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Three U.S. Navy F/A-18E Super Hornets from Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, fly in formation during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner Jan. 10.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Cynthia Belío)

18th Wing, joint partners execute first WestPac Rumrunner exercise

By 18th Wing Public Affairs

1/10/2020 - KADENA AIR BASE — More than 60 aircraft and 300 personnel from the U.S. Air Force, Navy, Army, and Marine Corps participated in 18th Wing's first WestPac Rumrunner exercise Jan. 10.

With the evolving security environment in the Indo-Pacific and to further support a safe and secure region, the 18th Wing spent months designing WestPac Rumrunner as an exercise to train counter air capabilities and strengthen joint interoperability. In addition to air tactics and joint interoperability, Airmen were charged with ensuring continuous airpower by using tactics derived from

Pacific Air Force's agile combat employment concept of operations, or ACE.

"As we executed this first iteration of Rumrunner, the exercise development team monitored how well our distributed joint forces came together and applied elements of ACE to disperse, recover, and rapidly resume operations," said Capt. Brian Davis, 67th Fighter Squadron F-15C evaluator pilot and exercise director for WestPac Rumrunner. "The Rumrunner team looks forward to how we will continue to evolve and hone our procedures in the future."

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Two F-15C Eagles from the 44th Fighter Squadron refuel with a KC-135 Stratotanker from the 909th Air Refueling Squadron Jan. 10, during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner out of Kadena Air Base.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matthew Seefeldt)

An HH-60G Pave Hawk assigned to the 33rd Rescue Squadron performs helicopter air-to-air refueling with an MC-130J Commando II from the 17th Special Operations Squadron above the Pacific Ocean during Exercise Westpac Rumrunner Jan. 10.



(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

Capt. Keven Donovan, 67th Fighter Squadron pilot, brings his F-15 Eagle to a halt for refueling during Exercise Rumrunner at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Jan. 10.



(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton)

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As the largest combat wing in the U.S. Air Force, Kadena Air Base was able to deploy a wide array of aircraft to simulate a realistic training scenario along with support from joint forces. The adversary air force primarily consisted of the Navy's F/A-18E/F Super Hornets and Air Force's F-15C Eagles, but the home team brought overwhelming joint capabilities to deny the adversarial advance.

F-15Cs defended the airspace and the KC-135 Stratotanker provided aerial refueling, while the 353rd Special Operations Group's MC-130 Commando II dramatically extended the range and combat capabilities within the battlespace.

But, most unique to this exercise was the air-to-air and air-to-ground command and control provided by the Air Force's E-3 Sentry, Navy's E-2 Hawkeye, and 18th Wing's 623rd Air Control Squadron, all of whom worked seamlessly to ensure battlespace situational awareness while expertly handing-off key targeting information to the U.S. Army's 1-1 Air Defense Artillery's Patriot

surface-to-air missile battery. Marine Air Control Squadron-4 helped track the operations and were able to test integration capabilities for their systems at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Japan.

"My unit and I were excited to be participating in a joint large force mission of this type. We had the unique opportunity to work with the Army ADA through the 623rd ACS to integrate as a cohesive air defense team," said Capt. Shawn Storey, 961st Airborne Air Control Squadron. "This exercise delivered a great opportunity to plan, execute and debrief in person to develop relationships and hone our joint integration, communications and execution skills face-to-face."

As part of the ACE strategy, to extend and improve the availability of aircraft during a contingency, Air Force maintenance Airmen were positioned on the ground at MCAS Futenma to provide a quick refuel so the aircraft could swiftly be launched and returned to the fight.

"The ACE concepts being developed are not confined by current maintenance doctrine or tactics," explained Lt. Col. Johnny West, 18th Maintenance

Group deputy commander. "Our senior leaders are encouraging maintainers and logisticians to be more creative and assertive at lower levels to overcome generation and re-generation limitations that could occur in a highly-contested environment," he said. "Today's Rumrunner exercise allowed us to practice operating in a simulated austere environment, which is fundamental to the ACE concept, and our maintainers successfully refueled F-15s and launched them back into the air."

Overall, Brig. Gen. Joel L. Carey, 18th Wing commander, described WestPac Rumrunner as a success and a valuable learning tool for the U.S. Pacific Air Forces and joint services.

