

THE CAVALRY CHRONICLE

THE ATTACK TROOP NEWSLETTER

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DRILL DATES FOR THIS MONTH:
23 October 82 at 0800
24 October 82 at 0800
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FROM THE COMMANDER

Last month I completed one year as commander of the Gunfighters. On reflection, I realize that emotionally I've had super high feelings and super low points during this year. You can only experience those intense emotions for things you care a great deal about and the Gunfighter's successes and failures are that important to my life. Occasionally, I worry that the increasing burden on my available time required by my civilian job has incapacitated my ability to be an effective leader. Many of you have assured me that this is not so. Thank you for your loyalty and job performance. Also, I feel that the time involvement required by my military and civilian professions are unfair to my family. Yet, my family assures me that they are supportive and proud of my accomplishments and commitments. A friend of mine claims that I thrive on the pressures of my professions and that I love the decisiveness, involvement, and comradeship required and that resigning from the National Guard would leave a serious void in my life. How true! All I can say is how proud I am to be Commander of the Gunfighters and to have family and friends whom are so loyal and supportive. Although I am not ashamed of my performance this year, I have made many mistakes that I hope not to make again during this coming year.

MAJ WILLIAM C. FOX
Gunfighter 6

NOTICE!!!! 1ST WEAPONS PLATOON WILL DRILL FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT
FROM 1900-0300 HRS (NIGHT HAWK FLYING AND EMERGENCY ITERATION)

ATTACK HELICOPTER TROOP

THE GUNFIGHTERS

107TH ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT

FROM THE SERVICE PLATOON

Plans are now being formulated for our First Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Family Day. We are forming a committee and will make plans for entertainment and food. More information on this will be available on this at drill. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or free time, stop me and let me know. This could be the highlight to a very successful year. See you at drill.

SSG BILL RICHARDS
Service Platoon Sergeant



DOG TAGS?

If you need dog tags, fill out this form and turn it in to the Orderly Room. If you don't fill it out, don't stop by the following month wondering why you can't have any.

DOG TAG INFORMATION FORM

NAME _____
Last First MI

SSAN _____ RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE _____

BLOOD TYPE _____

The above information is essential for the correct stamping of your dog tags. Make sure it is correct!

FROM TRAINING

October is the start of a new Fiscal Year for the Attack Troop. To improve the quality of training for this year a few changes will be developed.

One of these changes will be in the form of a monthly training meeting during each drill to discuss what was accomplished during that drill period and what is to be accomplished during the drill periods to come.

A comment was made by the Command Readiness Inspection Team that we are not utilizing BTMS. We will be holding a BTMS class for those who have not attended before in January and June of 1983. Platoon Sergeants and Platoon Leaders will need to dig out these manuals and start using them.

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Here is a quick look at the training scheduled for this year.

OCTOBER

Regimental Mess School
Night Hawk (Red Plt)

NOVEMBER

COMEX (Commo)
Night Hawk (Red Plt)

DECEMBER

Night Hawk (White Plt)

JANUARY

BTMS PTW
Command Inspection
Night Hawk (White Plt)
NOE Exercise (Blue Plt)

FEBRUARY

MOBEX Alert
Night Hawk (Blue)
NOE Exercise (Red)

MARCH

Night Hawk (Blue)
NOE Exercise (White)

APRIL

Individual Weapons Familiarization
PT Test

MAY

Aerial Gunnery (Atterbury)
TOC Exercise
Door Gunnery
Night Tactical Training

JUNE

BTMS TW
COMET

JULY

Annual Training

AUGUST

EEO Race Relations
Civil Disturbance, CRI

SEPTEMBER

NOE Exercise
Aerial Gunnery (Atterbury)



As you can see, we have another big year ahead of us!

SFC MIKE NEAL

The following personnel will need to see SGT Dale Taylor in the Orderly Room sometime during this drill period to review their records:

McMICHAEL	PETTY	RICE	SINK	SHANER
WARNER	REED, B	SMITH, P		

FROM THE SCOUTS

As most of you know, I am attending the NCO Academy for the Advanced NCO Course. It's a good refresher for the things we get a little lax on, such as saluting, maintaining a military appearance, etc. Of course I let my fellow classmates know how squared away the Attack Troop is but during last drill I noticed quite a few of our own guys that didn't look so good. I saw unbloused boots, people needing haircuts, and the like. I know we can look better and around the NCO Academy is no place to look bad. I understand that alot of you troops have dirty jobs but your uniforms can still conform to regulations. Enough said.

