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Arming America's
Combat Forces
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Edge — The
World's Best
Military Weather
Capability

Perspectives From The Top

Brig. Gen. Thomas J. Lennon Air Force Director of Weather

Welcome to the New Observer! We've chosen to reshape this publication with a new magazine format -- a new look to accomplish several important new objectives.

First, and foremost, is to open communication channels throughout Air Force weather from the top down and the bottom up, to bring the Weather community in touch with what is going on in each command, at Air Weather Service, and here on the Air Staff.

Second, is to produce a premiere periodical which includes articles and information covering all aspects of military meteorology and Air Force Weather -- a magazine we can all point to with pride.

The last is to provide a forum for all weather warriors, and those with a vested interest in military meteorology, to ask questions, exchange ideas, and stay current in the operational science. I believe we're off to a great start with this first edition, but we'll need your inputs to make it even better and more responsive to your needs in the coming months.

To kick things off, here's my vision for Air Force Weather. It is a vision that I believe you share with me. First, we are all warfighters. The guiding principles of warfighting -- Know Yourself, Know the Enemy, Know the Environment, Know the Weather, and Have the Courage to Exploit this Knowledge -- dictate that Air Force Weather be integrated into the complete range of warfighter actions, from the individual to the strategic decision level.

Perhaps General Hap Arnold best summed up our warfighting role -- "Weather is the essence of successful air operations."

Today, each of you applies your expertise toward not only air operations, but space and ground operations as well. You make knowledge of the weather, throughout the seamless aerospace medium, the force multiplier that will give us the winning edge over our adversaries.

Air Force Weather succeeds as a force multiplier only with high quality professionals, properly trained and equipped.

As Air Force Director of Weather, my staff and I are dedicated to getting the weather warfighter the right training and equipment needed to do the job. It is not a mistake that people are foremost in this list of priorities and equipment is last. The term





"people" is all-inclusive, and applies equally to everyone who makes up Air Force Weather: computer programmers, communicators, members of the reserve and guard, and Air Force civilians, in addition to those with weather AFSCs. All members of the Air Force Weather team have an equal opportunity to contribute to its success and advance professionally.

As a team, we must strive for continuous improvement to keep the winning edge. Each of us must aspire to achieve our personal and professional best in what we do, everyday. Be creative, exploit technology, seek out opportunities, be ready, and stay ready. Inspire others with your enthusiasm — it can be contagious.

With your wholehearted commitment to our shared vision, I'm convinced that Air Force Weather will continue to live up to its proud tradition — providing the "winning edge" for our military forces worldwide.



Command Line

Col. Frank J. Misciasci Jr. Air Weather Service Commander



Changes

You Wanted It; Here It Is

welcome to the "New OBSERVER". Over the past several months, many talented people have been hard at work throughout Air Weather Service to design and produce our new format. Well, here it is.

This new format was developed with you in mind. Our goal is to make it a conduit for the entire weather family to abreast of the Air Force Weather issues — where we've been, where we're going and how we're going to get there.

Since the reorganization in 1991, many of you have told us you feel out of touch with current weather issues. In fact, some thought that Air Weather Service itself had gone away. Well, we didn't, and we corporately

pledge to keep you informed of what's up with the people, programs, plans and new capabilities which are coming your way.

Now, keeping this magazine interesting will take the help of all who support Air Force Weather. We need for you to tell us what it is you like, or dislike about the OBSERVER; what it is that you want to read about.

One of the changes we'll institute is a direct dialog between our readers and the senior leadership at the Air Staff, AWS and the major commands. We solicit any questions you have on topics relating to the weather career. Let's hear from you!

Now, I'd like to take the time to say good-bye to TSgt. Bill Rhodes, who's headed for Osan, AB, South Korea. Bill is the creative genius behind our new OBSERVER. For the last year he's been gearing up for this change in formats; and for my money, he is the best public affairs NCO in the Air Force! Without his talent we wouldn't have succeeded. We're looking forward to Bill's return to AWS after he buys out all the souvenirs, leisure suits, and jogging shoes in Korea.

As we go to press, we've had some outstanding news. The Chief of Staff of the Air Force has approved the establishment of our Combat Weather Center at Hurlburt Field in Florida! Watch the February OBSERVER for more details.

Again — let us hear from you. This is your magazine — we want it to serve your needs.



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Focus

Putting this first magazine together was not easy. In early 1993, Col. George L. Frederick Jr., then the AWS commander, decided to set the wheels in motion for the change of the OBSERVER from a



tabloid to a magazine. Over the next year, Air Weather Service purchased the required equipment. In 1994, Brig. Gen. Thomas J. Lennon, Air Force Director of Weather directed AWS to proceed with the magazine.

The idea was to make the new magazine a forum where the "weather family" could turn to for news on their careers and for technical information in forecasting. To make this dream come true, Col. Jack Hayes, AWS vice commander, created the integrated product team to map out the first and future editions of the Observer Magazine. Pictured above are five of the six member team. SSgt. Steven Elliott, the new AWS chief of public affairs; 2nd Lt. Sara Terison, representing the Systems and Communications Directorate (SY), Capt. Brian Bietter, representing the United States Air Force Environmental Technical Applications Center; 2nd. Lt. Jahna Schadt, also representing SY, and Capt. John Pino. Not pictured are MSgt. Mike Spaulding and TSgt. William Rhodes. Pino, a manager for Future, Centralized Weather Projects with the Technology, Plans and Programs Directorate (XO), is the lead officer for the IPT and recently transferred to AWS from the Air Force Special Operations Command.

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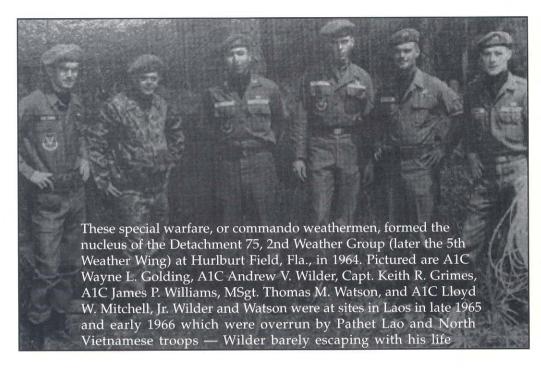
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Weather Heritage





A unique aspect of Air Weather Service's mission involved deployment of some commando weathermen to Thailand in early 1965 where they trained Laotians as forward weather observers for use in developing a limited weather observing net in Laos to support air operations during the Vietnam War.

The team primarily consisted of members from the 2nd Weather Group, 5th Weather Wing, Detachment 75, at Hurlburt Field, Fla., lead by Capt. Keith R. Grimes. Later that year, Grimes' men entered Laos and operated in an atmosphere they described as "super secret, cloak and dagger." They functioned not only as weathermen and advisors, but as forward air controllers, intelligence gatherers, and fighters. Posing as civilians with varying cover stories and carrying only a civilian identification card, they labored under the most hazardous

conditions withot diplomatic protection.

On Nov. 20-21, 1970, a small U.S. force led a daring night raid on the prisoner of war camp at Son Tay, North Vietnam. The date for the raid was largely determined by Air Weather Service climatological study and forecasts provided by Grime's weather team. The overall raid commander later wrote "as far as tactical considerations were concerned, weather was probably the most critical factor."

