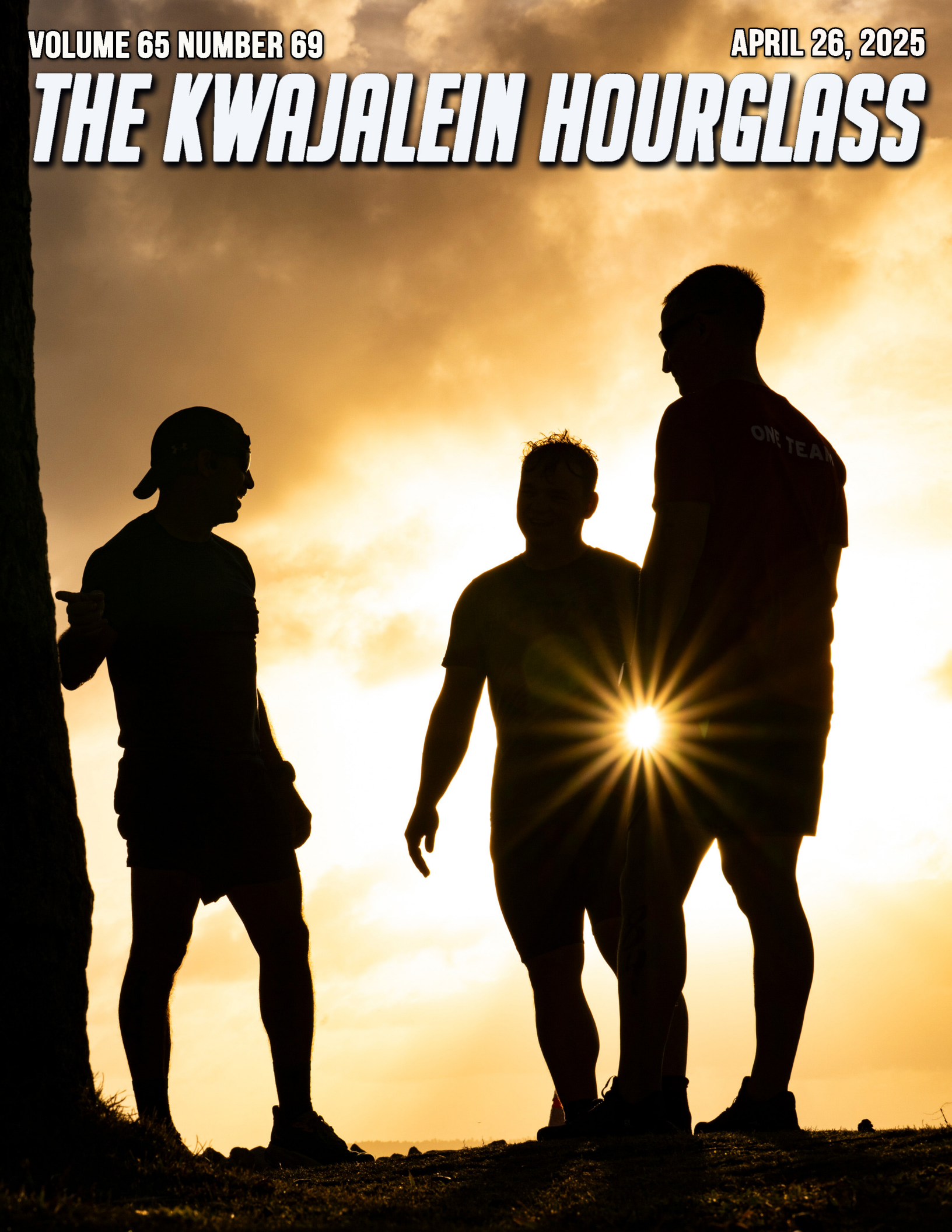


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THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS





**Ra eo an Navy ej kir tok eok/kom
NAN AMI BOK KONMAI
ilo makitkit ko an
Navy Conventional Prompt Strike Weapon
System Flight Tests DEP**

Birokiram in kokkelok Mijel eo an US Army koba lok ibben ra eo an Navy emoj aer kebooj juon Draft Document nan Environmental Protection (DEP) ak weween kejarok ilo aer kwalok juon kemlele ikijeer aer kommani makitkit ko kin kommelmel in kokkelok mijel ilo Aelon in Kuwajeleen, weween an naj jelet belaak ko, jekjek in aer naj etale, kojella im riiboot kaki. Ilo kommelmel kein enaj koba kommelmel ko ilo jet jikin ilo lojet, waan ekkeke ko ioon lojet, waan ekkeke ak rakka ko rej jok ilo lomalo, im kein jerpai in tarinae ko jet im ewor tojkeer nan kojerpali ilo eria ko ilo lojet ak ilo jikin kommelmel ko an US Army ilo Aelon in Kuwajeleen, Rebutic in an Majel. Ilo Majel in, makitkit ak jerpai in kommelmel in enaj komman ilo Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile ak jikin kommelmel mijel eo an Amedka (USAKA) im ej bed ilo aelon in Kuwajeleen. Kommelmel ko rej komman ilo mejatoto remaron naaj iook lok jikin ko emoj kalikari ilo lo-kilmeek ak jikin ko remulal ak Kwajalein Missile Impact Scoring System (KMISS) im ilo ene idrik etan Illeginni. Nan jipan ikijeer makitkit in kommelmel kein, imaaja in wa im an armej makitkit remaron komman ilo RTS im barenwot ilo ial in itoitak ko ikotaan jikin kommelmel ko im jikin emmaan wa eo ilo Kuwajeleen.

Ebellok nan an aoelp koba tok

Navy eo ej karuwaineneik eok nan am linri im komman am ennaan ilo Draft ak Elmokot in an DEP. Ennaan ko jen jabrewot remaron ilok ilo online nan <https://www.nepa.navy.mil/CPSSea-Based> ak mail e lok nan:
Environmental Program Manager/SP2521
Strategic Systems Programs
1250 10th Street SE, Bldg. 200, Suite 3600
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5127

Aolep ennaan ko raikuj ilok ilo online ak ilo mail eliktata Eprol 25, 2025.

Kom maron loe EA/OEA Draft in ilo online website
<https://www.nepa.navy.mil/CPSSea-Based>
ak ilo library kein an public enwot aer ellajrak ijin ilal:
Kwajalein Island's Grace Sherwood Library, im Roi-Namur Library.

**The Department of the Navy
INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE
in the Public Involvement Process for the
Navy Conventional Prompt Strike
Weapon System Flight Tests DEP**



The U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command and the U.S. Department of the Navy (Navy) have prepared a Draft Document of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide a description of proposed missile flight test activities at Kwajalein Atoll, the associated potential environmental effects, and procedures for monitoring, notification, and reporting. Testing would involve flight tests from sea-based launch locations, vehicle flight over the ocean, splashdown of boosters in the open ocean, and payload impact either in broad ocean areas or at U.S. Army test sites at Kwajalein Atoll in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Within the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the activity would be located at the Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site (RTS) within the United States Army Kwajalein Atoll (USAKA). Flight test payloads would impact at target sites within the deep-water Kwajalein Missile Impact Scoring System (KMISS) range and on land at Illeginni Islet. Flight test support activities such as vessel traffic and human activity would occur at RTS as well as within travel routes between test sites and Kwajalein Harbor at Kwajalein Islet.

Public Involvement Opportunity

The Navy welcomes your review and comments on the Draft DEP. Comments may be submitted online at
<https://www.nepa.navy.mil/CPSSea-Based>
or by mail to:
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All comments must be submitted online or postmarked by April 25, 2025.

The Draft DEP is available online at
<https://www.nepa.navy.mil/CPSSea-Based>
or at the following public libraries:
Kwajalein Island's Grace Sherwood Library, and Roi-Namur Library.



**EARN YOUR
TEAM KWAJ TAB!**

Front Cover: Candid RustMan Triathlon photo by Sherman Hogue

Back Cover: RustMan Bicycles photo by Sherman Hogue

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THE 46TH RUSTMAN TRIATHLON

HOURLASS REPORT

Kwajalein's 46th annual RustMan swim-bike-run Triathlon was held Monday, 21-APR-2025. Gun time for the swim segment was 4PM at Echo Pier.

Highlights:

1. All starters finished (one with extraordinary determination). No injuries.
2. Team Kwaj support staff at its best. Emergency services were at the ready, but happily not needed.
3. 34 Solo contestants and 14 teams of 3 or 2 members.
4. An incredible 10th overall win by Thomas Cardillo in his 18th competition. TC's first

win was in 1997!

5. Sixth win in a row for Mandy Melody, ladies champ.

6. Team section was won by senior Garrison Kwajalein staff: Andrew Morgan, Sam Harmon & Noah Fontanez (swim, bike, run).

7. Eight personal bests (PBs) among the 34 solo contestants! Patrick Phelon by ~10 Minutes and Annalise Castillo by ~18 minutes. Also, all first time solo contestants are automatic PBs. There were 16 first time solo contestants.

8. Kwajalein invented the SSE (62+) age group = Social Security Eligible. Don Rob-

erson and Jon Jahnke become 11th and 12th names on the SSE finisher list after 45 years.

9. Cheering was raucous along the course, at the finish line, and also at the 8PM presentation of finisher certificates at Emon Main Pavilion.

