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Commanders Notes:

National has formed a study group to examine the question of whether National Headquarters should move to the Washington, D.C. area, remain entirely where it is, or remain where it is with a contingent based in or near D.C. The report of the study group will be presented at the August National Board for consideration.

Southeast Region has announced a Region Staff College to be held at McGhee Tyson ANG Base, Knoxville, TN (*that is located at McGhee-Tyson Airport, the Knoxville Regional Airport*). Registration is Sunday 29 Sept. and the concluding banquet and graduation are in the evening of 4 Oct. Billeting and dining will be on base at military rates with no surcharge. The SELR will provide MSA on base for participants. Travel and en-route billeting, if necessary, are the responsibility of Wing; advise LtC. LaMontagne of any requirements. Applications (Form 17) for student and staff positions should be forwarded through channels. A \$50 fee should accompany student applications. (Make check payable to Civil Air Patrol.) Members will be notified individually when applications are received. Detailed information on clothing, uniforms, travel and other specifics will be provided later. Point of contact is LtC. Russell A. Schmidt, phone 423-927-7838, fax 423-927-3804.

Mail and other communications for the personal attention of the Florida Wing Commander should be sent to my office or my home at Leesburg to ensure expeditious delivery. I may not see mail sent to Wing HQ for two or three weeks as I do not necessarily go there every week. Routine paperwork should go to Wing as most of it needs to be processed by one or another of the Wing staff. Notices to me of meetings and other information you want me to have on a timely basis should to sent to Leesburg. (For delivery Friday through Sunday, send to my home. I have FAX and e-mail there. Monday through Thursday FAX or e-mail to my office will reach me sooner.)

The Senate Armed Services Committee has completed its work on the Defense Authorization Bill and CAP funding is intact for Fiscal Year 97 (which starts in October 1996). There is no mention of transferring CAP from the Department of Defense to the Dept. of Transportation. The legislation now goes to the full Senate where no problems are expected. Summary: Funding for next year appears assured and we stay with the Air Force.

By the time you read this the word will likely be widespread about General Anderson's episode with a Cadet last year. Do not spread rumors. Instead, read the facts of the case from the Memorandum I am sending to all units.

The latest quarterly video tape from National is available for viewing at Wing HQ at MacDill. It lasts for about an hour and consists mostly of recent events on Capital Hill, including the legislative reception held there recently.

I have a source for making duplicates. If any unit wants a copy of the tape for itself, send a blank tape clearly marked with the unit name to Wing HQ. Include a letter stating you want a copy of the latest video update. On or about June 15 we will send all the tapes to be imprinted with copies of the latest report. We will distribute them to the units when we they are returned to us.

Administration: (LtC. David H. LaMontagne AirDavid@ix.netcom.com)

Florida Wing Home WEB Page is up and running. You can find us at "http://www.capflorida.org". Please check out our page and let me know if you have any comments. Our home has links to the N'tl HQ Home page and other.

If your unit or group has its own Home pages, please let me know it's address and I will add it to our FL Wing's home page links.

Free E-Mail Service:

Juno On-line Services, LP, is offering free E-mail. The cost is borne by paid advertisements that you will see when you use the service. Current information was sent from the Pennsylvania Wing and our LtC. Harry Jones confirms that the system is easy to use. It has numerous features such as spell check, the ability to attach files, and an address book for easy sending to oft-used correspondents.

In an earlier article that I saw it was stated that the advertising the user will see is more or less "tailored" to his interests. This will be accomplished using data that individual user supplied when he first logged on to the service. Harry Jones reports that the advertisements appear at the top of the page and are not really bothersome. When a Juno recipient prints out a letter the advertisement does not print.

Juno does NOT provide access to the Internet for browsing, viewing web pages, etc. It is strictly for e-mail. Harry has retained his regular Internet service for full Internet access but his costs have gone down drastically because his e-mail costs are now zero.

This information may not be of great interest to those of you on the Florida Mail List since you already have e-mail service. While some of you may want to switch to or add the Juno service, the real purpose of this message is to ask you to provide the information to members who do not yet have e-mail.

