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I approve the publication and forward to the MAR Historian to be forwarded to NHQ.

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INTRODUCTION OF WING STAFF

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Chief of Staff: Nikki Shaffner

Lieutenant Colonel

Deputy Chief of Staff for
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Captain

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Brogan

Lieutenant Colonel

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Bailey

Lieutenant Colonel

Command NCO: Charles
McManus

Master Sergeant

SUMMARY NARRATIVE OF MAJOR ACTIVITIES

Chapter I OPERATIONS

Search and Rescue

Hawk Mountain Ranger School offered a virtual Winter Ranger Course on February 13-14, 2021. Courses offered were Basic Winter Operations; Basic Ranger Course; Advance Ranger Course; and the Special Advance Ranger Course.

On February 15th, Lt. Col. Stanley, Wing Director for Cadet Programs published the Wings Goals for 2021. Under Emergency Services, the goal was to have 75% of the squadron's cadets General Emergency Services qualified, as part of the Quality Cadet Unit Award.

On February 19th, Major Carnes, Wing Emergency Services Officer shared with the Wing a Emergency Services Training Flow chart that showed all the training requirement for the specific air, ground and staff positions. Major Carnes is running a Mission Support Assistant Training on-line for the Wing on April 1st and 15th.

Additionally, the schedule for the 2021 National Emergency Services Academy was released to the Wing. As of February, the in-resident courses would be held and registration was open.

On March 13th, Group 1 conducted a combined GTM 3, 2 and GTL training at Florence with both Florence and Sumter Composite Squadrons. Captain Nason from Sumter conducted the GTM 3 and 2 training to 9 (8 cadets and 1 SM), and Major Carnes, Wing ES Officer conducted a GTL course for 4.

During the 2nd Quarter Wing Command Council, the Wing Emergency Services Officer Lieutenant Colonel Davidson discussed the future for the Wing. The main concern is to get squadrons back into training and out of the COVID restrictions. Return to the basics, develop a cadre of trainers and move forward with basic and advanced training.

The goals for this year:

General Emergency Services from 560 (84%) to 600 (90%) in the Wing.
Introduction to Communications Training of 376 (56%) to 600 (90%) in the Wing.
FEMA IS-100 of 404 (61%) to 600 (90%) in the Wing.
FEMA IS-200 of 235 (35%) to 600 (90%) in the Wing.
FEMA IS-700 of 370 (56%) to 600 (90%) in the Wing.
FEMA IS-800 of 164 (25%) to 600 (90%) in the Wing.
Mission Radio Operator of 82 (12%) to 500 (75%) in the Wing.
Urban Direction Finding Team of 73 (11%) to 500 (75%) in the Wing.

On April 29th, South Carolina Wing was notified of an ELT going off near Charleston Airport, assigned the mission number of 21-M-0179. Coastal Charleston responded with an Urban Direction Finding Team. The highly skilled and motivated UDF team made short work of the ELT, which was located with the aircraft on the civilian side of Charleston Airport.

Colonel Peterson was very appreciative of the excellent job of how the squadron organized and moved on the mission. The region commander Colonel Heinlein and the region command team passed their congratulations to Coastal Charleston Composite Squadron.

Aiken Composite Squadron held emergency services training in April, and offered a second session on May 22nd. This is in response to one of the Wing Commander's top priorities being emergency services. Sumter Composite Squadron is hosting ground team training June 5-6th.

Sumter also indicated of hosting a emergency services exercise that will involve ground teams, aircrews and some staff July 9-11. The exercise will consist of the alert, assembly, post disaster assessments, then searching for missing/isolated personnel. One of the major training objectives is air-to-ground communications.

Captain Nason from Sumter Composite Squadron provided Ground Branch Director training for the Wing. Lt. Col. Shaffner, Maj. Carnes and Maj. Williams participated as students in a two night training venue conducted over Teams. The first night was academics, the second was a practical exercise.

Greenville Composite Squadron hosted a Mission Staff Assistant training on the 17th of July to build up the capacity within the Wing.

Sumter Composite squadron hosted a GTM 1 and GTL training and recertification weekend July 10-11th at their squadron. Attending was Lt. Col. Shaffner who was re-certifying, Capt. Jane Proell and Lt. Don Proell earned GTL, Lt. Hendricks earned UDFC/SSgt Barwick earned GTM 1 and C/TSgt Hendricks achieved most of GTM 2.

ACE Basin Composite Squadron hosted a GTM3 and UDF training weekend on July 17-18, with Captain Nason from Sumter providing the instruction. Lt. Col. Monroe participated as well, providing a demonstration on how the unmanned aerial systems (UAS) can support emergency services operations. Two senior members and three cadets earned their GTM 3, and on Sunday two senior members and two cadets earned their UDF certification.

Greenville hosted a mission staff assistant training on July 17th. Capt David Bennett and Capt Karen Taylor, members of Greenville Composite Squadron and South Carolina Wing, presented the training.

Anderson Composite Squadron conducted first aid training on 31 July, at the unit

headquarters at Anderson Regional Airport, 5735 Airport Rd., Anderson, from 0830 to 1230. The first aid training class provided information and skills needed to help adults and children during many emergency situations with hands-on skills sessions and the latest first aid information and recommendations. Maj Ron Hardgrave, Group 3 commander, was the primary instructor.

The Mid-Atlantic Region announced that the search and rescue college will be conducted 10-12 September at Fort Pickett in Virginia. The Wing was advised that registration for the training will be released at a later date. Training will be a mixed between Online and at the site on Fort Pickett.

The new MAR SAR College was held 10 – 12 September at Fort Pickett in Blackstone, Virginia. This year's courses will be different in that most of the classroom instruction will be taught virtually in advance of the college. In this way, everyone will be better able to focus on advanced tasks when they are on site.

With the uptick in the Delta variant of COVID, the 2021 MAR-SAR college was changed to virtual only.

With the reversion to COVID Phase I, the Wing received specific and updated guidance concerning the participation in ES training and events on August 25th. Local training, not to exceed ten personnel was authorized. Aircrew training was authorized, as long as the crew wore masks and the cockpit cleaned.

On Friday, August 27th, the Wing was alerted to a 406 emergency boat beacon detected in vicinity of St. George SC. Lt. Col. Bailey contacted Capt. Nason to see if Sumter could form a team. The Sumter squadron was able to field a ground team consisting of Capt. Nason as the team leader, Lt. Col. Monroe as the assistant team leader/navigator, and 2nd Lt Nason as the scribe, team member in support of 21-M-0438.

Supporting the mission was an aircrew from Mount Pleasant under Lt. Col. Dean, and a second ground team under Captain Newell from Coastal Charleston. Using the location provided by the AFRCC, Capt. Nason provided SARTOPO maps that identified three potential search areas. The team deployed and arrived at the search area, interviewed locals as it was misunderstood that it was a boat beacon, and not an aircraft. Capt. Nason used the direction finding gear, however none of the receivers were capable of picking up the 406 signal.

The ground team coordinated with the aircrew, and moved to a staging area while the aircraft used the Becker system to attempt to locate the beacon. To make spotting the van easier, the team used orange duct tape to place a large "X" across the top of the van along with a small orange panel.

After not receiving the signal, the aircrew returned to base while the ground team continued a local search and interviewed homes with boats in the area. Using Google Earth, a boat was spotted nearby, and the team investigated. While a boat

was found, the owner was not home. After recording the information, the team returned to Sumter.

The Wing was tasked to help secure fatal crash scene for the next two nights for an aircraft that went down in the Walterboro area on October 23, 2021. Colonel Chris Peterson was initial Incident Commander (IC) and Lieutenant Grooms had assumed IC duty for the first operational period and Lieutenant Colonel Chris Davidson assumed the second operational period October 24th. A Ground Team deployed overnight from Aiken, Communications provided overnight support to the Ground Team.

Fifteen members participated in the mission over 24 hours totaling over 200 volunteer hours. Seven members from Aiken squadron maintained a safe zone around the crash site until the NTSB arrive this morning to begin their investigation. It was a clear cool night and much appreciation to the team for their dedication. Communications was maintained with the ground team throughout the night ensuring the safety of our members. Public Affairs were quick to get press releases out last night and on social media.

ACE Basin participated in the site security, with 1Lt Rachel Idol, TSgt Brian Idol, and C/2ndLt Nathan Mercer supporting the first night. The second team included MSgt McManus, Lt. Col. Tina Peterson, Major Tyler Hoover, and Capt. Rachel Mercer.