"I couldn't be more proud of our efforts today," said Gen. Carey. "This event was a big win for us in the Pacific. Being able to test our ACE capabilities with our joint partners highlights the importance of interoperability and the capabilities of our Airmen and sister services. Working in conjunction with the Navy, Army and Marine Corps was crucial to the success of Rumrunner and its ability to be a powerful learning tool moving forward."

A U.S. Air Force MC-130J Commando II from the 17th Special Operations Squadron takes off during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner Jan. 10, at Kadena Air Base.



(U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Rebeckah Medeiros)



(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton)

▲ A maintainer from the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron prepares to fuel an F-15 Eagle during Exercise Rumrunner at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Jan. 10.



(U.S. Air Force photo by 2nd Lt. Ryan Simpson)

▲ Airmen of the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron arm a 44th Fighter Squadron F-15C Eagle during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner at Kadena Air Base, Jan. 10.



(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Daniel Fernandez)

▲ U.S. Air Force Capt. Breann Turner, 961st Airborne Air Control Squadron electronic combat officer, coordinates the electronic air battle aboard an E-3 Sentry during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner out of Kadena Air Base, Jan. 10.

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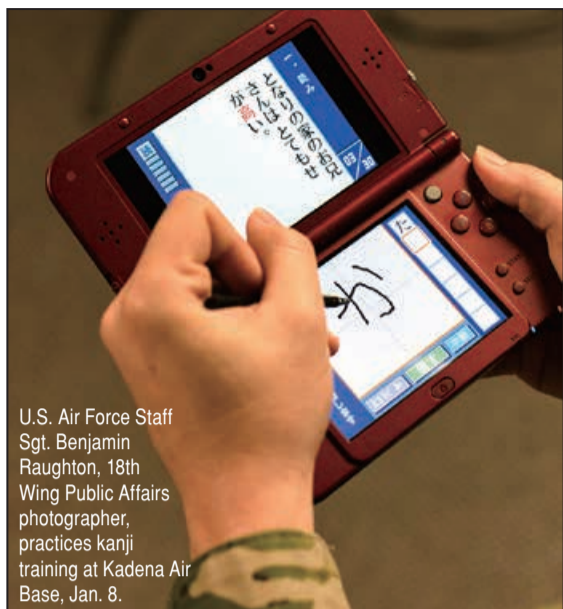
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Airman uses video games to bridge language gap



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton, 18th Wing Public Affairs photographer, practices kanji training at Kadena Air Base, Jan. 8.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton, 18th Wing Public Affairs photographer, greets a Japanese customer at Kadena Air Base, Jan. 8.

(U.S. Air Force photos by Tech. Sgt. Hugo Delgado)

By Tech. Sgt. Hugo Delgado

AFN Courtesy
1/14/2020 - KADENA AIR BASE — Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton, a photojournalist stationed at Kadena Air Base, sits at his desk at the 18th Wing Public Affairs office. Some mementos sit atop a shelf above him: a line of hand-held video games. Today, his job is to make sure a batch of photos are properly edited.

“Public Affairs is like a lake that’s five miles long and three inches deep,” says Raughton. “You learn a little bit about a lot of different things. I do everything from writing articles, producing photo and video content, public relations, and web design.”

A bell rings, indicating someone entered the building. Raughton, a Tennessee native, smiles as he greets the Japanese customers.

“I just walked over, asked them if I could help them and they told me in Japanese that they wanted an official photo and I was able to get them started on the work order,” Raughton said.

Prior to joining the U.S. Air Force, he was an English teacher in Japan’s Okayama and Tottori prefectures, where he was hired by a private English academy.

His ability to communicate in Japanese with the local population stems from the video games that now rest in his office.

“There are games, but there’s also educational software so I thought, ‘You know what? I live here and I’ve tried my best to learn Japanese and I want to keep learning,’” he said. “There was a very popular thing called the Nintendo DS. I got some games that were educational and they taught me how to write the characters in Japanese hiragana and katakana. There

was another one that teaches kanji, and there was another one that was like a quiz game, and I used it to practice what I had already learned.”