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Don't forget to work on your SQT's while I am gone. Our written portion of the test will probably be administered in December with the Hands-On Component to follow in January. I'll be at drill on Saturday of this month and maybe even Sunday. There will be some team changes coming out soon!

PSG WILLIAM "HAP" ARNOLD

DRILL DATES FOR THE NEXT 12 MONTHS

23, 24 October 1982
13, 14 November 1982
11, 12 December 1982
22, 23 January 1983
26, 27 February 1983
26, 27 March 1983

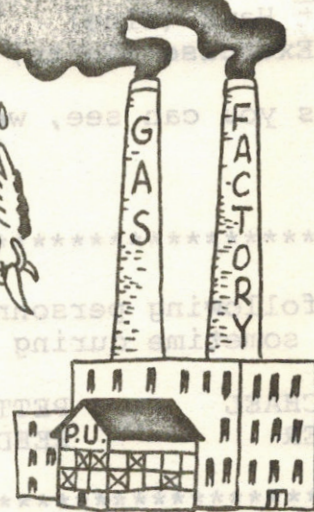


16, 17 April 1983
20, 21, 22 May 1983
18, 19 June 1983
23, 24 July 1983
27, 28 August 1983
24, 25 September 1983

FROM THE GAS FACTORY

I would like to express my appreciation to all personnel who gave their assistance and made the NBC Course at AT-82 such a success. The NBC Section received several favorable comments but a lot of training still needs to be accomplished.

For this Fiscal Year, I have developed some training objectives that will hopefully be implemented by sections throughout the year. The training will be conducted by randomly selected members of each section and taught to the section in accordance with applicable references. This method of instruction is designed to make every member of the Attack Troop knowledgeable about NBC. All training areas are required subjects as outlined in the Soldier's Manual of Common Tasks, Skill Level 1-4. The class instruction should be presented in a professional manner and will be monitored and graded by someone in the NBC Section. Following the instruction, each section will then put on and wear the Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP) level 4 for two (2) hours and continue with their normal duties.



The following personnel should report to the Gas Factory sometime during October drill:

SP4 BROFFORD	SP4 ZORKO	SGT RIEDLINGER	SGT REED, A
PFC THOMPSON	SGT MOSS	SGT BURKE	PFC STEPHENS
PFC REED, B	SP4 RICE	SP4 WING, M	SP4 GARNES
SGT BOWERS			

FROM THE SUPPLY SHACK

Hopefully our BDU's will be in by this drill. When (if) you come to Supply to receive your set, make sure you have a set of the old fatigues with you to exchange. Make sure you remove your name tapes and sleeve patch from your old set as you will need to sew them on your BDU's. If the BDU's do arrive, issue will begin on Saturday afternoon at 1300 by SGT Doug Righter.

The following personnel will need to bring in all personal clothing and field gear for shakedown Saturday morning:

DANIEL E. MILLER

PATRICK C. WRIGHT

The following personnel will need to report to Supply and pick up clothing as ordered:

TRENT, A

SMITH, F

SCOTT

MEADE

BURKE

SMITH, J

JENKINS, E

WHITSON

ACKISON

BOWERS

SOSNOWSKI

MOSS

WINKS, D

KLINE

WINKS, David

RIEDLINGER

SORAH

POPPE

KUHLEN

EUBANKS

JONES, R

MUSICK

PEMBERTON

GLASS

BOGANWRIGHT

ANSEL

BLACKBURN

BOMBICH

BLACK

NEAL, P

COLLINS

McMICHAEL

WEBB

FEASEL

SAUR

ARNOLD

CARTER

For all of you mechanics that have not come to Supply to pick up your additions to your tool boxes, please do so this drill. We will start issue Saturday afternoon. For all of you new mechanics that do not yet have a tool box, you and your section sergeant will need to report to Supply to get them issued. You can't perform maintenance very well without tools and we need the additional space.

Section Sergeants: I would like two people from each section to assist in issuing these tools and tool boxes if possible. Thanks.

SGT LEONARD STOREY

The following personnel will need to see SGT Jack Taylor in the Orderly Room sometime during this drill period to review their Enlisted Records:

BLACKBURN

GIRTON

JOHNSON, E

CARTER

HOLOBAUGH

KORTJOHN

CASAGRANDE

JAKEWAY

LOSEE

THE FIRST SHIRT SPEAKS

Normally, the information found in this section of the Numero Uno Newsletter, The Cavalry Chronicle, is directed towards the enlisted members of this unit. However, this month please allow me to chat with the fine officer corps of the unit.

