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THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



Akna Kobeney, Jenna Milne and Selma Jetnil celebrate their first-place finish in the modified class of the 2015 Roi-Namur Coconut Cup Race Sunday on Roi.

📷 by Jordan Vinson



his crown of thorns starfish (*Acanthaster planci*) was photographed by Kwajalein resident Lynda Reynolds in the waters of Kwajalein Atoll.

One of the nearly 1,500 species of starfish found in the planet's oceans, the crown of thorns sets itself apart from other starfish by maintaining a peculiar feeding behavior. Unlike its cousins, the crown of thorns feeds directly on live coral. They do this, like other starfish, by pushing their stomachs through their mouths, covering their food with their stomachs and digesting the coral with enzymes.

The species is a proven killer of coral colonies. For one, they have the capacity to spawn millions of eggs each year. Secondly, because they have few natural predators—triton shells and Napoleon wrasses are a couple of the few examples—they are largely left free to leisurely munch away at coral colonies unimpeded. A single starfish can eat away a square meter of coral each month. In dense packs, crown of thorns' rate of consumption can jump exponentially, leading to fatal reef destruction and changes in reef ecology.

Fortunately, there have been no reported sightings of large packs of crown of thorns in the waters of Kwajalein Atoll—just the lone specimen here and there. USAG-KA residents are not encouraged to try to remove these starfish from the environment. The sharp spines covering their bodies can do plenty of damage to untrained divers.

Underwater Photos of the Week



📷 *Crown of thorns starfish* by Lynda Reynolds

One of the most effective methods of cracking down on the species is to prevent overfishing of crown of thorns' few predators: triton shells, Napoleon wrasses, triggerfish and painted prawns, to name a few. Limiting nutrient-rich water runoff from the ground into ocean and lagoon waters can also help. Major outbreaks of the species, which hadn't been observed until the 1960s, have been known to occur in water laden with terrestrial runoff.

THE KWAJALEIN HOURLASS

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USAG-KA COMMANDER VISITS RMI PRESIDENT, CONGRESS IN MAJURO

HOURLASS REPORTS

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. Michael Larsen attended the opening of the 36th Constitutional Regular Session of the Republic of the Marshall Islands Nitijela (Congress) in Majuro Thursday. It was the commander's first visit to the nation's capital after assuming command of USAG-KA last week.

Joining Larsen were the U.S. Ambassador to the R.M.I. Thomas Armbruster, the ambassador's wife, Katherine, and members of the U.S. Embassy in Majuro and USAG-KA and Reagan Test Site staff.

Following the opening ceremony, Larsen met with R.M.I. President Christopher Loeak, members of his cabinet and Speaker of the Nitijela Donald Capelle. Loeak gave Larsen a warm welcome and reaffirmed the importance of the special relationship that has bonded his nation with the United States for decades. The R.M.I. government, Loeak added, will work together with the embassy and USAG-KA to strengthen that bond of friendship.

Larsen thanked the president and his cabinet for their hospitality and said that he would continue to foster that bond of friendship between the United States and the Marshall Islands during his tenure as commander of USAG-KA.

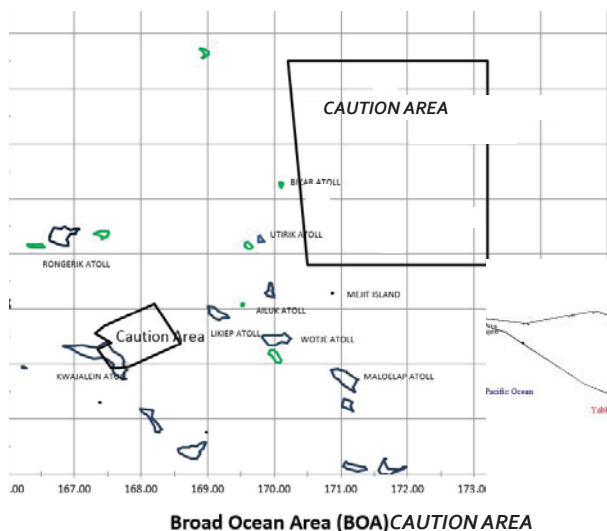
During his visit Larsen also enjoyed a tour of Majuro, where he visited the Wellness Center, the Marshall Islands Energy Company, the R.M.I. Sea Patrol and more. He concluded his trip with a stop at the Sgt. Solomon Sam Sports Facility, where he met with new R.M.I. recruits who will be joining the U.S. Army in the coming months.



