# The Hawk Talk

The 37TRW weekly rundown of events, news and need-to-know information



## Warhawks,

I hope you had a great weekend. We wrapped up last week with broadcasting FreeForm Friday from Keesler AFB, where the Chief Morgan and I were attending the 2nd AF change of command. You can read more about Maj Gen Edmondson's assumption of command <a href="here">here</a> and take a look at last week's Freeform Friday: Season 2, Episode 3) as Chief Morgan and I livestreamed from the Bay Breeze Events Center on Keesler. A big thanks to both the 81 TRW and 2 AF staff for their hospitality.

As many of you know the Health Protection Condition increased to Bravo+. This means all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, are required to wear their mask indoors. We are seeing a rise in the local area with the Delta Variant. I have stated for several months now in a multitude of forums, I

encourage you to get vaccinated if you have not done so already. I fully respect each member's right to make that decision for themselves, and understand there are medical and religious reasons for others. However, I encourage you to arm yourselves with knowledge about how the vaccine is helping fight the spread of COVID. Vaccinations are readily available and I ask you to consider getting vaccinated to ensure your own health, the health of your friends and family and the health of our students/trainees.

We have worked very hard as a wing to fight through COVID and we are now getting "Back to Better." We will continue to adhere to JBSA guidance and take precautions; but we also want to reward and showcase the efforts of



those within the wing. Please join me at our **2nd Quarter Awards Ceremony on 4 Aug at 1530 in the PRC Auditorium.** See the attached flyer for details. I have authorized the wear of civilian summerthemed attire for this event. Please bring your noise makers, guidons, wear your favorite summer shirt/shorts and show some squadron pride. We are bringing back the Spirit Trophy and the unit that

displays and shows the most spirit will be awarded the trophy. Your unit will add a little more to the trophy and have the opportunity to display it for the quarter. The event will be held in compliance with all JBSA mandates to include mask wear and the 40% capacity limit. Fortunately, the PRC Auditorium lends itself towards both meeting CDC guidelines and to building morale!

## **QUARTERLY AWARDS CEREMONY:**

Please join us to recognize this quarter's 37 TRW Quarterly Award nominees and award winners. The theme is Summer Fun.

Who: 37 TRW Personnel

What: 37 TRW Quarterly Awards Ceremony

When: 4 August, 1530-1630

Where: Pfingston Reception Center Auditorium in compliance with all JBSA COVID Directives Why: To recognize the 37 TRW award nominees who, with you, have assisted us in getting "Back to

Better". We look forward to hearing and seeing your enthusiasm after a long hiatus!

# **WARHAWKS OF THE WEEK:**

## Congratulations to our Warhawk Wingmen of the Week:

**TSgt Derek Douglas:** Sergeant Douglas is a member of the 737 TRSS and is assigned an instructor at the MTI School. TSgt Douglas was the first instructor to use our newly issued iPad devices to conduct student evaluations and provide feedback. TSgt Douglas was able to conduct a proof of concept in response to a recent COVID exposure in his class. Instead of sitting in quarantine and missing class ime, the MTIS cadre conducted evaluations and instruction over Zoom.

SSgt Carli D. Briscoe-Deroo: Sergeant Briscoe-Deroo is an MTI assigned to the 737<sup>th</sup> Training Support



Squadron and leads as the Non-Commissioned Officer In-Charge of Basic Military **Training Coordinator** position. Sergeant Briscoe-Deroo led the squadron commander's Restriction of Movement coordination for nine BMT line squadrons. Furthermore, she assumed the responsibility of the 37<sup>th</sup> Training Wing Commander's over 30 day metrics tasker for all Airman assigned to the 737 TRSS. In less than a week, she revamped the statistics tracker to combine

all in-bound, return to training, and discharged member's status.

**A1C Jamari Bailey:** A1C Jamari Bailey is a member of the 321st Training Squadron and is assigned as the Commanders Support Staff. A1C Bailey stood out during Trainee pick up week on 18-21 Feb by

supporting the 737th Training Group by administering 836 initial COVID-19 pre-screenings, normally conducted by Military Training Instructors, to newly arriving Trainees. A1C Bailey identified 10 potential cases and isolated 4 positive cases ensuring limited transmission rates across BMT.

