Exercise Collective Training

What?....... In tents?

By SMSgt. Johan Hijmenberg

St Mawgan... My memory goes back ten years when I explored for six weeks the southwest of England with my family. Cornwall with its coastline is a marvellous area for camping. We also passed by Royal Air Force Base St Mawgan, the home of the RAF Search & Rescue Force. With its extensive facilities the unit is an ideal base to host visiting squadrons from around the world, including soon an E-3A and sixty Component members who will join Exercise Collective Training in late September. Like the other 1,200 exercise participants, the Component members will be accommodated on base... in tents.

Last year NATO Defence Ministers approved a historic reform of NATO’s command structure and plans for a robust rapidly deployable NATO Response Force (NRF), a robust rapid reaction fighting force that can be quickly deployed anywhere in the world. The role of the NRF is to provide an integrated and fully interoperable sea, land and air capability, under one command, wherever the North Atlantic Council requires, to prevent conflict or threat from escalating into a wider dispute. The NATO Airborne Early Warning & Control Force has a permanent place in the NRF.

Collective Training (CT) is one of the RAF’s biggest exercises. It simulates a mid intensity conflict, with forces deploying in support of a NRF mission and operating from a deployable operating base (DOB). The aim of the exercise is to train personnel in the establishing and operation of a DOB capable of supporting sustained air operations. The exercise will replicate the conditions and demands that personnel may encounter on deployed operations. To this end, many of those involved are accommodated in a tent city to add an extra level of realism to events.

The 150 tents are based on hard-core pavement 400 by 200 metres. A deployed catering group will prepare four meals a day in their field kitchen. A recreation area is also planned. Trucks with showers and restrooms complete the camp. Exercise CT is a training opportunity and will be conducted alongside elements of the RAF, well practiced in expeditionary operations.

“During CT all elements come together”, says Squadron Leader (Sqn Ldr) Sean Ward from RAF Waddington. “With almost no local support we practise living and working out of a DOB. For several years now we have gone through this level of training. The advantage is that we all gain the same experience. The tent city is an ideal example of what people can expect when deployed. When we can do it at St Mawgan, we can do it anywhere!”

Besides the personnel training, CT also provides a unique opportunity to evaluate and validate DOB-level plans, procedures, equipment and manpower modules. Similarly, CT provides the means of exercising the complete range of assets required for an expeditionary DOB in a collective manner.

The NATO and RAF AWACS aircraft are not the only aircraft that will participate. Sqn Ldr Ward: “Tornado GR-4s from Lossiemouth, Tornado F-3s from Leeming and Nimrods from Kinloss will be also be operating from St Mawgan alongside our E-3s. On the ground, a number of Survive to Operate tasks will be demonstrated. These are essential to enable the continued operation of the deployed aircraft in a potentially hostile, austere environment. Additionally training such as ground defence, collective protection, explosive ordnance device disposal and post-attack recovery will be performed.”

Because this deployment is a totally new concept for the E-3A Component it was agreed that preparatory training would be essential for all those members of the E-3A Component and NAEW&C Command who would be participating in CT. At the beginning of September a two-day training package based on the RAF’s Individual Deployment Training Course will be provided and executed by RAF Waddington.
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Communications Centre nearly finished with transition

By Capt. Martin Seidel

“Call Centre, good morning, may I help you?” – This welcome belongs to the women and men serving for you in the modern Communications Centre of the NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen.

The most known and used phone number on this base is most probably extension 88, used to get in contact with the rest of the world. This number belongs to the Communications Branch in the IT-Wing, which works for your help and support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week without interruption since the beginning of our airbase. What you probably don’t know is that the Communications Centre is offering more service than connecting phone calls.

In former times it was separated in a Switchboard area (like on the old photo) and a Distribution Centre for Teletype Messages. If you enter the Communications Centre today, you will see an operation room filled with PC’s and servers used to communicate with the outside world.

Other tasks performed by the Communications Centre are:

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Istanbul Summit

AWACS provides security

By Jos Hunjtjens and MSgt Jim Creager

The E-3A Component was tasked at the end of June to support the NATO Summit in Istanbul. Aircraft and 129 Component personnel deployed to Forward Operating Base (FOB) Konya, Turkey. The mission enforced a no-fly zone over the Turkish city of Istanbul and provided security for the Summit.

To fulfill the operations support came from many areas including Aircraft Maintenance, Electronic Maintenance, Supply Squadron and Software Support Centre. Mission crews from Squadron 2 were augmented with Squadron 1 personnel. The first group left Gelenkirchen with the TCA on Wednesday morning, June 23, with a brief stop in Istanbul to deliver personnel and a pallet of cargo. After delivering the TCA took off for Konya.

