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CONNECTICUT WING NEWS
CIVIL AIR PATROL

MARCH 2014

Commander's Comments

Colonel Ken Chapman
Connecticut Wing Commander/CT001

March has been a busy month in Government Relations. Captain Amanda Logue is the newly assigned Wing Government Relations Adviser. Captain Logue and I met recently with members of the Connecticut Legislative Squadron: Senator (Major) Mike McLachlan and Senator (Lt. Colonel) Carlo Leone, the Legislative Squadron Commander. Both Senators gave us ideas and helped us work on a strategy to better engage with the legislature and possibly reestablish state funding for Connecticut Wing in the future. The Senators also invited the cadets to come visit the State Capitol in the next few months. Once a date is set, cadets from across Connecticut Wing will be invited.

As part of the strategy to improve the Wing's Government Relations, I have established a new position. Cadet Colonel Maggie Palys will be the Wing's first Cadet Government Relations Adviser, working with Captain Logue. Over the next few months Cadet Colonel Palys will be forming a cadet delegation from across the Wing to be the cadet representatives who will interact with our elected officials.

This month Major Jim Ridley and I participated in CAP's annual legislative day in Washington, D.C. We met with the senior staff of most of the U.S. representatives and both senators from Connecticut. I am pleased to say that the U.S. representatives and senators from Connecticut support the continued federal funding of Civil Air Patrol and have all signed on to be co-sponsors of the bill to award the Congressional Gold Medal to CAP for members who served during World War II. Next year, I intend to take a cadet delegation with me to Washington, D.C. for CAP's annual legislative day. Our elected officials love seeing and meeting with our cadets.

Captain Logue and Cadet Colonel Palys are going to work with Connecticut Wing to implement a strategy to improve our relationship with our legislative and government partners. Look for more information from them in the future.



Colonel Ken Chapman
Connecticut Wing
Commander
(Photo: CTWG File)

Let's remember to keep our state representatives in mind and invite them to award ceremonies and events that showcase CAP.

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Chief of Staff News

Major Jim Ridley
Chief of Staff/CT001



Connecticut Wing Commander Attends Legislative Week in Washington D.C.

Each year Civil Air Patrol spends several days in Washington D.C. to help promote CAP, conduct command council meetings and other events; this year Connecticut Wing Commander, Colonel Ken Chapman and Chief of Staff, Major James Ridley traveled to Washington in support of Connecticut Wing and Civil Air Patrol.

One of the most important events of the week is Legislative Day where representatives from each wing visit their state's elected officials in support of three things, the Air Force's budget line item for funding of CAP for the next fiscal year, support for the WWII CAP Congressional Medal initiative, and the offer for each of them to join CAP as legislative members. On Wednesday evening Col. Chapman took part in the Legislative Day Training program and on Thursday, February 27 he and Major Ridley went to "the Hill" and visited with our elected federal officials.

Legislative Day began with a breakfast held at the hotel where most of the Civil Air Patrol membership stayed before CAP seniors and in some cases, cadets, visited with members of Congress and the Senate from their Wings. In the morning Col. Chapman and Maj. Ridley met first with the legislative aides for Congresswoman Elizabeth Esty, Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro and Congressman Jim Himes. Later that afternoon they met with aides and defense fellows from both Senator Christopher Murphy and Senator Richard Blumenthal's offices before their



CT Wing Commander, Colonel Ken Chapman (r) and Chief of Staff, Major Jim Ridley (c), meet with Connecticut Congresswoman DeLauro's Aid, Daniel Zeitlin (l) in D.C. (Photo: CAP National)

final meeting of the day with an aide for Congressman Joe Courtney. Colonel Chapman discussed the missions that Civil Air Patrol performs within Connecticut Wing and the need for support of both the CAP budget and Congressional Gold Medal initiatives with the plan to meet with each of the representatives and senators sometime in the near future in Connecticut. That evening Col. Chapman attended a reception at one of the senatorial buildings which was hosted by Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa.

Over the course of the final two days of the week Colonel Chapman participated in command council meetings held on Friday and Saturday and returned home with a greater understanding of the process, and both he and Major Ridley began creating a blueprint for how the process will be handled in 2015.

All in all it was a worthwhile and educational event since it was the first time that either one of them had experienced this event and those they met with left the meetings with a greater understanding about Civil Air Patrol, its value, benefits and the contributions made by their constituents back home in Connecticut.