Notables:

A. Mr. Ken Estabrook, Deputy to the Garrison Commander, acted as official starter after 48 swimmers had jumped off Echo Pier into the lagoon.

B. V2X MWR staff were out in force for two days+ pre-race providing setup support.

C. Arkel Corp, a resident

Construction Contractor, provided highest quality bike course safety Marshaling with seven volunteers.

D. Several Kwajalein Hospital staff were positioned at the Emon course hub, ready for quick response, had it been needed.

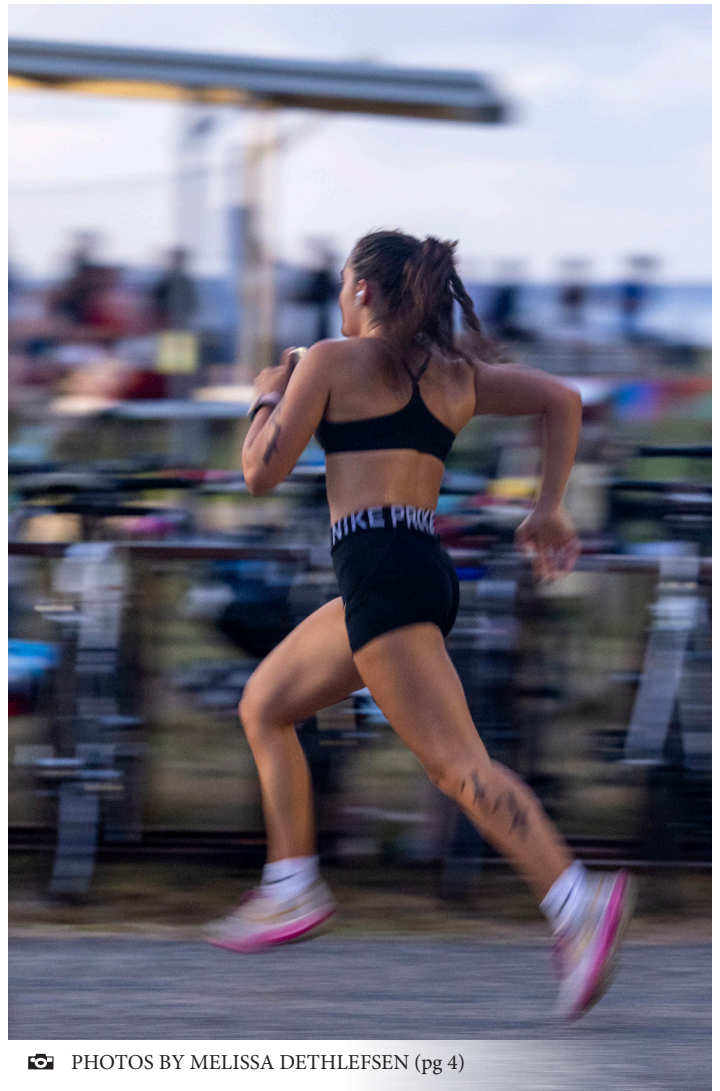
E. Too many volunteer support staff (~30 people) to fully recognize by name here. Oh . . . except for Arkel's Resident Manager Dustin Carmichael. One Team!

Still in the event afterglow!

Bob & Jane Sholar
Race Organizers
RustMan 46 Triathlon



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RUNSWIMBIKE

TEAM	SWIM	BIKE	RUN	TOTAL
A Garrison Problem	0:18:32	1:16:23	0:49:21	2:24:16
MORGAN, Andrew; HARMON, Sam; FONTANEZ, Noah				
The Current Chaos	0:19:52	1:23:50	0:48:40	2:32:22
MACK, Kaila; MACK, Kaila; FLUHRER, Jeffrey				
Angry Pirates	0:22:02	1:29:49	0:53:00	2:44:51
HOLLAND, Jack; C, Brian; BELL, Josh				
Femininomenom	0:18:39	1:36:29	0:51:10	2:46:18
RICCARDI, Suzy; BERBERT, Laura; WILLIAMS, Colleen				
Trinity	0:16:52	1:36:11	0:55:30	2:48:33
BRADY, Shawn; GRAHAM, Cherokee; CAMERON, Kirk				
Tri-Spartans	0:17:05	1:34:03	0:58:53	2:50:01
VENGHAUS, Benjamin; JONES, Sydney; PACE, Justin				
Swirl Cone	0:17:39	1:32:00	1:03:56	2:53:35
SORENSEN, Whitney; BEHREND, Krissy; LEDER Christina				
Squirrels	0:17:52	1:37:57	0:58:09	2:53:58
GRAF, Holly; GORDON, Ash; BRUNDRIDGE, Aaron				
Don't Be Tachy	0:17:21	1:29:34	1:10:12	2:57:07
TSAL, Andrea; BRAY, Amy; LJUNGBERG, Magnus				
Dreezy Preezy	0:20:17	1:31:47	1:06:36	2:58:40
DRAY, Zach; PREMO, Bruce; DRAY, Zach				
Swifties	0:23:49	1:46:33	0:53:18	3:03:40
SOTO, Noah; PRIM, Philip; LADD, Jackson				
Let's Go!	0:19:04	1:54:17	0:58:02	3:11:23
FATIGATI, Gabriella; BROWN, Lexie; FATIGATI, Gabriella				
Power Puff Girls	0:16:56	1:47:38	1:08:18	3:12:52
MILLER, Ellie; WALTER, Emily; ELKINS, Alison				
Hood Roy Rats & Rhoton	0:24:36	1:52:11	1:11:38	3:28:25
HOOD, Grace; RHOTON, Sarah; ROBINS, Roy				

NAME	SWIM	BIKE	RUN	TOTAL
CARDILLO, Thomas	0:18:32	1:17:01	0:51:28	2:27:01
PHOLON, Patrick	0:21:13	1:17:32	0:52:29	2:31:14
SPYDELL, Matthew	0:20:54	1:20:18	0:50:55	2:32:07
MELODY, Mandy	0:21:50	1:19:42	0:50:56	2:32:28
GJERSVIK, Adam	0:20:24	1:21:38	0:58:37	2:40:39
CASTILLO, Annalise	0:18:06	1:26:40	0:57:37	2:42:23
JAHNKE, Jonathan	0:20:02	1:18:38	1:06:28	2:45:08
SHOLAR, David	0:19:08	1:28:33	1:03:08	2:50:49
EDWARDS, Christopher	0:21:38	1:22:28	1:10:03	2:54:09
ROBINS, Lucas	0:16:52	1:46:37	0:51:42	2:55:11
MILLER, Kyle	0:26:17	1:30:54	0:58:29	2:55:40
WYNN, Charles	0:24:06	1:33:32	1:01:38	2:59:16
KASSEM, Alan	0:23:27	1:27:48	1:09:13	3:00:28
GASPAR, Mark	0:22:56	1:34:52	1:03:06	3:00:54
MACK, Andrew	0:27:33	1:33:59	1:05:14	3:06:46
COSSEY, Leightyn	0:17:25	1:33:36	1:16:03	3:07:04
MELODY, Nathan	0:19:55	1:32:27	1:17:36	3:09:58
CARDILLO, Christi	0:22:35	1:42:43	1:04:44	3:10:02
MILLER, Heather	0:24:07	1:37:49	1:09:01	3:10:57
EVANS, Jacob	0:18:59	1:43:56	1:08:46	3:11:41
LAGOMARSINO, Robert	0:25:47	1:39:01	1:08:50	3:13:38
BROWN, Stephanie	0:23:12	1:46:37	1:08:24	3:18:13
GJERSVIK, Mariah	0:22:05	1:43:47	1:14:49	3:20:41
FOX, Kevin	0:34:17	1:30:15	1:16:43	3:21:15
PATTON, Emma	0:21:39	1:44:56	1:15:31	3:22:06
GUZIK, David	0:21:35	1:49:25	1:13:36	3:24:36
DAVIS, Daniel	0:26:57	1:37:23	1:21:14	3:25:34
KING, Mallory	0:19:58	1:54:00	1:23:47	3:37:45
COSSEY, Graeson	0:18:35	1:48:57	1:30:19	3:37:51
MELODY, Michael	0:20:15	1:52:21	1:29:12	3:41:48
GERBER, Matt	0:24:43	2:11:09	1:13:01	3:48:53
ROBERSON, Don	0:31:55	1:55:24	1:32:27	3:59:46
BROWN, Zachary	0:27:12	1:46:52	1:45:42	3:59:46
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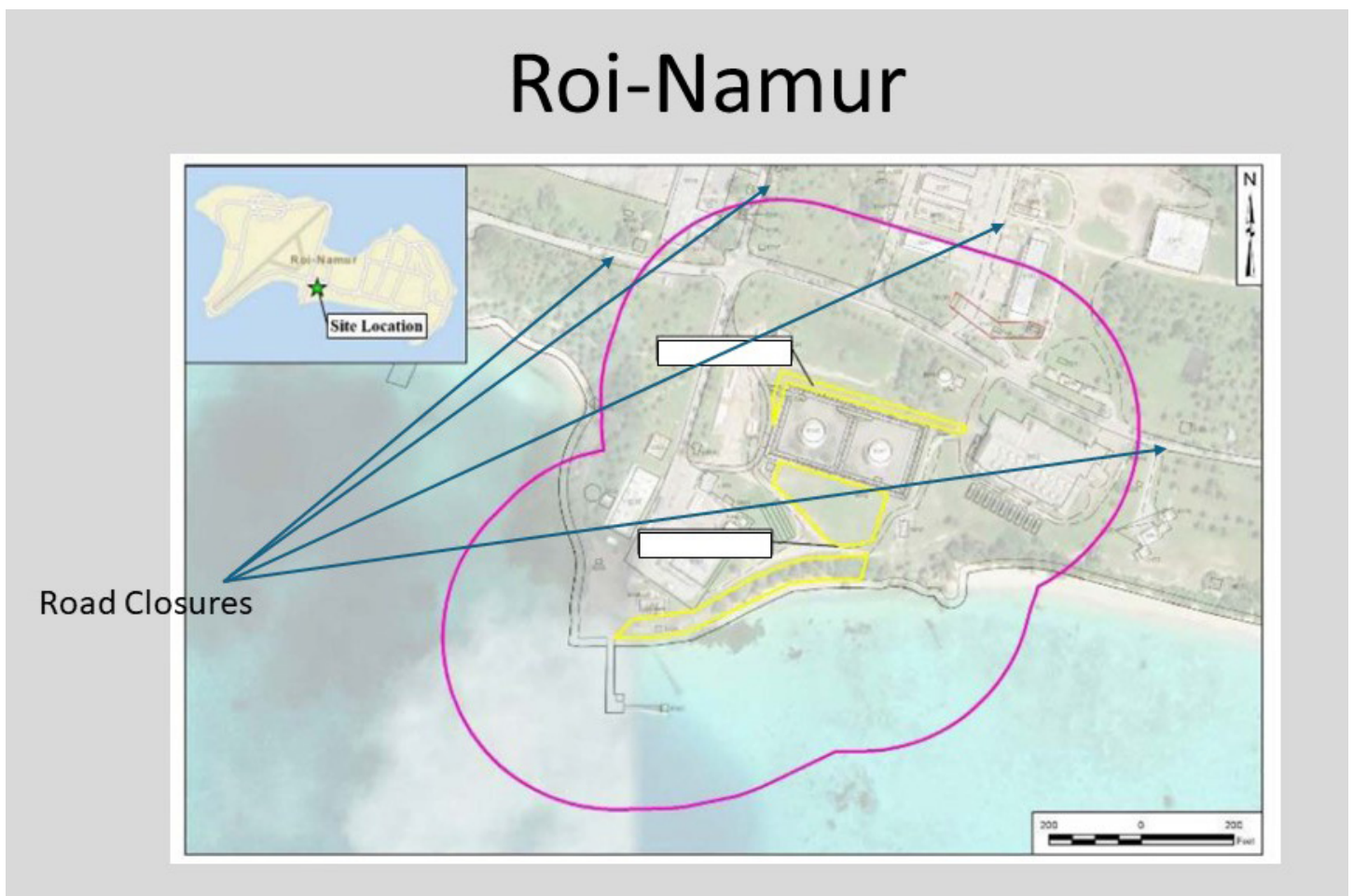
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UXO CLEARING FOR CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT

On Roi-Namur Beginning 21 February Operations will be conducted at night from 2000-0430 Monday-Friday. The following maps show Road Closures, Exclusion Zones, & Operations Overview

Roi-Namur POL/AST

- Construction operations anticipated to start 21 February
- Operations will be conducted at night from 2000-0430 Monday-Friday
- UXO Techs will conduct clearance operations in identified areas
- Barricades will be placed to signal all pedestrians and vehicles to use alternate routes
- Please avoid traveling or traversing in the indicated areas without a UXO Escort





LEGEND

- Telecom Route
- Telecom Manhole
- Road Close
- ↔ Detour

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

FY21 KWAJALEIN ARMY FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

Nan, Inc. construction company, will be continuing telecommunication construction activities for the FY21 Kwajalein Army Family Housing project as highlighted in blue on the attached map.

Trench excavation activities will start at the Building 806 across the road going to TMH-21 as shown in red. It will still be passable during daytime and **full road close at night** from 1900 to 0400 projected start date March 30, 2025.

Nan, Inc. will secure the area with barriers, safety signage and road plates. Traffic control personnel will be on-site to manage the flow of traffic and ensure safety for both workers and the public.

For inquiries, please contact the project team at 480-2548. Nan, Inc. appreciates the support and cooperation of the community for this transformative construction project.

Mahalo,

Nan, Inc.



Mother's Day Brunch

At the country club

May 11th 2025

Menu:

Baked quiche	Roasted Potatoes
Pancakes	Deviled Eggs
Sausage	Biscuits/w/gravy
Fruit	Lemon Chicken
Bacon	Vegetable tray
Mini Bagels	Mini Muffins

Chose your reservation time

Time slot 1- 10:30 to 11:30

Time slot 2- 11:45 to 12:45

Time slot 3- 1:00 to 2:00

Moms come sit back and let us serve and clean for you this time. Enjoy this awesome brunch menu along with bottomless bubbly juice.

Spots are limited: Pre order your tickets at the library. \$15.00



Kwajalein Reclaimed Water Standard Violation

The US Army Kwajalein Atoll (USAKA) Environmental Standards (UES) requires public notification when the Kwajalein and Roi-Namur Water Treatment Plants (WTPs) turbidity monitoring and testing procedures are not met. Turbidity from each filtration unit at the WTPs are monitored by inline continuous monitoring equipment capable of recording data at least every 15 minutes. The Kwajalein and Roi-Namur inline continuous monitoring systems have been inoperative for several months. Water operators are collecting manual grab samples for turbidity analysis every 4 hours. Repair or replacement projects for the continuous monitors are being evaluated. Turbidity is the cloudiness or haziness of a liquid caused by particles that are generally invisible to the naked eye and by itself does not cause microbiological contamination. Drinking water from several distribution sites are analyzed weekly by the Kwajalein Hospital Laboratory for microbiological contaminants. There is no threat to public health or the environment resulting from the inoperative inline monitoring equipment. No health-based restrictions are necessary for the normal use of drinking water. If you have questions, please contact the V2X Environmental Department at 480-0722.

Jorraan Eo Ilo Reclaimed Water System Eo Ion Kwajalein

Mottan kakien ko an US Army Kwajalein Atoll (USAKA) Environmental Standards (UES) ej aurok bwe ren karon jukjuk in bed eo ioon Kwajalein im Roi-Namur kon wawein liklik dren ko im etali elane lum in dren eo ejjab jejjot nan wawein etale ko im katak kaki. Lum in dren ko ilo kajojo kein liklik ko an WTPs rej jonok wot im walok aer alikar ilo kein jerbal ko im naaj koman einwot in mae ien data ko renaj alikar aolep 15 minit. Kein jerbal kein an dren ioon Kwajalein im Roi-Namur rekar jab jerbal iumwin jejo allon ko. Rijerbal in dren ro rekar wonmanlok wot im ebok dren nan kamelmel im lale elane elap ejake eo an lum ilo dren ko. Kilen kakomanman lak im tiljek lok jirik kon dren ko ekar bok jikin nan lale im kajeon kajako lum ko ilo dren iumwn kajojo 4 awa. Ejjelok joraan elap im kauwotata enaj jelet ejmour eo ilo juon kabijuknen eo elane ej koman katak kein jen kein jerbal ko an lale dren eo. Ejjab jelet ejmour non karon im rejan ikkijeon kojerbal dren in non aikuij ko jet. Elane ewor am Kajitok kir V2X Environmental ilo 480-0722.



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Join the American Red Cross and help bring our Services and Programs to the Kwajalein Atoll community!

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Contact **Alana Wilson** at alana.wilson@redcross.org

Let's work together to build a more prepared and resilient community.



Remember the 3-R's of UXO Safety!



RECOGNIZE



RETREAT



REPORT

Unexploded ordnance are munitions that fail to detonate during live fire training. They are **extremely dangerous** and could explode if tampered with, even though the Kwajalein ordnance is 80-years-old.

NEVER touch UXO and report the location of **ANY** suspected UXO to the UXO Team **IMMEDIATELY** at:

Phone: 480-1550/1433

Email: Darren.r.Wheeldon.ctr@army.mil



Kwajalein Hospital at the Craft Fair!

Date & Time:
April 28th, 0900-1300

Location: CRC GYM

Visit the Hospital Table at the Craft Fair

We're collecting eyeglass donations for Ebeye residents —
any and all contributions are appreciated.

