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Kwajalein Hospital Chief Medical Officer Nicholas Bird addresses attendees at the March 25 Kwajalein USAG-KA town hall at the Island Memorial Chapel.

POSITIVE CHANGES ANNOUNCED AT USAG-KA TOWN HALLS

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Personnel from USAG-KA Command and Department of Defense civilian employees shared highlights on future building projects, island life and recent changes to the Republic of the Marshall Islands' quarantine restrictions at community town halls held on Kwajalein and Roi March 25 and 27.

"The RMI government has reduced Kwajalein quarantine from 21 days down to 14 days," announced USAG-KA Commander Col. Jeremy Bartel to much applause, during the Kwajalein town hall at the Island Memorial Chapel. Incoming residents and repatriated Marshallese citizens now reside in quarantine for a total of four weeks—two weeks in Honolulu and two weeks on Kwajalein.

The two-weeks' quarantine on Kwajalein is in keeping with recommendations from the World Health Organization and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Multiple negative Covid-19 tests are still a required part of the quarantine process for newcomers. Residents in quarantine who have not received the vaccine have the option to schedule their vaccination before their release.

Some new residents in quarantine at the time of the announcement were able to complete their time according to the reduced, 14-day schedule. Members of tranche 39 would be released at 9 a.m. March 26, said Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Ortega, during the Kwajalein town hall. Residents who entered quarantine March 16 would be released earlier than originally scheduled, on March 30.

"That's a step in the right direction on

where we need to go to both maintain safety in the community and stay free from Covid," said Bartel of the reduced quarantine. "But we still need to find that sweet spot of what's required to do that."

"The next step I foresee—and my goal is to have it done before I PCS in July—is for those who are vaccinated [to have no] quarantine in Hawaii, and even possibly, a reduced time on Kwajalein," said Bartel, in his March 27 address to Roi employees.

According to Kwajalein Hospital Chief Medical Officer Nicholas Bird, by March 25, the community on Kwajalein had neared a vaccination level of approx-

imately 75 percent. A DI Operations manager tabulating vaccination data confirmed last week that the percentage continues to rise incrementally as those released from quarantine opt to receive the vaccine. By March 27, over 98 percent of employees on Roi had been vaccinated.

Bartel also confirmed that percentages of vaccine recipients throughout the atoll community continue to rise. In his rough estimate, approximately 60 percent of Majuro residents have received the vaccine and close to 40 percent of Ebeye residents, as healthcare workers go door to door. Currently, no residents of the outer atolls have received the vaccine; when they do, they might receive the Johnson & Johnson product.

Garrison residents are encouraged to receive the Pfizer vaccine now, while supplies last.

"We pushed really hard to get Pfizer," Bartel said, of the vaccination effort on USAG-KA. "There is no projection on when we're going to get more vaccines when this allotment is gone."

USAG-KA Health Systems Specialist Suzanne Mosier confirmed that May 4—and possibly earlier—would mark a cut-off date for vaccinations from USAG-KA's first Pfizer shipment. Excess after that date would be shipped off island to be used at another location.

"We are down to about 137 vials left," Bird said at the Roi employee town hall.

Both Bartel and Bird said increasing the percentage of the vaccinated population is anticipated to have a potential impact on the opening of future travel and quarantine time. Both are factors affecting annual leave. More scientific data in the coming months will be available to shape health and safety decisions formed by the Army and RMI government.

"The fact that we have vaccines on this island is no small feat," said Bird. He thanked Bartel and the hospital staff for



USAG-KA Host Nation Director Maj. Daniel Young issues a reminder about passport appointments during the Kwajalein USAG-KA town hall March 25.

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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their efforts to obtain and distribute the vaccine on Kwajalein. Bird encouraged anyone interested to learn more or discuss the “cool science” of the vaccine to speak with him.

“There are people who are over 18-years old and can’t get immunized right now, because of where they fall in the priority,” said Bird, on Kwajalein. “You guys have not had that problem. The doors are open, and you can make a scheduled appointment to come in. The access we have on this island is phenomenal. There are places all across the U.S. who wish they had our level of access and the streamlined organization that happened.”

TRAVEL PLANS

There are currently no plans in place for Kwajalein Hospital to become a trusted partner with any healthcare facility in Honolulu. In the meantime, United Airlines May flights have increased; the garrison publishes updates on USAG-KA Facebook and the AFN roller channel soon after they are received.

“I do not have feedback from UA or RMI about whether this is an anomaly, or this is a pickup in business,” said Bartel, adding that he would disseminate any updates to the flights schedule, but could not control guarantee a return time for residents who choose to leave island for reasons other than medical or emergency leave.

Tranche billets for incoming and returning island residents are controlled by contracts and must be worked out on an individual basis. A Roi resident recommended that those who desire to schedule leave purchase refundable flight tickets in the event a plane is rescheduled.

For Roi residents hoping for priority return seating on Tuesday morning metro flights after a weekend on Kwajalein, a solution is still forthcoming. Residents in attendance at the town hall reported being unable to secure seating.

DINING UPDATES

The honor placard for Capt. Louis S. Zamperini was removed from display at the eponymous cafeteria for repairs to its water-damaged frame and retaining wall, said DI Services Director Carlos Perez. The placard will be displayed again after repairs are complete.

On Roi, employees applauded recent changes to the Roi Café, including menu changes, the addition of Wi-Fi and menu adjustments.

“We’ve seen a lot of improvements in the last month and a half,” said one Roi resident.

A forthcoming customer survey will allow Roi residents to vote for best days for additional hours of Operation for the Outrigger Bar and Grill. Hours were increased to accommodate an influx of Kwajalein visitors over spring break week and to give Roi residents additional dining options at that time.

AAFES

In response to questions on available supplies and purchase quantities, Bartel said while he would explore solutions to help Ennubirr residents meet purchasing needs for necessities and products in



U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Ortega, left, addresses the Kwajalein community during the garrison town hall meeting March 25 at the Island Memorial Chapel.

demand—items like baby wipes and diapers—while enforcing the dollar amount for all RMI transactions to ensure the garrison adequately provisioned.

On Kwajalein, AAFES Manager Jeff Carroll reported that parts to repair a faulty soda fountain are expected later this month.

Roi residents reported greater access to basic staples like eggs, milk and grab-and-go foods, thanks to a dedicated space in each container initiated by USAG-KA. While there are still shortages, said one Roi resident, the supply is consistently replenished. The additional options are appreciated. Ortega expressed appreciation for the great job facilities staff are doing to keep up stock of food for Roi residents.

During the March 27 RMI employee town hall on Roi, AAFES Manager Danni Parker said AAFES is currently working to get a vending machine near the Roi DSC stocked with supplies for patrons to use, and that there is currently no time limit on how long someone may use one of the three washing machines available.

LAUNDRY AND BANKING

Bartel described a current goal in progress to improve access to electronic banking and laundry facilities for Ennubirr residents with construction on a facility similar to Kwajalein’s laundry building near Dock Security Checkpoint. In response to a question, he said he would check out solutions to ensure Ennubirr residents had greater access to banking on Saturdays but that related issues and questions about paychecks were best resolved by contract human resources representatives and the USAG-KA RMI liaison.

“Please, if you have issues, work with your company,” Bartel said. “If it’s illegal, immoral or unethical, that’s when I get involved.”

ArMA WORKS

The community is encouraged to continue registering and using the online Army maintenance system—ArMA—to report non-emergency issues for their personal quarters. DPW personnel reported that the total number of registered users on Kwajalein exceeds 800 profiles.

Issues such as nonfunctioning utilities, air-conditioning issues and problems related to water and sewage count as emergency issues and can be called in to the DPW Work Control Help Desk at 5-3550. Issues like dead lightbulbs, broken doorstops or issues related to household cabinetry are better suited for reporting on ArMA. While maintenance issues affecting communal spaces—like laundry rooms in bachelor quarters—should instead be reported to facilities managers, if a communal space issue affects personal living areas, reporting through ArMA is encouraged.

“This is one way in the system of record to help us out in the long-term,” said Ortega, on Roi.

ArMa has a real-world impact. Looking ahead, said Ortega, ArMA assists the garrison in helping the Army plan funding for long-term maintenance issues and in identifying routine maintenance problems.

“The purpose of ArMa, besides it being the Army system of record is it allows all the leadership from San Antonio all the way down to Scott Hill and his team--and the team over at the DPW Service Desk--to see where things are and get feedback on how long it takes to get repaired,” said Bartel.

He encouraged account users to add photos of their issues and to use the feedback function to report their satisfaction with completed maintenance.

