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# Personnel Action Team IN ACTION



#### **OPERATION COVID 19 STATUS**

Mission Length (as of 1NOV21): 603 days Total number of NYNM mobilized: 337 Current number of NYNM mobilized: 80

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#### **NEW YORK STATE NAVAL MILITIA**

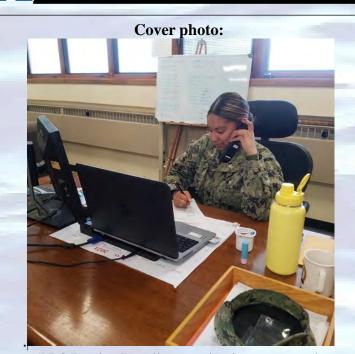
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PR3 Donica Dowling conducting personnel assessments over the phone while on SAD for the Operation COVID 19 mission.

#### **Commander's Corner:**



#### Rear Admiral (LH) Warren T. Smith, NYNM

The New York Naval Militia embodies the spirit of "service", as do the "armed services" as a whole. In our case, that service is to our nation, to the State of New York,

to our communities, families and friends, and to each other: fellow professionals in our branches of service – Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard Reserve – and our colleagues in the Army and Air National Guard and the New York Guard. The concept of service to others is important to bear in mind as some of our individual members weigh the decision whether to get vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus, mandate notwithstanding, or accept the fact that they will not be eligible to receive orders to mobilize and may face dismissal.

Of course the primary intention of a vaccine for any disease is to protect you, the recipient. But equally important is the intent to protect others against the risk of unintentional infection from you. Many diseases can be carried and transmitted without the host knowing that he/she is infected, and without any signs of illness manifesting themselves. To protect our families and friends, our associates in our military and civilian careers, and the public at large, it is part of our service obligation to consider the rights of others to be protected from the risk of infection at our hands. It seems extraordinary that a simple protective measure we all experienced while on active duty - receiving vaccines for multiple diseases - has become controversial when we are talking about protecting our entire society against a new and deadly threat. If we don't consider the consequences of our actions or inactions on others as well as ourselves, then we no longer have a society. But we all share the same Earth and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future, so we all have a stake in how things work out. Our children and grandchildren the world over are depending on us to make the smart yet difficult choices today. Let us honor our oath of service and not let them down. And let's commit to being "full up rounds," ready for whatever events call us to serve.

#### Deputy Commander News:

Many of us are using forms of Social Media, one popular platform posts notes of "Here is what you posted a Year Ago". Last year at this time I did not expect to be marking the 600th day of the COVID19 Mission. 337 Naval Militia members have answered the call to be on the COVID19 mission. There are still 80 members on mission. Many more members have volunteered to be part of this mission but were not called.

I am extremely proud of everyone that has participated in the COVID19 mission and who volunteered for the mission. Well done to everyone. Although the COVID19 mission has occupied much of our activities this past year, there are future missions to plan for and benefits of being in the New York Naval Militia we can utilize. Future missions will require us to be prepared, one preparation is that a new requirement is that all New York Naval Militia members must have full COVID vaccinations in order to come on State Active Duty. This is because all State Active Duty is under New York State orders.

I do want to make an appeal for the Tuition Assistance

program. A benefit offered to New York Naval Militia members that is often overlooked is the Recruitment Incentive and Reenlistment Program (RIRP). This Tuition Assistance program is offered to all New York State drilling Reserve members of the State Organized Militia. It is available to pay up to SUNY tuition (\$7,070 per year) for a member's first Baccalaureate Degree or Associates Degree. As a benefit it simply requires the completion of the application process. The Spring 2022 deadline is December 13th, 2021. Get your application in early.