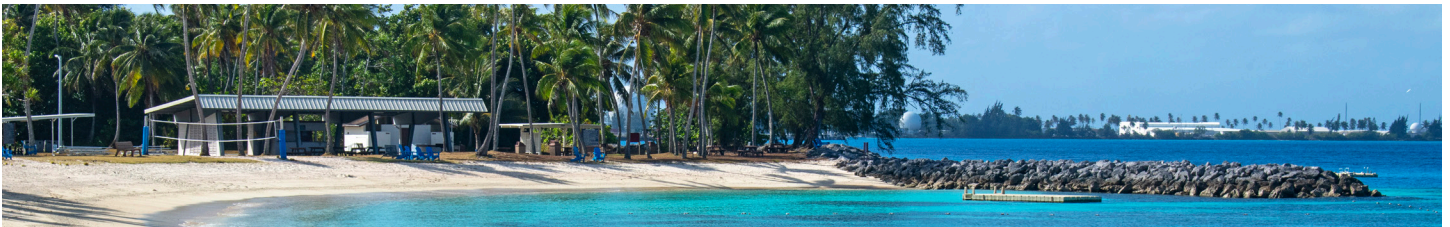
What to Expect at Our Booth:

- **09:00 AM** – Postural Screenings with Nikki Delisio
- **10:00 AM** – Stress Management Activity with Savanna Gastineau & possible special guest
- **11:00 AM** – Vision Screening with Jane Sholar & Emma Patton
- **12:00 PM** – Dental Education with Ebony Fairfax & Pharmacy Education with Peggy Burton

Included are a few fun, hands-on activities we'll have alongside our health education booths:

- **Mindfulness Coloring Corner** – A relaxing space with coloring pages and calming background music to help you unwind.
- **DIY Stress Ball Station** – Make your own stress ball using balloons and rice or flour! A fun, kid-friendly way to talk about stress relief.
- **And plenty of other fun surprises!**

Don't forget to ask us about the upcoming Kwajalein Health Fair!



Join us for a Roi Health Fair!

May 9th, 1200–1330

Location: ROI Clinic



Meet & Greet

- Get to know your ROI providers
- Learn about available clinic services



Hospital Registration

- Bring your **ID** and **insurance cards**



Free Screenings & Education

- Blood pressure checks
- Stroke Awareness Month education
- Smoking cessation resources
- Alcohol use awareness and support



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UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER | BRANDI MUELLER

HOURLASS REPORT

Brandi Mueller has huge respect for projects like our Kwajalein MIA project and Project Recover. After those teams perform the hard work of the historical research, towing side scan sonar equipment for hours, days and months of their lives and diving targets—many of which turn out to be nothing—Brandi swoops in to take careful media capture to help share

their stories for the rest of us. The Kwajalein Hourglass staff caught up with her after her Apr 18, 2025 Kwajalein Scuba Club presentation at the Community Recreation Center and she was kind enough to share some thought on her exciting life adventures.

You revealed that you were a foreign exchange student when you were in

your mid-teens, sponsored by a family in New Zealand. This is where you first learned how to scuba dive and experienced the thrill of diving in international waters. Can you flesh out more of your early life's journey for us, and where you went diving after that as you gained more and more experience?

I grew up in Northern Wisconsin, but knew there were amazing places with ocean because I had extended family in Florida and Hawaii that I would visit. So even though I was far removed from the water, I already was enthralled when I was very young. I studied abroad in high school to New Zealand and got certified with another exchange student with our host fam-

ilies and my love for being underwater was confirmed. After high school, I moved to Florida for college and studied biology, also working my way through diving courses so that I was a Divemaster before I graduated. I did a lot of Florida cavern diving and many trips to the Keys. Right after getting my Bachelor's, I became a scuba instructor and spent a summer living on sailboats and teaching kids to dive. After that I moved to Hawaii and worked on a liveboard that did week-long dive trips off the Kona Coast. I moved to Oahu for my master's degree and also worked at a dive shop. I got my captain's license the same month I defended my master's thesis and eventually went back to working on liveboard dive yachts. Throughout that time I was also taking photos and when I went back to liveboards, I started to take more photos, submitted articles to magazines and started to get published.

Were there specific dives, or dive-related experiences, that represented major milestones in your career development?

One milestone was learning to cave dive. It is, by far, the most challenging training I've done (which makes sense, as it's a very challenging environment.) I never thought I'd be interested in cave diving, but I spent some time diving the cenotes (caverns) in Mexico's Yucatan and there are



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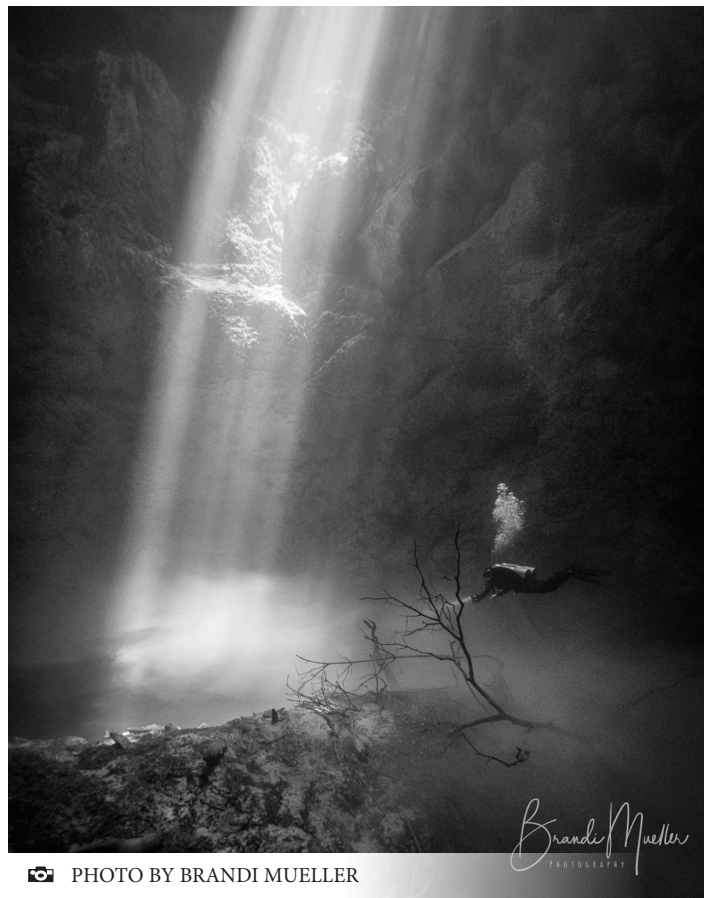


PHOTO BY BRANDI MUELLER

points in the caverns where you have to stop if you aren't cave certified. I wanted to go further. Mexico was mostly open during Covid, so I spent several months there getting cave certified.

While living on Oahu, I became a travel coordinator for the dive shop I worked at, leading long weekend dive trips to the other Hawaiian islands and a few international dive trips each year. It was really rewarding to teach people to dive and then take them traveling to see other amazing locations. I still lead dive travel and occasionally underwater photo workshops to locations like the Philippines, South Africa, and Mexico. I love to take people to my favorite locations.

I have been a scuba instructor for over 20 years and have over 5000 dives, so I have led a lot of divers in many places around the world. However, over the years, my interests have shifted more towards

captaining and photography. Prior to returning to Kwaj, I was captaining the Truk Odyssey liveboard in Chuuk, FSM. (Just a few more stops on the Island Hopper going towards Guam). In the past years I have travelled during my off time for magazine assignments, photo workshops and book research.

Can you share what other goals you have for diving (big or small) that you are working towards for the future?

I really enjoy taking photos and telling stories of the water. I plan to continue to do that. I have a few other book ideas and am always making travel plans to go diving and take photos in the future.

What are the traits that an interested person would need to have to be successful in scuba diving?

I think almost anyone can dive if they have an interest. It

is a sport that requires training (which is available here on Kwaj by some amazing instructors) and it is a skill that improves with experience. It's rare that someone comes out of the Open Water course feeling like a natural, and the best way to get more comfortable scuba diving is spending more time underwater. So to be a good diver, you need to do a lot of dives. There are also classes after Open Water that can help improve your skills too.

Several times during the presentation, you mentioned the term "tech diving." What does that term reference exactly?

Tech diving or technical diving is diving that goes beyond recreation limits. This can mean several things including diving below 130ft; doing dives that require decompression time (ie having to spend extra time at shallower depths to off-gas nitrogen before coming to the surface); using different gas blends; using specialized gear (such as two tanks, multiple tanks with different gas mixes, using rebreathers, etc.); or diving in overhead environments like caves or wrecks. Essentially, diving which requires extra training, experience and planning.

Tech diving is not allowed on Kwaj except in rare circumstances (such as the Kwaj MIA project) which have to be approved before undertaking. ▼

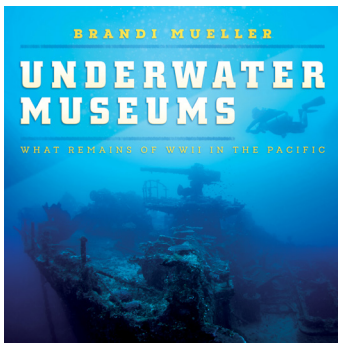
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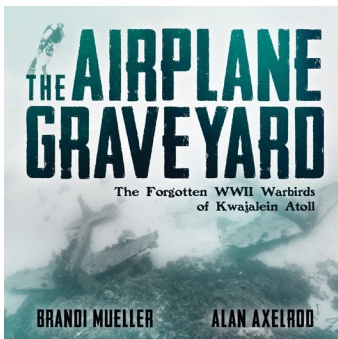
Instagram:
@brandi_underwater

Brandi Mueller's books are sold on island at the Mic Shop and Kwaj Dive Center or on Amazon:

<https://amzn.to/4cFuZLR>
<https://amzn.to/42NoH50>



ABOVE: Brandi's latest book, *Underwater Museums*, published in November. It has a chapter about Kwajalein in it.



ABOVE: Brandi's first book, *The Airplane Graveyard*, is all about the plane wrecks up on Roi-Namur.




