

# Middle East Region Civil Air Patrol

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## MER Commander's Retreat Commanders Update Briefing 20 May 2017



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**MER/CC**

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# MER Wing Commander Briefing



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# NATCAPWG/CC

## Col JD Ellis



<b><i>Top Accomplishments this Period</i></b>	<b><i>Top Goals next Period</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NATCAPWG Chg of Command, 11 Mar</li><li>• Sent one team to MER Cadet Comp</li><li>• SAREX, Falcon Virgo, Fertile Keynote, LLRS</li><li>• 50% of squadron commanders swap out (15 May-1 June)</li><li>• Andrews Squadron license to use facilities/property signed</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Initiated planning/preparation for 2018 multi-wing OPSEVAL</li><li>• SAREX, 24 Jun 17</li><li>• Personnel and Equipment support to NFA</li><li>• Initiated planning for 2017 JBA Airshow</li></ul>
<b><i>Risks / Problems</i></b>	<b><i>Assistance Needed</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue to close on DAA Facility (CAP- USAF action)</li><li>• Base Access Challenges/DBIDS (JBAB is going to DBIDS)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NSTR</li></ul>



# DEWG/CC

## Col Michael Moyer



### *Top Accomplishments this Period*

Two IAs completed training in April  
Rep Blunt-Rochester membership  
AE Activity Day/Workshop Planning (20 May)  
Activities: DSU Airways Program, Cadet Quiz Bowl, STEM Education Workshop, AE Team Building, MD/DE Model Rocketry Club, AE Workshop  
Approval to purchase five more state handhelds for interagency use.  
Approval to purchase necessary replacement accessories for the three current DeIDOT handhelds.  
Ops plan with DEA waiting on approval  
All aircraft FMC  
Wing Comm Plan submitted to NHQ  
SLS conducted at Dover AFB DE with 12 students  
New DCP John Lierenz  
ROS at zero  
Region cyber programs conference call  
Crisis and PAO Plan

### *Top Goals next Period*

Increase number of IAs in the wing  
Commanders & Staff take IG Refresher Training  
Staff Review CI Worksheets  
Develop Alert Roster  
Setup meeting with DSP to review new LOA  
June SAREX is being planned for June 10th (2nd weekend in June). Location Dover AFB, DE - IC = TBD  
July SAREX is being planned for July 8th (2nd weekend in July). Location Dover AFB, DE - IC = TBD  
Continue project to relocate R-09 to Bissell Hospital.  
Plan CLC for last half of Jul  
Planning of cadet wing conf activities  
Need to schedule TLC (basic/inter)  
MER Cadet Comp planning  
CAC planning  
4 DEWG Vans and 1 Pickup for Tri-Wing Encampment – June 25 through July 2  
Region cyber NCSA participation



# DEWG/CC

## Col Michael Moyer



<i>Risks / Problems</i>	<i>Assistance Needed</i>
<p>Reminder: CAP 62-1 ICL 15-01 changed para 4a to “paragraph 4.a. has been changed to read: All active CAP members (seniors, cadets, cadet sponsors, 50 year and life members) must receive monthly safety education briefings.</p> <p>ALL monthly safety education will be documented in the eServices online safety education database to ensure compliance</p> <p>Woodside repeater issues continue; request to relocate antenna in review process at Region and NHQ is aware of requested change.</p>	<p>CI OCTOBER 2017</p> <p>Looking for someone to lead CISM. New Admin</p> <p>New Squadron Commander</p> <p>CLC Director and students</p>





