



# NC Wing Education and Training Newsletter April 2025



The NCWG Conference is coming up on April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Embassy Suites in Greensboro. Former NCWG Commander and current National Deputy Commander, Brig. Gen. R. Jason Bailey will be speaking at the General Assembly. There will be seminars covering all areas of CAP, from Information Technology to Operations. In addition to the seminars designed to help you achieve your goals in specific areas, there are many seminars that should be of interest to all CAP members on topics such as Artificial Intelligence, Leadership, and even the Economics of Space. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to learn from experts in their fields and mingle with members of other squadrons.

To earn National Conference credit and improve your capabilities start or continue with us in our journey through the Year of Ownership. There are approximately two seminars offered per month. You can sign up to participate in upcoming webinars on [gocivilairpatrol.com](http://gocivilairpatrol.com) under events. If you aren't available when it airs, you can find a recording in Absorb. I recently listened to "Extreme Ownership Principles" with Col Jeff Garrett, CAP. The entire presentation was excellent, but the portion that stood out most to me was to own your mistakes and make a plan to overcome them. I have never been involved in an event that didn't have some form of hiccup. Whether it was major or minor, the leaders of these events focused on the mission and the success of the team. With the right attitude, we can overcome almost any obstacle.

*Maj Chad Hooper, NC Wing Director of Education and Training*

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## Education and Training Program Level Completions in Mar

(including accomplishments from 19 Feb through the end of March)

### Level I Member



- NC-019 SM Kristen Duchac, SM Jeremy Williams
- NC-022 1st Lt Ethan Riley, SM Daniel Rogers
- NC-048 SM Sean Bligh, SM Samantha Boeve, SM Amy Burke, SM Swapna Chilmakuru, SM Alexander Lehman, SM Ryan Moody
- NC-050 SM Chloe Patterson
- NC-082 SM Kimberly Brown, SM Aaron Elder
- NC-124 SM Luke Messick, SM Jacob Meyer, SM David Wiles
- NC-145 SM Jeffrey Hunter
- NC-160 SM Alexander Ben-Ami
- NC-162 SM Lonnie Bagwell II, SM Ronald Bowers, SM Josiah Gandy, SM James Javurek, SM Isaias Sanchez
- NC-307 SM Christian Loftis, SM Luke Oberg

### Level II Davis

- NC-048 2d Lt Valeriy Cherkashin
- NC-160 2d Lt Christopher Winkeleer
- NC-301 2d Lt Daniel Lane
- No Davis Award Ribbon – Leadership Ribbon for Tech rating

### Level III Loening



- NC-023 1st Lt Sarah Phillips
- NC-024 Capt. Michael Hadrick
- NC-070 1st Lt Charlie Manley

### Yeager Award



- NC-022 1st Lt Ethan Riley, SM Daniel Rogers
- NC-023 SM David Zimbelman
- NC-048 SM Richard Shores Jr, SM Dakota Wright, SM Thomas Young Jr
- NC-079 SM Michael Hudson
- NC-124 SM Jacob Meyer
- NC-160 2d Lt Joshua Arnold
- NC-162 SM Michelle Shott

## Specialty Track Ratings Achieved in March

Administration Technician Rating – 1st Lt Sarah Phillips, NC-023  
Aerospace Education Technician Rating – 2d Lt Christopher Winkeler  
Cadet Programs Senior Rating – Capt Racheal Gliniak, NC-022  
1st Lt Norma Langlois, NC-160  
Cadet Programs Technician Rating – 1st Lt Ethan Riley, NC-022  
Character Development Technician Rating – 2d Lt John Davis Jr, NC-145  
Command Master Rating – Maj Jordan Crawford, NC-022  
Finance Senior Rating – Maj Charles Burdulis, NC-160  
Historian Senior Rating – Capt Michael Hadrick, NC-024  
Information Technology Technician Rating – Capt Donald Williams, NC-048  
1st Lt Brandon Noel, NC-023  
2d Lt Valeriy Cherkashin, NC-048  
Logistics Senior Rating – 1st Lt William Mellick Jr, NC-022  
Personnel Senior Rating – 1st Lt Sarah Phillips, NC-023  
Safety Technician Rating – 1st Lt Ian Barnes, NC-307

## Congratulations on Completing Commander's Courses in March

Squadron Commander's Course – Lt Col Kenneth McKethan, NC-171

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### Education and Training Program

#### 2025 NC Wing Conference Seminars



The seminars are set for the 2025 NC Wing Conference! Click [NCWG Conference Descriptions](#) to view the webpage that lists the 25 seminars. The NHQ Innovations Team staff will discuss one of CAP's key strategic plan goals: "Innovate and explore new ways to provide relevant solutions to the dynamic nation we serve." There are seminars on achieving ratings in Cadet

Programs, Education and Training, Public Affairs, and Information Technology Specialty Tracks.

