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#### THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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# EARN YOUR TEAM KWAJ TAB!

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# COMMUNITY TEAM KWAJ SUICIDE AWARENESS 5-MILE RUCK MARCH

#### IOURGLASS REPORT

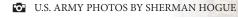
On Saturday September 7th TEAM KWAJ came out in full force for an early beginning to a 5 mile ruck for Suicide Awareness month. It was a beautiful morning as the TEAM made its way around Kwajalein island stopping at historical points to learn about the history of Kwajalein as it played out in World War II.

press 1 for the Military Crisis Line.

For more information visit: <u>U.S. Army</u> <u>Resilience | Suicide Prevention</u>



If you or someone you know needs help, please dial 988 and







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Road Closure/ Working Area
Telecom Manhole
ADN Building

# **CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

# FY21 KWAJALEIN ARMY FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

Nan, Inc. construction company, has begun mobilization and preliminary activities for the upcoming telecommunication construction works for the FY21 Kwajalein Army Family Housing project as highlighted on the attached map.

Nan, Inc. will excavate trenches to lay new telecom routes along Lagoon Road. Sections of Lagoon Road (see attached map marked in red) will be full closed to vehicular traffic on July 22 to October 23, 2024 . Detours will be clearly marked to guide traffic around the construction zone. Nan, Inc. will secure the area with barriers, safety signage and road plates. Traffic control personnel will be on-site to manage the flow of traffic and ensure safety for both workers and the public. For inquiries, please contact the project team at 480-2548. Nan, Inc. appreciates the support and cooperation of the community for this transformative construction project.

Mahalo, Nan, Inc.

# HOT!!!???

# Is your BQ, House or Office running HOT?

If you are dealing with temps at 74°F or higher....

Call the Service Desk 24/7 at 480-3550 for immediate action.



If you have not received a response or plan of action within 24 hours of your first work order, then please call 480-2062. Please have your service request number ready.



## WHEN MIGHT I NEED A COSTUME OR SPECIAL ATTIRE FOR AN EVENT UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR?

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**SEPT. 14** STEAMPUNK INSPIRED 60<sup>TH</sup>B-DAY FOR CLIFF PRYOR (*ADULTS ONLY*) \*NOT AN MWR EVENT. SPECIAL BIRTHDAY EVENT\*

OCT. 14 OKTOBERFEST @ CAMP HAMILTON OCT. 20 ZOMBIE RUN (EVERYONE ON KWAJ) OCT. 26 A NIGHTTO DISMEMBER @ OCEANVIEW (*ADULT HALLOWEEN PARTY*) OCT. 31 TRICK OR TREAT (CHILDREN/YOUTH/TEENS)

NOV. 3 SWASHBUCKLERS BALL @ THE YACHT CLUB (ADULTS ONLY) \*NOT AN MWR EVENT. PRIVATE ORGEVENT\*

**DEC. 7** TROPICAL and/or MARSHALLESE INSPIRED TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY (*EVERYONE ON KWAJ*) **DEC. 21** HOLIDAY PARTY (*ADULT HOLIDAY UGLY T-SHIRT/ATTIRE @ OCEANVIEW*) **DEC. 31** NEWYEARS EVE



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### **ISLAND CLEAN UP - KWAJALEIN** LOGCAP-V V2X supports the Garrison in their 'This Is Our Home' fall island beautification initiative.

### WHO IS INVOLVED?

All Kwajalein residents, across all divisions, will be participating in this program.

#### WHEN DOES IT START?

<u>V2X and Alliances</u>: NOW through September 30th <u>Garrison Community</u>: Month of October (Full-day focus on October 12th)

### WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU?

• Collect all bulk trash items.

• Identify and gather all unneeded property items that need to be disposed of.

• Sort and prepare recyclable glass, aluminum and tin materials.

• Stage all scrap metal in one area.