FACILITIES

On Roi, maintenance and solutions for the golf course is in progress. Repairs to the island’s pool were delayed after a utility line break earlier this year. In the meantime, MWR Manager Rick Jameson reported that the turbidity of the water sucked in through the pool pump intake can affect the coloration of the water, but that it is safe for use.

Bartel said the DPW is aware of an issue affecting fuel pumps at the Roi Automotive department, and that efforts are being made to replace faulty parts of the system.

Rust is a reality, and sometimes, it can be avoided. Ortega asked Roi gym users to use the main door—rather than the emergency door—to enter the facility, and to ensure the door is closed to pre-



Supplies and demand: AAFES Manager Jeff Carroll responds to a question from a community member at the Kwajalein town hall March 25 at the Island Memorial Chapel. 2) USAG-KA Director of Public Works Derek Miller addresses Kwajalein residents.

vent corrosion of gym equipment.

WATER ISSUES

On Kwajalein, USAG-KA Department of Public Works Director Derek Miller shared details on building projects delayed by Covid-19, including future improvements to quarters and bachelor quarters.

"I'm sure you've seen the unit 455-485 'prototype units' we've been working on with our DI Team," he said. "We recently also put up a project approval package for 30 more of those units. Once approved, that will come with funding.

Moving forward, the garrison will begin the Fiscal Year 2018 and 2021 housing projects to build approximately 50 units, Miller said. The FY 21 project is up for bid, and major barracks renovations are also planned for next year.

Miller reminded the community to be on the lookout for an announcement for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to inaugurate the new shade shelters at Emon Beach, built by personnel from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion FOUR. Following completion of the shelters, said Miller, the Seabees would be ready to begin rebuilding the island's outdoor Richardson Theater. In addition, renovations and improvements are planned for 19 sites including the Vet's Hall and the Country Club portico.

Miller discussed information related to water heaters on island making noises: an issue related to changes in island water chemistry resultant from activating a granular activated carbon system to relieve the reverse osmosis filtration system. Miller emphasized that gradual adjustments made will move the issue resolution and that the island's water is safe to drink.

"The water is demineralizing some of the distribution system and creating that rattling system," said Miller, adding that Logcap personnel believe the issue will be resolved this spring.

Miller also responded to a question related to environmental notification published beginning last winter. In the course of routine water testing at island taps late November 2020, results at three

locations bore trace amounts of mineral contamination. Since that time, the Army and contract environmental partners on island have taken steps to preserve the life, health and safety of island residents.

Quarters affected by the issue have since tested negative for mineral contamination, said Bartel.

Notification of the water test came shortly after information released in a separate action directed by the Army Public Health Center in a routine inspection: removal of water filtration devices from drinking fountains and dedicated water sources to reduce the growth of bacteria introduced into the drinking water by unchanged filters.

Currently, Kwajalein School System buildings are covered by a maintenance plan that includes filtration devices. Other locations on Kwajalein are not eligible for such maintenance.

Since the initial announcement, the Kwajalein Hourglass has published the notice with practical steps employees and visitors in RTS headquarters as well as island residents can take for basic drinking water safety.

Questions related to the water issue were presented to the community at a USAG-KA town hall in January. As of the March 25 town hall, action pursuant to the issue had not been announced by the USAG-KA Department of Public Works.

Miller provided an update on the Kwajalein water testing issue, last week:

1. The public notice of levels exceeding the Lead Action Level on Kwajalein Island was published December 12, 2020 with an update March 20, 2021.

2. Corrosion control treatment within the distribution system has been optimized to reduce leaching of lead-containing materials. The Granular Activated Carbon system began operating in February 2021.

3. Sampling of the Kwajalein distribution system has been increased from once per year to twice per year. Preliminary results of recent water samples from source and distribution indicate lead is below action level.

4. The Army is proactively sampling lead in drinking water at all high-risk

Facilities (those with children six years old and under) which includes all Army Family Housing units.

Miller noted the drinking water Consumer Confidence Report will continue to be published on an annual basis. Questions should be directed to DynCorp Environmental at 5-1134.

MOVING FORWARD

Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Ortega thanked the Kwajalein community for their cooperation and patience as the garrison worked to answer their questions and encouraged a neighborly attitude with regard to noise levels and reminding others to keep pets on leashes, per Army Regulations. Roi residents are encouraged to approach Ortega during one of his frequent visits to Roi to ask questions and report any issues they have.

Ortega noted the garrison is working to return ATI flights to a pre-Covid twice-per-week schedule for deliveries of groceries and mail. Getting mail where it needs to go is important, he said.

"I check the mail every time the C17 comes in to make sure you guys are getting your mail up here," Ortega told Roi residents. "If there's room on the bird, we want to make sure your mail is getting on it."

In closing on Kwajalein, Bartel said the future looks bright.

"I think it's great news that we are able to reduce the quarantine," he said. "I see more reductions on the future, especially on the vaccinated route. Let's just hold strong and do the right thing."



Send in your questions about USAG-KA activities, changes in quarantine policy and island life to the Commander's Hotline by calling 5-1098. You can also send a private message on Facebook to USAG-KA Command on the official USAG-KA Facebook page.

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DRIVING AHEAD

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll is fortunate to have many long-time Marshallese employees. Over the years, these valuable men and women have shared work advice and life experiences with innumerable coworkers and friends. They have also shared memories of working on early post-WWII Kwajalein.

Warehouse Foreman Stanislause Aron has worked on Kwajalein for more than 40 years. He currently supports logistics and transportation. Originally from Majuro and the outer islands, Aron began work on Kwajalein July 14, 1962 and worked in cleaning and construction, he said.

Aron has worked in multiple island departments over the years, including GSK and Supply. At Kwajalein Automotive, he worked alongside fellow longtime employee Friend Kilinik. Aron was also already working at the Kwajalein Laundry before the arrival of Kijenni Lokboj, another long-time employee, in the 1970s. In 1980, Aron returned to work at Shipping and Receiving, where he had completed a past four-year stint, and has worked there ever since.

Transportation Supervisor Brian Lee summed up the wealth of Aron's experience in the warehouse: "If he doesn't



Kwajalein Warehouse Foreman Stanislause Aron drives a forklift while offloading cargo delivered to Bucholz Army Airfield. Aron is one of Kwajalein's long-time employees.

know, nobody knows. He's been here the longest."

Aron said learning to drive a forklift was fun. He estimates he spends an average of five to six hours driving the forklift in the warehouse each day.

"It's like a little toy, to me," Aron said. "I play with it. I go around and do the work; I enjoy it. I drive a lot. As soon as I came here, to Supply, I began driving a forklift."

When asked what he most enjoys about his work, Aron said it's the people. He regularly makes the rounds at his office checking in with new employees to boost their confidence.

"I like to work with the [new] guys," he said. "I like helping the new generation.

They're really good guys."

For Aron, valuing people is one of the secrets to being happy and living a good life. He offers that vision of community to future generations.

"Talk to people," he said. "Go around, [go] see people."

"Bwebwenato" is Marshallese for "conversation, dialogue or story," and is a new initiative by The Kwajalein Hourglass to share stories of life and work on Kwajalein Atoll. Want to be a storyteller or know someone who would like to share? Contact The Kwajalein Hourglass at 5-5169 or at kwajaleinhourglass@dyn-intl.com.

PERPETUAL MOTION SUSTAINS LIFE ON USAG-KA

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Walking a warehouse, Transportation Supervisor Brian Lee points out a forklift carrying plastic-wrapped pallets of materials and crated goods destined for Roi and Meck. Outside, a container handler transports a 7,500-pound container to a storage yard.

In past work with military convoys, Lee, a U.S. Air Force veteran, moved everything from bombs, to tanks and toilet paper. His cross-trained Kwajalein team of drivers, clerks and operations specialists have a single mission: sustainment.

"The mission can't happen without this cargo coming off the ships and planes, and getting delivered," Lee said. "We're here for the customer and whom-ever supports their mission."

The team moves materials from the airfield and marine shipping areas to island warehouses and inter-atoll locations. They assist with everything from pier-side sling operations to hazardous materials shipping. Island life depends on a finely tuned transit schedule that can change at a moment's notice. They have to be ready.

"We cannot fail," Lee said. "If we fail, the whole mission fails. If we don't get [frozen] food over to Cold Storage in a certain amount of time, it goes bad. Then, no one gets steaks. People know the ATI flight usually means fresh produce. If we fail, the food doesn't get there."

Today, they work against the clock to be ready to offload a weekend vessel.

"When the chips are down, we still find



Transportation Supervisor Brian Lee is in his element inside this Kwajalein warehouse in March 2021.

a way to make it happen," Lee said. "It's a challenge every day. We never know what's going to happen next."

