



INDIANA WING CIVIL AIR PATROL NEWSLETTER



AUGUST 2007

INDIANA WING PASSES AIR FORCE EVALUATION

INDIANAPOLIS— Ground and air crews from all across the Indiana Wing descended on Huntingburg last Friday night August 3rd for the wing’s biennial Air Force evaluated exercise mission. The Indiana Wing



scored an overall grade of “satisfactory”.

Every evaluated area scored a minimum grade of “satisfactory”. The Incident

Commander, Information Officer, and Flight Line Supervisor all scored an “outstanding”.

One mission was to locate a simulated missing hiker in the Hoosier National Forest. Several ELT based missions as well as a mission involving a missing aircraft were conducted. Also, aircrews performed a significant amount of aerial reconnaissance related to damage assessment.

According to Indiana Wing Commander, Colonel Mark Reeves, “I am very proud of the successes of our unpaid professionals within the Indiana Wing. We were able to capitalize on our strengths and identify areas for improvement. It was a tremendous team effort by everyone involved.”



Colonel Mark Reeves, CAP

Nine ground teams and seven of the wing’s eight aircraft were on-

Wing Commander

hand for the exercise. Colonel Dave Stewart, who is commander of the Great Lakes Liaison Region for the Air Force, commented on the outstanding turnout of resources.

Plans are already underway for another search and rescue exercise in November. Will you be ready?



©2007 Indiana Wing Civil Air Patrol



WING COMMANDER'S CORNER

Colonel Mark Reeves
Commander, Indiana Wing



As we work through the "101 Critical Days of Summer" which stretches from Memorial Day to Labor Day, Safety should be at the top of the list of things we worry about both in our every day

business and in our Civil Air Patrol activities.

Recently, safety activities have focused more and more on teamwork and communication as being critical to mishap-free operations. Performing sterile cockpit procedures, reviewing the "Safety Sentinel" and performing ORM surveys as a team are all great ways to ensure safe operations everyday in Civil Air Patrol.

The principles of effective communication and good teamwork apply to more than just being safe, they also affect our ability operate across all of our missions. I am committed to good communication within our Wing, so let me lay out what the Wing Headquarters is doing to ensure good communication with Indiana's officers and cadets:

- Activating Group Headquarters...the group commanders and their staffs are the first stop for units in getting answers to questions and finding training opportunities
- Maintaining a Wing website...SM Mike Gallant from the Columbus unit has been updating our website and we will shortly be moving towards a web based calendar; check us out at www.inwg.cap.gov
- Publications...the Wing staff has worked hard to clarify our procedures (operating instructions) for drivers licenses, mission reporting, Yeager award processing and awards and decorations submissions and also in revising our supplements and policy

letters...check these out on the Wing website under "Member Resources"

- Maintaining a Yahoo Group...the Wing Yahoo Group allows for passing of information between members, has file storage for important Wing information and is a great way to get out news; to subscribe to the Indiana_Wing Yahoo Group, send an email to Indiana_Wing_subscribe@yahoo.com
- Publishing a monthly newsletter...Maj Tim Turner has been leading the charge in getting out a monthly newsletter available at both our website and in the Yahoo Group
- Wing Conference and Commander's Calls...we hold an annual Wing Conference in March (29 Mar 08 in Indianapolis is the next scheduled), and hold meetings with unit commanders then and at a summer Commander's Call (25 Aug 07 at Wing HQ is the next)
- Training Calendar...we are in the final stages of preparing our FY 08 training calendar for Ops, Cadet Program and AE; this will be briefed to the commanders at the 25 Aug 07 Commander's Call

To communicate, both the sender of information and the receiver of information have to be involved. Here are some expectations for our officers and cadets

- You need to have a regular email account and regularly access the internet...CAP provides units free Earthlink accounts, you can access the internet through your local library, maintain a home system; however, in this day and age accessing the internet is not optional
- Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) is our standard for online publications; the free reader is available at <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html> and you should have this on your computer!

Continued on page 3

- You should consider joining the Wing Yahoo Group; this is a primary source of information for officers and cadets
- Understand, to save money, we produce very little paper documentation any longer; even our newsletters are primarily electronic based!
- Finally, checking the wing website for changes to policy or publications is critical step for all members, but especially for those in such roles as commander, IC, FRO, mission pilots, safety officer, etc.

I work my staff pretty hard to get information out, and we also need you, the unpaid professional out in the unit, to work with us by regularly participating in our communication efforts. Are you a member of the Yahoo group? Have you downloaded the last Wing newsletter? Are you aware of the Wing's Safety Reporting Policy?



