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## Welcome to the 53<sup>rd</sup> Edition of *NAMTS News*

This newsletter contains information about the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Program. The purpose of this publication is to raise the level of awareness of NAMTS and to highlight the achievements of Sailors across the waterfront among the Navy's senior leadership, maintenance personnel and mentors by providing accurate information on current issues and events related to this important program.

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### NAMTS

Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) was established in 1998 by the CNO to improve battle-group organic maintenance capability and material self-sufficiency. Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) trains Sailors through the NAMTS program by utilizing I-Level hands-on maintenance production to "forge maintenance warriors," who are competent and confident in their ability to own, maintain and operate their shipboard equipment.

CNRMC, the Regional Maintenance Centers (RMC), Naval Shipyards (NSY), Intermediate Maintenance Facilities (IMF), Trident Refit Facility (TRF) Bangor and designated afloat activities are collaborating on specific repair and maintenance "value streams" to form the Navy's largest "SEA" school:

- Maintenance Competency Development
- Material Readiness Support
- Shop Production

While assigned to a RMC, IMF, NNSY, TRF or designated afloat command, NAMTS trains Sailors in 26 different Journeymen Level Repair and Maintenance Technician training programs through hands-on shop production work accomplishment. NAMTS graduates are awarded NAMTS Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) codes in order that they are assigned to NAMTS NEC coded billets.

#### On the cover:

This edition's cover is a combination of two images. 210624-N-OJ308-2086 RED SEA (June 24, 2021) A landing craft, air cushion assigned to Assault Craft Unit (ACU) 4, transits behind amphibious assault ship USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7), June 24. ACU 4 is deployed with Iwo Jima to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations in support of naval operations to ensure maritime stability and security in the Central Region, connecting the Mediterranean and Pacific through the western Indian Ocean and three strategic choke points. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Isaac A. Rodriguez)

Amphibious assault ship USS Boxer (LHD 4) underway off the coast of Southern California (November 15, 2010).  
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## CNRMC Leadership Message



Shipmates,

We are a world class surface ship sustainment, maintenance and modernization organization and it is my honor to lead our great team. We are making great progress in driving transformation focused on improving operational effectiveness and efficiency across our organization.

We must continue to operate with a “One Team” mindset and the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) team is critical to helping us achieve our goals as we set the conditions for mission success.

This continues to be a whirlwind year, but you stayed committed to the mission and kept us on track. As of April 1, we started to demobilize half of our Reservists who were called up through the Surge Maintenance program last year, the largest Reserve deployment in NAVSEA history, to support work at the four public shipyards. Thanks to the skill, expertise, and contributions of our Sailors, work was kept on schedule. Sailors were also able to take advantage of NAMTS training while mobilized. Twenty reservists completed hands-on training during their mobilization to earn valued Navy enlisted classification codes. Another 706 enrolled while mobilized; these Sailors continue to complete their hands-on NAMTS training during their periods of active duty.

The team at large has also been busy with the successful implementation of the NAMTS Core Fundamentals job qualification requirement at all shore NAMTS commands, developing and updating various curricula, and helping the fleet with the installation of various Industrial Plant Equipment.

The NAMTS Afloat team members have helped more than twenty ships with repairs and maintenance on a variety of equipment including valve test stands, lathes, milling machines, hydraulic presses, power hacksaws, drill presses and air conditioning and refrigeration repairs. They have also worked with commands in the establishment of eight new NAMTS Afloat Training Activities programs, including one for Assault Craft Unit Four (ACU 4). Thanks in part to these critical mentorship opportunities, our Sailors continue to focus on their training and are effective in increasing our self-sufficiency capabilities.



*Rear Admiral Eric Ver Hage,  
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Director, Surface Ship Maintenance and Modernization  
(SEA 21) (Photo by U.S. Navy)*

An annual tradition, Surface Line Week, was recently held on the East Coast, showcasing our Sailors’ athletic and professional abilities. Be sure to read the article for a closer look at the machining and welding competitions that showcased work done by some of our talented NAMTS Sailors.

I want to continue to encourage those of you who have the opportunity to take advantage of the NAMTS program. The skills you develop while assigned to our Regional Maintenance Centers are invaluable and will make meaningful differences in your self-sufficiency back at sea. Being able to partake in structured training, hands-on work, and earning your NECs, put you at a strong advantage. You will be more adept, increasing performance on Navy advancement exams and the fleet will benefit directly once you transfer to your next sea-duty billet. Not only will you then have the ability to repair the equipment aboard your ship and teach your fellow shipmates, but when the time comes, you will also be able to take that knowledge and those skills with you when you are no longer in uniform.

Our talented team, partnered side-by-side with industry, are moving out on the CNO’s guidance as we focus our priorities on readiness, capabilities, capacity, and our Sailors. Great things are happening across the NAVSEA/CNRMC enterprise, and for that, I thank you! Keep charging!



# Changes of Command



By Southwest Regional Maintenance Center Public Affairs

By Michael Brayshaw, NNSY Lead Public Affairs Specialist



## Southwest Regional Maintenance Center Holds Change of Command Ceremony

SAN DIEGO – Capt. John Bauer relieved Capt. David Hart as commanding officer of Southwest Regional

Maintenance Center (SWRMC) during a change of command ceremony at Naval Base San Diego's Bainbridge Park, March 5.

Rear Adm. Eric Ver Hage, Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center and Director, Surface Ship Maintenance and Modernization, Naval Sea Systems Command served as the principal speaker and expressed his gratitude for the job done by Hart.

"His commitment to others is perhaps best highlighted by his drive to keep the employees of SWRMC safe and healthy while still executing the mission during this pandemic," says Ver Hage. "Ship repair work can't wait, and it can't be done remotely. Hart and the rest of the SWRMC leadership have gone to great lengths to protect the workforce and arm them with the knowledge and tools to keep them on the job."

Bauer is reporting to SWRMC after completing a successful tour as officer-in-charge for the DDG 1000 Class Post Delivery efforts, overseeing the Combat Systems Activation and Post-Shakedown Availabilities for DDG 1000 and DDG 1001 in San Diego.

Ver Hage expressed his confidence in Bauer's leadership, saying that his previous experience "has set the foundation for him up to take the helm and deliver superior ship maintenance, modernization, technical support and training for the Pacific Fleet."

"The maintenance, modernization, and sustainment of the ships in the fleet are core functions in the success of our Navy," said Bauer. "The challenges facing us today are rapidly evolving. We will work together with our industry partners to successfully meet our mission – striving to meet the goals and overcome challenges along the way through innovative and efficient solutions."

SWRMC graduated four Sailors from the NAMTS General Shipboard Welder/Brazer job qualification requirements under Capt. Hart's tenure.



Captain John Bauer assumed his current position, Commanding Officer, Southwest Regional Maintenance Center, on March 05. (Photo by SWRMC Public Affairs.)



## Captain Dianna Wolfson becomes 110<sup>th</sup> commander and first female leader of Norfolk Naval Shipyard

Captain Dianna Wolfson took the helm Jan. 15 as the 110th commander of Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY) and first female leader in its 253-year history.

Wolfson also holds the distinction of becoming the first female commander of any of the nation's

four public shipyards when she assumed command in June 2019 of Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PSNS & IMF).

This marks her third NNSY tour, with previous assignments as Operations Officer and Project Superintendent for the USS Newport News (SSN 750) Engineered Overhaul.

Wolfson takes command of the shipyard during a period of great transition, as NNSY is upgrading its facilities as part of Naval Sea Systems Command's Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program (SIOP) and continues integrating cutting-edge technologies in ship repair and modernization. In the midst of that, NNSY has worked in the past year to minimize the spread of COVID-19 amongst its nearly 11,000-member workforce while maximizing the mission of delivering assets back to the Navy.

"One phrase I will use often because I truly believe in its importance is 'One Mission, One Team,'" said Wolfson. "We have one mission—to forge every opportunity to preserve our national security and gain a competitive advantage to be the shipyard our Navy needs through our exceptional, safe, timely and cost-conscious delivery of our warships. Together, we are in the mission of relentlessly chasing best performance in the stewardship of our nation's naval assets."

"Captain Wolfson is truly the right leader at the right time for NNSY," said departing Shipyard Commander Rear Admiral Howard Markle. "Her deep sense of care and commitment to our Navy and the NNSY workforce will be at the forefront of meeting the shipyard's priorities of developing our people and delivering on our mission."

Although his time as Shipyard Commander was brief, Rear Adm. Markle graduated 19 Sailors across seven of ten available NAMTS skill areas at NNSY, which had a record of 63 graduates in 2020.

Norfolk Naval Shipyard, VA - Captain Dianna Wolfson, the new Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY) Commander, is congratulated by outgoing Shipyard Commander Rear Admiral Howard Markle during the Assumption of Command ceremony Jan. 15. Wolfson is NNSY's 110th commander and first female leader in its 253-year history. (Photo by Daniel De Angelis.)