When we arrived at the FOB several days of rain showers had just ended and the weather started to clear. Our Turkish colleagues gave everybody a cordial welcome. After exchanging greetings, the job of downloading the equipment and supplies needed to perform our assigned mission began.

Everyone had to clear customs with the usual problems associated in coordination of personnel lists. Waiting outside the dormitories we heard the coordination of personnel lists. Waiting the usual problems associated in performing our assigned mission began.

outfitted in the National German soccer team shirt, but their efforts helped little. Tuesday afternoon, a small BBQ was organized by Maintenance and Ops members to mark the accomplishments of the MOB and FOB personnel. Steaks, shish-ka-bobs as well as an assortment of vegetables, salads and drinks were offered. Many thanks to our Turkish cooks. Col. Jos van Dam thanked everybody for their outstanding support and invited us to start with the BBQ. MSgt. Darryn Forrest of the Electronics Maintenance Squadron said, “In all my five years at Gelenkirchen this was my first trip to Konya. Had I known it was so nice I would have tried to come a long time ago.”

Many old friendships were renewed and new friendships were made during the deployment. Following the end of our mission Tuesday morning first of the five E-3A’s departed for GK. The rest would follow the next day with a TCA scheduled to pick up personnel and equipment. Due to unforeseen circumstances the TCA didn’t arrive. All personnel were quickly assigned to the E-3A’s for return to Gelenkirchen.

At the end of the deployment shish-ka-bobs were offered to the detachment, prepared by chief cook Yunus Yilmaz.

At noon the first took off. The flight was a little bumpy but everyone was eager to return to his or her families. One person of the mission crew on the flight back to Gelenkirchen mentioned that he hoped we would be landing on time because he lived alone and had no food supplies stocked at home. I’m still wondering today if that person managed to do some shopping, went to the Star chef, or maybe he had to wait till the next morning for a meal. After a short 4-hour flight we landed back at MOB Gelenkirchen.

Overall, no major discrepancies occurred. The personnel of the Logistics Wing successfully supported all scheduled missions. Based on the pre-mission tasking the overall mission goal was 90% orbit coverage. That goal was easily surpassed with an excellent 99.996%. Only 17 minutes of on-station time were lost due to a technical problem, which was solved in-flight by the efforts of the mission crews.

Col. Van Dam had this to say, “This deployment was executed in support of a real world mission: contributing to the security of a number of major NATO-events in Turkey. Thanks to a great team-effort of all deployed to FOB Konya, but also those in the Combined Air Operations Centre, at the MOB and in Force Command the mission was executed very successfully. It is good to be part of a team that can work together like this!”

FOB Konya commander, Major Oez Caglar, echoed Col. Van Dam’s sentiments with his words, “The E-3A Component was tasked to contribute to another ‘high visibility event-Euro 2004’ as well. Although the Summit itself was only one and one-half days, the deployment period covered a whole week with 24-hour coverage for several days. Aside from regular and routine deployments it was another opportunity for FOB Konya personnel to test their skills to the limit. The test proved to be successful and the end result was also a big success thanks to that well-known teamwork from all parties. One should certainly be proud to be a part of this great team. Well done!
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Changes of Command

The Biking Viking!

By Jo DeRemer

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The ceremonies commenced with Brig. Gen. Tüttelmann, presiding over the IW change of command in which Col. Roy H. Olsen of the Royal Norwegian Air Force relinquished command of the Wing to Col. Angel Burgos of the Spanish Air Force. This was followed by the change of command for the Norwegian contingent in which Brig. Gen. Aspen Amundsen, Chief of the Air Staff at CHOD Norway, presided as Col. Olsen handed over command of the Norwegian contingent to the new Norwegian Senior National Representative (SNR), Lt. Col. Espen Styngstad.

Last, but certainly not least, Col. Fernandez-Perez-Nicolás, Deputy Spanish National Military Representative (NMR) at SHAPE, officiated as Col. Burgos put on his ‘second hat’ as the new Spanish SNR, accepting command of the Spanish contingent from the outgoing SNR, Lt. Col. Juan Ramón del Río Nieto.

With the ceremonies and speeches completed, invited guests then proceeded to the Officers’ Club for refreshments generously provided by Command ceremonies, this one was unique for two reasons.