How does all this relate to the 101 Critical Days of Summer? We recently had an aircraft mishap in one of our flying squadrons. Due to a series of miscommunications, we did not correctly notify the Air

Force, did not correctly notify National Headquarters and did not take the immediate actions required to address the mishap. Subsequently, because of a lack of understanding of CAP policy on electronic reporting, it was more than seven days before the correct procedures were followed to begin the mishap investigation process. While this entire procedure is now under review, to me it reflects how important good communication and taking the initiative to understand our procedures is to

1) ensuring safe operations and

2) taking required actions to meet our

obligations to Civil Air Patrol.

CLC OFFERED IN SEPTEMBER

One of Civil Air Patrol's key professional development activities is the Corporate Learning Course ("CLC"). It is a required element in completing phase III of the professional development program. The CLC discusses the relationship the CAP squadron has with the next major echelon of command -- the wing. Specifically, CLC discusses how wing-level operations help to accomplish CAP's three missions of aerospace education, emergency services, and cadet programs. It describes the working relationships wing staff officers have with



each other, and their squadron level counterparts.

While SLS is not required prior to attending CLC, it is encouraged. If you take CLC first, you will not

be able to receive credit for attending until after you have attended SLS. But, again, SLS is not an absolute requirement.

Date: Friday, Sept 21st 6:00pm – 10:00pm
Saturday, Sept 22nd 8:00am – 6:00pm
(you must attend both days)

Where: Greenwood Municipal Airport (HFY)

Cost: Still TBD, but not more than \$15

Register: To register for this course, submit a CAPF17 with your commander's approval signature to the course director, Major Tim Turner (tturner@inwg.cap.gov)

Uniform: Corporate service dress; or USAF service dress (no jacket or tie are necessary); or professional business casual;

NO BDUs, NO flightsuits

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Chaplain (Captain) Dave Harness, CAP
Chaplain, Indiana Wing



The Bible that we Christians use has a passage that says, "let your moderation be known to all men."

I have noticed that there is much turn over in CAP personnel. I personally think that one reason is most people that join hit the ground running at top

speed and burn out. I have approached my home squadron about this. My talk took the form of a warning against being overwhelmed by the many training steps we come to know. It was my feeling that to accomplish much within the structure of CAP we must take one step at a time.

Everyone wants to reach the top, so to speak, but keep the top in the perspective that we are here first to serve.

Tolstoy wrote a story once. The subject of his story was, how much ground does a man need. The story told of a man whose goals for his whole life were based upon how much land he could acquire. He cared not about the well being of those around him.

It was said he heard of a place afar where he could get land for a small fee. He went to the area and met a gentleman who told him that as the sun rose in the east he was to run as fast as he could. First running to the east, north, west, and south and return to the east and meet the seller where he left him at the top of a high hill. If he could accomplish this before the sun set in the west, the land was his.

He did just so, running as fast as he could to encircle the greatest amount of land he could obtain. He returned to the high hill as the last little ray of sunlight began to fade. He started up the hill using

every bit of strength he had left. Just as he crawled and reached the feet of the seller his heart gave way and he died at his feet.

So, how much land did the man actually need? Simply a three foot wide, by six foot long by six foot deep plot. When it comes down to it, that would meet the need of any of us.

To the man, the land was the most important thing in his life and his friend's, family's and other's needs were unimportant. My point is don't lose focus on why we are in CAP, to help the needs of others. Levels, awards and ranks are a great part of the organization but we exist for the good of others. If we are aware of this and do our best to meet those needs, our burn out factor will decrease. Take one day at a time and do the best we can and then move on.

INFORMING AND PLANNING FY08

Major Tim Turner, CAP
Chief-of-Staff, Indiana Wing

We said it last month, and we're saying it again. One of our priorities for serving the member of the Indiana Wing is to plan and inform. Hopefully you're finding the monthly newsletters to be informative.

FY08 plans are all but finalized. The schedule will be reviewed at the commander's call on August 24th at Grissom. Watch for the comprehensive FY08 plan to be published in the September newsletter.

We're planning ahead, so you'll be informed!

Stay tuned!



MENINGITIS

Dr. (Major) Carl Holt, CAP
Medical Officer, Indiana Wing



School will be starting soon and with it comes the much higher risk of a potentially fatal disease called meningitis. To understand this disease we need to review some basic anatomy. The brain and spinal

cord make up the central nervous system. They are bathed in fluid that provides nutrients and helps remove waste called the cerebral spinal fluid and they are covered by a series of membranes called the meninges. Meningitis is an infection of these tissues and the fluid they contain.