## Changes of Command



By Kate Necaise, PHNSY & IMF Public Affairs



### **Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard bids Aloha 'Oe to Capt. Burton, Welcomes Capt. Jones**

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii – Capt. Richard Jones relieved Capt. Gregory Burton as the 48<sup>th</sup> commander of Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) during a change of command ceremony held June 4,

onboard Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. On the grounds of the shipyard's historic Building One, the physically-distanced ceremony, along with a video livestream, provided friends, family and colleagues the opportunity to witness the time-honored naval tradition.

Burton, who has served as shipyard commander since July 2017, expressed his gratitude to the workforce for their perseverance and dedication to the mission throughout his command tour. Though many challenges presented themselves over the past four years, Burton emphasized how the workforce's resiliency and sense of Aloha helped overcome obstacles and pushed the Nō Ka 'Oi shipyard towards their best performance in decades.

"Though the men and women of Pearl Harbor do not directly defend our freedoms, we maintain and modernize the ships and submarines for the Sailors who do," Burton said. "We do not take this responsibility lightly. We are a shipyard full of dedicated Americans honored to work in this capacity – a capacity that directly contributes to our national security. To our core, we believe in being Nō Ka 'Oi, challenging ourselves to be the best, and we believe in kulia i kanu'u, striving for the summit, or continuous improvement."

Vice Adm. William Galinis, Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) commander and presiding officer for the ceremony, praised PHNSY & IMF's contributions to the national security mission and Navy readiness under Burton's leadership.

"Our shipyard commanding officer jobs are our most challenging command jobs we have in our Engineering Duty Officer community, and I would argue perhaps some of the most challenging [major command] jobs in our Navy. These are tough jobs, and Greg, you have done an amazing job leading this shipyard over the last four years," Galinis said. "On behalf of the entire Navy and country, thank you for a job well done and for commanding one of the most famous shipyards in America."

Throughout the course of Burton's command tour, PHNSY & IMF showcased continuous performance improvements in exceeding deadlines for Virginia-class submarine extended docking selected restricted availabilities with back-to-back early deliveries of USS North Carolina (SSN 777) in 2019 and USS Missouri (SSN 780) in 2020. These achievements earned the shipyard the designation as the Virginia-class Center of Excellence.

In addition, the shipyard improved on-time delivery rates of intermediate-level submarine availabilities, providing combat-

ready warships to support the Navy's mission while also increasing the annual execution of submarine maintenance by 16% from 2018-2021.

The shipyard also experienced increased surface ship maintenance performance, delivering its first Arleigh Burke-class destroyer docking selected restricted availability, USS Wayne E. Meyer (DDG 108), 14 days early in 2021 as well as completing pierside depot-level availabilities and continuous maintenance availabilities with a fiscal year 2021, on-time delivery rate of 100%.

"Captain Burton was instrumental in making the implementation of additional NAMTS JQRs (Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy Job Qualifica-

tion Requirements) a top priority here at Pearl Harbor. Under his leadership, we were able to implement additional skill area training for Sailors to include Inside Electricall, Outside Electrical, Shipboard Calibration, Heat Exchanger Repair and Hydraulic Repair. The technical ship support training provided to Sailors allows ships to keep fit to fight. Captain Burton's support will be missed, but we certainly look forward to continued success of the NAMTS program with Captain Jones," said Travis Rupert, Regional NAMTS Coordinator.

PHNSY & IMF completed these accomplishments and others while maintaining its Voluntary Personal Protection status and received the Safety Management System (SMS) Achievement Award.

In light of these achievements, Galinis presented Burton with the Legion of Merit for outstanding service and commitment to duty during his four-year tour as shipyard commander. The award, typically reserved for senior officers, is given for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements. Burton's outstanding performance at PHNSY & IMF during extremely challenging times of increasing workload, command emergencies and global crisis events is truly indicative of his commitment of service to the Navy and the nation. He directed, influenced and achieved Nō Ka 'Oi during his tour through his exceptional competence, dedication, and leadership.



PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii - Pearl Harbor, Hawaii (June 4, 2021) Captain Richard Jones, commander, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility, and Captain Greg Burton cut the cake in celebration of Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PHNSY & IMF) change of command ceremony. PHNSY & IMF is a field activity of NAVSEA and a one-stop regional maintenance center for the Navy's surface ships and submarines. (U.S. Navy photo by Justice Vannatta/Released)



## CNRMC Hosts I-Level Maintenance Summit

By NAMTS Public Affairs

Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) hosted a hybrid in-person/virtual Intermediate Level Summit April 21-22, in Norfolk, VA.

Among those presenting information included Mr. Daniel Spagone, I-Level Director (C900); Mr. Gary Evans, I-Level Maintenance & Production (C910); Mr. Scott Buchanan, (I-Level Programs/Knowledge Management (C920); Mr. Gerald Schrage, Sailor Professional Development Manager (C930); and Mr. Derrick Mitchell, MARMC Production Manager.

Some of the many topics covered include:

- MARMC's developing Diesel Repair Capabilities
- Fleet Technician Apprenticeship Program implemented at MARMC
- Improved I-Level Production Productivity and documentation
- Integration of I-level work during CNO availabilities
- Scheduling Maintenance Assist Team visits (MAT) & updates to the MAT Instruction
- CNRMC's ISIC role in Diving Operations at the RMCs

As many well know, when work is beyond ship's force capability or capacity but is not so technically complex as to require depot-level repairs, the work is screened as I-Level. This work is done by the Production Departments of the RMCs. CNRMC and the Regional Maintenance Centers (RMC) including Naval Shipyard Intermediate Maintenance Facilities (IMF) are collaborating on three I-Level "value streams" to make them the Navy's largest "SEA" school:

1. **Maintenance Competency Development**
2. **Material Readiness Support**
3. **Shop Production**

These value streams set the framework to establish actionable and measurable mission, vision and goals for each of the streams. As the value streams mature, we continue to see a resurgence in at-sea maintenance competencies and a corresponding increase in organic self-sufficiency. By restoring hands-on training through I-Level Production, MAT visits, and a robust Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Program, CNRMC is providing a needed solution to improve ship material readiness.

"Our annual I-Level Summit is our opportunity to reassess to see what we're doing that is working and to address any challenges we may be facing," said Daniel Spagone, Director of I-Level Maintenance. "Our efforts are working in concert to ensure the Navy has Maintenance Warriors who are capable of being self-sufficient Sailors at sea."

## IPE Team Enhances West Coast Capabilities



Article and photos by Will Frazier, Industrial Plant Equipment Team West

The Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Industrial Plant Equipment (IPE) team recently completed the installation of a new Mazak VARIAXIS i-800T Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machine at Southwest Regional Maintenance Center (SWRMC), in San Diego, Calif. The effort was a result of the NAVSEA's Fleet Maintenance Improvement Program (FMIP).

The new VARIAXIS i-800T CNC machine manufactured by Mazak Corporation of Florence, Kentucky, brings new capabilities to SWRMC. The VARIAXIS machine combines multi-surface, simultaneous 5-axis milling with advanced turning capabilities. It will provide infinite possibilities to SWRMC's Machine and Metal Shop in making complex shapes to support the readiness of all ships at Naval Base San Diego.

Older CNC machines operate on the A and B axis. The VARIAXIS machine operates on a X, Y and Z linear axes as well as rotating on the A and B axes, allowing the machine to work on five sides of a part and only setting up once, thus saving significant time. The VARIAXIS i800-T give SWRMC's Machine Shop the capability to machine complex shapes in a single setup and in will increase shop productivity. The VARIAXIS i800-T machine provides better part accuracy because the shop personnel only have to set up once, and will not be required to move the complex parts (cutting tools from the fixed positions) for task completion.

The VARIAXIS i-800T CNC Machine has already proven to be invaluable. For instance, routine maintenance to the fleet's landing craft, air cushions (LCAC) has historically revealed damage to parts caused by engine vibrations and stress cracking between fasteners. These stator legs cannot be repaired and replacement costs are greater than \$40K each through a commercial contract. The VARIAXIS i-800T CNC machine is able to produce new stator legs at a major reduction in costs. With SWRMC's new CNC technology the command will be able to more readily support the fleet with significant cost avoidance while training Sailors to be more self-sufficient.



Mazak VARIAXIS i-800T machine recently installed at Southwest Regional Maintenance Center by the NAMTS Industrial Plant Equipment team through the NAVSEA Fleet Maintenance Improvement Program.



SWRMC's Mr. Nelson Molina programs the new machine with assistance from Mazak Corporation's Mr. Fredy Acosta.





