

## CNIC AFLOAT RECREATION AND FITNESS PROGRAM

## RECREATION COMMAND WIDE / THEME

## EVENTS

- These events are typically singular occurrences that focus on a central idea or concept. These events are larger in nature than directed and filler activities and designed to include at least $1 / 2$ of the crew.

Recreation Examples: Command Picnic, Holiday Party, Super Bowl Party and Concert on the Ship, etc.

Steel beach picnics are one of the biggest events executed while underway. It requires coordination between several departments and lasts the majority of the day. MWR is responsible for the entertainment. The following examples are from multiple ships.

Which location will be used?
o Flight Deck
o Hangar Bay
$\square$ Verify date and communicate with Departments involved
0 Air
O Safety
o Medical
o Supply
o Weapons (elevator run)
o Others?
Conduct safety evaluation
Any cost to MWR involved? If so, budgeted?
Marketing
Volunteers / staff
A/V
o Music
o Movie on the flight deck
$\square$ Water for sporting eventsSupplies / Gear
Set up / Take Down

# AFTER ACTION REPORTS 



## 13. Lessons Learned:

We were going to have Movie night under the stars, but due to the wind we had to cancel the event.
14. Any Additional Information? :

See photos of event

# AFTER ACTION REPORTS 

| First and Last name: | Ship's Name: USS BOXER |
| :---: | :---: |
| Position Title: <br> Afloat Recreation Specialist - "Fun Boss" | Date: <br> 31 March 2015 |
| Event happened: $\quad X$ Underway $\square$ Homeport |  |
| Pictures must be included when submitting | an After Action Report to your Supervisor. |
| Please Complete below list of Questions regarding the Ev |  |
| 1. Title of Event: Steel Beach Picnic |  |
| 2. Location of Event: (Hanger Bay, Picnic Area) Flight De |  |
| 3. Date of Event: 29 March 2015 |  |
| 4. Time of Event: 1100-1400 |  |
| 5. Number of Participants: 200 participants between, fish call | K and flight deck games. |
| 6. Equipment Needed: Fishing rods, Tackle Packs, canopy ten footballs, volleyballs, soccer balls, frisb | big glove boxing ring, sumo suits, volley ball nets, soccer goals, s, balls \& gloves |
| 7. Staffing Requirements: 15 MWR reps to man the fish call |  |
| 8. Points of Contact: Fun Boss $\times 6371$ |  |
| 9. Marketing Process: POD Note, All hands e-mail from CMC, for the steel beach games. | C announcement made by the Fun Boss running down the schedule |
| 10. Explain Event Execution: See attached. |  |
| 11. Winners of Event: OS3 won the 5 K in 18:53 |  |
| 12. Prizes or Awards: No prizes for this steel beach picnic |  |
| 13. Lessons Learned: <br> Try to find a better stand for the tennis net and volley ball net, becau the pad eyes on the flight deck, but it looked cheap and it was fairly We had lots of requests for street hockey sticks and goals - looking them. Get our Basketball hoops back on board. Keep pushing the MWR reps to lead activities. | they won't stand up on their own. We had to tie them down to bbly. <br> purchasing |

14. Any Additional Information? :

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STEEL BEACH—USS bOXER

## 10. Explain Event Execution

Supply tells the ship when they would like to cook the hamburgers and special BBQ meals. If we can fit it into the schedule, we usually always do them on a Sunday. I wasn't expecting a steel beach picnic on a 18 day underway, but we had one.

I planned a fish call from the stern gate of the ship. This is significant because folding the stern gate down to fish takes lots of coordinating between the deck department and the auxiliary engineers. The situation presented itself to be at anchor and on a Sunday Holiday routine. Fishing from the stern gate allows us to be only inches off the water, rather then off the fan tail or elevator, which is way too high to even make it worth fishing. Fish call commenced at 0700 and lasted until 0930. Two of the MWR reps who are expert fisherman assisted the crew as they walked down the well deck and onto the stern gate which was sitting at a 10 degree angle off the water. I provided 12 fishing poles and tackle for the crew. MWR reps rigged each rod for bottom fishing with a weight and a dropper hook above the weight.

The fish call lasted 2 hours and I was the first one to catch a small croaker off the bottom.
The ship was anchored about 2 miles off Coronado in sandy bottom conditions.
The next event on the steel beach schedule was the 5 K run beginning at 0800 . Our 5 K runs are always well attended because we make them as similar to an official run as possible - like you would find out in town. We have music playing, we offer free water and we give everyone a finishing time and place. 10 laps around the flight deck perimeter is 5 K .

After the 5K run, we moved into the traditional steel beach games like sumo wrestling, Big Glove Boxing and Sports.

