 154 (GUM); Check-in 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.

FlyRoi Reservations. To schedule reservations and for correspondence related to flights, email LCVKwajaleinFlyRoi@versar.com.

How to dress in the RMI. Out of respect for the Marshallese culture, residents are asked to dress appropriately when visiting Ebeye, Third Island, or anywhere within Kwajalein Atoll. Women should wear clothing to cover shoulders and knees. None are permitted to wear shorts when visiting churches on Ebeye. Men should wear long slacks to church.

Kwaj Small Boat Marina hours are 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m. Friday through Monday, and on holidays, excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas. Morning boat reservation times are from 7:30 a.m. – noon. Afternoon boat reservations are from 1 – 5 p.m.

Not Feeling Well? Call 480-2223 to make an appointment for a COVID-19 test, Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you are not feeling well, please wear a mask when you are around others in the community.

Operational Security. See something, say something. All employees on USAG-KA are required to receive annual Threat Awareness and Reporting Program training provided by KRO; Reporting: Report suspicious activities to the Kwajalein Resident Office at 480-9859/1293/8006 at Bldg. 1163.

PCS & Vacation Tips. Notify the post office before leaving for 30 days or PCS'ing. Per DOD 4525.6-M, mail is only allowed to be held for 30 days with or without prior notice. Mail is considered unclaimed on day 31 and will be returned to the sender. Email the post office to authorize pick up for your mail and packages. When PCS'ing, provide a forwarding address. Contact Jose Burgos-Rivera with questions at 480-3461 and Jose.Burgos-Rivera@gov2x.com.

Salon Walk-Ins. Surfside Salon Walk-In Appointments are available on Fridays from 1:30 - 6 p.m.

Smoking. USAG-KA, smoking is permitted in designated smoking areas only. Smoking and cigarette butt receptacles must be at least 50 feet from the entrance of facilities.

Taxi Service. Call 480-TAXI (8294) or 3341 to

HELP WANTED

For employment with contractors within the U.S. Army Garrison - Kwajalein Atoll please check contractor company websites for employment opportunities.

book your ride at least 24 hours in advance of check-in time.

Millican Family Pool Hours. Closed for cleaning on Thursdays. Open noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays and Mondays.

The NEC Testing Center Is Open to the Community - Giving you the head start you need to thrive! - Open Tuesday through Saturday by appointment
Authorized Pearson VUE Test Center. Schedule A test Today!
NEC testing Center, 480-4344, FN 1008-131
ACUITY International

Kwajalein / Roi Namur Licensing Classes on Kwajalein are every Wednesday @0900 Marshallese @1245 Expats (by appointment only as class side is limited)
Classes are in Bldg. 856 Rm 101, Vehicle Maintenance Compound
Roi classes every 2nd Friday in Bldg. C, timed based on flight schedule
No registration needed for Roi classes.
To register, send email to either of the following:
George.Parker@gov2x.com
Wilson.Kaisha@gov2x.com
...or stop by Bldg. 856, Rm 101



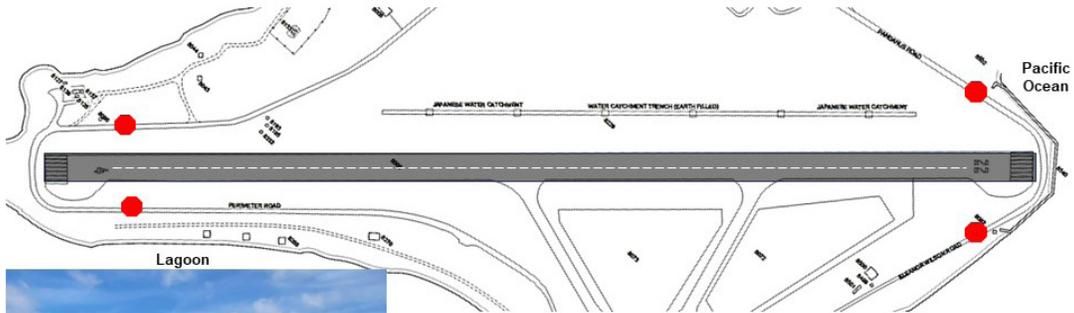
OPSEC IS NOT RETROACTIVE.

THINK BEFORE YOU SHARE INFORMATION. ONLINE AND OFFLINE.