Air Operations, sUAS Program, Emergency Services, Enhancing Mission Readiness, and Situational Awareness seminars will be presented. If Aerospace (that's both flight and space) or How to Survive the SUI is what you are looking for, be sure to attend these sessions.

Other seminars include Command, Leadership, Adult Mentoring, How to Plan an Event, and Using Microsoft AI Tools. Click the [Seminar Schedule](#) to view the seminar times, allowing you to pre-plan your day. The General Assembly begins at 08:30. Join your fellow NC members to hear about the latest developments in the wing, region, and nation. It is always a great time to meet fellow members and network. See you there!

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#### 2025 NC Wing Conference – 11-13 April – Last Chance to Register!

The 2025 North Carolina Wing Annual Conference is from 11-13 April at the Greensboro Airport Embassy Suites. In addition to the general session, there will be seminars for our seniors and cadets that will allow

everyone to improve their knowledge and skills. Click [Conference Seminars](#) to view the list to be presented by subject matter experts from the Squadron, Group, Wing, and Region.

In addition to the conference seminars planned for Saturday, Water Survival Training will be held on Friday, April 11. This pre-conference event is limited to 30 senior member students. In addition, the Education and Training staff is offering Level II and Level III classes that will be held on Friday, 11 April, allowing members to work on their professional development education in conjunction with attending the Wing Conference. The E&T Staff will send information and registration in a few months. Plan to stay for the banquet Saturday evening with guest speaker retired United States Air Force Major General Brett T. Williams who served as Director of Operations for the US Cyber Command. There will also be a cadet ball immediately following the banquet's conclusion.



**NOTE: Full registration options will be open until 5 April.** All options except the day rate will be removed after that date.

Click on the following links for registration and payment. This is a two-step process – register, then pay.

[Registration and Pricing](#)

Payment Links (after completing registration):

[Senior Member - Commander's Reception, Lunch & Banquet](#)

[Senior Full Conference including Water Survival Course, Commander's Reception, Lunch & Banquet](#)

[Senior Day Rate Including Lunch](#)

[Senior Day Rate No Meals](#)

[Cadet Full Conference Including Lunch & Banquet](#)

[Cadet Day Rate with Lunch Only](#)

[Cadet Day Rate with No Meals](#)

[Banquet Guest-Senior or Cadet](#)

[Water Survival Course Only](#)

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## Level II Moderated Modules – 11 April at NCWG Conference



NCWG has space available for the Level II moderated modules the day before the Wing Conference (Level II is full). We will be onsite at the Guilford Technical Community College (GTCC) Caesar Cone III Aviation Building, 1053 Old Stage Coach Trail (off Ballinger Road) in Greensboro.

Level II will be in person on 11 April from 0830-1730. You must have completed Level I to be eligible for enrollment. Students must agree to read all the student guides and complete all assignments prior to 4 April. This is an in-person training event. Students must agree to read all the student guides (see the link below) before attending. The course will consist of a discussion of the relevant material, not a lecture. There are also several pre-course assignments. The preferred uniform is the Class B uniform (Air Force blues) or its corporate equivalent, but you may wear the corporate polo uniform if you don't have the Class B yet.

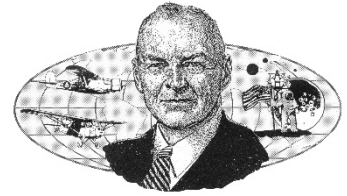
Level II sign-up <https://www.capnhq.gov/CAP.Experiences.Web/Registration/RegistrationDetails?EventID=4658>  
Registration is still open for a short time for Level II. Please contact Maj Chad Hooper at [chooper@ncwgcap.org](mailto:chooper@ncwgcap.org) with any questions.