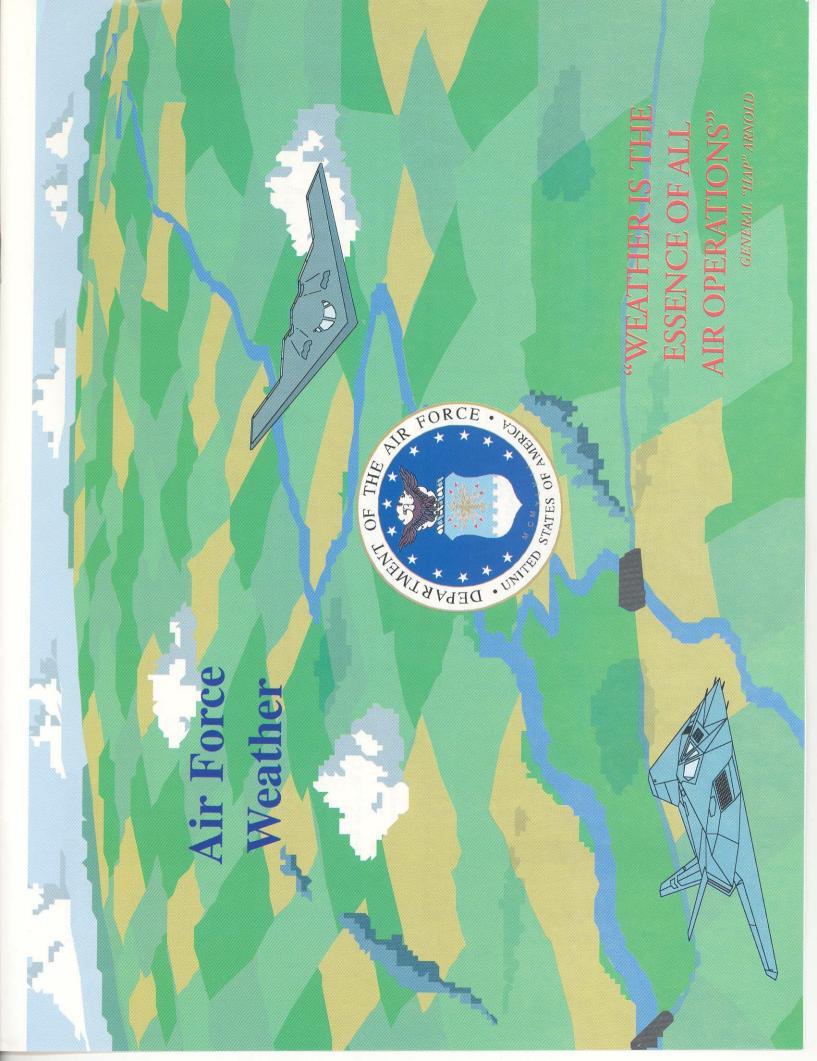
AWS special warfare weathermen remained

in Laos nearly continuously until the conflict's end keeping the vital weatherobserving net functioning.

Although not involved in the Son Tay raid, one initial member of this "commandostyle" weather unit was A1C Wayne L. Golding. Golding advanced to the rank of Staff Sergeant before he was commissioned through Officer Training School (OTS) in March 1971.

Today, Colonel Golding is Chief, Environmental Services for the United States Special Operations Command, headquartered at MacDill AFB, Fla., where he's responsible for providing, arranging, or monitoring meteorological and oceanographic support to special operations forces worldwide.

After more than 36 years in the Air Force, Golding is due to retire in March.



Operations

Air Force Support

- Wing Weather Officer
- Supporting fighter, bomber and airlift wings worldwide
- ✔ Force Enhancer—Cutting edge of Air Operations and Force Employment
- ✓ Integral part of the combat team
- Expert in weather and impacts on weapons and mission
- Part of the team that plans and executes Air Ops
- Work, live and deploy with your wing

Army Support

- ✓ Officer In Charge, Cadre Weather Team
- ✓ Critical member of Division or Corps Commander's staff
- Expert in unit mission and weather sensitivities
- Play critical role in planning and executing combat ops
- Combat trained and mission ready
- Deploy with your unit—Move as part of the combat forces on the battlefield

Special Operations Support

- Special Operations Weather Team, Parachute-qualified Special Forces, Rangers
- Where the action is!
- ✓ Key member of the special ops commander's staff
- Advises strategy and tactics best suited for forecast weather
- ✓ Combat trained and ready to go at a moments notice
- Airborne, jumpmaster, night navigation, marksman and field operations
- ✓ Deploys as part of the SpecOps team
- Part of the action—from initial planning to actual airborne or airlift maneuvers

Growth

Air Force Institute of Technology

- Outstanding opportunities for obtaining advanced academic degrees
- 40 Master of Science slots per year
- 2 Doctorate slots per year
- Obtained through Civilian Institutions
- ▼ Texas A&M, North Carolina State, Penn State, Colorado State and many others
- ✓ Wide range of specialties: Radar, Physical, and Dynamic meteorology; Space Ops; Computer Science; and many others

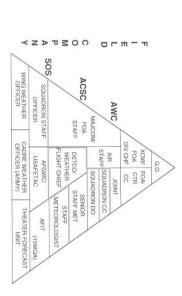
Professional Military Education

- Tremendous opportunities to further professional development through In-Residence attendance.
- Squadron Officer School
- Intermediate Service School
- Senior Service School

Promotion

 AF Weather provides a variety of challenging, yet unique, career paths to senior rank

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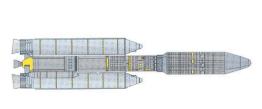
Career Broadening Opportunities

The weather career field opens up an unlimited horizon of opportunities for career broadening, to include:

- ☐ Flying Operations
- ☐ Air Base Operations

☐ Space Operations

- ☐ Space and Missile Launch
- Acquisition
- Weapons Research and Development
- ☐ Wargaming and Simulation
- ☐ Comm-Computer Systems
- ☐ ROTC, USAFA, SOS, ISS Instructors



Officer Opportunities

Capt Tim Hutchison
Air Weather Service
Chief of Personnel

The Air Force weather officer career field is an exciting one with tremendous opportunities. This column is designed to augment the officer career information made available through the Air Force Military Personnel Center, your supervisors and your senior leaders.

In this magazine, you've probably already found the Air Force Weather careers brochure, which provides a high-level synopsis of an officer's career and the many opportunities available. Each month, this column will address a different topic. This month, let's look at the initial assignment in Air Force Weather.

The Air Force accesses weather officers through several means: USAF Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), the Airman Edu-



cation and Training Program (AECP), Officer Training School (for individuals holding an

undergraduate degree in Atmospheric Science), and through the Meteorology track at the USAF Academy.

If you're a newly accessed weather officer, you are most likely assigned to a base weather station where you support either Air Force or Army operations.

Initially, the primary focus should to learn the mission of your customer and how to tailor a forecast for military operations. Once trained as a forecaster, you become one of the following: a Wing Weather Officer (WWO), if supporting the Air Force; an Officer in Charge of a Cadre Weather Team, if supporting the Army; a member of a Special Operations Weather Team, if supporting Special Operations; or as a forecaster at a weather forecast unit.

What should be your focus?

THE OPERATIONAL CUSTOMERS! Learn their combat missions, understand the weapon systems they employ, how weather affects them and how to forecast the weather most critical to the warfighter you support.

You are an integral part of the operational team—that's why the Air Staff put the weather specialty in the 1XXX AFSC series. Take up the challenge—visit your customers, study their op plans, and get to know the other members of your combat team!

This column is written specifically to meet your needs and concerns. If you have specific career questions, or issues which you need addressed, contact me and I'll either answer them in future columns or call you back.