Top: R.M.I. President Christopher Loeak, right, shakes hands with USAG-KA Commander Col. Michael Larsen. **Bottom:** USAG-KA Command and Reagan Test Site staff meet with staff from U.S. Embassy Majuro and the R.M.I. Sea Patrol.

📷 Mike Sakaio and Maj. Holly Grey

MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT



A range operation is scheduled Aug. 15 through mission completion. for Aug. 19-20. Caution times The caution area extends from the sur- are 9:01 p.m. through 5:01 face to an unlimited altitude. Questions a.m. in conjunction with this opera- regarding the above safety require- tion. During this time a caution area ments for this mission should be direct- will extend into the open ocean east ed to the Reagan Test Site Range Safety of the mid-atoll corridor. The mid-atoll Office at the following phone number: corridor will be closed from 4:01 p.m., 256 955 1875.

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2015 ROI-NAMUR COCONUT CUP RACE

HOUSING, GOLF COURSE STAFF COME OUT ON TOP

📷 Jordan Vinson

HOURLASS REPORTS

A few dozen “Kwajjis” and Roi Rats battled against one another last weekend for the title of the 2015 Roi-Namur Coconut Cup Race. The quirky Roi tradition, which challenges competitors to apply their most creative paint schemes and modified designs onto coconuts and then race them in the lagoon, is a crowd favorite on the island.

Taking the win in the modified class Sunday was the Roi-Namur Housing crew. The win in the stock class went to the Roi-Namur Golf Course crew—the group’s second consecutive race win—followed by Kwaj kid Chase Chavis and Roi resident Dan Gunter.

While competitors and onlookers watched from shore at the Surf Shack Sunday, gobs of slick-looking, painted coconuts bobbed in the azure lagoon waters just off the beach. Propelled by both the current and the wind, the two classes of coconuts—a stock division and a modified class—took off from the starting point in the lagoon—a kayak piloted by event volunteers—and raced toward the Fuel Pier for the finish.

Under a blazing hot sun, Roi Community Activities Manager Laura Pasquarella-Swain and volunteers Gene Littlefield and Mark Swain manned kayaks to officiate and call out the race progress. Following their announcements were onlookers on the beach who had tuned in with hand-held radio sets to stay apprised of the fate of their coconuts and their shot at the win.

Minutes after hitting the water the modified coconuts fell into a pecking order that found the Housing ladies’ entry—a medium-sized nut sporting a black and white paint job, a pair of balloons and some flowers—in the lead.

“You know, I think it’s the one from Housing that’s in the lead,” Swain said over the radio while paddling alongside



The NASA satellite coconut, made by Geoff and Melina Lake, came in third place in this year’s modified class race.



the floating coconuts. “It’s the one with the red and orange balloons from Housing. It’s just smoking everybody.”

The coconut, a collaboration between Akna Kobeney, Selma Jetnil and Jenna Milne, would maintain its spot at the front of the pack all the way until it reached the pier. The women, regular competitors in the annual race, shouted and danced as they heard the good news come over the radio: They had beat out the competition.

The other modified entries gave it a shot, but fell short. They were: a large dragonfly built from coconuts by Littlefield, which headed more toward the Philippines during the race than the Fuel Pier, Swain said; a “king of beverages” Tiki man



Left: Dozens of coconuts in the unmodified, or stock, class lie out on display after the 2015 Roi-Namur Coconut Cup Race Sunday at the Roi Surf Shack.

Right: The competing entries in the modified division duke it out in the water about 100 yards offshore. Volunteers on vessels called out the race action over radio.





Left: Laura Pasquarella-Swain, right, accepts the first-place award for the Roi Golf Course crewmembers, who weren't able to attend the race Sunday. Second-place finisher Chase Chavis, middle, and third-place finisher Dan Gunter celebrate their coconuts' performances. Above: Selma Jetnil and Akna Kobeney dance and shout upon learning they won the modified division race.

go and hope for the best."

While only five entries competed in the modified division, the stock class brimmed with dozens of coconuts, all of which took off in the current and wind after being given the unceremonious dumping into the water by volunteers on the kayaks.

Bobbing together in a veritable log jam at the start of the race, the field of brightly-colored coconuts began to break up soon after. On-



built from aluminum cans by Greg Whitehead; a coconut dressed up as a yellow NASA satellite by Geoff and Melina Lake; a green fish coconut by Leslie Mead; and a hollowed-out, unpainted entry by James York.

