



Preflight Brief



Civil Air Patrol Squadron 87

May 2016 Edition

Group 8 / California Wing

21 May 2016 - O-Rides and G1000 Training



Squadron 87 had an outstanding day at Fallbrook Airpark L18. Pilots from SQ-87 flew 9 cadets from Vista High School JROTC and 8 Cadets from Escondido Cadet Squadron 714, Civil Air Patrol. In addition, Pilots from Group 8 received G1000 training for the newest 182 in the Group 8 inventory. We also ate Col Lostetter's pulled pork for lunch.

Thanks to the following SQ-87 personnel:

O-Ride Pilots: Maj Roy Knight, Maj Stu Oster and Maj Jim Redmon. **Ground Support:** Lt Col Vinny Lostetter, Maj Rich Lee, 2d Lt Richard Giroux, 2d Lt Jerry Camp, SM David West and SM Derek Martin.

SQ-87 Commander Capt Bill Rote flew his Great Lakes Biplane in for a static display. Maj Rich Lee also taxied his C-172 over for static display. The USMC was even nice enough to have a UH-1Y, emergency landing that is, and the Marines gave the Cadets and Seniors tours of the helicopter. Col Lostetter from Vista High School Air Force JROTC and SQ-87 supported the JROTC Cadets. Maj Bob



Rea and Capt Sonya Rea supported SQ-714. Thank you all for your hard work. Really great work by all involved especially the check pilots – Maj Thomas O'Connor and Maj Mark Robinson, our ground instructor – Capt Terry Pratt and our often unsung hero – Maj John Genduso who handled the scheduling and flight releases on all of this. None of this operation

could have taken place without the leadership of AE Officer Maj Knight and O-Ride Coordinator Lt Col Vinny Lostetter.

Vista High School JROTC Cadets /

Photographers – Cadets Jared Tredwell and Perla Flores took the majority of the photos of the O-Rides, shown above. Thanks to SM David West for encouraging these student photographers. You can see more of their work on the SQ-87 Facebook page and by clicking this link:



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AFROTC O-Rides 24 May 2016 -San Diego State University AFROTC Cadets Ethan Hammershaimb and

Brandon Williams took their first CAP O-Rides with San Diego Group 8 Commander Maj Jim Redmon. It was a great day to fly, cool air and some clouds in the sky. SQ-87 ground support 2d Lt Richard Giroux, 2d Lt Jerry Camp and SM Derek Martin. Photos by Lt Jerry Camp Thank you all for supporting this important Aerospace Education mission.



Cadet Squadron 47 Recognizes SQ-87 – During the Squadron 47



Annual Awards Banquet, Maj Rich Lee was presented with a certificate of appreciation for supporting SQ47 with ES training on behalf of SQ87



Honor for Maj Knight

It is with great pride that the men and women of Fallbrook Squadron 87 congratulate our very own Maj Roy A. Knight for being named the Squadron Commander of the Year for the Pacific Region, 2015.

As a friend of ours is fond of saying, "It's bigger than Dallas!" Congratulations Roy. Well deserved. – Capt Bill Rote, CC SQ-87.

Maj Knight Said: "Holy Cow! I didn't even know this was a thing! Well, this award is a testament to the outstanding performance of every member of this wonderful squadron! You guys did great and made me look good in the process. It is an honor and a great privilege to serve with each of you. Thank you and God Bless all Y'all!"

SQ-87 B-25 Pilot–

4 May 2016 –

2d Lt Roxanne

"RoxVader"

Parker was in the right place at the right time and flew right seat in the B-25J

"Tondelayo"



from Riverside (KRAL) to John Wayne (KSNA)! What an outstanding opportunity for a very deserving airman. RoxVader is an FO with Skywest when she isn't jumping into WWII bombers. Congratulations, Rox! (See more photos on the SQ-87 Facebook page)

30 May 2016 SQ-87 in the

Community - Squadron 87 airmen's service extends far beyond the squadron and CAP. Here we have Maj Stu Oster and 2dLt Bill Ulmer



working the Valley Center Days Parade as volunteers for the San Diego Sheriffs. Stu and Bill exemplify the strong commitment to service one finds in this great squadron.



Meeting ReCAP

The 25 May 2016 meeting of SQ-87 was jammed packed with information and a hot wash of recent operations. Also a presentation on the B-36. A good and productive Squadron meeting.



Volunteers Needed - Capt Bill Rote charted the upcoming events and asked for volunteers to lead various upcoming training missions. A number of the newer members stepped up to fill very large shoes.