Sheriff Guerry `Buddy' Hill Jr expressed his sincere appreciation to CAP for the assistance. The mission isn't over though and will continue again this evening. It's been a long time since South Carolina Wing has had a real mission, especially with this number of participating for an overnight tasking. The Wing had limited in training opportunities with COVID restrictions over the last year but the squadron operated like nothing has happened and were professional in their duties.

The mission continued on October 24th, the Wing had three members from Ace Basin Squadron, two from SCWG Staff, and two from Mid-Atlantic Region Staff providing assistance at the site. We also had SCWG Director of Communications, Maj Ron Hardgrave and Charleston Squadron member 1Lt Brad Morris providing communications support along with several others providing additional support and taskings throughout the day yesterday.

On October 25th, the Wing moved into the third operational period, NTSB has requested the Wing provide support again, in which SCWG Command NCO, MSGT Dan McManus will be back out there as the Team Leader, along with additional personnel.

To the Wing's knowledge this is one of the longer non disaster missions it has had in a long time, and the command passed how proud of everyone that has volunteered to assist, with a total of 24 members, several with multiple roles, signed in so far. By the end of the 72-hour mission Aiken Composite Squadron, Charleston

Composite Squadron, ACE Basin Composite Squadron supported by the South Carolina Wing and the Mid-Atlantic Region Staff.

Disaster Response

On January 30th, the Wing conducted an Incident Command Post exercise where the staff conducted a disaster response, an earthquake in vicinity of the Thurmon Dam. Key points was the exercise was conducted in a COVID environment, all staff personnel used Teams from their respective homes. The scenario had air and ground teams conducting damage assessment of the dam and surrounding area. A second mission was initiated of establishing a POD near the disaster site. The exercise was a success, and was determined that the Wing will exercise the staff at least once a quarter.

On February 24th, Lieutenant Colonel Peterson sent out a request across the Wing to support a COVID Vaccine Clinic in Shelby North Carolina, requested by North Carolina Wing. Members of the Wing were asked to support administration functions and traffic control from Thursday, February 25th through Saturday, February 26th. A second call for support was sent to the Wing to cover 1-2; 3-4 March.

Major Hardgrave provided the following feedback on this support:

"I want to say how honored I was to serve on this for the first two days. It was such a well managed site to work at and the Cleveland County Emergency Management team were so well organized which made it possible to process so many at this drive through clinic.

The accommodations for those of us who stayed overnight were absolutely top notch and the facility is less than 5 minutes away. The Emergency Management team provided plenty of snacks, drinks and great lunches as well for everyone.

By far however, the best thing about this mission was the high amount of appreciation that was expressed to us by the site team AND the community members who were there for the vaccine. I highly recommend participation in this and am trying to see if I can re-arrange appointments in order to serve during the later part of next week. Thanks for the opportunity to serve and KUDOS to all in the mission."

The Wing continued communication training to prepare communications officers or those listed as a mission radio operator (MRO) or MRO trainee, or if Wing members are interested in becoming active in CAP tactical radio communications, the Wing Communications Officer Lt. Thorp provided limited in-person training in small groups.

Wing Communications Officer 1st Lt Elaine Thorp is planning to have a communications exercise (CommEx) on May 15. During this exercise, participants

will be practicing how to send and receive traffic per the Incident Command System, which message form to use and how to fill it out. They will also be practicing relays from station to station, with a mobile station acting as relay in between and learning how to relay from VHF to HF and back.

The Wing conducted South Carolina Hurricane Response Exercise scheduled for June 17-19. This year's exercise will be a bit different in the past but will mirror what was to have been accomplished last year if weather and COVID did not get in the way.

The Wing will have the traditional pre-hurricane strike response supporting EMD and State Police followed by a transition to a day or two of post-strike activities. 17 Jun will be the pre-strike activity while 18-19 Jun will be post-strike activities. There will be some centralized execution from Wing HQ and some decentralized execution from home stations.

The Wing is preparing to conduct a Wing-level exercise in coordination with South Carolina for hurricane preparation. The exercise was ran from June 17th through June 19th. The Wing conducted three ground sorties, 57 flight hours were flown by 17 pilots and a total of 17 units participated, along with 80 personnel.

Lt. Col. Bruce Brown and Lt. Col. Brett Grooms had a display at the South Carolina Sheriff Convention 9-11 July 2021. The intent was to inform and educate the different Sheriff departments on how Civil Air Patrol can support with disaster responses as well as search and rescue. They also wanted to educate that CAP was more than just aircraft, but ground teams and drone teams that are resources that could support the state.

Homeland Security

The Wing continued to support low level flight route reconnaissance, Fertile Keynote exercises, and support to North Carolina Army National Guard Air Defense preparation for deployment to the Capital Region.

Counterdrug Operations

Nothing significant to report.

Chapter II AEROSPACE EDUCATION

Internal Aerospace Education

The Cyberpatriot XIII competition winners were announced on February 9th. The First Place, Platinum Tier all service division winner for South Carolina was the Coastal Charleston "Charleston Dragons" Composite Squadron. Additionally, the Grand Strand "Myrtle Turtles" Composite Squadron won 2nd Place Silver Tier all service division. There was a total of 19 teams from across South Carolina.

On February 15th, Lt. Col. Stanley, Wing Director of Cadet Programs, released the Wing Goals for 2021. For Aerospace, the goals are:

50% of squadron cadets have received their orientation flights.

Five squadrons participate in the Cyber Patriot program.

80% of the squadrons earn their AEX, as part of the Quality Cadet Unit Award.

On February 27th, South Carolina Wing returned to Phase 1 of the COVID remobilization plan. This allowed for the return to air operations for training and proficiency.

On March 18th, South Carolina Wing entered Phase II of the COVID remobilization plan, which now allowed for orientation flights, mission flights and training flights.

During the 2nd Quarter Wing Command Council, the Wing Aerospace Officer Lt Bob Roberts highlighted getting the model rocketry program engaged, involving both the cadets and the senior members as well. The Wing will conduct a high altitude balloon launch, and squadrons were encouraged in securing and using STEM kits from national.

Lt. Col. Bailey highlighted the need to get aircrews back into the air. He stipulated that all current missions are authorized under Phase II of the COVID remobilization plan. Crews can return to training, orientation flights with one cadet and one pilot; and flight checks. Of thirty-five mission pilots, ten had expired, and six will expire in May. Aircrews need to make sure they are current on their certifications. AERONET program testing will begin in May.

Lt. Col. Selig, the Wing Cyber Officer, informed the Wing that Ace Basin Composite Squadron was hosting two Air Force Association Cyber Camps this summer. The standard camp, for those CAP members interested in basic level cyber operations would be held June 14-18 2021 virtually. The second camp, the Advanced Camp would be held July 12-16 2021 both in-person or virtually.

TSgt Brian Idol from ACE Basin instructed during the first week of the virtual Cyber Basic Camp, as well as the advance Cyber Camp in July.

With the Wing moving to PHASE III COVID remobilization, the Flight Academy will

be conducted at Camden in July 11-17, 2021.

South Carolina Wing initiated the training program for small unmanned aerial systems (sUAS) program, with the goal to train CAP members in the art and science of aviation and to provide unmanned aerial vehicle support to incident commanders. A fully trained and equipped CAP sUAS team can provide a birds-eye view from low altitudes, as well as collect large amounts of photographic data, but the Wing will have limitations.

Colonel Peterson stressed the need to get back into the air, supporting missions and getting the cadets their orientation flights. While the Wing has been down due to COVID for 15 months, it is time for the Wing to get back into action. He indicated that South Carolina Wing ranked 22nd in the nation for air operations.

The SC Wing Group 2 pilot check ride clinic, previously that had been scheduled for 31 July and 1 August at Mount Pleasant Regional Airport (LRO), was rescheduled to 21 – 22 August due to logistical issues. This is a clinic for pilots who need check rides (CAPF-5 or CAPF-91) or pilots who need familiarization rides prior to a check ride.

In August, ACE Basin participated in the High Altitude Balloon challenge put forth by National. Squadron members performed an experiment, worked through the scientific process and successfully completed the balloon project led by 2nd Lt. Tim Elson.

With the Wing's return to COVID Phase I, no cadet orientation flights were authorized. If aircraft are used to support other missions, the Wing provided specific cleaning and sterilization procedures for the aircraft and Garmins.

With the return to COVID remobilization plan Phase II, the Wing resumed orientation flights with a single cadet flying with the senior member, both masked and the senior member required to sterilize the aircraft post mission.