# Surface Line Week June 2021



By NAMTS Public Affairs



**S**urface Line Week is a longstanding annual tradition that highlights professional and athletic skills through friendly competition while enhancing camaraderie and team building among the surface force.

Sponsored by Commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic (COMNAVSURFLANT), the weeklong event was held June 14-18, 2021 at Naval Station,

Norfolk, Virginia. Competitions included swim relays, a relay run, bowling, golf, Seamanship Olympics, a gun simulation shoot, a video game tournament, a cardboard regatta, a cake decorating contest, a navy bean soup cooking contest, tug of war, a Do-it-yourself (DIY) video contest, a 2M/MTR competition, and both machining and welding contests. The event culminated in closing ceremonies and an awards presentation at the Surface Line Week picnic.

Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Afloat Training Activity (NATA) Subject Matter Expert (SME) team members were honored to be a part of the festivities; they accepted submissions for the welding and machining competitions and also served as judges for both as well as the DIY video competition.

One NAMTS Inside Machine SME, Mr. Darrell Monroe, a retired Chief Machinery Repairman, created the drawing used for the machining competition. The part, entitled "Smirk Bjóða" (Old Norse for "Smith (Metalsmith) Challenge"), was provided to competitors as a drawing on letter-sized paper and their interpretation was judged based on the criteria specified on the drawing for each of seven items within the project. There was also a bonus question in which competitors were asked to state why they chose the particular material to



USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41) Sailor, MRFN Kenneth Whitfield works on his machining project submission. (Photo by NAMTS Public Affairs.)



MR3 Andrew Uribe's machining competition submission. (Photo by NAMTS Public Affairs.)

manufacture their project. Projects were judged based on the competitor's adherence to the specifications laid out addressing the hex head, bearing journal, keyway, ACME thread, V-Sharp thread, lengths, and concentricity.



Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center's MR3 Andrew Uribe crafts his Surface Line Week entry into the machining competition. (Photo by NAMTS Public Affairs.)

A second NAMTS Inside Machine SME, Mr. Rick Smith, a retired Master Chief Machinery Repairman, was on site at Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) during the Surface Line Week to accept and judge the machining competition entries.

MARMC earned first place with an entry from MR3 Andrew Uribe, followed by USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41) in second place with an entry from MRFN Kenneth Whitfield.

"Surface Line Week is important not only to promote team building and pride within the community, but to get an accurate assessment and understanding of our current capabilities. Doing so better enables us to support our Sailors in the challenges that they face in their daily work routines," commented MRC Michael Bade, MARMC's Code 941 Inside Machine LCPO, and machining contest judge.

Wanting to enter the competition based on curiosity, MARMC's MRFN Nicole

Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center's MRFN Nicole Alley machines her Surface Line Week project. (Photo by NAMTS Public Affairs.)



MR2 Justin Roman consults the drawing provided for the machining competition as he crafts his entry. (Photo by NAMTS Public Affairs.)





## Surface Line Week 2021



Left: Surface Line Week welding competition entries displayed at Naval Surface Force Atlantic. (Photo by Russell Lincoln.) Right: The winning entry submitted by Assault Craft Unit Four (ACU 4). (Photo by Chris Padilla.)



Winning welding entry submitted by Assault Craft Unit Four (ACU 4); Sailors pictured are HTFN Gavin Peterson, HT3 Ryan Solinsky, and HT2 Andrew Jackson. (Photo by Chris Padilla.)

Alley wanted to see whether or not she could complete the project. “I learned that I was stuck in a comfort zone and that I work well when branching out to try new things job-wise,” she stated. Alley has earned her NAMTS Inside Machinist Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) code and is working towards her NAMTS Pump Repair Technician NEC. “What I would have done differently is pay more attention to my measuring and depth of cuts I was taking,” Alley added.

“Friendly competition is great for everyone. Everyone deserves the chance to show their skills off to the rest of the fleet,” said MR2 Justin Roman, a NAMTS Inside Machinist NEC holder. “I entered the competition to try to motivate my younger Sailors; just because I’m ranked higher, that doesn’t mean that they can’t do better than me...the firemen here at MARMC are some of the most sophisticated machinists I know. They are going to be fantastic machinists when they get out to the fleet,” he added.

“The machining challenge exposed participating machinists’ strengths and weaknesses. It delivered excitement in researching information for dimensions that were deliberately omitted, the use of precision measuring instruments not widely used in production, set up of engine lathe threading mechanisms for both right and left-handed threads, and the skillful application of close tolerance machining in lengths and diameters,” shared Mr. Rick Smith. Detractors consisted of inexperienced blue-

print reading, threading skill sets, and mathematical computation. “Having more participants would likely have delivered a broader data set of success and/or discrepancies. Overall, it was a successful event, producing camaraderie and esprit de corps,” added Smith.

Welding competition entries were dropped off by participating commands and were judged by COMNAVSURFLANT and NAMTS SMEs. Assault Craft Unit Four (ACU 4) won first place with its rendition of a Landing Craft, Air Cushion (LCAC). Trailing were Whidbey Island in second place with its rendition of a Whidbey Island sculpture, followed by USS Kearsarge (LHD 3) in third with its depiction of Mount Kearsarge.

ACU 4’s winning entry was created by HT3 Ryan Solinsky. It was submitted with a detailed memo containing information about the salvaged material used in its construction. The finished product is certainly a work of art!

Do-It-Yourself video competition entries were received from USS Bataan (LHD 5) and USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41). Bataan showcased an entry addressing how to determine the gross weight of a properly charged carbon dioxide, portable fire extinguisher and Whidbey Island created a video on how to perform a safety function check on a 9mm pistol. Although they were both good entries, one command had to win. Congratulations to USS Bataan!

Surface Line Week was filled with friendly competition and lots of learning. It was a wonderful way to highlight Sailor skills and recognize their talent. The NAMTS SMEs look forward to future competitions.



Welding competition entries (L-R) “Mount Kearsarge” and “Whidbey Island”. (Photos by Charlie Lynch.)



## RADM McLane Visits MARMC

By Andrew Porter, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



In April 2021, Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) hosted a visit from Rear Admiral Brendan McLane, Commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic. During the visit, Rear Adm. McLane

toured the facility and visited with Sailors and staff in the various shops.

A proud supporter of the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) program, Rear Adm. McLane was especially interested in how MARMC and Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY) had been working together so successfully to produce the record number of NAMTS graduates in 2020, despite the challenges presented by COVID-19. He was also impressed with the full-circle training aspect the NAMTS program utilizes. By using real-world production work from MARMC as a training apparatus for NAMTS, Sailors learn important skills that benefit the fleet as they cycle back to sea duty.

Naval training has always centered on a never ending supply of young, inexperienced Sailors and an overwhelming desire to learn from those who have gone before them. This cycle of learning is the driving force behind the NAMTS program and its impact on training Sailors with differing skill levels in naval maintenance.



RADM Brendan McLane (left), Commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic, inspects a heavy weather stern gate bolt for the USS Tortuga (LSD 46) with MRC (SW/AW) Michael Martin (right). Machine jobs like these provide excellent training opportunities for Sailors as they complete the requirements to earning their Inside Machinist NAMTS Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC). (Photo by MARMC Public Affairs.)



The NAMTS programs at Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) and Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY) processed a record number of NAMTS NECs in 2020, closing the year with a combined 495 qualifications. Together, MARMC and NNSY constituted 42% of all the NAMTS NECs awarded in 2020 across the NAMTS enterprise worldwide. Here, the MARMC Regional NAMTS Coordinator, Mr. Andrew Porter (left), is shown briefing RADM Brendan McLane, Commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic on MARMC and NNSY's 2020 performance and a brief rundown on their unique Sailor progress tracking method. (Photo by MARMC Public Affairs.)

## MAT and NAMTS Team Keeping Ships Fit to Fight



By MM1(SW/AW) James Weierbach & NAMTS Public Affairs



The Maintenance Assist Teams (MAT) onboard Hawaii Regional Maintenance Center (HRMC) continues to stay busy as they capitalize on the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Sailors' skills to keep ships fit to fight. The MATs continue to work diligently aboard the nine ships currently homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

"The purpose of the MAT program is to bring Regional Maintenance Center (RMC) Sailors and civilian subject matter experts together in a "shop-to-ship" training and repair effort to focus on targeted high-failure equipment," said Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center's (CNRMC), Director of Intermediate Level Production, Mr. Daniel Spagone. "The goal is to teach RMC and shipboard Sailors to properly conduct Planned Maintenance System (PMS) requirements and execute the corrective maintenance directed by the PMS program, all in an effort to help Sailors better understand their roles as owners and operators while underway."

The MATs and NAMTS teams work together towards the common goal of building and maintaining organic repair capability to support Sailor self-sufficiency at sea.