The lessons from the video games taught Raughton the basic fundamentals he would later use to enhance his mission in the Pacific region.

“When a Japanese visitor wants something or has a question, I can help out even if they don’t speak English, so I’m able to provide some services that can still bridge that language gap,” he said.

When Raughton started teaching English more than 10 years ago, he never imagined he’d use those skills to strengthen U.S. partnerships in the Air Force. He no longer uses video games to learn Japanese, but enjoys spending time interacting with locals and doing street photography in Naha.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM YOUR SHOGUN MEDICS

In order to provide better care to our patients, and allow our healthcare teams to focus on readiness, the 18th Medical Group is undergoing a transition starting November 2019 until February 2020. During this transition you may see a change to your Primary Care Manager (PCM), yet the care you receive will remain largely unchanged.

We thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. If you have any comments or concerns you can contact our TRICARE Operations office at 630-4310.

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DRAGON simulator to augment AWACS training

By Brian Brackens

Air Force Life Cycle Management Center Public Affairs
 1/12/2020 - TINKER AIR FORCE BASE, Okla. — A new Air Force Life Cycle Management Center simulator will train pilots and flight engineers operating the E-3 Sentry, or AWACS, aircraft updated with cockpit modifications known as DRAGON, which stands for Diminishing Manufacturing Sources Replacement of Avionics for Global Operations and Navigation.

AFLCMC's Simulator Division recently delivered the simulator to Air Combat Command's 552nd Air Control Group located at Tinker Air Force Base.

DRAGON, replaces 1970s analog technology with digital, automated aircraft navigation functions, and it ensures E-3 aircraft are compliant with current and future air traffic control requirements.

Overall, the upgrades increase aircraft capabilities and reduce maintenance costs.

The new simulator, known as the DRAGON Flight Training Device, is configured to replicate the digital flight deck of an E-3 aircraft. It will provide E-3 aircrews with realistic flight training and eventually replace the non-DRAGON configured simulators across the fleet.

"It's important to train like you fight, so you have to match your training to what you are actually doing operationally," said Lt. Col. Emilio Talipan, Simulators Division program manager leading the DRAGON effort. "ACC required a simulator to match the (upgraded) aircraft, so they came to us."

Talipan added that the successful design, development and delivery of the simulator was a testament to the hard work and persistence of his team, ACC and industry partner, L3 Harris.



(U.S. Air Force courtesy photo)

Members of the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center's Simulators Division and 552nd Air Control Group pose in front of the first delivery of the DRAGON Flight Training Device at Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., December 2019.

"There were several challenges along the way during the history of this program," Talipan said. "We overcame those in part by adapting our acquisition style and approach. I've been fortunate to work with a phenomenal group of people that have made this a success."

DRAGON Increment 2 is the next phase, and it is expected to deliver a full-motion simulator in July of 2021 with another full motion simulator to follow during Increment III. All three DRAGON Increments will be housed in the Consolidated Simulator building that is currently being built on Tinker AFB.

The new training facility of more than 50,000 square feet will network the E-3 DRAGON flight deck simulator with the E-3 mission crew simulator, completing

the full "train as you fight" circle.

The total cost of all three simulators, including sustainment until 2024, is \$66 million.

"The simulator world is going to be leaned on more heavily by the Air Force in the future," Talipan said. "(Simulator) technology has come along in such a way that we can now simulate the full environment operationally and never expose our hand to our adversaries. Say, for example you fly the E-3 or F-22 (Raptor) at full capability. Now adversaries could potentially see exactly what the envelope of the E-3 or F-22 are. However, if you train in the simulator environment, now you can really press the envelope of the aircraft and still keep it a lot more secure and away from what our adversaries can see."