The minimum hardware requirements are: 386 PC, Microsoft Windows, 4MGB ram, 10MGB free hard disc space, 3.5" floppy drive, VGA monitor and a modem of 2400 baud. Of course anything larger or faster will work fine, maybe better. The system reportedly has hundreds of phone numbers nationwide so that it can be accessed via a local phone call.

The software is free, as many copies as you need. You will assign yourself your own e-mail address (name) when you sign on. Phone 1-800-654-JUNO to request as many copies of the software as you need.

As noted, PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION TO MEMBERS NOT YET HAVING E-MAIL.

The following CAP FORMS are available ON-LINE from the Alabama Wing Homepage.

- CAPF 2 - Request for Promotion Action
- CAPF 2a - Request for And Approval of Personnel Actions
- CAPF 2b - Personnel Action Request - Termination of CAP membership
- CAPF 4 - CAP Radio Message Form (LRA)
- CAPF 5 - CAP Pilot Checkout
- CAPF 9 - Release (for non-CAP members)
- CAPF 17 - Application for Senior Member Activities
- CAPF 24a - Application for Senior Program Awards
- CAPF 37 -Shipping and Receiving Document
- CAPF 84 -CN Flight Plan, Briefing Form
- CAPF 99 -CAP Flight Authorization Log
- CAPF 100 -Request for Operational Mission Specialty Qualification Card - CAPF 101
- CAPF 103 -Mission Authorization/Personnel Register
- CAPF 108 -CAP Payment/Reimbursement Document for Aviation/Automotive/Miscellaneous Expenses
- CAPF 121 -Aircraft/Vehicle Register

CAPFL Mailing list:

This is an Internet mailing list for the Florida Wing CAP. Please limit your subject matter to specific things of interest to the membership of the Florida Wing. If you experience problems with this service, please send your questions to Bob Ebaugh at: "ebaugh@sprynet.com". Full instructions follow, including how to remove your name from the mailing list in case you wish to stop receiving mail messages from this list.

----- HOW TO USE capfl -----

1. You need to subscribe. Send a mail message to: capfl@capflorida.org with subscribe capfl as the *subject* of the message.

You may also add some comments if you like in the message area of the "subscribe" message. Mike Brown gets a copy of all these messages and updates the Wing directory of Internet mail addresses.

This action adds your name to the list and copies of all capfl messages will be sent to your Internet mail address.

2. To use the list, send mail to: capfl@capflorida.org

Any message sent to this address will be forwarded automatically to all the users who have sent the subscribe message identified in step 1 above.

Please try to avoid the use of "subscribe" or "unsubscribe" in the subject of your message. This is treated as outlined in section 1) or 3) of these instructions.

To get off the list and stop receiving the capfl messages, send a mail message to: capfl@capflorida.org with unsubscribe capfl as the *subject* of the message.

Personnel: (LtC. Connie Cline)

New Units: Group 8 -- Lehigh Acres Cadet Squadron (08022)
 Group 10 -- SouthRidge Cadet Sq (08026)
Promotions: Alan Rose to LtC; Sharon Kingsley to 1Lt.; Harry Jones to LtC.

Douglas Abruzzo has been added to Wing Staff as Assistant Wing Inspector.

Commanders' Commendations awarded to the following for their excellent work at this year's Wing Conference: LtC. David LaMontagne; Maj. Eileen Swearingen; Maj. Roland Rasmussen, and Cpt. Robert Faircloth.

Also for the third time..... a Unit Citation for Miami Springs Optimist Cadet Squadron...Congratulations.

Chaplain: (LtC. Kermit Davis)

In an effort to overcome the "best kept secret" label, our Region Commander is authorizing and encouraging church attendance in uniform. Col. Bowling asks that well dressed, selected cadets and seniors attend a church service that has television coverage. For example, attending the Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Ft. Lauderdale will give excellent TV exposure nation wide.