During the dry months here on Kwajalein Atoll, we all need to be diligent in conserving non-potable water. In an effort to control water usage please limit the watering of plants to 30 minutes every other day.

Thank you for your efforts in conserving our precious resources.

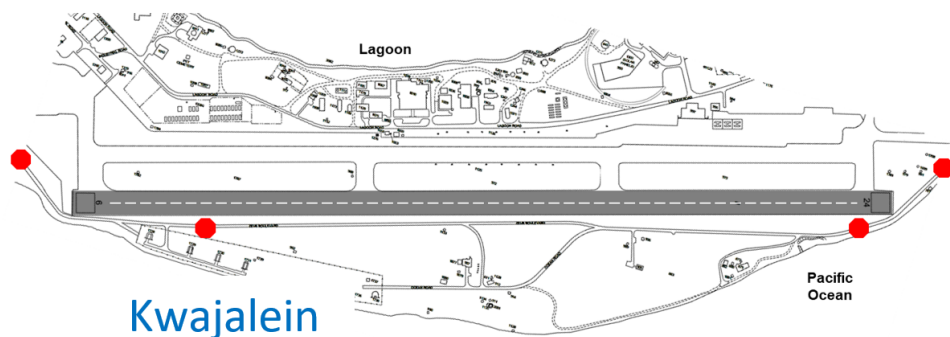


KWAJALEIN & ROI NAMUR, STOP FOR AIRCRAFT!!



Please remember to stop and look both ways for aircraft on:
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Wilson Rd.

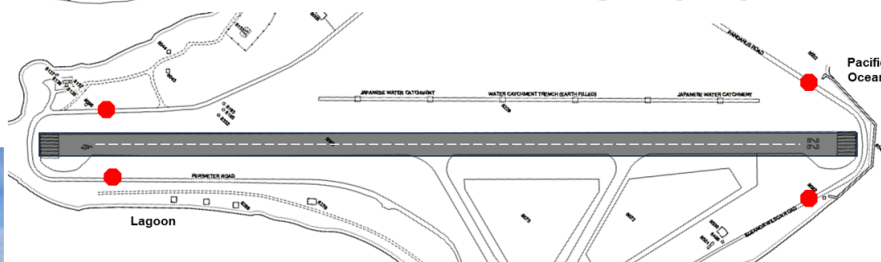
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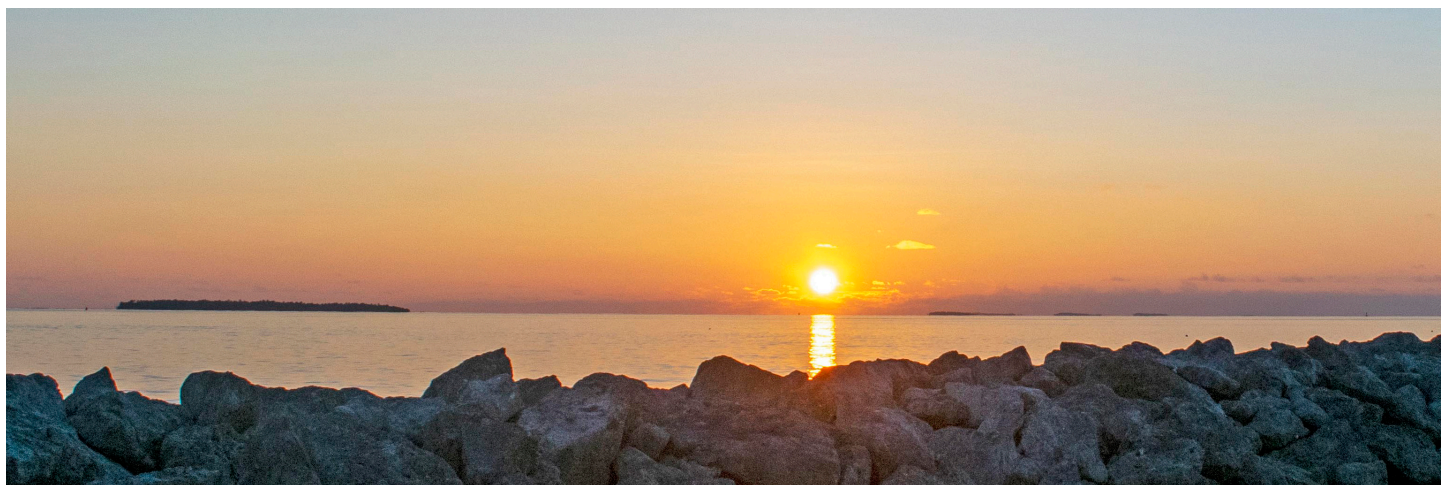
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Roi Namur



**Stop at designated signs and look for aircraft
landing or taking off. If you see an aircraft, hold
your position at the stop sign and wait until the
aircraft has landed or departed before moving.**



Now Showing at the Yuk Theater

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Saturday, APRIL 5
"Finding Nemo" (2003)
(G) 100 min.

Sunday, APRIL 6
"Joy Ride" (2023)
(R) 95 min.

Saturday, APRIL 12
"Puss in Boots" (2011)
(R) 90 min.

Sunday, APRIL 13
"Face Off" (1997)
(R) 138 min.

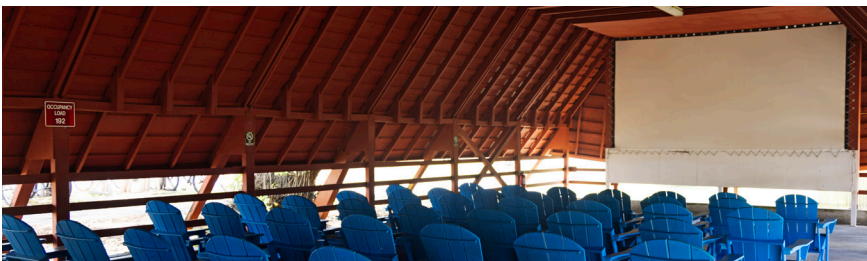
Saturday, APRIL 19
"Ice Age: Collision Course"
(2016) (PG) 94 min.

Sunday, APRIL 20
"The Blackening" (2022)
(R) 97 min.

Saturday, APRIL 26
"Ralph Breaks the Internet"
(2018) (PG) 112 min.

Sunday, APRIL 27
"No Hard Feelings" (2023)
(R) 103 min.

All showtimes start at 7:30 p.m.



E-wareness: *Regulated Medical Waste (RMW)*



RMW generated at the Hospital, Dispensaries, Dental Clinic, and Vet Services is collected by trained personnel and escorted to the incinerators for disposal.

Please contact V2X Environmental at 480-0722 if you have any questions.

MARSHALLESE TRANSLATION

Kwobej ko jen Hospital, jikin takto ko, jikin koman ni, im jikin takto menin mour rej boklak nan dump bwe ren bwil ilo jikin kattil en. Ewör ro emōj train er ññon lolorjaki kwobej kein.

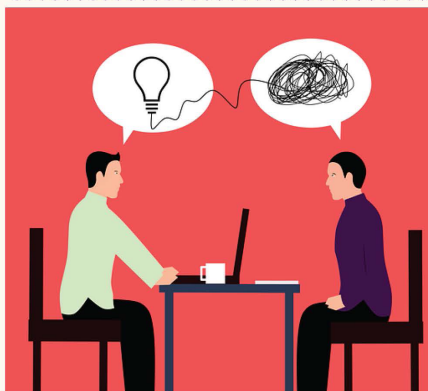
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Introducing Presence: Live Online Teletherapy Services for Kwajalein Students K-12

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What is Presence?

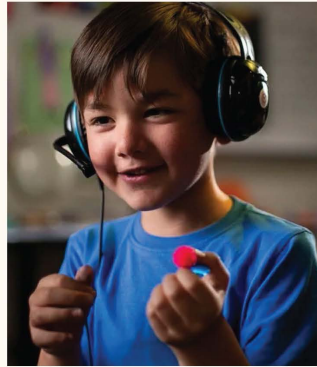
Presence is an online educational platform designed to efficiently and accurately identify the services students need to succeed in school and life. Clinicians conduct evaluations remotely using the largest digital library of assessments from leading publishers.



Psycho-Educational Evaluations

Presence, a leader in online psychoeducational evaluations, simplifies the assessment process with a vast network of professionals and a comprehensive library of top-tier assessments. This ensures efficient, accurate evaluations for KSS students.

Contact: Kristi Warwick
warwickk@kwajaleinschools.org



2 Modern Therapy Platform

As the need for student evaluations in areas like learning, behavior, and academics continues to grow, it can be hard for schools to keep up. Presence helps by providing extra support through licensed online school psychologists and modern tools. This means Kwajalein students can get the help they need faster and more efficiently—making sure no child is left waiting for support.

Contact: Kristi Warwick
warwickk@kwajaleinschools.org

5 Occupational Therapy

Presence has experienced online occupational therapists (OTs) who support KSS by providing therapy and conducting evaluations through a modern, interactive platform. Through live, online, and personalized sessions, our OTs help students make meaningful progress toward their individual goals.

Contact: Christy Potter
potterc@kwajaleinschools.org

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Mental Health Counseling and Behavioral Services

Presence provides live, online therapy for KSS students (with parental consent) through licensed mental health professionals. Support is available one-on-one or in small groups to meet each student's needs.