External Aerospace Education

On March 2nd, the Embry-Riddle Dual Enrollment Coordinator gave a 30-minute presentation on dual enrollments, the benefits, and some of the costs involved. This is to highlight where C/Major Payton Mercer of ACE Basin Composite Squadron, earned an Associates Degree in Aeronautical Science a full month before graduating from his Charter School. The program will address scholarships, overall costs, and that it can be used by students attending public, private or are home schooled.

On March 26th, the Wing received guidance from both the Region Commander and Major General Smith concerning Cyber Training and Objectives. Major General Smith highlighted the National Cyber Mission Team (NCMT) is working hard to develop the draft guidance and training requirements for CAP to perform defensive cyber operational missions in the future. All units are encouraged to continue with defensive cybersecurity education. CAP is becoming more recognized through the various partnerships currently underway.

In support, the Regional Commander Colonel Bruce B. Heinlein reinforced that support to offensive operations is prohibited. Remember that Civil Air Patrol, by our charter and US Code, is a non-combatant. See AIR FORCE INSTRUCTION 10-2701 and Title 10, USC § 9442. On June 17th, the Wing received an Aerospace Education Challenge where a team of six cadets or six senior members develop a prototype glider using recycled materials.

The challenge is broken down into three phases: A design Phase, the Results Phase, and then the competition where the glider will be presented to a team of judges. Judging will occur on October 9th.

C/1stLt Peter O'Connor of Aiken Composite Squadron has become the 103rd CAP cadet to earn an FAA private pilot certificate via Cadet Wings. Cadet O'Connor attended CAP's residential Advanced Flight Training Academy in Columbus, Indiana, and became the third cadet of the 2021 class to achieve this milestone.

South Carolina Wing graduated five cadets from the National Flight Academy at Camden. All cadets flew with SC Wing instructors and used SC Wing aircraft as well. All SC Wing cadets successfully and safely completed their first solo flight at the academy as well.

Bryson Norton – Low Country; flew with Dan Ahern
Benjamin Wiegel – Low Country; flew with Dan Ahern
Noah Smith – Greenville; flew with Joe Bell
Aaron McAdams – Greenville; flew with Joe Bell
Mason Shaw – Greenville; flew with Max Oliver

In all, 22 cadets from around the country participated in this activity, 24 of whom took their first steps toward becoming a pilot by performing their first solo flight.

South Carolina Wing participated in the virtual Mid-Atlantic Region Education Challenge on October 9.

Lieutenant Colonel Monroe continued his professional development by heading to Florida to be certified for giving the Wing's drone operators their check rides October 15 2021.

Chapter III CADET PROGRAMS

Cadet Programs

On February 2nd, the Wing received the updated national guidance concerning COVID restrictions, and the impact on cadet programs and professional development. As South Carolina is in Phase 0, squadrons had to adapt their programs until such time the Wing returned to Phase I.

On February 9th, the Wing announced that there were 11 squadrons who achieved the Quality Cadet Unit Award.

On February 15th, Lt. Col. Stanley, Wing Director for Cadet Programs, issued the Cadet Program Goals for 2021. The following Goals were established:

Leadership:

Each Squadron has at least two Senior rated CP officers.

Each Squadron has at least five TLC basic/intermediate/advanced graduates within the last 48 months (QCUA criteria 3)

80% of new cadets (joined after 31 Aug 20) earn Achievement 1 within 8 weeks (QCUA criteria)

SC Wing offer at least one Wing cadet leadership training event per quarter (in-person or virtual)

80% unit participation (SM &/or cadet) at each major Wing events such as Spring CTW, summer encampment, & Fall STA (COVID permitting).

Each Squadron grows 10% cadet membership.

Each Squadron retains 50% of first year cadets.

30% of cadets in each Squadron have received Encampment credit.

Seven squadrons shall achieve the Quality Cadet Unit Award.

SCWG Cadet Advisory Council completes two projects that enhance the SCWG Cadet Programs.

Physical Fitness: 100% of Squadrons have appointed a physical fitness officer in e-Services.

Character Development: Three Squadrons conduct a Red Ribbon Leadership Academy (QCUA criteria)

Cadet Milestone Achievements:

Wing achieves eight new Mitchell Award recipients.

Wing achieves two new Earhart Award recipients.

Wing achieves one new Eaker Award recipient.

Wing achieves 1 new Spaatz Award recipient.

On February 27th, South Carolina Wing implemented Phase I of the COVID remobilization plan. Limited cadet activities were authorized as long as they follow the prescribed safety protocols.

With the implementation of the COVID remobilization plan, the Wing decided to hold a Class B encampment during the weekends of 20-22; and 27-29 August at Camp Mccrady. However, with the uptick in the cases of the Delta variant of COVID-19, the encampment was canceled.

On 17 October 2021, the Wing returned to Phase III, allowing for the 2021 Staff Training weekend that was scheduled for 30-31 October 2021. The goal was to prepare the cadet cadre to be staff for the 2022 Wing Summer Encampment. The staff-training weekend was held on Camp McCrady, SC. By the end of the weekend, twenty-four cadets and senior members received leadership instruction in preparation for the February 25-27 2022 Cadet Training Weekend, and the 26 June-02 July 2022 Summer Encampment.

Cadet Activities

Lt. Col. Peterson sent out an invite on February 1st, to assemble a team of cadets and senior members from the Wing to conduct a virtual Legislation Day with South Carolina congressmen and senators February 16th, 17th, 25th, and 26th. Once the team was identified, a train up session on protocol and proper procedures will be done prior to the actual virtual visit. The rehearsal was conducted on February 15th.

Over two weeks, members of the Wing met with the different congressman and senators staff that represented South Carolina. The first meeting was with the staff for Congresswoman Nancy Mace on the 16th, with Lt. Col. Peterson, Col. Smith, C/Capt. Rowe, C/2nd.Lt Machado, C/SrA Brodene, and Lt. Hernandez. The second meeting of the 16th was with the staff of Congressman Ralph Norman and Lt. Col. Peterson, Col. Smith and Capt. Nason.

The meeting on the 17th was with the staff of Congressman Jeff Duncan, and with Lt. Col. Peterson, Col. Smith, Capt. Nason, Lt. Shaw, C/Capt. Rowe, C/2nd Lt.

Shaw, and C/2nd Lt. Georgia.

The following week, on February 24th was the next meeting with the staff of Congressman Joe Wilson and C/2nd Lt. Georgia, C/Capt. Rowe, C/SrA Brodene, C/2nd Lt. Shaw, C/2nd Lt. Machado, Lt. Georgia, Lt. Hernandez, and Lt. Shaw. There was a meeting with Senator Lindsey Graham in the afternoon, attended by Lt. Col. Peterson, Col. Smith, Capt. Mercer, Capt. Nason, and C/2nd Lt. Mercer. Lt. Col. Stanley sent out a survey, requesting interest for a possible Class B encampment to be conducted in August at Camp McCrady.

On March 18th, South Carolina Wing announced we had entered COVID Phase II of the remobilization plan. This authorized meetings and one day activities of up to 50 people. This included cadets, senior members, guests and parents. The wearing of masks was still mandatory for indoors and out, the temperature check and health screening was still followed.

With the return to Phase II of the COVID remobilization Plan, Lt. Col. Stanley began planning for the Cadet Training Weekend (CTW) scheduled for 30-31 October at Camp McCrady to prepare the 2022 Summer Encampment Staff. The training program is designed to provide leadership training and familiarization to prepare and select event staff. Arrival will be Friday, 29 October, between 1700 and 2100. Departure will be Sunday, 31 October.

South Carolina Wing Delegates for National Legislative Day Have Been Selected: The National Legislative Day Delegates from South Carolina Wing have been selected. This year, cadets and senior members from ACE Basin, Aiken, Coastal Charleston, Emerald City, Florence, Greenville, Lexington, York and SC-001 applied to attend the trip to Washington, D.C.

The 2022 National Legislative Day Cadet Delegates from South Carolina Wing are: C/2d Lt Jane Batson Mason; C/TSgt Mary Catherine Reason; C/Maj Andrew Rowe; C/Maj Samuel Rowe; C/CMSgt Samuel Lopez; and C/2d Lt Nathan Mercer (COIC). Alternates included: C/2d Lt Harlin Jane Mason and C/1st Lt Mason Cavallon.

The Wing supported Wreaths Across America, beginning with information and donation booths set up across the state. The intent was to educate the public on what Wreaths Across America is, and to solicit wreaths for the December 18th ceremony.