Unit commander's and chaplain's should develop a program to select outstanding cadets and seniors to represent their squadron's at televised services. The Region Commander wants a video of the church attendance prior to 1 Aug 96. More information will be forthcoming in your mail. Contact the Wing Chaplain for more details at: (407) 898-8800 / SP5.

ES School (AGOS): (Project Officer - Lt. Betty Bass)

There is still lots of room at this year's ES School (AGOS) at Camp Blanding the 7 - 14 July. Application are still being accepted. You can send your forms to FL Wing HQ at MacDill or contact Betty Bass for more information's.

Communication:

Effective 1 August 96 the new tactical sign for Florida Wing will be "**FLORIDA CAP**". No one is to use the new call sign until that time or as otherwise instructed by the FLWG Director of Communications, Major James Elston. It is possible that the date could be moved up. This will not change the "CAP FLIGHT" call signs for aircraft.

Operations:

Just a reminder that Aircraft reports are due to Wing HQ by the first of the month. Please stop sending reports to LtC. Cox at his home location.

Wing Chief Check Pilot: (Cpt Luis Garcia sf311a@AOL.Com)

I have been receiving paperwork from throughout the wing but it has been incomplete. Please forward one copy of the form 5, form 91, pilot data summary, pilot licenses, medical, and any authorization letters for Cadet Orientation Pilot, Mission Check Pilot, Check Pilot, or Chief Check Pilot. I had accidentally omitted the need for the licenses on the last bulletin. The paperwork is being used to create a database of the pilots of FLWG. All check pilots, mission or form 5, will forward a copy of check rides conducted to DOV at the home address listed in the comm roster. The paperwork needed will be the same as above except for the authorization letters.

The Florida Wing National Check Pilot Standardization Course has been scheduled for Oct. 26 & 27, 1996 at Lakeland, FL from 0700 to 1700 each day. I am looking for personnel who would like to be support staff for the school. Members who are interested in attending the school, please send a CAPF 17 to my home. I will be at Ft. Bragg, N.C. from June 2nd through mid-July. Due to the training, I will be unable to respond to anyone during that time. Please contact me after my return.

This year's check pilot school will be held at the FAA facilities in Lakeland, Florida on October 26-27. The contact person is Florida Chief Check Pilot, Captain Luis Garcia at sf311a@aol.com. This school provides FAA re-certification for instructors.

Insurance Notes:

Medical expenses for senior members and cadets at authorized CAP activities are the responsibility of the individual member or parent and each individual should have proof of health insurance coverage with them. In the event of illness or injury, the individual will be transported to the most appropriate medical facility, but the individual/parent will be responsible for any associated ambulance, doctor, or hospital expenses. Normally, individuals who become ill will be treated at the hospital on the military base if the activity is located on a military base. The military hospital typically does not charge for short term, emergency medical care.

If an individual does not have medical insurance or only limited medical insurance, CAP has self-insured accident coverage for its senior members and cadets which provides benefits in the event of injuries or death when the individual is on an authorized CAP activity. The accidental death benefit is \$5,000 and the medical expenses are up to \$4,000 per accident, less a \$50 deductible per claim. The medical expense benefit is "excess" to any existing coverage applicable to the senior member or cadet such as "Blue Cross" or "CHAMPUS". Subject to the \$50 deductible, the CAP medical expense benefit will pay proper claims if there is no other applicable insurance or for the portion not paid by other insurance, up to the maximum \$4,000. No CAP accidental death or medical benefit will be paid if there is worker's compensation coverage or if the injury or death was self-inflicted or caused by intoxication, drug use, or gross misconduct. While the medical expense benefit is primarily for injuries resulting from accidents, claims involving serious illness will also be considered.

Claims should be submitted on a CAP Form 80, CAP Death Benefit/Medical Expense Claim Form (Senior Members and Cadets). A CAP Form 78, Mishap Report Form, should also be submitted. Claims must be submitted to National Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol/CLC, Building 714, 105 S. Hansell Street, Maxwell AFB AL 36112-6332 only after the claim is not paid, or not fully paid, by the individual's/parent's health insurance carrier.