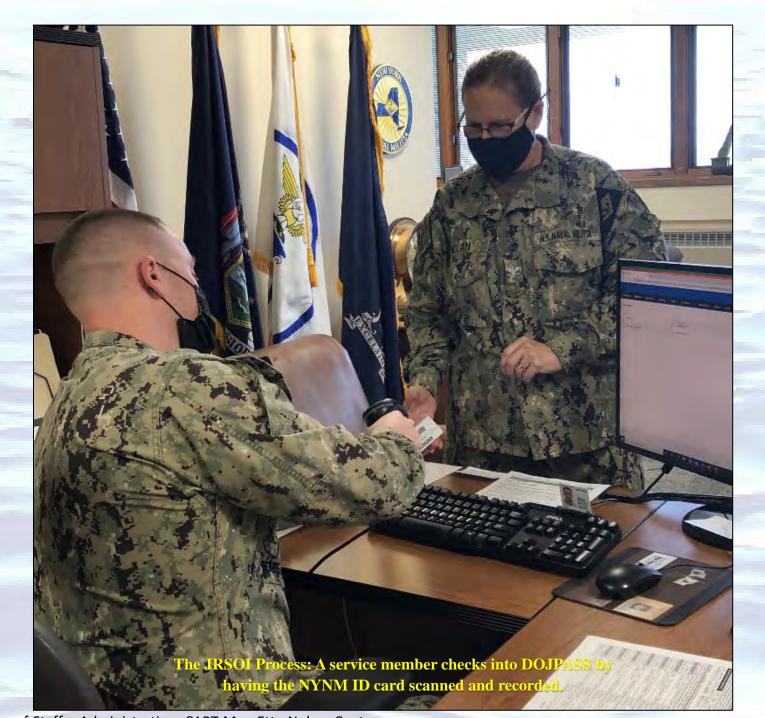
Winter weather is on the way. Be sure your home, car and clothing is ready for cold weather. Be safe and thank you for volunteering.

#### **Personnel Action Team (PAT)**

The Personnel Action Team (PAT) is one of the first groups of personnel to get activated in a state emergency and usually one of the last to de-mobilize. That is how important this function is. Over the course of an emergency PAT will undergo phases of responsibility. Fundamentally, the job involves finding the right Naval Militia members to mobilize and getting them into the fight through the JRSOI process. The work continues with regular updates to an activated member's status. There are a myriad of duties and functions that this involves on a daily basis. When it is time for a member to be released from active duty (RE-FRAD), the PAT coordinates these efforts too. It cannot be overstated how important the PAT is to the Naval Militia and to the functioning of a Joint Task Force in New York State. The mission of the Personnel Action Team is:

In the event of an activation for emergency or other contingency, the Personnel Action Team will respond to Headquarters, NY Naval Militia to assist in the process of mobilizing forces and placing them in a State Active Duty status.

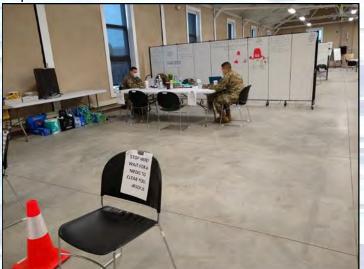
The Officer in Charge of the Personnel Action Team is Capt Michael Golden. He reports to the Assistant Chief



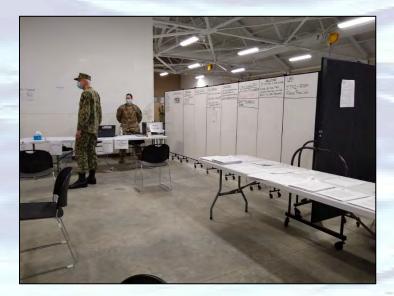
of Staff – Administration, CAPT MaryEtta Nolan. Capt Nolan has established a goal for the PAT to start conducting quarterly training sessions in the new year and to develop a pool of service members to call up during activations. Training would include learning DOJPASS (the personnel database accounting system for mobilizations). Filling the PAT Senior Enlisted Member slot will also be a key goal.

#### JRSOI

When a significant event occurs or appears to be imminent in New York, the Governor of New York may order the New York State Military Forces to execute Joint Reception, Staging, Onward Movement, Integration (JRSOI) at one or multiple locations in New York during a response to an all-hazards event, while retaining the ability to provide Mission Command (MC) and sustainment for those forces throughout the duration of the emergency. As part of the Governor's State Defense NYNM plays an important role in JRSOI. To remain a relevant and valued part of New York Military Forces, we need participation from our membership.