GSES Contact: Mindi Gerber
gerbermi@kwajaleinschools.org

KJSHS Contact: Carmen Parra
parrac@kwajaleinschools.org



6 Timely Support

Presence ensures KSS students receive individualized services without delays. Staffing shortages can make timely evaluations and support difficult, but Presence provides access to a network of licensed clinicians and a secure, HIPAA- and FERPA-compliant platform, helping educators stay on track and effectively meet student needs.



COLLAGE OF ORIGINAL TOM PREVETTE PHOTOS BY MELISSA DETHLEFSEN

COMMUNITY KWAJALEIN HOBBYISTS | TOM PREVETTE

HOURLASS REPORT

On Kwajalein Atoll, we are lucky to see the night sky with less light pollution than most places. Tom Prevette takes it up a level to capture the night sky even more close up. At the age of 14, when Tom got his first telescope, he became hooked on astronomy. He combined his passion for astronomy and his skills as a photography and became an Astrophotographer.

How did you get into photography?

I took Photography and Astronomy classes as electives while attending college. I am prior police, was assigned to a Special Crime Abatement Team and we did Surveillance w/photo-documentation.

Participated in aerial, forensic, and special event police photography later became interested in photography of Eagles at the Conowingo Dam in Maryland and astrophotography.

When did you start photographing the night sky?

I used a polaroid instamatic camera to capture Saturn when I was 14, later used larger telescopes while in college with image intensifiers and night vision devices.

How did you get into Astrophotography originally, and have you always been interested in astronomical objects?

My family was poor, but I

was given a small telescope at 14 that hooked me on astronomy. That led to me wanting to capture what I could see. I later assisted in Astronomy open house events and networked with NASA as they provided static displays and an actual Moon rock that was encased in solid plexiglass. NASA loaned me the Moon rock with me signing an agreement of understanding that I would be armed at all times that it was displayed, it would be kept in a police safe when not displayed and, that I would replace the Moon rock if it became lost or stolen.

What do you think about when you are capturing the



night sky?

Just how vast the universe is and how infinite space is to try and comprehend.

What are your favorite subjects? Planets, stars, comets, etc.? Why?

The constellation Orion is my favorite sky feature, it is so weird seeing Orion on its side here on Kwajalein as we are at 8° 43' latitude and it's 39° 31' latitude at home in Maryland. Jupiter is always fascinating with its four visible moons always changing their positions, but Saturn was my first favorite. I remember finding Saturn as a young child in my telescope and looking at it for hours thinking I would never

find it again.

How do you usually work? Do you follow a specific process or pattern?

Technology is so advanced now that it makes it very easy to observe the heavens. The past observing procedures that took hours of planning, reviewing sky charts and setting up bulky equipment have now been reduced to minutes. I generally look at things that are directly above and travel to dark sky locations for the best effect.

What are the challenges you face when shooting at night?

Light! Even here on the

Garrison, light pollution is rampant and obscures the beauty of the Milky Way or even being able to see the Andromeda Galaxy with no assistance. The Golf course at night or areas near our site at Space Fence are good, but the high intensity unshielded nearby lights limit seeing capabilities. I would love to champion light shielding at the North Portion of the base to promote viewing the night sky.

Do you have a favorite photo? If so, why?

Yes, I photographed the full Solar Eclipse two miles from the Canadian border in Vermont last year. That

photo captured the full total eclipse of the Sun with the shielded streaming bands of sunlight for just over three amazing minutes. It was dark enough outside at 3:26 pm that afternoon that Jupiter and a few stars were present in the photo, as well as a red prominence that could be seen at the bottom of the eclipse. The photograph also showed a deep valley extending out over thirty miles to the very edge of the eclipse where partial sunlight could be seen over fifty miles away, the width of the eclipse path was 109 miles. Truly a bucket list, lifetime event. X



EARN YOUR TEAM KWAJ TAB

1. Attend Col. Morgan's TEAM KWAJ brief (either Teammate or Community version), read and adhere to the TEAM KWAJ Teammate Pact, presented at initial town halls, and periodically thereafter.

2. Attend the Island Newcomer's Briefing.

3. Attend at least one group greeting at air terminal for personnel arriving on island. Make them feel welcome and show them we are happy they are on Kwaj with us.

4. Attend at least two garrison after-hours team-building or social events (TEAM KWAJ Happy Hour, Commander's Call, Hail/Farewell).

5. Attend at least two TEAM KWAJ PT/Wellness sessions. Become a regular attendee!

6. Visit Marshallese Cultural Center in last 3 months prior to tab award.

7. Visit Ebeye, Third island or Majuro in last 3 months prior to tab, use a Marshallese phrase or two and visit a store/restaurant.

8. Tell three co-workers how to earn the TEAM KWAJ tab.

9. Swim, snorkel, boat or paddle on the lagoon at least once with a teammate.

10. Complete the TEAM KWAJ Circle-island 6-mile ruck march/walk/bike and read all historic battlefield markers. This is an organized USAG-KA hosted event several times per year.

11. Mission Partner wild card event—discuss with your supervisor any additional organizational requirement. Could be knowledge-based, achievement-based, or physical challenge.

12. Final event, "Board of Review" -- meet with Col. Morgan face-to-face individually or in a small group with all requirements fulfilled. Schedule with garrison front office. Discussion items may include but are not limited to; TEAM KWAJ pact - "Healthy Community of Excellence," Kwaj history, Marshallese culture, military/strategic missions and their significance, and future operational potential.

Once you have the first 11 items completed, contact Terri Wilson at 480-4322 or at terri.l.wilson20.civ@army.mil to set up a date/time with the commander for the final event.



Check out more news and entertainment about Kwaj life on the USAG-KA YouTube Channel, at <https://www.youtube.com/USArmyGarrisonKwajaleinAtoll>.

FOR KWAJ COMMAND
TEAM INFO & UPDATES



TEAM KWAJ COMMANDER



@TeamKwajCommander

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NASA ASTRONAUT ANDREW "DREW" MORGAN



@AstroDrewMorgan

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COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

Submit Announcements to the Roller Channel and The Kwajalein Hourglass

OPEN CALL FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
The island community is invited to submit listings for events and for sale items; announcements; department trainings; safety updates; public service messages; and thank-you messages.

Preparing Your Message

For questions about your messaging, please reach out to the USAG-KA Public Affairs Office at 480-4848.

Ads should always include a point of contact, phone number and/or email address.

Private parties, fundraisers and events requesting and/or accepting donations are typically not allowed for publication per AR 360-1. Fundraisers and support activities for private and schools-based organizations, scouting groups, civic clubs and other listings may be subject to a legal counsel review to determine their eligibility for publication.

Formatting Your Listings

It is recommended that graphical advertisements

and announcements intended for the Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel be formatted as PowerPoint slides.

Graphic designers are asked to maintain a generous margin (.75-1-inch) around all sides and to size fonts no smaller than pt. 20.

If your Roller Channel advertisement requires a special expiration date, please note this for the Roller team in the body of your message.

Deadlines for Submissions

Send advertisements for the Kwajalein Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel to kwajaleinhourglass@gov2x.com on Wednesdays by close of business/Thursday morning.

Roller Channel ads are accepted on a rolling basis by 4 p.m. for a mid-week and late-week update. Ads received after 4 p.m. will be loaded in the next update. Please ensure you submit ads in good time to ensure timely upload.

For more information, reach out to the USAG-KA Command team through the USAG-KA Facebook page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFH Construction Is Ongoing. Nan, Inc. Construction is scheduled to commence the telecommunication scope of work for the Kwajalein Army Family Housing project in our community. Residents and commuters should be aware of possible changes in traffic patterns and to plan their routes accordingly. Nan, Inc. Construction is committed to minimizing any inconveniences, and we will strive to ensure a smooth and efficient construction process.

ArMA. Log in to ArMa, the Army Maintenance Application, to report issues for all buildings maintained by the Department of Public Works. Contact Public Works at 480-3550.

CAC Office. Before your visit to the Common Access Card Office, ensure all paperwork is completed by your human resources representative before making an appointment. Bring two forms of government-issued IDs with you. Walk-in appointments are welcome, but there may be a wait. CAC Office Hours, Bldg. 835, are Tuesday – Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.; (Lunch: noon - 1 p.m.). Call 480-8496.

Demolition at the Capt. Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility. Phase three of the Zamperini DFAC demo has begun and is projected to be finished March 2026 for the dining and serving area. Be careful around the dining facility during the phases.

Do Not Take Cultural Artifacts. It is illegal to remove cultural resources from the atoll. This includes any protected species, unexploded ordnance, WWII-era artifacts and ancient Marshallese artifacts. These resources are protected under U.S. federal and RMI law. Contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 480-8867.



Contact the USAG-KA Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response and Prevention Victim Advocate

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Nate Elkins
SHARP Victim Advocate
Work: 480-0660 or 480-3421
USAG-KA SHARP Pager:
808-580-3241
DOD SAFE Helpline: 877-995-5247

Emergency Management. Visit the USAG-KA Emergency Management webpage, <https://home.army.mil/kwajalein/index.php/my-fort/EM>; 2) Click on "Mass Notification"; 3) Follow the registration instructions.