Littlefield, a regular Da Vinci in the field of creative coconut construction, may have entered one of the slowest modified racers this year. But his dragonfly, which he named Karl, was certainly one of the most eye-catching.

"That's what it's all about," Littlefield said, laughing, at the Surf Shack later. "You can't put these things together and go out and test them in the water. You're not putting them through sea trials or anything. You just build it, have fun, let it



The Roi-Namur Golf Course crew's winning coconut, at left, will be remembered in the annals of history for its second consecutive Coconut Cup Race win.



lookers at the Surf Shack eagerly awaited news on their coconuts' progress.

"They're starting to dissipate and scatter, and it's anyone's race at this point," Littlefield called out over the radio from a kayak. "Hole-In-One might be in the lead actually."

Within minutes a core group of fast movers had surged ahead, moving away from the pack of slower entries.

"Man, my green one is way in the back," Kwaj competitor Nick Yarnes said on the beach. "Way in the back. Not good."

Joining the Golf Course crew's Hole-In-One entry at the front of the field were Chase Chavis' red number 33 coconut and a then-unidentified coconut entry by Dan Gunter featuring a white paint job and the Greek symbol for the number pi.

"The red nut is ahead and closely followed by Hole-In-One," Swain called over the radio. "And there's also a leftover from the modified [class] that appears to be just taking a nap. I'm not sure whose handiwork that was."

Pasquarella-Swain, watching the action from another kayak, agreed.

"The red coconut is in the lead with Hole-In-One in second place right behind it," she said. "The third one is only partially painted. I can't make out whose it is."

Minutes later, the Golf Course coconut regained the lead from Chavis, with Gunter's entry coming in hot in third place. Had there been a bit more time, the pi coconut might have overtaken the other two. But arriving at the finish line at the Fuel Pier, Gunter had to settle for third place.

Taking a second to verify the owners of the coconuts, Pasquarella-Swain called out the final winners over the radio.

"I'm pleased to announce the winner of the stock class this year of the 2015 Coconut Cup Race is number 7 golf course coconut!" she yelled. "Two years in a row! Number 33 got second place, and pi came in third."

Accepting the award for her Golf Course crewmembers who weren't able to attend the race, Pasquarella-Swain, who organized the event, thanked everyone for coming out to support the annual tradition.



Kim Yarnes

Kim Yarnes



Top row: Jenna Milne is all smiles after she and other staff from the Roi Housing office win the modified title in the 2015 Roi Coconut Cup Race Sunday at the Roi Surf Shack. Chase Chavis shows off his coconut, which earned him a second-place finish in the stock division. Gene Littlefield's dragonfly construction is slow but beautiful. Mark Swain calls the race action over the radio from his dinghy.

Middle row: Sung Whitehead paints her stock coconut at a decorating party Aug. 7 at the Roi Outrigger. Greg Whitehead's king of beverages modified build is pulled off a kayak after finishing second place behind the Housing ladies.

Left: Roi resident Amy Hansen gives her coconut a nice smile at the coconut decorating party.



From Jordan Vinson and Billy Abston



SIMPLY



HOURLASS REPORTS

LOCKOUT-TAGOUT

Never remove or tamper with any tag or lock installed for the safety of personnel.

- Prior to work, lock and tag machinery, equipment, components and systems that may contain any type of stored energy.
- All residual/stored energy must be eliminated prior to any work activities.
- Always make sure your training is current and obtain authorization before you work on machinery systems or equipment covered by LOTO.
- Do not manipulate or attempt to operate any machinery, system or equipment while locked or tagged out without proper authorization.



Emo tumi ak kakkuri tag im lock ko emoj kolaki nan kejbarok rijerbal.

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- Aikuj wor am training im melim mokta jen am jerbale juon machine ak equipment.
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MANIY MINUTE

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HEREDITARY KINGS OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS: THEN AND NOW. ORIGINALLY PRINTED IN THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS JUNE 15, 1969.

BY PAT CATALDO

Conqueror of the South

With war preparations made, Lannini sailed for the south at the head of his great army. He led the Ijidrik Clan in many battles against the Ejjowa and eventually conquered all the southern Marshalls. When the battles were over, the Ijidrik became the Iroi clan, and the Ejjowa were captives and slaves.

For the first time, the Ralik Marshalls were nominally under the control of one high chief. But, though he had made himself the most powerful king in the Ralik Chain, Lannini could not prevent inter-clan warfare. The power struggle intensified until it culminated in the last great war in the Ralik Chain, in the latter part of the 19th century. Not until the time of Kabua the Great, Lannini's great-grandson, would there be peace in the Ralik Marshalls.