 Like and share @USArmyOPSEC

ROI-NAMUR FOR AIRCRAFT!!

Stop and look both ways for aircraft on Perimeter Rd., Pandanus Rd., Eleanor Wilson Rd.
If aircraft are on approach or taking off, you must hold your position and wait!



Stop at designated signs and look for aircraft landing or taking off.

If you see an aircraft, hold your position at the stop sign and wait until the aircraft has landed or departed before moving.

KWAJALEIN FOR AIRCRAFT!!

Please remember to stop and look both ways for aircraft on Zeus Blvd. or Ocean Rd.
If aircraft are on approach or taking off, you must hold your position and wait!



Stop at designated signs and look for aircraft landing or taking off.

If you see an aircraft, hold your position at the stop sign and wait until the aircraft has landed or departed before moving.

NOW SHOWING at the YUK THEATER

SUNDAY, MARCH 1
"Civil War" (2024)
(R) 109 min.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7
"Shrek" (2001)
(PG) 90 min.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8
"Deadpool" (2016)
(R) 108 min.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14
"Moana" (2016)
(PG) 107 min.

SUNDAY, MARCH 15
"Monkey Man" (2024)
(R) 121 min.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21
"The Blue Angels" (2024)
(G) 93 min.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22
"The First Omen" (2024)
(R) 119 min.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28
"The Lion King" (1994)
(G) 88 min.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29
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WEEKLY TROPICAL WEATHER THREAT OUTLOOK

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Discussion:

So far in February, we have received 3.67" of precipitation, which is 0.84" above normal for the month. We have received 11.50" of precipitation for the year at 4.66" above normal. Normally, February is our climatologically driest month at only 3.3" total for the month. We are definitely looking at increased shower coverage for the next seven days starting on Saturday afternoon with the second half of Monday and Tuesday seeing the highest expected chance of showers and some can be heavy at times with good (ENE-E-ESE) troughing in the winds. We did get one lightning strike about 10 miles south of the weather station last week. A thunderstorm day is defined by an "in situ" lightning strike, meaning lightning is observed or thunder is heard within five miles of the Kwajalein airfield. The lighting risk will be increased starting on Saturday afternoon and carrying into the weekend during periods of heavy showers. The thunderstorm

risk will be even more elevated on Tuesday. The Madden-Julian Oscillation's (MJO) is trending positive but not very coherent giving a mild boost to precipitation coverage for the RMI. The Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) is a bit disorganized right now for the RMI, but it is expected to strengthen and move north of its normal location to assist in shower coverage late week and into the weekend. El Nino Southern Oscillation (ENSO) is in la Nina conditions for our part of the Pacific. This means sea-surface temperatures (SST) between the RMI and the Date Line are cooler, having a negative impact on the RMI's rainfall coverage. It is expected that conditions will become neutral by the end of March helping the RMI maintain normal precipitation coverage.

Tropical Cyclones:

None for the RMI.

Damaging West Winds / Westerly Swell:

Not anticipated. We will be trade-wind dominant for the

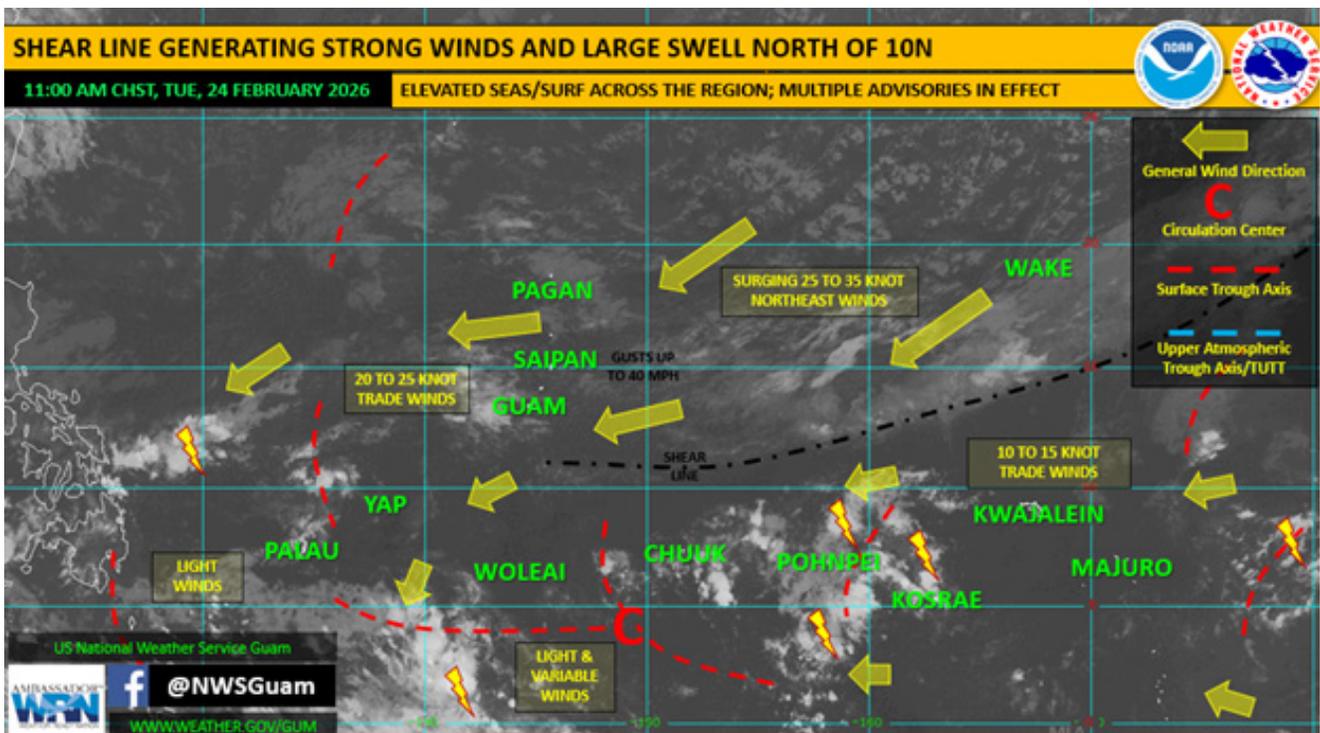
next seven days.

Swell / Tide Inundation for Kwajalein Atoll and Wake Island and Winds:

Waxing to a full moon on the 3rd of March with a peak of just under five feet on that day. Winds: hovering around 11 knots today increasing through the afternoon to around 16/17 knots on Friday and Saturday. Sunday and Monday will stay in the mid-teens and then settle into the single digits on remain for the most part in the mid-teens until next week, when there will be periods lower winds in the single digits on Tuesday and Wednesday with some nearly calm periods at times. There is a possibility of gusty outflow winds in and around heavy showers and any possible thunderstorms for short periods of time. A Small Craft Advisory (SCA) is not anticipated for the next seven days except for a possibility on Monday afternoon and Tuesday. A High Surf Advisory (HSA) is not expected, but there will be some splash up on northeast facing shores

on Saturday due to 8-10 feet swell mainly for Roi-Namur.

Purpose: This weekly briefing is delivered Thursday mornings to island leadership. The intention of this briefing is to provide situational awareness of weather events that may interrupt operations and transportation around Kwajalein, to/from Hawaii and Guam, and in the Wake vicinity. The main threat assessed in this brief is existing and potential development of tropical cyclone activity. This brief also provides an outlook of abnormal winds, sea state, and precipitation guidance for next 7 days around the Kwajalein Atoll. The distribution list will also receive updates on any developing tropical cyclone activity in the Kwajalein region that occur between the weekly outlook products. X