# MDWG/CC

## Col Joe Winter



<b><i>Top Accomplishments this Period</i></b>	<b><i>Top Goals next Period</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Wing SAV/FM Audit Completed – overall we are in good shape</li><li>•Successful meeting with State Leadership; moving Bay Patrol operations to the Homeland Security Umbrella / possible new missions</li><li>•New Website</li><li>•Recruiting and Retention Efforts</li><li>•Great results with NCSA/Scholarships for our Cadet Program</li><li>•ROTC/JROTC Flying</li><li>•Comm Staff - HF Nets</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•SAV Closeouts</li><li>•Static Display</li><li>•Ongoing Facilities Work</li><li>•New Website content</li><li>•Recruiting and Retention – summer push</li><li>•Summer Plans (Encampment/Solo School, IACE etc.)</li><li>•Max push on A/C Hours (Bay Patrol)</li><li>•DLADS Disposals</li><li>•Wing Conference Planning</li></ul>
<b><i>Risks / Problems</i></b>	<b><i>Assistance Needed</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Food Contract for Tri-Wing Encampment</li><li>• Still looking for an A8 and HC</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continued advocacy of recruiting strategies vs. reports</li></ul>



# MER/CS Col Eugene Egry



## ***Top Accomplishments this Period***

- Attended MER Staff retreat – April 21-23, Camp Pendleton
- Earned Technician Rating in Safety

## ***Top Goals next Period***

- Find A4 – Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics
- Find A6PA – Assistant Historian
- Find A1A – Assistant Director of Administration and Personnel
- Find PAA – Assistant PAO's
- Assist onboarding new CV/W, Col Bruce Heinlein
- Complete roll out new MER Website that conforms to NHQ standards
- Attend MER Wing Commander's Retreat – April 19 - 21, Camp Pendleton, VA

## ***Risks / Problems***

- CS availability now until end of June – work commitments
- Leverage you staff and develop assistants
- Establish remaining / new MER Staff to Wing Staff conference calls. Minimum Quarterly
- CUB Slide Naming Convention

## ***Assistance Needed***

- Finding and onboarding staff members





# Vice Commander – West Col Bruce “*Blue Dot*” Heinlein



<b><i>Top Accomplishments this Period</i></b>	<b><i>Top Goals next Period</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Honored to have been allowed to join the Region leadership team</li><li>• Reaching out to Western Wings...I am here to serve</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assist West Wing with any IG finding closure issues</li><li>• WVWG in Operations Evaluation</li></ul>
<b><i>Risks / Problems</i></b>	<b><i>Assistance Needed</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None At This Time</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None At This Time</li></ul>



# NCWG/CC

## Col Jason Bailey



<b><i>Top Accomplishments this Period</i></b>	<b><i>Top Goals next Period</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Joint SAREVAL with SCWG-passing grade</li><li>• Changed IG in March-all SUI's up to date</li><li>• NCWG Drill and Ceremonies</li><li>• ICP training March 25<sup>th</sup> in prep for CI</li><li>• Completed another AP class, AE day, and SLS at Wing HQ first weekend of April</li><li>• G1000 school</li><li>• CPLS (Cadet Commander school)and TLC Basic/Intermediate at Wing HQ</li><li>• State upgraded Internet at Wing HQ</li><li>• Updated Wing CV Office and Library</li><li>• Finalized contract for 2018 Wing Conf</li><li>• Resolved NC-111 meeting location.</li><li>• Attended RCCC meeting with TAG</li><li>• 3-58<sup>th</sup> and 2-130<sup>th</sup> missions</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wings over Wayne Airshow at Seymour Johnson</li><li>• Spaatz Exam on May 27<sup>th</sup> - cadet only needs to pass Essay been preparing for six months.</li><li>• New meeting negotiations with Johnston County Airport for existing Squadron</li><li>• Pickup Communications trailer in Kansas delayed to use at BB</li><li>• Encampment July 8<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup></li><li>• Statewide Vigilant Catamount mission with NCEM/National Guard/Baptist Men/Red Cross/etc. Largest joint SAREX every year.</li><li>• Finish CI closeout Most already approved at NHQ/CAP USAF.</li></ul>
<b><i>Risks / Problems</i></b>	<b><i>Assistance Needed</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continued work to replace staff members in place getting burned out-Ops, LG, AE</li><li>• Retirement of NCEM Director</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continued help with Cadets attending other Wings Encampments we filled up in April.</li></ul>