Launa's War

The last war in the Ralik Marshalls was fought between two

great-grandsons of Lannini: Kabua and Litokwa. Kabua's mother was Litokwa's aunt; the two men were cousins.

Fighting with Kabua was Launa, a great warrior from Kwajalein Atoll, who served as Kabua's "chief of staff." Because Launa's advice turned the tide of battle and won the war for Kabua, the Marshallese call it Launa Tarinae—"Launa's War." (Kabua's father, Jiba, was Launa's uncle. Launa, in turn, was the uncle of Jeimota, the father of Iroi Lejolan Kabua.)

Fighting for Litokwa was his uncle, Kaiboke, grandson of Lannini and powerful iroi in

the south—the same king who saved the lives of missionaries on Ebon Island.

Kabua considered himself king of all the Ralik Marshalls. He attained the title of Kabualaplap (Kabua the Great) during the time of the missionary Dr. Benjamin Snow on Ebon (1857-1872).

Show of Force

To firmly establish Kabua's authority, Launa advised him to tour the northern and southern islands with a war party in a show of force. After spending about a year in the north Kabua, Launa and the war party sailed from Buoj, Ailinglaplap to Ebon to tour the southern islands.

The kings of Ebon were of the Erroja Clan. Kabua's son Laelan, who was then just a young boy, was also an Erroja. Kabua was of the iroi clan, but his father was Ijidrik, as was Launa. The Erroja kings resented Kabua bringing people of the Ijidrik Clan to Ebon. After Kabua had been on the island for a time, the people of Ebon conspired to kill him and his party.

Kabua wanted to flee when he learned of the plan, but the people of Ebon had blocked the narrow passageway out of the reef.

Launa told Kabua to take the war party to Mwineke, another island in the atoll, and stay there five days. Then Launa told the iroi of Ebon that he, too, was going to Mwineke for a war council. The people of Ebon were to watch Mwineke; if they saw it burning, it would be a signal that Kabua, Launa and their warriors would be coming to Ebon for battle.

Launa knew when a high wind would come and when the tide would be high enough for Kabua's fleet to go over the obstructions in the pass. When he got to Mwineke, he told his men to load up the canoes with food, water, spears and rocks (to stone the

DISPATCH FROM ROI



From Sandra Garrison



From Jordan Vinson



From Jordan Vinson

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RMI, KOSRAE YOUTH JOIN US MILITARY

HOURLASS REPORTS

Eighteen young Micronesian men and women enlisted in branches of the United States military Aug. 6.

At a special enlistment ceremony held at the Majuro Bridge, Lt. Commander Andrew Gerla, commanding officer for the Honolulu Military Entrance Processing Station, swore in 10 Republic of the Marshall Islands citizens and eight recruits from Kosrae, the Federated States

of Micronesia.

The 1986 Compact of Free Association, formally uniting the U.S. with the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau, allows citizens of these countries to join any branch of the U.S. military.

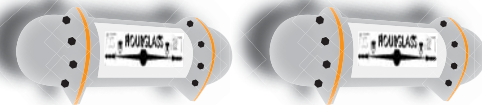
Since then, these nations have provided military recruits to serve in the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard at a higher rate than any U.S. state.



Eighteen new U.S. military recruits from the Republic of the Marshall Islands and Kosrae, in the Federated States of Micronesia, enlist into branches of the U.S. military during a ceremony at Majuro Bridge Aug. 6.

U.S. Embassy Majuro

KWAJALEIN ATOLL TIME CAPSULE



From June 3, 1982
Kwajalein Hourglass

(Photo by Nate Jackson)



Commander Paul McGonigle of American Legion Post 44, left, and Commander Lee Hammer of VFW Post 10268, were installed recently in ceremonies at Veterans Hall.

New Officers Installed

By AL GREENE

A combined Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion installation of officers for the 1982-83 year was conducted at Veterans Hall on Saturday, May 22, with the three local veterans organizations participating. Approximately 125 people witnessed the impressive and colorful ceremony and later enjoyed a steak dinner and an evening of dancing -- all on the newly constructed patio.

Al Greene, past post commander of VFW Post 10268, was the installing officer. He administered the oath and individual charges to the incoming officers of Post 10268, Post 44 of the American Legion and the Kwajalein division of China Post 1 of the American Legion.

The three veterans organizations have a combined membership of approximately 350 people and are highly visible in the KMR community throughout the year in a variety of community related activities.