View Legislative Day News, Listed By State
[2014 Legislative Day Newsletters](#)



Chaplain's Corner

Lt. Colonel Adma Ross
Wing Chaplain/CT001



“The values of Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence, and Respect, serve as the ethical framework for CAP’s service to America”

CAP 50-2

Inspection: We Are Ready

Robert Wood Johnson, the former chairman of Johnson & Johnson, was known to be a terror when he inspected his plants. On one such unannounced visit, the plant manager had a fortunate 30-minute tip prior to his arrival. Hastily he had things spruced up by ordering several large rolls of paper transported to the roof of the building. When Johnson arrived, he was furious. “What in the ___ is all that junk on the roof?” were his first words. How were they to know that he would arrive in his personal helicopter?

Edward Buxton, *Promise Them Anything*, in Reader's Digest, March 1980

March, the month for our biannual Staff Assisted Visit, has arrived! For the last 6 months we have been thrown into a flurry of activity to get it all done. Inspectors will come from higher CAP headquarters to look at everything by the book. Admin, equipment inventories, operations, and finances will be examined under a microscope, evaluated according to CAP standards. We've recruited personnel, checked and re-checked our financial and administrative records, scoured storage for inventory, cleaned and repaired the vans and aircraft, and even scrubbed the entire top floor of Beers Hall.

At last – unlike the plant manager in our story -- we are ready! Where the CEO found much lacking in his plant inspection, we are well prepared. Might the difference here be that we are the Civil Air Patrol Connecticut Wing, that we hold ourselves to a higher standard, to our CAP Ethics and Core Values?

VOLUNTEER SERVICE: We are volunteers. Yet, our CAP duty amounts to far more than a 9 to 5 job. It is a mission and an opportunity for service.

EXCELLENCE: The Air Force standards are high. Yet, we have gone to extraordinary effort these past months to maintain and update our records according to regulations, to meet the expectations of the inspectors

INTEGRITY: As we submit our reports, we can take pride in honesty and strong moral principles. Our successful inspection will be a badge of honor, a mark that the Air Force, our community and our country can rely on us.

RESPECT: No effort of this magnitude can be accomplished without teamwork. Respect for subordinates, colleagues, and superiors is the key to successful teamwork and a successful inspection.

Do your best to win God's approval as a worker who doesn't need to be ashamed and who teaches only the true message. 2 Timothy 2:15

Northeast Region Chaplain Corps Staff College

June 9-13, 2014

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakewood



**CT Wing Chaplain,
Lt. Colonel Adma Ross**

(Photo: Courtesy A. Ross)



Quill & Ink

Major Peter Milano
Public Affairs Officer/CT001



Connecticut Wing Conducts Successful Training Exercise

HARTFORD, Connecticut (February 22, 2014) –

Members of Civil Air Patrol's Connecticut Wing, operating out of Hartford-Brainard Airport (HFD), participated in a day long exercise to enhance the Wing's search and rescue proficiency.

Sixty volunteers from across Connecticut spent the day in a training drill designed to sharpen their emergency services skills and also to develop team working abilities. In an early morning briefing, Incident Commander, Lt. Colonel John deAndrade (Thames River Squadron) said, "Teamwork is about helping members. Our purpose is to become effective team members, to help one another succeed."

Proficiency and teamwork are integral components to the success of any mission and critical in large scale operations. The training in this exercise was broad and focused on the capabilities and cooperation between air crews, ground teams, and incident command staff. Civil Air Patrol aircraft flew multiple sorties and ground teams were dispatched to locate specific targets, such as missing aircraft, and to evaluate possible structural damage due to storms.

Training in mission specific skills was also a high priority. For example, Second Lieutenant Mike Egan, from Hartford's Royal Charter Composite Squadron, made sure aerial photographers understood mission objectives and were capable of thoroughly planning sorties. Airborne photographers were required to show proficiency in determining details such as correctly identifying target locations and choosing appropriate imaging flight patterns, including altitude and angle to target. The exercise also started training of a new Air Operations Branch Director, Major Robert McGuire (Meriden Silver City Cadet Squadron), and continued to hone the skills of Ground Branch Director, Captain Ken Fortes (Stratford Eagles Squadron).

Training requirements were completed in a number of areas, reflecting a significant level of preparedness on behalf of Connecticut Wing. Lt. Colonel Michael Heath, Director of Emergency Services for Connecticut Wing, was pleased with the outcome, including the quality of training achieved and the noticeable cooperation between branch directors and section chiefs. "We are in the process of moving forward again with training and this exercise afforded good preparatory opportunities for members from across Connecticut Wing," said Lt. Colonel Heath.