### **DROP ZONE LOCATIONS**



Weeks 1-2 (September 1st – 14th) From softball fields to North Point

Weeks 2-4 (September 15th – 30th) From DCCB area to Air Terminal

SEE YOU ON OCTOBER 12th

After a full day focus on island beautification, join us for a community cookout!





\*Water will be provided to all participants and emergency services will be on-site to support\*

### **RESIDENTIAL TRASH AND RECYCLING ON KWAJALEIN**

NON-TRA	SH MATERIAL	PREPARE	C	DO NOT DO
RECYCLED MATERIALS ALUMINUM – Soda and Beer Cans GLASS – Bottles, Containers, Jars, All Colors and Sizes STEEL CANS – Food Cans, Emptied Paint Cans, and Aerosols		<ul> <li>All recyclables should be collected in the provided recycling container. The Solid Waste Department will separate the recyclables at their facility.</li> <li>please rinse out containers</li> </ul>	Mirrors, L	ood Trays cycle Windows & ight Bulbs & Tubes, Bottles, or Dishes
BULKY ITEMS – Scrap Metal, Bicycle Frames, Old Bike Trailers, Metal Shelving, Scrap Lumber, (Private) Broken Furnitureetc.		<ul> <li>Breakdown cardboard boxes and stack next to your trash can.</li> <li>Stack larger metal items in their own neat pile next to your trash can.</li> <li>Remove any metal from scrap lumber (brackets, supports, etc. Nails are fine.)</li> </ul>		
YARD WASTE & WOOD – Palm Fronds, Leaves and Branchesetc.		<ul> <li>Place leaves in a bags</li> <li>Stack yard waste in individual piles. Yard waste will be picked up by Horizontal Maintenance.</li> </ul>		
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE	-Batteries -Fluorescent Bulbs	and small lead-acid batteries should be taken to Self-Help (FN 1791).		- Alkaline Batteries should be disposed of as trash.
	-Waste Paints, Solvents, Cleaners, Pesticides, Aerosol Cans, Propane Tanksetc.	<ul> <li>Residential waste should be collected into an individual collection of containers and placed next to the above items.</li> <li>The containers of waste materials should be placed in a tub or bucket, so as not to present a spill potential. Containers should not be leaking or have chemical on the outside of the container. Waste will be collected by Solid Waste and handled appropriately.</li> </ul>		

Kwajalein Island produces approximately 50 tons of solid waste each week, on average. The majority of this is either recycled on and off island or incinerated and landfilled. Individual residences can assist by properly separating their trash, recyclables, and yard waste for pickup. Doing your part at your residence helps everyone involved in the waste management process. Items normally recycled on Kwajalein are glass, aluminum, metal, tin and yard debris. Carboard and plastics are not recycled and should be placed in with trash.

If you are not sure how to segregate your trash and recyclables, please contact the Solid Waste at 480-1760.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Environmental at 480-2633.



### Army tweaking major software effort to be more commercial friendly

#### **EXTERNAL REPORT**

By Courtney Albon, Defense News

The Army is reevaluating its workforce requirements and contract strategies for a major software modernization effort to make it easier for commercial vendors to bid for Defense Department projects.

The service in February released its latest software policy, laying out its plan for managing and developing software as part of a broader digital modernization push. Months later, in May, it unveiled plans to award more than \$1 billion in software development contracts over the next decade, posting a special notice and a draft solicitation.

Following the announcement, some commercial firms expressed concern that the Army's contracting strategy for the effort may not work for non-traditional or smaller companies backed by venture capital firms that favor fixed-price deals.

Speaking on a panel this summer at the Aspen Security Forum in Colorado, Tara Murphy Dougherty, CEO of defense software company Govini, said the Army's approach represents a disconnect between innovation incubators like the Defense Innovation Unit and the Pentagon's more traditional acquisition offices.

"No venture capital-backed company that DIU and every other part of DOD has worked so hard to get into the system, none of our companies can bid on that," Dougherty said in July. "Until we get the parts of the department who actually put the billion dollar, 10-year contracts into place to understand what it means to work with companies like ours, this isn't going to work."

