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UNIT TROY NEWSLETTER



picture from last year's Annual Military Inspection

QUESTIONS?

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Recap

Hello Unit Troy! We are officially on the 50 day countdown until graduation and as COVID restrictions begin to slowly loosen, the unit is returning to some of our regular activities. Color Guards are back in our football games, teams are competing, and sword arch took place for yesterday's Homecoming game. What else? NS1s and NS2s are practicing for our annual Rookie Drill Meet, cadets have been preparing to pass the Physical Fitness Test, and NS3s are now able to apply for a Battalion Headstaff position. Currently, we are planning our Awards Night to be held on May 7th in the Quad at school. Here, awards will be presented to many of our cadets and the Battalion Headstaff will be announced! Stay tuned for more announcements.

Drill Team - Nationals

Last Saturday, our Drill Team recorded their team videos to be submitted to Navy Nationals, typically held in Pensacola, Florida. Consisting of 42 cadets, the team has been practicing day in and day out under the guidance of 1st Sgt Barnes and 1st Sgt Lyon to ensure yet another successful season. In review of their Nationals performance, the Drill Team CO, Kristin Yap, shares her input:

"On Saturday, April 3, our West Coast Warriors drill team competed virtually at the 2021 NJROTC Nationals Academic, Athletic & Drill Championship. A special shoutout to all the cadets that participated for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Most of the team members have been working since August, and it was truly inspiring to see all their hard work pay off. The videos are being sent to Pensacola and are to be judged on April 15. However, the job is not finished as the academic portion of the competition will take place on April 12, at the same time as the other 23 schools competing. We are looking forward to finishing off strong. I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the parents for their continued support of our cadets, Booster Club for their assistance in funding our team, Mr. Knowles and NS3 James Wofford for filming our videos, and to everyone who helped make Saturday's occurrences possible. What we have accomplished this year despite the challenges is nothing short of incredible, and I am extremely proud of the effort these cadets have put into this team. I can't wait to see them continue to thrive in the coming years and rise to their full potential. Ohana!"

To see the rest of the pictures taken from this event, click [here!](#)

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SeaPerch - Regional Comp.

On the same day, SeaPerch held their Regional Competition at the campus pool! This is a team that teaches cadets about building Remotely Operated Vehicles (ROVs), and develop concepts to compose said vehicles. Rohan Patel, the SeaPerch CO, gives a debrief from the competition:

"On Saturday April 3rd, 2021 Troy NJROTC hosted an annual Regional SeaPerch Competition. This year's competition was a little different as we were not able to host other schools and we were all socially distancing. It

was great to get our ROVs into the pool and see them run the Obstacle Course and the Mission Course. Congratulations to Meka Sharccs who took 1st place overall and in the Open Division to secure their spot at the International SeaPerch Challenge. Congratulations also to the C Monkeys who took 1st place in the High School Division and qualified for a spot in the International SeaPerch too. Well done to all the cadets that competed! A special thank you to the lifeguard and the NSIs who helped this competition run so smoothly."



From the NSI's

CDR Lauper:

"Hello to our NJROTC Warrior families!

Much has taken place since the last newsletter and all of sudden, we have become very busy!

Congratulations to our Brain Brawl team on their Area 11 Super Brawl Championship! They will be competing in nationals on May 1st.



Our Color Guard has presented at two home football games and at various league sporting events held at Troy. Tonight, they will present at the homecoming football game, along with our swordarch.

The Drill Team conducted their virtual nationals last Saturday and has submitted their videos for judging. Our five SeaPerch teams conducted in pool operations last Saturday. Two teams have advanced to the virtual International SeaPerch Challenge.

RoboSub continues to build and program their autonomous underwater vehicle in preparations for this summer's competition.

Next week is CAASSP testing, which puts us on block schedule on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The following week, Cohorts A and B combine so that we will have just two groups...at school four days a week or online only.

Upcoming events:

01 May Brain Brawl Nationals

07 May Troy NJROTC Awards Night (currently planned in the Quad at Troy)

26 May Senior Reflections/Awards

27 May Troy High School Graduation (Seniors, Color Guard, 50 State Flags)

29-30 May Quizbowl High School National Championship Tournament (virtual)

31 May Fullerton Memorial Day Ceremony (Tentative)

05 June International SeaPerch Challenge (virtual)

05-06 June Quizbowl PACE National Scholastic Championship (virtual)

Although this year has been challenging, our activities are starting to increase. I am optimistic that we will be back on step in the Fall.

Have a great weekend!

Team Schedules

Saturday 4/10:

Sunday 4/11:

Monday 4/12:

Tuesday 4/13: Orienteering (1500-1630) *virtual by Zoom
Robosub (1530-1630) *virtual by Zoom
Marksmanship (1530-1730)

Wednesday 4/14: Marksmanship (1530-1730)

Thursday 4/15: Orienteering (1500-1630) *virtual by Zoom
Marksmanship (1530-1730)

Friday 4/16: Seaperch (1530-1630) *virtual by Zoom

Saturday 4/17:

Sunday 4/18:

Monday 4/19:

Tuesday 4/20: Orienteering (1500-1630) *virtual by Zoom
Robosub (1530-1630) *virtual by Zoom
Marksmanship (1530-1730)

Wednesday 4/21: Marksmanship (1530-1730)

Thursday 4/22: Orienteering (1500-1630) *virtual by Zoom
Marksmanship (1530-1730)

Friday 4/23: Seaperch (1530-1630) *virtual by Zoom

***Note that practice schedules are subject to change after the release of the issue by the respective team commander. Stay alert for these changes from your respective team page. Thank you!*

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