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Enlisted Opportunities

CMSgt. Jim Hoy Superintendent of Weather

The Air Force weather enlisted career field is an exciting with tremendous one opportunities. This column is designed to augment enlisted career information made available through the Air Force Military Personnel Center, your supervisors and your senior leaders. Each month, this column will address a different topic. This month, let's focus on the pipelines into your first assignment.

With the Air Force Chief of Staff's Year of Training initiatives and the Air Force Weather's "single" schoolhouse, dramatic changes are occurring in the enlisted weather career field.

In March, 1993, the senior noncommissioned officers of Air Force weather drafted the



specialty training standard that directed the change to the "single" schoolhouse.

The new Weather Initial Skills Course (ISC) begins in March 1995.

In January 1996, the ISC will graduate a different student than in the past, one that is educated in both observing and forecasting the weather.

The Air Force Weather Career Field Education and Training Plan directs that you, as a 3-level graduate of the ISC, must be assigned to a unit which can train you in the "core" tasks of a weather enlisted member. These include such tasks as taking an observation, issuing a forecast, and briefing an aircrew, just to name a few. Initially, you can expect to be assigned to either a stateside or overseas base weather station, supporting either Air Force or Army operations.

Your specific assignment depends, most importantly, on

specialty where the AF needs you.

As a first assignment, you won't be assigned to any of the AF weather centers, short tour overseas units or headquarters units, since at this stage of your career, it is absolutely critical that you, as a new member of the AF weather team, learn the "core" weather tasks.

Your primary focus in this initial assignment is to further develop the observing and forecasting skills you learned in the ISC. Some exciting and challenging times are ahead as we integrate the new ISC program into AF weather operations.

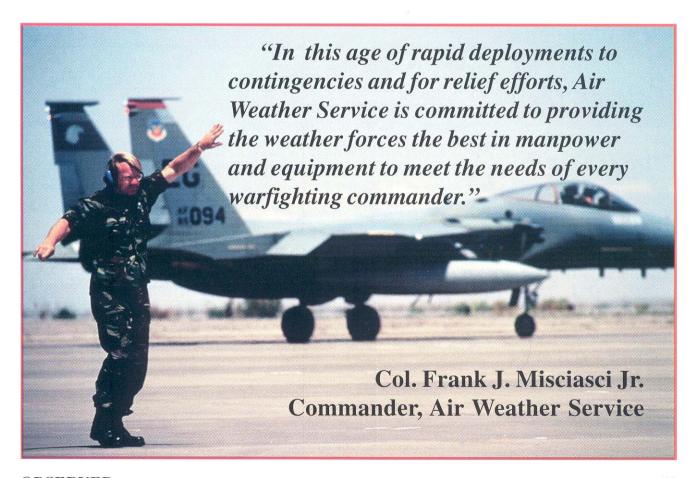
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Air Weather Service

What is it, "who cares?"

- ▼ Provides centralized weather and space environmental services to the Air Force, Army, Joint Staff, designated unified and specified commands, and other agencies as required
- ▼ Ensures standardization of procedures and interoperability of Air Force Weather
- ▼ Assess the technical performance and effectiveness of weather services provided by Air Force Weather
- ▼ Provides technical advice and help to all agencies supported by Air Force Weather
- ▼ Fields and sustains weather systems for the Air Force and Army





OBSERVER

Military

Story by TSgt. William M. Rhodes

Air Weather Service Public Affairs

commanders

depend on

accurate

weather

information

to plan and

direct their

operations.

Air Force

weather

personnel

provide

information on the past, present and future states of the air and space environments within which weapon systems and their supporting infrastructure operate.

In recent years, the technological advances in observing and forecasting methods have increased the capability and accuracy by military meteorologists.

Weather has been and is an integral part of combat operations. Weather exerts a constant influence on the readiness, morale, and effectiveness of military forces, the choice of military strategy and tactics, and the performance and useful life of military weapons systems. It is this military use of weather that separates the television weather person from the military one. Today's post-cold war military is called upon to provide its services anywhere and at any moment. Only one organization has a goal of making sure Air Force weather personnel have the best capability to support U.S. Army and Air Force commanders — Air Weather Service.

"In this age of rapid deployments to contingencies and for relief efforts, Air Weather Service is committed to providing the weather forces the best in manpower and equipment to meet the needs of every warfighting commander," states Col. Frank J. Misciasci Jr., AWS commander.

When Misciasci took over in mid-1993, the Air Force Weather structure was into its second year of reorganization. Prior to April, 1991, AWS owned every Air Force weather station worldwide.

With his "One-Base, One-Boss" initiative,

former Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Merrill A. McPeak, gave ownership of base weather functions to the owning command (see ACC page 20).

Formerly assigned under the then Military Airlift Command, AWS is now a Field Operating Agency which reports directly to the Air Force Directorate of Weather, Office of the Vice Chief of Staff for Plans and Operations (AF/XOW). That position is currently held by Brig. Gen. Thomas J. Lennon, who is no stranger to either weather or air combat.

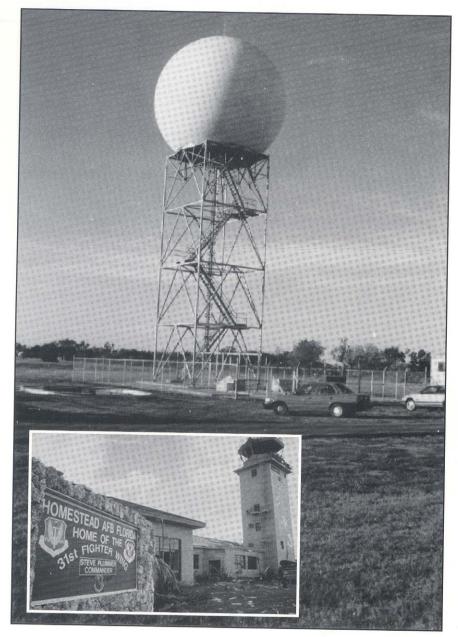
From August 1990 to March 1991, Lennon led the 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, RAF Lakenheath, England, on its deployment to Taif, Saudi Arabia, for Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM.

That wing included 66 F-111F aircraft from the 48th TFW and 20 EF-111A aircraft from Mountain Home AFB, Idaho and RAF Upper Heyford, England. More than 3,000 people representing 243 units from 74 bases were assigned to the wing. The general has 409 combat missions under his belt during three combat tours.

"My challenge is to continue to improve our focus as a force multiplier for combat operations. And that doesn't only mean in wartime, but in peacetime also," says Lennon.

"You must train as you fight. We in the Air Force need to learn how to use the weather and to be able to operate across all spectrums of weather conditions at all

New Technology



Air Weather Service played a major role in the development and procurement of the Next Generation Radar system to base weather stations. This technology detects severe weather better than ever before and gives commanders more time in making critical decisions for base resource protection.

levels of operations from tactical to operational to strategic levels of operations."

To accomplish this mission, the AF/XOW fields specific technology, training and equipment requests from the major command directors of weather. Those requests are then sent to AWS, which researches and designs programs consistent with the MAJCOM's needs.

To do this, AWS has two directorates and an equal number of satellite units providing current and long range plans and day-to-day mission requirements.

The Air Force Global Weather Central at Offutt AFB, Neb., maintains a weather database and applies it in real-time to satisfy worldwide requirements of Air Force combat forces, the National Command Authorities, Department of Defense, and multi-billion-dollar sensitive National Programs controlled by the Secretary of the Air Force (see AFGWC, page 24).