(L-R): MM1 (SW/EXW) Lamont Arrington from Chicago, Ill. (Valve Repair Technician NEC holder), MM2 (SW) Israel Comejo from San Diego, Calif. (Enrolled in Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Repair Technician) and MM2 (SW) Miguel Morel from Naples, Fla. (Valve Repair Technician NEC holder/ and enrolled in 2<sup>nd</sup> NAMTS course, Heat Exchanger Repair Technician), reinstall a watertight door for a fan room aboard USS Port Royal (CG 73). These Sailors are in the process of completing thirteen (13) watertight closures during CMAV 1A1. (Photo by MM1(SW/AW) James Weierbach.)



MM1(SW) Patrice Braswell from Lawton, Okla., cleans the condenser tubes of number one reefer with a hydro lance aboard USS Port Royal (CG 73). MM1 has earned three (3) NECs while at Pearl Harbor: Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Repair Technician, Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician, and Valve Repair Technician. (Photo by MM1(SW/AW) James Weierbach.)





# NNSY Shop 31A/FMB Exemplifies ONE MISSION – ONE TEAM!



By Andrew Porter, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



At Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY), Sailors in the Inside Machine Shop (FMB, Shop 31A) support NNSY Fleet Maintenance Submarines (NNSY-FMB) at Norfolk Naval Station by manufacturing parts and components for the units they support. Utilizing lathes, mills, and computer numerical control (CNC) machines, the Machinery Repairmen (MR) at NNSY are capable of building

just about anything the fleet requires.

A big project Shop 31A has been working on this past year is the precision machining of fittings for the fabrication of safety stanchion poles. These stanchions are used to mount safety life lines along the edges of the weather deck so crew members can navigate topside without falling into the water. This and other similar initiatives contribute to NNSY's impact on intermediate and depot-level maintenance capabilities.

NNSY Sailors have also been taking advantage of their proximity to Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center's (MARMC) Inside Machine facilities by using MARMC's Inside Machine training labs. Machining processes demand precision, patience, and in-depth knowledge of the material being worked on in order to successfully produce a viable component, whether on a traditional engine lathe or on a CNC machine. Using the NAMTS program and working together with MARMC, NNSY Sailors demonstrate their impact on the fleet every day by learning the different processes to become a better, more confident Machinery Repairman.

The relationship between NNSY and MARMC goes in line

with the ONE MISSION – ONE TEAM initiative from NNSY leadership.

“NAMTS is an important training program for both junior and senior Sailors, as it brings back the basics. It's important as an engineering rate to always stay focused on bringing back the basics to our training routine. It makes those who complete the NAMTS qualification more confident in their ability to fix ships,” said MR1(SW/AW) Michael Petronio, NNSY / FMB / Shop 31A Production Supervisor.



A box of weather deck lifeline stanchions manufactured by NNSY FMB Shop 31A. These removable stanchions are installed topside and provide an extra layer of protection for the crew to reduce the risk of falling overboard. Photo by MR1(SW/AW) Michael Petronio.)

NNSY has a rich and ongoing history of providing services to the Navy and many of its civilian and military workers have years of experience in trades such as welding, pipefitting, and valve repair. These Master craftsmen in turn pass their wealth of knowledge and experience down to junior employees and Sailors, so future generations of Navy maintainers can continue this tradition of service and support.

NNSY NAMTS program has enjoyed outstanding support from command leadership and various production shops where Sailors receive training. Civilian and military qualifiers alike work hard to provide the foundation for the NAMTS programs' three primary goals for Sailor training:

- Unit Self Sufficiency
- Sailor Professional Development
- Post-Navy Workplace Development



MR2(SW) Taylor Bowie from the NNSY Inside Machine Shop turns a Delrin shim for the stern plane hydraulic cylinder on the USS John Warner (SSN 785). Engine lathes are capable of machining various materials including metal, plastic, and wood. Delrin is a trademarked acetal homopolymer material from DuPont and is known for its high-load mechanical applications such as gears, safety restraints, door systems, conveyor belts, healthcare delivery devices, and other demanding products and parts. (Photo by MR2(SW) Walker Iverson.)



Using a vertical mill in the Inside Machine shop at MARMC, MR2(SW) Marshall Darnell from NNSY manufactures an alignment rod for the USS Washington (SSN-787) out of K-Monel, a non-ferrous alloy containing mainly nickel, copper, and aluminum. K-Monel metal is corrosion resistant, capable of being hardened, and non-magnetic. (Photo by MR1 (AW) Daniel Mendes.)



## Chief Uses Talents to Help SWRMC Sailors



Article and photos by Doug Scholl, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



Winston Churchill once said, "The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." By all accounts, Southwest Regional Maintenance Center's (SWRMC)

HTC Carla Jordan, is certainly an optimist.

It has been at least five years since SWRMC's Outside Machine Shop has brokered an overhaul for a shipboard roller chock. Blueprints and in-rate training manuals for Machinist's Mates and Boatswain's Mates only show general overviews of the equipment. Without a good set of blueprints and without anybody in the shop having seen a roller chock in recent years, familiarity and knowledge within the shop were lacking.



This came to light through several Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) oral boards, during which Sailors were struggling to understand

the basic concepts of disassembly, inspection points, and impacts on Sailor safety

when working on roller chocks. After the extensive process of completing NAMTS job qualification requirements (JQR), Sailors must take a written test and conduct an oral board to demonstrate their proficiency in the concepts they have learned.

Since their Sailors were struggling, discussions between the regional NAMTS Coordinator, Mr. Doug Scholl, the command's Skill Area Coordinator, MMC Rodger Heredia, and the Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator, HTC Carla Jordan, took place and an idea was born. Plans commenced to obtain a scale

working model of a roller chock.

HTC Jordan happens to be skilled in all the right areas for such a challenge; she is a hobbyist woodworker, computer aided designer



(L-R) MMC Heredia OM SAC, MM2 Martinmadero OM WCS, HTC Carla Jordan SWRMC Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator.

(CAD), and additive manufacturer. As she built her skills in woodworking, the need for computer aided design was required for precision engraving using both computer-based routing and laser engraving. The next progression was to create what she envisioned from scratch, which led to the purchase of her first three-dimensional (3D) printer.

Having created both small and large-scale projects, Chief Jordan was ready to take on the challenge of creating a roller chock that would ultimately benefit the entire shop. Considerable research, development, and design went into creating something that she had not personally encountered.

After hours of research, studying, and looking at available resources then utilizing Sketchup and Fusion 360 design software, Chief Jordan was able to develop a realistic 3D CAD model. She then hit the "print" button!

Additive manufacturing is not always a fast or perfect medium. Temperatures need to be controlled, material needs to be on hand and control processes have to be in place to protect the printer. Sixty-two long hours later, all the components of a roller chock in their rough form were complete. Assembly took Chief Jordan just two hours and consisted of removing stabilizing webbing, part clean-up and the installation of two pressed bearings. The entire rolling chock assembly cost just \$35 for the material and two bearings.

Not only does the roller chock model function, but it can be disassembled by the Sailors and their instructors to show relation of parts and key inspection points. It serves as an excellent learning resource available to all SWRMC Sailors, and it has already been proven to be particularly helpful for Sailors enrolled in NAMTS courses.

Chief Jordan rose to the challenge and put her skills to use. Thanks to her efforts, SWRMC's Outside Machine shop is able to train its Sailors, providing them with the knowledge and skills to make our fleet more self-sufficient.





# TRF Bangor SME Provides Excellent Training to Sailors



By Jesse Chapman, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



**I**t is a requirement for every Sailor who earns a Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) code to understand basic rigging fundamentals such as equipment usage, safety, and practical elements. The NAMTS Rigging process hands on accomplishments Sailors receives ensures NAMTS Sailors are knowledgeable

and capable of performing basic rigging operations safely and correctly. The NAMTS Rigging Job Qualification Requirement (JQR) line items have traditionally been one of the more difficult knowledge and skillsets to acquire at Trident Refit Facility, Bangor (TRFB) Washington, due to the Riggers holding themselves to exceptionally high standards.

Rigging is one of the most inherently dangerous evolutions and is a prerequisite for many jobs and evolutions. The Subject Matter Experts (SME) at TRFB take their training very seriously. Every Sailor must demonstrate a thorough understanding of the equipment, processes, and dangers of rigging. Without this demonstration, a SME will not sign off on a NAMTS JQR line item. One such SME, Mr. Tom Noel, was recently awarded a Special Achievement Award from the command for his dedication to training Sailors in the art of rigging.

