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TICE TOP PILOT

Capt. Michael H. Tice was awarded the HIANG Outstanding Interceptor Pilot Award for noteworthy performance at the June 10 ceremonies at Hickam AFB. Capt. Tice was the winner of the 199th FIS Profile Competition of 1972, for intercepting unknown targets guided solely by Ground Control Intercept. He received the "Top Gun" award for 1972. He is one of the top five scorers of a field of 41 pilots for the Profile Competition of 1973. As an additional duty, Tice was the squadron's support officer, responsible for briefing pilots on survival techniques enabling them to react to any in-flight or ground emergency through the use of their equip-

CAMP 'SUCCESS

Nearly 600 men and women swelled the strength of the 154th FIG to 95 percent of its assigned strength during the unit's annual training period last month. "The week was highly successful. We can be happy with the overall results of the performance of our assigned missions," said Lt. Col. James Lota, group training officer.

F-102 sorties for the period numbered 26. Unfortunately, one aircraft, piloted by Capt. James Moncrief, was lost the morning of June 9. The aircraft crashed into Keehi Lagoon, not far from the approach to runway 4-right. Capt. Moncrief jettisoned and was recovered uninjured from the water. Salvage operations have been completed and as of this writing an investigation is in progress.

C-54 sorties numbered 22 during support activities to Kauai. Major Richard Tokairin, operations staff officer, reported a 100 percent operational readiness during the period. A group of 30 members of the 150 AC&W Squadron were given an orientation flight over Kauai and Niihau, a first time experience well appreciated by all.

ment and reaction procedures. 199th FIS Commander Lt. Col. Tai Hong added, "Capt. Tice is known for his positive, can-do attitude without fanfare. He just has the desire to do better."

DRESS & APPEARANCE

Col. Robert B. Maguire, Commander HIANG, outlined the HIANG requirements for personal appearance in a directive of June 15. In essence, the directive indicated that appearance will conform to the provisions of AFM 35-10. HIANG personnel are encouraged to consult AFM 35-10 for further information.

During summer camp, inspections were made at the Hickam BX. MSgt. Mansfield noted in a recent interview that violations were numerous during the first two days of camp. However, there followed four consecutive days without complaints. He indicated that he was pleased with this improved performance and again asked that the few men who do not conform not risk the privileges for all Hawaii Guardsmen.

VON in FIVE-0



SSgt. Gary Von (flight line) just signed up for his seventh appearance on "Hawaii Five-0". Next month's shooting will probably find him in another of his "bad guy" roles. Says Gary, "doing 'Singapore File' and 'Forty Feet High' was fun and the pay is great too." Keep your eyes open for Gary on "Hawaii Five-0".



Stopped by the Radar Docks on our recent reporting jaunt, and guess what? ...nobody playing ping pong! However, SSgt. Randall Sasaki and TSgt. Herbert Okamoto have challenged anybody in the unit to a doubles match. We understand that Radar Shop has so much faith in their challengers that they are putting up two steaks as stakes. Now that's real spirit!

HORSESHOES ANYONE? Radar Shop has just installed a horseshoes ring in the grass area Diamond Head of the MG-10 docks. Everyone is welcome to play. If the horseshoes aren't out at the ring, just ask for them at the Radar Shop. Thanks, you guys in Radar!

If you can believe what you hear, the swingiest bartender in Waikiki today is none other than AGE MSgt. Richard Deveas. He's mixing them strong and fast at Trader Vic's in the International Market Place.

Under the category of "we'll gettum next time: Confident that the ORI was coming on Wednesday of summer camp, the entire Motorpool gang slept overnight in the shop Tuesday, or at least tried to sleep. Can you imagine a night on their concrete floor with Tovaes and Meyer snoring like diesel trucks? Better luck next time, fellows!

NEED A BRIDGE OR A HIGHWAY BUILT? See Sgt. Gerald Akai in the Security Police Sq. He just graduated from the University of Hawaii with a degree in civil engineering. "He's an excellent Security Policeman and we have him on OJT for a supervisor position," reports MSgt. Mansfield. Congratulations Gerald!

Baby Keith DeMello arrived the third day of summer camp. Proud father, Harold DeMello just transferred from Engine Shop to the Left Insp. Decks...

DON'T MISS....MISS JULY....SHE'S JUST INSIDE

OLD FRIENDS - NEW JOB

If you like working and relaxing with old friends, doing something exciting and different, and making a few bucks at the same time, you'll like Rudy Laconsay's style.

Sgt Laconsay (flight line) joined the Hawaii Air National Guard in March 1971. He liked the excitement of working on jet fighters after his active duty experience with C-130's. It was a real change of pace from his daily job as a shipfitter at Pearl Harbor.