I set up the soccer goals, the tennis fence, the volleyball net and also a checkout tent and canopy where sailors could checkout tennis rackets, balls, or other equipment.

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STEEL BEACH—USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

## IKE-28 Nov 2016 OIR Steel Beach Picnic

## Background:

Steel Beach Picnics are fairly commonplace during a deployment. It gives the crew a chance to relax and recover in the midst of a deployment. During the 2016 OIR Campaign, the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower had two Steel Beach Picnics. Some ships have them as often as monthly. The purpose of this AAR is to lay out a foundation for hosting a Steel Beach Picnic, as we improved our event from the first to the second Steel Beach.

The event is set up to be a beach BBQ type of atmosphere typically held on the flight deck. While our first Steel Beach was confined to the Hangar Bay, the Second Steel Beach allowed us to spread out onto the Flight Deck. It is recommended that some Steel Beach Supplies such as inflatable kiddie pools, water guns, etc are brought on board prior to deployment. Having arrived 1+ months into deployment without any of those items onboard nor ability to easily acquire them, we made due with what we already had onboard.

## Event Time and Location:

28 Nov 2016 1100-1700
Hangar Bay and Flight Deck of The USS Dwight D. Eisenhower

## Event Team:

Fun Boss \& MWR Sailors, SUPPLY, Chief's Mess, FCPOA

## Participants:

There were over 3000 participants in our $2^{\text {nd }}$ Steel Beach of Deployment. The cooler temperatures and expansion onto the flight deck resulted in a better and consistently attended event.

## Distinguished Guests:

Distinguished guests who attended this event included RADM, CO, CAG, XO, DCAG, CMC, and CAG CMC.

## Menu:

The First Class Petty Officer's Association and Chief's Mess worked the grills for the event. The menu included:
Grilled Hamburgers
Grilled Hot Dogs
Pasta Salad
Baked Beans
Assorted Chips
Assorted Cookies
Soda
Bottled Spring Water

## Entertainment:

We were able to roll multiple large MWR events into the Steel Beach Picnic. We had the finalists for the IKE singing competition perform, had the largest Ike Strength Fest, and a Volleyball Tournament all incorporated into the larger Steel Beach. Other activities included:

DJ
Hitting Golf Balls off the Flight Deck
Ladder Golf
Cornhole
Kan Jam
Sumo Suits
Bouncy Boxing
Joust

## Suggestions:

Recommend that Steel Beach Supplies are included in the pack up for deployment. Supplies such as kiddie pools, water guns, perhaps an inflatable slip \& Slide would have been great additions.

## Coverage:

http://www.navy.mil/submit/display.asp?story id=97881
Enclosures:
Layout
5050
Event Photos
Navy.mil Article

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The Holiday Party is the 'main event' for each ship. This is one of the big ticket items included in the annual budget. Plan wisely.
$\square \quad$ Identify venues that meet the requirements for the ship

- Size
- Functionality
- Multiple rooms?
- Get bids from each venue
$\square$ Verify date with the Chain of Command and communicate with Departments involvedRecreation Advisory Board provides ideas and votes
- Location
- Theme
- Menu
- Prizes
$\square$ Budget
- Catering
- Decor
- Entertainment
- Door Prizes
- Giveaway item - Glass? Movie ticket?
- Transportation?
- Plan for duty section
$\square$ Contract Review Board
- Ensure government clause is included

Marketing
Volunteers / staffSupplies / Gear
$\square$ Set up / Take Down

# AFTER ACTION REPORTS 

| First and Last name: |  | Ship's Name: <br> USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN |  |
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| Position Title: <br> FUN BOSS |  | Date: <br> $11 / 17 / 2016$ |  |
| Event happened: | $\square$ | Underway $\quad$ X | Homeport |
| Pictures must be included when submitting in an After Action Report to your Supervisor. |  |  |  |

Please Complete below list of Questions regarding the Event:

1. Title of Event: LINCOLN CVN0072 Holiday Party (a.k.a. secret agent theme)
2. Location of Event: (Hanger Bay, Picnic Area) Hampton Roads Convention Center

## 3. Date of Event: <br> 11/17/2016

## 4. Time of Event: <br> 1800-2359

5. Number of Participants: 1882
6. Equipment Needed: Rental Facility to accommodate 1800+ personnel, Catered meal, Decor for facility