I am aware of the fact that as officers and warrant officers of this unit, you have important jobs to do. I am also aware of the fact that you are constantly trying to do that job. Unit history shows that you are consistent in completing all missions and tasks assigned, however, in the midst of your hectic schedule of flying to meet minimums, flying for proficiency, stand rides, check rides, etc., it is my opinion that you sometimes tend to forget one of the most important factors of this unit, the enlisted personnel. Attempting to run this unit without enlisted personnel is like trying to win a war without infantry or trying to fly an aircraft without fuel.

One of the major problems we have in this unit at this time is with the EER's (Enlisted Evaluation Reports). I recieved a letter from Regimental Headquarters stating that they have not recieved EER's on the E-7's of this unit from last year. After checking the situation out, I found that the EER's in question were properly rated by the raters and sent forward to the section leaders/platoon leaders to be indorsed.

The section leaders/platoon leaders failed to indorse the EER's and in some cases, never returned them to the Orderly Room to be forwarded to Regiment. Consequently, at this time, there are no EER's for these individuals for Fiscal Year 81. These EER's are official documents and they are as important to the enlisted member as the OER's are to you. They greatly affect promotions and retention. So, if you are required by the rating scheme to rate, indorse, or review an EER, please do so immediately. Your prompt attention to these EER's will be highly appreciated by the enlisted members who serve with you.

Another problem that the enlisted personnel and officer personnel must face together is the enlisted SQT (Skill Qualification Test). You officers and leaders should be aware of the problems that the enlisted personnel has as we try to adapt to the procedures of the SQT.

The SQT is quite different from the old MOS (Military Occupation Specialty) Test. The MOS Test covered pretty much what the individual trained with each month. Enlisted personnel could easily pass the MOS Test by merely working in his MOS on a monthly basis. However, under the SQT program, not only is the MOS covered, but also subjects known as common soldier's tasks. These include such subjects as map reading, First Aid, NBC, patrolling, scouting, cover and concealment, etc., etc. I'm sure you realize that we do not train in these areas on a monthly basis. As section leaders, plan your training schedules to insure that your enlisted personnel are considered and that time is allotted for them to study for their SQT.

You should also consider the enlisted personnel as you fly from month to month. During every weekend drill, every aircraft that flies has to be dailied. A good, safe daily takes a good four (4) man hours. These are four hours of a sixteen hour training weekend. So, if you are flying and your aircraft is scheduled to be on the ground at 1400, then you should be on the ground at 1400. We recognize that maintenance problems or weather plays a role in your departure time and ETA and this cannot be avoided, however, if there are no problem and you are not on the ground in time, it has a negative effect on the platoon sergeant training program.

Remember, it is our goal as enlisted members to support you 100%. We have given this support in the past and will continue to give it regardless of your support to us, whether we are in the Flight Surgeon Detachment,

Mess Section, Aircraft Maintenance, Orderly Room, or wherever. However, the following are some of the things we ask from you:

- 1) Be a leader and a pilot, not just a pilot
- 2) Set the example
- 3) Be considerate of our training needs
- 4) Listen when we have problems and take all action you can to help us alleviate these problems

We will try to handle all problems on the NCO level. When we come to you it means that we have exhausted all other avenues of approach to that problem. Now it is time to turn to our leaders because the bars you wear on your shoulders indicate you are knowledgeable and a leader of men.

A special meeting will be held for all Section leaders (enlisted) and Platoon Sergeants at 1800 hours on Friday, 22 October 82 at AASF#2 in the Tech Inspector Library.

1SG GEORGE E. MCKAY
First Sergeant

The following personnel will need to see SFC Billy Rummel in the Orderly Room sometime during this drill period to review their Officer Records:

RODEBAUGH

BOVIE

CAMPBELL

COMMANDER'S AWARD

SFC James Mike Neal has been selected as this Quarters recipient of the Commander's Award. The award is to be presented each quarter to a Senior NCO (E6 and above) in recognition of professionalism, service, dedication and significant contributions to the Attack Troop. SFC Neal has always been a valuable and loyal member of the Attack Troop. Earlier this year he sought the greater responsibility inherent in the open unit Operations Sergeant position and he was selected. SFC Neal's experience, organizational ability, and professionalism have enabled him to make significant contributions to the units training and readiness posture in a relatively short period. Congratulations Mike the Gunfighters are proud of you.

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