An Army official said Tuesday at AFCEA's TechNet conference in Augusta, Georgia, that in response to feedback from non-traditional firms, the service is working to clarify and in some cases rethink the way it buys software through this new contract vehicle.

Jennifer Swanson, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for data, engineering and software, said that while the service isn't likely to awarded fixed-price contracts for software development projects...

<u>CLICK for more of the</u> <u>Army's software effort</u>

# FCC approves Starlink first generation upgrade plan

#### EXTERNAL REPORT

By Jason Rainbow, Space News

TAMPA, Fla. — SpaceX has secured permission to gradually replace first-generation Starlink satellites with larger spacecraft designed to provide more broadband capacity.

The Federal Communications Commission Aug. 16 modified the license that permits SpaceX to operate up to 4,408 Gen1 satellites in low Earth orbit (LEO).

The modification allows SpaceX to deploy upgraded Starlinks under the Gen1 license with technology developed for the company's second-generation constellation, which has a separate license permitting up to 7,500 more satellites in LEO.

SpaceX has 6,325 Starlink satellites in orbit after beginning its launch campaign in 2019, according to statistics maintained by astrophysicist Jonathan Mc-Dowell, including 4,216 Gen1 spacecraft with a design life of around five years.

The company, which has launched more than 6,800 Starlink satellites to date, has also been seeking approval to deploy nearly 30,000 Gen2 Starlinks.

The FCC said its modified li-

cense clears the way for Gen1 Starlinks with upgraded beam-forming and digital processing equipment, enabling SpaceX to provide broadband with narrower beams.

According to SpaceX, narrower beams would use the company's licensed frequencies more efficiently and increase network capacity.

The latest Gen1 Starlinks weigh around 300 kilograms, compared with roughly 800 kilograms for the largest satellites in SpaceX's current Gen2 network. SpaceX ultimately plans to deploy Gen2 Starlinks weighing about 2,000 kilograms, once its next-generation Starship rocket is in service.

SpaceX has also proposed deploying larger upgraded Gen1 Starlinks with two potential form factors, one to be launched with Falcon 9 and another that would use Starship.

Dish Network had asked the FCC to reject SpaceX's license modification request over concerns that...

CLICK for more of the FCC Starlink approval



# **COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS**

### Submit Announcements to the Roller Channel and The Kwajalein Hourglass

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

Preparing Your Message

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

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

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

Formatting Your Listings It is recommended that graphical advertisements and announcements intended for the Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel be formatted as PowerPoint slides.

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

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

#### Deadlines for Submissions

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

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

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

#### HELP WANTED

To apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit usajobs.gov.

Arkel International is hiring. Send CVs and resume to christopher.fuents@arkel.com and jasper.gomez@arkel.com. Visit Arkel online at http://arkel.com. Call 480-1006 for more information.

Administrative Assistant. USAG-KA CYS seeks a fulltime administrative assistant for on-island hire. Applicants should have a high school diploma/GED and two years' demonstrated experience in administration or secretarial work, an undergraduate degree in business or a related field, or a related trade school professional certificate. Experience in child or youth programs is highly desirable. All required background checks must be completed and maintained. A health assessment is also required. Please visit: careers.vectrus.com, REQ: 37777. Atmospheric Science Technology, LLC, has an immediate opening for a meteorologist. This fulltime, salaried position is located on Kwajalein. Eligible applicants will have a master's or bachelor's degree in meteorology/a related field, with two years of forecasting experience. Experience in Doppler or dual-polarized weather radar or satellite interpretation is preferred. To apply or learn more, contact Dottie Thomas, director of human resources, at dottiethomas@n8tivesynergy.com; call (256) 836-5316 direct and visit https://recruiting.paylocity.com/

recruiting/jobs/Details/2337159/Atmospheric-Science-Technology-LLC/Meteorologist— Kwajalein-Island.