Drug Demand Reduction

Nothing significant to report.

APPENDIX I: Core Mission Data and Statistics *(Data in support of the Narrative)*

Operations

South Carolina Wing entered 2021 in COVID Phase 1 restriction. This was changed on the 24th of January when the Wing returned to Phase 0, reverting to only mission critical activities. Guidance was provided on normal testing, milestone testing and taking the physical fitness test.

The membership report for January 2021 showed an increase of 3 new senior members, and 32 members renewed their memberships. From December 2020 to January 2021, there was a drop of 2.53% when the total Wing membership went from 513 to 500. The annual percentage from 2020 to 2021 did see a drop of 6.19%, where there was a total membership of 533 in January 2020, to 500 in January 2021. Overall recruitment was 9%, and retention was 75%.

During the second quarter wing council, the results of the compliance inspection was announced. South Carolina Wing had only three discrepancies (cadet programs, flight management, and inspector general); and only one repeat (operational mission management).

On February 12th, the Region Commander Colonel Heinlein provided his vision and guidance for 2021. He stated that in "2021, the region will emerge safely from the pandemic into a "New Normal" operations that provide for our force's safety, cadet programs emergence, continuity of mission, and continued support to ending the pandemic.

Emerging the Force for safe and effective operations. We must continue to follow CDC and other guidelines, but with the arrival of vaccines, we have new opportunities. As the vaccine roll-out continues and the virus is checked, we will be able to emerge more safely and take-on more activities. In the ensuing months, as conditions improve, even more will be achievable. It is our goal to return to essentially normal meeting opportunities as soon as practicable but certainly before the end of the calendar year. That said, normal meetings will continue to develop in a hybrid model.

* Normalizing Cadet Programs for continued excellence. Integrating the lessons learned from the pandemic, we will strengthen Cadet Programs while hopefully providing opportunities to participate in encampments and cadet special activities. Virtual meetings will increase, improve, and enrich the opportunities available to cadets as we return to in-person activities.

Likewise, we will continue to develop a variety of cadet special activities within the Region that incorporate virtual and in-person components to continue to maintain the safety of our members, enrich the depth of our programs, while working to decrease barriers to participation. As National Headquarters adjusts the waiver process and member risk is reduced, Wings and Region will work together to

ensure cadets have opportunities to fulfill all requirements previously waived.

* Expanding Mission Capability to deliver value to the Air Force and our communities. Our vision is to return every member of our mission force, including Ground Teams, Incident Command Staff, Aircrews and others, to pre-pandemic readiness levels. This will focus on localized flight and ground training, squadron, wing, and region-level exercises, and specialty training. We have been reminded that our missions are critical to our communities, and so our crews must be at their peak performance. We will provide new ratings, skills, and expertise to our membership wherever possible.

* Expanding Pandemic Relief and Emerging Missions as a fast, flexible force. Across the nation, Civil Air Patrol and been central to our nation's response to COVID-19. Even in our darkest hours, CAP stepped forward in response. In 2021, that service will likely expand and not shrink: CAP will be there at testing and vaccinations sites, in warehouses, and transporting people and materiel. It is in our vision that our Region's Wings should remain ahead of mission need and prepared to serve --safely. As we know, this pandemic will not end quickly but we do know that Civil Air Patrol will be in the fight with well trained, capable, and enthusiastic personnel.

Our vision is simple for 2021: from here we move forward to a "new normal" in an environment with a receding COVID-19 threat. We hope this vision helps you to understand your place in Civil Air Patrol and the destination we have in mind. We hope is becomes your vision, because you, the members, are the Civil Air Patrol. You are our lifeblood. You do the work in this organization. And, you achieve the mission."

Due to the wing remaining in Phase 0 for COVID in February, flight operations were curtailed. Individual training and qualifications flights, check rides, cadet orientation flights, and SAR exercises were all suspended. A concern that was identified was a decrease in the number of qualified members in most of the wing staff/incident command positions.

Lt. Col. Hyland, Wing Professional Development officer identified a shortage of wing personnel who have volunteered to be instructors for the Volunteer University. This could hamper the level II and III professional development training for the wing.

On February 18th, the 2020 Wing of the Year awards winners were announced:

Chaplain of the Year: Chaplain (Major) David Wike

CDI Instructor of the Year: Lt Col George Stanley

Communicator of the Year: Lt Col Boykin Roseborough

Brewer Aerospace Award (Senior Member): 1st Lt Robert Roberts

Brewer Aerospace Award (Cadet): C/SMSgt Donovan Avant

Director of Finance of the Year: Lt Col Kent McCain

Cadet Programs Officer of the Year: 1st Lt Rachel Idol

Incident Staff Member of the Year: Captain Erick Nason
Ground Team of the Year: ACE Basin Composite Squadron
Historian of the Year: Captain Erick Nason
Operations Officer of the Year: Lt Col Timothy Coolidge
Public Affairs Officer of the Year: Captain Rachael Mercer
Safety Officer of the Year: Major James Greenwood
Cadet of the Year: C/Major Payton Mercer
Professional Development Officer of the Year: 1st Lt Bill Moylan
Senior Member of the Year: Lt Col Mitch Monroe
Squadron of Merit: ACE Basin Composite Squadron
SC Wing Cadet Officer of the Year: C/Captain Andrew Rowe
SC Wing Cadet NCO of the Year: C/MSSgt Mason Cavallon

The Wing Health Services Officer, Major Kimberly DeVold arranged a COVID Discussion/Question and Answer session on Saturday, February 27th 1000-1300 hours. The panel included Dr. Julie Lin Wong and Dr. Richard Lane. This is to allow members of the Wing an update on the situation, and to ask questions.

Colonel Safely and Lieutenant Colonel Peterson wanted to recognize the members of the Wing who participated in the two weeks of the virtual legislation day with the South Carolina representatives from Washington D.C. These members were:

- Capt. Erick Nason
- C/2ld. Maddox Georgia
- C/2Lt. Mason Shaw
- Lt. Andrew Georgia
- Lt. Christin Shaw
- C/Capt Andrew Rowe
- C/2LT Daniel Machado
- C/SRA Gavin Brodene
- Capt. Rachael Mercer
- C/Lt Nathan Mercer
- C/TSGT Janebatson Mason
- Col. Emerson Smith
- WA Kim Phillips

Colonel Safely went on to state "the team provided excellent presentations to congressman, senators and staffers both verbally and visually, utilizing their newly discovered and learned COVID-pushed TEAMS abilities."

On February 27th, Captain Nason, Wing Historian, provided a seminar on how to be a historian to four members of the wing. The seminar covered the new regulations, what it entails to be a historian, the specialty track, and the new report format.

Additionally on the 27th, the Wing entered Phase 1 of the COVID remobilization plan for limited meeting and training events.

Colonel Peterson sent out a spread sheet showing the Wing's ES capability percentages. As the Wing is beginning to move from Phase I to a possible Phase II in the Spring, to begin working on getting the ES skills up to date.

During the March 13th ES Training at Florence Composite Squadron, Captain Nason instructed eight cadets and 1 senior members in GTM 3 and GTM 2 tasks. All of the Florence cadets except 1 were starting from the very beginning with no tasks complete. The training was both outdoors and in the classroom following the COVID Phase I restrictions. At the end of the day, 1 senior member and 1 cadet earned GTM 2 certification, and 8 cadets achieved over 75% of the tasks complete.

Major Carnes trained 2 senior members and 2 cadets in ground team leader tasks. During the afternoon, Captain Nason worked with Major Carnes and conducted combined training during the line search portions, and during the two mission sorties. During the training, Captain Nason and Major Carnes discussed a full exercise consisting of the staff, ground teams and aircrews in the first weekend of June. Scenario would be a hurricane has struck, day one would be damage assessments, day two search and rescue with air/ground coordination.

During the COVID pandemic, South Carolina Wing answered the call for assistance from North Carolina for personnel to support vaccination stations. South Carolina Wing provided twenty-two volunteers from nine squadrons. The Wing continued to seek support and provide assistance to North Carolina counties.

After Colonel Peterson assumed command of the Wing, the staff was reorganized. Two new Deputy Chiefs of Staff were created; The Deputy Chief of Staff for Mission Support and the Deputy Chief of Staff for Member Support. The Deputy Chief of Staff for Mission Support provides guidance to public affairs, diversity, recruiting and retention, information technologies and the historian. The Deputy Chief of Staff for Member Support includes education and training, logistics, transportation, personnel and administration.