Completing a vessel offload is always a thrill, but for Lee, work is about finding the joy in the mission.

"My greatest joy is seeing people's faces when they get the mail," he said. "When I was in the military, getting the mail was always awesome. When I see that long line at the post office, I know I was part of that. That makes me proud—

especially around the holidays."

Lee strives to help the busy team maintain cohesion. Staying positive and pumped helps them focus on the mission.

"We give people time off to do what they have to do," Lee said. "They will come in weekends and work for two weeks straight."

Lee sums up work thus: "We are transportation and receiving: We pick it up and put it down."



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KYC MUSIC FEST BRINGS KWAJ TOGETHER

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March 28, more than 500 Kwaj residents gathered at the Kwajalein Yacht Club for the Annual Spring Break Music Fest. This year's event was also a fundraiser for Kwaj resident Ben Bartyzel. MWR provided watercraft for the afternoon, and a snack and beverage bar for the evening. The full day of live music was provided by talented musical volunteers in the community. 1) Jim Stepchew, left, and Tim Roberge are masters of ceremony for the afternoon. 2) Alena Childress, center, dances

the night away. 3) Pure Aloha drummer Dax Mitchell prepares for the band's first set. 4) Kwajalein's favorite swing dancers: Gus Garcia, left, and Kelly Redmond spin on the dance floor. 5) Kwajalein's first lady of song, Minnie Snoddy, bewitched her audience with an "ABBA" medley during her last Music Fest before graduation. 6) The next time you need original, alt-rock and folk, look no further than Megan Ameigh, who performed this year in her third Music Fest.



COURTESY OF RYAN GRIFFIN

MWR EGG HUNT WITH THE WORKS



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH



1) U.S. Navy Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion FOUR are ready to assist with the USAG-KA MWR Easter Egg Hunt in this courtesy photo by Ryan Griffin. The event drew more than 200 Kwaj kids and family members to DeMeo Field April 4 for an afternoon of crafts, games and egg hunting. 2) Every strategic operation needs a commander. Maj. William Strouse, center, outlines the egg hunt battle plan for his daughters Lana, left, and Ruby. 3) Rowen Primeaux, center, is at the head of the egg hunt charge. 4) From left, Eliana Forsman, Tonya Forsmann, Adi Forsmann, Jesse Forsmann and Rachel Raczynski pose for a photo near the MWR tent. 5) Joe Dawicki, center, poses for a photo with daughters Charlotte, left, and Abigail. 6) Not all of those eggs are eggs. Pictured here, an island parent tries to dodge a water balloon thrown by a small Kwaj resident.



ISLAND MEMORIAL CHAPEL CELEBRATES EASTER 1



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Members of Kwajalein's religious community celebrated Easter with events leading up to services on April 4. On Kwajalein, the religious observance is a chance for personal reflection and to meet the chapel community. 1) The Emon Beach big pavilion was packed at 6:30 a.m. April 4 with attendees for the IMC Sunrise Service. A beach brunch followed after the ceremony, provided by chapel volunteers. 2) IMC Protestant Chaplain Brian Conner spoke that morning on the theme of clay as a metaphor for life. "We're all clay on the wheel," he said. "The trick is to stay

on the wheel." 3) The Sunrise Service worship team. From left: Jacque Phelon, Ashley Howe, Elizabeth Nolan and pianist Sally Bulla open the ceremony. 4) The Catholic congregation convened April 3 for Easter Vigil Mass in the main sanctuary at the Island Memorial Chapel. Pictured here, Fr. John Kakkuzhiyil reads during the ceremony. 5) Friends meet at Emon Beach following the Sunrise Service. From left: Lori Range, Bruce Wynn and Debbie Carr. 6) Fr. Jim Ludwowski proffers an Easter basket of treats to members of the congregation at the end of Easter Vigil Mass.



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COURTESY OF BRIAN BUSSEY

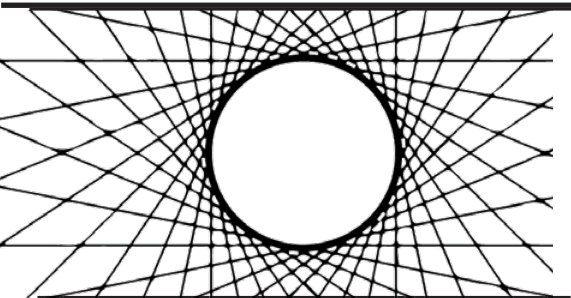


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1) Thursdays at the Capt. Louis S. Zamperini Cafeteria are Mongolian night. Kwaj diners line up at the far end of the serving line to pile vegetables, meats and sauces on their plate before they hand their fixings over to the hibachi master. Pictured here, a dining services employee serves Laura Sampayan a meal to go, hot off the grill. 2) Bundled in UPF-proof gear, MWR Lifeguard Christina Sylvester is one in the team that guarded the Camp Hamilton Beach during the KYC Spring Break Music Fest. 3) Russell Beniamina performs with Pure Aloha

at the 21st Annual Kwajalein Yacht Club Spring Break Music Fest. 4) Members of the quarantine team at the Kwaj Lodge pose for a photo. Top row: Vector Control Manager Earnest Mallard; bottom left, quarantine nurse Taina Kubulala and Kwajalein Archaeologist Grant Day. 5) Ready for your Covid-19 vaccination? During the first weeks of the clinic, DI employees set up a check-in station at the Adult Recreation Center. Pictured here are DI Operations Manager Randal Navarre, left, and Data Analyst Associate Claudia Caro.



THINK BEFORE YOU BIKE

- Ride a bike that fits you—if it's too big, it's harder to control the bike.
- Ride a bike that works—it really doesn't matter how well you ride if the brakes don't work.
- Wear equipment to protect you and make you more visible to others, like a bike helmet, bright clothing during the day, reflective gear and a white front light and red rear light and reflectors on your bike at night or when visibility is poor.
- Ride one per seat, with both hands on the handlebars, unless signaling a turn.
- Carry all items in a backpack or strapped to the back of the bike.
- Tuck and tie your shoelaces and pant legs so they don't get caught in your bike chain.
- Plan your route—if driving as a vehicle on the road, choose routes with less traffic and slower speeds. Your safest route may be away from traffic altogether, in a bike lane or on a bike path.

Did You Know?

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RMI TRAVEL BAN EXTENDED TO MAY 2, 2021

RMI NOVEL COVID-19
UPDATED INTERIM HEALTH
TRAVEL ADVISORY &
RESTRICTIONS
ISSUANCE 24:
AS OF APRIL 1, 2021

An extension of the total suspension of international travelers coming into the RMI via air travel will continue until **May 2, 2021**.

For more information about the Republic of the Marshall Islands Issuance 21, please contact the Commander's Hotline at 5-1098 or the USAG-KA Host Nation Office at 5-5235.

ISLAND HOPPER FLIGHT SCHEDULE

United Airlines has confirmed reinstatement of the full Island Hopper flight schedule. Please note that the travel ban for the Republic of the Marshall Islands is still in effect and all flights are subject to change.

For more information, please contact United Airlines reservations at 1-800-864-8331.

APRIL CHECK-IN TIMES

UA 155 - 3:30 - 4:50 p.m.
UA 154 - 10:45 - 11:15 a.m.

APRIL FLIGHTS

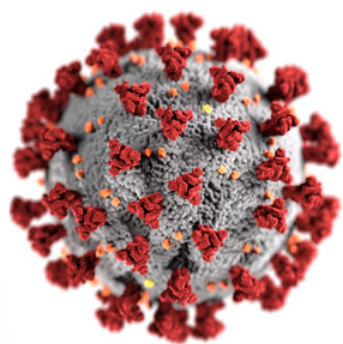
UA 155 - April 12 (HNL)
UA 154 - April 13 (GUM)

MAY CHECK-IN TIMES

UA 155 - 3:30 - 4:50 p.m.
UA 154 - 10:45 - 11:15 a.m.

MAY FLIGHTS

UA 155 - May 10/24 (HNL)
UA 154 - MAY 11/25 (GUM)



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS ARE NOW IN PROGRESS.

Contact your tenant organization and Human Resources department for an information packet on the vaccine, and forms you need to have pre-filled before your date and time slot. Your organization will notify you of your time slot.

Still have questions about getting the COVID-19 vaccine? Contact USAG-KA Family and MWR Health Systems Specialist Suzanne Mosier at 5-2354 for more information.

OUTBOUND COVID TEST POLICY CHANGE

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released new travel guidance. The information that follows is current as of Jan. 30.

- A COVID-19 test is not required for any outbound travelers on the ATI.
- A COVID-19 test is not required if you are flying on United Airlines on official government orders.
- All other United Airlines passengers must have a negative COVID-19 test 1-3 days before travel.