JRSOI is the critical first step in any mobilization for a domestic operation. NYNM trained service members will be part of an elite team who will be mobilized prior to the main body, and typically the last to come off orders. JRSOI team members will receive training on all administrative functions necessary to complete the JRSOI, maintain a sustained mission and reverse JRSOI process for SAD. Quarterly refresher training will be provided as needed.



JRSOI is a process, not a place. NYNG JFHQ-NY has preidentified six (6) JRSOI locations spread across New York Joint Operations Area's, JOA's 1-5: 106th RQW -Westhampton Beach, Long Island; 105th AW - Stewart ANG base; Camp Smith Training Site - Cortlandt Manor; 109th AW - Scotia ANG base; 174th ATKW – Syracuse; and 107th ATKW – Niagara.



Each site varies in size, capacity, and throughput of personnel and equipment. Each site has distinct infrastructure, sustainment and capacity restrictions that will impact the ability to operate as a JRSOI site depending on the scope, duration, and intensity of the event. Ideally, NYNM would have trained Team Members for all 6 locations.

Once our forces have completed JRSOI, they can rapidly provide Defense Support to Civil Authorities (DSCA) support to New York through Emergency Management Assistance Compacts (EMAC) with other State/National Guard assets in SAD status, or with other National Guard assets in T32 status.

Dual Status Command (DSC) forces placed under the command of TAG-NY are synchronized with state and local emergency management requirements and able to sustain themselves within the scope and duration of the event. Limited JRSOI can be provided to other

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federal, state, and non-governmental agencies as necessary, required, or authorized.

The US Army North (ARNORTH), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and US Northern Command (US NORTHCOM), maintain a list of all installations under both federal and state control within each FEMA region as well.

#### AWARDS

Medal for Meritorious Service to NYS AMCS James Miller



Military Commendation Medal SW1 Arthur Visconte

#### READINESS OFFICER

The focus of this newsletter is the process in place to bring our Service Members on State Active Duty (SAD), what the process involves and how you can contribute. There are some limitations for our retired/separated Service Members and positions that can only be filled with a drilling Reservist holding a valid CAC. Rest assured all interested NYNM members can participate in a meaningful way.

As always, please help me keep our readiness up by notifying me of any change to your pay grade, unit, address or contact information. We do not have access to any federal system. If you are a member who is separated or retired from your federal component, an annual medical is required on our forms 88 & 93 to be eligible for State Active Duty orders and remain a member. These can be found on our website under forms and instructions.

#### Send updates to

ng.ny.nyarng.mbx.nynavalmilitia@mail.mil.

Thank you all! BMCS(EXW) Elizebeth Spain

#### **Education News:**

#### **Important RIRP Information**

For those of you who are not aware, the RIRP is a tuition assistance program available to members of the New York Army & Air National Guards, New York Guard, and the New York Naval Militia. The RIRP is a program funded by New York State with the intention of recruiting and retaining drilling reservists within New York State. If approved for the RIRP, New York State will pay your school a maximum of the current SUNY Tuition rate per semester. The rate for the Spring 2022 semester is \$3,535.00.

Eligibility: In order to qualify for the RIRP, you MUST:

• Be a current drilling reservist, in good standing both with your Federal component and the Naval Militia.

• Remain a drilling reservist for the duration of the time you are receiving the RIRP benefit.

- Be a current resident of New York State.
- Be working to achieve your FIRST Bachelor's degree, or an Associate's degree (members that already have a bachelor's degree are not eligible).

• Be a member of the New York Naval Militia for a MINIMUM of 1 month (30 days) prior to the first deadline date for the current semester you want to apply for.

Spring 2022 application period is now open! Please begin sending your applications to the RIRP inbox (ng.ny.nyarng.mbx.nynavalmilitia-rirp@mail.mil) with the subject line of "Last name, First name SPRING 2022 RIRP".

#### Spring 2022 Deadlines:

• December 13, 2021 – DMNA Form 96-1 and NYNM RIRP Acknowledgment Form must be completed and received in order to be considered for this semester.

February 13, 2022 – NYS TAP Award and FAFSA Student Aid Report need to be submitted in order to be considered for approval.

ALL other required documents referenced in RIRP Checklist should be submitted NLT February 13, 2022.