Baru Lead Teacher. USAG-KA Child and Youth Services has a full-time job opening for a Lead Teacher. This position supervises children aged 6 months to 3 years old during indoor/outdoor activities, special events and instructional time; develops and provides individual and group lessons using CYS curriculum; and requires a health assessment and successful completion





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

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

of a background check. Apply online at wwww. careers.vectrus.com. (Req. 38064)

Chenega Global Protection is accepting applications from qualified candidates for its full-time Dispatcher (Kwaj) and Security Officer (Kwaj & Roi) positions. Visit https://www.chenega.com to submit applications. To navigate the site: Select "Careers," scroll down and in type Kwajalein in the "Location" fillable field; and select the "Search" icon to be directed to the job postings and to apply. For more information, contact Chenega Human Rources at 480-4451.

Environmental Health & Safety Manager. KFS LLC is accepting resumes for a Health and Safety Manager to support an upcoming Environmental Project on Kwajalein. Visit https://honuservices. jobs.net/en-US/job/health-and-safety-manager/ J3N1RL6KDG9RWPTYQDF for additional information, including the full job description, qualifications, and resume submission instructions.

Kikaha Solutions 30th Signal Battalion Network Enterprise Center, U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll is now partnered with Kikaha Solutions. Please visit www.kikahasolutions.com for more information and to submit applications. To navigate the site, click on "Careers," scroll down, and click on "search opportunities and apply." Enter job code 11326 and select search.

Nan, Inc. seeks a project engineer, welder, welding inspector, quality control manager, and site safety and health officer. To apply, visit www. nanhawaii.com and contact Clint Ueatari at 480-2632, 480-4995 or 480-4996.

# EARN YOUR TEAM KWAJ TAB

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

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

2. Attend the Island Newcomer's Briefing.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



#### MWR Fitness Schedule

#### Tuesday

5:30 a.m.: Free Spin 9:15 a.m.: Step + Strength 5:30 p.m.: Water Aerobics\* 6:00 p.m.: TRX + Pilates Core

Wednesday 9:15 a.m.: Barre Fusion 4:45 p.m.: Power Express 5:30 p.m.: Yoga

#### Thursday

5:30 a.m.: Free Spin 6:00 a.m.: Yoga Flow\* 11:30 a.m.: TRX + Pilates Core 5:30 pm: Step + Strength

#### Friday

9:15 a.m.: Barre Fusión 5:30 p.m.: Power Hour Saturday 5:30 a.m.: Free Spin 9:15 a.m.: Water Aerobics\*

#### Location

\*Yoga Flow and Water Aerobics are held at the Adult Pool. All other classes held in CRC 7.

Purchase your MWR fitness pass at the library front desk. For more information, please call MWR at 480-3331.

# FOR KWAJ COMMAND TEAM INFO & UPDATES

TEAM KWAJ COMMANDER

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@TeamKwajCommander

# KEEP FOLLOWING



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NASA ASTRONAUT ANDREW "DREW" MORGAN



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



# **NEVER FORGET.** https://kwajaleinmiaproject.us/

Parsons is accepting applications for the following positions: HVAC and Mechanical Equipment Installer, Fire Sprinkler Foreman, plumber journeyman, office clerk, heavy equipment operator, quality control technicians, concrete finishers, general labor, pipefitter- plumber, and carpenter. Please visit the Parsons Website at https://www. parsons.com/careers/, or send your resume to Kwaj.Resumes@Parsons.com, or you can visit your local Parsons office on Kwajalein Atoll, MH. For more information contact Parsons Human Resources at 480-4042.

RGNext, LLC seeks qualified candidates to fill open positions on Kwaj and Roi in engineering, technical, and other areas. To apply, visit rgnext. com.

Substitute Teachers Wanted. Kwajalein School System is now hiring substitute teachers. Qualifications: 4-year degree; confidentiality; love of working with children; favorable status for CNACI (will receive background check after accepting offer). Send resumes to uhrenp@ kwajaleinschools.org. For more information call 480-3601.

