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Bulk Fuel Company tackles fire containment training

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Two Marines with Bulk Fuel Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group extinguish a controlled-fuel fire during a training exercise aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., May 22. The Marines received a brief on responsibilities as a firefighter, and classes on how to properly set up and assemble the fire proximity suit and how to use the different hoses and nozzles. The training culminated with troops applying lessons learned and extinguishing four different controlled-fuel fires.

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8th ESB spouses wrestle with deployment

Course teaches basic self-defense

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CAMPLEJEUNE, N.C. – Marines and Sailors are required to learn multiple techniques of hand-to-hand combat as part of the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program, so they can defend themselves in any situation during a battle.

Their spouses, however, are not usually trained to fight and protect their loved ones as they take on full responsibility of their household while their Marines are deployed.

In order to correct this, family members of Marines with 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group participated in a two-hour self-defense class here, May 23.

“We learned basic self-defense moves, so we can use them to protect ourselves in case something happens,” explained Michelle K. Godfrey, the family readiness officer for 8th ESB. “Personal safety is one of the things we like to make spouses aware of while their husbands are deployed.

“We want to help them be ready to encounter anyone who might pose a threat against their families,” Godfrey added.

The participants had the opportunity to become skilled at multiple escaping techniques,

take downs and pressure points, and practiced each individual move step-by-step with the guidance of former Jiu-Jitsu students.

“This is the first time our battalion has sponsored a training event like this for the families,” Godfrey said. “Not only is this a good way to train and learn some moves that might save lives, but it also helps with their self-esteem and confidence.

“I think it makes them more comfortable when they go out in town and know they can protect their families,” she added.

Robin D. Jackson, the wife of Lance Cpl. Cassidy W. Jackson, a data network specialist currently deployed with 8th ESB, participated in the class and explained how she feels about the training.

Jackson mentioned she had received no previous martial arts training and found it invaluable.

“It was nice to learn some moves and know I can defend myself if something happens,” she said.

Jackson, along with other spouses, agreed they would definitely participate in another martial arts class if the command organized one again.

“This is a good idea, especially when our husbands are deployed and we are here alone,” Jackson concluded. “I think if



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Kris W. Nelson (foreground), a Jiu-Jitsu student, shows Robin D. Jackson (left), the wife of Lance Cpl. Cassidy W. Jackson, a data network specialist with 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics group, the proper way to perform a defensive compliance technique during a self-defense class aboard Camp Lejeune, N.C., May 23. The spouses who participated in the class had the opportunity to become skilled at multiple escaping techniques, take downs and pressure points, and practiced each individual move step-by-step with the guidance of current and former Jiu-Jitsu students.

they had more of these classes we could try to have more people to attend and learn.”

Although this is the first time family members have participated in a martial arts class

sponsored by the 8th ESB command, Godfrey said this will not be the last. More classes will be held in the future for other spouses who desire to participate.



24 May 2012 - A Marine with 8th Engineer Support Battalion suspected a colleague of utilizing spice after observing him behaving suspiciously and detecting a strong odor of smoke emitting from a bathroom. A search of the Marine resulted in the discovery of a pipe, which was seized as evidence. The Marine was apprehended, processed and released to a unit representative.

27 May 2012 - A Marine on duty with 8th Engineer Support Battalion reported that while touring a parking lot, he detected the strong odor of suspected narcotics emitting from another Marine's vehicle. A permissive search revealed two hand-rolled cigarettes containing suspected spice and a myriad of pills, which were subsequently seized as evidence. The Marine was apprehended, processed and released to a unit representative.

'Banged AROUND AND Up' Shaken

New Hampshire Marine matures over the course of three deployments in four years

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CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. – Some Marines spend their first enlistment or two hopping around bases and stations in the United States. Some Marines will never even set foot outside of the 48 continental states.

One Marine with 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group has done just the opposite in his short, action-packed seven-year career.

Sgt. Timothy Adamovage, a combat engineer with 8th ESB, has been stationed in Hawaii, toured in multiple countries in Southeast Asia, deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, and is currently biding his time in Camp Lejeune.

"I was part of a combat assault company out of Hawaii, so I was a combat engineer [with 1st Marine Division] when I deployed to Iraq," the Exeter, N.H., native explained.

His unit and the location they deployed to during the tumultuous time in Iraq in 2007 made for a dangerous, albeit exciting, deployment, according to Adamovage. When talking about it, he seems more nostalgic than anxious, despite the lingering presence of post traumatic stress disorder symptoms from the tour there.

He described the high intensity levels, the

long days and the numerous accomplishments of his platoon. He briefly talked about a vehicle-born improvised explosive device that killed five Marines from another platoon and left a number of his Marines, including himself, "banged around and shaken up."

Despite the dangers and numerous close-calls, Adamovage spoke about his deployment to Iraq with pride.

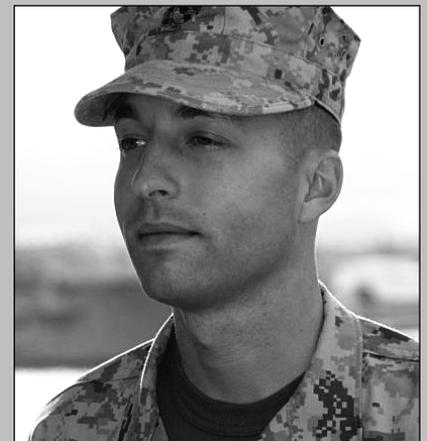
"It was just an awesome platoon of a bunch of friends," he explained. "We all worked really well together and accomplished a lot."