If You Need A Test

You must contact the hospital at 5-2223 to schedule a time for your test. The Kwajalein Hospital is closed Sunday and Monday.

The cost of the COVID-19 test is \$125, due at the time of visit for everyone except for active duty service members and their family members. Cash, credit card and check are accepted forms of payment.

If you have previously tested positive for COVID-19 you must schedule an appointment with a provider 10 days prior to departure.

Passengers must bring a copy of their United flight itineraries at the time of their appointment for proof of flight.

For Outbound United Airlines Passengers Flying Without Government Orders

- Passengers will visit the hospital the day before their flight departs.
- Testing hours: 9 - 11 a.m.
- Results pick-up time is flexible on the day of departure.

These CDC requirements do not change or impact the state of Hawaii's testing requirement or quarantine procedure.

UNITED AIRLINES POLICIES FOR DEPARTURE

Customers at Kwajalein's airport boarding United Airlines flights need to present the items described below:

Customers with a negative test result need to present written or electronic documentation which clearly indicates:

- **Customer name.** (The customer name and any other personal identifiers must match the customer ID).
- **Date the test was taken.** Test must be taken within three calendar days of flight.
- **Type of test.** The CDC rule requires a viral test, which means a molecular COVID-19 test (such as PCR or LAMP) or antigen test.
- **Results must state "negative,"** "SARS-CoV-2 RNA not detected" or "SARS-CoV-2 antigen not detected." A test marked "invalid" is not acceptable

Customers who have previously tested positive must present written or electronic documentation, dated within the last 90 days, of recovery from COVID-19 after previous infection.

This should be in the form of a positive viral test result and a letter on official letterhead that contains the name, address and phone number of a licensed healthcare provider or public health official stating that the passenger has been cleared for travel.

All United customers must also comply with the following requirements:

- **Presentation of a disclosure and attestation form.** The form can be found on the CDC website and will also be available at the departure airport. Customers are encouraged to print and complete the form prior to arriving at the airport.
- **Check-In.** All international originating customers will be required to check-in with a Customer Service representative to verify digital or paper documentation. This mirrors the process we've set up within the U.S. for many international destinations.
- **Failure to Comply Will Result in Boarding Denied.** Customers who do not show proof of a test or refuse to test prior to travel will be denied boarding. Denied boarding compensation will not be paid. Customers in this situation shall be offered a refund or rebooked for a later date at no additional charge.

NOTE: These documentation requirements do not apply to customers flying from U.S. territories such as Guam to the mainland.

CYS APRIL SPOTLIGHT

U.S. ARMY GARRISON-KWAJALEIN ATOLL
CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES

Child Development Center

Baru Classroom

Saturdays are Water Play Day! Please send your child with water clothes, a swim diaper (if needed), a towel and dry clothes.

Bako Classroom

Tuesdays -STEAM Swim Day. Please send your child with water clothes, a towel and dry clothes.
Wednesdays - STEAM Functional Fitness
Thursdays - Pre-K Music Class
Thursdays - STEAM Library
Saturdays - Pre-K Music Class
Saturdays - STEAM Reading Buddies-

Important Dates

April 13 to 17 - National Association for the Education of Young Children’s Week of the Young Child

School-Age Care

SAC Regular programming:
Tuesdays - Art
Wednesdays - Functional Fitness and Culture
Thursdays - STEM
Fridays - Recreation
Saturdays - Character Counts

4-H

Every Wednesday and Friday from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
April Theme - Art
Register in Central Registration

Sports

Field Hockey - through May 1

Namo Weto Youth Center

Tuesdays - Recreation - 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.
Keystone Meetings - 11:40 a.m.
Wednesdays- Tremendous Trivia - 4:30 p.m.
Thursdays- Ted Talks- 4 p.m.
Frappaccino Friday - 4 p.m.
Saturdays - Smoothies - 3:15 p.m.
Saturdays - Money Matters - 4 p.m.
Sundays- Keystone Club Officers Meeting - 4:15 p.m.
Sundays- Board Games - 4 p.m.

Special Events

April 17 - Purple Up! Day- Everyone wears purple in celebration of Month of the Military Child.
April 25 - MOMC Family Carnival



Month of the Military Child
CARNIVAL



Come celebrate Month of the Military Child!

April 25, 4 – 6 p.m.
Namo Weto Youth Center Fields

Activities include:
Nerf Target Shooting
Dunk Tank
Inflatables
Cotton Candy





UNITED STATES ARMY
CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES

Get ready for fun at this free annual carnival to celebrate military-connected kids on USAG-KA.

For more information, please contact Central Registration at 5-2158.

FINISHED READING
THOSE LIBRARY BOOKS?

Please return books and DVDs to the Grace Sherwood Library so other patrons can enjoy them.

Visit the Grace Sherwood Library during business hours to learn more about upcoming library activities. For information, call 5-3331.



CLASSIFIEDS

The community wants to hear from you. Email announcements and advertisements to kwajaleinhourglass@dyn-intl.com Wednesday by close of business. Ads received after deadline will be published in the next issue of the Kwajalein Hourglass.

HELP WANTED

To research and apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit usajobs.gov. Done hiring? Write to kwajalein.hourglass@dyn-intl.com to remove your help wanted listing.

Truestone, an AKIMA company, seeks a telephone operator. For more information about this position and to apply, please click the URL below to visit https://akima.taleo.net/careersection/akimallc_cs/jobdetail.ftl?job=TRU01055&tz=G-MT-05%3A00&tzname=.

MIT Lincoln Laboratory seeks a rising senior high school or college student to serve as an Office Assistant during the summer. Interested applicants must have sponsorship and housing on Kwajalein for the duration of the internship (June-August 2021). Contact Tina Legere, MIT LL Site Administrator at 5-5105 or at tina.legere@ll.mit.edu for more information. To apply, visit <https://careers.ll.mit.edu/job/Lexington-Summer-Office-Assistant-MA-02420/717698200/>.

Substitute teachers wanted. Kwajalein School System seeks student-centered adults available from 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. to serve as substitute teachers or teacher aids. Contact Paul Uhren for more information at uhrenp@kwajalein-school.com or 5-3601.

U.S. Embassy Majuro seeks a Political/Economic Assistant. Job Announcement No. Majuro- 2012-002; Series/Grade LE1605/9. Email MajuroHR@state.gov, contact Human Resources Office: Ma. Victoria dela Cruz; P.O. Box 1379, Majuro, MH 96960 and visit <https://careers.state.gov/downloads/files/eight-qualities-of-overseas-employees>.

U.S. Embassy Majuro seeks an Administrative Clerk for immediate employment. Job Announcement No. Majuro-2021-003 (series/grade LE 105/6) FS is 08. Actual FS salary determined by Washington D.C. For more information, visit <https://careers.state.gov/downloads/files/eight-qualities-of-overseas-employees>.

Community Bank seeks a part-time Banking Center Service Specialist, or teller. Submit applications and resumes to www.dodcommunitybank.com. Contact Rita Pyne at 5-2152 for more information.

Nan Inc. seeks a qualified quality control manager and site safety and health officer. To apply, visit www.nanhawaii.com and contact Clint Ueatari or Kevin Short at 5-2632, 5-1260 or 5-2998.

Tribalco seeks experienced and highly motivated senior, mid- and junior network technicians to join their team. Apply via <http://www.tribalco.com/jobs.html>.

RGNext, LLC seeks qualified candidates to fill several open positions on Kwaj and Roi in engineering, technical and other areas. For more information and to apply, go to www.rgnext.com.

DynCorp International is looking for qualified candidates for various positions. Current DI open positions on USAG-KA include administrative services, data analysts, education services, aviation and airfield operations, marine operations and public works, among others. To apply, go to www.dilogcap.com or contact your local HR representative.

USAG-KA Child and Youth Services is hiring coaches. No experience necessary. All children of head coaches play for free. Visit Central Registration or call 5-2158 in Building 356.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

The Kwajalein Golf Association is looking for men, women and youths who want to play golf. Golf on Kwaj is a fun way to stay fit, meet new people and just have fun. Members of the KGA are also able to establish a handicap that is valid in the United States. KGA Membership costs \$60. For information about joining the KGA contact Shelly Benkert (shellybenkert@yahoo.com) or Mike Winks (winksme@gmail.com).

HOURS AND OPENINGS

Self Help is located in Bldg. 1791. Hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Visit Self Help to pick up tools to complete a number of household maintenance and upkeep projects.

Kwajalein Furniture Warehouse. To schedule deliveries and pick-ups of Family Housing or BQ furniture please call the Army Housing Office at 5-3450.