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## Volunteer University Level V – 30 April to 4 May

The Mid-Atlantic Region is holding an in-person Level V course at Cherry Point MCAS from 30 April to 4 May. This is a great opportunity for members who have completed Level IV to come together for great instruction and to collaborate with members throughout the region.

Level V's primary focus is developing a strategic view of the organization and continued leadership skills. Level V focuses on developing the region or national level leader who aspires to serve on staff or as a commander. Completing Level V of the Education and Training Program qualifies the CAP officer for the Gill Robb Wilson Award, the highest education and training award earned by a senior member.



The registration deadline is 6 April. Click [Registration Zone](#) to secure your seat. The student packet will be emailed to each attendee, which will include directions to Cherry Point, a site map, course schedule, homework assignments, a read-ahead list, a packing list, and a classroom supply list. If you have any questions, please contact Capt Carol Stoltz at [cstoltz@mar.cap.gov](mailto:cstoltz@mar.cap.gov) (631-767-3758) or Lt Col David Roberts at [david.roberts@mar.cap.gov](mailto:david.roberts@mar.cap.gov) (843-465-2668).

## Senior Members Involvement in Cadet Programs – Training Leaders of Cadets Mid-Atlantic Region Training Leaders of Cadets Course – 23 August



Training Leaders of Cadets is the premiere venue for Cadet Programs Officers to learn how to become better mentors of cadets and more effective managers of cadet squadrons. The 3-course program is a component of the Cadet Programs

Officer Specialty Track. It is not a requirement to be in the Cadet Programs Specialty Track to take these courses.

The Mid-Atlantic Region Cadet Programs Team is hosting a Virtual Training Leaders of Cadets (TLC) Intermediate course via MS Teams on Saturday, August 23, 2025, from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm EST. The TLC Intermediate Course is a discussion-based course designed to prepare cadet programs officers to lead the squadron's cadet program. This course counts toward a unit's requirement to have at least two Senior Members current in TLC. It also counts toward QCUA and the Cadet Programs Specialty Track senior rating. TLC-Basic is not a prerequisite for this course. Participants must complete one online module in Absorb prior to the virtual course.

Sign up in [Registration Zone](#). You can also search for it under MAR-MAR-001 or "[TLC-I]." Registration is initially open to the Mid-Atlantic Region. It will be opened to other regions on 1 Aug 2025 if space is available. We expect a high demand, so register early! For more information, visit the [Training Leaders of Cadets](#) webpage. Contact Lt Col Fisk-Moody, [pmoody@mar.cap.gov](mailto:pmoody@mar.cap.gov), with any questions.

Further information about leaders of cadets can be found by visiting the [Adult Leaders](#) webpage. The [Cadet Programs Training](#) webpage is a database with over 35 resources for supplemental training resources available for adults who work with cadets. Regulations, pamphlets, and required/official curriculum are in the [Cadet Library](#). Thank you to all who are leading and guiding our cadets!

Adult Leaders
Cadet Protection Training
Progressive Discipline
Training Leaders of Cadets
Youth Development Conference
Cadets At School
Quality Cadet Unit Award
Cadet KPIs & Annual Survey
Proving Grounds
DCP Chat Archive
National Cadet Team
Great Start
Cadet Promotion Application
BGCA
Cadet Programs Training

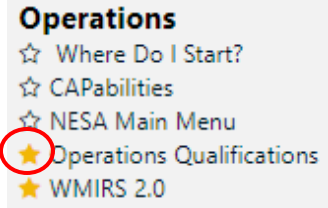
### How Do I...

The "How Do I" section contains items and tips to help members navigate eServices, find information, and provide "I didn't know that" items.

## How Do I Set Up a One-Click List of Favorites in eServices?

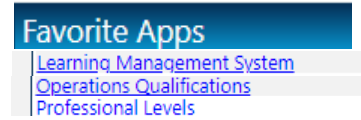
We occasionally repeat previously posted articles. This one was posted last April. It is always beneficial to review helpful hints and ensure that our new members receive this information. Setting up a "one-click" list of favorites is a great time-saver when you frequently visit specific pages in eServices. Follow these easy instructions and set up your list of favorites!

