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A-7 aircraft from 8 Air National Guard units jam Savannah hardstand awaiting 'Gunsmoke' event

Unit places third in A-7 meet

By SSG ED KELLEHER

The Virginia Air National Guard's hopes of making its mark in the worldwide "Gunsmoke" competition this fall ended on the final day of a 9th Air Force showdown of eight A-7D units here June 22-24.

The four-pilot Virginia team placed third in the final standings after leading at the end of the first day of events.

The 121st Tactical Fighter wing at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base outside Columbus, Ohio, finished first. Second was the 127th Tactical Fighter Wing from Selfridge Air National Guard Base near Detroit.

The Rickenbacker unit will represent 9th Air Force A-7D units at the Gunsmoke competition Oct 2-15 at Nellis AFB, Nevada. The Colorado Air National Guard won the last overall Gunsmoke competition in 1981.

Gunsmoke is an Air Force exercise that tests the operational capabilities and accuracy of aircraft and their crews. Competition involves judging such things as munitions loading, maintenance procedures,

navigation and weapons delivery.

The 75-member Virginia team consisted of 11 officers and 64 enlisted personnel.

MAJ Roger Legg, who coordinated the 192nd Tactical Fighter Group's participation in the Savannah shoot-off, said the Rickenbacker and Selfridge Air Guard units overcame Virginia's first-day lead with some "exceptional" bombing and strafing on the second day of events.

"They did exceptionally well," Maj Legg said of the two teams. "In fact, Rickenbacker pilots said they did better than they had ever done before in Gunsmoke." CPT Owen Cohagen from Rickenbacker emerged as the "top gun" for the two day competition. The 192nd Group's best shot was LTC Bill Jones, Chief of Stan/Eval.

Heavy rains June 22 curtailed the teams' chances to practice. Still questionable weather the next day forced planners to change the target range from Townsend Range, near Jacksonville, Florida, to Poinsett Range, seven miles south of Shaw AFB, South Carolina.

More than four inches of rain fell in forty minutes in parts of Savannah on June 22, local newspapers reported.

"You felt like, looking out across the hardstand and saying, 'Get that airplane out of my pool,'" SMS Bobby Mantlo said of the water that accumulated on the ramp. "You needed an outboard motor to get back."

The 192nd team consisted of LTC Bill Jones, MAJ Roger Legg, MAJ Mark Hettermann and CPT G.T. Alexander, with CPT Bill Martin as a backup.

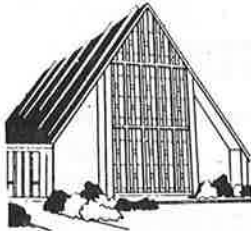
They did best in the conventional "box" sorties that comprised the first day's events. Rickenbacker and Selfridge came from behind in the "pop up" sorties the next day in which pilots fly toward the target at a low altitude and suddenly pop up to a higher altitude and drop their bombs and depart the area. This minimizes the time they are exposed to enemy anti-aircraft fire, MAJ Legg said.

The top three teams were grouped closely in vying for first place, MAJ Legg said. The other five teams were far back after the first day.

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Sunday Services

Sunday 0830 - General Protestant
0915 - Mormon
1300 - Catholic Mass



Your Chaplain is available to you and your family 24 hours a day. Do not hesitate to call him if you think he can help or assist you in any way. His telephone numbers are: "A"-387, "C"-66, or 737-0635 (Home) and 737-1527 (Church).

Birth certificates required

ALL unit personnel are again reminded of the requirement to provide the CBPO an official copy of their birth certificate in order that applications for PASSPORTS can be processed. After birth certificates are turned in to CBPO, individuals should immediately go to the Base Photo Lab to have a passport photograph made. The submission of birth certificates is mandatory for all unit personnel. Deadline for submission of birth certificates is 15 July 1983. Questions concerning passports should be referred to SMS Norman in the CBPO, Ext. 436. Remember, failure to comply with this requirement will result in denial of any future trips to Panama.

'Gunsmoke' shootoff

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In addition to the Rickenbacker, Selfridge and Virginia units, other A-7D units participating in the preliminary Gunsmoke competition were: Fourth place, 150th TFG from Albuquerque, N.M.; Fifth place, 178th TFG from Springfield, Ohio; Sixth place, 112th TFG from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; Seventh place, 156th from Puerto Rico; and Eight place, 180 TFG from Toledo, Ohio.

Several elements of the 192nd TFG, which was the host unit at Savannah, supported the training exercise.

Award winners announced

During the June 1983 UTA, the 192d TFG Awards Board met to select winners for the first half (January to June 1983) awards categories. Twelve members of the unit competed for these awards.