Mr. Noel has done an exceptional job of providing training to all NAMTS Sailors assigned to TRFB and ensuring they understand the NAMTS JQR material while making the training entertaining and insightful. In addition to his regular duties, he developed a program that incorporates all required fundamental program elements. A combination of hands-on application and classroom instruction gives the Sailors a chance to practice what they have learned. Over the last year, Mr. Noel has provided exceptional training to over 150 NAMTS enrolled Sailors. During the COVID pandemic, he continued to train smaller groups more frequently to ensure



*Mr. Thomas Noel, Code 200, demonstrates how to properly tie a bowline in a bight during a NAMTS rigging fundamentals training session on March 11, 2021. (Photo by Sandy Hinz.)*

TRFB Sailors were able to continue with their qualifications and not fall behind.

"Mr. Tom's [Noel] rigging fundamentals class is very useful and insightful; he keeps his students actively engaged throughout the lessons. This helped us learn how to keep safe when we are required to do any rigging in our jobs," said MM1 Richard White, a NAMTS enrollee working on his NAMTS Hydraulic Repair Technician JQR. "Thank you, Mr. Noel, for providing your technical expertise and expert instruction!"

Mr. Noel joined the Rigger apprenticeship program at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PSNS) in September 1998. In August 2001, he graduated from Olympic College. In 2002, Noel graduated from the Rigger Apprenticeship Program. As a Rigger at PSNS, he played a role in the refueling projects for USS Ohio (SSGN 726), USS Michigan (SSGN 727), and USS Henry M. Jackson (SSBN 730). In April 2005, Noel took on a trainer role for PSNS. He authored a corporate Crane Rigger Course, taught multiple rigging courses, and filled in to teach in the Rigger Apprenticeship Program. In March 2016, Mr. Noel added training NAMTS Sailors in Rigging to his plate and transferred to TRFB in August 2018. He has completed over 71 separate rigging training sessions and helped over 540 Sailors complete their NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester JQR processes.

He accepted the challenge and has excelled. His dedication to the training and betterment of TRFB NAMTS Sailors ensures the command is providing the fleet with knowledgeable and capable Sailors.

*Mr. Thomas Noel, Code 200, receives a Special Achievement Award from TRF Bangor, presented by MMC(SW/AW) Nina Rivera, TRFB Command JQR Coordinator, on March 10, 2021. (Photo by Sandy Hinz.)*



## PSNS & IMF Commander Visits Everett Detachment



By Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility and Kirk Jeppson, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



**E**verett, Wash.—Capt. Jip Mosman, Commander, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility, conducted his first visit to PSNS & IMF Detachment Everett March 19, 2021, since taking command last year.

During his visit, he toured the Everett facilities and received briefings on Everett-based operations. He also took the opportunity to thank employees for their contributions to the mission. He specifically extended his gratitude to Everett's 39 SurgeMain Reserve Sailors for their support of the PSNS & IMF mission since late 2020.

"Thank you for everything you've done here," said Mosman, to a group of SurgeMain Sailors, who met with him in the Sail Locker, spaced apart and masked in compliance with PSNS & IMF's COVID-19 guidelines.

During the visit, Mosman presented Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy certificates to Everett Detachment Sailors who had earned them throughout the past several months. He also presented other awards, including Sailor of the Year and Sailor of the Quarter, as well as a meritorious promotion to the rank of Petty Officer 1st Class.

"SurgeMain Reservists don't get as much exposure to Navy equipment as do our active (duty) counterparts. Completing the NAMTS Outside Electrical package allowed me to be in contact with equipment that I am bound to operate and repair as an Electrician's Mate. Furthermore, I was able to learn and gain from the experience of subject matter experts acting in different capacities in the shops here at PSNS Everett," said EM2 Koamlan Dagnon.

"The NAMTS program was very helpful...it gave me the knowledge to troubleshoot and repair electrical equipment. The knowledge that I have gained helps make me a better Electrician's



EVERETT, Wash. - Capt. Jip Mosman, commander, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility, congratulates Dive Locker Sailors for a job well done March 19, 2021, during a tour of Detachment Everett at Naval Station Everett, Washington. (Photo by Scott Hansen.)



EVERETT, Wash. - Capt. Jip Mosman, commander, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility, visits with Sailor of the Year awardee Petty Officer 1st Class Joshua Moulton March 19, 2021, during a tour of Detachment Everett at Naval Station Everett, Washington. (Photo by Scott Hansen.)

**"With hands-on practice in modules including safety, switchboards and circuits, diagrams and blueprint reading, cabling, ship nomenclature, galley equipment, corrosion, electrical cranes specifications, and operating and repair requirements, I am better prepared to tackle (the) repair of naval equipment with a level of knowledge far superior than simple thesis developed throughout repair manuals. In fact, both the manuals and direct experience with machinery give me the confidence to approach any repair with much more confidence as an EM than I had prior to the NAMTS program. I plan on using and developing this knowledge every chance I get working at the shipyards."**

**- EM2 Koamlan Dagnon,  
PSNS & IMF Det. Everett  
SurgeMain Reservist**

ian's Mate and I am glad to have completed the NAMTS Outside Electrical Repair Technician course," added SA Ha Todd.

"This command is at the tip of the spear with regard to Navy maintenance," said Mosman. "I truly appreciate what you're doing for the Navy on a daily basis."

At every tour stop, Mosman asked the Sailors and civilian employees what he could do to assist them in the accomplishment of the detachment's mission. Mosman also discussed the projected workload for the coming year with senior members of the detachment. He finished the day with a Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute climate survey debrief.

Of PSNS & IMF Det. Everett's SurgeMain Reservists who were mobilized last year, more than half completed the Core Fundamentals course and roughly a third earned a skill area Navy Enlisted Classification. Thirty-four of the thirty-nine Sailors have been demobilized with the remaining slated to do so by the end of August.





## PSNS & IMF Everett's Rigger/Weight Tester Shop Helps Fleet Make Moves



By Kirk Jeppson, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



(Code 740) Rigger/Weight Tester shop at PSNS & IMF Detachment Everett.

PSNS & IMF Detachment Everett's very own 225k Horizontal proof test machine is used to tension test or proof test wire rope, fiber rope, chain, lifting slings and other types of lifting gear. These machines are extremely heavy-duty and have proven themselves in years of rugged, real world industrial and military rigging environments.

Part of the PSNS & IMF Detachment Everett's standout team includes Mr. Nathan Shrote and Mr. Bryan Mazzitelli. Nathan Shrote, of Oceanside California, has been a Rigger for seven years, having spent the last two and a half years working at PSNS & IMF, Detachment Everett. He feels a sense of pride and accomplishment working alongside United States Navy Sailors on a daily basis. Bryan Mazzitelli is from Covington, Washington, and has been a Rigger for six years. He spent the last five of those years at PSNS & IMF Detachment Everett. Mazzitelli is honored to provide assistance to all naval warships in the Pacific Northwest, but is especially proud to work with USS Gridley (DDG 101), as the ship provides the shop with a considerable amount of work. Both men are qualified as Test Directors and make significant contributions to the continued success within the Waterfront Services Division.

The Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Rigger/Weight Tester Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) gives Sailors experience inspecting rigging equipment such as chain hoists, block and tackle, chain falls, slings, straps, wire



Mr. Bryan F. Mazzitelli (left) and Mr. Nathaniel A. Shrote (right) are testing a pair of RHIB hoisting slings on the 225K Horizontal Proof Test Machine which is computer based, hydraulically operated, and commonly referred to as the pull test machine. (Photo by MR2 (SW) Kevin Lucas.)



(L-R): Nathaniel Shrote and Bryan F. Mazzitelli discuss data points prior to conducting a pull test. (Photo by MR2 (SW) Kevin Lucas.)

ropes, and lifelines. Critical gear needed to maintain, repair or operate the ship underway and in port. Once a Sailor completes the NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) and passes their post JQR online examination and oral board, the Sailor is awarded a Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) code. NAMTS NEC holders can also perform lifts as a crane signalman or tagline handler and can verify what a critical lift is as well as perform duties of a Rigger/Weight Handler.

BM2 Luis Sanchez earned his NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester NEC within 10 months of reporting to the command and has been qualified for nearly two years thus far. Although he is preparing to rotate back to sea duty, he is keenly aware that the NAMTS program is a necessary stepping stone to ensure the fleet has trained and capable Sailors and he is eager to put the knowledge and experience he has gained while at PSNSN & IMF Detachment Everett to use.



Mr. Nathaniel A. Shrote (foreground) takes a closer look into the pull test machine to ensure all is going well during the test. (Photo by MR2 (SW) Kevin Lucas.)



## SERMC Sailor Meritoriously Promoted



By Scott Curtis, Southeast Regional Maintenance Center Public Affairs



**M**achinist's Mate First Class Carilynn Keeney from Southeast Regional Maintenance Center's (SERMC) Machine Shop (Code 942) was recently promoted to her current paygrade

through the Meritorious Advancement Program (MAP), and credits the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) program for helping her succeed.