Small Boat Marina Summer 2021 Hours of Operation are now through Oct. 31 from 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Questions? Call the Small Boat Marina at 5-3643.

NOTICES

Alcoholics Anonymous open meetings are Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the REB, room 213.

ENJOY PUBLIC WI-FI

Capt. Louis S. Zamperini Cafeteria, Cafe Roi, Surfway, Roi Surfway, the Ocean View Club and the Sunrise Bakery



Celebrate in style

AAFES is now accepting orders for graduation leis. All orders must be placed by April 19. Please see a store associate for details and a customer order form.

Ongoing Smoking and Tobacco Cessation. Please call EAP at 5-5362 or make an appointment with a physician. Comment cards are posted near the Surfway entrance and are reviewed on a weekly basis. Your suggestions and ideas are welcome. The Surfway manager and USAG-KA Food Services reps are always available to speak with you and answer questions. Contact Surfway Manager Phillip Kenley at 5-3617 and USAG-KA Food Safety Officer Rick Krewson at 5-5033.

Repairs to the Holmberg Fairways Golf Course locker room building began March 27. Access to some parts of the facility will be restricted during this time. The locker area will remain open. Call MWR at 5-3331 with questions.

Tobacco Use on USAG-KA. Smoking permitted only in designated smoking areas. All smoking and cigarette butt receptacles must be at least 50 feet from entrance of facilities. USAG-KA Policy Memorandum 600-8 sets forth specific policies designed for the protection from the negative impact of tobacco use. Smoking cessation programs are available. Contact Mary Beth Dawicki at 5-5362 or Marybeth.Dawicki@internationalsofsgs.us.

Island Memorial Chapel Counseling Services. The IMC chaplains are available for appointments on Roi-Namur and Kwajalein. Contact the Chapel office at 5-3505 to schedule a meeting. Discussions are kept private. Confidentiality belongs with the client.

Counseling Available. Schedule an appointment with the Employee Assistance Program by calling Mary Beth Dawicki at 5-5235 or emailing marybeth.dawicki@internationalsofsgs.us. Information shared in appointments is confidential. As an alternative to in-person meetings, phone consultation or virtual meetings are available utilizing a HIPAA compliant platform. Call 5-5362 for more information.

Electric bikes are not allowed on the garrison per USAG-KA Regulation 56-4. You are authorized use of the bike on USAG-KA If you disconnect the motor. For more information, contact the PMO at 5-3530.

Kwajalein Drug Take Back Program. Safely discard expired materials at one of two island collection receptacles—Tuesday through Saturday during business hours at the Kwajalein Hospital Pharmacy and the 24-hour collection bin at the Kwajalein Police Department, Bldg. 803. Collection items include over-the-counter drugs; pills, tablets and capsules; ointments;

creams; lotions; powders and no more than 4 oz. liquid medicines.

The Department of Public works has recently upgraded the water treatment process, leading to some scaling of the heating elements in island water heaters. The scale can cause strange noises when the element gets hot. Your continued patience is appreciated as DPW personnel fine-tune system upgrades. Please call the DPW Work Control Help Desk at 5-3550 with any questions.

ENVIRONMENTAL NOTICES

Recycle Safely. Please ensure that all aluminum cans are separated from household trash to prevent damage to the island incinerator. Doing your part keeps our island clean. For more information on where you can discard batteries and other specialized items, please contact DI Environmental at 5-1134.

E-WARENESS: SPILL RESPONSE

In the event of a spill of a hazardous material, waste, or petroleum product, do the following:

- Recognize – If it's safe, identify the material
- Retreat – Evacuate. Keep others out
- Report – Call 911

Please call Environmental at 5-1134 with questions.

Ilo ien en ej wor lutok in men ko rekawatata, kobej, oil im men ko erlok wot:

- Kile - Ne ejjab kauwatata, lale kein rot
- Jenliklik - Etal jen e, bobrae an ro jet kebake
- Konnaan - kiir lok 911

Nan melele ko relaplok, call e DI Environmental ilo 5-1134.

CLASSES

Spring Dance Collective with Courtney Strouse. Classes for all age groups in a variety of styles run now through April 30. Email dance-kwaj@gmail.com.

Ballroom Dance Classes. Wednesdays from 7 - 8 p.m. at the Vet's Hall deck. Classes are free and begin with East Coast (triple step) Swing. A dance partner is not required. Email adrift@riseup.net with questions.

TRAINING

Building Manager Evacuation Coordinator Training (Required for all managers by AR 420-1). Kwajalein training occurs on the first and third Wednesdays of each month beginning at 10 a.m. in the Religious Education Building. Roi-Namur training occurs on the second Wednesday each month at 9:30 a.m. at the C-building. Call 5-3364 to register.





KWAJALEIN AT THE MOVIES



Frozen 2
(PG) 103 min.
April 18, 7:30 p.m.
Kwajalein, Yuk Theater



The Way Back
(R) 108 min.
April 11, 7:30 p.m.
Roi, C-Building

Unless otherwise indicated, all movies begin at 7:30 p.m. Contact MWR at 5-3331 for more information. Showtimes may vary for special "Movies Under the Stars" events.

KWAJALEIN - YUK THEATER

Saturday, April 10
"Show Dogs"
(PG) 92 min.
Ludacris, Stanley Tucci

After a failed attempt to recover a stolen baby panda, police dog Max reluctantly teams up with a human FBI agent named Frank. A hot tip leads Max and Frank to Las Vegas for the world's most exclusive dog show. To find the panda, Max goes undercover as a contestant to get the lowdown from his fellow canines. With help from their new friends, the crime-fighting duo must now foil another kidnapping plot and rescue other valuable animals from a gang of greedy smugglers.

Sunday, April 11
"Wonder Woman 1984"
(PG-13) 151 min.
Gal Gadot, Kristen Wiig

Diana Prince lives quietly among mortals in the vibrant, sleek 1980s—an era of excess driven by the pursuit of having it all. Though she's come into her full powers, she maintains a low profile by curating ancient artifacts, and only performing heroic acts incognito. But soon, Diana will have to muster all of her strength, wisdom and courage as she finds herself squaring off against Maxwell Lord and the Cheetah, a villainess who possesses superhuman strength and agility.

Monday, April 12
"Judas and the Black Messiah"
(R) 126 min.
Daniel Kaluuya, LaKeith Stanfield

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Saturday, April 17
"7 Days in Entebbe"
(PG-13) 107 min.

Rosamund Pike, Daniel Eddie Marsan

In July 1976, four terrorists hijack an Air France flight from Tel-Aviv to Paris and force the flight crew to land in Entebbe, Uganda. There, the Jewish passengers are held hostage, with their safety contingent on the release of dozens of terrorists jailed in Israel, Germany and Sweden.



"Entebbe" is a 2018 action film directed by Jose Padilha and written by Gregory Burke. The film is a dramatization of Operation Entebbe, a successful counterterrorist hostage rescue operation completed by commandos of the Israel Defense Forces at Entebbe Airport in Uganda, June 4, 1976, after Air France flight 139 from Tel Aviv to Paris was hijacked by German and Palestinian terrorists. The film was first released March 16, 2018 in the United States, where was entitled "7 Days in Entebbe."

Sunday, April 18
"Frozen 2"
(PG) 103 min.

Idina Menzel, Kristen Bell, Josh Gad
Elsa the Snow Queen has an extraordinary gift—the power to create ice and snow. But no matter how happy she is to be surrounded by the people of Arendelle, Elsa finds herself

strangely unsettled. After hearing a mysterious voice call out to her, Elsa travels to the enchanted forests and dark seas beyond her kingdom—an adventure that soon turns into a journey of self-discovery.

Monday, April 19
"Super Troopers 2"
(R) 100 min.
Steve Lemme, Paul Soter

Always looking for action, five over-enthusiastic but under-stimulated Vermont State Troopers raise hell on the highway, keeping motorists anxiously looking in their rear-view mirrors. Between an ongoing feud with the local cops over whose you-know-what is bigger, and the state government wanting to shut them down, the "Super Troopers" find themselves precariously and hilariously heading toward calamity as they try to avoid extinction.

ROI - C-BUILDING

Saturday, April 10
"Gifted" (PG-13) 104 min.
Chris Evans, McKenna Grace

Frank Adler (Chris Evans) is a single man raising a child prodigy—his spirited young niece Mary—in a coastal town in Florida. Frank's plans for a normal school life for Mary are foiled when the 7-year-old's mathematical abilities come to the attention of Frank's formidable mother, Evelyn, whose plans for her granddaughter threaten to separate Frank and Mary.