## 7. Staffing Requirements: MWR Staff, CoC involvement, On premise staff at venue

8. Points of Contact: Fun Boss
9. Marketing Process: ABE Nation Emails, Posters, Flyers, 1MC Announcements

## 10. Explain Event Execution:

Planning process began $6+$ months from event. Worked with local venues and vendors to get bid options in the area. Contract review board and MWR committee assisted in selection of location, theme, decor, food, and date. Work with MEDIA to develop marketing campaign to launch to crew 2 months prior to event. Began ticket sales 6 weeks from event date. Offered Early Bird Special Rate to encourage early purchase of tickets. Turned in final count numbers to venue 72 hours prior to event. Worked closely with venue and decor company to plan SOE. Purchased 30K in prizes to disperse at holiday party to respective sailors.
11. Winners of Event: $150+$ participants accounted for in MWR prize log
12. Prizes or Awards: 30K in various prizes (computers, TVs, gaming system, speakers, headphones, Cameras, NEX Gift Cards, Restaurant Gift Cards, 5K Travel Voucher - Grand Prize, etc.)

## 13. Lessons Learned:

14. Any Additional Information? :

RECREATION COMMAND WIDE / THEME EVENTS COMMAND PICNIC

Command picnics are another big event for ships. Where steel beach picnics are held underway; command picnics are executed while in port and families are invited. Some ships will buy tickets to an existing venue (i.e. water and/or amusement park) and/or they will typically use pavilion areas at base MWR's. Following are examples of each.
$\square \quad$ Identify venues that meet the requirements for the ship

- Size
- Functionality
- Affordable?
- Get bids from each venue

Verify date with the Chain of Command and communicate with Departments involved
Recreation Advisory Board provides ideas and votes

- Location
- Theme
- Menu
- Entertainment / Activity ideas
- Face Fainter
- Bounce House
- Sports
- Softball / Basketball / Volleyball / Tug-O-War / Horseshoes / Cornhole
- Car Show
- Race
- Captain's Cup events
- Beach Access?


## Budget

- Catering
- Entertainment
- Transportation?
- Plan for duty section


## Contract Review Board

- Ensure government clause is included


## Security

- Check with Ship Security - is there a requirement for a brief (Force Protection)? What's the timeline?
- Parking - Ensure the venue is aware of the increased traffic for the event

Marketing
Volunteers / staff
Supplies / Gear
Set up / Take Down

- Command responsible?
- Venue responsible?


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# Command Picnic Information \& Schedule of Events 



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COMMAND PICNIC—USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH


The USS George H.W. Bush MWR hosted a Command Picnic on August 5, 2016 at Ocean Breeze Waterpark. Sailors \& their families enjoyed the waterpark, glitter tattoos, hair braiding, photo booths, DJ, lunch \& prizes.



## MMR <br> RECREATION COMMAND WIDE / THEME EVENTS SUPERBOWL PARTY

Whether the ship is underway or in port - this is a great opportunity for programming. Watching on the Big Screen, Trivia, Super Bowl Bingo - there are many choices.
$\square$ Communicate with Departments involved if using their space
$\square$ Cost involved? Budgeted?
$\square$ Entertainment
o Watch on the Big Screen
o Trivia
O Super Bowl BINGO

- BINGO cards available online to print. (Players mark a space if the event that's on the square occurs.)
- There are several free online services that allow printing multiple card versions
- Some websites allow you to customize cards. This works well for deployed ships since regular commercials are not on AFN - AFN commercials can be referenced instead.
o Team Charades - Football
Marketing
o Be aware of any start time differences (time zones). Double and triple-check start times.
Volunteers / staff
$\square$ Supplies / Gear
$\square$ Set up / Take Down


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11. Winners of Event: $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$
12. Prizes or Awards: N/A
13. Lessons Learned:
14. Any Additional Information? :

Casino nights are a unique event that can be held underway. Check with your local DFS office for supplies (i.e. chips, Texas Hold 'Em/Blackjack felts, etc). Following is a good example from one ship that was able to utilize a lot of volunteer support.
$\square$ Communicate with the Chain of Command for approval
$\square$ Communicate with Departments involved if using their space
$\square$ Budgeted?
$\square$ Rules
o How much are chips worth?
$\square$ Prizes
o Purchase and have on board before going underway
o Remember - entry must be free and cash prizes cannot be given
$\square$ Marketing
$\square$ Volunteer Dealers / staff
o Meeting before event to ensure everyone understands the rules
$\square$ Supplies / Gear
$\square$ Set up / Take Down

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Please Complete below list of Questions regarding the Event:

14. Any Additional Information? :

## MWR CASINO NIGHT RULES

-All Players are issued 20 POINTS worth of chips
-All Chips are a value of 1 POINT except black chips
-BLACK CHIPS ARE VALUED AT 10 POINTS

## BLACK JACK-

-Dealer will stand on 17 or more
-Double down on any number (bet equal or less)
-Insurance
-Split on Doubles
-Minimum Bet- 2 POINTS

