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Central Iowa Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol

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Words of Inspiration

"A leader tackles problems by helping associates choose the solution."

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Safety Tip of the Month

Drink Plenty of Water and Stay in the Shade When it gets Hot!



Another Glorious Mess

By Capt Doug Jansen



C/SrA Jackie Elliott receives the 2002 CICS Cadet of the Year Award from Col Rex Glasgow (Right) and Capt Doug Jansen at the 2002 Dining-Out.



2Lt Justin Pedersen receives his General Billy Mitchell Award at the Dining-Out.

"Mr. President, Point of Order," and thus began the 2002 Dining-Out. The Squadron hosted its Third Annual Dining-Out at the Iowa State Memorial Union. This year's Dining-Out was the biggest and best so far with over 40 members in attendance. Col. Glasgow gave a speech on how he's seen our squadron grow and how it along with the rest of CAP will continue to grow with all of the recent changes CAP has undergone. C/SrA Jackie Elliot and C/A1C Justin Colvin both spoke on how CAP has changed them since joining a little over eight months ago.

This years award winners included: Cadet of the Year (Storm Lake), C/A1C Justin Colvin; Cadet of the Year (Ames), C/SrA Jackie Elliott; Senior Member of the Year (Storm Lake), SSgt Kern Kemp; and Senior Member of the Year (Ames), TFO Troy Ruffin. 2Lt Just Pedersen received his General Billy Mitchell Award from Col. Rex Glasgow, Iowa Wing Commander. Ms. Elizabeth Wilt-Cable presented the squadron with its charter certificate as a Boy Scout Venture Crew. Several senior members completed the Aerospace Education Program for Senior Members (AEPSM) and earned their Chuck Yeager Award. This included Lt Col Ralph Tomlinson, Capt John Halbrook, Capt Doug Jansen, Capt Suzanne Tomlinson, 1Lt Kelly Calhoun, TFO Troy Ruffin, SSgt Kern Kemp, and SM Vince Dasta. Congratulations to all of our award winners, we look forward to seeing you at the Dining-Out next year!

Quad City Airshow



C/SrA. Elliott (Left Center) takes a break from her crowd control duties during the Quad City Airshow in June.

Ever wanted to see the Thunderbirds perform? In June Cadets Colvin, Elliott, and Sand got to. The three cadets traveled with Capt Jansen and Capt Halbrook to Davenport to help the Davenport Squadron provide crowd control and flight line assistance at the 2002 Quad City Airshow. The cadets spent two long days guarding aircraft and enjoying the 8th largest airshow in America. This year the Snowbirds (Canadian Flight Demonstration Team) and the Thunderbirds (US Air Force Flight Demonstration Team) were the main acts for the show.

Storm Lake Update

Two more months of training and work have pushed our team in Storm Lake/Sac City even further towards their goal of chartering as a Civil Air Patrol Unit. The first weekend of June we traveled up to Storm Lake and conducted Level 1 and Cadet Protection Training for several of the new members and also delivered vehicle 13601 (Our Blue Dodge Caravan) to them for their use. The flight has earned the vehicle due to their hard work and support of CAP activities at the wing and local level. Also, Sac City was gracious enough to roll out the carpet and allow them to host an local training exercise at the Sac City Airport. The facilities were excellent as well as the local support, training, and food. Everybody is on track for charter and is doing a great job of advancing their education and training rapidly to prepare themselves to be of service to their community.

2002 Region Conference

On 14 June the Iowa Wing helped to host the 2002 North Central Region Conference. The biennial Region Conference was held at the Clarion Hotel in Des Moines. The Region Conference highlights the accomplishments of the Region and also brings in Region and National Staff to help train and inform the members of the 7 wings in North Central Region. National Headquarters brought in almost a dozen of the National Headquarters Staff to talk about everything from Legal to Emergency Services to Operations to Logistics. This was the final Region Conference for Col. Sheila Waldorf, the outgoing NCR Commander. She relinquished command to Col. Rex Glasgow (the Iowa Wing Commander) at the banquet on Saturday night. Col Glasgow will now focus on increasing communications and training in the Region. Lt. Col. Russ Smith (the former Iowa Wing Director of Operations) assumed command of Iowa Wing as the Interim Iowa Wing Commander.

Increased Training Will Pay Off

May and June were full of training activities of all types for the squadron and the wing. We participated in the Radiological Response Training and Forward Command Post Training for our Sample Transport Missions. We attended and staffed three operations exercises in Oskaloosa, Ankeny, and Sac City training countless volunteers and advancing in our own training. We hosted the Basic Communications User Training at the Ankeny Airport for our squadron, Des Moines, Oskaloosa, and Storm Lake. Never a busier two months have we had. Thank you for your help and support.



Col Rex Glasgow stands tall after accepting command of the North Central Region at the Region Conference in June.

Sac City Exercise



SM Ann Colvin (left) and SM Roger Elliott (center) receive ground instruction on how to preflight the airplane from Capt Leo Bertling at the Sac City Exercise in June.