Lt Jerry Camp – Gave a presentation on flying with SQ-57 on the “Ventura

Incident”. Lt Camp was also credited with his second non-distress find for that mission.

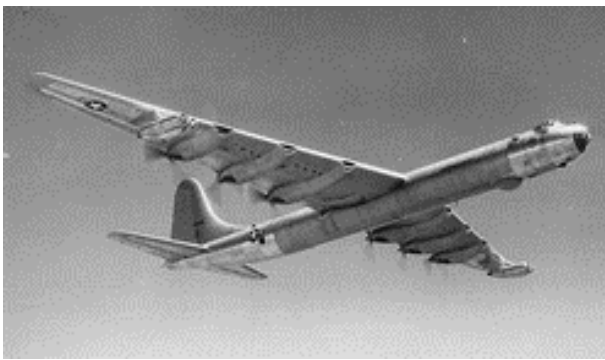


Maj Tom Buscemi - Briefed us on G1000 procedures when systems go sideways. Biggest take-a-way: fly the plane and work through the procedures. Declare an emergency with ATC if the situation warrants. Good presentation Tom. Tom’s Handouts are found at SQ87-CAP.org/members.

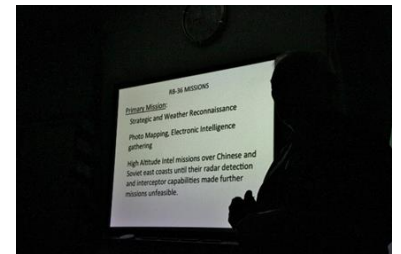




Maj John Genduso is our Squadron's Flight Release Officer. He is behind the scenes and works miracles with WIMRS when the flights change at the last minute. To show our appreciation to Maj Genduso, Maj Buscemi acquired a K-Bar knife and presented it to John. Marine to Marine. Thanks for all the great work you do John, you really make this squadron a great success



Maj Joe DiMento - Gave a great presentation on his time flying as a Radioman on B-36 and RB-36. Joe had a lot of information on the aircraft. Joe is seen to the right in silhouette, he had great slides and did the presentation in a darkened Scout Shack.



Next SQ-87 meeting is 8 June 2016, See you all there.

Member Profile

*"Homines enim ad deos nulla re propius accedunt quam salutem hominibus dando."
"In nothing are men more like gods than in coming to the rescue of their fellow man."*

Marcus Tullius Cicero
106-43 BC

This issue of Squadron 87's newsletter profiles Lt. Col. Willard Gordon, the founder and first Commander of our Unit. Records show Col. Gordon signed CAPF 27, Request for Charter, as a Composite Squadron, on 28 December 1994 (later transitioning into Senior Squadron status) and has been continuously active with the Civil Air Patrol since.

Lt Col Gordon joined the Civil Air Patrol in 1954 while on active duty as an Air Force Air Defense F-86 fighter pilot. In 1958, while flying for American Airlines, he began Air Force Reserve duty as a Civil Air Patrol / Air Force Reserve Assistance Officer. Accumulating over 300 Emergency Services Mission credits, two disaster finds and two saves as an Incident Commander and Mission Pilot, he also participated as a Cadet Orientation Pilot. Lt Col Gordon served as Commander of El Monte Cadet Squadron 21 and San Gabriel Group 15. Later moving to Fallbrook in 1970, he was assigned to the California Wing Staff, serving as Director of Operations, Director of Emergency Services and Deputy Counter Drug Officer. Among the many awards, Lt Col Gordon is most honored to have received the National Civil Air Patrol Member of the Year Award in 2013.



Lt Col Wil Gordon
2013 Sr Member of the
Year for Lifetime
Achievement



Upcoming Events:

- 10-12 June 2016 – CD Mission, 1 Crew, Contact Lt Col Jerry Rohles for more information.
- 9-10 July 2016 – Mission Aircrew School, Long Beach
- 22-24 July 2016 – Mission Aircrew Flight School, Fresno
- 30-31 July 2016 - SQ57 DREX (Tentative Dates)
- 12-14 Aug 2016 - CD Mission, 1 Crew, Contact Lt Col Jerry Rohles for more information.
- Date TBA – Annual SQ-87 Pool Party and Speedo Competition.
- O-Ride Calendar is open at this writing.

Preflight Brief – If you have an interesting story to tell that is SQ-87 or aviation related and would like to share it with the CAP community, please drop an e-mail to Lt Camp at gerald.camp@cawgcap.org.

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