The United States Environmental Technical Applications Center at Scott AFB, Ill., collects, saves, and applies weather data to generate environmental products in support of worldwide operations of the Air Force, Army, and other DOD and U.S. Government agencies.

(see USAFETAC, page 25)

Inside AWS, the Technology, Plans and Programs Directorate (XO) along with the Systems and Communications Directorate (SY) makes up the bulk of the FOA's functional area.

The XO develops the initial continued on Page 29



The Headquarters Air Weather Service, Directorate of Technology, Plans, and Programs (AWS/XO) is composed of the recently merged Operations and Technology Directorates. We're here to serve Air Force Weather — while names have changed, the fundamental jobs performed regarding operations and technology actions and issues have not. As in the past, we occupy the second floor of AWS and we continue to provide direct service across AFW.

Our job spans every facet of AWS programs — gathering requirements to field and sustain systems, meeting training needs, assisting field units to apply technical expertise to tailor products and services to meet a widerange of customer needs, and ensuring centralized and climatological products and services are provided worldwide — that, and much much more. To accomplish this, XO is organized into five divisions: Requirements, Operations and Standardization, Technology Plans, Technology Training, and Special Projects.

In our Requirements Division (XOR) we conduct long range studies and analyses to identify future needs of the weather functional area, plan and develop, or acquire training to meet those needs; and manage requirements for initial and continuation training across the career field. XOR works in concert with the major commands during initial phases of program and training development.

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XO Functional Areas

XOO — Operations and Standardization Division XOOM: Contingency Branch —

contingency and exercise planning

XOOO: Centralized Operations Branch

centralized weather services

XOOS: Weather Standardization Branch

standardized weather procedures

XOR — Requirements Division XORR: Future Weather Plans and

Programs Branch — new AFW programs

XORT: Training Requirements Branch — training requirements for new systems

Mission

Plan, program and identify the best technology available to put into Air Force Weather equipment acquisition programs. Ensure AFW people have the right mix of initial and recurring training to meet customers' current and future deployed and ingarrison weather product needs.

XOS — Special Projects Division

 ${\tt XOSP:}$ Special Support Branch — SCI and SAR requirements

XOSS: Security Branch — individual security program

XOT — Technology Training Division

XOTS: Field Support Branch — direct technical assistance to weather units

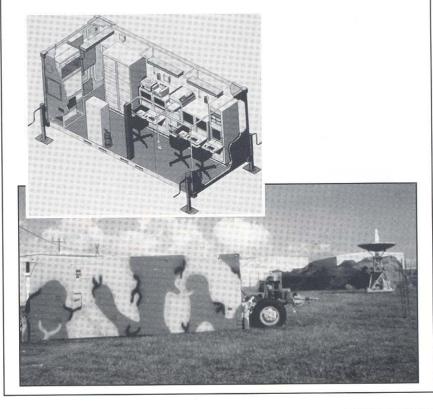
XOTT: Weather Unit Techniques Branch — exploits technology and techniques

XOX — Technology Plans Division

XOXA: Analysis and Evaluation Branch — performs performance assessments

XOXP: Programs Plans Branch — conducts modernization planning

XOXT: Product Improvement Branch — technology infusion in new acquisitions



Mission

Provide standard systems

management for USAF

meteorological equipment, weather center computer

hardware and software, and

long-haul communications.



The Systems and Communications Directorate (SY) is a team of talented experts whose charter is to develop, acquire, and sustain those weather and ground based space environment systems that you need to do your job. We are what you may remember as the old Program Management and Integration and Communications Directorates.

When we combined directorates a few months ago, we realized a tremendous amount of synergy from our people and forged a significantly improved approach to managing AF weather systems. Our focus is on the entire weather support system, from the myriad of computers at the Air Force Global Weather Central, 50th Weather Squadron (formerly the Air Force Space Forecast Center), and the United States Air Force Environmental Technical Applications Center, through the worldwide weather communications networks, to the base weather stations and weather sensors on the runway.

Within our directorate, we have a combination of meteorologists, computer and communications specialists, acquisition professionals, engineers, logisticians, equipment specialists, meteorological-navigation and weather radar maintenance technicians, and operational testing and evaluation experts working to operational needs.

We are the Air Force's lead command for weather systems. We not only acquire weather systems such as the Next Generation Radar

SY Functional Areas and Major Programs

SYA - COMPUTER SYSTEMS DIVISION

SYAA: — AFGWC, USAFETAC, and 50th WS systems acquisition

SYAI: — computer systems, models and applications

SYAP: — computer hardware and software standardization and policy

SYAS: — systems contract support and services

SYD - Standard Systems Division

 ${\bf SYDC: \ Combat \ Weather \ Systems \ Branch-} \ {\bf tactical \ meteorological \ equipment \ and \ EOTDAs}$

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SYDR: Weather Radar Systems Branch — fixed base and deployable weather radars SYDS: Weather Satellite and Space Systems Branch — weather satellite and ground-based space environmental sensors

SYK - Communication Systems Division

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SYKC: Contingency Communications Branch — worldwide communication support SYKI: Integration and Interoperability Branch — commercial weather communications systems

SYKS: Communications Security Branch
— C4 systems security, accountability, and support

SYX - Program Control Division

SYXE: — Modification Programs and E&I Management

SYXL: — Logistics and Configuration Management Branch

SYXP: — Acquisition Policy and Resource Management Branch

SYXT: — Test and Evaluation Management Branch

(NEXRAD) and the Automated Weather Distribution System (AWDS), but are involved in the allied support, engineering and installation, configuration management, integration, modification, and improvement, supply and logistics support, and field testing of weather

To do our job, SY is organized into

systems.

four divisions: the Computer Systems Division, the Standard Systems Division, the Communications Systems Division, and the Program Control Division. The Computer Systems Division (SYA) manages acquisition and support of AFGWC, USAFETAC, and 50th WS computer systems. Those essential systems

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Clearing the misnjuos

About benchmarking, competitive comparison

by John J. Bartrum HQ AWS Quality Advisor

I've noticed a lot of confusion between the terms "benchmarking" and "competitive comparison."

Simply put, benchmarking refers to a formal process of comparing your processes and practices against best-inclass companies, top competitors or best practices.

"It's the continuous process of measuring our products, services and practices against our toughest competitors or companies renowned as leaders," according to David

T. Kerns, former chairman of processes Xerox Corp. processes

"It means finding the best practices, and then improving, modifying and implementing them in your organization."

Dr. Robert Camp, a worldrenowned leader on benchmarking, describes four basic types of benchmarking: internal, competitive, functional and generic process benchmarking.

INTERNAL BENCHMARKING

Internal benchmarking relates to comparing similar

processes within an organization.

For example, the comparison of how your directorate process leave requests to other directorates within your organization and implementing best practices.

COMPETITIVE BENCHMARKING

Competitive benchmarking involves comparing similar processes with your competitors to improve your organization.

For example, a paper supplier compares its distribution system to its competitors.

FUNCTIONAL BENCHMARKING

Functional benchmarking involves comparing processes of like functions.

An example would be an organization comparing its acquisition process to that of other organizations.

Benchmarking refers to a formal process of comparing your processes and practices against best-in-class companies, top competitors or best practices. Competitive comparison is comparing your unit to units which are about the same size and do similar things and seeing how your results compare to theirs.