The Third Quarter Wing Council was announced to be conducted both in-person and virtual. All Wing Staff, Group and Squadron commanders will be in attendance, where all others will be participating via Teams. The Cadet Advisory Council will also be held in person.

Three members of the South Carolina Wing was recognized by the Mid-Atlantic Region Commander. Lt Col Boykin Roseborough has been named Mid-Atlantic Region Communications Officer of the Year. 1st Lt Robert Roberts was named Mid-Atlantic Region Maj Gen Jeanne M. Holm Aerospace Education Officer of the Year. Capt Rachael J. Mercer was been awarded the Mid-Atlantic Region Public Affairs Officer of the Year award.

During the 2nd Quarter Wing Command Council, the New Wing Commander Colonel Peterson explained his vision and mission statement for the Wing. He also shared his credo of "Air"; putting a strong emphasis on Aerospace Education,

STEM and flying. He highlighted his goals, to include Opportunistic Goals:

Cadet Orientation Flights from 75.39% to a end of year of 86%
Wright Brothers from 141 to an end of year of 155
Eaker Awards from 0 to an end of year of 1
Aircraft Utilization from 78.84% (13.14 hours) to an end of year of 100% (16.67 hours)
Quality Cadet Unit Award from last years of 11 to an end of year of 13
Yeager Award for seniors from 264 to an end of year of 270
Mission Pilots of current of 33 to an end of year of 40
Aerial Photographers of 33 to an end of year of 45

Colonel Peterson's Immediate goals included stabilizing unit. While recruiting is encouraged, he identified a need to keep and retain what cadets and senior members that squadrons have as they emerge from the COVID restrictions. Squadrons should develop their bench strength, establish an standard operating procedures, mentor ship and identify two key staff positions to prepare them to take over the positions in two years. Squadrons need to develop both short term and long range plans, schedules and goals.

He also requested squadrons to conduct an internal review of their best practices, what makes their squadrons good. He also tasked squadrons to look at where they are weak at or are threats to their squadrons. The squadrons are to bring their findings to the next Council.

An update concerning the COVID remobilization plan was provided, and an update on which county was still considered Red/High Risk areas. The Wing is still holding off in requesting going to Phase III until there is a well defined downward trend on the infection rate.

The new South Carolina Wing COVID Task Force includes:

New Covid Chief Contact Officer – Lt Col James Brogan

Health Services Officer – Maj Kimberly DeVold
Director of Development – Lt Col Bruce Brown
Director of Safety – Maj James Greenwood
Legal Officer – Maj Daniel Cohn
Director of Operations – Lt Col Mark Bailey
Stan/Eval Officer – Lt Col Tim Coolidge
Homeland Security Officer – Lt Col Brett Grooms
Emergency Services Officer – Lt Col Chris Davidson
Director of Aerospace – 1st Lt Bob Roberts
Director of Cadet Programs – Lt Col George Stanley
Plans & Projects Officer – 1st Lt Billy Wilson
Group Commanders – Maj Ron Hardgrave, Maj Steve Hyland, &
Lt Col Paul Selig

CAC Chairperson – C/1st Lt Peter O'Connor
Chief of Staff – Lt Col Nikki Shaffner

On May 9th, Lt Col Shaffner sent out a notice to the Wing concerning eight positions on the Wing Staff that are opened. These positions included the Director for Training and Education, Director for Recruiting and Retention, Wing Transportation Officer, Wing Diversity Officer, Wing Public Affairs Officer, Wing Social Media Manager, and a Wing Videographer.

The Wing was advised on the new uniform and grooming standards from the Wing NCO as the old BDU uniforms are phased out.

The Wing received updated guidance concerning COVID-19 and mask wearing on May 18th. The new guidance stated that any member, both senior and cadet, who have received their vaccinations, don't have to wear their masks indoors or outdoors. Those not vaccinated are still required to wear masks, and health screening will still be done prior to meetings and events.

Captain Karen Taylor sent updates to the squadron concerning updates in promotions, awards, education and training. New member promotions was stipulated that all will complete their Phase I, Part A of Phase II and six months before their award of 2nd Lieutenant.

Members should be recognized and presented with awards throughout the year. Squadrons will process all award requests through e-Services except "Of The Year" and those awards that need approvals above wing level. Achievement Awards are approved at the group level and should be printed and signed from the local level to be presented shortly after the event/action that precipitated the award. Lieutenant Colonel Shaffner reached out to the squadrons concerning the new implementation of education and training for senior member development.

A meeting was held on May 26th to look at options. Level 1 being responsible at unit level; Level 2 & 3 being responsible at Group level; a mix of virtual and on-site attendance options; wing cohort groups who work together to accomplish their training; twice a year weekend ET training events. Additionally, Lt. Col. Shaffner approached a Wing program to develop their core cadre of education and training instructors.

The Wing announced on 29 May 2021 that it had entered PHASE III of the COVID remobilization plan. This released the restrictions on the squadrons when it came to their weekly events, weekend events and over-night activities. The guidance did highlight to remain vigilant, to continue to use risk management and health screenings when necessary, though not mandatory. It also allowed the resumption of three personnel orientation flights.

General Smith provided additional guidance with a memorandum on 1 June concerning vaccination. All members who have received their vaccinations did not

have to wear their masks. Those who have not, were still required to maintain social distancing, and wear their masks. Health Safety Officers, Safety Officers or Commanders will continue to conduct health screenings. General Smith did pass a job well done to the organization during this crisis.

Following the SC State Hurricane Exercise 15-19 June, the Wing identified some key issues that will be needed for improvements.

1. 17 Mission Pilots participated though the Wing has 34 total pilots available, which meant 50% are currently qualified. The Wing needs to get the other 50% to get their check rides done.
2. Along with the Wing being short Mission Pilots, it is short Aerial Photographers. Some of the Mission scanners on the mission filled the role of taking photographs. The Wing established a share point site for the photo downloads, however it was identified that after the missions, it took the aircrews who did not stop in and the incident command post, to upload their photos.
3. There were three ground team sorties-2 from Sumter and 1 from Anderson. It was identified that there is a shortfall of the number of both UDF members, or those who are GTM qualified. The groups will work together to assist one another in getting more qualified ground team members and leaders.
4. To support the operations, the Wing identified a need for more Mission Radio Operators as communication is key between the air, ground and incident command structures.
5. While 17 units participated, the Wing commander and incident staff was concerned on the lack of participation from the other units in the Wing. The Wing commander did recognize and thanked the 80 personnel who participated or supported the exercise.

By June 24th, the Wing was able to begin the small unmanned aerial system (sUAS) operator training. The CAP sUAS program exists to train CAP members in the art and science of aviation and to provide unmanned aerial vehicle support to incident commanders. A fully trained and equipped CAP sUAS team can provide a birds-eye view from low altitudes, as well as collect large amounts of photographic data, but we have limitations. The systems that are in the SCWG are limited in terms of loiter time and cameras.

On average, the Wing can employ the UAVs for about 20 minutes, depending on winds and temperature, and our cameras are only traditional electro-optical (no thermal or infrared capabilities). The Wing's sUAS teams can provide an incident commander with near real time information on structure conditions (e.g., water levels of dams, conditions under a bridge, or post-natural disaster overview) or assist in a search effort.

The Wing has the unmanned aircraft, but have very few qualified pilots and visual

observers. CAP National Headquarters tasked the SCWG to certify and be able to employ five sUAS Teams (a team consists of one UAS Mission Pilot and one UAS Technician). A UAS Mission Pilot can be CAP senior members or cadets (at least 16-years-old), who hold a current FAA Part 107 rating (Remote Pilot - Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems). A UAS Technician can be any CAP senior member or cadet. For either crew position, the CAP member must have also completed Level 1 of the senior member professional development program or, if a cadet, the Achievement 1 (Curry). The SQTR task guide and qualification requirements for each crew position are available through eServices and the CAP National website.

Colonel Peterson highlighted the need to improve air operation within the Wing. He stressed that during the Hurricane Exercise, that the Wing's aircrews need additional preparation; maintain their currency, and proficiency. A major concern is the lack of air hours being flown by the Wing's aircraft. Unless we can show that the aircraft are being used, there is a good chance the Wing would lose them to another Wing. In simple terms, Colonel Peterson stated the Wing wants the aircrews to fly and support missions.

His number one priority was to get the cadets airborne and getting their orientation flights. The Wing needs more current mission pilots, and need to increase the bench strength of current mission scanners, observers and aerial photographers. He encouraged neighboring squadrons to work together in getting flight operations conducted.

