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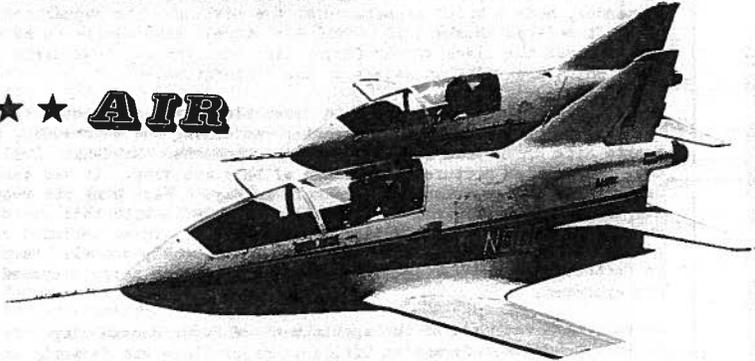
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FESTIVAL★★★★

Hot air balloons and hang gliders; wing walkers, sky divers and the fabulous BD5 jets—the first annual Florida Air Festival was an aviation enthusiasts paradise. Held at the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport January 18-19, the show covered all phases of aviation. Airliners and general aviation craft, home-builts, racers, helicopters, antiques, gliders, warbirds and cropdusters were all on display and provided something of interest for everyone.

CAP was represented by Groups 3, 14, and 17. They assisted in communications and aircraft security and maintained a Civil Air Patrol information booth. Nearly one thousand dollars was grossed by two CAP refreshment stands supervised by 1Lt Mary Warner and Captain Jack Van Dyke. Proceeds are to be used towards purchase of a C-172 for Group 17.

The overall operation was under the direction of Lt. Colonels Kenneth McMahon and Leo Tyson. Assisting them were Major John Hogan, Project Officer; Major Joseph Lill, Operations; 1Lt Mary Warner, Food Services; Major Herman Slapo, Communications and Major Keebler, Cadet Commander. Saturday, twenty-five seniors and thirty-three cadets were on duty at the show. On Sunday, fifty-two cadets and thirty-three seniors turned out to help. The cadets staffing the information booth used a continuous tape teletype printout to assist in recruiting. They also took advantage of the show's PA system to tell teens about the program.

Photos taken by Lt Bill Warner, Group 17, show the CAP snack stands and recruiting booth and (bottom left to right) Colonel Steve Schulke and his P-51, a Coast Guard Air Rescue helicopter, and Bob Hoover and his Super Pinto.

BALLOON RACE MARY GAFFANEY
BD-5J
10 MAN SKYDIVING ACT
U.S. COAST GUARD AIR RESCUE
MODEL AIRCRAFT
BOB HOOVER, P-51 SOLO



FOR A CAREER OF IMPORTANCE



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THE AEROSPACE TEAM

Civil Air Patrol Cadet Major James R. Cox is a fine example of CAP's working with the Air Force Recruiting Service. During a recent parade in Pompano Beach, he assisted the local Air Force Recruiter, SSgt. Wm. H. Fleming by portraying an AF pilot on the AF float.

Bottom Left — CMajor Cox and SSgt. Fleming show off their prize winning float. Their entry won a 2nd place for originality.

Right — In a recent parade in Lake Worth, cadets Gavin M. Edwards and Robin A. Renc assisted their local AF recruiter, TSgt Mark Pearson by portraying an AF pilot and an AF nurse on his float.

(Photos by TSgt Buddy C. Ward)

REPORT ON REGION COMMANDERS' CALL

By LColonel Richard L. Leati, Sr., Florida Wing Executive Officer

Colonel Henri Caseneve, Florida Wing Commander, Major Ed Bodenheimer, Florida USAF-CAP Liaison Officer, and members of the Florida Wing Staff attended a Region Quarterly Commanders' Call at the Holiday Inn, Birmingham, Alabama, on 11 and 12 January, 1975. Airlift was provided to the meeting by the Southeast Region Liaison Office. Florida personnel were joined by other Wing and Regional personnel from Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, and Tennessee.