V2X Jobs. V2X has several opportunities for on-island hires: Harbor Controller I (35649), Logistics Analyst (32717), Inventory Associate (35067), and Bartender (32355). Apply online at www.careers.vectrus.com or stop by the HR office in building 700.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFH Construction Is Ongoing. Nan, Inc. Construction is scheduled to commence the telecommunication scope of work for the FY21 Kwajalein Army Family Housing project in our community from February – September 2024. Residents and commuters should be aware of possible changes in traffic patterns and to plan their routes accordingly. Nan, Inc. Construction is committed to minimizing any inconveniences, and we will strive to ensure a smooth and efficient construction process.

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

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

Cart Rentals has a new phone number: 480-3439. The old number has been disconnected and is no longer in service.

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

Do Not Take Cultural Artifacts. It is illegal to remove cultural resources from the atoll. This includes any protected species, unexploded ordnance, WWII-era artifacts and ancient Mar-

# Monthly tip from the USAG-KA Fire Prevention Office

#### Fire Extinguishers

YOU are required to inspect each fire extinguisher in your areas of operation on a monthly basis (every 30 to 31 days).

CHECK FOR THE FOLLOWING:

I. Properly mounted in its assigned location.

II. Immediately accessible (unobstructed) and visible.
 III. Tamper Seal and Safety Pin is in place and nozzle is free off obstructions.
 IV. Pressure Gauge in the "<u>GREEN</u>" to indicate it's charged; and cylinder in good shape.
 V. After inspection, initial off on the extinguisher tag for that month.



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shallese artifacts. These resources are protected under U.S. federal and RMI law. Contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 480-8867.

Driver's Licensing Classes. Kwaj: Every Wednesday, Bldg. 865, Rm. 101, 9 a.m. for RMI, 11 a.m. for expats. Preregistration is encouraged. Space is limited. Roi Classes: Every second Friday in C-building. 9 a.m. - RMI, 11 a.m. for expats. No preregistration required. To register, email wilson.kaisha@gov2x.com and/or george.parker3@gov2x.com, or call 480-3766.

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

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

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

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

UA Schedule Effective Now: Monday and Friday—UA 155 (HNL); Check-in 2 – 4:50 p.m.; Wednesday—UA 133 (HNL); Check-in 2 – 4:15 p.m.; Tuesday and Saturday—UA 154 (GUM); Check-in 10:45 – 11:15 a.m. and for correspondence related to flights, email LCVKwajaleinFlyRoi@versar.com.

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

Kikaha is the new NEC contractor. Submit a ticket by calling 480-3000, Option 1.

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

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

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

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

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

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

FlyRoi Reservations. To schedule reservations

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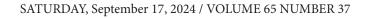


# **Congratulations!** Yard of the Month

Kwajalein Atoll, RMI

Winner for August 2024

K & J Blumenauer- 440A



Taxi Service. Call 480-TAXI (8294) or 3341 to book your ride at least 24 hours in advance of check-in time.

Upcoming Changes to Entry/Exit Procedures. Beginning June 1, please send all access requests to USAG-KA Entry and Exit at U.S. Army Bucholz AAF ID-Pacific Mailbox USAG-KA E-E: usarmy. bucholz.id-pacific.mbx.usag0ka-e-e@army.mil. The current inbox of U.S. Army Bucholz AAF 311 Sig Cmd Mailbox USAG PMO will be monitored for 30 days after the initial changeover to ensure a smooth transition. Your patience is appreciated during this transition period.

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All other classes held in CRC 7 Purchase your MWR fitness pass at the library front desk. For more information, please call MWR at 480-3331.

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

Monthly Oceanview Club Nights From 8 p.m. – midnight 1st Saturday: Karaoke Night Enjoy live music with DJ Dmack on second, third and fourth Saturdays.