E-Wareness: It is each driver's responsibility to ensure vehicles are not leaking fluids other than air conditioning condensate. Call 911 to report spills and arrange with automotive for routine maintenance. Please call Environmental at 480-0722 with questions. Ej an ri-kator eo eddo non lolorjake bwe wa eo ejjab leak jabdwot oil ijelak in drennin air condition eo jen wa eo. Ne elon jabdwot leak/lutok in oil jen wa eo, Kiir 911 non report- e lutok eo. Ak kiir Environmental ilo 480-0722 non kajitok.

Fire Safety Tips. Some pets are chewers. Watch pets to make sure they don't chew through electrical cords. Pets are curious. They may bump into, turn on, or knock over cooking equipment. Keep pets away from stoves and countertops. Make sure pets are included in your family's fire evacuation plan. Build an evacuation kit for each pet in your household.

Flights. Please note that all flights are subject to change. For the latest update on your flights on United, ATI or Air Marshall Islands: ATI: 480-2169; AMI: 480-3469; United: 480-4852 or 1-800-UNITED1; Air Terminal Services: 480-2660; Flight Information Recording: 480-3589

UA Schedule Effective Now: Monday and Friday—UA 155 (HNL); Check-in 2 – 4:50 p.m.;

Wednesday—UA 133 (HNL); Check-in 2 – 4:15 p.m.; Tuesday and Saturday—UA 154 (GUM); Check-in 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.

FlyRoi Reservations. To schedule reservations and for correspondence related to flights, email LCVKwajaleinFlyRoi@versar.com.

How to dress in the RMI. Out of respect for the Marshallese culture, residents are asked to dress appropriately when visiting Ebeye, Third Island, or anywhere within Kwajalein Atoll. Women should wear clothing to cover shoulders and knees. None are permitted to wear shorts when visiting churches on Ebeye. Men should wear long slacks to church.

Kwaj Small Boat Marina hours are 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m. Friday through Monday, and on holidays, excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas. Morning boat reservation times are from 7:30 a.m. – noon. Afternoon boat reservations are from 1 – 5 p.m.

Not Feeling Well? Call 480-2223 to make an appointment for a COVID-19 test, Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you are not feeling well, please wear a mask when you are around others in the community.

Operational Security. See something, say something. All employees on USAG-KA are required to receive annual Threat Awareness and Reporting Program training provided by KRO; Reporting: Report suspicious activities to the Kwajalein Resident Office at 480-9859/1293/8006 at Bldg. 1163.

PCS & Vacation Tips. Notify the post office before leaving for 30 days or PCS'ing. Per DOD 4525.6-M, mail is only allowed to be held for 30 days with or without prior notice. Mail is considered unclaimed on day 31 and will be returned to the sender. Email the post office to authorize pick up for your mail and packages. When PCS'ing, provide a forwarding address. Contact James Smith with questions at 480-3461 and james.e.smith2295@army.mil.

Salon Walk-Ins. Surfside Salon Walk-In Appointments are available on Fridays from 1:30 - 6 p.m.

Smoking. USAG-KA, smoking is permitted in designated smoking areas only. Smoking and cigarette butt receptacles must be at least 50 feet from the entrance of facilities.

Taxi Service. Call 480-TAXI (8294) or 3341 to

book your ride at least 24 hours in advance of check-in time.

Millican Family Pool Hours. Closed for cleaning on Thursdays. Open noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays and Mondays.

The NEC Testing Center Is Open to the Community - Giving you the head start you need to thrive! - Open Tuesday through Saturday by appointment
Authorized Pearson VUE Test Center. Schedule A test Today!
NEC testing Center, 480-4344, FN 1008-131
ACUITY International

Kwajalein / Roi Namur Licensing
Classes on Kwajalein are every Wednesday @0900 Marshallese
@1245 Expats (by appointment only as class side is limited)
Classes are in Bldg. 856 Rm 101, Vehicle Maintenance Compound
Roi classes every 2nd Friday in Bldg. C, timed based on flight schedule
No registration needed for Roi classes.
To register, send email to either of the following:
Audrey.Hughes@gov2x.com
Wilson.Kaisha@gov2x.com
...or stop by Bldg. 856, Rm 101

HELP WANTED

For employment with contractors
within the
U.S. Army Garrison - Kwajalein Atoll
please check
contractor company
websites
for employment opportunities.



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ONLINE AND OFFLINE.**


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WHAT COULD THIS BE?



**SEND YOUR GUESS TO
THE PAO EMAIL BELOW!**

Kwajalein Atoll is a significant archeological location. If you find anything, take a photo, remember where it is and notify the Public Affairs officer at Sherman.hogue.civ@army.mil but do not pick up, or remove the object.

**Last Week's What
Could THIS Be?
History Item:**

**Japanese Military
issue belt buckle.**

**Did you
get it
right?**



Dome Home Trash & Recycling



V2X will be installing Green Residential Trash bins and Blue Recycle bins at each Dome Home. This will be a new experience for our Dome Home residents that we hope will enhance your stay on our island.

Please be sure your personal property and potted plants are set safely back from the road.

Please keep curious children away from the Compactor Truck as it visits each Dome.

CARDBOARD and PLASTICS are not recycled on Kwajalein.

TRASH and RECYCLE bins are collected Tuesday and Friday.

You can deposit all glass, aluminum, bottles and metal into the same blue recycle bin.

For Questions, call 480-1760

Spring Craft Fair

Monday, April 28 | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. @ CRC Gymnasium

Want to be a Vendor?

Email:

1. Zoe King — alekz_zoe@yahoo.com

2. Kwajalein Art Guild — kwajaleinartguild@gmail.com

Complete the Home-Based Vendor Application to receive your vendor number (Available through MWR)



Kwajalein Island Trash & Recycling

Residential Trash Collection	480-1760
Yard Vegetation Collection	480-1890
Hazardous Waste Pickup Line	480-8858



TRASH & RECYCLING PICKUP SCHEDULE

The Green Residential TRASH receptacles are collected every **Tuesday and Friday**.

The blue RECYCLE bins are also collected every **Tuesday and Friday**.

The large black General Solid Waste Community Containers are emptied on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Safety First! Please keep any curious children away from the Compactor Truck as it feeds contents into the truck.

Recyclable materials are also collected by both *solid waste* and *horizontal maintenance personnel*, in conjunction with general trash collection. Currently the island only recycles glass, aluminum, metal, and bulk organic materials. **Cardboard and plastics are not recycled materials on Kwajalein.** These items should be placed into the general trash stream for disposal/incineration.



Residential users will be given a **green trash** receptacle and a smaller **blue receptacle** for recyclable materials. It is requested that residences place their recyclable items into the blue containers, and stack larger materials next to the bins. Lawn clippings and leaves should be bagged and placed next to bins. Palm fronds and coconuts should also be stacked up next to the bins for removal by horizontal maintenance personnel.



Kwajalein Pet Parents



Bring your Kwaj pets to the vet clinic and meet our veterinarian that will be on island from April 23rd to the 28th.

For appointments, please call 480-2017





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COMMUNITY FOR A PLEASANT MWR CART RENTAL EXPERIENCE

HOURLASS REPORT

If there's one thing you'll need when you go to the 805 MWR facility to rent a golf cart, it's patience. On our little island with its resource & supply challenges, there's a lot of competition for carts.

"It's not a good idea to wait until the last minute to make your reservations," said Patrice Puranda, MWR Technician. I found Patrice behind the counter leading the MWR team, and she was eager to give pointers to help both the customer and her staff have a pleasant experience. "People incorrectly assume that the carts are available on demand. Please plan ahead. It doesn't do any good to demand a cart if they are

all booked up. We'll do our best to work with you, but of course there are no guarantees."

Some customers are under the impression that carts are set to the side to give friends and family special favor. "Let me assure you this is not the case," said Kevin Robertson, Patrice's MWR Supervisor. "What we have is a reservation process, tied to our new QR Code Application. This is what we use to track cart availability. This includes the mandatory cool off period, where returning carts must have an hour to clean and recharge before they can go back out."

The balance between

maintaining compliance with business policies and making sure the customer's needs are met to satisfaction is a complex and ongoing dance. The fact that the MWR Golf Carts are only for recreational use can be a sticky rule with some customers. "We do have rental options for work needs," offered Patrice. "They're a little pricier (\$15 for pickup truck rental) and there's no refund if returned early." This can create a temptation to use the carts for work-related tasks anyway, which causes a lot of wear-n-tear on the equipment. "The community needs to be aware that the Command Sergeant Major has started cracking down on these policy violations." The unique Kwajalein en-

vironment already makes it challenging to maintain the equipment, so it's unfair to everyone to abuse the carts by transporting materials they are not designed to load.

It is possible to get a special exception to the policy to use carts for work. Upon request, an application sheet will be provided. Requiring signatures from the Garrison, an MWR Supervisor and the Community Services Senior Director, it does come with running a gauntlet of authority permission asks to gain approval.

"It doesn't hurt to ask us," said Patrice. "We are here to help you." ❖

Effective May 23 - August 7, 2025

SUMMER HOURS

Wednesday - Sunday :

1:30 - 9:30 P.M.



YOUTH LOCK-IN

**MAY
SAT.-SUN. 24-25**

9 - 10 P.M. ----- Arrival/Free Time/Expectations
10 - 10:30 P.M. ----- Potluck/Split Into Teams
10:30 - 11:30 P.M.- Team Song/Trivia/Team Puzzles
11:30 - 1 A.M. ----- Team Minute-to-Win-It Games
1 - 3 A.M. ----- Limbo/Dodgeball in MP Room
3 - 5 A.M. ----- Movie/Free Time
5 - 6 A.M. ----- Free Time/Clean Up
6 A.M. ----- Departure Home

**INCOMING 8TH - 12TH GRADE &
RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADS!**

Sign up (potluck: no candy or soda) & permission forms located at the Youth Center.