**TSgt Michael Archam:** TSgt Michael Archam is a member of the 321st Training Squadron and is assigned as an MTI. TSgt Archam stood out this week by supporting the 321st Training Squadron by delivering military uniforms to Airmen, administering PT tests to new Trainees and providing mission coverage for a Wingman. TSgt Archam worked with BMT's supporting agency, Clothing Issue, to transport and deliver over 500 duffle bags full of military uniform items to Trainees currently in Restriction of Movement status.

## **INNOVATION:**

• San Antonio Innovation Summit: With the theme of Accelerate Change, the summit takes place Aug. 3-4 at the Henry B. González Convention Center. The event – a partnership between the Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center, Air Force Civil Engineer Center, Air Force Security Forces Center, Air Force Services Center, Air Force Personnel Center, Air Education and Training Command and AFWERX – will bring innovation collaboration opportunities to an expanded installation and mission support audience. Registration is free and the summit is open to everyone including military, civilians, community members and industry. To register, visit <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/afpcafimsc-innovation-collaboration-tickets-160681489661">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/afpcafimsc-innovation-collaboration-tickets-160681489661</a>.

# **OF NOTE:**

- Updated JBSA Mask guidance: Read the latest guidance here.
  - Installation gate availability and hours: https://www.jbsa.mil/Gate-Hours
  - o Morale, Welfare and Recreation opportunities: <u>www.JBSAToday.com</u>
  - For the latest COVID updates and an expanded list of available services, please visit <u>www.jbsa.mil/coronavirus</u>. There is detailed information under "Facilities and Services Statuses."
- **JBSA Jurist**: Check out the JBSA Jurist (attached) for advice about home repairs and remodeling projects; as well as for contact information for your local JA office.
- **JBSA Military Personnel Customer Service Changes**. Effective June 2021, USID card expiration dates have been extended. Please see below for expiration date changes:
  - 31 Aug 21 All Foreign Affiliates/Dependents
  - 31 Oct 21 Dependents of AD; Reserve/National Guard members and their dependents
  - 31 Jan 22 Retirees and their dependents; all other populations
- HAF/A1 revised policy on Special Leave Accrual (SLA) extension: On 1 October 21, eligible Service members (active service between 1 Oct 20 30 Sep 21) who have annual leave in excess of 60 days as shown on their Sep 21 Leave and Earnings Statement are automatically approved for SLA and may carry the balance (not to exceed 120 days) until 30 Sep 2024. Leaveweb may not accurately reflect individual use/lose balances. Members must ensure they have no

rejected leave requests, if they do, first step is to coordinate with their CSS. If CSS is unsuccessful, the CSS should submit an inquiry to CSP for assistance. DAF Guidance on SLA memo is attached.

# **AROUND THE 37TRW**

#### **IAAFA**

- IAAFA enables bed down of HH-60G PAVEHAWK Ground Instruction Training Aid (GITA) at 37 TRG maintenance instructors and International Military Students from IAAFA's 318th TRS provided key assistance enabling the successful addition of an HH-60G to the 344th TRS's training arsenal. IAAFA's members received the aircraft, de-fueled it, towed it into the hangar and primed it as a training aid. This inter-squadron activity provided a unique hands-on training event for IAAFA's IMS, cut 37 TRG's costs and reinforced the training wing's collaborative initiatives.
- IAAFA Cements Security Cooperation Staff/Cadre Training: in addition to its education and training mission, IAAFA's serves as AETC's key security cooperation mechanism in Latin America. The strategic importance of this mission requires a talented and skilled group of personnel who can deliver both in-residence and in host-country instruction. To meet this need, IAAFA created a robust security cooperation curriculum for all cadre and staff; this courseware includes nine training milestones, security seminars and virtual modules in collaboration with the Defense Security Cooperation University (DSCU). IAAFA personnel who successfully complete this training and meet the highest professional standards will deliver curriculum via Mobile Training Teams (MTTs) and other TDY mechanisms.

#### 737 TRG:

- Back to Better: Team BMT continues to enhance graduation experiences by bringing back 'old' events. Thursday marked the second iteration of a "New Spouse Orientation" which takes place in the form the graduation.
  - just before the graduation ceremony. Spouses and significant others are introduced to a world of acronyms and supporting agencies with ample opportunities to ask questions from more seasoned spouses and subject matter experts from around JBSA.
- Graduation: The graduating squadron this week is the 322TRS. There are 673 Airmen projected to graduate. To watch last week's graduation, click here.