GENERIC PROCESS BENCHMARKING

Generic process benchmarking involves an organization comparing a generic business process to an organization that is considered "world class" in that process. For example, a copier company would compare it's delivery process to a mail order catalog company.

COMPETITIVE COMPARISON

Competitive comparison is comparing your unit to units which are about the same size and do similar things and seeing how your results compare to theirs.

For example, an organization of 150 personnel compares its safety record to another similar organization or to the Air Force average.

(For more information about benchmarking or competitive comparison, read Camp's book "Benchmarking" or call me at DSN 576-5654, ext. 493.)

HQ AWS creates Quality Council



The senior leaders of Headquarters Air Weather Service (CC, CV, RM, SY, XO, and CCW) officially chartered the HQ AWS Quality Council Dec. 12, 1994. The purpose of this council is to provide direction and a focus towards the integration of Quality Air Force principles and practices within the HQ AWS. The council will consist of the following individuals:

Voting Members

AWS/CV, HQ AWS enlisted advisor, SY, XO, RM, HQ AWS Company Grade Officer of the Year, Senior NCO of the Year, NCO of the Year, Airman of the Year, and Civilian of the Year.

Non-Voting Members RMX (Facilitator).

The HQ AWS Quality Council will charter two types of teams.

Integrated Product Team (IPT): A group of individuals selected and chartered by the senior leaders of the organization to work a high priority area for improvement.

The team will create a game plan to attack the area for improvement. Their recommendations require senior leader review of the initial recommendations and quarterly reviews to senior leaders on the status of the group's actions.

Process Action Team (PAT): A group of individuals who are knowledgeable in the selected process

and chartered by the quality council or a senior leader to analyze and improve a target process.

At the last meeting the council chartered 3 teams: 2 IPT's and 1 PAT. Each of the IPTs were developed as a direct result of the HQ AWS Unit Self-Assessment performed this past summer. One IPT, led by HQ AWS comander Col. Frank J. Misciasci, Jr., will work on senior executive leadership's approach and deployment of quality throughout the organization.

improving customer satisfaction and will be led by Lt. Col. Mazurowski with HQ AWS Vice Commander Col.Jack Hayes as the team mentor. The PAT will examine the AWS awards program and be led by Maj. Bert Cordeiro, deputy resource manager, with Lt. Col. Steve Carroll, the RM, as team mentor.

The other IPT will focus on

If you have any questions of comments please feel free to contact John Bartrum at DSN 576-5654, ext 493.



Meritorious Service Medal



Maj. Bruce D. Flaig, Headquarters Electronic Systems Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.
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Maj. Beverly J. Baker, HQ AFGWC, Offutt, AFB, Neb.
Capt. Robert C. Allen, Jr., HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb.
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Air Force Commendation Medal



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Army Commendation Medal

Capt. Kevin L. Witte, HQ ESC, Hanscom AFB, Mass. MSgt. Donald M. Gury, 104th WF, ANG MSgt. Charles S. Lake, 104th WF, ANG TSgt. Robert E. Haney, 104th WF, ANG TSgt. Michael H. Weir, Jr., 104th WF, ANG

Air Force Achievement Medal



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TSgt. John W. Walker, 1st WS, Fort Lewis AIN, Wash SrA. Roy Leonard, 1st WS, Fort Lewis, Wash SrA. Bride L. Farmstead, 1st WS, Fort Lewis, Wash. MSgt. Walter D. Wilkerson, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. TSgt. Ricky L. Avery, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. TSgt. Ralph F. Ley, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. TSgt. Clarence R. Seale, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. SSgt. Dale M. Hill, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. SSgt. Dale M. Hill, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb.
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Master of Arts in Economics

Capt. Doug M. Hanson, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. (University of Oklahoma)

Bachelor of Technology in Management

MSgt. Deborah T. Steere (Peru State University)

CCAF Degree in Information Systems Management SSgt. Anthony D. Gulbrandsen, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb.

CCAF Degree in Weather Technology

Sgt. Donald J. Pruden, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb.

NCO Academy

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SSgt. Cope D. Leuenberger, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. (by correspondence)

Airman Leadership School

Sgt. Terry L. Rhodes, 1st WS, Fort Lewis AIN, Wash.

Communications Computer Sysyems Operator Course

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Combat Survival School

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Pararescue Initial Indoctrination

SrA. Kevin F. Baum, 1st WS, Fort Lewis AIN, Wash.

Retirements

Col. Stephen M. Horn, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. Lt. Col. Charles E. Houghton, 140th WF, ANG Lt. Col. Larry A. Kumata, 199th WF, ANG

Separations

SSgt. David Rios, 355th OSS, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

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CDC Pacesetter Award

SSgt David L. Robbins, HQ AFGWC, Offutt AFB, Neb. (CDC 3C052)

Indiana Hoosier Hero Award

Lt. Col. Robert Cataneo, 113rd WF, ANG

North Carolina National Guard Commendation Medal TSgt. Allan Cecil, 156th WF, ANG

Pennsylvania Gen. Thomas R. White, Jr., Medal SSgt. Brian S. Michals, 146th WF, ANG, Pittsburgh, Pa.

National Guard Bureau Superior Performance Award 146th Weather Flight, ANG, Pittsburgh, Pa

A Note From The Editor

The salutes pages is designed to highlight the accomplishments of every member of Air Force Weather -- active duty, reserve, national guard civil service and civilians. However, we cannot provide you with the quality of service you deserve if you don't help us.

When you send a submission for the Salutes pages, please include rank, first, last and middle initial of name, complete unit designation (for example, TSgt. John D. Doe, 123rd OSS, Somewhere AFB, USA; not TSgt. Doe, 123rd OSS).

For military or academic achivements, if you have a picture of yourself, send it in.

Once again, the Observer staff is looking forward to serving you with the best product. We can only achieve our goals with your help.



AirCombat Command

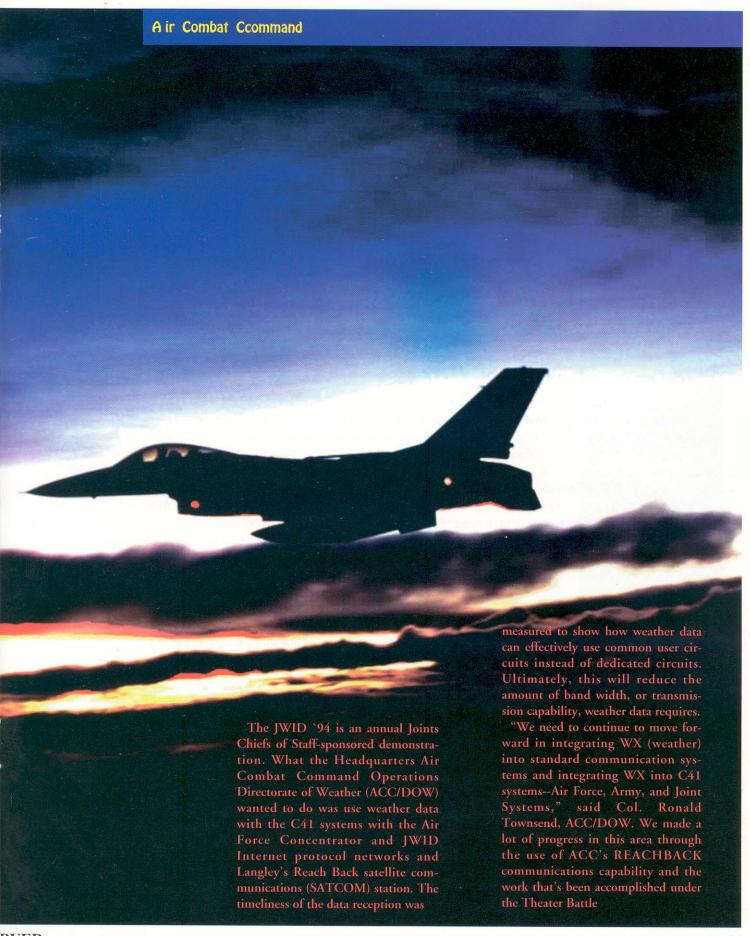
MISSION

Operates combat-coded fighter, bombers, tankers, and reconnaissance aircraft.