VFW Post 10268 officers are: Lee Hammer, commander; John Rhodes, senior vice commander; Frank Priest, junior vice commander; Larry Kitts, quartermaster; Joe Hambley, chaplain; K.O. Towery, surgeon; Bill Merritt, judge advocate; Maurice Mulen (past commander), three year trustee; Ray Dorman (past commander), two year trustee; Al Greene (past commander), one year trustee.

American Legion Post 44 officers are: Paul McGonigle, commander; Hal Fulton, first vice commander; Ray Woods, second vice commander; Joe Hambley, adjutant; Bill Merritt, finance officer; Clyde Coull, chaplain; Ron Saylor, service officer; Mike Brogden, historian; Mac McCaughan, sergeant at arms.

China Post 1 officers are: Tony Brown, commander; Mike Mulrooney, first vice commander; Larry Hilderbrand, second vice commander; Roy Odani, adjutant.

READY AND RESILIENT WELLNESS CALENDAR

Events are sponsored by the Community Health Promotional Council and are free of charge to the community.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Spiritual Resilience. All welcome.	Circuit Training, 8 a.m., at Ivey Gym.	Cross Fit, 5:15 a.m., at the Adult Pool.	Circuit Training, 5 a.m., at Ivey Gym.	Cross Fit, 5:15 a.m., at Ivey Gym.	Circuit Training, 5 a.m., at Ivey Gym.	Cross Fit, 5:15 a.m., at Ivey Gym.
Smoking Cessation classes ongoing. Call 55362.	Pick-up racquetball, 8 a.m., at the CRC Gym.	Pick-up tennis, 5:30 p.m., at the tennis courts.	Grace Sherwood Library Summer Reading Program session, 10 a.m., at the library.	Interval Training, 5:15 p.m., at intersection of Sprint and Ocean.	Pick-up ultimate Frisbee, 6 p.m., near the soccer fields.	Family Swim Time, 9:30 a.m., at the Family Pool.
	The Realist MMA (for youth grades 9-12), 11 a.m., at CRC Room 6	2015 Outdoor Soccer League registration begins today. Call 51275.		Pick-up tennis, 5:30 p.m., at the tennis courts.		Pick-up tennis, 5:30 p.m., at the tennis courts.
	Pick-up ultimate Frisbee, 4:30 p.m., near the soccer fields.			AA Program, 6:30 p.m., at the REB.		
	Pick-up soccer, 6 p.m., at Brandon Field.					

HELP WANTED

KRS and Chugach listings for on-Island jobs are posted at: Kwajalein, Roi-Namur and Ebeye Dock Security Checkpoint locations; outside the United Travel Office; in the Roi Terminal/Post Office; at Human Resources in Building 700 and on the USAG-KA webpage under Contractor Information>KRS>Human Resources>Job Opportunities. Job listings for off-island contract positions are available at www.krsjv.com.

A number of positions are avail-

able in the Community Services group, including teachers, clubs supervisor, nurses and more. Please see Human Resources for the file of available on-island positions or www.krsjv.com for contract slots.

KRS is searching for available, on island licensed registered nurses, individuals with medical billing and coding experience and dental hygienists. For more information, please contact HR/Julie Gooch at the Temp Pool at 50777.

MIT Lincoln Laboratory is seeking a professional and experienced individual for a Site Administrative Assistant position. This will be considered an on-island hire. Please call the MIT Office at 5-5100 to inquire. A resume will be required.

FOR SALE

Frigidaire dehumidifier, \$50. Call 5-1054.

PATIO SALE

7-11 a.m., Aug. 22, at back patio of Qrts. 496-A, located next door to Tropics BQ. Women's clothes sizes 5-16 (casual and work, most like-new), men's

clothes, shoes, kitchen items, candles, baby toys and more.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Girl Scouts are back! Volunteer information and planning meeting to learn and ask questions for our upcoming year. 7 p.m., Aug. 19, in the Scout Hut (next to CRC Room 6). Parents and community volunteers welcome! Registration begins in September. Contact Amy Hromiak for more info at 5-2095 or at avhromiak@aol.com.

Come out to Bingo at the Vet's Hall Aug. 20. Card sales begin at 5:30 p.m.; Bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. Windfall completion at 25 numbers, \$1,500 payout; black-out completion at 57 numbers, \$2,900. Payout Packet price, \$25. No outside alcoholic beverages permitted. Must be 21 to enter and play; bring your ID. Seating is limited, so arrive early!