#### **DLIELC:**

Virtual Symposium: On 24 Jul 21, as part of the U.S. State Department, English Language Programs (ELP), DLIELC attended and presented to more than 60 International English Language Professionals at the 2021 Black English Language Professional and Friends (BELPAF) - Action Teaching English as Second Language Caribbean (ATC) Virtual Symposium. The theme for the symposium was



Creating and Sustaining Vibrant English Language Teaching (ELT) Communities Across the Globe. Attendance and participation in the symposium by a DLIELC staff showcases its commitment to partner with the Teaching English as a Second Language (TESOL) community, diverse staff member experiences, and medium to stay current in advances in second language acquisition.

## **37TRG:**

• HH-60 Landed and Converted for Training: Last week the 58 SOW delivered a HH-60G PaveHawk right to the door of the 344thTRS! Coordination was initiated to secure the HH-60 upon its retirement. IAAFA provided recovery and bed-down support once the aircraft landed. Students are now afforded the opportunity to learn and instructors to train first-hand on this training device. The HH-60G will benefit 2,300 Airmen in training annually. Special thanks to our fellow teammates for making this happen, including MSgt Liscomb and IAAFA for



ensuring a smooth execution and hand over! The PaveHawk is right at home!

• **Building Partnerships:** 37 TRG partnered with the 737th TRG to talk with parents during the BMT graduation about what Airmen and parents can expect during tech training. A different tech training squadron will be assigned each week to attend the BMT graduation and MTL's will talk with parents from 0715-0815 at the Pfingston Reception Center (PRC) every Thursday.

- Don't miss out on the Key Family (Spouse) events and National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) support groups available regularly. Learn more about NAMI at <a href="https://www.nami-sat.org/nami-connection">https://www.nami-sat.org/nami-connection</a>
- Also, it's time to learn about TSP Thrift Savings Plan! See either the Warhawk University or our calendar for updates on free webinars. Just scan the QR code below for our calendar or go to: https://teamup.com/event/show/id/1ZMGJsxwTZEF6AjXT4yeggYinv6U6n.
- LASTLY, don't forget to email your submissions for our wing-wide logo contest! The D&I Council is looking for an artist or team to design a meaningful and inspirational symbol. Please disseminate around your groups to ensure everyone has access to this request (inclusion is part of our mission ©) to see if there's anyone who has interest in crafting a symbol that will capture the importance and significance of D&I and Air Force pride. Send all submissions to the 37 TRW D&I Council (37trw.dei.council@us.af.mil) SUSP 09 August. Please submit in .pdf, .png, .jpg, .jpeg formats.



• Bookmark the TeamUp link <a href="https://teamup.com/ks4s41xupxuidzmv53">https://teamup.com/ks4s41xupxuidzmv53</a> or scan the QR code. We share D&I events from around the wing, JBSA, locally, and nationally. **Email us** any D&I events, webinars, trainings, etc., you find as well as YOUR squadron/group events to <a href="mailto:37trw.dei.council@us.af.mil">37trw.dei.council@us.af.mil</a>. You can download the app for instant access and create your own dashboard on TeamUp and include the Warhawk U calendar as well.

# **WARHAWK UNIVERSITY:**



**Upcoming Courses:** Scan the QR code for the latest opportunities.

Got questions about Training & Development? Find out more

at: 37TRW.Warhawk.University@us.af.mil

# **Social Connection:**

Freeform Friday: Watch Season 2, Episode 3.

 Maybe you are new to the Warhawk family and have not heard of Freeform Friday yet? If not, be sure to follow us on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/37thTrainingWing.">https://www.facebook.com/37thTrainingWing.</a>

## Feedback:



## Let your voice be heard! Use Warhawk Solutions to submit feedback!

We hear you! When you submit a Warhawk Solutions, your questions/concerns are brought to leadership's attention. Answers are provided in various forums such as FreeForm Friday which is hosted live each Friday on the <u>37th TRW</u> Facebook Page; commander's calls, and the <u>37th TRW</u> Website.