The NEC Testing Center Is Open to the Community - Giving you the head start you need to thrive! - Open Tuesday through Saturday by appointment Authorized Pearson VUE Test Center. Schedule

A test Today! NEC testing Center, 480-4344, FN 1008-131

ACUITY International Job Postings for this contract have "Marshall Islands" in the job title. https://acuityinternational.com/careers/ Anyone interested please reach out directly to Melani.Gebhardt@acuityinternational.com

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RedTown Technical Services, LLC, has an immediate opening for a Chief Meteorologist. This full-time, salaried position is located on Kwajalein. Eligible applicants will have a M.S. degree in meteorology, atmospheric science, or related engineering or scientific field and a minimum of 10 years' experience within the field of study. For further information or to apply please go to: https://www.redtownservices.com/careers and click on View Available Job Openings.

#### All-Year Licensing Classes

Kwajalein: Wednesdays, Bldg 856/Rm 101 Roi Namur: Every 2nd Wednesday, Bldg C • 0900 hrs (RMI) • 1300 hrs (Expats) REGISTRATION - None required for Roi Namur. Kwajalein registration encouraged as space is limited. Call 480-3366 or email: George.Parker3@gov2x.com Kaisha.Wilson@gov2x.com V2X Self-Help Bldg 1791 Phone: 480-4990/480-1720 Customer Service Emails: michelle.coffey@gov2x.com kevin.innocent1@gov2x.com Hours of Operation Mon: 0930-1830 Tue: 0730-1630 Wed: 0730-1630 Sat: 0730-1630 Sat: 0730-1630 Fri/Sun: CLOSED





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



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**6v6** Minimum of 2 of each gender on court at all times

Sept. 12 - Oct 3: Registration **Oct. 5: Manager's Meeting Oct. 8: Season Begins** 



# **Billeting Office Hours**

(Kwaj Lodge/Macy's)

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Monday	7am-7:30pm
Tuesday	7am-7:30pm
Wednesday	7am-7:30pm
Thursday	7am-7:30pm
Friday	7am-7:30pm
Saturday	7am-7:30pm
Sunday	Closed
Holidays Observed	7am-2:30pm
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After hour Lock-Outs/Concerns First Call: Chenega @ 480-4445 Housing: Anthony Simms @ 480-2553 Transient Billeting: Erin Anglin @ 480-2495 **Housing Office/Furniture Warehouse Hours of Operation** 

> Monday - Closed Tuesday- 7:30am-4:30pm Wednesday- 7:30am-4:30pm Thursday- 7:30am-4:30pm Friday- 7:30am-4:30pm Saturday- 7:30am-4:30pm Sunday Closed

Holidays Observed- 7:30am-2:30pm

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ABOVE: Eric Veghaus takes a break from his RGNext Optics grind to flex his team manager skills under a gorgeous sunset for his "Old-school" soccer team during the weekly MWR Community Sports League.

# **WEEKLY TROPICAL WEATHER THREAT OUTLOOK**

#### **RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF**

#### Discussion:

After a dry stretch from late August into early September, the Kwajalein weather station recorded 4.22 inches of rain this past week. The recent active weather is at least partially attributable to a more active phase of the Madden Julian Oscillation over our region. Conditions will be relatively quiet today and Friday, though isolated thunderstorms could develop tonight along a weak trough. Chances for rain and stray thunderstorms will increase again for later Saturday and this weekend. Winds will begin to slacken this afternoon, with Doldrum conditions possible at times, especially on Friday. Breezier trades return late Saturday and into the weekend, with winds becoming SE-S by Monday; strong gusts will be possible near precipitation. Rainfall over the next 7 days is expected to be above normal; normal weekly rainfall for this time of year is app. 2.4 inches.

#### **Tropical Cyclones:** None over the next 7 days.

#### Swell / Tide Inundation Risk for Kwajalein Atoll and Wake Island:

Risk remains low over the next 7 days.