# SCWG/CC

## Col Lee Safley



### ***Top Accomplishments this Period***

- Wing conference
- Successful CI
- Change of command
- New command Staff selected
- Created new vice commander Ops
- Wing SAR EX conducted
- Successful SAR EVAL with NCWG
- Recruiting/AE events (Beaufort MCAS and McEntire ANG air shows)
- 127 members signed up for encampment

### ***Top Goals next Period***

- Conduct quarterly wing SAR EX
- Conduct successful encampment
- Close open CI findings
- Begin planning process for Wing HQ refresh/remodel (AE/Ops/ Cadet focus)
- Work existing training/operations/comms plans

### ***Risks / Problems***

- Rumor (with bases) that SCETV will attempt to charge CAP and other volunteer organizations \$15/ft for antenna height on their towers. (91K Annually).
- New wing commander and command staff transitioning into their new roles

### ***Assistance Needed***

- May Need Assistance with Antenna Issue If/When Situation Emerges
- Will ask for assistance as needed for CI issues



# VAWG/CC

## Col Dean Gould



<b><i>Top Accomplishments this Period</i></b>	<b><i>Top Goals next Period</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wing Wide SAREX – Ops Eval Prep</li><li>• MER-VA Conference</li><li>• Cadet Competition</li><li>• CAP GSAR with VDEM</li><li>• Three Spaatz Cadets!</li><li>• Worked building config...Cleaned out old offices, ordered furniture</li><li>• NCOA/DCIS held at Raptor Town</li><li>• Encampment Training – Session 2</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CAP-USAF Graded Ops Eval</li><li>• Flight Clinic</li><li>• Communication Response Policy</li><li>• Mt. Fury Training</li><li>• Budget and training plan<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requirement based Goals</li><li>• Create a two year training plan</li></ul></li><li>• Encampment Prep...Largest seen to date</li><li>• Move Langley Composite Squadron</li></ul>
<b><i>Risks / Problems</i></b>	<b><i>Assistance Needed</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Retirement aircraft – Sold, one is gone</li><li>• Vehicle Fleet is aging...Twice had to fight to get a van fixed</li><li>• C-182 needs engine OVHL – Engine is in</li><li>• Funding for Mt Fury...Postponed until later in the summer</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Encampment (9-16 Jul, Ft Pickett)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Aircraft support for O'Rides</li><li>• Possible request for additional 12 Pax vehicles</li></ul></li></ul>



# WVWG/CC

## Col Paul McCroskey II



### ***Top Accomplishments this Period***

- Mountain Flying Clinic Classroom portion completed – 22 Apr 17
- Completed WVWG Professional Development Weekend – 5-7 May 17
- SB280 is now law – Waiting for Legislature to pass budget for our FY18 State funds
- Col Moore and staff met with Maj Harris (WVNG) on 13 May to discuss requests for Harris PRC 117 radio request and billeting for staff members assigned to Beckley, JTF and MIPR - \$20K for air operations/billeting
- SAV underway – Uploads complete and answering questions – 2-3 Jun onsite

### ***Top Goals next Period***

- Ground Pounders I training for ground teams for 19-21 May
- Start limited CD operations – 1 Jun
- Wing HQ New gas line and Antenna projects wrapping up by 30 May 17
- Complete Combined Ops Eval with VAWG
- Out of Country 17-24 Jun 17 – CV will be in charge
- WVWG Encampment @ Camp Dawson – 7-15 Jul
- BSA Jamboree – 18-29 Jul 17
- Ground Pounders II – 4-6 Aug 17
- WVWG Glider Flight Academy, Grant County Airport - 6-13 Aug 17

### ***Risks / Problems***

- Continuing to look at dedicated streaming Harris PRC 117 Radio solution for the BSA Jamboree

### ***Assistance Needed***

- None at this time