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## Helicopter Downed - Four Saved!

By: George Navarini, Lt Col, CAP - Mission Information Officer and Florida Wing Director of Public Affairs

Four air and ground crews from across Florida Wing converged in south Florida very early Sunday morning, 7 September, in a successful effort to save four passengers of a Miami-based helicopter, missing since Saturday afternoon. Two ground teams from Broward and Miami-Dade counties scoured the airports and landing sites across the Keys, while aircraft and aircrews from Punta Gorda and Tampa were involved in the aerial search. Additionally, a third aircraft from Ormond Beach served as the overhead communications or "high-bird" flight.

Lt. Col. Mike Cook, incident commander of the mission, said CAP was assigned the search about 0200 EDT. At first light, all three CAP aircraft were in the air. By 0845, the Tampa aircraft located the downed Robinson R-44 helicopter floating upside down in Florida Bay, halfway between the coastline and Marathon. The four survivors were unharmed and atop the floating helicopter.

The search team reported the downed craft's exact location. A rescue helicopter was immediately dispatched and pulled the downed airmen to safety. They were flown to an area hospital for observation and released.

The Tampa search plane's aircrew consisted of Lt Col Arnie Glauser, Capt Gil Dembeck and 1st Lt Jim Yeninas, members of the Hillsborough One Senior Squadron. More than twenty CAP members, some as far away as Jacksonville, were involved in this search. In addition, Capt Guy Loughridge of the Colorado Wing played a critical role by assisting in analyzing key radar data.

See the full article at [http://www.cap.gov/visitors/news/cap\\_news\\_online/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&nodeID=6192&newsID=4679&year=2008&month=9](http://www.cap.gov/visitors/news/cap_news_online/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&nodeID=6192&newsID=4679&year=2008&month=9)



Photograph, Left to right: CAP LT John Yeninas (mission scanner), John Roa (passenger), Christian Rodriguez (helicopter pilot), John Devoney (passenger), CAP Lt Col Arnie Glauser (mission pilot), Will Earle (passenger), and CAP Gil Dembeck (mission observer).

## Florida Wing Commander's Message

Christian Moersch, Col CAP - Florida Wing Commander

The same question has probably crossed the mind every CAP member – “Why do we do what we do?” Is there a real value for volunteering our time and energies? Sometimes the answer is subtle, while other times it is not. Recently, it was not at all subtle.

Let me set the stage for an all-too-familiar scenario that the ES staff and aircrews have come to cherish. The Wing is quiet and all the aircraft are nicely tucked away for the night. We had a rather hectic week of planning, watching, and re-planning due to hurricane threats. The time is 0107 EDT on a Saturday night. I hear my cell phone chirp – the sound of an incoming text message. The message is from Wing’s paging system notifying key command staff and Emergency Services members of an AFRCC mission. I instantly feel sorry for the Wing Alerting Officer. This is probably another typical mission caused by a faulty ELT or EPIRB (marine version of an ELT). Once again it is time to start making the calls to find an Incident Commander to oversee the mission who will find an aircrew or a Direction Finding team to work through the night to track the signal to a dumpster in some marina. So I reach over to curiously see what part of Wing gets to go to work tonight. In a split second, everything changes when I see the three letters that are not routine – “SAR”.

“SAR” (Search and Rescue) is included only when an actual mission is activated. In this case, a private helicopter with four people onboard is overdue on a flight from the Miami area to somewhere in the Keys. Lives possibly hang in the balance. My first call is to AFRCC at Tyndall AFB to confirm the SAR status and get a background briefing. As indicated, it is a “hot” mission and I have some basic information to get things in motion. The time is now 0117. My next call is to a Type 1 Incident Commander who will run the mission. Sleepily, he answers the phone. “We have a REDCAP operation in progress” are the words that are passed. Without pause, the reply is “OK, what are the status and details”. After a minute or two to wake up, the calls start going to the Group Commanders, aircrews, ground teams, and support staff. In all, there were about 15 initial calls with all answered on the first try except for one. To a member, they all crawled out of bed and dressed in their uniforms. From Jacksonville, Tampa, Sarasota, Ormond Beach, Boca Raton, and Miami, Wing members headed out into the night.



Christian Moersch, Col CAP

Time check – 0212 - mission activation time plus 1hour, 5 minutes, and Florida Wing is “boots on the ground”. Aircrews are briefed, aircraft are preflighted and airborne from the south and central groups by 0335. Ground teams are assembled and underway by 0345. The mission planners have coordinated with outside agencies to employ rotor-wing aircraft to assist, even as more data flows in. The tempo is ratcheting up with the first visual searches commencing at daybreak.