There are several viruses and bacteria that can cause meningitis. The viral forms are much less serious but can still make you feel quite lousy. This is a condition called aseptic meningitis because cultures of the cerebral spinal fluid fail to grow any bacteria. The treatment is primarily supportive and patients usually recover in a few days without any problem other than occasionally, persistent headaches. There are several bacteria that are implicated in the bacterial forms with Strep pneumoniae and Nisseria meningitides being the most common making up almost 70% of the cases. The bacterial form is much more serious with a very high degree of mortality in untreated cases. The bacteria that cause this disease normally live in the nasal passages of normal healthy people who are therefore carriers of the disease. We see an upswing in the fall because these normal healthy carriers expose those who are not carriers to the disease through close contact as in school classrooms, dormitories and other facilities associated with school enrollment.

Initially those ill with the disease will have symptoms similar to cold symptoms with runny nose, congestion, low-grade fever, and mild headache. The symptoms quickly worsen with a severe headache that gets much worse when light is viewed being the

most common complaint. High fevers, nausea, vomiting and confusion then develop. The classic stiff neck is present in only about 50% of cases at this stage so absence of this sign cannot be reliably used to exclude the disease. If these signs and symptoms are present in an individual at high risk, seek medical attention immediately. Diagnosis at this point is mandatory because especially with Nisseria the patient can be dead in just hours if not properly treated.

Fortunately, this disease can be prevented. There is an immunization for the most dangerous form of the disease, Nisseria. The CDC recommends this shot for children of school ages from 12 to early adulthood. You should be able to get this shot through your private physician or county health department and I strongly recommend you do that prior to starting school especially if you will be going to college and plan to live in the dormitory.

Be safe, be careful and enjoy the upcoming school year.

TRAINING LEADERS OF CADETS

Schools Group will be hosting "Training Leaders of Cadets" 15, 16 September 2007. This course is for adult officers interested in enhancing Cadet Program leadership and management skills, particularly Cadet Program specialty track officers desiring to complete their Senior rating. Minimum requirement is to have completed Level 1 and CPPT.

Course will be held all day Saturday and half day Sunday, and is being held at Grissom ARB at the Wing HQ building. Registration information is available online at:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~glrin800/id15.html>

Registration deadline is September 10th.

Last year 15 adult officers from all three groups attended the course and graduated. Please join us in the great educational opportunity.

INSPECTOR GENERAL UPDATE

Lt Col Irwin Kleinman
Inspector General, Indiana Wing

Recent Inspections:

Griffith Comp Sq (IN211):

Overall Rating: "Excellent"

Evansville Senior Squadron (IN054)

Overall Rating: "Marginal"

I would like to welcome Lt Col James Brown and SM John Seramur as the new Group Inspector General's for the Central and Northern Groups.

I have spoken to Lt Col Kenneth Dixon, Great Lakes Region IG and we are planning a Senior Level IG School this fall or winter. This will be a weekend activity and will be open to the Group Inspectors and any other Senior Member wishing to attend. Priority will be given to individuals working the Inspection Program. If the Senior Level cannot be held, I will hold a Tech Level (one day or less) at Grissom this fall.

Finally, there will be a Technician Level IG Training Course at the August Staff Meeting / Commanders Call. This will take about 1 to 2 hours. All Group IG's and assistant IG should attend. Unit / Group Commanders are welcome and encouraged to attend. It will be a great learning experience.

THE IG TOPIC OF THE MONTH –

Preparing for a Subordinate Unit Inspection (SUI):

1. The Inspector General's Office normally will send a "Notice of Inspection" at least 30 days prior to a Subordinate Unit Inspection. This is to allow the unit to get everything ready for the Inspection Team. Every unit is considered "Successful" when the Inspection Team arrives. It is up to the unit weather that overall rating stays the same, goes

up, or goes down. Preparation is the key. Units cannot expect to pass a SUI or Wing a CI unless they are prepared.

2. When the packet is mailed to the unit it will contain a CD in WORD Format, with the Notice of Inspection, Instruction Letter, and a copy of Indiana Wing's Policy on Inspections.
3. Read the letter and review the CD. The CD will have a copy of the inspection checklist that will be used by the Inspection Team for your inspection. The checklists were customized for the unit and were copied from the SUI checklist on the National Inspector General Website. I then customized then for Indiana's use.
4. Read the checklist and review the questions. Have your answers to these questions ready. I encourage you to print out your answers on the checklist. If you are required to have documentation for the answers, place them with the Tab.