Organizes, trains, equips and maintains rapid-response, combat-ready forces.

Provides nuclear-capable forces for u.s. Strategic Command.

Its purpose was to show communication could support the warfighter. The goal was to demonstrate a first-in capability to send data directly to deployed Command, Control, Communication, Computer, and Intelligence systems. The lead for the Joint Warrior Interoperability was weather... ACC weather



Air Combat Command



Providing weather support to U.S. fighting bases is one of ACC's mission the other is to U.S. Army units. The following is a list of Army installations covered by the command:

Fort Belvoir, Va.; Fort Benning, Ga.; Fort Bliss, Texas; Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Campbell, Ky.; Fort Carson, Colo.; Fort Devens, Mass.; Fort Drum, N.Y.; Fort Eustis, Va.; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Huachuca, Ariz.; Fort Irwin, Calif.; Fort Knox, Ky.; Fort Lewis, Wash.; Fort McPherson, Ga.; Fort Polk, La.; Fort Riley, Kan.; Fort Ritchie, Md.; Fort Rucker, Ala.; Fort Sill, Okla.; Fort Stewart, Ga.; and Hunter Army Air Field, Ga.

Management initiatives. We have a lot of room to grow here to have a robust operational capability," Townsend added.

Since the reorganization of Air Weather Service in April 1991, the major command's weather directorates have made great progress in setting their own tempo and guidelines. To get the feel of what progress has been made, the following is from an interview with Colonel Townsend.

As a command, how do you feel the ACC WX structure has evolved since 1991?

The ACC WX structure has evolved quite effectively since 1991. Quite frankly, the transition has gone much better than I expected. During the past three years, we have moved from a stovepipe WX structure to a structure where weather is totally integrated into the mission of the command, the NAFs (Numbered Air Force), the wings, and ACC Army support organizations. This transition involved the total force — ACC active units and ACC-gained Air National Guard WX flights as well as Individual Mobility Augmentees.

Where has ACC WX gone since 1991?

We have responded to the challenge of continuous change. We've worked hard to make ACC WX operations an effective, integral part of the ACC mission while keeping in step with AF WX as it evolved under AF reorganization. As everyone knows, at the headquarters level, we went from an AWS wing to a weather division under the ACC Director of Operations. At the unit level, we primarily moved from detachments under a WX squadron to WX flights under the Operations Support Squadrons and most recently flights under the Air Support Operations Squadrons on the Army side. We focused on the total force by integrating over 50 IMAs and 32 ANG WX flights into this structure. From a combat capability perspective, I believe we're better off today than we were in 1991 as a result of the restructure of weather under AF reorganization.

In the future, where does ACC WX need to grow and evolve?

We need to focus on some specific areas:

☐ Training has to be at the top of our priorities. We need to ensure we have the

right training guidance and policy in place to help the field units implement effective training programs. We also have younger, less experienced officers and NCOs providing the leadership in our WX flights. We need to look at how we grow flight leaders, and we owe it to these leaders to provide them some training. This issue is one we're working now.

DEValuation of operational performance is another important area. We need to have some key metrics that will drive management action on improvement initiatives. I am very pleased with the progress we have made in ACC. We have some WX Quality Performance Measures that have given us a good start in this arena. But performance measurement is an area that will continue to evolve to meet the needs of both the ACC staff and the field units.

Finally, ACC needs to make better use of AWS' capabilities — from the headquarters to the centers. AWS initiatives such as regional technical assistance teams and first-in equipment acquisition will help us immensely. We get great response from the centers. But we may be able to do a better job of articulating our operational requirements to make the entire system more effective. How effectively we apply new technology will be in part a function of how well we work with AWS.

With all of the deployments ACC WX has gone on, what lessons have been learned? How has ACC handled the deployments?

In the past 12 months, ACC personnel have deployed well over 11,000 man-days. And that just counts TDY's (Temporary Duty) in excess of 30 days to support contingencies or exercises.

We learned joint weather doctrine



At Whiteman AFB, Mo., forecasters prepare forecasts the worldwide B-2 mission.

works and is an effective guide to operating in a JTF environment. We keep relearning there is no substitute for realistic training and reconfirmed a light, deployable system such as AFDIS on a laptop with connectivity to AFGWC, along with real-time WX satellite readout, gives us a tremendous first-in operational capability.

We've handled the deployments extremely well. Our concern is the same as expressed for other functional areas and most major weapons systems. The high operational tempo we are experiencing may be impacting WX operations. The impact seems to be primarily in the area of training.

Our deployment taskings have created challenges in accomplishing unit operational training. The evidence so far is pretty much empirical. But we are working now to get our arms around this issue so we can take action to maintain readiness.

Has the restructuring of ACC WX accomplished what it was set out to do?

Yes. On the Air Force side, giving

wing commanders ownership of their WX forces has improved mission effectiveness. On the Army side, we wanted the restructure to be transparent to Army commanders. So far, I believe we have succeeded.

What areas which were weaknesses in the past have now evolved into strengths?

Two areas come to mind weather communications and C4I weather capability. Relying on dedicated WX communication circuits and having little WX capability resident in C4I systems have been weaknesses. We have demonstrated the ability to move WX data over standard comm systems using standard comm protocol. This capability greatly increases our flexibility and ability to get WX where we need it, when we need it. Acquiring the capability to tie AWDS and future combat weather systems (AF and Army) to customer C4I systems is a strength. This is the only way to keep pace with the warfighter's evolving operational needs on the battlefield.

AFGWC The Heart Of Air Force WX

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Builds the world's most comprehensive weather database and applies it in real-time to satisfy the worldwide operational requirements of Air Force combat forces, Army and joint combat forces, the National Command Authorities, Department of Defense, and multibillion-dollar sensitive National Programs controlled by the Secretary of the Air Force

By Col. Joseph Dushan Commander

AFGWC — a place many of you say you'd hate to be assigned. All kidding aside, AFGWC is the heart of the Air Force Weather. In fact, we're directly involved in every single military operation, contingency mission, and humanitarian relief effort conducted by the United States.

Global is a dynamic and exciting outfit to be part of. With more than 750 people and a multi-mainframe and minicomputer complex, AFGWC is the largest military meteorological computer facility in the world.

Here, we have a multitude of customers from several different governmental agencies. We produce more than 30,000 weather support products each day: including turbulence and icing forecasts for military flyers around the globe.

Our site-specific point weather warnings help protect military installations at more than 300 locations across the United States. Using high-resolution, advanced sensor imagery from weather satellites, we determine the position of typhoons and hurricanes anywhere on earth for the Joint Typhoon Warning Center on Guam and the National Hurricane Center in Miami. We also provide forecasts to



Participants in the first Combat Thunder Exercise at the Air Force Global Weather Central test the Air Force Dial-In System.



the civilian community as a backup to the National Meteorological Center and the National Severe Storms Forecast Center.