- Click on your name and gear symbol in the top right-hand corner of the main eServices screen
- Click on the "+" sign on the Favorites line. This will open a new page that displays a list of links you can make favorites of.



- Click on the "star" next to your selection to turn it into a "gold star" favorite.

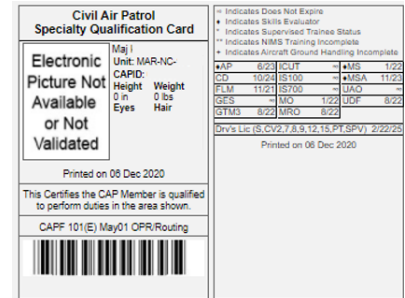
On the main eServices page, you will now see all your favorites under Favorite Apps, which can be accessed with a single click.



The *Setting Up a List of Favorites in eServices* guide is also available on the [NC Wing Education and Training Resources](#) webpage.

## How Do I Upload My Picture to eServices?

Is your picture missing in eServices, or has it been a few years since you updated your photo? A member's picture is on the CAPF 101 Specialty Qualification Card. It is essential to have a clear and accurate picture displayed on the 101 Card when using it during a mission or training exercise. Senior members' pictures are also on their CAP ID. It is preferred that you are in uniform for these documents. Instructions on requirements and how to upload your picture are found by clicking the [Membership Card Photo Guide](#). Our cadets change the older they get. Have them update their picture every couple of years. When a cadet transitions over to becoming a senior member, have them update their picture from one with cadet rank on their uniform to their new senior member grade.



## Other Learning and Training Opportunities

This section lists other training resources inside and outside of Civil Air Patrol that will increase your knowledge and enhance your skills.

### 2025 Mid-Atlantic Search and Rescue College – 25 to 27 April



Registration for the 2025 Mid-Atlantic Search and Rescue College is now open. Lt Col Brendan Kearns, MARSAR Director, emailed all the details and forms on 19 Jan. The location is Fort Barefoot Military Reservation and Blackstone Army Airfield in Blackstone, VA. Training Opportunities include Mission Aircrew School (MP, AP, MO, MS), Ground Search and Rescue (GT1-3, GTL, GBD, MRO), sUAS Training, ICS 400 course (minimum of 10 students required to schedule class), MRO Course, and

Incident Command Staff (LSC, OSC, AOB, FASC, PSC, HSO, SO, IC). Support Staff Support Staff (PAOs, HSOs, Transportation, Logistics, Supply, Flight Line, MSA's, etc.) and Kitchen Team positions are also available.

Click [MARSAR College](#) for details, forms, requirements, and registration link to attend. The deadline to register is 15 April.

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### Points of Distribution - NC Wing Group Level Training

*Points of Distribution* (PODs) are centralized locations where the public picks up life-sustaining commodities following a disaster or emergency. This is one of the areas in which NC Wing members work alongside NC Emergency Management in assisting the state in times of need.



Below are the announced Wing opportunities in order of the training date. Be prepared to serve our communities by attending one of the trainings!

#### Group 3

Saturday, 0800 hrs., 5 Apr 2025, Host - NC-079 Pitt-Greenville Composite Squadron

Location: 1401 North Memorial Drive, Greenville NC 27834

POC: Capt Brian Hecker, [bhecker@ncwgcap.org](mailto:bhecker@ncwgcap.org)

#### Group 2

Saturday, 0800 hrs., 3 May 2025, Host - NC-145 Franklin County Composite Squadron

Location: Triangle North Executive Airport, 440 Airport Road, Louisburg NC 27549

POC: Maj Christine Weber, [christine.weber@ncwgcap.org](mailto:christine.weber@ncwgcap.org)

#### Group 6

Saturday, 0800 hrs., 10 May 2025, Host - NC-107 Randolph Composite Squadron

Location: Hopewell Friends Meeting Church, 244 Hopewell Friends Road, Asheboro NC 27205

POC: Capt Lucas Hunt, [lucas.hunt@ncwgcap.org](mailto:lucas.hunt@ncwgcap.org)

#### Group 1

Saturday, 0800 hrs., 7 Jun 2025, Host - NC-124 Hickory Comp Squadron

Location: Hickory Regional Airport, 3101 9th Ave Drive NW, Hickory, NC 28601

POC: Maj David Hartman, [david.hartman@ncwgcap.org](mailto:david.hartman@ncwgcap.org)

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### Wings Over Wayne Airshow 2-4 May – Registration Until 16 April

The registration for WOW 2025 has been reopened. Registration closes at 10:00 am on 16 April, and the Availability form closes the same day at 10:00 pm. You should register on BOTH by the specified times.