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For 44 of 52 weeks during the year, United States Air National Guard aerial refuelling units representing 20 different states, are contracted by units that north Atlantic Treaty Organization’s (NATO) Air Base at Geilenkirchen (GK), Germany. Most recently, 31 of 52 weeks representing the Nebraska Air National Guard’s 155th Air Refuelling Wing, based in Lincoln, Nebraska, spent an 11-day rotation at the base opportunity to work refuelling for the NATO E-3A Airborne Warning and Control System’s training mission.

Since 1981, instructors have trained military and civilian personnel from NATO nations in E-3A aircrew, maintenance and software. The Training Wing and Aircrew Training Squadron have a dual role of providing basic and upgrade aircrew training, as well as operational tasking. For more than 14 years, through a NATO contract with the National Guard Bureau, the Air Guard has been deploying aerial refuelling units to provide E-3A crews with aerial refuelling during training missions. The Guard also has supported NATO summits, exercises, and tactical missions, said Maj. Steve Lippert, Liaison Officer Air National Guard. Maj. Lippert works for the National Guard Bureau, which is the command for the Air National Guard and Army National Guard. Both are reserve branches of the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army, respectively. Typically the Air Guard deploys ‘packages’ of two KC-135R Stratotankers with a small group of pilots, boom operators, maintenance, supply and other support personnel.

Deployments to Germany are so highly sought after by units that the two-year contracts are negotiated between the Bureau and NATO, units must make a bid on deployments, which normally are each two weeks in duration. Maj. Lippert, who is serving a four-year tour at Geilenkirchen to ensure the smooth deployment and redeployment of Guard air refuelling units year-round, said his job is a challenging, yet rewarding one. Each unit arrives from a different state with unique needs. “Our first priority is to train AWACS E-3A crews. NATO can do their mission alone, but the Guard’s tankers have played a tremendous role relieving their burden not only in training, but also in tactical missions.”

Deployments improve combat readiness by offering the experience of working in a foreign environment, which include obstacles they don’t encounter at their home bases, as well as serving international customers, Maj. Lippert said. To date, the Air Guard has offloaded about 7 million pounds of fuel in support of AWACS, he said.

One of the accomplishments noted during his three years here (he arrived just two weeks before 11 September, 2001) has been to overcome the restrictions on nighttime air refuelling. Altitude and quiet hours made it difficult to meet the requirements. “Soon after my arrival at the base, I was approached about forward deploying a tanker to one of the forward operating bases for night air refuelling. In no time, I was building packages and sending one jet during each two-week rotation for night air refuelling.”

Royal Netherlands Air Force Col. Jos van Dam, Deputy E-3A Component commander, said the Air Guard is vital to providing training of E-3 crews. "Without the dedicated support, I’m convinced we would not be able to get our people combat-ready. There are not enough tankers without the Guard. The Guard is vital for the training effort here to get crews current and keep them current. They also support real-world missions from time-to-time. The flexibility is very much appreciated.”

Through working together in the NATO environment, each learns much about the other. Maj. Lippert. "This is a unique working environment with NATO and the many different nationalities I work with. They like the Air National Guard and the support we provide. Each time the contract is renewed, they want to make sure we continue serving and supporting their operation. When they get to know us on a more personal level, they’re surprised how short our units’ time is here at GK (Geilenkirchen) and that when we go home, we have different jobs to go back to. They also are amazed how quickly our cohesiveness becomes when we are TDY.”

For Lt. Col. Steve Burke, Deployment Commander for Nebraska’s 155th, this is the second time he’s been deployed to GK. “The deployment’s going well. We’re taking off on time and taking care of our customers. I like the opportunity to work with international folks and NATO operations and flying in the different air traffic system,” said Burke, who in his civilian life works for Lockheed Martin Corporation as a civilian contractor exercise planner.

The flight to Germany across the Atlantic also was the Nebraska unit’s first overseas deployment using the newly-installed Global Air Traffic Management (GATM) system. Along with improved accuracy in avionics, the equipment enables communication with air traffic controllers through data link and satellite. The 155th is the first KC-135R Stratotanker aircraft in the Air Guard, and second unit in the Air Force, to have its aircraft modified with the system.

“Coming over on the ocean it worked extremely well – as advertised”, Burke added. “It greatly reduced our workload. In the past, we had to give position reports with high frequency (HF) radio to air traffic controllers every 10 degrees latitude and we don’t have to listen to all the static on the HF.”

Though the demands of Maj. Lippert’s, who is a member of the Washington Air National Guard, are many, he said he enjoys his job as liaison with the Air Guard tanker units and NATO. “Burnout and task saturation is common with this job, but it’s mostly self-inflicted as I drive for perfection. I have to be a ‘jack of all trades’, but also am able to seek out the help of many talented people on base. Ultimately, I remind myself that I live in Europe and vacation is always at my doorstep.”