The community is cordially invited to a farewell potluck for Pastor Kevin and his family Aug. 23, at the Emon Beach main pavilion. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; come as early as 5:30 p.m. If your last name starts with the specified letter please bring a correspond-

ing dish. A-C: main dish; D-E: salad dish or appetizer; F-L: veggie dish; M-O: dessert; P-Z: starch dish. We look forward to seeing you there.

Hobby Shop Tear Bowl Class. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Aug. 24, at the Hobby Shop. Stop by the Hobby Shop to register and pay your \$25 fee. Space is limited, so act fast! In this course, students will learn the fundamentals of using the slab roller and basic slab construction. They will learn how to apply textures to the clay, tear and score the clay while draping it over a bowl to create a beautiful, one-of-a-kind ceramic bowl. Endless possibilities!

Summer Fun Skate Night. Aug. 26 at the CRC Gym. Family skate (all skaters accompanied by parent/guardian): 5:30-6:30 p.m. Youth ages 10-13 years: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Skaters ages 14 and up: 7:30-8:30 p.m. No skateboards allowed—only roller skates and inline roller blades. Protective pads not required. Questions? Call the Recreation Office at 51275.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2015-2016 George Seitz El-

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Catholic

- 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Small Chapel
- 9:15 a.m., Sunday, Island Memorial Chapel
- Roi-Namur service, 4:45 p.m., second and fourth Friday of each month. Appointments with Fr. Vic available after dinner.

Protestant

- 11 a.m., Sunday, Island Memorial Chapel

Latter-day Saints

- 10 a.m., Sunday, CRC Room 3
- Contact the chaplain's office at 53505 for more information.

Captain Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility

*MENU CURRENT AS OF AUG. 14

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Aug. 22
Lemon garlic fish	Boneless citrus chick.	Sloppy joes	Grilled reuben sandwich	Beef stroganoff	Fish du jour	Spaghetti
Southern benedict	Spaghetti casserole	Grilled chicken breast	Crispy garlic chicken	Chicken caesar wrap	Coconut chicken breast	Chicken piccata
Garlic mashed potatoes	Quiche	Veggie stir-fry	Corn bread	Parslied noodles	Rice pilaf	Sausage and peppers

Dinner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Aug. 22
Grilled pork chops	Fried chicken	BBQ chicken	Grilled ribeye steak	Grilled tuna sandwich	Beef stir-fry	Taco Bar
Coconut chicken curry	Shepherds pie	Three bean chili	Ravioli w/ marinara	Huli huli chicken	Chicken chop suey	Beef tamales
Lumpia w/ sauce	Three cheese macaroni	Onion rings	Baked potatoes	Augratin potatoes	Ginger fish	Refried beans

ementary School Year is open until Aug. 21. Children eligible for Kindergarten must turn five years old by Sept. 1. Please contact the Elementary School office at 53601 for information, or stop by to register your child.

The first day of school for Kwajalein schools is Aug. 27. Don't delay in registering your child! Call 52011 to reach the high school office or 53601 to reach the elementary school office.

Hobby Shop Stamp Making Demonstration. 3 p.m., Aug. 29 at the Hobby Shop. Stop by to see the stamp making process in action.

CYSS Youth Basketball registration is open until Aug. 29 for the Sept. 9-Oct. 22 season. To register, contact Central Registration staff at 52158, or visit Central Registration at Building 358. Questions about the program? Call Jason Huwe at 53796.

2015 Outdoor Soccer Season registration is open Tuesday-Aug. 29. Season play starts Sept. 9 and ends Oct. 23. Cost is \$100 per team, and space is limited; move quickly! Call Mandie at 51275 to register.

U.S. Army CYSS Start Smart Basketball 2015 Season. For children ages three to five. Registration open until Aug. 29. Season begins Sept. 19 and ends Oct. 14. Call Central Registration at 52158 to sign up. Questions? Call Jason at 53796.

Water Safety Instructor Course registration is open Aug. 18-29. Session dates: each Saturday and Monday between Sept. 1 and Oct. 3. Participants must be at least 16 years old. Cost is \$200 per person. Call Cliff at 52848 to sign up.

September Learn to Swim Class registration is open Aug. 18-29. Session dates: each Wednesday and Friday between Sept. 2 and 25. Participants must be at least four years old. Cost is \$50 per person. Call Cliff at 52848 to sign up.

Island Memorial Chapel is an inter-denominational and diverse community of "non-know-it-alls" who are all in-process when it come to faith. Come check it out.

