

Aloha from Marine Corps Base Hawaii

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Community Announcements and Reminders

Announcements:

- Col. Sean C. Killeen assumed command of Marine Corps Base Hawaii May 5, replacing Col. Eric W. Schaefer. Schaefer was relieved of command by Maj. Gen. Charles L. Hudson, commanding general, Marine Corps Installations Pacific, due to a loss of trust and confidence in his ability to lead. Killeen comes to MCBH from U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific. Read more on Killeen via the Hawaii Marine: http://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Portals/114/WebDocuments/PublicAffairs/HawaiiMarine/150501-Hawaii%20Marine.pdf
- Marine Corps Base Hawaii recently partnered with Honolulu Police Department, City and County Parks and Recreation, and Job Corps to beautify Bellows Beach park in Waimanalo. HPD officers, Marines and Job Corps students picked up trash and painted the comfort stations to prepare for the upcoming busy summer season.
- There are several training events going on throughout the state including Kaneohe Bay, Bellows, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and the Big Island throughout the month of May. We will have cargo planes, jets, helicopters, and the MV-22 Osprey visiting the island. These visiting units are not as well versed with the course rules as the resident helicopters and cargo planes, so we ask for your patience as these visiting units conduct training. Intermittent training noise may be heard in surrounding communities. If individuals hear noise, there is no immediate danger. Weather, such as overcast conditions, can increase noise and vibrations. The military services in Hawaii appreciate the community's understanding and continued support of service members. While sometimes loud, the sounds of training represent how the military ensures the nation's service members are ready to accomplish the mission and return home safely.
- Marine Corps Base Hawaii will host the Kaneohe Bay Air Show and Open House Oct 17-18, 2015. This is an Open House event, including FREE admission, FREE parking, and a FREE world-class air show. The show will feature the U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Team, the Blue Angels, along with a list of exhilarating professional performers and historical Warbirds, static displays, Keiki events, and much, much more. Please bring your family and friends to this great event! For those who wish to upgrade their viewing experience, premium seating is available for purchase. Marine Corps Community Services' seating and private, shaded chalets provide the ultimate one-of-a-kind airshow experience. http://www.kaneohebayairshow.com/index.html
- Throughout the year, 13 races come together to make up the Commanding Officer's Semper Fit Series. Run along the shoreline of the Pacific Ocean, up mountainous terrain, and even through swampy waters...the challenge is always new and exciting. The Commanding Officer's Series is open to the public. The next event is the **Surf & Turf 5K, June 20, 7 a.m.** More information: http://mccshawaii.com/races/

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Reminders:

- **A base-wide power outage will occur May 9.** The power outages are necessary as the base upgrades the main electrical power service. During this time, certain facilities or services may be limited or closed. Please check our website for tips and the most up-to-date information: http://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Portals/114/WebDocuments/DisasterPreparedness/Power%20Outage%20Family%20Flyer%20V7.pdf
- The 2014 Economic Impact Analysis evaluated the Marine Corps Base Hawaii's impact on the state and local economy. The neighboring communities include the towns of Kaneohe, Kailua, Waimanalo, and Aiea. The final report and summaries are available on our website: http://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/UnitHome/FeaturedInformation/EconomicImpactStudy.aspx

News

By Capt. Cassandra Gesecki, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Installations Pacific – Marines from Kaneohe Bay deploy in support of international humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations that have been taking place in and around Kathmandu since a magnitude 7.8 earthquake struck Nepal April 25. Read the full story here.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii and Training Areas

Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay hours of operation:

Monday - Thursday: 7 a.m. - midnight

Friday: 7 a.m. – 10 p.m. Saturday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

*Aircraft maintenance will occur 24/7, as required to maintain aircraft safety.

Exceptions: May 9-10, 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Marine Corps Training Area Bellows: Monday – Sunday: 24 hours a day

*Quiet hours are from 10 p.m. – 7 a.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 p.m. – 9 a.m. on weekends and holidays

Ulupa'u Crater Range Training Facility: Monday – Sunday: 6 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Pu'uloa Range Training Facility: Monday - Sunday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Marine Corps Base Contacts and Information

- The Aloha Newsletter is a weekly newsletter issued by the Marine Corps Base Hawaii Public Affairs Office. If you would like to be removed from this distribution list, please forward your request to KBAZ.PAO.FCT@USMC.mil
- To express concerns about noise concerns or about base operations, including flight operations and base personnel, please call our hotline, 257-8832, or send a message via the website: http://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Departments/BaseInspector/FormalComplaint.aspx. This number is monitored Monday Friday, 8 a.m. 4 p.m.
- Information about MCB Hawaii's Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) programs, on-base business, and special events are available at http://www.mccshawaii.com
- Submit requests for Marine Corps support, to include aerial events, speakers, and color guards, via this website: http://www.marines.mil/CommunityRelations/AssetRequests.aspx
- Submit requests for the Marine Forces Pacific band via this website: http://www.marforpac.marines.mil/band
- For additional information about community or media events, contact the MCB Hawaii Public Affairs Office at 257-8876, or send an e-mail message to KBAZ.PAO.FCT@USMC.mil