Then one day, Rudy ran into his old friend Kenneth Langaman. They'd served in other C-130 units on USAF active duty.

"Why not spend a little of your spare time with HIANG," was Rudy's pitch to Kenneth. "The money is good, and I know we both enjoy working on aircraft."

In March 1973 Kenneth joined his friend Rudy and signed with HIANG on the "Try One" program. In his own words, he is turning his spare time this year into about \$850, a lot of job satisfaction and relaxation with old friends.

Meanwhile, the "old recruiter", Sgt. Rudy Laconsay, is making sure that he gets to serve with his friends. He has another buddy just about ready to try one with HIANG.



RUDY AND KENNETH SET-UP DEUCE

And what is Rudy doing with all that bonus money? Says Sgt. Langaman, "He offered to buy me lunch....at the mess hall."

THUNDERBIRDS RETURN TO HAWAII

THE THUNDERBIRDS WILL RETURN TO HAWAII IN TWO SHOWS IN OCTOBER. WE'LL HAVE MORE INFORMATION FOR YOU NEXT MONTH SO KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE THUNDERBIRDS.

WHAT MAKES AN ACE ?

AIR FORCE ACES....GREAT NEW FACT BOOK IN THE INFORMATION OFFICE. DETAILS THE CAREERS OF SUCH GREATS AS RICKENBACKER, BONG AND LUKE. STOP IN FOR A LOOK.

DON'T CALL THE SECURITY POLICE!

WHO'S THAT FLYING MY BIRD ?

Two outstanding new pilots have just returned from flight school to duties with the 199th FIS. Take a minute to get to know them.

2nd. Lt. Bob Darrow is an Honor Graduate who returned from Columbus AFB, Miss. in May. A physical education major at the University of Hawaii, he moved to the islands in 1970 from Anaheim California. 2nd. Lt. Darrow, whose wife is René, counts his favorite pastimes as sky diving and water sports.

2nd. Lt. Robert St. Clair, better known as "Saint", is a computer programmer/analyst for the Kentron Corp. He earned a degree in electrical engineering from the U.of H. in 1971 and was about to join the Air Force when he found that he could fly with the Guard. "Saint" moved here from San Diego about five years ago. He and wife Beth are active in a number of activities from skin diving to piano playing.



DARROW & ST. CLAIR...NEW F-102 PILOTS

HIANG TO GET TV

A new Closed Circuit Television system will be installed at the 154th Fighter Interceptor Group headquarters within the year. The system will consist of a video tape recorder and a camera, with a dubbing unit and six television monitors for viewing.

The system of monitors will be distributed at selected HIANG unit offices so groups will be able to view live or taped television broadcasts simultaneously, at different locations. The broadcasts will enable direct communications from a single point for live audio-visual contact and other instructional or training purposes.

TSgt. Guy M. Matsuguma recently attended a special Closed Circuit Television conference in Little Rock, Ark. to gain proficiency in operating the CCTV unit to be installed locally. TSgt. Matsuguma, assigned to the flight simulator, will maintain and operate the system when it arrives.

Back from the NCO Academy and a tour in New York including the United Nations, is TSgt. Sereheyo Calma (Acft. Insp. Docks) who made it just in time for summer camp.

HOW'S THE WEATHER?

Learn to be a professional weather forecaster. That's just one of the opportunities available in HIANG today.

Capt. Wyman Au outlined the opportunities available in the Weather Flight. Openings exist for one officer and one enlisted man in forecasting. These are highly professional positions offering a chance for up to two years of college level training in meteorology at a private university on the mainland. College credits are given for the work.

If this kind of professional training interests you or you have a friend in the field of meteorology, especially with previous service, contact Capt. Au today and discuss your future in the Hawaii Air National Guard as a weather specialist. Phone 449-2271.



A1C GAVIN HELPS SSGT SUEYOSHI PLOT WEATHER

EMPLOYERS SIGN PACT SUPPORTING GUARDSMEN

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NGAUS) Fifteen million employees have been assured by more than 1400 employers that participation in the National Guard will not limit their career opportunities, according to the Department of Defense.

The National Committee for Employer support for the Guard and Reserves, headed by J.M. Roche, former chairman of the board for General Motors, has been conducting a drive to gain the support and understanding of civilian employers for their Guard employees.

The participating employers have signed a pledge that their employees will be granted military leave without loss of vacation time for Guard duty, that career opportunities will not be limited, and that these policies will be made known throughout their firms.

ENTER NATIONAL GUARD PHOTO CONTEST

Four \$150 cash prizes and four \$75 cash prizes are up for grabs in the NGB-NGAUS Photo Contest. Contest closes Sept. 14 and only photos taken between 2 Sept 72 and 10 Sept 73 are eligible. Contact the Public Affairs Office, Fort Ruger for rules, entry forms or further information at 732-1711 or 737-8839.