Public Works would like your opinion regarding newly proposed hours for Kwajalein Self Help. Current hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Saturday 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (closed 12:30-1:30 p.m. for lunch). Newly proposed hours are Tuesday-Saturday 12:30-5:30 p.m. Voice your opinion using a survey located at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KwajSelfHelp>.

Energy Conservation: get a bright idea. Use lights only when you need them. Turn lights off in unoccupied areas, including patio lights when you go to bed. Use energy-saving compact fluorescent lights (CFL). They last much longer, and you won't have to change them as often. Plus, they are FREE at Self Help.

E-Talk: Kwajalein Has Two Types of Wwater: potable and non-potable. (Reclaimed) Potable = Drinking Water = Yellow faucet label. Non-Potable = DO NOT DRINK = Red faucet label. Check out this week's E-Talk for information on Potable vs. Non-Potable Water. Questions? Call Environmental at 51134.

Safely Speaking: Always respect unexploded ordnance (UXO) and explosives. If you did not put it there, do not touch it!

	Sunrise Sunset	Moonrise Moonset	Low Tide	High Tide
Sunday	6:41 a.m. 7:06 p.m.	7:37 a.m. 8:06 p.m.	11:17 a.m. -0.6' 11:17 p.m. -0.4'	5:01 a.m. 4.5' 5:19 p.m. 4.0'
Monday	6:41 a.m. 7:05 p.m.	8:22 a.m. 8:46 p.m.	11:42 a.m. -0.6' 11:46 p.m. -0.3'	5:28 a.m. 4.4' 5:46 p.m. 4.0'
Tuesday	6:41 a.m. 7:05 p.m.	9:07 a.m. 9:26 p.m.	12:08 p.m. -0.4' -----	5:55 a.m. 4.3' 6:13 p.m. 3.9'
Wednesday	6:41 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	9:52 a.m. 10:06 p.m.	12:14 a.m. -0.2' 12:33 p.m. -0.2'	6:22 a.m. 4.0' 6:41 p.m. 3.7'
Thursday	6:41 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	10:37 a.m. 10:47 p.m.	12:44 a.m. 0.1' 12:59 p.m. 0.0'	6:49 a.m. 3.7' 7:11 p.m. 3.5'
Friday	6:41 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	11:23 a.m. 11:30 p.m.	1:16 a.m. 0.4' 1:28 p.m. 0.3'	7:18 a.m. 3.3' 7:46 p.m. 3.3'
Aug. 22	6:41 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	12:11 p.m. -----	1:56 a.m. 0.7' 2:04 p.m. 0.6'	7:53 a.m. 2.9' 8:34 p.m. 3.0'

WEATHER

Courtesy of RTS Weather

Day	Skies	Chance/rain	Winds
Sunday	Mostly Cloudy	15%	SE-SSW at 7-12 knots
Monday	Partly Sunny	10%	ESE-S at 8-13 knots
Tuesday	Mostly Cloudy	10%	ESE-SE at 10-15 knots
Wednesday	Mostly Cloudy	<10%	E-SE at 8-13 knots
Thursday	Partly Sunny	<10%	ENE-E at 5-10 knots
Friday	Mostly Cloudy	15%	Light and variable

Yearly rainfall total: 84.2 inches

Yearly rainfall deviation: +38.77 inches

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Please take a moment to complete a survey indicating your personal preferences for use of the CRC/CAC facility. While the number of staffed hours will not increase, this survey will help determine patron preferences for hours of operation. Access the survey at this URL address: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/gBSVVVJ>

Café Roi							*MENU CURRENT AS OF AUG. 14
Lunch							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Aug. 22	
Roast pork loin	Garlic roast beef	Sloppy joes	Grilled cheese	Tuna melt	Baked fish	Grilled roast beef	
Baked chicken	Egg muffins	Chicken strips	Pork pimento	Hamburger steak	Grilled chicken thighs	Onion rings	
Egg florentine	Roasted potatoes	Cheesy potatoes	Egg foo young	Home fries	Pinto beans	Cous cous	
Dinner							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Aug. 22	
Chicken schnitzel	Chicken marsala	Pork chops	Fried fish	Fried chicken	German Fest	Southwestern chicken	
Beef stew	Jerk style spare ribs	Mashed potatoes	Corn on the cob	Meatloaf	Bratwurst	Fish tacos	
Green bean cass.	Stir-fry veggies	Stuffing	Baked potatoes	Mashed potatoes	Spaetzl	Fiesta rice	

warriors from Ebon), and to put all the women and children on board. He ordered his men to follow him and do exactly as he did. Then he set fire to Mwinek.