Colonel Oscar K. Jelley, Southeast Region Commander, opened the meeting by keynoting the aims of the Southeast Region for 1975. The region wants to achieve excellence in the new year by attaining the #1 position in the National Commander's Evaluation Criteria. Colonel Jelley said that all Wings in the Region are to be commended for their good performance in 1974 and now must look towards maintaining the momentum into 1975.

Colonel Tom Cassidy, Vice Chairman of the National Board and former Southeast Region Commander, made a brief appearance at the meeting. He emphasized the importance of aircraft safety. Members of Civil Air Patrol must always be safety conscious. We must protect the lives of our flying personnel who are invaluable and also the aircraft which are valuable assets of the corporation.

Quite a bit of discussion was held concerning various aspects of the Cadet Program. Colonel Jelley reported to the meeting concerning the outstanding performance of the Puerto Rico drill team at the recently conducted National Drill Competition. In addition, motion pictures were shown of this activity. It was announced that the Region drill competition would be held in May. Each Wing was requested to complete its drill competition prior to May so as to tie in with this schedule. Several other proposed Region cadet activities were discussed. These included summer encampments, girls' exchange, ranger school, and cadet leadership school. More information will be forthcoming from Region headquarters if and when these proposed cadet activities are approved.

Announcement was made of the appointment of Major Herman Slapo to the position of Southeast Region Information Officer. Major Slapo was formerly on the Florida Wing staff and everyone wishes him well in his new assignment.

Reports were presented by various Southeast Region staff officers concerning their areas of responsibility. These included the Cadet Program, Aerospace Education, Communications, the Chaplaincy, and several others.





BULLETIN BOARD

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FLORIDA WING CADET POLICY FWCP 75-1C

1 January 75

Qualifications of Cadets for Emergency Service Cards, CAPF 101

1. Cadets who desire to qualify for Emergency Service Cards for SAR mission activities must meet the following requirements:

- a. Active membership within unit of assignment.
- b. Complete Phase I of the Cadet Program.
- c. Complete three (3) achievements in Phase II of the Cadet program.
- d. Complete the SAR Exam, CAPF 116.
- e. Complete a Standard First Aid or Medical Self-Help course.
- f. Obtain a Radio Operators Proficiency Card.
- g. Be recommended by the unit commander based on the cadet's attitude, experience, maturity, and general CAP progress.

2. Those cadets who desire to qualify as a member of a DART team must meet the following requirements in addition to those in Part 1

- a. Complete four (4) achievements in Phase II of the Cadet Program.
- b. Complete an Advanced First Aid Course.
- c. Have written permission of parents.
- d. Complete the training outlined in the Florida Wing DART Manual.

3. Unit and Group commanders are requested to screen carefully those cadets recommended for Emergency Services Cards and/or the various specialty ratings and to recommend only those cadets who by reason of maturity, attitude, etc will be of value to the SAR/CD effort. Cadets who lack the necessary qualities should not be recommended.

4. The foregoing policy has been reviewed and is endorsed by the Staff Sections concerned within Florida Wing.

SIGNED

Henri Casenove, Colonel, CAP
Florida Wing Commander



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I'll be glad to get it but PLEASE send it to the PO Box address. Do not send anything to my home address as I put such things away in a safe place so I won't lose them. This generally means that I won't be able to find them again until the next time we move. (One of these days I've got to get organized!)

Also please DO NOT telephone. My better half works the third shift and for some strange reason he gets upset when he has to get up to answer the phone during the day. Since GATOR CAPERS comes out monthly (knock on wood) I can not imagine anything being so urgent that it can't go through the mail.