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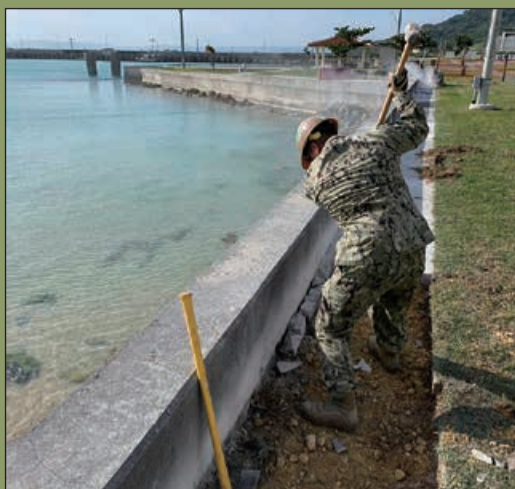
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U.S. Navy Seabees with NMCB-5 activities



(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Stephane Belcher) ^ U.S. Navy Seabees deployed with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 smooth concrete with magnesium floats at the ramp wing construction project for the K-Span Warehouse on board Camp Shields, Jan. 7. The Seabees deployed to Okinawa with NMCB-5 are installing a ramp wing to improve operational logistics efficiency.

(U.S. Navy photo by Equipment Operator Constructionman Brandon Blevins) ^ Builder 1st Class Roland Palacios, deployed with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5, uses a sledgehammer to break apart the remaining pieces of sidewalk adjacent to the seawall, Jan. 9. U.S. Navy Seabees are replacing sidewalks and repairing a seawall on board Naval Base White Beach.

(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Stephane Belcher) ^ Builder Constructionman Brendan Lewison compacts asphalt with a walk-behind roller, while Builder 3rd Class Justin Berglund guides him on board Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Jan. 11. U.S. Navy Seabees deployed with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 are constructing support facilities for Marine Air Control Squadron 4's Ground/Air Task Oriented Radar System.

31st Marine Expeditionary Unit Maritime Raid Force begins training exercise in Hawaii

By Capt. George McArthur

31st Marine Expeditionary Unit
1/15/2020 - HONOLULU — The 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit is conducting a series of training events both on and off base in Oahu, Hawaii, January 6-31, 2020.

The training will involve more than 100 Marines including the 31st MEU's Maritime Raid Force made up of Force Reconnaissance Marines, and will include simulated visit, board, search, and seizure (VBSS) maritime interdiction operations at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Schofield Barracks, and the Ewa Beach training area followed by a series of simulated direct action limited-scale raids at Dogs of War Airsoft Park,

Wet'n'Wild Water Park, and Aloha Stadium.

We strive to keep the impact of operations on the local community to a minimum while still being able to meet our training objectives. Local citizens may see and hear operations during the training exercise including helicopter flights and gunfire. Limited live-fire events will be taking place during the training exercise, coordinated with the Government of Hawaii including the Honolulu Police Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation field office Honolulu, and Naval Criminal Investigative Service. These exercises are vital to maintaining the skills of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit in ensuring readiness as a crisis-response force.



A Force Reconnaissance Marine with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit's Maritime Raid Force provides rear security during Visit, Board, Search and Seizure training in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Jan. 10.

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 ^ U.S. Marines with Heavy Helicopter Squadron 466 and Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 conduct a forward arming and refueling point at le Shima Island, Jan. 7.



◀ U.S. Marines with Heavy Helicopter Squadron 466 set up fuel hoses as part of a forward arming and refueling point at le Shima Island, Jan. 7. A FARP is a temporary set up that rapidly arms and refuels aircrafts, allowing them to expedite the refueling process and to better operate in combat environments.

I am Navy Medicine

By Seaman Meagan Christoph

Naval Hospital Bremerton

1/9/2020 - BREMERTON, Wash. — “I am Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Brittany Concepcion, assigned to Naval Hospital Bremerton (NHB).”

Concepcion, from Orange County, Calif., graduated from Bolsa Grande High School in 2013 and joined the Navy shortly after graduation.

“Since I was five I’ve known I would have some sort of career within the field of medicine and its supporting areas,” said Concepcion. “My cousin and a few family friends spent a few years in the Marine Corps, and they shared stories about their beloved doctors. That inspired me to become a corpsman.”

Concepcion is serving as the Basic Life Support (BLS) program manager at Naval Hospital Bremerton (NHB), also supporting other commands throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Prior to serving at NHB, Concepcion has served in medical records, admissions and discharge, as an overseas screening co-

ordinator, fleet liaison, and platoon corpsman. Navy Medicine has taken her to several countries in East Asia, Alaska, Guam, Hawaii, and multiple places across the United States.