The people of Ebon had fortified their beach in preparation for battle. They stood watching Mwinek, but could see nothing but smoke and fire.

Dr. Snow's Book

It is told that Dr. Snow, the missionary, tried his best to stop the war. When he saw the war party approaching through the smoke, he sat down and wrote it all in a book.

Launa led his party toward one end of Ebon. The warriors on the shore, following his course, gathered at the spot on the beach where they thought he would land.

Suddenly, just offshore, Launa reversed his course and sailed back along the length of Ebon Island and out of the passageway, leading the fleet away from Ebon Atoll.

To Kabua, he said, "You don't have to fight these people, for Ebon is yours. Your son Laelan is Erroja; when he grows up, Ebon will be his property—and if it is his, it is yours." His advice turned out to be right, because today Ebon is entirely owned by Iroij Kabua Kabua, son of Laelan and his wife, Neimet, who was Launa's daughter [Current as of the time of this writing.]

Drifting Men of Woleai

As the war party sailed from Ebon to Jaluit, they came across seven Woleai men drifting in one canoe. (Woleai is one of the western Yapese islands.) Iroij Loeak, who was riding in the first canoe of Kabua's fleet, sailed for the drifting vessel. His men asked if they should kill the Woleai men, but Iroij Loeak said, "Don't kill them; I will take them to Ailinglaplap and adopt them as my sons." So they took the drifting canoe under tow.

The rescued men did not understand that Loeak wanted to help them. After a few hours they suddenly leaped aboard Loeak's canoe, killing everyone except Loeak himself, who jumped overboard.

Launa, in the next canoe with Kabua, saw what had

happened and sailed over to pick Loeak up. "What shall we do with these Woleai men?" Launa asked Kabua, who answered, "Let's not bother with those drifting kejoke (logs)." But Launa sailed toward them and, when he was close enough, he jumped into their canoe. He had forgotten his battle ax and shouted for his men to throw it to him. The Woleai men attacked him, but Launa caught his ax and killed the men one by one. The last one jumped overboard, so Launa jumped in after him and killed him in the water. Thus Launa saved Loeak, the grandfather of Iroij Albert Loeak.

When "Launa's War" ended, representatives of the German government stepped in and recognized Kabualaplap as King of the Ralik Marshalls.

Four Living Kings

Four hereditary kings of the Ralik Marshalls are now living, representatives of a line of iroij that goes back well over a hundred years and that will continue to exist through their children.

They are: 1) Iroij Lejolan Kabua, son of Jeimota (Jeimota was Launa's nephew); grandson of Kabua the Great; great-great-great-grandson of Lannini. 2) Iroij Kabua Kabua, son of Laelan; grandson of Kabua the Great; great-great-great-grandson of Lannini. 3) Iroij Albert Loeak, son of Lobokkog; grandson of Loeak; great-great-great-grandson of Lannini. 4) Lerioj (Queen) Neimoro.

The real home of the three irooj is Ailinglaplap; however, for business reasons, Iroij Lejolan and Iroij Albert frequently live on Ebeye, while Iroij Kabua Kabua is Trust Territory Associate Judge of the Marshall Islands District, living on Majuro. Lerioj Neimoro lives on Ebon Atoll. She is the mother of Iroij Albert's wife, Neilang, who will inherit the title upon Neimoro's death.

Clan and Land

Life in the Ralik Marshalls is much different than it was in the time of Lannini, but many of the privileges and responsibilities of the iroij have remained the same.

The same two factors that made their ancestors powerful make the iroij powerful today: clan and land.

The fathers of all the living iroij came from the great Ijidik and Errebra clans, to which belongs most of the land of the Ralik Marshalls. Now, as it was generations ago, land is power.

B-BOAT STUFF

NEXT CLASS

- 6:30-8 P.M., SEPT. 1, 2 AND 3
- AT CRC ROOM 1
- SIGN UP AT THE SMALL BOAT MARINA ON KWAJ
- COST: \$40
- BOOKLETS ARE PROVIDED DURING THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS

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Be sure to inspect your boat prior to departing the SBM and notify the staff of any issues.

THUMBS UP

... and congratulations to Linn Ezell for achieving status as a Certified Professional Property Specialist through the National Property Management Association.

... to everyone who came out to the Surf Shack on Roi to participate in this year's Coconut Cup Race. We had a ton of great competitors and tons of fun.