Note: There have been additional revisions made to NYNM's DMNA 96-1 and RIRP Checklist for Spring 2022. Follow the below links to access the documents or download them from the NYNM website under the forms/instruction tab. All previous versions are now obsolete and will not be accepted. Helpful Links:

NYNM Education Page http://dmna.ny.gov/nynm/?id=education

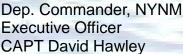
DMNA REG 621-1 http://dmna.ny.gov/education/pdf/dmna621 1.pdf

DMNA Form 96-1 https://dmna.ny.gov/forms/naval/NYNM RIRP DMN A Form 961.pdf

**RIRP Acknowledgement Form** https://dmna.ny.gov/forms/naval/NYNM RIRP Ackn owledgement 2021.pdf

**RIRP Checklist** https://dmna.ny.gov/forms/naval/NYNM RIRP Chec klist Spring 2022.pdf

Commander, NYNM **RDML** Warren Smith







Chief of Staff, NYNM CAPT Larry Weill

**Command Master Chief** MNCM Glenn Niemitalo





#### Leadership Update:

There have been some recent changes to key leadership assignments within the New York Naval Militia. Below is a comprehensive list of members filling key leadership roles:

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N1 Assistant Chief of Staff (ACoS) -Admin: CAPT Maryetta Nolan



N11 Personnel Action Team OIC Capt Michael Golden



N2 ACoS –Intelligence VACANT

N3/5 ACoS Operations/Plans CDR Pietro Marghella



N31 Readiness Officer BMCS Elizebeth Spain



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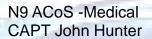
N4 ACoS -Logistics: CAPT Kenda James



N6 ACoS –Information Technologies CAPT Mark Pedersen









N97 Force Medical Training LCDR Alan Gutman



Commander, NYNM SOUTHCOM Col Chris Rust



Deputy Commander, NYNM SOUTHCOM CAPT Marylynn Marrese

Senior Enlisted Leader, NYNM SOUTHCOM MGySgt Sal Rignola



Commander, NYNM NORTHCOM CAPT Michael Perry



Commander, NYNM WESTCOM CAPT Jay Dutcher



Senior Enlisted Leader, NYNM WESTCOM CBCM Michael Grimmer

## Gallery

MEBS conducted a NYS Safe Boater course on 29 July 2021, in Manhattan. Special thanks to CWO4 Lester Chang and the Lt B.R. Kimlau Chinese Memorial Post 1291, American Legion for hosting this productive event.





## New York Naval Militia by the Numbers

1NOV21	SOUTH	NORTH	WEST	TOTAL
OFFICER	139	27	38	204
WARRANT	7	0	2	9
ENLISTED	1908	249	401	2558
TOTAL	2054	276	441	2771
				Canada
NAVY	962	128	263	1353
MARINE	928	114	151	1193
COAST GUARD	89	3	5	97
STATE ACTIVE LIST (5%)	29	7	3	39
FEDERAL COMPONENT LIST (Retired)	46	24	19	89

## **TRAINING READINESS**

York Naval Militia Training Readiness Report NYNMINST 3501.1					
Month:	NOV		Year:	2021	
		NUMBER	PERCENT		
1.Personnel Census					
a.Total Force Census:		2771			
b.Percentage of end-strength (3500):			79.17%		
c.SAL as percentage of total census: (Less than 5% by law)			1.52%		79.13
d. Number of 900 series, E7 and above		72			P-Rating
2. Training Readiness:	GOAL				
a.Percentage of 900 series unit members in grade E-7 and above with ICS 100, 200, 700, 800 courses:	288	155	53.82%		
<pre>b.Number of trained JTF Liaison Officers (six min):</pre>	6	4	66.67%		
<pre>c.Number of HIPAA trained staff (three min):</pre>	3	6	100.00%		/
d.Number of JRSOI trained PAT members (five min):	5	14	100.00%		72.99
e.Number of JOC 101 trained staff (three min):	3	1	33.33%		T-Rating
<pre>f.Number of JSTC E-7 and above (five min):</pre>	5	6	100.00%		
g.Percentage of CDRs/DEP CDRs with Ethics Overview:	7	4	57.14%		