Commander's Corner

Another two months has passed by yet again. 2002 is flying by. As I write this article we have five cadets and 1 senior member at the North Central Region Encampment at Camp Dodge and have just completed work at the FlyIowa Airshow in LeMars (look forward to a good article on that in the next issue). With all of the training we have been doing, the benefits are starting to come forth. We've acquired a third vehicle for the squadron (13608, a white Chevy Astrovan). This van has been a hangar queen and will have to be well maintained to endure our heavy driving and increased operations tempo. We are also going to be receiving a new laptop and printer from Wing in July to support our missions. This new laptop will allow us to bring considerable computing power to missions, in a little package. It will also allow us to utilize powerpoint more in our training. All of this couldn't have been accomplished without your dedication. I'd like you to continue your dedication and spend a few extra minutes on safety each time we volunteer our time for Civil Air Patrol.

Storm Lake held their first CAP activity in June at the Sac City Airport. The flight hosted their first operations exercise 29-30 June. Five CAP aircraft participated in this two-day training activity. Members from Storm Lake/Sac City, Ames, Des Moines, Oskaloosa, and Cedar Rapids trained in a variety of positions from Incident Commander to Mission Aircrew to Flight Line Marshall. The activity had outstanding media coverage from the 2 local papers and from KTIV News in Sioux City. Members spent the night at Hagge Park about 1 mile west of the airport. 2Lt Colvin arranged for the cadets to swim at the Sac City Recreation Pool. Cadet enjoyed the cool water and awesome waterslides after a long, hot day on the flight line. Sunday began with another day of fast-paced training. Maj. Jack Barber, training as mission chaplain, started the morning with a brief invocation, and then the inbrief began and sorties began to launch. Six members from Storm Lake trained in various specialties, a record number of their members attending an exercise to date. The exercise was very successful with over 20 flight hours and everybody present getting things done to become qualified in something new.

Spree of Actuals Results in Finds

During the last two months we've had three more actual search missions. In the early hours of 8 May we located an ELT going off in the City of Ankeny. On 3 Jun we were alerted to an ELT going off in Ankeny while at a meeting in Storm Lake, we headed for Ankeny, but the aircrew found it on the airport as we approached Ames to pickup the rest of our team. On 4 Jun we silenced an ELT that was going off at a private grass strip just south of Colo.

Promotions

Kevin Carver to C/Amn
Gary Colvin to 2Lt
Jackie Elliott to C/Sra
Ken Myers to Capt
Nick Sand to C/Sra
Drew Schlosser to C/Sra



New Members

Chris Davis



Keighley Fowler
James McLaughlin

Total Members:

47!

Upcoming Schedule			Squadron Staff	
Date	Activity	Location	Position	Name
2 Jul	Meeting: ML, AE, LL	Ames	Commander	Capt. Jansen
6-7 Jul	FlyIowa	LeMars	Deputy Commander for Cadets	TFO Ruffin
6-13 Jul	NCR Encampment	Camp Dodge	Deputy Commander for Seniors	Lt. Col. Tomlinson
9 Jul	Meeting: Staff Meeting	Ames	Deputy Commander for Storm Lake	2Lt G. Colvin
16 Jul	Meeting: SE, AE	Ames	Cadet Commander	Vacant
23 Jul	Meeting: PT, AE	Ames	Admin/Personnel	2Lt A. Elliott
30 Jul	Meeting: LL, Flight Line	Ames	Aerospace Ed.	Capt. S. Tomlinson
3 Aug	Tow Pilot Course	Muscatine	Chaplain	Maj. Barber
6 Aug	Meeting: ML, AE, LL	Ames	Communications	Vacant
7 Aug	Wing Staff Meeting	Iowa City	Emergency Services	TFO Ruffin
10 Aug	Operations Exercise	Washington	Finance	Lt. Col. Tomlinson
13 Aug	Meeting: SE, LL	Ames	Historian	Capt. Halbrook
16-18 Aug	Wing Ding	Boone	Logistics	SM R. Elliott
20 Aug	Meeting: TBD	Ames	Moral Leadership	Capt. S. Tomlinson
27 Aug	Meeting: PT, AE	Ames	Operations	Lt. Col. R. Tomlinson
3 Sep	Meeting: ML, AE, LL	Ames	Public Affairs	Capt. Jansen
4 Sep	Wing Staff Meeting	Iowa City	Recruiting	Vacant
14 Sep	Staff Assistance Visit	Iowa City	Safety	Vacant
18-20 Oct	Wing Conference	Ames	Stan/Eval	Capt. Myers
17 May	CICS Dining-Out	Ames	Testing	Capt. S. Tomlinson

Reminders:

- Don't forget to apply for Wing Ding, application due date is coming soon
- Iowa Wing Conference is in Ames on 18-20 Oct so be sure to RSVP as soon as you get the information in the mail.
- End of the Fiscal Year is approaching.
- Don't forget to take the time to be safe, the last thing we want is an accident!

Projects In Progress:

- Training in Storm Lake
- Working on the Airport Design Project
- Aircrew and UDFT Training



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