South Carolina Wing supported North Carolina Wing and the North Carolina Army National Guard both in June and July 2021. The July sorties would see 18 aircraft flying per day, 4-5 hours per day, to conclude 400 flight hours.

The Wing identified a critical shortfall of Chaplains in the wing. A request went out to the squadrons for active recruiting of qualified clergy to become members of Civil Air Patrol to expand the number of Chaplains within the Wing.

The Wing conducted a successful train the trainer program for Volunteer University instructors for Level 1-3 professional development. Trainees learned from excellent presentations by Lt Col Nicole Shaffner, Lt Col James Brogan, Lt Col George Stanley, Capt Norwood Bodie and 1st Lt Billy Wilson. They exceeded the requirements of the VOLU program and have given a firm footing on which to develop the next steps of the SCWG's Education and Training program.

The Wing HQ hosted a Finance/Administration Section Chief (FASC) training scheduled on 31 July. Training was designed for senior members interested in becoming a Finance/Administration Section Chief (FASC) with SC Wing.

South Carolina Emergency Management Division offered to the Wing FEMA G290 / G291 Basic PIO and JIS/JIC training August 3-5 at their Emergency Management Division headquarters in West Columbia. This is one of several FEMA courses

necessary to achieve the CAP emergency services qualification as a public information officer (PIO), which is recommended for persons wishing to advance to a senior rating the CAP Public Affairs Officer (PAO) specialty track and required for persons working to achieve a master rating as a PAO.

The Basic Public Information Officer Course (G0290) is designed to provide participants with the opportunity to start applying basic concepts underlying the public information officer (PIO) role. This course can provide a basic understanding of the PIO function for those who are new to the position.

The JIS/JIC Planning for Tribal, State and Local PIOs Course (G0291) is designed for PIOs with experience in the field who will be working in a JIS/JIC (Joint Information System/Joint Information Center). This is the third of five courses in the FEMA public information training series.

The Wing's Communications Officer 1st Lt Elaine Thorp continued to provide ongoing communications training and exercises. During these exercises, participants practicing how to send and receive traffic per the Incident Command System, which message form to use and how to fill it out. The Wing also practiced relays from station to station, with a mobile station acting as relay in between and learning how to relay from VHF to HF and back.

Group 2 hosted a check ride clinic on July 31 and August 1st, to include CAPF 5, CAPF 91 and familiarization rides were be provided.

South Carolina Wing supported North Carolina Wing's exercise with the US Army at the Richmond County Airport where the 3-58th Airfield Operations Battalion will work on their skills in air traffic control. The exercise took place on the 20th of July 2021.

SC Wing Group 2 sponsored a pilot check ride clinic on 31 July and 1 August at Mount Pleasant Regional Airport (LRO). This was a clinic for pilots who need check rides (CAPF-5 or CAPF-91) or pilots who need familiarization rides prior to a check ride.

On Friday, August 13th at 1800 hours, Colonel Peterson directed that due to the increasing numbers of the Delta variant of COVID-19 was growing in South Carolina at an alarming rate, to revert back to Phase II.

The wing also published on August 13th, open staff positions that included a public affairs officer, social media officer, transportation officer, and videographers. The Wing also received notification from the Mid-Atlantic Region of staff openings, from the Diversity and Inclusion Officer Candidates and key leadership positions within the Cadet Advisor Council.

The SC Wing Group 2 pilot check ride clinic, that had been previously scheduled for 31 July and 1 August at Mount Pleasant Regional Airport (LRO), was

rescheduled to 21 – 22 August due to logistical issues. The clinic was designed for pilots who needed check rides (CAPF-5 or CAPF-91) or pilots who need familiarization rides prior to a check ride.

On August 24th, the Wing reverted back to COVID Phase I due to the severe uptick in the number of positive cases. With this in mind, the Wing Staff began developing contingency plans for training for both cadets and senior members:

1. Senior Members: Yeager Award, this professional development program is a self-paced online open book test. It is a requirement for further progression in the program and a great tool for our members. Let's see if we can significantly grow our Yeager awards in a short period.

2. Learning Management System/Axis: National has placed many training courses online. Start investigating those that may help you with your CAP career. Operations, Communications, etc., all have opportunities to learn more.

3. MAR-SAR (Mid-Atlantic Region Search & Rescue College): the email went out earlier this week that Mid-Atlantic Region Search and Rescue College will be held virtually this year. This presents a great opportunity for aircrew training for all members 18 and over to partake in virtual learning from some of the Region's best instructors. The hands-on sorties will be scheduled with your local squadron or group. There is a specific email with instructions and data from Lt Col Bailey. See it for more information.

4. Wing-wide Training Schedule: As I mentioned before, I have tasked the Wing Staff to establish a schedule of weekly training opportunities to lighten the burden on squadrons generating specific weekly agendas. It will be at the Squadron Commander's discretion on how he or she will use this instrument to augment or replace some weekly meetings. Expect a schedule to come out shortly to support your planning.

The Wing provided additional information on August 25th that air operations and training will continue, modified to support the COVID restrictions. No more than two personnel will be in the aircraft during training/mission event. While in the aircraft, masks on at all times. Once the mission is complete, the cockpit will be wiped down.

Maj. Gen. Edward D. Phelka, after assuming command as the new National Commander, directed that Friday, 3 September 2021, a CAP Family Day. He acknowledged that the summer of 2021 has been a very busy and productive time for CAP nationwide, despite the public health challenges our nation faces. "I encourage all our dedicated members to take a break for the four-day weekend to relax and recharge their batteries.

Our "Five Pillars of Wellness and Resilience" clearly delineate "Family" as one of the key and important pillars to maintain with diligence. Stepping away from the

typical day-to-day is critical to experiencing rest and resilience -- two key factors in our physical and psychological wellbeing. Take time to spend with family, or time for yourself to accomplish something on your personal to-do list.”

The Wing initiated a virtual training menu for squadron commanders could pass to their squadron and participate in, due to the new COVID restrictions. Captain Nason, Lt. Col. Stanley and Lt. Col. Monroe volunteered to be virtual instructors. Captain Nason began on September 13th, providing a two-hour block of instruction on General Emergency Services (GES). 35 senior members and cadets from across the Wing were in attendance.

While the Wing returned to limited activities due to a new surge in COVID, the Wing began a Wing-wide Teams training and professional; development. Once a month there would be a presentation on Emergency Services, Aerospace Education, Safety and Cadet Programs. Additionally, seminars for the senior members such as how to write awards were presented.

At the request of Colonel Emerson Smith, Government Relations Officer for SC Wing, Captain Nason, the Wing Historian, conducted research and provided a information paper concerning Coastal Patrol Squadron 8. This was South Carolina's Second World War patrol squadron based on James Island south of Charleston.

Col Christopher Peterson, commander of the South Carolina Wing, announced on 7 October the appointment of Capt William A. Lindner as chaplain for the South Carolina Wing.

Captain Karen Taylor, South Carolina Wing Director of Administration and Personnel, hosted an awards workshop via Teams for squadron commanders and personnel officers on the 9th of October. The intent was to make them more proficient in awards writing.

Captain Rachel Mercer, South Carolina Wing Public Affairs Officer, as part of Civil Air Patrol's 80th anniversary celebration, stated that the Public Affairs Team of the SCWG will be profiling wing members and celebrating the core values these members demonstrated.

On October 13th, the Wing returned to Phase II of the COVID remobilization plan which allowed more flexibility for squadron meetings and training events. Based on the decreasing numbers of active COVID cases in South Carolina, the wing returned to normal operations on 17 October 2021.

South Carolina Wing finalized plans for a Level III cohort to begin in December. The cohort will meet monthly on a Saturday morning, currently the second Saturday of the month, from 9-12. The plan is to cover up to three moderated modules each month in one morning. Anticipate some months as in-person instruction and others as “virtual in residence” (VIR).

October 30th saw 38 Wing pilots who signed in for the first in-person Pilot Clinic since Feb 2020. After the clinic 5 personnel took qualification flights and many more are scheduled throughout the wing in the coming weeks.

During the South Carolina Wing Conference on 6 November that covered the first quarter, showed that the state's risk to COVID was lowering to a moderate risk, though there are still some counties within the state considered severe risk. The Wing remained at Phase III, still requiring masks during squadron activities indoors and outdoors when social distancing could not be enforced.