In fact, Adamovage spoke of all three of his deployments with pride. He admitted he matured a lot through them and took the opportunities presented to him to learn from others' mistakes. He said he spent the deployment in Afghanistan in early 2010 organizing operations and learning a lot about the administrative side of deployment.

Whether it was kicking in doors in Iraq, training with other country's militaries in Southeast Asia in 2008, or assisting in the planning and implementation of operations in Afghanistan in 2010, Adamovage learned something new every step of the way.

"When I first came in, I struggled just like any other new Marine," he concluded. "It was about finding my identity and figuring out what kind of person I want to be. I don't regret one bit."

WARRIOR of the WEEK



**SERGEANT
TIMOTHY ADAMOVAGE**

HOMETOWN:
Exeter, N.H.

OCCUPATION:
Combat Engineer

**WHEN IT COMES TO
HISTORY:**
"I'm a huge Civil War buff."

FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM:
"New England Patriots, Bruins, any Boston team really."

MY HERO:
"Master Sgt. Vanek. He's the kind of Marine I want to be. You can just look at him and know he's a good Marine and a good person."

Two Marines with Bulk Fuel Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group prepare to extinguish a controlled-fuel fire during a training exercise aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., May 22.

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Heated

Bulk Fuel Company tackles fire containment training

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MARINE CORPS AIR STATION CHERRY POINT, N.C.

– Thousands upon thousands of gallons of fuel in one location, extreme weather conditions and high vehicle or aircraft traffic at a fueling point could be the recipe for disaster.

Marines with Bulk Fuel Company, 8th Engineer Support Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group know a fuel fire can ignite at a moment's notice and cost loss of lives

and equipment.

Therefore, they combined efforts with aircraft rescue and firefighting specialists with Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Division, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing to conduct a training exercise aboard Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C., May 22.

“We are the first responders,” said Staff Sgt. Carlos I. Castillo, the maintenance chief for Bulk Fuel Co. “We need to be able to contain the fire until the firefighters get to



where we are.”

During the exercise, the Marines received a brief on responsibilities as a firefighter, and classes on how to properly set up and assemble the fire proximity suit and how to use the different hoses and nozzles.

“We want to train our Marines on different aspects of their [job]. Not just the fuel side, but also the firefighting side of it too,” explained Sgt. Jacob C. Almaguer, a bulk fuel specialist with Bulk Fuel Co. “We want to familiarize them with the gear, so they know when the time comes they are prepared to handle any situation.”

The training culminated with troops applying lessons learned and extinguishing four different controlled-fuel fires.

During the first three fires, the Marines used water pumped

at high pressures by two firefighting trucks. The Marines used a Twin Agent Unit to put out the last fire.

“We have a TAU in almost every fueling point and it puts out a combination of potassium bicarbonate and aqueous film forming foam to control a fire,” Castillo said. “The TAU gives us the capability to put out a class A Fire [ordinary combustible] and Class B fire [flammable liquid].”

Pfc. Riley J. Campbell, a bulk fuel specialist and one of the service members involved in the exercise, explained the importance of having this set of skills in his career field.

“I feel this training is very important, because we are the people there handling the fuel,” Campbell concluded. “I feel more comfortable knowing that I can do my job and if something happens, like a fire, I can extinguish it and save lives and equipment.”

AIR, LAND, SEA



Photos by Cpls. Bruno J. Bego, Katherine M. Solano

Air, ground and sea assets from across the Navy and Marine Corps will be crucial in the upcoming week-long expeditionary logistics exercise, spanning the distance between North Carolina and Virginia, June 11-17. The purpose of the exercise is to move back toward the services' expeditionary roots and to crosstrain with multiple units.

'Expeditionary Logistics' brings Marines, Navy together for reintegration, training

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CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. – Elements of 2nd Marine Logistics Group will conduct a massive training operation June 11-17, spanning the distance between Camp Lejeune, N.C., and Norfolk, Va.

The exercise, called the Expeditionary Logistics Wargame, will combine the efforts of air, land and sea assets across the Navy and Marine Corps to enhance readi-

ness on a number of levels.

"The purpose of the exercise is to get back to the expeditionary mindset and to cross train with our naval counterparts," explained Gunnery Sgt. James Lucas, the operations chief with Combat Logistics Battalion 8, 2nd MLG.

CLB-8 will play a vital role in the exercise by providing the vehicles and manpower needed to conduct the long-range convoy from North Carolina to Virginia, and the logistical capabilities to support the

"friendly forces" at the destination.

According to the concept of operations, "Nibia" will provide supplies and cargo to "New Brittanie," both fictitious countries comprised of portions of Virginia and North Carolina, which will be the providers and destination points for the mock humanitarian exercise, respectively. A unique element to this training evolution is the inclusion of a "refugee camp," accessible by watercraft.

Supplies, once delivered by land and air, will be called forward to landing craft and sailed to the coastal refugee camp. This will involve the efforts of landing support and supply Marines and Sailors with varying occupations.

Maj. Chester Reese, the future operations officer with 2nd MLG, pointed out that CLB-8 will be a main effort in the exercise, but they are by no means the only effort.

2nd MLG will combine forces with elements of 4th MLG, a reservist unit based out of New Orleans, and Navy logistics units every step of the way to complete the week-long exercise, said Reese.

"As we see the transitions out of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, the Marine Corps is going to put a renewed emphasis on amphibious operations and reintegration with the Navy," Reese continued. "We need to start forecasting into the future as amphibious operations start to become more important again."

The reintegration and preparation for potential future operations, whether they be humanitarian or otherwise, is a large piece of a complicated puzzle that is the exercise.

As Reese summed up, 2nd MLG is supporting Headquarter Marine Corps' future technologies development, while taking the opportunity to do some internal training on skills, as well reestablishing those relationships with Navy brethren.

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