Permission forms due Wednesday, May 21.

Spots limited, so turn in permission forms much prior to due date.



Youth Center Phone #480-3796

Students are required to be registered at the Youth Center to attend.

WEEKLY TROPICAL WEATHER THREAT OUTLOOK

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

Discussion:

Through yesterday, we have received 2.10 inches of precipitation in the month of April, which is 2.66 inches below normal for the month. So far in 2025, we have only received 6.40 inches of precipitation, which is 9.23 inches below normal for the year. As of April 15th, the NWS has now designated Kwajalein Atoll as experiencing Severe Drought (D2) on a scale of D1-D4. We are expecting slightly more shower coverage for the next seven day with a significant increase on the 29th and 30th, as more impressive troughing and wind convergence work through the central RMI. No thunderstorm days occurred over the past seven days. A thunderstorm day is defined as an "in situ" lightning strike within five miles of the weather station. The Madden-Julian Oscillation (MJO) has currently entered a mild positive phase, which gives a slight advantage to increased shower coverage for the RMI. The El

Nino Southern Oscillation (ENSO) is still in la Nina conditions with the sea surface temperatures (SST) in the central Pacific between the RMI and the Date Line below normal. Cooler temperatures in the Pacific to the east of the RMI tend to work against increased shower activity, and are one of the main reasons for the drought conditions affecting Kwajalein Atoll and the northern RMI so far this year. The anomalously cooler temperatures are now waning, leading to ENSO-neutral conditions this northern hemisphere summer, which will help alleviate our current drought conditions.

Here [in the graphic below], we can see the waning of drought conditions, as we approach the end of the month for the RMI. The RMI is located just north of the Equator and west of 180 degrees longitude.

Tropical Cyclones:

No significant tropical cyclone activity expected to affect anywhere in Micronesia,

the Mariana Islands, Wake Island or Hawai'i. We are now in climatological spring for the northwest Pacific, and still not in a favorable environment for tropical cyclone activity along with the cooler sea surface temperatures (SST) between the RMI and the Date Line.

Damaging West Winds / Westerly Swell:

None expected. Micronesia is northeast trade wind dominant.

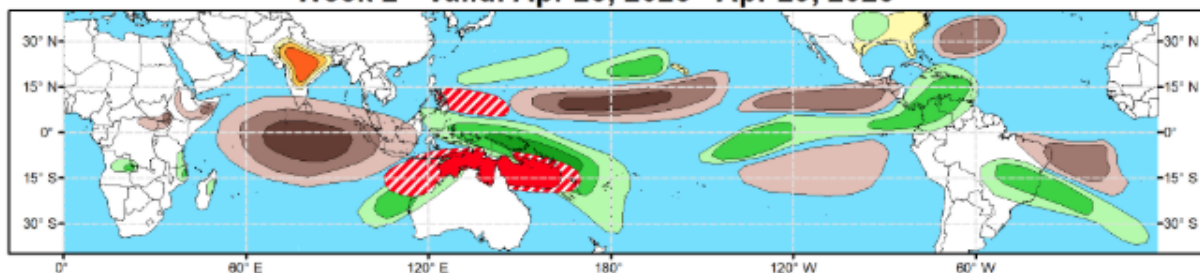
Swell / Tide Inundation for Kwajalein Atoll and Wake Island:

The New-Moon will occur on the 27th with high tides over five feet from the 28th through the 30th, before returning to neap tide status into the first week of May. Winds will be quite seasonal for the next seven days out of the east-northeast at about 9-14 knots. Expect an increase to 11-16 knots on Saturday and Sunday. Winds should peak mostly in the upper teens on the second half of Tuesday into Wednesday. Winds will

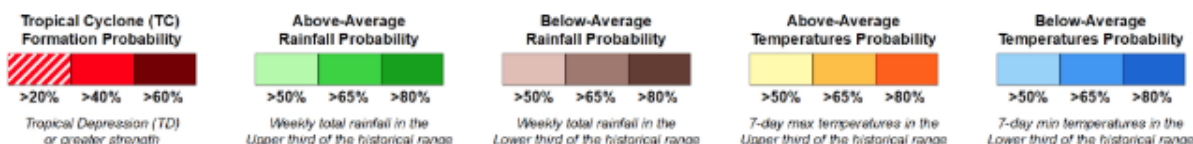
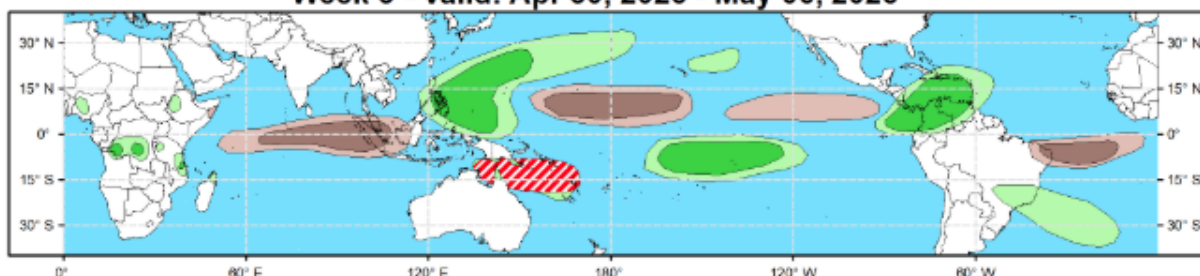
be higher on the open lagoon and ocean. Small Craft Advisory (SCA) or High Surf Advisory (HSA) conditions are not expected for the next seven days.

Purpose: This weekly briefing is delivered Thursday mornings to island leadership. The intention of this briefing is to provide situational awareness of weather events that may interrupt operations and transportation around Kwajalein, to/from Hawaii and Guam, and in the Wake vicinity. The main threat assessed in this brief is existing and potential development of tropical cyclone activity. This brief also provides an outlook of abnormal winds, sea state, and precipitation guidance for next 7 days around the Kwajalein Atoll. The distribution list will also receive updates on any developing tropical cyclone activity in the Kwajalein region that occur between the weekly outlook product. ▴

Week 2 - Valid: Apr 23, 2025 - Apr 29, 2025



Week 3 - Valid: Apr 30, 2025 - May 06, 2025





25-26 KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

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enrollment
form link



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RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION

Generally dry weather is expected to continue for Kwajalein Atoll today and to start the weekend. Any shower activity that does arrive will quickly depart again given the overall dry and stable state of the atmosphere. Northeasterly trade winds will be light, ranging from the upper single digits to low teens throughout the day, due to a relaxed pressure gradient. Saturday and Sunday look to remain generally quiet with similar conditions expected. Looking ahead to Monday, a slight increase in shower cov-

erage is expected as an area of trade wind convergence moves into the local region. Enhanced shower potential could remain in place through mid-week, with relatively drier conditions returning as the week wraps up.

SATURDAY

Partly sunny with stray showers. NE-E at 12-17 knots with higher gusts possible near any showers.

SUNDAY

Partly sunny with stray showers. NE-E at 13-18 knots with occasional higher gusts, especially near any showers.

MONDAY

Partly sunny with stray to isolated showers and a possible stray thunderstorm. NE-E at 12-17 knots with occasional higher gusts, especially near any showers.

NEXT WEEK

Stray to isolated showers possible Tuesday into Wednesday morning with winds from the NE-E around the mid-teens, gusting higher near showers. Generally drier conditions are expected to arrive for the remainder of the week, with only stray showers possible. Winds to remain from the NE-E and hover around the low to mid-teens. ⚡



	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:35 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	5:39 a.m. 6:20 p.m.	3:43 a.m. 4.9' 3:59 p.m. 4.6'	9:56 a.m. -0.7' 10:03 p.m. -0.7'
MONDAY	6:34 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	6:30 a.m. 7:22 p.m.	4:19 a.m. 5.2' 4:38 p.m. 4.4'	10:37 a.m. -0.8' 10:37 p.m. -0.6'
TUESDAY	6:34 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	7:25 a.m. 8:27 p.m.	4:56 a.m. 5.2' 5:16 p.m. 4.1'	11:18 a.m. -0.7' 11:11 p.m. -0.5'
WEDNESDAY	6:34 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	8:24 a.m. 9:33 p.m.	5:33 a.m. 5.1' 5:55 p.m. 3.6'	12:00 p.m. -0.5' 11:46 p.m. -0.1'
THURSDAY	6:33 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	9:27 a.m. 10:38 p.m.	6:12 a.m. 4.7' 6:36 p.m. 3.2'	12:45 p.m. -0.1' -----
FRIDAY	6:33 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	10:31 a.m. 11:39 p.m.	6:54 a.m. 4.3' 7:22 p.m. 2.7'	12:21 a.m. 0.3' 1:34 p.m. 0.4'
MAY 3	6:33 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	11:32 a.m. -----	7:43 a.m. 3.7' 8:25 p.m. 2.3'	1:01 a.m. 0.7' 2:37 p.m. 0.9'

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Until Next Week