The Wing Chaplain reported that the Wing was able to recruit five new chaplains and two new Character Development Instructors. For Character Development Instructors technician rating will require emergency services training. The Wing chaplain indicated a need for more involvement in the exercises and emergency services training for the squadron chaplains.

The Wing's Education and Training Director, Captain Karen Taylor presented during the 6 November Wing Council on the first quarter the new program for professional development. Captain Taylor identified a need for more Volunteer University Instructors to increase the Wing's bench strength for the instructor pool. The Wing hosted a Level III training beginning in December, and began organizing Level IV training.

With 1 December approaching, Captain Mercer discussed the 80th Anniversary of the Creation of the Civil Air Patrol. Along with a virtual Wing party celebrating CAP's birthday, she highlighted how squadrons should include historical data on their development, when they were chartered, and other events that highlights the anniversary.

To assist in training and relieving some of the COVID fatigue for squadron commanders, the Wing organized a series of Monday evening Team's classes where squadrons could receive training on subjects like emergency services, character development, leadership, aerospace and others, taught by subject matter experts within the Wing.

During the Wing Conference on 6 November, it appeared that overall membership in the Wing is down, mostly due to the COVID situation. Overall was -6.30%, cadets down -8.40% and seniors -3.73%. Squadrons were encouraged to continue with their recruiting and retention, keeping their members engaged to maintain membership during the challenging COVID environment.

The Wing received further guidance on COVID and DoD facilities as it pertained to vaccinations from the national commander, Major General Phelka. His memo stated that all CAP members who fly, train, or attend meetings in a DoD facility must now report vaccine status or submit negative COVID tests per DoD's policy. Entry into DoD facilities around the nation will require compliance with his memo.

This impacted members who work or conduct business on a DoD facility on a regular, or daily basis.

The commander stated that all CAP members acting in official capacity who seek access to DoD facilities on a routine basis will complete DD Form 3150. The form must be submitted upon request to designated DoD personnel at the military facility. CAP members requiring access to DoD facilities who have not been fully vaccinated will have to show an electronic or paper copy of negative results from an FDA-authorized or approved COVID-19 test administered no earlier than 72 hours prior to their visit.

Lt. Col. Brogan went from the Deputy Chief of Staff for Mission Support, to assuming duties as the Wing's Inspector General on 15 November, replacing Capt. Paramore.

The Wing was informed of Maj Gen Edward D. Phelka's approving the award of the CAP Crisis Service Ribbon to all active members who served at least one day after March 1, 2020, until a future point to be determined by CAP.

Squadrons across the Wing participated in the Wreaths Across America program on December 18th. Both cadets and senior members laid wreaths in honor of or in memory of veterans. Participating squadrons included Aiken Composite Squadron, Anderson Composite squadron, Beaufort Composite Squadron, Florence Composite Squadron, Grand Strand Composite Squadron, Greenville Composite Squadron, Lexington Composite Squadron and Sumter Composite Squadron.

Aerospace Education

On May 25th, Colonel Peterson sent out a message concerning a general aviation accident at Myrtle Beach where contaminated fuel may had been the issue. A second event occurred at the same airport, and a third occurred up in North Carolina. The message was intended to advise the SC Wing's aircrews to be vigilant.

Internal Aerospace Education

Lieutenant Roberts, the Director of Aerospace Programs for the Wing, presented the road ahead during the Wing's 6 November Council for the First Quarter. He highlighted the 2021 High Altitude balloon challenge, and stated that for 2022, South Carolina will be involved in the launching of a high altitude balloon. He also discussed a Wing Model Rocketry Academy to be conducted in the late winter, early spring of 2022. The Wing also received fifteen new STEM kits.

External Aerospace Education

South Carolina Wing's external aerospace program was greatly restricted due to COVID. Lt. Col. Monroe did attend various sUAV / Drone seminars and training programs across the nation to better develop and execute the Wing's drone training

and management program.

Cadet Programs

By January 2021, there were 8 new cadets and 17 cadets that renewed their membership. There was an increase from December 2020 of 330 to January 2021 of 332 by .6%. The annual growth showed a drop of 18% from the numbers dropped from 408 in 2020 to 332. January saw 8 new cadets (2.4%) and recruiting 92 (27.7%). The retention percentage was 57.35%.

The 2020 Quality Cadet Unit Awardees included: ACE Basin Composite Squadron; Aiken Composite Squadron; Coastal Charleston Composite Squadron; Emerald City Composite Squadron; Florence Composite Squadron; Grand Strand Composite Squadron; Greenville Composite Squadron; Lexington Composite Squadron; Low Country Composite Squadron; Sumter Composite Squadron; and York Composite Squadron.

During the 6 November Wing Conference covering the First Quarter, Lieutenant Colonel Stanley, Director of Cadet Programs provided a debrief on the Staff Training Weekend that occurred on 29-31 October. The next critical event will be the Cadet Training Weekend scheduled for 25-27 February 2022, and the Summer encampment is scheduled for 26 JUNE-01 JULY 2022. A concern is the number of available cadets to be on the encampment staff due to the COVID restrictions that hampered in the development of staff personnel. The Wing was advised of Florida Wing's Winter Encampment and North Carolina's encampments.

APPENDIX II: Unit Staff - Data and Statistics

Wing Organization Chart

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Unit Maps



GROUP 3



APPENDIX III:

Unit Data & Statistics

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Maintenance Officer-Aircraft: Lt. Col. William Shook

Assistant Transportation Officer and CAP Driver's License: Major Thomas Alsup

The Wing maintains 18 total vehicles, of which five are mini vans, and 13 are full size vans. The average age of the vans are 9.4 years.

The wing has the following aircraft assigned, one Cessna 172R; three 172S; and five 182T. The average age of the Wing's aircraft are 11.9 years.

The wing also maintains total Operational Supplies and Equipment of 120 items

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Vehicle usage during the 2020-2021 goal was 83,100 miles and 8,460 hours, the actual usage was 24,167 miles and 3,456 hours. This equates to 29% miles, and 41% hours. When compared to 2019-2020, vehicle usage goal was 83,100 miles and 8,460 hours where only 24,908 miles used and 2,890 hours for 30% on miles and 34% hours.

The wing retired 21 operational items.

Communications

Director of Communications: Major Ron Hardgrave

Communication Licensing Officer: Lt. Col. Paul Selig

Major Ron Hardgrave developed a communication plan in support of American Shield, Fertile Keynote support, and additional ready-op training and practice. Along with Fertile Keynote support, the Wing also supported Fertile Hawk missions and met with the South Carolina Emergency Operation Center communication team. The wing continued to work on replacing any damaged or unserviceable communication equipment. Continued to work with High Frequency support, exercises, capabilities and training experience.

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Total wing Communications Gear include 259 items, and during the 2020-2021 9 items were retired.

Professional Development/Education and Training

Director of Education and Training: Captain Karen Taylor

In June of 2021, SCWG held a Volunteer University Instructor class allowing us to qualify 6 members who had started the process but not completed it and adding 6 to bring our numbers to 21 fully qualified instructors across all levels.

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Nineteen members achieved Master ratings; twenty-seven achieved Senior Ratings, Forty-four

Tech Ratings, with 115 newly assigned tracks. We added 52 new Level I, 9 Level II, 4 Level III, 2 Level IV, and 19 Yeager achievements. The Wing canceled in-person Level III classes because of a COVID resurgence in South Carolina.

Administration

Director of Administration: Captain Karen Taylor

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

In 2021, SCWG processed 6 Changes of Command, Beaufort SC-115, Sumter SC-075, Greenville SC-014, Columbia SC-099, Aiken, SC-005, and Group 3 SC-111. Two Re-designations, Camden Military Academy SC-805 and Beaufort SC-115 along with the Deactivation of Low Country SC-096. Supplements to CAPR 66-1 and 173-1 were renewed, and a supplement to CAPR 130-2 were initiated.

Personnel

Director for Personnel: Captain Karen Taylor

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

During the calendar year 2021, SCWG added 132 new cadet members and 60 new seniors despite COVID restrictions. There were three promotions to Lieutenant Colonel, one Duty Performance, one Military, and one Medical Officer. Additional promotions included two Majors for Duty Performance and two Captains for Military and Medical qualifications. 2021 Of the Year Awards were approved for 23 SCWG members and 1 organization.

Recruiting and Retention

Director of Recruiting and Retention: Captain Norman Spurling

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

During 2021, the Wing's annual growth for senior members went from 391 to a new total of 405 senior members, showing an increase of 56 in recruitment (13.83%). The retention rate for the Wing's senior members was 83.89% for 2021. For the cadets in the Wing during 2021, showed an annual growth from 295 to 310 (5.08%), and a retention of 176 cadets renewed their memberships (59.66%). There was a 44.19% increase in cadet recruitment within the Wing.