Selected for the OUTSTANDING SENIOR NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER was MSgt Henry E. Badgett, Jr. Sgt Badgett is assigned to the 192d CE Flt as the NCOIC of the Plumbing Shop. Sgt Badgett is actively employed at the Newport News Shipyard and is pursuing a degree at Thomas Nelson Community College. He and his wife reside in Hampton where he is an active participant in his church as a member of the choir and Usher Board. Sgt Badgett is also



an active member of the VaANG serving as Vice President of the NCO Academy Graduate Association as well as a member of the Air National Guard Enlisted Association and a member of the Air Force Association. In addition to his many involvements with the unit and community he is a "Black Belt" in Judo and is a certified instructor teaching classes to women and children.

SSgt Mark A. Fulton was selected as the OUTSTANDING NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER. Mark is assigned to the 149th TFS and works in the Intelligence Office for LTC Davis. Mark has been assigned to the unit since September of 1981. Recently he attended the Air Force Target Intelligence Specialist Course at Lowry AFB, CO, where he graduated as a distinguished participant. Mark and his wife live in Richmond where he works as a Probation and Parole



Officer with the Virginia Department of Corrections. He also serves as a volunteer member with the Manchester Rescue Squad.

Selected for the OUTSTANDING AIRMAN was SRA Sandra K. Garrison. Airman Garrison is assigned to the 192d CE Flt as a Real Property Specialist and a member of the Prime Beef Team. "Sandy" is single



and is employed at the Defense General Supply Center (Bellwood) as an Inventory Management Specialist. She is currently enrolled at John Tyler Community College where she is working toward her four-year degree. Among her outside interests are Secretary of Enon Baptist Church Sunday School and also participates in the Defense General Supply Center tennis and softball teams.



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Editorial....

Protect your children

Protecting children, our most priceless possessions, from death or injury when riding in vehicles is as simple as buckling the mini-passengers into child safety seats.

Motor vehicle accidents are the No. 1 killer of children age one and older, according to National Safety Council statistics. Each year, about 8,500 children under age 5 die from injuries received in accidents.

How often have you seen children jumping up and down while riding in cars, sticking their heads out the window, climbing on the driver's lap and otherwise misbehaving?

Research studies and tests show that the child properly restrained in a car seat, has better passenger manners. They enjoy riding and looking out the windows. A child riding in a car seat usually plays quietly, talks with others in the car and generally makes the trip fun for all. Studies show that children usually are proud of having a seat of their very own.

In a course on how to introduce a child to a car seat, one professor of pediatrics recommended that the mother show the child that they can see out the windows easier in a car seat. He emphasized that mothers talk about things the child can see from the car seat, such as "Look at the boy on the bicycle" or "See the dog over there?" etc.

The American Academy of Pediatrics also asks expectant mothers to protect themselves and their unborn child by wearing safety belts during pregnancy. Here are the rules:

- Sit tall and place the lap belt as low as possible on your hips, under the baby.
- Wear the shoulder harness, too. It gives you and the baby important added protection.
- When you pack your suitcase for the hospital, get the infant car safety seat ready for bringing baby home.

With seat belts or a car seat not only will your child be better behaved, but will be safer in the event of a collision or even a sudden stop.

Here are some statistics showing that seat belts do make a difference in an auto accident.

- For every 1 percent increase in safety belt use, 172 lives will be saved.
- about 50 percent, 34,000 of all people who die in passenger cars, light trucks, or vans, could have been saved if they had been wearing their safety belts.
- Safety belts cut your chances of being killed or seriously maimed in a crash by more than 50 percent.

Don't burn the steak

With warm weather upon us and the outdoor cooking season along with it, there are some DO's and DON'T's we need to consider to keep the outing fire safe.

DO locate the charcoal in a place that is:

- not close to combustibles - house, leaves, trash cans, etc.

DO use only charcoal lighter fluid.

DO keep small children away from hot grill

DO empty used charcoal in a fire safe place.

DON'T use gasoline or any other flammable liquid other than charcoal lighter fluid.

DON'T after use place grill in the trunk of your car - under your house - in the garage - on the boat, etc. until you have safely disposed of the hot charcoal remaining.

Pace yourself when wearing protective gear

Presently, unit personnel are wearing the chemical warfare protective gear during Phase II Task Qualification Training. The protective gear degrades personnel's ability to perform in two primary ways. First, a partial loss of mobility, visibility, dexterity, and communications capabilities can reduce task proficiency. Second, because the thermal insulating qualities of the protective gear retards heat dissipation, rest periods are required to dissipate the excess heat. Rest period duration will depend on the amount of excess body heat generated. The more physically demanding the work, the greater the body heat generated. An individual's physical fitness, as well as his tolerance and acclimation to thermal stress, will influence the amount of body heat generated. Therefore, personnel should attempt to wear the protective gear more often in order to build up their tolerances. Personnel should not attempt to go about their duties as normal; self pacing is a must. Understanding these problems and advanced planning to cope with them will improve our ability to fly and fight while wearing the chemical warfare protective gear.