Shortly after 0735, one of our crews spotted the helicopter floating upside down some 17 miles offshore northwest of Marathon. All four occupants were alive and clinging to the wreckage. They had been in the water over nineteen hours. Shortly afterward, they were air-lifted to Miami. By late afternoon, all four were reunited with their family.

AFRCC credited Florida Wing with the ‘Find’ and four “Saves”. This day was the happiest and proudest day of my career as a CAP member. We walked the talk. The Florida Wing team - your team - came together to perform our mission to save lives. The call came in and we responded quickly, professionally and successfully. We succeeded, and we made a difference. Fortunately, we do not have the opportunity to perform like this every day, but when we do, it is rewarding to know that we can and will make a difference. This is why we do what we do.

Every day, and from every part of the wing, we succeed and we make a difference. The chance to answer the call and save a life is just a call away. And, by the way, it does not have to be a phone that is ringing.

Proudly serving alongside each of you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Moersch".

CHRISTIAN F. MOERSCH, Col., CAP - Commander, Florida Wing

## Routine Flight Leads to Downed Plane

By: Gail Swanson, 1st Lt CAP, - Online News Editor, Southeast Region Headquarters

A CAP Southeast Region aircrew from Florida on a routine maintenance flight August 29th located a ditched airplane in the Gulf of Mexico, near the Boca Grande area, after being alerted to a Mayday distress call by the Southwest International Airport tower. Lt Cols John Varsames and Dave Moruzzi had flown a CAP GA-8 Airvan to Miami in preparation for the pending arrival of Hurricane Gustav. After dropping the GA-8 off, they then flew a CAP 182 back to Naples Municipal Airport.

While they were on approach to the Naples airport, the Southwest Florida airport control tower notified them of a Mayday call and dispatched them to investigate. Varsames and Moruzzi broke off their approach to the runway and headed toward the coordinates. They arrived on the scene shortly after the crash, and a Med-Evac chopper was already en route to the scene. The downed aircraft was about 75 feet offshore in shallow water with an oil slick visible from the air.

News reports said that the 69-year-old pilot was rescued, then treated at a local hospital and released. See the full article at [http://www.cap.gov/visitors/news/cap\\_news\\_online/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&nodeID=6192&newsID=4628&year=2008&month=9](http://www.cap.gov/visitors/news/cap_news_online/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&nodeID=6192&newsID=4628&year=2008&month=9)



Photo by Lt Col Dave Moruzzi using a cell phone

## Trainees Experience Fatal Vision

By: Ramon Palacio, Maj CAP - Legal Officer and DDR Officer, Pembroke Pines Composite Squadron

Maj Ramon Palacio introduced the Drug Demand Reduction Program (DDRP) to senior officers attending the Squadron Leadership School at the Professional Development Workshop hosted by Group 6 on September 13-14. Approximately 29 attendees learned about the DDRP and were encouraged to consider enrolling in the DDR Specialty Track to better promote CAP's drug-free message in every unit and their surrounding communities.



Each participant had an opportunity to utilize the Fatal Vision goggles and experience how varying levels of simulated impairment affected their abilities to shoot a basket, maintain balance, and navigate a short path marked by human cones. Participants engaged in lively discussions as they drew upon their broad and diverse range of experience to brainstorm on how to best utilize the resources provided by CAP and other organizations to effectively reach youths both in and outside the CAP community.



Left Photo: Maj Ramon Palacio, SLS Co-Director and DDR Officer.

Middle Photo: 2nd Lt. Rina Czerwinski

Above Photo: 2nd Lt Eduardo Rodriguez

## Cadet Awards

### Gen. Carl A. Spaatz Award

### Gen. Ira C. Eaker Award

Benjamin H. Newell  
George J. Johnson  
Liam J. Lloyd

### Amelia Earhart Award

Chris D. DeNaro  
Casey M. Jago  
Miguel A. Lockward  
Denzel M. Samuel  
David J. Terris

### Gen. Billy Mitchell Award

Kirsten G. Austin  
Andres E. Badel  
Warren M. Bryant  
Andrew J. Cannon  
Daniel Cook  
Amanda J. Duemmel  
Lauren E. Harris  
Joshua A. Hunt

Catherine H. Kadechka  
Timothy J. Lhota  
Nathaniel Madanick  
YaVonne M. McGinnis  
Fred Nevland  
Christopher P. Pannier  
Melissa Thompson  
Destiny B. Valentine  
Eric Yablunowski  
Ruben D. Zapata