The NC Wing needs your support for the Wings Over Wayne Airshow on 2-4 May. The event is headlined by the Thunderbirds and is located at Seymour Johnson AFB in Goldsboro. Support at the Goldsboro Composite Squadron's home will include a static airplane display and recruiting booth (outdoors) and support of the CAP Aerospace

Education booth in the 40,000 sq ft STEM hangar (possibly including flying small drones in the drone tent – to be confirmed).

View the airshow's website at <https://www.wingsoverwaynearshow.com>. For more information on this opportunity and to register, click on the following link for Registration Zone:

<https://www.capnhq.gov/CAP.Experiences.Web/Registration/RegistrationDetails?EventID=4717>

Availability Form: <https://forms.office.com/r/hZnDnecgEC> (must submit both)

Please contact 1st Lt Catherine Bird at [Catherine.Bird@ncwgcap.org](mailto:Catherine.Bird@ncwgcap.org) or Lt Col Liz Dunster at [ldunster@ncwgcap.org](mailto:ldunster@ncwgcap.org) with any questions you may have.

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## CAP.NEWS



Have you visited [CAP.NEWS](#)? To find CAP.NEWS go to the national website [gocivilairpatrol.com](http://gocivilairpatrol.com). On the blue bar directly below the logo, click on *News*. In the dropdown box that appears, click on *CAP.NEWS*. There are articles from

across CAP, resources, a media library, and more. Under Resources, you will find Featured Stories, Volunteer Magazines, and PROPS Newsletters. The Media Library contains photos, videos, documents, annual reports, reports to Congress, wing reports, and fact sheets. Stay informed about what's happening in Civil Air Patrol!

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## Operation Pulse Lift

[Operation Pulse Lift](#) is celebrating an anniversary! Many CAP members throughout CAP have participated in donating blood and assisted in blood transports. We thank our members and their families who have contributed and continue to contribute to this life-saving program.



To celebrate Operation Pulse Lift's five-year successes as CAP's largest and longest humanitarian mission, Exercise "High-Five" will be conducted April 6-19, peaking April 12, with seven blood donor centers operating simultaneously in five states. The goal of the exercise is to exceed 150,000 potential lives saved in the mission. All blood collections and donations should be reported to the mission Incident Management Team at [this email address](#).

Click this link, [Learn More About Operation Pulse Lift's Past Five Years of Humanitarian Service](#) document, for information about the program. The [Operation Pulse Lift](#) webpage contains links to important contacts, donor center schedules, locations, planning documents, and a How to Support the American Cross "Hometown" Blood Program link. Consider getting involved if you are not already!

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## CAP Silvered Wing Series



CAP SILVERED WINGS

Fleet Model 7 (1929-31), NC424K

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The latest Silvered Wing Series airplane is the [Fleet Model 7 \(1929-31, NC424K\)](#). The Fleet Model 7 was an open-cockpit biplane seating two in tandem and available as a land-based trainer or seaplane. Several hundred other Fleet models were already in service when the Model 7 arrived with a 125-horsepower Kinner B5 engine and revised tail group. The unusual tail was the result of a study indicating the need for greater proportions for prompt recovery. The production jump from the Model 2 to the Model

7 omitted the experimental Models 3, 4, 5, and 6. Fleet biplanes were manufactured by Fleet Aircraft, a division of Consolidated Aircraft Corp. in Buffalo, New York. During World War II, Michigan Wing members flew NC424K, a Fleet Model 2 converted to a Model 7. Its rugged build and excellent all-round visibility made it a natural for search and rescue missions.

This is the 24th painting in Maj Ron Finger's second series of depictions of vintage CAP aircraft. More of Finger's CAP artwork can be seen at [redpine.net](http://redpine.net).

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Please forward any questions you have about this newsletter and Education and Training to Lt Col Kathy Nicholas at [knicholas@ncwgcap.org](mailto:knicholas@ncwgcap.org)