Air Guard members who’ve had the privilege and opportunity to serve NATO also enjoy experiencing European culture. Maj. Lippert said he and his family have enjoyed Germany very much and say they have made friends for life with people from all over the world. There may be only a few drawbacks of living in Germany. “My wife has learned she cannot keep the house as clean as Germans do. And I think all grandmothers (Oma’s) are excellent bakers whose goals are to make you fat.”
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For the first time in its history, the Turkish community on the E-3A Component celebrated the anniversary of the foundation of the Turkish Republic with an open-air concert, which was held at the swimming pool area on 13 August with the participation of component members and their dependents. E-3A Component commander Brig. Gen. Axel R. Tuttelnmann also attended the event.

Two bands played rock during the concert. One of them was Altın Coruklu (Golden Boys) who played Turkish rock music and the other was DIGIT, a German band who played popular rock music. The concert started at 1900 and, despite the heavy rain, continued until midnight.

The Turkish community celebrated the 81st anniversary of the foundation of their Republic after an independence war against imperial powers in 1923. A similar event is planned next year to celebrate this national day.

International Youth Activities

Yoga

Experience a new way of getting in shape while learning about your body - its needs, its strengths and limitations. Develop mindfulness while taking care of your body and mind. We offer the following classes under the experienced instruction of Mrs. Claudia Russell, registered Yoga Alliance Teacher, at the IYA Multi-purpose Room in building 95: Lunch time yoga - multi level, Wednesdays, 1130 to 1230; Hath yoga level I, Thursdays, 1000 to 1130, Hath yoga level II, Tuesdays, 1730 to 1900, for this class you need some basic experience, including feeling comfortable with sun salute, basic back and forward bends, deep relaxation, alternat nostril breathing and deep three part breathing.

Classes are starting in September. Dress in comfortable workout clothes, and bring socks, a blanket, a pillow and a towel. Cost is €20 for a four-class package or €32 for an eight-class package. The first class is free. No prior registration necessary. Further information at the IYA Office in Building 95, ext. 4915, office hours Monday to Friday, 0815 to 1300.

Volkshochschule Language Courses

The fall session of the Volkshochschule language courses begins the week of 20 September. Classes will be held in Bldg 141. Basic prices: regular courses €13.60 for 12 evenings, intensive courses €27.20 for 24 mornings/evenings. Registration in class. Please call ext. 4954 for further information.

The following courses are offered:

**German**, room 118

- **Basic Level I**, beginners - intensive courses, book 1, lesson 1; Mon & Wed, 0830-1000, instructor Annemie Schindler, starting with lesson 7; Tue & Thu, 1900-2030, instructor Christine Mertens; Tue & Thu, 1730-1900, instructor Christine Mertens.
- **Advanced - intensive courses**, book 1 Mon & Wed, 1000-1130, instructor Annemie Schindler, starting with lesson 7; Tue & Thu, 1900-2030, instructor Christine Mertens; Tue & Thu, 1730-1900, instructor Christine Mertens.
- **Basic Level II**, intensive courses, Book 2, Tue & Thu, 1000-1130, instructor Annemie Schindler, starting with lesson 1; Mon & Wed, 1730-1900, instructor Christine Mertens, starting with lesson 1.
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**English**, room 109

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- **Basic Level I**, beginners - intensive courses, book 1, lesson 1, Mon & Wed, 0830-1000, instructor Maria Mercedes Fernandez Ramos.

Aachen awaits you

Every year, when Aachen is painted in warm colours by the late summer sun, it’s time again to open the European arts and crafts market.

Designers and crafts persons from all over Europe come together to present their craft under bright canopies on 4 and 5 September around the cathedral and town hall. This year is the 28th in a row that around 400 exhibitors packed their tools and products and travelled to Aachen.

They use the European arts and crafts market as an international meeting place, where the newest trends in craft and design are presented and discussed. As well new trends in design and materials can be seen.

The success of the market is proved by the greeting “See you next year in Aachen”, spoken in different languages on the day of departure.

Vacancy announcements

Applications are invited for the following posts:

**Senior Technician (Systems)**, post number AGK IUI 0460, advertisement number 04051, NATO Grade B-4, assigned to the Systems & Help Desk Function, Management & Facility Support Division, Information Technology Wing. This post is due to be filled as soon as possible.

Closing date: 3 Sep 2004.

**Senior Clerk (Admin) Part-Time (50%)**, AGK OES 0020, advertisement number 04041, NATO Grade B-2, assigned to the Test & Evaluation Division, Operations Wing. This post is due to be filled as soon as possible.