**"MAKE MY
FIRST RIDE
A SAFE RIDE.
BUCKLE
ME UP!"**

OPSEC Update

By LTC GEORGE DAVIS

In last month's VANGUARD, the OPSEC Update listed the major objectives of the Air Force OPSEC program. This month's OPSEC Update will address definitions of some of the terms listed in the program. The August and September issues of the VANGUARD will have sample questions which will be on the OPSEC Test to be given to all unit personnel (civilian and military), during the October (1 & 2) UTA. Be sure to keep the August and September issues of the VANGUARD so that you can study for the OPSEC Test.

The Air Force, like many other large organizations uses numerous acronyms and abbreviations. In order to better understand the AF OPSEC program, some of the terms/-acronyms are listed below:

1. Operation. Any military activity, exercise, function, program, or event that requires the protection of information to deny a potential enemy either a tactical or strategic advantage. Specifically, it includes any support activity (research, development, test and evaluation, acquisition and logistic support, training or other activities) that potentially reveals existing or future operational capabilities and intentions.
2. Operations Security (OPSEC). The process of denying adversaries information about friendly capabilities and intentions by identifying, controlling, and protecting indicators associated with the planning and conduct of military operations and other activities.
3. OPSEC Indicators. Action or information classified or unclassified, obtainable by an adversary, that would result in adversary appreciations, plans and actions harmful to achieving friendly intentions and preserving friendly military capabilities.

4. OPSEC Vulnerability. The existence of weaknesses in security measures, operational practices and procedures which can be exploited by and are accessible to a hostile intelligence attack.

5. Communications Security (COMSEC). The protection resulting from all measures designed to deny unauthorized persons information of value which might be derived from the possession and study of telecommunications, or to mislead unauthorized persons in their interpretation of the results of such possession and study. COMSEC includes the following components:

a. Cryptosecurity. It results from the provision of technically sound cryptosystems and their proper use.

b. Transmission Security. It results from all measures designed to protect transmissions from interception and exploitation by means other than cryptanalysis.

c. Emission Security. It results from all measures taken to deny unauthorized persons information of value which might be derived from intercept analysis of compromising emanations from cryptoequipment and telecommunications systems.

d. Physical Security. It results from all physical measures necessary to safeguard classified communications equipment, material, and documents from access or observation by unauthorized persons.

6. Essential Elements of Information (EEI). The critical items of information about the enemy and the environment needed by the commander by a particular time, to relate with other available information and intelligence in order to assist in reaching a logical military decision.

7. Essential Elements of Friendly Information (EEFI). Key questions about friendly intentions and military capabilities likely to be asked by opposing planners and decision makers. The critical facts about friendly operations and activities which, individually or in the aggregate, reveal sensitive details about capabilities and intentions, and require protection from hostile intelligence collection and exploitation.

For more information on the above terms, refer to JCS Pub 1 and 18, and AFR 55-30, dated 11 Apr 83.

Freedoms Foundation Opens '83 Contest

Write An Essay On "WHAT PRICE FREEDOM?"

The Freedoms Foundation Essay Contest theme for 1983 is "What Price Freedom". The contest is open to members of the U.S. Armed Forces including Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, National Guard, Reserve, ROTC and Junior ROTC members.

The contest stimulates the thoughts of service members on the subject of freedom in the United States, say contest managers. They say it also calls attention to the obligations of all citizens, particularly those serving in the armed forces, to maintain and protect this freedom.

Essays may be 100 to 500 words long, and should include name, rank, social security number, branch of service and complete unit address, as well as permanent address and zip code. Junior ROTC entries must also include name and address of high school and name of military instructor.

Principal winners receive a framed George Washington Honor Medal and a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. They are notified in December, and their awards are officially announced and presented on George Washington's birthday.

Other winners receive awards of \$50 U.S. Savings Bonds, Honor Medals and Honor Certificates. These recipients are announced on Washington's birthday and awards are presented in local ceremonies.

Prizes for armed forces members are sponsored by the Military Order of the Purple Heart, while the Women's Overseas Service League sponsors prizes for those in the youth category.

To enter or to obtain more information on the contest, write to: Freedoms Foundation at Vally Forge, Awards Administration, Valley Forge, PA 19481. Remember, entries must reach the foundation on or before October 1, 1983.

... when we assumed the soldier,
we did not lay aside the citizen."

George Washington



Personnel policy expected

By CMS JACK MAYNARD
Senior Enlisted Advisor

In 1982 ANG strength exceeded the historic level of 100,000 personnel. Your success in recruiting and retention contributed significantly to this achievement, but this is the need to reprogram funding due to inadequate military personnel appropriations. This, coupled with ANG-wide officer and airman manning imbalances, dictates a need for new policy to reduce overages, while we continue to concentrate on precision recruiting. Skill imbalances are highly visible to senior Air Force leaders via the UNITREP system, and a combined condition of UMD vacancies and force-wide overages can impair our ability to compete for funding in the budget process.