JOB FAIR

Job Fair is devoted to helping Hawaii Air Guardsmen who have completed tech school and are seeking civilian employment in their skill areas. If you can find a place for them in your business, contact them directly through information provided here. Anyone who needs special skilled personnel may also publish their help wanted listings here. It is hoped this will be a regular service provided by Kukailimoku.

Ann. John Bartolome, Waipahu '72. Just completed 33 wks. avionics navigation systems school, and had 1 yr. electronics in high school. Contact at Comm/Nav Shop.

Sgt. Steve Kamaura, Univ. of Hawaii, B.A. Marketing, '73. Steve is interested in most any job leading to middle management. Presently a part-time captain at the Shores restaurant in the Waikiki Shores Hotel. Considering OCS. Contact at Comm/Nav Shop.

Ann. Thomas Lee, St. Louis High '72. Just completed 29 wks. avionics communications school. Interested in any job in electronics or electrical field. Would prefer apprentice type program leading to advancement. Contact him at Comm/Nav Shop. Plans to enter Leeward C.C. in Sept.

ALOHA PARTY HONORS "RITT" AND "SAL"

MSgt. "Ritt" Rittmeister and TSgt. "Sal" Salvador were guests of honor at a nine course Chinese dinner hosted by the 154th Air Technician Detachment, to celebrate their retirement. Entertainment was by Mrs. George Meyer, George Wela, Louis Perry and Frank Farley. Highlight of the night was Thomas Tsuruda's poem; in part it read, "The time has come to bid you adieu. Drop in and say 'how do you do' Memories of friendship they leave behind, The 154th will be on their mind."

PEARL HARBOR'S NEW EXCHANGE OPEN

Pearl Harbor opened the world's largest single floor military exchange June 30. With two acres of sales area, the store is stocked with \$6 million worth of goods for one-stop purchasing.

Located near the Navy Commissary on Plantation Drive across from the Public Works Center, the new exchange will consolidate parts of both the Submarine Base and Naval Station exchanges. Parking will accommodate up to 1,427 cars in front of the store.

KUKAILIMOKU CHANGES

The Kukailimoku adds two new staff members as of this issue. Capt. Sherwood Chock replaces Capt. Robert Bean as information officer for the 154th FIG. Sgt. Tom Rader assumes new duties as information specialist and editor of this newspaper. Sgt. Rader was formerly with the 154th CAM Squadron as a maintenance specialist.

Capt. Chock was previously assigned as an information officer with the 51st FIW based at Naha AB, Okinawa. He is a graduate of the University of Hawaii and the USAF Information Officer's Graduate Program, School of Public Communications, Boston University. He is currently the director of advertising and public relations for the Hilton Hotels (Hilton Hawaiian Village and Kona Hilton) in Hawaii.

Sgt. Rader majored in history and political science at the University of Kansas before moving to Hawaii to join Sheraton Hotels. He is currently director of advertising for Sheraton Hawaii Corp.

For the first time in its recent history Kukailimoku is going to press with photos. A new process using screened photographic prints enables the Multilith press, run by SSgt. Kenneth Young and Sgt. Dennis Fujii to produce the newspaper as you see it now.

Photography for the newspaper is provided through the able services of SSgt. Roy Kawamura and Sgt. Ronald Lim of the group photo lab.

With the capacity for photographic reproduction, the news staff of Kukailimoku in cooperation with your unit information representatives and other news sources, it is hoped that the 154th FIG will be able to provide HIANG readers with a top quality newspaper.

MORE... "RADAR"

Congratulations to Sgt. Greg Kiaha (flight line) and wife Lynn. Stork brought them a beautiful baby girl, Malia Leiko, in April.

Congratulations to Sgt. Clyde Torigoe (weapons shop) and his new bride Margo, just married May 24th. Sgt. Torigoe is going tech status for 90 days starting in July.

HELP US GET THE NEWS!

THE NEW STAFF OF YOUR NEWSPAPER AND THE INFORMATION OFFICE IS REALLY INTERESTED IN BRINGING YOU INFORMATION OF INTEREST. PLEASE HELP US BY CALLING US WHEN YOU HAVE AN ITEM OF INTEREST. YOU DON'T HAVE TO WRITE IT DOWN, PUT IT IN A MEMO, OR ANYTHING... EXCEPT CALL US..... 449-6840.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SPORTS ?

WOULD YOU BELIEVE WE DON'T HAVE A SPORTS EDITOR? LET US KNOW WHAT THE SCORE IS WITH YOUR TEAM AND WE'LL REPORT IT. AND, IF YOU'D LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO BE SPORTS EDITOR... COME UP TO THE OFFICE!