#### Tides:

Next Spring tides with the

18 September Full moon will be higher than normal; daily peak tides will exceed 4 feet from 16 to 22 September and will be near/exceed 5 feet on 18 and 19 September.

Purpose: This weekly briefing is delivered Thursday mornings to island leadership. The intention of this briefing is to provide situational awareness of weather events that may interrupt operations and transportation around Kwajalein, to/from Hawaii and Guam, and in the Wake vicinity. The main threat assessed in this brief is existing and potential development of tropical cyclone activity. This brief also provides an outlook of abnormal

winds, sea state, and precipitation guidance for next 7 days around the Kwajalein Atoll. The distribution list will also receive updates on any developing tropical cyclone activity in the Kwajalein region that occur between the weekly outlook product.



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#### WEATHER DISCUSSION

We are now about half way through Kwajalein Atoll's wettest month, in which the weather station receives an average of just over 11 inches of rainfall during this month. Keeping with that reality, we are expecting a rather unsettled pattern this weekend. As we start the weekend, the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) is fragmented in the vicinity of the central Marshall Islands, and is unable to initiate any real surface convergence, thus keeping shower coverage to a minimum over Kwajalein. With this rather disorganized ITCZ situation, the winds are also light to calm in a doldrum state, as the pressure gradient is very relaxed across the RMI. The first period of augmented shower activity will come on the second half of Saturday, with the strengthening ITCZ's return to our area and the passage of an atmospheric wave along its axis. Sunday and Monday will remain unsettled, as an additional atmospheric wave transits the central RMI with Sunday night into Monday morning being the wettest. Winds will start to reestablish, as the day progresses tomorrow with Sunday being the windiest day during the weekend with speeds in the upper single digits to low-teens and the occasional higher clear-air gust. Thunderstorm chance will also be elevated going into the weekend with the highest risk on Sunday night. The sea state on the open ocean is expected to be 2-4 feet and 1-2 feet in the lagoon, higher during heavy showers.

#### SATURDAY

Mostly sunny in the morning, becoming partly sunny in the afternoon with stray showers in the morning, increasing to isolated showers during the afternoon and evening, becoming widely scattered showers for some periods of time in the second half of the day with only a stray possible thunderstorm. Winds will be mostly in the middle single digits, veering from the northeast to the southeast, as the day progresses, and becoming calm at times with higher gusts near showers.

#### SUNDAY

Partly sunny, becoming mostly cloudy at times with isolated showers, increasing to widely scattered showers at times during the afternoon and evening along with stray possible thunderstorms. Winds will be east-northeast in the upper single digits, increasing briefly to the low-teens, and veering more easterly in the afternoon and evening with gusty winds possible near heavy showers in the afternoon and evening.

#### MONDAY

Partly sunny with isolated showers in the morning, decreasing to stray showers for the afternoon. Winds will be mostly in the upper single digits out of the east to southeast with higher gusts near showers.

#### NEXT WEEK

Tuesday is looking to start the workweek with a wet doldrum pattern. Winds will be mostly in the lower single digits to calm at times. As the day progresses on Wednesday into Thursday, expect the winds to recover and drier conditions on

SUN-MOON-TIDES						
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE		
SATURDAY	6:39 a.m.	3:35 p.m.	1:18 a.m. 3.0'	8:15 a.m. 0.4'		
	6:50 p.m.	2:28 a.m.	2:20 p.m. 2.5'	7:52 p.m. 0.7'		
SUNDAY	6:39 a.m.	4:29 p.m.	2:13 a.m. 3.6'	8:49 a.m0.1'		
	6:49 p.m.	3:29 a.m.	2:53 p.m. 3.1'	8:38 p.m. 0.1'		
MONDAY	6:39 a.m.	5:20 p.m.	2:54 a.m. 4.2'	9:21 a.m0.6'		
	6:49 p.m.	4:29 a.m.	3:25 p.m. 3.7'	9:17 p.m0.4'		

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