## Senior Member Awards

### Gill Robb Wilson Award

Lt Col Richard W. Dean  
Lt Col Rogers A. Porter

### Paul E. Garber Award

Capt Timothy R. Medeiros  
Maj M. Richard Mellon  
Lt Col Steve B. Schack

### Grover C. Loening Award Gen Benjamin O Davis Award

Capt Loyd J. Carrender  
Capt Gary E. Cornell  
Capt Lawrence P. Flory  
Maj Ronald E. Swaim

1st Lt Mitchell B. Campbell  
Maj John H. Carson  
Capt Victor Frank Cassella  
1st Lt Jimmy F. Chism  
Capt Gary E. Cornell  
1st Lt Dirk A. Deville  
1st Lt William A. Glenn  
Capt Ronald James Gyorkos  
1st Lt Tyler H. Hiatt

1st Lt Samuel C. Morgan  
Maj Ronald L. O'Connell  
Maj Robert E. Pierce  
Capt George K. Schaefer  
1st Lt Barry C. Smith  
1st Lt Andrew J. Theismann  
Capt Michael A. Tier  
Capt Jerry R. Waller  
Lt Col Phillip Zedonek

## Recent Promotions

Lt Col Warren Adam  
Lt Col Thomas Atkins  
Lt Col Matthew Barker  
Lt Col Robert Coleman  
Lt Col Michael Cook  
Lt Col John Cote

Lt Col Robert Hartigan  
Lt Col John Houchin  
Lt Col M Mellon  
Lt Col Steve Schack  
Lt Col Sergio Seoane  
Lt Col Scott Woolwine

Maj Roger Borg  
Maj Christian Campbell  
Maj Gary Cornell  
Maj Christopher Duemmel  
Maj Reynold Lopez

Maj Kevin Quarderer  
Maj Daniel Runge  
Maj James Utterback  
Maj Charlyne Walker  
Maj James Williamson

## Cadet Honor Society Inductees

83 Burr, Bryan A  
84 Dawson, Zachary S  
85 Ericson, Tyler J  
86 Meahl, Landon B.  
87 Niquette, Justin S  
88 Constantine, John T.  
89 Cook, Joseph  
90 Dowell, Mary Elizabeth  
91 Gwynn, Tyler M.  
92 Campbell, Michael D.  
93 Villani, Billy

North County Cadet Squadron  
North Tampa-Lutz Cadet Squadron  
North Tampa-Lutz Cadet Squadron  
Citrus County Composite Squadron  
Northside Christian School Cadet Squadron  
SRQ Composite Squadron  
Gainesville Composite Squadron  
Gainesville Composite Squadron  
Gainesville Composite Squadron  
Naples Cadet Squadron  
Naples Cadet Squadron  
Gainesville Composite Squadron

Member of Distinction - Lhota, Timothy J.

## Final Salute

Lt Col Janet B. Kendrick  
Headquarters, Southeast Region

## Enlightened IACE Cadets Home Again

By: Cadets Troy Odierno, Coral Springs Cadet Squadron, and  
Christina Zarrilli, Boca Raton Composite Squadron

International Air Cadet Exchange (IACE) U.S. Ambassadors have returned home from their trips abroad. Troy Odierno of the Coral Springs Cadet Squadron went to the United Kingdom, and Christina Zarrilli from Boca Raton's Composite Squadron went to Japan.

### Christina Zarrilli recounts her IACE trip:

It was such a unique experience to be so integrated with such a different culture. There were so many differences; everything from the food and manners, to the direction of traffic on the roads. The Japanese people were very welcoming, and we were able to communicate despite language barriers. They were very appreciative of my attempt at speaking, and they clapped their hands when I introduced myself in Japanese.

It was somewhat difficult at times because the host parents didn't speak English. Their daughter, who was the leader at the local Sky Friends squadron, attended school while I was there. Many of the things we take for granted such as sleeping on a bed, sitting on couches and western bathrooms are atypical in Japan. Being dressed in a kimono and dancing to the tiako drums was a once in a life time experience!

One of my favorite parts of the trip was staying at the Japan Aviation Academy (JAA) in Yamanashi. There, we went through Samuri training! This included traditional cultural experiences such as Zen meditation, dancing, flower arrangement, calligraphy, tea ceremony and taiko drums. We also visited temples, the Samurai and Kimono museum and climbed Mt. Fuji, the highest mountain in Japan and a holy place. I enjoyed staying at the JAA because I was able to meet many teenagers from around Asia. Even though we are from completely diverse cultures, Mongolian, Thai, Chinese, Russian, Pilipino and Japanese, we were able to connect through a "world cup" soccer tournament that we played, plus a karaoke night!