Senior Member John Dougherty, Stratford Eagles Squadron, contacts CAP aircraft during the SAREX.

(Photo: Major Peter Milano)

In summary, Lt. Colonel deAndrade said, "Like any professional team we have seasons. Our season has just started with our first training exercise of the new year. We took the time to knock off some rust, see new faces, and review changes and new rules. We accomplished 8 aircraft sorties, 5 ground missions, flew 6.2 hours, and drove 304 miles on missions, with 60 CAP members participating. Members practiced communication procedures, ground search and rescue, air electronic and visual searches, and aerial photography. The team performed well and accomplished the goals of the exercise to certify new skills and qualifications."

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Connecticut Wings

Captain Johnny Burke

Standards & Evaluation Officer/CT001

**DOV Tip of the Month: Avoid Icing**

CAP Pilots Web Page

Icing is a concern on the ground and at altitude for anyone flying when the temperatures are below freezing.

There is a simple rule to avoid any chance of icing and that is not to fly in visible moisture in below freezing temperatures. The problem with this rule is that if you follow it, you probably won't fly much in the winter. As most experienced IFR pilots know, flying in visible moisture in below freezing temperatures is a necessary, but not sufficient condition for icing. In some cases, even with freezing temps and visible moisture, there may not be icing and it's safe to fly.

The hard part of course is to figure out when there will be icing and when there won't. Icing tends to be a localized phenomenon. If you are in icing, changing altitude or position usually gets you out of the conditions if you are lucky enough to survive the time it takes to get there.

Therefore in determining the possibility of icing, it's critical that you consider altitude and position over your entire flight path. (VAWG)

**Instructor/Check Pilot Teleconference**

An Instructor/Check Pilot teleconference was held in February. We discussed a number of current issues, including the new "G1000 Alerts and Advisories" procedure.

We talked about the awareness item of "Orientation Pilot Exam" and "NCPSC" exam expiring every four years. This can catch pilots unaware.

We also discussed cold weather procedures at the flying squadrons.

G1000 Alerts and Advisories

As was mentioned in the last newsletter, G1000 Alerts and Advisories is a new procedure for insuring you have the latest updates on the G1000. The link to the G1000 Alerts and Advisories can be found in several places. It's on the first WMIRS page, right near the top of the page. When you go to the "Current Missions/Sorties" page and click on "Air", to list the Air Missions, it's at the bottom of that page. It's also at the bottom of the individual air sortie page, near the "update" button.

FRO's will notice there is a new G1000 Alerts and Advisories box to check on the e-release. This makes sure the pilot is aware of the latest changes.

Miscellaneous Maintenance Taxi

The Miscellaneous Maintenance Taxi "button" is located in several places in WMIRS, similar to the G1000 Alerts and Advisories link. It's on the first WMIRS page, scroll down past the calendar. It's near the bottom of the page on the list of air missions, from Current Missions/Sorties. It's on the bottom of the individual air sortie page. It's also on the bottom of several of the maintenance pages.

The Miscellaneous Maintenance Taxi "button" is used to record hobbys and tach taxi time, where no flight occurred.

Wing Wide Pilot Meeting

By the time you read this newsletter, the Wing Wide Pilot meeting will have occurred.

This will be the first time we have used the Flight Clinic ground school format, from CAPR 60-2. We anticipate using this format more often in the future.

Special thanks to Major Roger Malagutti, Lieutenant Jay LaVoie, and the Meriden squadron for hosting this meeting. And thanks to Colonel Sturges and Captain Capen for their support.



Connecticut Wings

Captain Johnny Burke
Standards & Evaluation Officer/CT001



March Emergency Checklist Review

- ⇒ There’s only one memory item, “Airspeed”, but it’s very important. A sudden, unexpected engine failure, with the aircraft in a nose high climb attitude, will cause airspeed to decay rapidly. You will need to make a significant pitch change quickly, moving the nose about as far below the horizon, as it was above the horizon.
- ⇒ Items 2, 3, and 4 shut off the fuel and magnetos.
- ⇒ Item 5, wing flaps, are recommended full to keep your speed at touch down as slow as possible. This will reduce the “G” force deceleration and improve the survivability of an off field landing.
- ⇒ The flaps are electric, so items 6 and 7 turn the electrics off after the flaps are extended.
- ⇒ Item 8, Cabin Door – Unlatch, could be a lifesaving action. Remember you can press the button on the rear of the door, near the latch, then close the door handle. This will extend the door latch, with the door open, preventing the door from closing.
- ⇒ Item 9, Land - straight ahead. The assumption here is there isn’t enough altitude to make a turn back to the airport. Before every take off, you should have an altitude in mind that will permit you to turn back to the field if your engine fails suddenly. Different pilots can have different safe turn back altitudes. That’s OK. What’s important is that you have a turn back altitude in mind, before takeoff, so you can execute your plan decisively.
- ⇒ Even though there is only one memory item, if this happens when you’re alone, you won’t have much time to refer to the check list.