Plans and Programs

Plans and Program Officer: captain Billy Wilson

COVID Remobilization Plans Coordinator: Lt. Col. James Brogan

sUAV Program Officer: Lt. Col. Mitch Monroe

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Lieutenant Colonel Bailey showed were all aspects of operation metrics were down and no sign of improving, much to do with the COVID restrictions. Continued on mission pilot recapitalization, 34 mission pilots when 45 were needed out of 51 available. Aircraft utilization for the year was 87.2%, 21st in the nation overall. Implemented a training plan for the Wing to develop more aircrews, as well as supporting low route surveys and fertile keynote exercises.

The Wing's UAS capability is enroute to become FOC, currently IOC. The Wing continued to coordinate and assist with flight clinics held at different squadrons to key mission pilots current and certified. The Cadet Flight Academy will be held in Camden South Carolina again in 2022. The Wing began preparation to support the up-coming American Shield exercise, and the South

Carolina State-wide hurricane response exercise in 2022.

Public Affairs

Director for Public Affairs: Captain Rachael Mercer

Public Information Officer: Captain David Bennett

The public affairs team includes the Wing's public affairs officer (PAO), and the public information officer (PIO) who is the editor of the Wing's Palmetto Flyer. Both were very active in providing relevant and inspiring informative articles to local newspapers and other publication. As far as social media, all units except Marion Composite Squadron have an active Facebook (FB) page, which are supervise by the Wing PAO.

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

The Wing PAO served in an additional duty position as a member of the 4-person National Headquarters 80th Anniversary Working Group. She developed a How-To Guide for all squadrons as one of the major task in the group. The Wing PAO was recognized for hard work and dedication by receiving a Distinguished Service Award for this effort, January 2021 through June 2021, and then a return to service August through December.

The Wing focused on the 80th anniversary banners and logos. All these have now been replaced with current items since it is now 2022. 2021 was indeed our 80th anniversary. Under the PAO direction, Col Emerson Smith contacted the Governor's Office and December 1st was declared Civil Air Patrol Day in South Carolina. The PAO provided a news release and this proclamation as well as squadron-specific photos to every squadron's general news media market.

The PAO administered a Photo Contest, an annual event in the Wing. First place was C/Capt Trae Ann Proell with a photo of the Vietnam Memorial taken in February 2020. Second place was Capt Norwood Bodie with a photo of an aircraft taken in October 2020.

Information Technology

Director of Information Technology: Colonel Jay Lindler

Assistant Director of Information Technology: Colonel Francis Smith

Colonels Jay Lindler and Francis Smith continued to work on improving the Wing Headquarter renovations within the meeting rooms. This included updating audio visual and information technology within the workspaces. Licensing of the Microsoft 360 to fit the new requirements of the Wing's license donors and partners.

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

The Wing continues to swap out the old squadron and wing laptops with newer models. Working with emergency services and operations on the licensing of ready ops and SAR topo accounts to support planning and operational management.

APPENDIX III: Unit Data & Statistics (Continued)

Financial Statement

Director of Finance: 1st Lt. Steve Blanton

Assistant Director of Finance: Lt. Col. Kent McCoin

1st Lieutenant Steve Blanton stated the priorities for 2021 was to ensure the Wing and the squadrons remained in compliant with CAPR 173-1. Lieutenant Blanton highlighted fund raisers, such as Wreaths across America, that squadrons are required to secure commander's approval prior. The Wing began an implementation of the Trident Technical College STEM Grant. Lieutenant Blanton maintained the monthly squadron cash reports and quarterly squadron budget-to-actual statements.

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

South Carolina Wing's Budget for 2021 consisted of \$55,000.00. Of the budget:

Cadet Activities: \$27,985.00

Material and Supplies: \$2,800.00

Other Wing Events: \$1,600.00

Special Events: \$13,600.00

Dues Received: \$6,452.00

Chaplain

Wing Chaplain: Captain William Linder

The Wing has a new chaplain, who has two years with the Greenwood Cadet Squadron 106 Chaplain (23 years in CAP Former Wing AE 4 years, Transportation 1 year, and Cadet Squadron Commander 4 years). He passed the Senior Level Chaplaincy test back in July. Was first appointed SCWG Assistant/HC in August 28, followed appointed SCWG/HC back in September 25. He attended and graduated from CHESS in October 22. Duties included providing the invocation and briefing given at each Wing Commanders Call August through December. He provided Pastoral Care to Wing Commander and Wing members (prayers), met and contacted each Squadron Commander; visited 4 squadrons on CDI nights, which included driving over 500 miles.

Historian

Wing Historian: Captain Erick Nason

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

The primary projects conducted by the Wing Historian was securing a display case for historical items at the Wing Headquarters, and a file cabinet to be used as a repository of historical items and documents. Other duties included answering historical data requests for information and research from the squadrons, and supporting the Wing's Palmetto Flyer newsletter where there is an historian's corner. The article provides historical information about CAP in general, South Carolina and other unique historical perspectives. As part of his professional development, the Wing Historian submitted an article highlighting the parachute squadrons of CAP that will be published in CAP's Historical Journal.

Health Services

Director of Health Services: Major Kimberly DeVold

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Major Kimberly DeVold worked in concert with Lieutenant Colonel Brogan who is the lead COVID remobilization planner for the Wing. As the COVID situation in South Carolina changed, Major DeVold advised Colonel Peterson on COVID requirements and health considerations. Major DeVold worked with the squadrons to insure health focus activities were observed, and addressed key health issues such as physical fitness, healthy diet, coping with the stress of COVID, and other health impacts on the Wing's cadets and senior members.

Inspector General

Wing Inspector General Lt. Col. George Roberts

Assistant Inspector General: Captain Nick Paramore

Captain Nicholas Paramore and Lieutenant Colonel George Robert worked on expanding the Wing's capacity for supporting the SUIs. They worked on establishing two assistant inspector generals per group to serve as team chiefs. They also worked on developing a monthly meeting of all inspector generals within the wing for professional development and developing best practices. Along with the monthly meetings, developing a training plan for 2022, as well as the SUI schedule.

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

In 2021, the Wing IG Team conducted 13 Subordinate Unit Inspections (SUI). Data from the 2020-2021 SUI cycle shows a significant improvement from the 2018-2019 cycle. Overall, discrepancies in squadrons inspected in 2021 were down 100% from 2019. In 2019, squadrons inspected combined for 101 total discrepancies. In 2021, that number dropped to 46. Of the 58 total questions on the SUI, the Wing struggled with three in particular.

There was a total of eight discrepancies (two repeat) for question six in Cadet Programs: Has the unit adopted a set of annual goals? Question eight in Safety had a total of five discrepancies: Did the Squadron SE provide and log a safety education topic every month for the 12-month period immediately prior to the SUI? The third missed question was number five in Finance: Has the unit appointed all necessary members of the Finance Committee IAW CAP regulation? There was a total of four discrepancies for this question (two repeats). Overall, there were seven repeat discrepancies. In November 2021, Capt Nick Paramore stepped down as SCWG IG and Lt Col James Brogan was appointed as his replacement.

Safety

Director for Safety: Major James Greenwood

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Major James Greenwood worked on establishing a more definitive working relationship between himself as the Wing Safety Officer, with the different squadron safety officers. Submitted a review of the 2021 Safety Management System. To continue to build capacity, Major Greenwood holds monthly hanger flying sessions on safety, safety officer meetings, and staff safety education across the Wing. Major Greenwood visited the different squadrons across the Wing to observe their weekly meetings, and to speak with the squadron safety officers. He set the goal for the Wing Safety Day annual training to be completed by February 28, 2022.

Government Relations

Government Relations Officer: Colonel Emerson Smith

COMPLETED ACTIONS CY JANUARY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2021

Colonel Emerson Smith worked diligently during the COVID restrictions to continue with the Wing's Legislative Day, normally held in Washington D.C. With the COVID restriction, Colonel Smith coordinated with the key Congress and Senate representatives from South Carolina for several virtual meetings via Teams. Senior members and identified cadets participated in the sessions where they spoke with the key staff of the South Carolina representatives on the importance of Civil Air Patrol and its impact in South Carolina. The South Carolina Wing's team of selected cadets and senior members have been selected for the 2022 legislative day.