## TEXAS HOLD ‘EM-

-Big blind-2 POINTS
-Small blind- 1 POINT
-Dealers have control of tempo and blind at their table

## ROULETTE-

-Outside pays 1 for 1
-Inside pays 5 to 1
-Minimum anywhere- 1 POINT
-No black chips will be used

CRAPS-
-On the Field pays 1 for 1
-All else pays 3 to 1

## Event Explanation from Fun Boss:

I did this event with all the chips being a different color but found out life is way easier for us that all chips were 1 POINT except for the black chips which were 10 POINTS. When sailors wanted to play roulette they had to exchange their chips for chips with dots around them. In the game of Roulette you can make bets all over the board and it can be difficult to keep track. To combat this, sailors exchange their chips at that table for single colored chips (black, blue, green, red, or white) that they can place all over the board and the dealer knows who to make the payouts to. Sailors exchange their chips when they leave the table.

For prizes we used a points system (15 POINTS = a shirt, 30 POINTS = a water bottle etc). Even those who didn't know how to play could just exchange their chips back in and get a prize. The next time we do this event we are going to give out custom shirts. 1 per person as long as they have 30 POINTS, in order to get through the line quicker at the end of the night.

This event relies heavily on volunteers who know how to deal. Those who don't know how to deal are still very helpful in passing out chips, helping with prize redemption, and retrieving/distributing chips to dealers.

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CASINO NIGHT-VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE


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CASINO NIGHT-VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

| SODA BREAKOUT | 1800-1900 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AS3 | YN3 | HM3 | AOAN | 9 |
| MMFN | HN | HM3 | 8 | 10 |
| SET UP | 1900-2000 |  |  |  |
|  | ABF3 | AOAN |  | 7 |
|  | EM3 | HM2 | 6 | 8 |
| BREAK DOWN | 2200-2300 |  |  |  |
|  | 1 All MWR Personnel | FC3 | 5 | 7 |
|  | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| 138 FLOOR RUNNER | 2000-2030 JDIAL | 2030-2100 JDIAL | 2100-2130 JDIAL | 2130-2200 JDIAL |
|  | 1 LS1 | 1 LS1 | 1 LS1 | 1 LS1 |
|  | HM1 | HM1 | HM1 | HM1 |
| 148 FLOOR RUNNER | 2000-2030 JDIAL | 2030-2100 JDIAL | 2100-2130 JDIAL | 2130-2200 JDIAL |
|  | HM1 | HM1 | HM1 | HM1 |
|  | HMC | HMC | HMC | HMC |
| POPCORN 1800 | CSSN | CS3 | PSSA |  |

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CASINO NIGHT-148 \& 138 BAY LAYOUT


Following is one example of Halloween activities executed onboard during deployment. The ship threw a Glow Party which included sports activities with impact-based gear that glowed.
$\square$ Communicate with the Chain of Command
$\square$ Communicate with Departments involved if using their space
$\square$ Budgeted?
$\square$ Prizes?
o Purchase and have on board before going underway
$\square$ Marketing
$\square$ Volunteers / Staff
$\square$ Supplies / Gear
$\square$ Set up / Take Down

RECREATION COMMAND WIDE / THEME EVENTS
halloween glow party

## 10/31/16 Halloween Glow Party AAR

## Background:

During OIR Deployment 2016, there were multiple requests to have a large Halloween themed activity. The proposal for a Glow Party was approved. The event was held in the hangar bay under soft lights. The event kicked off with an iconic Halloween Dance/Sing Off from 3 fan favorites that had recently been voted off Ike singing competition. The Semi Finalists wowed the crowd just before the DJ took the stage and the glow sports \& Halloween Contest took Place. At 2100, we premiered the thriller "Don't Breathe" on the big screen to round out the event.

## Event Time and Location:

31 October, 2016 1800-2230
Hangar Bay 2, USS Dwight D. Eisenhower

## Event Team:

Fun Boss, Ship's DJ, \& MWR Sailors

## Participants:

There were approximately 750-1000 participants in the Glow Party and Hangar Bay Horror Movie Event

## Menu:

MWR Provided ample amounts of Halloween Candy.

## Activities/Entertainment:

Iconic Halloween Dance/Sing Off
IKE Singing Competition Semi-Finals
DJ
Glow Basketball, Glow Volleyball, Glow Futbal, Glow Cornhole
Halloween Costume Contest
Horror Movie: Don't Breathe

## Suggestions/Comments:

Purchased Glowsticks that were not allowed due to man overboard concerns. Glow sports equipment was impact based and only stayed lit for 3 seconds.

## Coverage:

IKE ON EPISODE XVII : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dJacxniBbuA\&feature=youtu.be

## Enclosures:

Layout
Event Photos