Engine Failure Immediately After Takeoff

1. Airspeed.....
- 75 KIAS (Flaps Up).**
- 70 KIAS (Flaps 10-Full).**
2. Mixture Control ... Idle Cut-Off.
3. Fuel shutoff valve..... Off.
4. Magnetos Switch Off.
5. Wing Flaps As req. (Full Recommended)
6. Stby Batt Switch Off.
7. Master Switch (Alt & Bat). Off.
8. Cabin Door Unlatch.
9. Land Straight Ahead.

Senior and Cadet Required Training

Civil Air Patrol requires that all members complete minimum required training in the following areas:

Introduction to Safety (Mandatory for BOTH Seniors and Cadets)

Equal Opportunity (Mandatory for Seniors and optional for Cadets)

Operational Security (Mandatory for all members)

Cadet Protection Program Training (Mandatory for Seniors and Cadets 18 years old or older)

Monthly Safety currency (Mandatory for BOTH Seniors and Cadets)

Aircraft Ground Handling (Mandatory for all members who fly or are involved with flight operations)

Please make sure you have completed all required training.



Chief of Staff Updates

Major Jim Ridley
Chief of Staff/CT001



Inland Search and Rescue Planning Course Held

Members of several organizations were in Cleveland the week of February 24 to take the Inland SAR Planning Course taught by the U.S. Air Force element of the National Search and Rescue School, located in Yorktown, VA. The course, hosted by the Cleveland Metroparks Ranger Department, is taught at both Yorktown and at various locations across the country. Organizations at the National, State and local levels were there including: National Park Service, Cleveland Metropark Rangers, Ohio and Connecticut Wing Civil Air Patrol members, Springfield (MA) Office of Emergency Management, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and others.

The 5-day Inland SAR Planning course is a comprehensive, "graduate-level" look at search theory and its application to land and air searches for missing persons and aircraft, focusing on wilderness, not urban, searches. The course consists of classroom lessons and practical, tabletop exercises. This course does not incorporate field training. Emphasis is on the planning necessary for effective area-type searching during an extended search using Probability of Success (POS), rather than just a few elements of POC or POD, to allocate limited resources to their best effect. In essence, what to do after the rapid (hasty) search and specialty resources have not found the search object. Additional topics include pre-plan development, legal aspects, National Incident Management System Incident Command applied to SAR, the federal role in search and rescue, and related subjects. The course does not teach search tactics or technical procedures, as those are well covered from other readily available sources.

The course is directed toward SAR leaders in federal, state, and local emergency services and law enforcement, as well as Civil Air Patrol, international, and volunteer SAR agencies -- those few people who are responsible for the planning and overall conduct of inland search missions.

Connecticut Wing Encampment Update

The Encampment Command Staff is complete. Both senior and cadet command staff are in place as follows:

Seniors

Encampment Commander:

Major James Ridley, Sr.

Deputy Commander for Support:

First Lieutenant Carol Whelan

Commandant:

Major Steve Valastro

Senior Flight Mentor:

Major Sharon Brana

Cadets

Cadet Commander:

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Adam Hocutt

Cadet Deputy Commander:

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Matthew McCandless

Cadet Executive Officer:

Cadet First Lieutenant Kevin Jenkins

Staff applications for cadets close out on April 6. Basics can continue to apply as can seniors. All staff applicants need to attend the leadership workshop and staff skills workshop being held at Connecticut Wing HQ in Middletown from 9am-5pm on the following dates:

Leadership Workshop: Saturday, April 26

Staff Skills Workshop: Saturday, June 7

Workshops cost \$15.00 for meals
and require CAPF 17.

2012 Compliance Inspection Findings Update

I am pleased to announce that all findings in the 2012 Connecticut Wing Compliance Inspection have been CLOSED!

I want to congratulate Wing Staff on the fine work you did in helping close the findings in less than 2 months. It took many hours but has been put to bed and now we can concentrate on the upcoming SAV.

Thank you again and keep up the great work, it is appreciated.