Our goal is to achieve 100% manning of all UMD positions, exclusive of the student pipeline. An ANG regulation with expanded policy guidance on the assignment of personnel is currently being drafted and should be provided to all States for comment by the end of August.

All ANG commanders are required to perform an indepth review of their manning with emphasis on the disposition of position overages. Every effort will be made to encourage retraining of excesses into shortages. Critical skill vacancies will be identified for priority fill action by retraining or recruitment of prior service or non-prior service personnel. Reenlistment and extension of UMD overage personnel should be permitted only if specialty manning will not exceed 100%. Increased emphasis on the selective retention process will provide adequate promotion opportunity through a continual movement of personnel into, through, and from the ANG.

Wanted

Personnel to fill the following vacancies within the Supply Complex of the 192nd Resource Management Squadron.

64550 SSG Customer Support
64550 SGT Customer Support
63150 SGT Fuels Branch
63130 A1C Fuels Branch

If you are presently in an overage position; if you are willing to work and learn; if you want to ensure your VaANG future; come talk to us. Interviews invited.

Units are not to recruit or assign personnel in excess of UMD authorizations or projected known losses. This 100% manning policy applies to all enlisted positions and all rated and non-rated officer positions with the exception of physician authorizations (AFSC 93XX, 94XX, 95XX). Personnel chargeable to the student pipeline will be assigned to the student flight.

Personnel are to be enlisted only against UMD vacancy or a projected known loss, regardless of the specialty involved.

Prudent management precludes recruiting, training, or retaining airmen in AFSCs in which a unit is overmanned. In an era of limited resources, we must use all personnel management tools to achieve the goal of 100% manning of UMD positions. With your understanding and personal attention, and the help of all commanders and supervisors, we can achieve this objective.

Ask the BCA

Watch your weight

By MSG GARY BROOKS

Q. I have heard rumors about being kicked out of the unit if I am on the Weight Control Program. What's going on?

A. First of all, no one is going to be separated from the Air National Guard for being on the Weight Control Program. If a person is not making satisfactory progress, that's another story. What, I am sure, you are referring to is note 3 to the Administrative Actions Chart for Weight Control Program as stated in a 28 March 1983, NGB policy guidance package, NGB Log 83-712. Note 3 states, "a member entered into the weight control program who reaches ETS will not be permitted to reenlist. Extensions may be granted for a period not to exceed the time it will take to achieve the maximum allowable weight at the established rate of weight loss. Commanders may also establish a shorter period or deny reenlistment/extension in appropriate cases. Minimum extension period is six months."

You might be interested to know there is no longer a weight averaging concept. A loss of 6 pounds per 60 days now constitutes satisfactory progress. Each 60-day observation period will be evaluated independently of any other observation period.

Military vacancies

The following are vacant Active Duty Positions with the Air National Guard Program, with duty station at the ANG Support Center, Andrews AFB, MD:

MVA	PSN	MAX GRD	CLOSEOUT
83-13A	Ground Safety Supervisor	E8	20Jul83
83-14A	Recruiting Programs NCO	E8	20Jul83

Additional information about these positions may be obtained in the CBPO Customer Service Center, Ext. 310.

Consolidated Base Personnel Office offers help

What is the Customer Service Center? The Customer Service Center is the single focal point for obtaining information and serves as the initial point of contact between you, the customer, and personnel. The CSC is responsible for assisting other CBPO workcenters in total mission accomplishment. Our Customer Service Center will provide you the assurance that someone is available, does care, has the expertise, and will assist you in resolving any personnel problem. Some of the services provided by our Customer Service Center are as follows:

1. Accepts and processes changes of address and telephone numbers.
2. Reaccomplish DD Forms 93, Record of Emergency Data.
3. Prepare and verify requests for identification cards.
4. Provide answers or responses to written, telephone, or personal queries.
5. Perform as OPR for the PERSONNEL INSIGHT Program.
6. Prepare and process communications requesting change of name, social security account number, and birth information.

You are encouraged to stop by and visit our Customer Service Center. Location is in room 23 in the O&T Building. The NCOIC of the Customer Service Center is MSG John Rollings. MSG Rollings is assisted by TSG Gary E. Smith, SSG Deborah McEndree, SGT Patricia Buschbaum, and SRA "Niki" Williams. Together, their experience totals over 50 years. Telephone queries can be made by dialing Extensions 309/310. The Customer Service Center will be providing special articles on various topics in future VANGUARD publications. REMEMBER! We want to help. Stop in and see us.