Sunday, April 11
"The Way Back"
(R) 108 min.
Jack Cunningham, Janina Gavankar

Jack Cunningham was a high school basketball superstar who suddenly walked away from the game for unknown reasons. Years later, he's now stuck in a meaningless job and struggling with alcoholism—the very thing that ruined his marriage and his hope for a better life. But Jack soon gets a shot at redemption when he becomes the basketball coach for his alma mater, a program

that has fallen on hard times since his teenage glory days.

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WHAT THE CRITICS ARE SAYING

On “Show Dogs”: In Raja Gosnell’s canine comedy, a Rottweiler teams up with a human crime-fighting partner to thwart an international animal smuggling ring.
—**Teo Bugbee, The NYTimes**

On “Wonder Woman 1984”: Campier and less revolutionary than the original, this long but entertaining sequel still shows the many ways women can be strong, heroic, and smart.
—**Sandie Angulo Chen, Common Sense Media**

On “7 Days in Entebbe”: Eddie Marsan and Rosamund Pike are among the stars of this new drama about a 1976 terrorist attack and rescue.
—**A.O. Scott, The NYTimes**

On “Frozen 2”: This charming musical sequel again elevates sisterhood, empowerment, love, and ac-

ceptance—while introducing catchy new songs that are sure to please young Elsa and Anna fans. —**Sandie Angulo Chen, Common Sense Media**

On “Super Troopers 2”: Tears out at a refreshingly reckless pace, then gradually settles into a law-abiding speed. —**Peter Canavese, Groucho Reviews**

On “Gifted”: This drama isn’t what you’d call groundbreaking or memorable, but, thanks to its two leads—Evans and young Grace -- it’s more appealing than it really deserves to be. —**S. Jhoanna Robledo, Common Sense Media**

On “The Way Back”: It cleaves closely to the familiar but Finding “The Way Back” scores points by finding different beats within the formula and from a great Ben Affleck performance. —**Ian Freer, Empire**

On “Judas and the Black Messiah”: Judas and the Black Messiah is, on one level, a historical drama. On another, it’s a movie very much of the moment. —**Paul Asay, Plugged In**

USAG-KA WEATHER WATCH

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF



SUN - MOON - TIDES

WEATHER DISCUSSION: High pressure rebuilding north of the Marshall Islands will result in breezier conditions over Kwajalein on Saturday, with wind speeds exceeding 15 knots in the morning, though moderating a bit in the afternoon.

Weakening of the subtropical ridge will result in our winds moderating from Sunday into early next week. Chances for significant rainfall should stay low for the next several days, with a possible exception of a weak wave in the Monday-Tuesday time frame.

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny and breezy with stray showers. Winds NE-E at 15-20 knots with occasional higher gusts, decreasing a few knots during the afternoon.

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny with stray showers. Winds NE-E at 10-15 knots with occasional higher gusts.

MONDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers. Winds NE-SE at 5-13 knots with occasional higher gusts.

TUESDAY through THURSDAY: Light to moderate breezes from the NE-SE, with winds increasing a few knots on Thursday. Generally isolated shower coverage expected.

	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:42 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	6:04 a.m. 6:22 p.m.	4:07 a.m. 4.2' 4:14 p.m. 4.4'	10:09 a.m. -0.3' 10:21 p.m. -0.4'
MONDAY	6:41 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	6:41 a.m. 7:07 p.m.	4:30 a.m. 4.5' 4:38 p.m. 4.4'	10:35 a.m. -0.4' 10:43 p.m. -0.4'
TUESDAY	6:41 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	7:19 a.m. 7:51 p.m.	4:53 a.m. 4.6' 5:03 p.m. 4.3'	11:02 a.m. -0.4' 11:05 p.m. -0.4'
WEDNESDAY	6:40 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	7:58 a.m. 8:36 p.m.	5:17 a.m. 4.6' 5:27 p.m. 4.0'	11:29 a.m. -0.3' 11:27 p.m. -0.3'
THURSDAY	6:40 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	8:38 a.m. 9:24 p.m.	5:40 a.m. 4.5' 5:52 p.m. 3.8'	11:56 a.m. -0.2' 11:49 p.m. -0.1'
FRIDAY	6:39 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	9:21 a.m. 10:12 p.m.	6:05 a.m. 4.3' 6:17 p.m. 3.4'	12:24 p.m. 0.1' -----
APRIL 17	6:39 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	10:07 a.m. 11:03 p.m.	6:30 a.m. 4.0' 6:44 p.m. 3.0'	12:11 a.m. 0.2' 12:54 p.m. 0.4'



Click the logo to visit RTS Weather online.



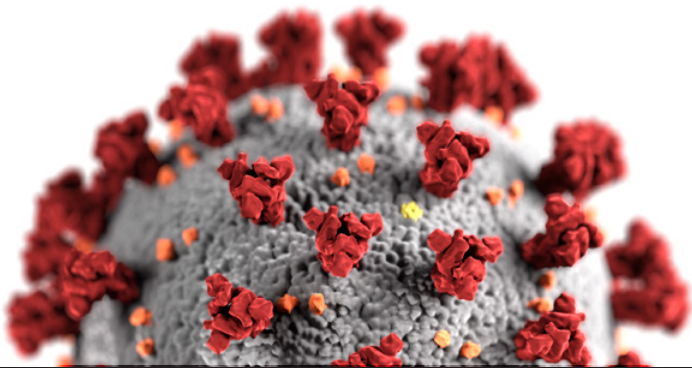
CONTACT THE USAG-KA SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ ASSAULT RESPONSE AND PREVENTION VICTIM ADVOCATE



CW3 Michael Schafer
SHARP Victim Advocate
Work: 805 355 3421

USAG-KA SHARP Pager:
805 355 3241 #0100

DOD SAFE Helpline:
877 995 5247



QUARANTINE PHASE TWO REDUCED TO TWO WEEKS

The RMI Phase 2 Quarantine Changes for Persons Traveling into the RMI from Countries with Covid-19 Community Transmission

As of March 25, 2021, the duration of the Second Phase of Quarantine on Kwajalein Atoll has been revised to 14 days. The total period of quarantine is now 28 days. This applies to all individuals entering the RMI from countries deemed high-risk for Covid-19 transmission (where community transmission is present).

The two-phase quarantine strategy remains in place and includes the following components:

- 1) **Phase 1** – Secure and monitored hotel quarantine for 14 days in Hawaii. This includes a Covid-19 PCR test and an antibody test prior to entering quarantine, another Covid PCR test on day one and a final Covid PCR test within 48 hours of scheduled departure from Honolulu.
- 2) **Phase 2** – Secure and monitored quarantine on Kwajalein Atoll for 14 days. This includes Covid-19 PCR tests and antigen tests on days 7 and 14.

This guidance is consistent with current WHO guidance on travel quarantine as well as other national health ministries and other public health agencies. This time period reflects the maximum incubation period for Covid-19 and includes individuals vaccinated against Covid-19 as well as unvaccinated individuals. Covid-19 variants of concern currently follow an incubation period of 14 days.

These quarantine procedures are subject to periodical review by the Ministry of Health. Bunton kein im jermal kein ikijjen jermal in etalle/kakkolkol rej ped wot iumwin jermal ko an MoHHS (ak jikin Ejmour eo).

Mwenan Kein Ka’ruo (2) Ikijjen Kakkolkol Emoj an Oktak Nan Jabdrewot Eo Ej Itok nan Aelin Kein Jen Lal Ko ilikin Im Ewor Naninmij In COVID-19

Ilo rainiin March 25, 2021, jonan aetok in bed ilo jikin kakkolkol eo ilo Kwajalein emoj an oktak jen 14 raan. Jonan kio raan in bed ilo kakkolkol enaj tarrin in 28 raan ko. Wawein in enaj jelet aolep jabdrewot ro rej drelon’e tok RMI jen lal ko ilikin im rej alikar ke elap an ajeeded COVID-19 ie.

Wawein oktak ej bok jikin ekoba tok bar jet bunton ko ippen im rej laajrak enwot:

- Mwenan 1-** Ped ilo jikin kakkolkol eo ilo Hawaii iumwin 14 raan: Ekoba bar PCR kakkolkol im kakkolkol ko jet im rejelet aolepen enbun mokta jen drelon e jikin etalle/kakkolkol eo, innem bar juon kakkolkol ikijeen PCR iumwin 48 awa mokta jen kelok jen Honolulu.
- Mwenan 2-** Ped ilo jikin etalle/kakkolkol eo ilo Kwajalein iumwin 14 raan: Wawein ebar koba kakkolkol in COVID-19 eo ikijeen PCR bar enwot kakkolkol ko jet ilo raan kein ka’jiljilimjuon (7) & ka’jonoulemen (14).