Thames River Squadron

Lt. Colonel Stephen Rocketto
Public Affairs Officer

CT075

CADET AWARDS & PROMOTIONS



Cadet Captain
Earhart Award
Brendan Schultz



Chief Master Sergeant
Goddard Achievement
Matthew Johnstone



Airman First Class
General Hap Arnold Achievement
Daniel Hollingsworth
Michael Hollingsworth
Virginia Poe



**Thames River Composite Squadron
February Activities**

Squadron aircrews have been engaging in a series of proficiency flights with the goal of improving their skills in utilizing the G1000 navigation features, such as search and rescue tools for grid, sector, and creeping line search patterns.

Lt. Colonel Lawrence Kinch and Lt. Colonel Stephen Rocketto, Major Paul Noniewicz and Maj. Keith Neilson, and Captain Scott Farley have been working on programming the multi-function display panel in the Cessna 182s to ease pilot workload and increase precision during SAR missions

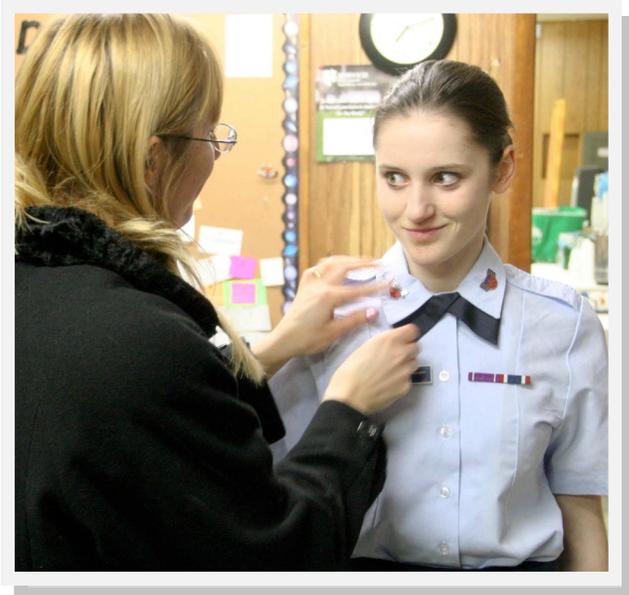
Major Noniewicz and Lt. Colonel Leif Bergey flew a training mission based upon a downed aircraft in the vicinity of Old Lyme. Practice concentrated on aircraft location using the Becker direction finder and the “wing null” method.

Cadets received a briefing on fire safety and one aerospace education lesson on weather. Cadets



Connecticut State Representative Edward Jutilla and Cadet Captain Schultz display the citation issued by the Connecticut State Assembly

(Photo: Lt. Colonel Stephen Rocketto)



Cadet Virginia Poe receives Airman First Class insignia from her Mom.

(Photo: Lt. Colonel Stephen Rocketto)

also participated in an Aerospace Education activity which studied fluid density and its effect on immersed objects.

The mandated "Safety Down" day was held. Five officers briefed the Squadron on cadet protection, tire safety, ground team safety, accident reporting, and the avoidance of hazards while handling aircraft on the ground.



New Fairfield Cadet Squadron

Captain Mike Chapleau
Squadron Commander

CT801



Second Lieutenant

Mitchell Award

Connor Guzda
Kevin Jenkins
Jake Stoffel



Chief Master Sergeant

Goddard Achievement

Sabrina Rautter



Senior Master Sergeant

Doolittle Achievement

Anthony Berardo
Natalie DeLeon



Master Sergeant

Lindberg Achievement

Jay Mangini
Shelby Simpson



Technical Sergeant

Rickenbacker Achievement

Andrew D'Amico
Colin McGrath
Michael Rautter
Brandon Roe
Edward Schnarr



**CADET AWARDS
& PROMOTIONS**



Staff Sergeant

Wright Brothers Award

Brandon Gasparino
Mark Johnson
Dylan McGrath
Jorge Wismar



Senior Airman

Mary Feik Achievement

Liam McGrath
Colin Pate



Airman First Class

General Hap Arnold Achievement

James Byers
Aaron Mullally
Cord Peterson



Cadet Airman

General John Curry Achievement

Stephen Bellantuono
Shannon Carney
Christopher Catania
Christopher Nies



**SQUADRON COMMANDER
APPOINTMENTS**

143rd Composite Squadron, CT-011, Waterbury, CT
First Lieutenant Paul Beliveau

Danielson Cadet Squadron, CT-074, Danielson, CT
Major Joseph Provost

“The mission of the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program is to transform the youth of our nation into dynamic Americans and aerospace leaders through a curriculum of leadership, aerospace, fitness and character while simultaneously providing service to the local community.”