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OPERATIONS BULLETIN 75-1

8 January 1975

MISSION 4-006 5 January 1975. A real success. Turn out was excellent, as evidenced by the following numbers:

Aircraft - 20 Sorties - 24 Hours flown - 24 hrs 11 minutes
First aircraft was airborne at 1200Z
Ground teams - 5 Aircrews - 61 Vehicles - 32 Total - 165 CAP members

Radios - Base 24; Mobile 34

Lost aircraft was a C-172 out of Opa-Locka. VFR flight plan filed to Moultrie Georgia, gas stop at Orlando, Gainesville as alternate. Mission was received at approximately 1830 EST and proceeded from there. As it turned out - aircraft flight plan had been closed through Lakeland comm to St. Petersburg Flight Service, who did not know the aircraft was reported missing, and had not reported to Orlando that the flight plan had been closed. The 'goof' was discovered when the pilot filed to go on to Moultrie, and Orlando caught the aircraft number, etc. thus ending the mission mid-morning on Sunday. A big thank you to you all.

NOW --- any member in Florida Wing who did not know about this mission???? Recommend you find out how come and why for and get the situation corrected. As CAP members YOU NEED TO KNOW.

OLD HAT - 108's Four (4) copies required to your Task Force Coordinator ASAP after mission. USAF will not reimburse for Florida State tax so when using credit cards be sure the following information is on the credit card slip:

- 1. Mission Number
- 2. Aircraft or vehicle number
- 3. Price of fuel or oil including Federal tax
- 4. Florida Wing CAP's state tax number - 01-00257-12-58 (put it on the edge of your membership card now.)
- 5. Members signature and serial number

Several members have not been using the tax number, thus did not receive the full amount of their 108's.

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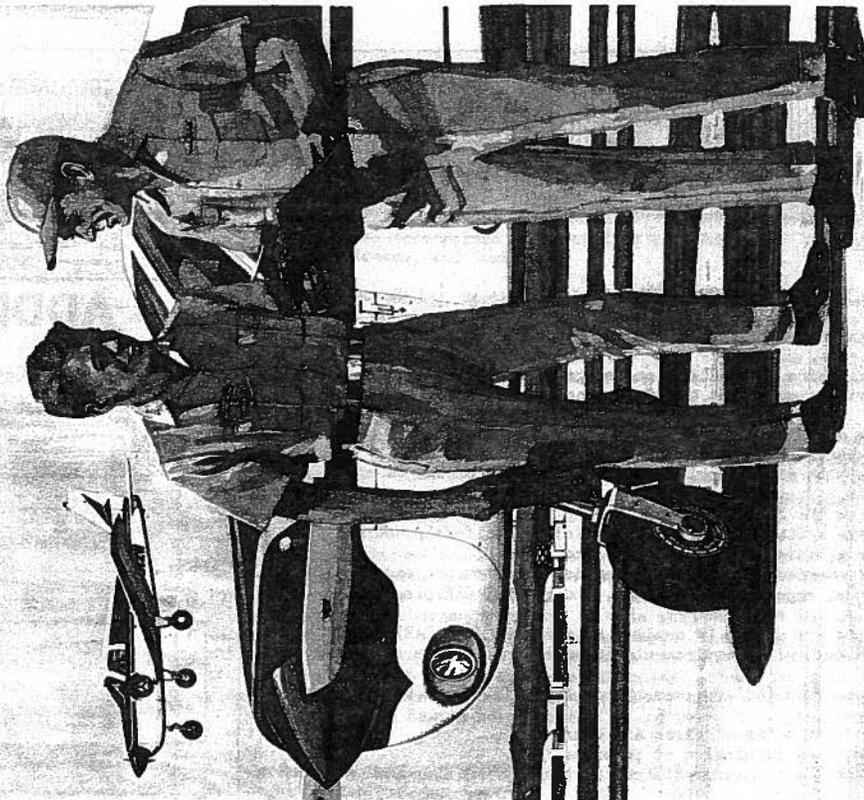
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