How do we do it? We receive some 140,000 weather observations each day. Most are

from the earth's surface, but many come from aircraft and instrumented weather balloons. By far the greatest amount of data we receive comes from weather satellites. In fact, AFGWC is the Department of Defense's center of expertise for meteorological satellite data retrieval, processing, and applications. All of this data is funneled into AFGWC's computer systems. The raw data is processed and placed into our central meteorological data base. We have many sophisticated, scientific programs that draw from this database the basic information needed to create our forecast products.



USAFETAC

The Air Force's Climate Center

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Collect, save, and apply worldwide weather data to generate environmental products in support of worldwide operations of the Air Force, Army, and other DoD and US Government agencies.

By Lt. Col. Jud Stailey

Commander

The United States Air Force Environmental Technical Applications Center—what a mouthful! I spend a lot of

time explaining to people who ask me "What's an ETAC?" that we are the climate center for the Air Force. Our long name comes from the fact that we do some things that are not really climatology. We're now working with Headquarters Air Weather

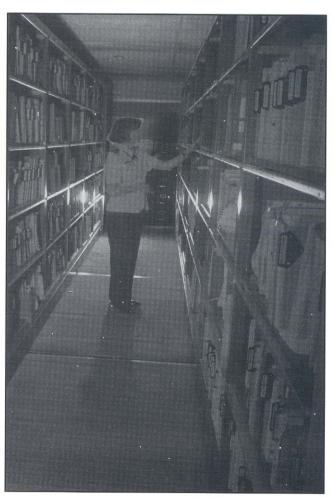


Service to change our name to something that better describes our focus on climate services, but that's a subject for a future article. What I would like to do in this inaugural edition of the new-format *Observer* is explain to our customers what we do to help the Air Force better prepare for and conduct wartime operations and more effectively apply its limited resources in peacetime.

We have several major categories of products, including Data Extracts, Point Analyses, Descriptive Climatologies, Microcomputer Programs, Climatological Applications, and Library Support.

The USAFETAC provides other unique services which do not fall into the previous categories but are very important to weather troops at bases worldwide. USAFETAC Dial-In: provides access to a suite of standard computer applications which can be run on our large computer from a small computer in the field. The applications produce summaries of surface and upper air data.

Terminal Forecast Verification: ETAC verifies weather forecasts issued by Air Force weather stations and provides metrics on the accuracy of forecasts to MAJCOMs every quarter. Metrics for individual stations are available to those stations monthly via the Dial-In.



USAFETAC Available Services

Data Extracts. If you want to know what the weather was at some location and time in the past, or if you need data for a period of time for analysis, we can provide it. Normally, data extracts come in standard formats and are provided by our Operation Location A in Asheville, NC. For information contact Mr Kotz (DSN 266-3100, Comm 704-271-4299).

Point Analyses. Similar to data extracts point analyses tell the user what the weather was at a given location and time in the past. Derived from several types of data they are presented as a vertical profile of the atmosphere from the surface to about 200,000 feet. The profile includes temperature, humidity, pressure, wind, and other data, as well as a surface weather observation and cloud depiction for the area around the point. For information contact Mr Surmeier (DSN 576-3543, Comm 618-256-3543).

Descriptive Climatologies. A combination of weather maps, tables of data, and other charts and graphs accompanied by text which describes normal and varibilities in weather conditions. Descriptive climatologies are written for use by operational planners or as an aid to forecasters. We write them for single points, small areas, or regions. We are about half way through a massive project to write regional climatologies on most of the world's land masses. For information contact Mr Walters (DSN 576-3465, Comm 618-256-3465).

Standard Summaries. Climatological summaries of weather data at weather stations for use in planning and as a forecasting aid. Includes summaries of surface observations (ceilings and visibilities, pressure, temperature, rain, snow fog, etc), crasswind summaries, heating curves showing daily temperature change, and special cloud climatologies. By next fall we will offer summaries of upper air stations. For information contact Mr Kotz (DSN 266-3100, Comm 704-271 4299).

MicroComputer Programs. We've compressed some important databases so that they will fit on small computer disks and written user-friendly utilities to extract and display the data. We're now writing all applications for the Windows environment and are in the process of converting all our older DOS applications to Windows. See the box on page 28 for a list of some of our more popular programs. For information contact Capt Stone (DSN 576-3743, Comm 618-256-3743).

Climatological Applications. A broad category of support which could best be called 'answering unique questions.' If you're planning something in the future which could be impacted by weather, we can help quantify and provide information to minimize the risk. Examples include building and operating new weapon systems, preparing for exercises, design and construction of new facilities, etc. For information contact Mr Glauber (DSN 576-3158, Comm 618-256-3158).

Library Support. Incorportated into ETAC is the AWS Technical Library, one of the largest meteorological libraries in the world. The library can provide technical documents, copies of journal articles, bibliographies on particular subjects, and long-distance loan of books. The library also distributes small computer software. For information contact Mr McCollom (DSN 576-5023, Comm 618-256-5023).

ETAC's Top Five Small Computer Programs:

E-O Climo: Climatology of transmissivity and weather elements affecting employment of precision guided munitions. Covers 5800 locations worldwide. Windows format—available soon on CD-ROM.

UA Climo: Mean wind, temperature, D Value, and wind factors along user-specified routes. Probability of contrail formation, plots of mean winds and temperatures. Windows format.

MODCV: Provides 24 hour climatological "forecast" for ceiling and visibility for your base given current conditions and wind direction. For you weather types, this is wind stratified conditional climatology on disk. Windows format.

MODCURVES: Mean temperature, humitidy, pressure, altimeter setting curves for your base. Windows format.

Nitelite: Graphical presentation of light data for given date and location. Provided sunrise, sunset, twilight, moonrise, moonset, percent illumination. Being upgraded to add moon position and lumens.

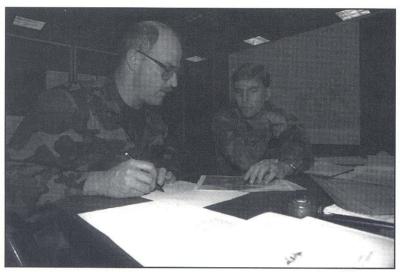


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Forecast Challenge '95

If you think you're the hottest forecaster around, you'd better convince your major command to send you to Forecast Challenge '95, March 6-10, at Hurlburt Field, Fla.

The competition tests forecasters from each MAJCOM against real-world scenarios.

The top three in four categories receive recognition. AWS' point of contact for this year's competition is 1st Lt. Bryan E. Adams at AWS/XOOM. For more information contact Adams at 576-4110, ext. 207; electronic mail address:

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GUARD POSITIONS OPEN

The 159th Weather Flight, Florida Air National Guard, has immediate openings for weather observers (1W051), forecasters (1W071A), and weather officers (15W3).

The 159th WF is located near Jacksonville, Fla. For more information about these positions or the unit, call MSgt. Jon Carillon at DSN 960-3449 or (904) 533-3449, or write to 159 WF Rte. 1, Box 465, Camp Blanding Training Site, Starke, Fla. 32091-9703.

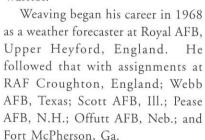
AWDS SOFTWARE TEST

Headquarters AWS/SYD will conduct a follow-on operational test and evaluation of the next scheduled Automated Weather Distribution System software release, version 3.1.0, through January. The test, conducted at three base weather stations and one TAWDS unit, will determine the operational effectiveness and suitability of release 3.1.0. HQ AWS will use the results to support a decision to field 3.1.0 in late February.