When asked what has been her best assignment in Navy Medicine, Concepcion described challenging assignments that taught her skills that have helped shape her into the leader and corpsman she is today.

“I really enjoyed my time with the Marines in Okinawa,” related Concepcion. “I was selected to be the first female corpsman with 5th Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company. While it was the most challenging assignment, I had the opportunity to learn so much. During that tour my platoon completed training operations between Korea and Louisiana. I was also able to attend training at the Trauma Center at Los Angeles County and University of Southern California (LAC/USC) Medical Center for extensive trauma care training, which was one of the greatest training cycles I’ve ever come across.”

As the BLS program manager, Concep-



(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Meagan Christoph)
 ^ Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Brittany Concepcion receives a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal from Capt. Shannon Johnson, command officer of Naval Hospital Bremerton (NHB), Dec. 13, 2019.

cion provides support to the hospital and various commands in the surrounding area by teaching vital BLS skills such as how to respond to hospital and clinic emergency codes, handling chemical spills, providing emergency cardiopulmonary resuscitation, rescuing drowning victims, responding to opioid overdoses and much more.

She attended a BLS instructor course to become qualified and now offers three BLS

courses a month along with teaching extra courses when requested.

“Within calendar year 2018 we taught about 5,000 students. It’s about that number every year,” said Concepcion.

Concepcion recently received a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (NAM) for volunteering to teach a BLS course at Joint Base Lewis-McChord to Navy Reservists.

“I never thought I would get a NAM for volunteering,” said Concepcion. “I was just doing my job. They didn’t have to give me one. It’s just super nice and really awesome.”

Concepcion explained that her role as BLS manager focuses on training staff to stay mission ready and contributes to the Navy surgeon general priority readiness in many ways.

“Working at the Naval Hospital, almost everyone is required to be certified in BLS,” said Concepcion. “If they’re not trained and certified, they are not able to operate toward the mission. The providers are not allowed to practice medicine and render care independently unless they’re certified.”

When asked to sum up her experience with Navy Medicine Concepcion said, “Stay flexible, stay humble, and be willing to learn and grow.”

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US, Japan forces welcome new year with bilateral jump

By Airman 1st Class
Briana E. Bolfig

374th AW/PA

1/13/2020 - YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan

— Three U.S. Air Force C-130J Super Hercules aircraft from the 36th Airlift Squadron out of Yokota Air Base, Japan, participated in the Japanese forces' annual New Year's jump at Camp Narashino training area, Chiba, Japan, Jan. 12.

This is the first year the Air Force participated in the event featuring the bilateral collaboration between U.S. and Japanese forces, utilizing aircraft from both the U.S. Air Force and Japan Air Self-Defense Force and jumpers from the U.S. Army and the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force.

"The New Year's jump originally started back in the 1960s and became open to public viewing in the 1970s," said Capt. Robert Frisch, 36th Airlift Squadron project officer. "It is the prayer for safe deployment of chutes festival, where each year the (Japan Air Self-Defense Force and Japan Ground Self-Defense Force) get together and show the public their capabilities to do a joint jump on a small drop-zone area. That drop-zone location is at Camp Narashino, which is right on the border of Tokyo and Chiba Prefecture. It is pretty much in the city, allowing lots of people to attend."

The Japan Ground Self-Defense Force soldiers, with the 1st Airborne Brigade, along with U.S. Army Reserve Alaska and 82nd Airborne soldiers, jumped from the combined U.S. Air Force and Japan Air Self-Defense Force aircraft, showcasing the combined bilateral military capability in a training environment.



Japan Ground Self-Defense Force and U.S. Army troops file into C-130J Super Hercules aircrafts prior to the first bilateral jump event of the new year over Camp Narashino, Chiba, Japan, Jan. 12.

(U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Taylor A. Workman)

"This is a team effort to successfully complete this event," said Col. Kevin Martin, 374th Operations Group commander. "It's important as we go forward, whether we are Air Force or Army, whether we wear a U.S. or Japanese flag, that we come together as a team."

"This is a New Year's celebration. Though the true reality is this shows a bilateral effort by the (Japan Air and Ground Self-Defense Forces), the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army to provide combat power."