MAP is a tool for command leadership to advance their most qualified Sailors ahead of each of the semi-annual Navy-wide Advancement Exam (NWAE) Cycles. Sailors are evaluated based on the "whole person" concept, which include community involvement, continuing education, collateral duties and command involvement.

Captain John Lobo, SERMC Commanding Officer said, "Today is a great day for SERMC and for our Navy! I truly enjoy promoting Sailors through MAP because it allows me to highlight all of the hard work these great Sailors demonstrated over a sustained period of time. Despite being in the middle of a pandemic, Sailors like MM1 Keeney have proven they are ready for the next level of responsibility."

Keeney believes earning three NAMTS Navy Enlisted Classifications (NEC) at SERMC helped propel her to the top.

"It was always a goal of mine to complete three NAMTS NECs while on shore duty, but I really enjoyed the experience because it helped me maintain the shipboard skills I brought with me, while giving me a deeper understanding of vital equipment," Keeney said. "I earned the NAMTS Heat Exchanger (Repair Technician), Valve (Repair Technician) and Pump (Repair Technician) NECs, and all three have prepared me for my next ship. I know I can step onboard and contribute right away."

"Whether our Sailors are working on their first or third NAMTS qualification, we stress the importance of continuing to promote NAMTS after they return to the Fleet. We want our NAMTS Sailors to take charge at sea when a piece of gear goes down, which shows real value in NAMTS to not only other Sailors, but the leadership onboard," said Osbert "Teek" Teekasingh, Regional NAMTS Coordinator at SERMC.

"What gets me up every day is knowing I get to do what I'm good at and that I get to help mentor young Sailors. Some of

the Sailors sent to SERMC have never been to sea, so they need the extra help to ensure they can excel in their careers also. I really enjoy sharing my first-hand experiences to help them relate to the gear, and to help them understand how important it is to maintain your equipment at sea. When you're deployed you can't just pull into Mayport for repairs, it's up to you, so NAMTS is the perfect opportunity for that sharing of knowledge," said Keeney.

Keeney will report to USS Chaffee (DDG 90), homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, upon completion of her three-year tour at SERMC.

***"When you're deployed you can't just pull into Mayport for repairs, it's up to you, so NAMTS is the perfect opportunity for that sharing of knowledge."***

*~MM1 Carilynn Keeney*



*Machinist's Mate First Class Carilynn Keeney from Southeast Regional Maintenance Center (SERMC) helps two Sailors from the Machine Shop (Code 942) get started in the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) program by going through the Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) manual for Valves. NAMTS focuses on Sailors in engineering and combat systems ratings to improve their skills using hands-on experience under close supervision. Upon completion of the JQR, the Sailor must pass an exam with an 80 percent grade or better before being questioned at an oral board, the final step. (Photo by Scott Curtis.)*





## MARMC Sailors Meritoriously Promoted

## RDML Ver Hage Presents NAMTS Certificates



By NAMTS Public Affairs



**N**ine Sailors at Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) were surprised with their meritorious advancements to their next pay grade on March 9. MARMC Commanding Officer Tim Barney surprised Sailors with the

announcements during morning quarters; Sailors had no idea that they were going to be advanced in the presence of their peers.

The Meritorious Advancement Program (MAP) provides commands the opportunity to advance their most qualified Sailors ahead of each of the semi-annual Navy-wide Advancement Cycles.

Seven of the nine MARMC Sailors are NAMTS Sailors, who have earned one or more Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) codes. They are:

- MM1 Kenneth Jeter, Code 106  
⇒NAMTS Pump Repair Technician
- BM2 Raheem Surles, Code 911B  
⇒NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester
- HT1 Jonathan Hicks, Code 921  
⇒NAMTS Pipefitter & NAMTS Shipfitter
- EN2 Jacquelyn Escobar, Code 931  
⇒NAMTS Valve Repair Technician
- EM1 Michael Reid, Code 943  
⇒NAMTS Outside Electrical Repair Technician & NAMTS Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician
- ET1 Lindsey McFarland, Code 953  
⇒NAMTS Valve Repair Technician
- GSE2 Austin Vanark, Code 959  
⇒NAMTS Gas Turbine (Electrical) Repair Technician

“Earning a NAMTS NEC is no easy feat; our Sailors dedicate their time, effort, and energy to acquiring valuable knowledge for our fleet and in bettering themselves professionally,” said Mr. Gerald Schrage, Sailor Professional Development Program Manager (Code 930) for commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center.



Capt. Tim Barney, Commanding Officer of Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center, congratulates EM1 Michael Reid, on his meritorious advancement on March 9, 2021. (Photo by MARMC Public Affairs.)

⇒ Designates NAMTS NEC(s) earned

By Doug Scholl, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



**F**ive Sailors at Southwest Regional Maintenance Center (SWRMC) were presented with their NAMTS Certificates for earning Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) codes by RDML

Eric Ver Hage, Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) and Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) Director, Surface Ship Maintenance and Modernization (SEA 21), during his visit to the command on March 1.



EN1 (SW) Vanessa Luko earned her third NEC, NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester. (Photo by SWRMC Public Affairs.)



GSM2 (SW) Erica Martinezgomez earned her second NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester NEC. (Photo by SWRMC Public Affairs.)



ET1 (SW/AW/IW) Elijah Abdullah earned a NAMTS Valve Repair Technician NEC. (Photo by SWRMC Public Affairs.)



GSM2 (SW) James Norvell earned his second NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester NEC. (Photo by SWRMC Public Affairs.)



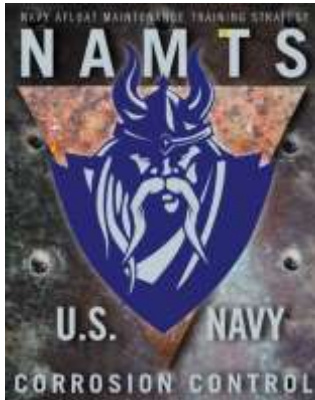
STG2 Kyla Stevens earned the NAMTS Valve Repair Technician NEC. (Photo by SWRMC Public Affairs.)



## Rusty's Corner: CNRMC Hosts Laser Ablation Demonstration



By Andy "Rusty" Vasquez, Corrosion Control Program Manager



Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) hosted a laser ablation demonstration on February 3, 2021, at Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) in Norfolk, Va. The Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Corrosion Control Program Manager, Mr. Andrew "Rusty" Vasquez conducted the demonstration, which was provided to Navy Sea System Command (NAVSEA) SEA 21, Commander, Navy Surface Force Atlantic (COMNAVSURFLANT) Code N43, CNRMC Code 200 and 900 staff members, and MARMC Sailors.

The laser ablation process utilizes Class IV lasers, so specific safety precautions were adhered to in order to prevent damage and injury to personnel operating the equipment and to protect the surrounding areas. The demonstration was conducted with assistance from contractors Mr. Tim Neimeier and Mr. Matt Poore. Once the safety curtains were hung and in place and the work area was prepared, small groups of observers were provided with eye protection and taken behind the curtains for a closer look into the laser ablation technology. For those who desired, participants were also provided the opportunity to try their hand at performing some laser ablating.

"I'm impressed by what little time it took to remove the paint and to develop a new profile" said Gerald Hollowell, MARMC's Code 930/940 Assistant Project Superintendent. "This is a great tool for Sailors to use in the upkeep of their ships. When I was a young Sailor, I spent a lot of hours using a needle gun," he added. This new technology is quicker, more effective, and safer, too, when the proper precautions are taken.

The demonstration was done utilizing an ADAPT 1000 watt



MARMC's Code 930/940 Assistant Project Superintendent, Mr. Gerald Hollowell takes a turn using the laser ablator. (Photo by Andy Vasquez.)



CNRMC Corrosion Control Manager, Mr. Andy "Rusty" Vasquez provided the laser ablation and safety brief on February 3, 2021, at MARMC's shop 38A. (Photo by Kat Ciesielski.)

laser on a sliding pad-eye post. Multiple areas on the post were cleaned, removing both corrosion and paint, leaving a clean surface. Simply put, powerful laser technology is used to blast through the contaminants and the hand-held unit is also connected to a HEPA Carbon Filter, which extracts the impurities in the air.

CNRMC is pursuing the addition of two laser ablation units for the fleet, one will located at MARMC and the other unit will be located at Southwest Regional Maintenance Center in San Diego, Calif.

Laser ablation is just one of the many technologies utilized by the NAMTS Corrosion Control Program Specialist to help train the Sailors in the fleet. Other technologies being brought to the fleet and being taught to the Sailors are the Containment Blast System and the Paint Cartridge System.



Post prior to laser ablation. (Photo by Andy Vasquez.)