Closing date: 8 Sep 2004.

**Senior Scientific Assistant (Meteorology)**, post numbers AGK SAM 0140 - AGK SAM 0160, advertisement numbers 04023, 04024 & 04053, NATO Grade B-4, assigned to the Meteorology Branch, Airfield Services Squadron, Base Support Wing. The first two (2) posts are due to be filled as soon as possible, the third post will become vacant on 31 August 2005.

Closing date: 6 Sep 2004.

**Assistant Analyst/Programmer**, post number AGK IAM 0060, advertisement number 04050, NATO Grade B-5, assigned to the Test Management Function, Management & Facility Support Division, Information Technology Wing. This post is due to be filled as soon as possible after 28 February 2005.

Closing date: 2 Sep 2004.

**Assistant Analyst/Programmer**, post number AGK IOP 0350, advertisement number 04046, NATO grade B-4, assigned to the Operational Programming Division, Information Technology Wing. This post is due to be filled as soon as possible.

Closing date: 2 Sep 2004.

Due to a change in the Job Description it is deemed necessary to re-advertise this post. Therefore, applications are again invited for the post listed above:

**Senior Administrator (Fiscal)**, post number AGK CBF 0010, advertisement number 03044, NATO grade A-3. This post is assigned to the Fiscal and Accounting Branch, Budget and Finance Division, Management Function, Management & Facility Support Wing. The first two (2) posts are due to be filled as soon as possible.

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E-3A Component Clubs

Sunday brunch will alternate between Officers’/Frisbee Clubs. Members from both clubs are eligible to attend. Regular prices: brunch: Members €5.20, guests €6.70; lunch: Members €2.30, guests €2.65; children 4-12 years/half price. Reservations should be made NLT 1200 on the Friday before. Club cards are required. For additional information, please contact the Officers’ Club, ext. 4990, or the Frisbee Club, ext. 4994.

Family brunch at the Officers’ Club. Frisbee Club closed.

Sunday brunch at the Frisbee Club. Officers’ Club closed.

Spanish style brunch at the Officers’ Club. Frisbee Club (ext 4994).

1200 on the Friday before. Club cards are required. For additional information, please contact the Officers’ Club, ext. 4990, or the Frisbee Club.

26 Oktoberfest — No brunch.

Sentry Club

Monday-Friday 1130-1330, Sunday 1100-2300; restaurant: Monday-Thursday 1100-2100, Friday 1100-2300.

24 Beginners’ back classes begin, 1300-1630.

21 Coaches’ meeting for volleyball, 1100-1200.

22 Open House at 1800, parents and children invited to join this event to meet staff and tour the school. General information about school events, calendar and curriculum will be discussed. Registration for the New School Year continues. Afternoon slots available only! For more information, please call the Pre-school at ext. 4957.

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Cost is €15 per child aged 4 and up and per adult, children aged 0-3 are €9.

The Sentry Club now offers a daily special, which will be advertised on the notice board at the beginning of the serving line and on the Component Information web page. A daily soup and a variety of tasty, self-made salads are also available. The Sentry Club souvenir shop now has many new items — stop by and see what is available. Summerset beer garden now available where you can enjoy your drinks and meal outside in the sunshine. Also try one of the special Bavarian style beers now available — Enziger Weizen, Enziger Weizen “Kristall” or the very popular “König Ludwig Dark Beer.” Additional information on any of the above can be obtained from the Sentry Club Manager, ext. 4996.

Sports Department (SWFT/4946)

17 Deadline to register for back classes, the upcoming table tennis tournament and to be included in the Winter Schedule for the New/Old Gymns and Multi-Purpose Room.

21 Coaches’ meeting for volleyball, 1800 in the O2 Room.

24 Beginners’ back classes begin, 1100-1200.

27 Advanced back classes begin, 1530-1630.

30 Swimming pool closes.

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Aquarelles expo

The artist Clerny Van Hooren-Zijlstra exhibits her works at the Brikke Oave, Lindeplein 5a in Brunssum. She started her drawing and aquarelle training with Jan Veelof.

About 10 years ago, Clerny initiated the painter’s guild Aqua Sitt under the enthusiastic lead of Roel de Kleine.

Exhibition opening hours: Monday through Friday: 1000-1200, 1400-1500 and 1700-2100. Closed weekends. On Sunday from 1400 to 1700 the artist herself will be there. Free entrance.

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  - Free call-forwarding to domestic landlines and from E-Plus to E-Plus

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