The jump emphasized the U.S. and Japan's strong commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific region, while showcasing the variety of aircraft both military are capable of utilizing.

"We have three C-130J's from the U.S. side, two (Japan Air Self-Defense Force) C-130H Hercules, two C-1s and a C-2

all relatively close to each other dropping both U.S., Army and (Japan Ground Self-Defense Force) together over a short period of time. It takes a lot of coordination to make that happen," Frisch said. "We can incorporate this type of training into literally anything else, be it landing on an island or any other scenario. We have shown we are capable of so much when we work together."

"The fact that we can have (Japan Ground Self-Defense Force) and U.S. Army on our aircraft or on their aircraft, shows we can collaborate as one seamlessly. So, to see that happen and do a joint jump, where within just a few minutes we can get 300 combat-ready troops on the ground in a very small area, that's just really cool to be a part of."

This event is the first of the year for the Air Force but just the latest in a series of bi-



▲ A C-130J Super Hercules in a three-aircraft formation navigates mountainous terrain in preparation for landing at Yokota Air Base, Jan. 12.

lateral training exercises that, for decades, have increased the combat readiness and friendship between the U.S. and Japan.

"As the commander of the Japanese airborne troops," said Japan Ground Self-Defense Force Maj. Gen. Shigeo Kaida, 1st Airborne Brigade commander. "I cannot think of a better way to work than to do this event with the U.S. and express my deep appreciation to every U.S. soldier and Airmen involved in this New Year's jump."

"This New Year's jump event isn't just another event; it was an opportunity to learn from each other and improve together. We understand there are many differences between us we may have to overcome and that makes this a complicated operation, but in overcoming those challenges, we increase our ability to conduct better airborne operations and that is the true value of what we did here today."

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NOTICE

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Family Housing Office Hours

The Kadena Furnishing Management Section Self-Help and Appliance Repair will be closed for inventory on Wednesday, Jan. 29 until Friday, Jan. 31. For emergency assistance, please contact 634-HOME (4663).

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Did you know there have 15 SOFA members caught drinking and driving in 2019. Don't become a statistic. Think before you drink. Don't drive – call a ride. For a safe ride home call these numbers: Kadena Taxi at 098-970-8888(option 8) / Panda Taxi (off base) 098-937-8989. / Daiko 098-932-4035.

Temporary Lodging Facility (TLF) Availability

The Shogun Inn lodging will begin renovations Bldg. 437 Temporary Lodging Facility (TLF) Jan. 15, 2019 with a projected finish date of June 30, 2020.

1. The Shogun Inn's primary interest is to provide clean, comfortable, adequate temporary lodging accommodations for service members and their families.
2. The building renovation upgrades are to enhance the quality of room standards provided to our guests. This may affect inbound and outbound families Jan. 15, 2019, to June 30, 2020, as our two bedroom Temporary Lodging Facility (TLF) will be unavailable. Our one bedroom TLFs are available but limited due to

accommodating reservations made on a first come first serve basis.

3. The limited number of existing one bedroom TLF rooms will make it impossible to house all Department of Defense families on-base. We kindly advise all PCS members and sponsors to plan accordingly. Moreover, we will be issuing letters of Non-Availability (NA) and will provide assistance with accommodations at off-base hotels. For more information, contact Shogun Inn at 632-1010 or Commercial at 098-962-1100.

New Single Point of Entry at Risner Fitness Center

Due to the increase in customer usage, the Risner Fitness Center and Sports Complex has implemented single point of entry and 100% ID card checks at all times (Exception: member in official uniforms to include PT gear). This will ensure only authorized customers are using the facility to maintain the proper lifespan of our equipment and help with future expansion projects and funding. For more information, contact Risner Management at 634-5131 or Dwayne Reed at 634-7974.

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If you or your family members ever receive through the mail, electronic media, or in person any written notice of legal action against the United States or the USAF to include a writ, summons, notice of legal proceedings, or any other foreign civil process, IMMEDIATELY send or deliver it to the Legal Office for appropriate actions.