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Farewell to a true WX warrior

Col. William S. Weaving, Air Weather Service Director of Technology, Plans and Programs retired Dec. 19, 1994, culminating a distinguished career which defines a true "Weather Warrior."



In September 1990, the colonel deployed to Saudi Arabia as the U.S. Army Forces Central Command's Staff Weather Officer. One of the highlights of his career was serving as the Deputy Staff Weather Officer for CENTCOM's commander, Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf throughout the preparation and execution phases of Operation DESERT STORM.



Weaving

"Serving on General Schwarzkopf's staff was an awesome experience. I hated to go back to my quarters at night because I might miss some exciting event," the colonel said.

"The general paid us (weather forces) several compliments, but one of the best was when we tried to pack up the Defense Meteorological Satellite van early,

after the war was over.

He asked questions to try and understand why we wanted to do it and sympathized, but stated he had grown accustomed to seeing the top quality images we displayed and told us we could pack up the van and take it home after he left. We made him a believer!"

In 1992, his combat experience was essential as the 1st Weather Group's commander and in 1993 when he returned to AWS.

It is with fondness that we bid him farewell. *Good Luck, Good Weather.*

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appears in the directorate title, we are actively involved in operations.

Through our Operations Standardization and Division (XOO) we manage the current operations within Air Force Global Weather Central (AFGWC) and United States Air Force Environmental Technical Applications (USAFETAC) to ensure your overall AFW centralized service requirements are met. We play a pivotal role in the launch coordination process for Defense Meteorological Satellite Program (DMSP) satellites by consolidating inputs, coordinating launch strategy and orbital parameters, and addressing operational issues.

Our Technology Plans Division (XOX) compiles, analyzes, and provides assessments of technical health and operational effectiveness. They conduct Mission Area Analyses and Mission Needs Assessments, develop the AFW Functional Area Plan, and ensure technology infusion in new acquisition planning.

They direct the AWS marketing program. XOX also coordinates research and development activities with national labs.

Our Technology Training Division (XOT) provides direct assistance to AFW units through the Meteorological Enhancement Team visit program, regional field support, and technology transition publications. Additionally, XOT operates the Development and Applications Lab to conduct case studies and develop short-term products and services for resolving AFWidentified shortfalls and requirements.

The Special Projects Division (XOS) serves as our focal point to integrate national program service requirements. XOS ensures our centralized service meets sensitive-compartmented information (SCI) and special access required (SAR) programs' needs.

In summary, the Technology, Plans, and Programs Directorate works to keep you trained and equipped with the right mix of tools and equipment to meet your customers current and future needs.

Oh, By the Way, continued

NEW CD-ROMS

The United States Air Force Environmental Technical Applications Center (USAFETAC) will soon distribute copies of the Global Historical Fields (GHF) CD-ROM (Version 1.0, August 1994), producded jointly by the Navy and NCDC. The CD's will contain sea level pressure analyses dating from 1899. Upper air temperature and pressure analyses dating from as early as 1946 is also included. This new CD should be an excellent reference or training tool for staff meteorologists, analysts, and forecasters.

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We send these products to our customers over different many communications systems. example, the Automated Weather Distribution System (AWDS), and the Automated Digital Facismile System (AFDS), and the AFGWC Dial-In Subsystem (AFDIS).

In face, AFDIS is a very important part of the "first-in" weather services AFGWC provides to theater commanders, allowing them to "reach back and pull forward" the weather support they need to accomplish their mission.

AFGWC has established itself as the heart of the system that gives our forces the combat edge — 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week, anywhere in the world.

AWS/SY

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collect, process, analyze, and produce products that all AFW operators need to do their jobs. The Standard Systems Division (SYD) is the focal point for all AFW combat weather systems, ground-based space environmental

sensors and weather satellite systems, and base weather station systems. The Communication Systems Division (SYK) is our interface with AFMC's 38 Engineering and Installation Wing (EIW).

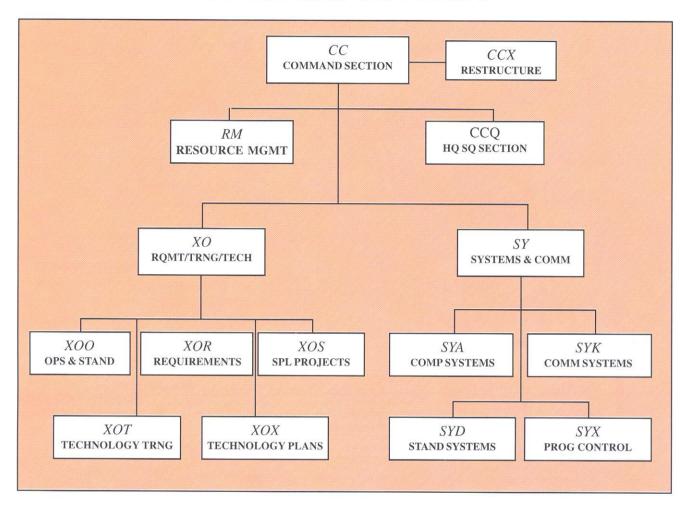
The 38 EIW was previously aligned under AFC4A as the Communications Systems Center (CSC) and is responsible for standard system

management of such things as the Automated Weather Network (AWN), DIGS, MEDS, METSAT Loopers, ADFS, leased long-line weather communications, etc. The Program Control Division (SYX) is a new division within HQ AWS providing acquisition, logistics, equipment modification, supply, testing,

configuration management expertise to the various AWS weather program offices.

In a nutshell, the job of the new Systems and Communications Directorate is to acquire and sustain the systems and tools (hardware and software) you, your field units, and our AF centers need to conduct day-to-day weather operations.

Command Structure



requirements and operational conceptsinto a working solution for all Air Force weather units. The directorate is divided into five divisions which are currently working on a range of items, including:

☐ The 50th Weather Squadron Forecast Systems Replacement (formerly the Air Force Space Forecast Center) — a project to upgrade new computer systems allowing the squadron to process new solar models;

☐ The Air Force Weather Architecture Study — a project to determine the operational environmental requirements and

capabilities needed by AFW to support Air Force and Army missions from 1995 into the year 2015;

☐ The Interim Weather Officers' Initial Skills Course — developed by the AWS/XO directorate, this course is designed to reduce the initial training time for new officer's arriving at base weather stations.

SY is comprised of weather, computer, acquisition officers and enlisted members and is the Air Force's lead command for Air Force Weather systems.

A few of the programs the directorate is involved in are: Satellite

Data Handling System Upgrade; Advanced Computer Flight Plans; Cloud Depiction and Forecast System; Electro-Optical Tactical Decision Aid; Combat Air Forces Weather Software Package; Automated Weather Distribution System Pre-Planned Product Improvement.

Air Force Weather's most important role is to provide the warfighter tailored weather information that enhances combat effectiveness. The role of AWS is to provide those forces with the best means to perform that mission. Weather truly is a force multiplier and "the essence of successful air operations."

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n April 1991, the Air

Weather Service was

restructured into what it

is today. Under AWS' umbrella, the former wings and squadron

had a single source for

information. This section of the

new Observer is our attempt at

putting that source of

information back into the hands

of the people who need it most:

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complete names, address, phone numbers and directorates of each

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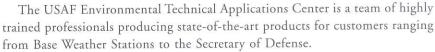
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