Post after laser ablation; corrosion and paint were stripped from the surface. (Photo by Andy Vasquez.)





## ***Safety First (and Always!)***

## ***Exhibitions***



### **SAFETY FIRST**

By Sharon Jones, NAMTS CSMP/CORE/3-M SME

**S**afety has and always will be a priority for the Navy. Before delving into a Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) rating specific Job Qualification Requirements (JQR), NAMTS enrolled Sailors are required to complete the requisite NAMTS Core Fundamentals JQR. This is a necessity to ensure Sailors are intimately familiar with all the information identified in the NAMTS 100 Series knowledge based processes which make up the NAMTS Core Fundamentals JQR. The principles contained in the JQR are the foundation for nearly every single task to be accomplished by a Sailor.

There are a myriad of naval safety instructions, which include: Navy Safety and Occupational Health (SOH) Program Manual for Forces Afloat OPNAVINST 5100.19 (Series), Navy Safety and Occupational Health Manual for Forces Ashore OPNAVINST 5100.23, Operational Risk Management (ORM) OPNAVINST 3500.39 (Series), and Navy Ships' Technical Manual (NSTM) 670, Volume II, Afloat Hazardous Material Control and Management Guidelines Hazardous Materials Users Guide (HMUG).

The purpose of these safety instructions is to provide all Navy personnel and Department of Defense (DoD) civilians with guidance and direction to establish in their daily work life. The Afloat Safety and Occupational Health Program Manual is utilized by shipboard personnel to minimize their risk of having a mishap. The Navy SOH Manual for Ashore uses the Navy Safety Management System (SMS). The SMS is a comprehensive program used to minimize safety and risk to prevent losses due to mishaps. In accordance with the ORM, one must always assess the risk before conducting any task. The Navy Ships' Technical Manual 670, Volume II, provides guidance on how to properly handle and dispose of hazardous materials.

A daily practice of being safe should always be at the forefront of each Sailor's mind. Safety should be practiced on and off duty. It is never okay to become complacent about safety. It is true that the Commanding Officer is overall responsible for the safety of his/her Sailors, but at all times, it is one's own duty and responsibility to minimize his/her risk of getting injured or killed. If you perceive that an order or task given is unsafe, you must notify your chain of command immediately. Always remember, SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT!!!



**<https://navalsafetycenter.navy.mil/>**

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Naval Base San Diego

-ASNE's

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-ASNE's

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# 2021 NAMTS Conference



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The Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) team held a hybrid in-person / virtual conference April 7-9, 2021 in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The conference kicked off with a welcome address from Mr. Daniel Spagone, Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center's

Director of Intermediate Level Production (Code 900). Mr. Spagone noted that on any given day, there are about 2,000 Sailors at the Navy's various Regional Maintenance Centers completing hands-on training and working towards completing their NAMTS training and being awarded their NAMTS Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) codes.

Captain David Fowler, Assistant Chief of Staff for Material Readiness and Assessments (N44) for Commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic (COMNAVSURFLANT), also spoke during the conference. "We are looking for NAMTS to be a huge salvation for the entire Navy," he said. Commander, Expeditionary Strike Two's (ESG-2) Captain Terry Patterson has been a huge help and supporter of self-sufficiency and I would be remiss if I didn't highlight the huge impact of our NAMTS afloat mentors," he added.

Captain Fowler also noted that the foundation for a successful ship must include an engaged chain of command, trained personnel having the proper tools and equipment, access to technical work documents, and supply support. All five factors contribute significantly to a ship's ability to be self-sufficient.

NAMTS conference attendees shared information regarding all aspects of the NAMTS program including, but not limited to:

- Tracking Sailor Training Progress



Mr. Dan Spagone, Director, Intermediate-Level Production (Code 900), commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center kicks off the 2021 NAMTS conference in Virginia Beach, VA, on April 7.

- Resource Improvements and Dashboard Metrics
- Instruction Changes and Highlights
- Industrial Plant Equipment Enhancements
- Corrosion Control Program Initiatives
- NAMTS Afloat Survey Results
- NAMTS Oral Board Feedback Discussions
- Waterfront Support and Scheduling
- Public Affairs and Highlighting Sailors' Successes
- Lessons Learned and Mentoring Trends
- Afloat and Regional NAMTS Coordinator Partnerships

"The NAMTS conference was an ideal opportunity for our entire team to come together, discuss all facets of the program, and plan for our way ahead," said Mr. Spagone.



Above: Mr. Kevin Bond, NAMTS Afloat Coordinator Lead, speaks on the topic of NAMTS Afloat Training Activity metrics.



Left: Mr. Gerald Schrage, Sailor Professional Development Program Manager (C930), commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center speaks about the NAMTS vision for 2021 and beyond.





# ACU 4 Establishes NAMTS Program



By Kevin Bond, NAMTS Afloat Coordinator Lead



On June 10, 2021, Captain Antonio DeFrias, in concert with Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) officially stood up Assault Craft Unit Four (ACU 4) as a NAMTS Afloat Training Activity (NATA). The command's NATA effort is led by LCDR Jeremy Huff, HTCS Brian Barribeaujuhas, and HTC

Morgan Petite who were all instrumental in bringing the program online.

The leadership team and Sailors at ACU 4 are excited as professional development training will begin with personnel enrolling in the NAMTS Shipfitter, Pipefitter, General Shipboard Welder/Brazer and Inside Machinist job qualification requirements (JQR).

After learning about the potential benefits of the program Captain DeFrias, LCDR Huff and HTCS Barrineaujuhas all agree that bringing the program to ACU 4 was imperative; the Sailors need the program, the Navy needs the program, and the benefits of establishing the program onboard ACU 4 will significantly improve the ability of the command to meet mission requirements.

With 559 Sailors currently assigned to the command's sea and shore components, ACU 4's potential for adding additional, well-trained maintenance technicians to the fleet is impressive. As Captain DeFrias stated at the kickoff meeting, "ACU 4 will go 'Above and Beyond' to be the best NAMTS Afloat Training Activity."



NAMTS Afloat Coordinator Lead, Kevin Bond, shakes hands with ACU Four Commanding Officer, Capt. Antonio DeFrias. The visit was in support of ACU Four standing up as an afloat training activity. (Photo by LTJG Matthew Starobin.)



GSM2 Corey Fisher, GSM2 Luis Vega, and GSM2 Jonathan Ramirez patch up a propeller on LCAC 07. (Photo by LTJG Matthew Starobin.)



Lead NAMTS Afloat Coordinator Kevin Bond and NAMTS Scheduler Gabriela Quinones meet with Sailors from ACU Four maintenance department to discuss NAMTS program. Pictured in the back are Sailors: HTFN Mason Poindexter and HTFA James Senatore. Pictured in front are sailors: HTC Morgan Petite and HT1 Tom Hodge. (Photo by LTJG Matthew Starobin.)



NAMTS Coordinators stand with members of ACU Four and Commanding Officer, Capt. Antonio DeFrias, in support of ACU Four standing up as NATA. From left to right (back row): HTFA James Senatore, HTFN Gavin Peterson, HT3 Guodong Shi, HT3 Leonard Johnson Jr., HT3 Ryan Solinsky, HTFA Antonio Backlundlloyd, HTFN Starlynn Stevenson, HT3 Christopher Wilson, HTFA Joselito Santiago, & HTFN Mason Poindexter. From left to right (front row): Kevin Bond (Lead NAMTS Afloat Coordinator), HTCS Brian Barrineaujuhas, CAPT Antonio DeFrias (CO), HTC Morgan Petite, Gabriela Quinones (NAMTS Scheduler/Coordinator), HT1 Ryan Plewinski, HT1 Tom Hodge, HT1 Donald White Jr. (Photo by LTJG Matthew Starobin.)



AM2 Steven Bowser, AM2 Mark Rasmussen and AM3 Zane Duty apply leading edge tape in support of a rudder repair. (Photo by LTJG Matthew Starobin.)



## PCU Fort Lauderdale (LPD 28) Establishes a NATA



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The Pre-commissioning Unit (PCU) Fort Lauderdale has established a NAMTS Afloat Training Activity (NATA). The ship is currently being constructed at Huntington Ingalls Shipyard in Pascagoula, Miss., but has Sailors both there and in Norfolk, Va.

Sailors assigned to PCU Fort Lauderdale in Norfolk have undergone essential NAMTS Core Fundamentals training with the assistance of NAMTS CSMP/3M/CORE subject matter expert

(SME) Ms. Sharon Jones. Ms. Jones is a retired Senior Chief Machinist's Mate (MMCS), and is a subject matter expert on both 3M and CSMP programs and procedures. Because of her extensive knowledge and expertise in the CSMP and 3M programs, Ms. Jones was asked by the ship's chain of command to conduct training for their Sailors.