INFORMATION

Kadena and Camp Foster Emergency Numbers

Kadena Fire Emergency Services reminds

everyone to program their cell phones with the emergency numbers. To report an emergency on Kadena via cell, dial 098-934-5911, and from an office phone, dial 911. For Camp Foster via cell, dial 098-911-1911, or from an office phone, dial 911.

How to Receive Emergency Notifications in English on Cell Phone

Cell phones across Okinawa currently receive emergency text notifications in Japanese from mobile phone service providers. To receive emergency notifications by e-mail in English, contact the Readiness & Emergency Management Flight at 634-4404.

How to File a Complaint with IG

If you believe you are unable to resolve your complaint through supervisory channels, you may seek IG assistance to determine if the complaint should be filed with the IG. You can file a complaint if you reasonably believe inappropriate conduct has occurred or a violation of law, policy, procedures, or regulation has been committed. Complete the personnel data information on an AF Form 102 and briefly outline the facts and relevant information related to the issue or complaint. List the allegations of wrongdoing briefly, in general terms and provide supporting narrative detail and documents later, when interviewed by an IG person. Allegations should be written as bullets and should answer who committed the violation; what violation was committed; what law, regulation, procedures, or policy was violated; when did the violation occur. Help is available: Call your Kadena IG office at 634-7622 for Maj Sarabia, 634-2768 for SMSgt Aguirre, or leave a message on the Kadena Fraud, Waste, & Abuse (FWA) Hotline at 634-0404.

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The mail addressees should inform their mailers to not include "Japan" or "Okinawa" in the APO or FPO mail address format. If included, the mail may be routed through the international postal system instead of the military postal system, which may result in a higher postage rate and longer transit time to the addressee. To prevent non-delivery of mail, please enclose inside the mail piece the sender's address and the intended addressee. Enclosing the addresses inside the package can help the Postal Service route the mail to the addressee or returned to sender should the exterior addresses become unreadable or is separated from the mail piece. For more information, contact MSgt Robert Quinones at 634-2155 / 5098.

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Public Affairs Photo Studio

The Public Affairs photo studio is open Mon - Thurs from 9 - 11 a.m. and 1 - 4 p.m. Appointments are available in half-hour increments. Award, bio or package submission photos are scheduled Mon. - Wed. Full length photos are only available on Thursday. Official Passport photos are by appointment only until further notice, Mon. - Fri., and require a letter or voucher from your UDM or the passport office. For

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Navy Dragon Boat Men's and Women's Teams 2020

Paddles up! Interested in dragon boat? Coaches from the men's and women's US Navy Dragon Boat Teams will be presenting information on our 2020 season and answering any questions you may have. Meeting will be held on Jan. 28, Tuesday, in Building 972, which is across from the Naval Hospital on Camp Foster. Parking is in the back, and we will be in classroom 10 on the first floor. Questions? Send us a message at <https://www.facebook.com/usnavydragonboatteam/>.

UPCOMING EVENTS Kadena ACE (E1-E4) Meeting

Join Kadena ACE (Airmen Committed to Excellence) on Feb. 11 at the Wired Bean Café from 1100-1200, as we enjoy a FREE LUNCH and talk about how we

can make the experience at Kadena the best it can be! We use this time to discuss upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and professional development workshops that we conduct on a regular basis. Please contact our president, SrA Jhed Manalo at 634-1177 or via email at jhed.manalo@us.af.mil.

SAPR Volunteer Victim Advocate Open House

Ever considered becoming a Volunteer Victim Advocate? Find out more about what it takes and the application process by attending one of our open house/info sessions on 16 and 23 January at 1130-1230 or 1500-1600 at the SAPR office in bldg. 128. We will be conducting our next 40-hour VVA course in March.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Volunteers needed for 2020 Okinawa Marathon

Volunteers are needed to provide water and cheer on runners at stations along the base's route on Kadena Air Base during the Okinawa Marathon Feb. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Those interested are encouraged to attend the sync meeting Feb. 7, at 2 p.m., in the Schilling Community Center (Bldg. 455). If you are going to volunteer as a group, you can send one representative to the meeting. To sign-up for the event or for more

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2/11 TUE	KADENA	Schilling Community Center	14:00-16:00
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2/7 FRI	KADENA	Airman & Family Readiness Center	10:00-12:00
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