Wawein in jej loor e ej mottan wot bar bunton ko ilo WHO ikijeen ekkaake ak makutkut jen jikin nan jikin pelaak in lal in im ej barenwot mottan jonok ko kein ilo jabdrewot jikin ejmour ko. Jonan kootaan kein rej kalikar jonak nan bobrae wawein an ajeeded COVID-19 im an jebreal uno ippen ro emoj aer bok waa/uno ekoba ro rejjanin dre boke. Jonan eo ekka an walok in emoj watoke kio nan loore iumwin 14 raan.

USAG-KA DINING GUIDE

ISLAND DINING FACILITIES

CAPT. LOUIS. S. ZAMPERINI CAFETERIA - KWAJALEIN

TUESDAYS - SATURDAYS*	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS*	MONDAYS*
5:30 - 8 a.m. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. 4:30 - 7 p.m.	6:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. 4:30 - 7 p.m.	6 - 9 a.m. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. 4:30 - 7 p.m.

*Families are welcome to dine at the Zamperini Cafeteria on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Sundays and Mondays.

Want to receive a daily copy of the menu? Contact Asia Williams at asia.williams@dyn-intl.com to be added to the weekly emailed menu.

CAFE ROI - ROI-NAMUR

TUESDAYS - SATURDAYS	SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS	MONDAYS
5:30 - 8 a.m. 10:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 5 - 6:45 p.m.	7 - 9 a.m. 10:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 5 - 6:45 p.m.	6 - 8:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 5 - 6:45 p.m.

DINING DOWNTOWN

SUNRISE BAKERY	SUNRISE BAKERY PIZZA KITCHEN
Tues - Thursday 6 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 5 - 9 p.m. Monday, 5 - 9 p.m.

Don't forget about the late-night menu of rotating specials at the Roi-Namur Outrigger Club and Ocean View Club. For more information, please see the "Bars and Clubs" page.

AAFES - KWAJALEIN DINING LOCATIONS

AMERICAN EATERY Located at the Kwajalein Dock Security Checkpoint	ANTHONY'S PIZZA Located at the AAFES Food Court
Sunday – closed Monday – closed Tuesday – Saturday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.	Sunday, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday - Friday, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.
BURGER KING Located at the AAFES Food Court	SUBWAY Located at the AAFES Food Court
Sunday, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday – Friday, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.	Sunday, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Wednesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. Thursday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

USAG-KA SPORTS: SOFTBALL

March 30 Mon-Nin def. Komatat Team, 27 – 5 North Camp def. Bad Boys, 30 – 4 Heavy Cargo def. Left Overs, 11 – 10 Scared Hitless def. Al-Eak, 22 – 18	April 2 YSB def. Komatat Team, win – forfeit Jab Kajitok vs. Jablik, forfeit – forfeit Ek In Ae def. Lib, win – forfeit Spartan Men 1 def. OFU, 21 – 1
March 31 Baru Baru def. Likajer, 12 – 9	April 3 Rogue def. Spartan White, 15 – 5 Likajer def. Komatat Team, 29 – 22 Bako Mona def. Ke-Wo, 20 – 3 Left Overs def. Too Much Busy, 6 – 4 Ek In Ae def. Scared Hitless, 26 - 2
April 1 Spartan Women 1 def, Spartan White, 25 – 2 Monkubok def. Ke-Wo, 29 – 12 Keep In Touch def. Mule, 23 – 10 Seniors Y Senioritas def. Un-sportsmanlike Conduct, 12 – 5 CTRL+ALT+DEL def. Lost Cause, 10 – 0	



religious services

Contact the Island Memorial Chapel office at 5-3505 for more information about religious services and activities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Services

Sundays at 10 a.m. in CRC Room 1. Please contact Conrad Acosta at 5-2965 for more information.

Protestant Services

- Sundays at 8:15 a.m. in the small sanctuary and 11 a.m. in the main sanctuary.
- Kingdom Kids children's program meets during Protestant services at 8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Catholic Services

- Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the IMC main sanctuary.
- Weekdays at 5:15 p.m. in the IMC chapel offices
- Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. in the IMC small sanctuary.
- Children's program meets Sundays during the 9:15 a.m. Catholic Mass.

Weekly Worship

Men's Bible Study meets Thursdays at 5:45 p.m. in the chapel conference room.

Ladies' Bible Study meets 9:15 a.m. Thursdays at Qtrs. 405-B Taro. Contact Sally Bulla at 5-9804 for more information.

bars and clubs

Contact MWR at 5-3331

for updates, activities and events about the garrison's bars and clubs.

OCEAN VIEW CLUB

Wednesdays. Raise your glass and toast Wednesday at happy hour from 5 - 7 p.m.

Saturdays. Enjoy fun activities like game nights, karaoke, theme nights and live music.

Mondays. Enjoy Monday meal deals on Men's Night from 5 - 7 p.m.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

MWR offers shuttle service to and from the Country Club every 30 minutes from 5 - 8 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, contact Nikeya Lagrone at 5-9205 or 5-3331.

OUTRIGGER CLUB

Check with MWR for meal specials and activities at the Outrigger Club by calling 5-3331.

COUNTRY CLUB

Birthday Bash.

Come celebrate island birthdays with MWR every third Sunday from 6 - 9 p.m. Enjoy complimentary shuttle service available from the Ocean View Club every 30 minutes from 5 - 9 p.m.

Brunch.

Enjoy Country Club Brunch every first Sunday of the month from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Enjoy a variety of sweet and savory brunch foods. Cash only; monthly prices and menu items are subject to change. No reservation required. Seating is limited. Shuttle service available every 30 minutes. Customer pick-up is in front of the Food Court starting at 10 a.m. There is a 45-minute time limit per table.

Saturday. Enjoy happy hour and play Uno every Saturday at 6 p.m.



Purple up April 17 in celebration of our military kids and the Month of the Military Child

PURPLE UP!
FOR MILITARY KIDS WEEK

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

Purple is the color that symbolizes all branches of the military, as it is a combination of Army green, Marine Corps red, and Coast Guard, Air Force, and Navy blue. Wearing purple is a visible way to honor and celebrate our military's young heroes for their service, commitment, and sacrifice in support of the Army's mission. Purple Up!



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COMBINED ARMS MINDSET BEING ADOPTED BY ARMY MODERNIZATION TEAMS

EXTERNAL REPORT

By Joseph Lacdan, Army News Service

WASHINGTON—After Project Convergence started as an idea, the series of exercises first held last year are now a mature experimentation path for the Army’s modernization efforts, such as long-range precision fires, an Army Futures Command leader said last month.

The initiative, which is slated to take place again this fall, has provided an architectural framework to accelerate multi-domain operations and to keep pace with technological innovation, said Brig. Gen. John Rafferty, director of the LRPF Cross-Functional Team.

“Project Convergence is the way we put this thing into context ... and figuring out how we’re going to fight and win in the future,” Rafferty said March 17 during the Global Force Next symposium.

During the project’s first iteration in August and September, the Army attempted to reduce the time needed to identify and hit targets using sensors in space, in the sky and on the ground. The service fused its assets with joint capabilities during the exercises.

The Army must combine its assets with other services in order to keep pace with its peer adversaries, China and Russia, which have modernized their forces, Rafferty said.

“We are driven as a team by the pacing threat. It’s real, it’s a great power competition,” Rafferty said. “And there isn’t a moment to lose when it comes to providing these game-changing capabilities to our Soldiers in the field.”

Rafferty said that the Army has adopted a “combined arms” mindset for each of the Army’s eight cross-functional teams, which will be critical to maintaining overmatch with near-peer threats. He added that Project Convergence will help the Army combine its joint capabilities across multiple domains.

“Figuring out how we’re going to fight with these systems as a combined arms team is critical,” Rafferty said. “It’s going



COURTESY PHOTO

A common hypersonic glide body, or C-HGB, launches from Pacific Missile Range Facility, Kauai, Hawaii, on March 19, 2020, during a Department of Defense flight experiment. The Army and Navy jointly executed the launch of the C-HGB, which flew at hypersonic speed to a designated impact point. The Army plans to field the hypersonic weapon by fiscal year 2023.

to help us be more efficient, move faster, and put the right technologies and the right capabilities in the hands of our Soldiers at the right time.”

The Army plans to field a long-range hypersonic weapon capable of flying at five times the speed of sound by 2023. The Army Hypersonic Project Office has worked with industry to develop the hypersonic glide body. The Army and the Navy have been working together to develop a hypersonic capability that will provide a combination of range, maneuverability and speed.

Equipment including the first training canisters for the first prototype battery has been delivered to Soldiers to help prepare and train them for the long-range precision fires capability earlier this month, said Bob Strider, deputy director of the Army Hypersonic Project Office.