# **JBSA Happenings & Upcoming Events:**

- Aquatics
  - Skylark Pool: Closed for maintenance and repair until further notice.
  - Warhawk Pool: Open for Recreation Swimming
    - Wed-Fri; 1-7 p.m.
    - Sat-Sun; Noon to 8 p.m.
- Bowling
  - Single Military Member Nights: Single active-duty military members can bowl three games with shoe rental included every Thursday from 4:30-7:30 p.m.
  - August Special Bowling Promotions
    - Tuesday and Wednesday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
    - Bowl for only \$7.50 an hour
    - Thursday Open to close
    - Join us for three games for only \$5, what a great deal!
    - Friday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
    - Join us for three games for only \$5, what a super deal!
    - Frequent Diner Card: Patrons can pick up a Frequent Diner Card at any JBSA Bowling or Golf Snack Bar. Once they have purchased 10 combo meals they will get the 11th combo free.

#### • Club

VARIETY NIGHT: The Gateway Club hosts Variety Night on Aug. 6 and Aug. 13 as DJ
 Tony Style plays a wide variety of music from 5-10 p.m.in the Lone Star Lounge. Relax in the lounge or enjoy the weather out on the patio with pool tables and big screen TVs.

## • CHAPMAN FITNESS CENTER

- August Daily Challenge
  - Monday-Friday during August 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Come in to the Chapman Fitness Center and try to complete the following challenges:

Most pushups completed in one minute Most pull-ups completed in one minute

Most air squats completed in one minute At the end of each week we will announce the weekly winner and prizes will be given out.

#### WARHAWK FITNESS CENTER

o Indoor Triathlon Aug. 6 • 1130 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. • Free: Are you a competitor? Challenge yourself or a co-worker to compete in this fun Indoor Triathlon! This challenge is set to push and inspire gym goers of all levels and abilities. The distances have been chosen so you can complete the challenge in one visit to the gym. Registration is not required. For more information, call (210) 671-2016.

#### Golf

○ WARRIOR GOLF SCRAMBLE Aug. 6 • 12:30 p.m. Start: The cost for this golf scramble is \$30 for members and \$40 for nonmembers. Price includes greens fee, golf cart and lunch for players. Sign up through The Greens @ JBSA App. Golfers will be sent their start times and all the necessary information. All current HPCON guidance will be followed. Those without the App can stop by the Pro Shop or call (210) 671-3466 to sign up.

#### Outdoor Recreation

Equipment for Summer Fun: Outdoor Recreation offers a full list of party items for your summer fun to include tables, chairs, cotton candy machines, margarita machines, party speakers, champagne fountains and many more items. Come in and take a tour of our equipment and ask our front desk employees for assistance in finding the right equipment

> Bounce Houses: \$113 per weekend Dunk Tank: \$105 per weekend Margarita Machine: \$83 per weekend Chaffing Dishes: \$8 per weekend Chocolate Fountain: \$8 per weekend Party Speakers: \$30 per weekend

# • Youth Programs

- First Steps Fall Soccer Registration Now thru Aug. 13: Children ages 3-5 years old learn the fundamentals of soccer in a non-game/team format. First Steps teaches the basic fundamentals of soccer. Parents are required to participate as an extension of the instructor. The cost is \$35 per child. Each weekly session last for one hour. Registration will take place at the Lackland Youth Programs and the season starts on Sept. 13 and ends Oct. 21. For more information, please call (210) 671-2388.
- National Root Beer Float Drive Thru Aug. 6 5-7 p.m.: Cool off with a cold root beer float for National Root Beer Float Day at Lackland Youth Programs. The drive-through station will be located in the Youth Programs parking lot. This free event is open to all military families and will be open while supplies last. For more information, call (210) 671-2388.
- Back to School Bash Aug. 13 4-6 p.m.: Gear up to go back to school with one last bash before the class bell rings! Join Lackland Youth Programs for a day of fun in the sun with food, games,

prizes and more! This free event takes place in the backyard of Youth Programs and is open to all military families. For more information, call (210) 671-2388.

# News across the 37th TRW/Air Force/Space Force/DOD:

- Click here for the latest news from the 37 TRW.
- Click <u>here</u> for the latest news around the Air Force.
- Click <u>here</u> for the latest news around the Space Force.
- Click <u>here</u> for the latest news around the DoD.

# The 37 TRW History Office:

If you're a history buff you need to check out what your 37 TRW history office is all about. Check it out here:

https://www.facebook.com/103405661580662/videos/2816829155249392

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