*Cadet Zarilli, second from left in front row, learns about Zen meditation in a Buddhist temple.*

### Troy Odierno recounts his IACE trip:

Hosted by the Royal Air Force's Air Training Corp, which is equivalent to the CAP's cadet program, I was very busy sight-seeing at the many historic attractions. Personally, I enjoyed the traditional places of interest such as downtown London where we were allowed inside the gates for the changing of the guards - a unique honor. But, equally enjoyable were the simple things one might not expect to be highlights of IACE. Sharing laughs on bowling nights, bruised knees from ice skating, screams of enjoyment on rollercoasters (at one of several theme parks we visited), and smiles from the shared interest of aviation on orientation flights that often took us through loops and spins. The most unique aspect of IACE that I especially enjoyed was the people. Cadets from every corner of the world were represented, and the time I was able to spend with them allowed me to see our many similarities rather than differences.



*Cadet Odierno at the controls of a Viking glider over the English countryside*

The countless hours spent on the road traveling to various parts of the UK allowed us to bond and come together as a big family of 30 cadets with no less than eight nationalities embodied in my group: UK, United States, Canada, Belgium, Wales, New Zealand, Guyana and Turkey. We also spent time with cadets from Austria, Germany, England and Australia. Our conducting cadets and senior officer made sure we were kept happy and entertained. The Air Training Corp made our visit memorable as a once-in-a-lifetime chance that I will never forget.

See the full article at <http://www.sercap.us/capmodule/inews/view.asp?ID=82>

## A Very Special Squadron - SER FL-999

By: Sergio B. Seoane, M.D., Lt Col CAP - Florida Wing Medical Officer

I am a squadron commander of a unique squadron in Florida Wing. We do not have meetings, the members of my squadron have no duty assignments, and there are no regular scheduled organized squadron activities!

I have met nearly all the members of my squadron, but I have never met more than one member at any single time. My squadron is not assigned to a Group and we have no physical assets of any kind.

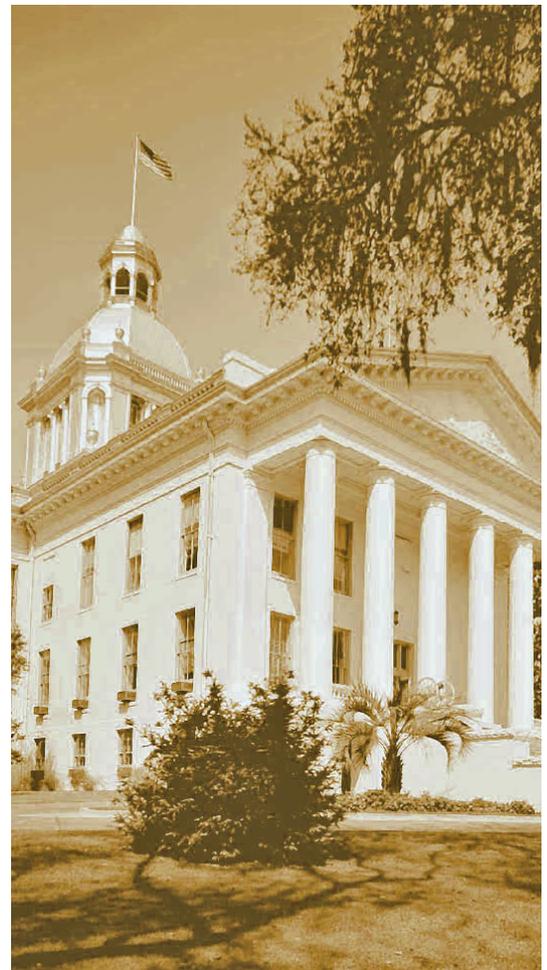
The membership of my squadron extends throughout Florida. In fact, they truly are representative of the population of the State of Florida. All the members of my squadron have the honorary grade of Major and they can never be promoted beyond the grade of Major.

The members of my squadron are as diverse as any other CAP unit or squadron, they have different ethnic, religious, professional backgrounds and vary in age from the relatively young to the not so young. But they do have one thing in common. In fact, it is the only requirement for them to be a member of my squadron. All of the members of my squadron are elected members to the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate. They meet once a year when the Florida Session begins on 03 March 2009 thru 01 May 2009.