First Air/CPR Training

Date: March 29, 30, 2014

Time: 1pm - 5pm

Cost: \$50.00

Location: Connecticut Wing HQ, Middletown, CT
Maximum students per class: 15.To reserve a spot please email Maj. Welch at
medictroll27@gmail.com

Please provide your name, grade, CAP ID #, squadron number, phone number, email address and the day you will attend.

SCHEDULE & TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**Unit Commanders Course**

March 22-23; Niantic, CT

ctwg.cap.gov/professional-development**Squadron Leadership School**

March 29-30; Danbury Squadron HQ

ctwg.cap.gov/professional-development**Northeast Region Mission Aircrew School**

April 26 - May 3;

Joint Base-McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ

Questions Contact Lt. Colonel Ron Volungus

rvolungus@ner.cap.gov<http://www.ner.cap.gov/>**Corporate Learning Course**

May 10-11; Royal Charter Squadron, Hartford

ctwg.cap.gov/professional-development**Commander's Cup Rocketry**

May 17 (tentative)

NER Chaplain Staff College

June 9-13

Joint Base-McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ

National Emergency Services Academy

July 20 - August 2014

Camp Atterbury, Edinburgh, IN

www.nesa.cap.gov**CTWG Basic Leadership Encampment**

August 9-16; Niantic, CT

ctwg.cap.gov/2014-ctwg-encampment**Cadet Ball**

September 20 (tentative)

U.S. Coast Guard Academy

Commander's Call/CAC

October 1

Connecticut Wing/Northeast Region Conference

October 17 - 19

If you're interested in public affairs, photography, working on the news, or have an idea for a story contact publicaffairs@ctwg.cap.gov.**NEW DATE****SAREX at Meriden - May 10**

If you plan on attending the next SAREX please let your squadron emergency services officer or commanding officer know as soon as possible. Include the position you'd like to train in or the positions you are willing to train others.

Squadron officers should forward participant information via the spreadsheet sent to them from Lt. Colonel Mike Heath, Connecticut Wing Emergency Services Officer msheath@optonline.net**Wing Wide Search And Rescue Exercise** May 10, 2014; Meriden

June 16 - 21, 2014; Tri-Wing SAREX

August 23, 2014; Hartford

Northeast Region Mission Aircrew School

The dates for this year's Northeast Region Mission Aircrew School (MAC) are April 26 through May 3, 2014.

This is a great opportunity to get good training for the right price. Food, lodging, and flying for a week is \$180, half a week, \$105. Mission Scanner or Aerial Photography takes half a week. Mission Pilot or Mission Observer takes a full week.

For more information visit the Northeast Region Website

<http://www.ner.cap.gov/>



Lt. Colonel John deAndrade (CT-075) (l), Incident Commander, reviews the day with Major Robert McGuire (CT-014) who served as Air Operations Branch Director.



Captain Mark Capen (CT-001)



Lt. Colonel Thomas Wisehart (CT-075) (foreground), and Cadet Sr. Airman Ben Ramsey (CT-027)(background).



Major Tim Ceritello (CT0-58)



Major Robert McGuire (CT-014)



Maj. Malcolm Dickinson (CT-022)



Captain Ken Fortes (CT-022) and Captain Jim Riccio (CT-022)

CONNECTICUT WING
SEARCH AND
RESCUE EXERCISE
FEBRUARY 22, 2014
HARTFORD



Lt. Col. Mike Heath (CT Wing Director of Emergency Services), Maj. Tim Ceritello (Planning Section Chief), and Lt. Colonel John deAndrade (Incident Commander).



Connecticut Wing Aircraft

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Include photo credits, cutline information, and an electronic copy of the story.

Deadline for the April 2014 issue is 5 March

Civil Air Patrol, the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, is a nonprofit organization with 61,000 members nationwide, operating a fleet of 550 aircraft. CAP, in its Air Force auxiliary role, performs 90 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and is credited by the AFRCC with saving an average of 80 lives annually. Its unpaid professionals also perform homeland security, disaster relief and drug interdiction missions at the request of federal, state and local agencies. The members play a leading role in aerospace education and serve as mentors to more than 26,000 young people currently participating in the CAP cadet programs. CAP received the World Peace Prize in 2011 and has been performing missions for America for 72 years. CAP also participates in Wreaths Across America, an initiative to remember, honor and teach about the sacrifices of U.S. military veterans.

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