He added that launchers and a battery operations center will be delivered by the end of September. The unit receiving the weapons cannot be identified for security reasons, he said.

“If you look at the adversary capabilities in terms of intercepts and in terms

of acquisition, it leads you to believe that you need a variety of hypersonic, supersonic and subsonic weapons,” Strider said. “You need different volume, different flight paths, and different attack angles in order to defeat and penetrate the anti-access, area denial systems.”

Additionally, the Army has been testing its Extended Range Cannon Artillery, or ERCA, which it plans to field to a field artillery battalion by 2023. Army engineers at the Picatinny Arsenal in New Jersey have developed a faster autoloader that they tested in December. The Army tested ERCA during its Project Convergence demonstrations last year.

The autoloader could boost lethality significantly by enabling the cannon to fire at faster rates. It could also potentially pave the way for a minimal or unmanned firing option in the future.

Rafferty said that the service has also been synchronizing the delivery of ammunition with the cannon in order to have a comprehensive, yearlong assessment. During that evaluation, Soldiers will provide real-time feedback to engineers who are working on the battalion set, Rafferty added.

“If you want to go fast, you’re going to have to find ways to be efficient, because you can’t skip steps,” Rafferty said. “You can compress activity and you can do things in a simultaneous fashion.”

The Army has combined two mid-range Navy weapons, the Tomahawk and SM-6, as well as the precision strike missile to become capable of firing beyond the 500 kilometers. The precision strike missile will be fired past that range at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, later this year.

“Everything that we’re developing from the tactical system up to the strategic is focused on fighting and winning in the Pacific,” Rafferty said.



Brig. Gen. John Rafferty, director of the Long-Range Precision Fires Cross-Functional Team, discusses how the Army has adopted a "combined arms" mindset for each of the service's eight cross-functional teams during the Global Force Next symposium on March 16, 2021. He said that Project Convergence, the Army's initiative to merge joint capabilities across multiple domains, provides the guidelines for the Army's modernization efforts.

ONE ARMY FAMILY ONLINE AND OFFLINE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Army regulation 600-200 describes the harmful practice of bullying.

“Bullying is any conduct whereby a service member or members, regardless of service, rank or position, intends to exclude or reject another service member through cruel, abusive, humiliating, oppressive, demeaning, or harmful behavior, which results in diminishing the other service member’s dignity, position or status. Absent outside intervention, bullying will typically continue without any identifiable end-point.

Bullying may include an abuse of authority. Bullying tactics include, but are not limited to, making threats, spreading rumors, social isolation, and attacking someone physically, verbally or through the use of electronic media.”

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“I went to a fight the other night, and a hockey game broke out.”
—Rodney Dangerfield

“The Cubs were taking batting practice, and the pitching machine threw a no-hitter.”
—Anonymous Radio Announcer

“All hockey players are bilingual. They know English and profanity.”
—Gordie Howe

“Although golf was originally restricted to wealthy, overweight Protestants, today it’s open to anybody who owns hideous clothing.”
— Dave Barry

“The only way to stop Jim Brown was to give him a movie contract.”
—“Spider” Lockhart

“Noise pollution can’t be that much of a problem. There’s nothing to cheer about.”
—State Representative John F. Dunn arguing for the installation of lights at Wrigley Field

“Hey Boston, Now You Know What It Feels Like to Be a Yankee.”
—T-shirt message after the Boston Red Sox won the 2004 World Series

“Fishing is boring unless you catch an actual fish, and then it is disgusting.”
—Dave Barry

“There’s nothing wrong with this team that more pitching, more fielding and more hitting couldn’t help.”
—Bill Buckner

“[He’s so ugly] when he sweats the sweat runs backwards over his head to avoid his face!”
—Muhammad Ali, on an opponent

“Would the lady who left her nine kids at Wrigley Field please pick them up immediately? They are beating the Cubs 4 - 0 in the seventh inning.”
—A radio DJ

“One thing you learn as a Cubs fan: When you bought your ticket, you could bank on seeing the bottom of the ninth.”
—Announcer Joe Garagiola

“Football combines the two worst features of American life: it is violence punctuated by committee meetings.”
—George Will

“I’d be willing to bet you, if I was a betting man, that I never bet on baseball.”
—Pete Rose

“You can observe a lot by watching.”
—Yogi Berra

“Cross-country skiing is great if you live in a small country.”
—Steven Wright

“Major league baseball has asked its players to stop tossing baseballs into the stands during games because they say fans fight over them and they get hurt. In fact, the Florida Marlins said that’s why they never hit any home runs. It’s a safety issue.”
—Jay Leno

“You! You’re the child who rhapsodizes about the infield-fly rule. I’m sure you’ll have a fine career.”
—Howard Cosell to sportscaster Bob Costas

Connect with others.

Joke.
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Get Ready to Grill Safely

Separate

When shopping, pick up meat, poultry, and seafood last and separate them from other food in your shopping cart and grocery bags.



Chill

Keep meat, poultry, and seafood refrigerated until ready to grill. When transporting, keep below **40°F** in an insulated cooler.



Clean

Wash your hands with soap before and after handling raw meat, poultry, and seafood. Wash work surfaces, utensils, and the grill before and after cooking.



Cook

Use a food thermometer to ensure meat is cooked hot enough to kill harmful germs. When smoking, keep temperature inside the smoker at **225°F** to **300°F** to keep meat at a safe temperature while it cooks.

145°F	beef, pork, lamb, veal (then let rest 3 minutes before serving)
145°F	fish
160°F	hamburgers and other ground meat
165°F	poultry



Don't cross-contaminate

Throw out marinades and sauces that have touched raw meat juices. Put cooked meat on a clean plate.



Refrigerate

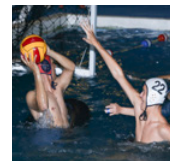
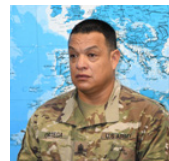
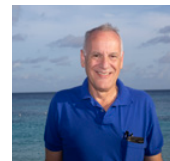
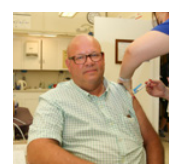
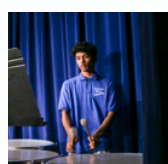
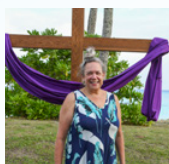
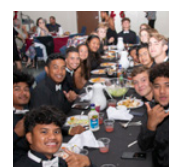
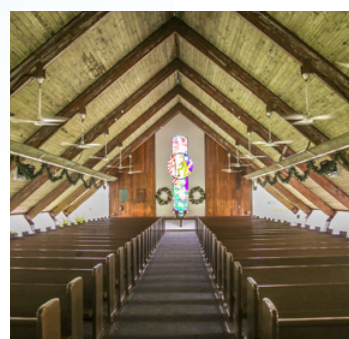
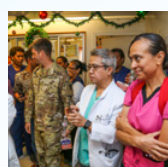
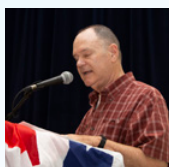
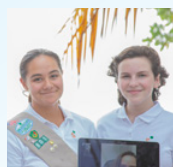
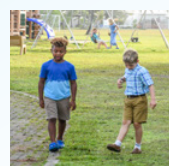
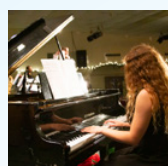
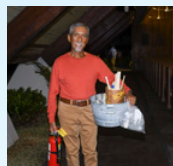
Divide leftovers into small portions and place in covered, shallow containers. Put in freezer or fridge within two hours of cooking (one hour if above **90°F** outside).



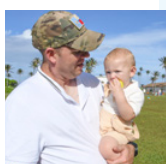
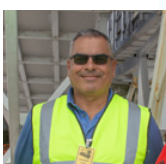
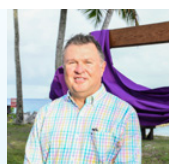
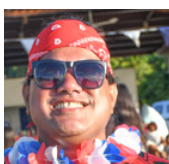
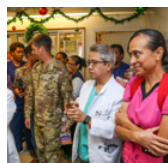
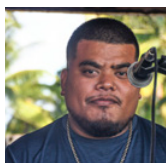
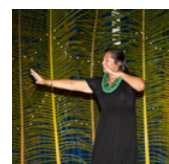
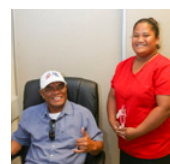
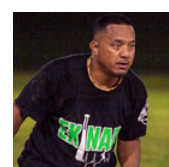
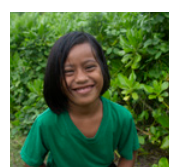
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