The Florida Legislative Squadron was formed in order to promote a greater understanding between the elected officials of Florida and Florida Wing Civil Air Patrol. Members of the Florida Legislative Squadron receive the Civil Air Patrol Volunteer Magazine and Florida WingSpan. Florida Legislative Squadron members are authorized to fly in CAP aircraft, visit CAP unit meetings/social events and receive the honorary grade of major. There are 40 members of the Florida Senate and 120 members of the Florida House of Representatives and all of them are eligible to become members of the Florida Legislative Squadron.

### Meet the Legislative Squadron SER FL-999 Members:

*Rep Frank Attkisson, District 79*  
*Rep Aaron P. Bean, District 12*  
*Rep Roy D. Cannon, District 35*  
*Rep Clarence V. Ford, District 3*  
*William C. Fugate, Dir of Emergency Management*  
*Rep Hugh H. Gibson, District 42*  
*Rep Michael J. Grant, District 71*  
*Rep Gayle B. Harrell, District 81*  
*Rep Dixon A. Hays, District 25*  
*Rep Harold W. Heller, District 52*  
*Rep Kurt Kelly, District 24*  
*Rep Evan B. Jenne, District 100*  
*Rep Stan Jordan, District 17*  
*Rep Richard D. Kriseman, District 53*  
*Rep Charles McBurney, District 16*  
*Rep Seth McKeel, District 63*  
*Rep Peter F. Nehr, District 48*  
*Rep Bryan Nelson, District 38*  
*Rep Ralph H. Patterson, District 26*  
*Rep Stephen L. Precourt, District 42*  
*Rep Dennis A. Ross, District 64*  
*Rep Burt L. Saunders, District 120*  
*Rep William D. Snyer, District 82*  
*Rep Darren M. Soto, District 49*  
*Rep Will W. Weatherford, District 61*  
*Rep Trudi Williams, District 75*



*Florida's Historic Capitol, Tallahassee*

## New Member Training Fills Need

By: Bill Weiler, 1st Lt CAP - Public Affairs Officer, Group 4 Florida Wing



*Acting as the class leader, 2nd Lt David A Casto of the Osceola Cadet Squadron leads Maj John Kachenmeister through an in-ranks inspection. Kachenmeister, Group 4's deputy commander, served as commandant of the group's Auxiliary Officer Training School, held to train new senior members to improve their military bearing and performance.*

aggressive emergency services and cadet training programs of Group 4. The training was reduced to a single weekend starting with basic drill and facing movements and training in how to report to an officer.

"We incorporate physical fitness in the cadet program, but too often it is ignored with respect to our officers," Kachenmeister said. "I thought it was important to emphasize some fitness activity in basic officer training, and one of our squadron commanders suggested bowling... and this served as a class bonding experience... There were shouts and cheers of encouragement, playful banter between teams and cries of 'More left rudder!' as a ball drifted to the right down an alley!"

Said Lt. Col. Carolyn Fresneda, Deputy Commander of the Osceola Cadet Squadron, "This training is exactly what CAP has needed. It would take months for a commander to teach this material to new members, if time could be found at all during the meetings. They were treated during the weekend as CAP treats cadets, and that will improve their bearing and confidence when they return to their units." she said.

"The school wasn't just about training, it was about changing attitudes and motivating the new officers," Kachenmeister said. "CAP is a great organization, and we need great officers to lead it. This training will inspire them to reach for that greatness that is inside of them."

See the full story at [http://www.cap.gov/visitors/news/cap\\_news\\_online/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&nodeID=6192&ewsID=4444&year=2008&month=7](http://www.cap.gov/visitors/news/cap_news_online/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&nodeID=6192&ewsID=4444&year=2008&month=7)

## Squadron Planning Charity Golf Tournament

The Ormond Beach Senior Squadron is organizing a golf tournament to raise funds to help support the maintenance of their hangar and to purchase supplies and services for the squadron's operations. The tournament team, led by Capt Roger Helton, is seeking contributions of prizes and "goodie bag" items for the participants, as well as players in the tournament. For information, go to <http://home.earthlink.net/~ormondcap/id16.html> in "News".