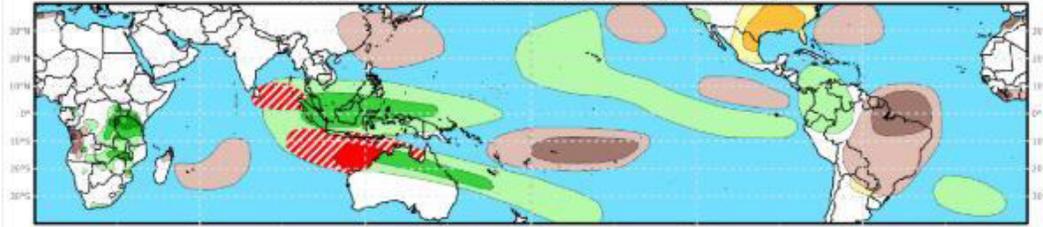


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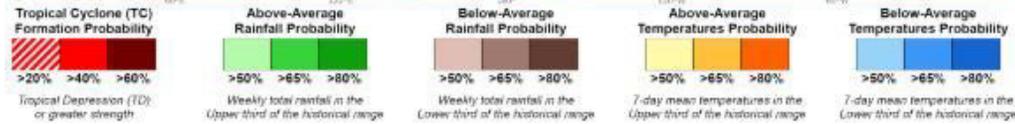
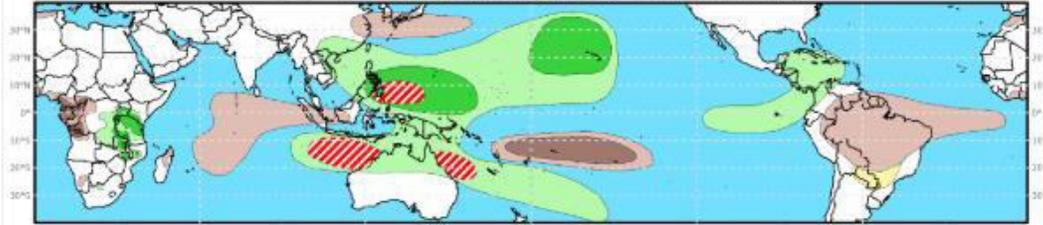
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Week 2 - Valid: Feb 18, 2026 - Feb 24, 2026



Week 3 - Valid: Feb 25, 2026 - Mar 03, 2026



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WEATHER DISCUSSION

Periodic shower chances and gradually decreasing winds are expected toward the end of the workweek and through the weekend. Strong subtropical ridging to the north will be gradually moving away from the central RMI, allowing the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) to shift northward into the area, bringing increased shower chances. Isolated to widely scattered showers will likely be present much of the time, and the presence of deeper atmospheric moisture may allow for a heavy shower or two. Additionally, upper-level temperatures may be cold enough to support a stray thunderstorm or two. As the subtropical ridging lifts to the north, the pressure gradient across the RMI will loosen, allowing wind speeds to decrease from the mid-upper teens on Saturday to the low teens by Monday.

SATURDAY

Partly sunny with isolated to widely scattered showers and a possible stray thunderstorm. Winds NE-E at 14-19 knots occasional clear-air gusts in the low 20s and higher gusts near showers.

SUNDAY

Partly sunny with isolated to widely scattered showers and possible stray thunderstorm. Winds NE-E at 12-17 knots with higher gusts near showers.

MONDAY

Partly sunny with isolated to widely scattered showers and a possible stray thunderstorm. Winds ENE-ESE at 10-15 knots with higher gusts near showers.

NEXT WEEK

Periods of increased shower activity are likely throughout parts of next week as well, as a fragmented ITCZ is expected to remain in place. Winds

will be unseasonably light for at least the beginning of the workweek, as the ITCZ's low

pressure will result in a loose pressure gradient across the RMI. ⚡



	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	7:03 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	5:02 p.m. 5:01 a.m.	3:27 a.m. 3.2' 3:32 p.m. 4.5'	9:12 a.m. 0.2' 9:57 p.m. -0.4'
MONDAY	7:02 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	5:56 p.m. 5:50 a.m.	3:58 a.m. 3.7' 4:05 p.m. 4.8'	9:49 a.m. -0.3' 10:25 p.m. -0.7'
TUESDAY	7:02 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	6:47 p.m. 6:35 a.m.	4:26 a.m. 4.1' 4:36 p.m. 4.9'	10:22 a.m. -0.5' 10:52 p.m. -0.8'
WEDNESDAY	7:02 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	7:36 p.m. 7:16 a.m.	4:54 a.m. 4.3' 5:04 p.m. 4.9'	10:53 a.m. -0.6' 11:16 p.m. -0.8'
THURSDAY	7:01 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	8:23 p.m. 7:56 a.m.	5:20 a.m. 4.5' 5:30 p.m. 4.7'	11:22 a.m. -0.6' 11:40 p.m. -0.7'
FRIDAY	7:01 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	9:09 p.m. 8:35 a.m.	5:46 a.m. 4.5' 5:54 p.m. 4.4'	11:50 a.m. -0.5' -----
MARCH 7	7:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	9:57 p.m. 9:14 a.m.	6:10 a.m. 4.3' 6:17 p.m. 4.0'	12:01 a.m. -0.5' 12:17 p.m. -0.2'

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Until Next Week!