Once the unit areas are prepared, place them in a binder with each tab separated by a divider. Make two copies, one complete, and one broken down by Tab. The complete binder is kept by the unit and used as a transaction document for any changes.

Lt Col Irwin I. Kleinman, CAP
Indiana Wing Inspector General

Home: (219) 987-6963 Cell: (219) 208-0719 Fax: (219) 987-8340

E-Mail: iikleinman@comcast.net

As an alternative you may contact the NHQ FWA Hotline at (877) 227-9142 and select option #1"

PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wing Staff Appointment

Aerospace Education Officer -- 2Lt Dan Mohid

Cadet Milestone Awards

Mitchell: Cadet Catherine Davidson -- IN123
Cadet Paul Lowry -- IN036

Officer Training Awards

Level I: SM Stacy Oparka -- IN211
SM Joseph Oparka -- IN211
SM Charles Stephens -- IN229

Officer Promotions

Major: Thomas Myers -- IN002
Mark Tyler -- IN093

Captain: Steven Rider -- IN193
Stephen Rollins -- IN002

First Lieutenant: Kyle Reasner -- IN021

Second Lieutenant: Theodore Black -- IN229
James Bowman -- IN229
David Compton -- IN229
John Gill -- IN22
James Hartman -- IN214
Beverly Kellet -- IN229
Chadd Morris -- IN229
Kenneth Nelson -- IN201
Steven Rider -- IN193
Stephen Rollins -- IN002

Questions concerning Wing personnel and administrative actions should be directed to Ms Wendy Arsenault, the Wing Administrator, at glin001@earthlink.net or Lt Col Richard Griffith at rgriffith@inwg.cap.gov

IMPORTANT CISM TEAM MEETING

Chaplain (Captain) Duane G. Johnson
CISM Coordinator, Indiana Wing

For those who have taken the CISM training and would like to be an active participant in the Indiana Wing CISM program, you are requested to attend a meeting during the August 25th staff day at Grissom ARB.

If you have not yet attended CISM training, there will be opportunities available at the national conference in Atlanta in just a few weeks! Check cap.gov for info.

WING STAFF OPENINGS

Applications are now being accepted for the following openings on wing staff. If you have an interest, please send a resume and cover letter to Major Tim Turner, Chief-of-Staff at tturner@inwg.cap.gov

Public Affairs Officer

MOHID NAMED AS WING AE OFFICER

Major Tim Turner, CAP
Chief-of-Staff, Indiana Wing

Indiana Wing is pleased to announce the appointment of 2LT Daniel Mohid as the new Director of Aerospace Education. Lt Mohid is a 2006 graduate of Purdue University where he graduated with distinction earning a degree in Aviation Technology. He holds a senior rating in Aerospace Education and expects to complete his master rating in the near future. In June of this year, he graduated from CAP's National Aerospace Education Officer School. He is also an FAA rated pilot. Next month he will begin Air Traffic Controller training and will be stationed in Evansville upon graduation. Lt. Mohid has some exiting plans for the wing's AE program. We are excited to welcome him on staff.



2LT Dan Mohid



IACE A SUCCESS IN INDIANA

Major Tim Turner, CAP
Chief-of-Staff, Indiana Wing



Indiana Wing hosted three cadets and an international escort officer as part of CAP's involvement in the International Air Cadet Exchange.

Cadets from the United Kingdom and Japan were here for just over a week. The cadets spent the first half of their trip in Central Indiana and the second half in the Chicago/Northern Indiana area.

During their stay, they visited IU & Purdue Universities, the state legislature, Marion County courts, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the Air Force Museum in Dayton, the Chicago-land area, and many other activities. Special thanks to Lt Col John Bryan, (Harvard Law School bound) Captain Philip Foust, the host families and everyone else involved for their efforts.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

August

25	Wing Staff Meeting	Grissom ARB
25	CISM Meeting	Grissom ARB
25	Commander's Call	Grissom ARB

September

15 - 16	Training Leaders of Cadets (TLC)	Grissom ARB
21 - 22	Corporate Learning Course (CLC)	Greenwood (HFY)
29	Wing Staff Meeting	Grissom ARB

Got News? If you have news, information, or photos for publication in the next wing newsletter, please send them to the wing's Chief-of-Staff, Major Tim Turner at tturner@inwg.cap.gov