•••••  
• River Bend Golf Club, <http://playriverbendgolf.com>  
• Monday Morning, December 1, 2008  
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## Everyone Needs Protection Once In A While – Part 2

By: Stanley Leibowitz, Col, CAP - Group XI Legal Officer

While it is interesting to look at things that “just happen”, like property damage which occurs when no activity is involved, the far more likely scenario is for property to be damaged or destroyed, or someone to be injured or killed during the course of some activity. When this happens, the first question is always whether or not it was a CAP activity. Take, for example, the situation where a group of CAP cadets go to the squadron building on a Saturday afternoon to play some touch football. During the course of the game someone gets hurt. Just because it is CAP members and CAP property does not make it a CAP activity and does not automatically subject CAP to liability for the injury. A jury would be asked to examine the circumstances and great attention would be given to whether someone in “management” (command) somehow authorized or exercised authority over the activity. Had a commander certified the game as a CAP activity before hand, that question would have a clearer answer, just as it would had the commander prohibited it.



If damage occurs during a CAP activity, the next question is who is responsible, or who is going to pay. In most cases, it will not be the CAP member, but remember that the answer is always a function of the specific facts of the case. If the activity is an Air Force assigned mission (AFAM), CAP and its members are treated as if we are government employees for liability purposes. We are covered by the Federal Tort Claims Act and the federal government will provide legal counsel and handle the case through the Air Force and the Department of Justice. Claims by third parties are made to the Air Force, not to CAP. If there is a settlement or judgment, it will be against the U.S. government. Your role as a CAP member will be to report the accident or incident, to cooperate with the government investigators and attorneys, and to refrain from talking about the accident or incident with anyone except as instructed by the government lawyers.

If the activity is a CAP corporate activity, such as a CAP meeting or participation in a “C” mission, in most cases, the member will be acting on behalf of Civil Air Patrol, thereby obligating CAP to defend the member in any lawsuit resulting from the activity and to pay for any damages. Of course, CAP carries commercial liability insurance to protect itself from the expenses that might be incurred in defending the member and paying any damages. Your role as a CAP member will again be to report the accident or incident, to cooperate with the CAP and its insurer’s investigators and attorneys, and to refrain from talking about the accident or incident with anyone except as instructed by the CAP General Counsel.



Col Stan Leibowitz

A special kind of corporate activity involves performing investigations and inquiries. Under our regulations, only wing commanders and certain investigating officers are authorized to perform investigations and inquiries. These personnel may be granted indemnification for legal fees and damages against them stemming from allegations of wrongful conduct or negligence during the course of their investigations or inquiries.

CAP members who perform unauthorized or improperly authorized investigations may be personally responsible for their legal expenses and judgments against them if a court upholds a claim of negligence, or slander or libel against a member. Similarly, a member who is sued individually under a claim of unlawful discrimination or violation of other laws may find that he/she is individually responsible for his/her legal fees and any judgment against him/her by a competent court of law.

See Part 1 of this article in the April-June issue of WingSpan at <http://flwg.us/html/wingspan.html> and watch for Part 3 in the next issue of WingSpan. For additional information, please refer to CAPR 900-5 and the following links for Federal Tort Claims Act and the Federal Employer Compensation Act as they apply to Civil Air Patrol. And of course, don't forget your local CAP Legal Officer.

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# CALENDAR

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Send event information and dates to <mailto:calendar@flwg.us>

25-26 Oct 08	National Check Pilot Standardization Course, Lakeland
6-8 Nov 08	AOPA EXPO 2008, San Jose, CA
7-9 Nov 08	Florida Wing Cadet Competition. Patrick AFB
21-22 Nov 08	Iron Man Competition, Auburn AR
5-7 Dec 08	Special Activities Selection Board
27 Dec-3 Jan 09	Florida Wing Winter Encampment
30 Jan-1 Feb 09	Florida Wing Conference
13 Feb 09	National SAR School for Inland SAR, Lakeland
21-28 Feb 09	Civic Leadership Academy, Washington DC
21-26 Apr 09	Sun ' Fun, Lakeland

## Reports Due from Squadrons:

1 Oct	Authorized Flight Release Officers
20 Oct	Prior FY Financial Transactions
31 Oct	Annual Unit Safety Survey
1 Nov	Annual Unit Financial Report
30 Nov	USAF Academy Prep School Applications
1 Dec	ES Alert/Resource
15 Dec	Annual AE Activity
31 Dec	Nat Cadet Special Activity applications
1 Jan	NCASE Crown Circle nominations
1 Jan	List of authorized Flight Release Officers
5 Jan	Monthly AE Excellence Award Program
15 Jan	Annual Awards Nominations

### Monthly:

5th	Flight Release Logs
5th	AEO Periodic Update
10th	Senior Training
10th	Vehicle Usage
10th	Unit Safety
20th	Operations Monthly Activity

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