LOGISTICS (LtCol Ken Massey):

S-3 Reports --

The S-3 validation reports will have been completed by the first week in June. If your unit had any problems then please communicate them via letter to Wing HQ/LG. These S-3's are simply where we are agreeing to start from for the year. In particular, if you FOUND any items that you think should be listed on your S-3 and they were not, then let me know. Hand written notes are fine (Make, Model, Description, Serial Number). It is likely that someone has LOST the item and it is still on their S-3 report and they are tearing their hair out over it. I have already found a Neutec VHF, an Omega power supply, a Ten-Tec radio, and a Pointer ELT practice beacon from such reports. These were all reported as LOST by another unit so now they are found and nobody is in trouble. If you are not sure about an item then let me know and maybe I can allay someone's fears.

Uniforms--

The National Cadet Uniform Chits for new cadet members went out in mid-April. All chits must be in Wing HQ by June 27th to make it this year. Must be submitted only on FWF 6A, dated 15 MAY 96. Local duplication required. Other guidelines were included in the distribution letter. Send in for EVERY qualifying cadet since all chits will be issued first-come/first-served this year. If you did not get a packet and you have cadets then contact your group commander for additional originals of FWF 6A.

I have about 20 flight suits available for cadets participating in a flight training program (pilot or observer, not just O-rides). Also will consider senior members who cannot afford one and are ACTIVELY serving in an aircrew status. Sizes are chest size + 1"-2" and overall height (in inches).

I have about 50 men's blue AF raincoats left (and about a dozen women's). These are used and sizes are based on chest + 2" and overall height (in inches). If you have cadet officers going to encampment makes a great item. BDU's are very low now but I am working on it. About 50% of requests are now going empty. The Wing Commander has approved the desert color BDU's for wear WITHIN the wing (supplement pending). I am out of shoes and boots.

I have a request for over 4,000 lbs of blue uniforms pending from the Depot program. They will not start delivering them till July or August so my used uniform sources are all we will have till then. These are for sizes that should cover our younger members needs for about three years. If I can get storage space I will try to get more.

I have not heard any further on the AF Dress Blue Coat status. I am continuing to collect sizes as units submit them and will fill them as soon as I receive a shipment. For cadets attending encampment I am trying to fill any requests from the used stock I have on hand (about 40 male/female left).

Vehicles--

In February LtCol White and I asked each unit with a vehicle to send in the name, address and home phone of the person responsible for the vehicle (custodian). Only one unit of 33 replied. Please let us know WHERE these vehicles are so we can plan a site visit and determine what the needs are for the future.

We have received a new Ford Club Wagon 12-passenger van from National Headquarters so justifications are being accepted for assignments through the Wing Utilization Board.

Aircraft--

LtCol Malouf continues to manage the wing corporate aircraft (AC) maintenance. 100% of our aircraft completed corrosion treatment in the last six months. CONGRATULATIONS. This program is essential to properly maintain our aging AC fleet.

National HQ maintenance funds are now being freed up and LtCol Malouf reports that six wing aircraft have been approved for painting in the next quarter. Let's all remember to wash and wax our aircraft to avoid the need for painting as long as possible. If you have questions on corporate aircraft maintenance contact LtCol Malouf via 813-784-1116.

DRMO surplus--

Wing has requested approval for three CAP member screeners to cover Homestead, Jacksonville Naval sites, and Pensacola. AF reserve officers cover Eglin, Tyndal, Patrick, Orlando, and Macdill. Active screening is going on for items units have submitted (with justifications) on their logistics requirements list (incorrectly called the "wish list"). DRMO pipelines are pretty slow in Florida right now but we are looking.

If you need it for a mission purpose then have your logistics/supply officer submit a request to Wing HQ/LG. If we don't have a request then we don't screen for it.

Wing Supply Officer--

I continue to need at least two supply officer types who would be willing to take over the cadet uniform management functions at Wing HQ. Will need to be available at least two Saturdays (or weekdays) (preferably four days) per month. Send letter resume to Glenn Hendricks at Wing HQ.

Get the cadets out on the aircraft to help with the waxing and "pay" them via an O-ride. Remember, there is really no limit to the number of rides #2-#5 a cadet can have. You can only get credit for one of each on the National Cadet run though. What you CANNOT do is joy-ride. Each cadet ride must follow one of the established syllabi. A bivouac or unit picnic/dance is a good incentive for working on unit vehicles.

July Region Inspection--

Wing HQ and at least two units will be chosen for the Region Supply Inspection in July. All Units should get their files in order (See CAPM 67-1) and be prepared. I will know about two weeks ahead which units will be inspected and will try to let you know. Even units with no accountable property (no S-3 equipment) are subject to this inspection. ALL wing vehicles and corporate aircraft are subject to this same inspection so get things cleaned up and washed and waxed in case the region inspector should drop by. Failing this inspection can result on our being placed back on DRMO freeze. If you have questions then contact your group Logistics Officer for help.

Miscellaneous--

If you haven't turned them in yet, here are the reports that were due by June 1:

- Corporate Aircraft Tie-down report
- Real Property Status Report
- Annual Unit Logistics Requirements



FLORIDA WING CALENDAR

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- 1 Jun Annual Inventory S-1,S-2,S-3 due to Wing HQ
1 Jun Real Estate Statement due to Wing LG
1 Jun Group 4 Summer Bash (*Contact person: LtC. Larry Upham in the Springhill/Weeki Wache, Brooksville area*)
12 - 20 Jun USAF Space Command Familiarization Course (*Peterson AFB, CO*)
15 - 22 Jun Pararescue Jumper Orientation Course (*Kirtland AFB, NM*)
15 Jun SMTR due to Nat'l HQ/TTN
15 - 22 Jun MacDill Encampment (*Project Officer Maj Mary Leferson*)
20 Jun PAO Quarterly Reports due to Wing HQ
22 - 29 Jun Eglin Encampment at Duke Field (*Project Officer LtC. David LaMontagne*)
22 - 30 Jun National Flight Encampment (*Oshkosh, WI Session 1*)
22 Jun - 2 Jul Advanced Pararescue Jumper Orientation Course (*Kirtland AFB, NM*)
22 Jun - 6 Jul National Ground Search & Rescue School (*Miller School, VA*)
25 Jun Articles due for Wing bulletin
- 3 - 11 Jul National Flight Encampment (*Lake Hearst, NJ*)
5 Jul Chaplains semi-annual Report due to Wing
6 - 14 Jul Ranger School (*Hawk Mountain, PA*)
7 - 14 Jul FL Wing ES School (*Camp Blanding*)
10 - 21 Jul Cadet Officer School (*Maxwell AFB, AL*)
13 - 21 Jul National Flight Encampment (*Oshkosh, WI Session 2*)
13 - 20 Jul AETC Familiarization Course (*Columbus AFB, MS*)
20 - 27 Jul Pararescue Jumper Orientation Course (*Fort Knox, KY*)
21 - 28 Jul AETC Familiarization Course (*Laughlin AFB, TX*)
25 Jul Articles due for Wing bulletin
27 Jul - 3 Aug Pararescue Jumper Orientation Course (*G. Washington Nt'l Forest, VA*)
27 Jul - 10 Aug National Blue Beret (*Oshkosh, WI*)
- 1 Aug New Florida Wing Call signs go into effect (*Florida CAP*)
3 - 11 Aug National Flight Encampment (*McClellan AFB, CA*)
10 -17 Aug USAF Space Command Familiarization Course (*Patrick AFB, FL*)
25 Aug Articles due for Wing Bulletin
- 1 Sept Aircraft Hull insurance (quarterly)
1 Sept Aircraft operations report (Corp & private) Send to Wing HQ only
5 Sept Chaplains semi-annual Report due to Wing
25 Sept Articles due for Wing bulletin
29 Sept - 4 Oct SE Region Staff College (*McGhee-Tyson Airport, the Knoxville Regional Airport*)
- 26 - 27 Oct Check pilot school (*FAA facilities in Lakeland - Contact Person: Cpt Luis Garcia at sf311a@aol.com*)