Eleven Fort Lauderdale Sailors underwent NAMTS Core Fundamentals training over the course of a week. Among the topics covered were corrosion control, surface preparation and painting, and tag-out fundamentals.

"She's a very informative instructor, always willing to help those who have questions...and is a great mentor for those who just joined the Navy. She prepared us to be great in our rates," said MMFN Miguel Lucero.

"These Sailors had an outstanding zeal for knowledge and I was impressed by their inquisitiveness and spirit. I'm really proud of them and I'm confident in their ability," stated Jones.

"I enjoyed the open format that promoted discussion. Instead of strictly teaching from slides, real experiences were brought in and they really helped the young Sailors grasp the information," said EN1 Matthew Doerfler. "The instructor was really well-versed, always having a source or a reference for everything brought up," he added.

Thanks to the availability of multiple computers, Sailors were



PCU Fort Lauderdale (LPD 28) Sailors proudly show their NAMTS coins.  
(L-R): EM2 (SW) Dakota Johnson, EN1 (SW) Matthew Doerfler, MMFA Jackson Goetze, MMFN Miguel Lucero, MM2 (SW/AW) Jose Herrera, MMFA Storm Kaplan, MM2 Shanell Hall.

***"It is apparent from the high quality training our team has received that you (Sharon Jones) are obviously an expert in your field and you demand nothing but the best. You are a true professional through and through—exactly who we want and need training us."***

***-Capt. Jim Quaresimo,  
Commanding Officer  
PCU Fort Lauderdale (LPD 28)***

able to be tested simultaneously, upon completion of their NAMTS Core Fundamental training. All eleven Sailors passed their exam and are looking forward to enrolling in rating specific NAMTS Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) training programs.

"This has been great! I want to get as many NAMTS JQRs completed as I'm allowed," said EM2 Dakota Johnson.

Jones continues to provide training to the command. Although their NAMTS afloat program is new, Fort Lauderdale's Sailors are excited to get enrolled in the various JQRs available to them; they will undoubtedly charge forth and make significant contributions to our fleet.



NAMTS Afloat CSMP/3M / CORE SME, Ms. Sharon Jones, provides training to PCU Fort Lauderdale Sailors on April 16, 2021, at Naval Station Norfolk.





# Reunited!

## MRFNs Discover More Than NAMTS



By Rick Smith, NAMTS Inside Machine SME



USS Whidbey Island's (LSD 41), MRFN Kenneth Whitfield is experiencing the many exciting challenges involved with completing the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Inside Machine job qualification requirement (JQR). While receiving training from Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center's (MARMC) Code 941 Leading Chief Petty Officer (LCPO), MRC (SW) Michael

Bade and Mr. Rick Smith, the NAMTS East Coast Inside Machine Training Subject Matter Expert (SME), MRFN Whitfield is learning the intricate workings of machine shop equipment, machining theory, mathematics, and engineering principles.

During an April 2021 training session with Mr. Smith, MRFN Whitfield announced that he heard of another MRFN that had recently reported aboard USS Oak Hill (LSD 51), who might be interested in the NAMTS program. Mr. Smith inquired if both Sailors could meet aboard USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41) to capitalize on the NAMTS Inside Machinist JQR training. With the help of the LCPOs from both ships a joint training session was arranged. It was soon discovered that both Sailors had been in the same basic training company at the Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois; how-



Mr. Rick Smith, NAMTS Inside Machine SME, provides training to MRFN Michael Scomisich entailing shaft blueprint interpretation. (Photo by Russell Lincoln.)



Mr. Rick Smith, NAMTS Inside Machine SME, provides MRFN Kenneth Whitfield training in establishing a reference point during shaft manufacturing. (Photo by Russell Lincoln.)

ever, neither Sailor was aware of their current assignments and had not regained contact with one another since reporting to their respective sea duty assignments.

Upon reuniting aboard Whidbey Island, both MRFN Kenneth Whitfield and MRFN Michael Schomisich, commenced training, learning NAMTS common core fundamental requirements as well as metal designations, blueprint reading, lathe and milling machine operation, and precision measuring instrument (PMI) usage. The Sailors have since completed designing and manufacturing a sample metal pump shaft and various other parts in conjunction with the NAMTS Inside Machinist JQR line items. Both Sailors have discovered the impact of teamwork, and continue to challenge each other in learning their rating knowledge.

Mr. Rick Smith stated, "The NAMTS program not only brings rating knowledge to Sailors, but Sailors are also now uniting and training together, challenging each other across the waterfront, sharing ideas of how to improve training, as well as improving their individual repair capability." In this one case alone, the chance of two Sailors never discovering that a NAMTS qualification even existed, has now blossomed into two minds working together, improving not only individual skills, but bringing the fleet improved machinists, ready to answer the call of our country.





## USS Gonzalez (DDG 66) Receives NAMTS Afloat Assistance



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A recent NAMTS afloat visit to USS Gonzalez (DDG 66) proved to be highly productive. On April 22, NAMTS Afloat subject matter experts (SME) Kyle Marshall, Logistics Specialist; Russell Lincoln, Electrical (Inside/Outside) SME and team lead; and Rick Smith, Inside Machine SME, provided mentor and training support to Sailors working in the ship's machine shop.

Due to a gapped Machinery Repairman (MR) billet, the command requested the NAMTS SMEs provide training to several Gonzalez Sailors, particularly to the Damage Controlmen (DC) and Hull Technicians (HT). Without a MR assigned to the command, the DC and HT personnel were picking up the slack by completing the majority of the command's machinist duties. Under the NAMTS SMEs' tutelage, the Sailors were able to repair the lathe's power and E-stop switches, which then allowed the Sailors to safely learn how to operate the ship's milling machine and lathe.



Russell Lincoln (left) and Rick Smith (right) show LT Laura Krause, USS Gonzalez's Damage Control Assistant, that their lathe is now operational.

Senior Chief Matt Fritzges, from Destroyer Squadron 28, was also aboard supporting the ship with some air conditioning and refrigeration repairs. Senior Chief Fritzges asked the NAMTS SMEs if they could

provide some assistance in helping with making some repairs. After finding out that Senior Chief Fritzges was looking for a bracket to be constructed, the NAMTS Inside Machine SME, Rick Smith (a retired Master Chief Machinery Repairman (MRCM)) gladly offered assistance. With a half dozen Sailors in the shop who were eager to learn, both Fritzges and Smith started training the Gonzalez team on how to complete the repair.

Senior Chief Fritzges quickly took pencil to paper and drew exactly what he was looking for. After looking

into the ship's supply of bar stock, Smith quickly found the proper piece of metal (a section of carbon steel, chosen for its strength and ductility). Taking turns, Gonzalez's Sailors were walked through the process of how to construct the needed bracket. Each step in the construction process was thoroughly explained, questions were asked and answered, and using the shop's milling machine the Sailors were able to create exactly what was needed.



DC2 Mackenzie Duplisea, right, is guided through some milling machine work with the help of NAMTS Afloat Inside Machine SME, Rick Smith.

Every task in machining the part was done by the crew. "We are able to help the Engineering Department and the entire crew due to our capabilities and level of knowledge thanks to the NAMTS Team," said HTFN Lorddmerr Oduro, of Ghana.

After working on the milling machine, training moved on to the Lodge & Shipley lathe that is aboard the ship. "The NAMTS Team taught the shop all about how to use the lathe and the drill press. The shop has been without an MR billet since 2019, and unfortunately the level of knowledge on all the equipment left when that Sailor transferred. It was an amazing experience and knowledgeable lesson that I can take with me throughout my career," said DC2 Mackenzie Duplisea of Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada.



DC2 Victor Cano, Jr., saws the edge of the handle being machined to the appropriate length.

Lathe training went well as Sailors learned a lot and started to feel more comfortable as they became familiar with the ma-



Above, a drawing by Senior Chief Matt Fritzges of Destroyer Squadron 28 (DESRON 28), who was aboard USS Gonzalez (DDG 66), helping the ship with air conditioning & refrigeration repair work. Below the drawing is the actual part that was manufactured at his request.



Senior Chief Matt Fritzges explains his drawing of a part needed to be made to help the ship with some air conditioning and refrigeration repair work.





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## MR Support from SERMC to MARMC and Beyond



(L-R): DC2 Victor Cano, Jr. (Corpus Christi, Texas), DC2 (SW) Mackenzie Duplisea (Saint John, New Brunswick, Can.), Rick Smith (NAMTS SME), SCPO Matt Fritzges (DESRON 28), and HTFN Lordmmer Oduro (Ghana) pose for a photo with the handle the young Sailors machined on the ship's milling machine.

chine. Basic training included learning to center the stock and set up the cutting tool. Sailors were also shown how to conduct basic outside diameter turning, facing off material, and cutting threads. Some Sailors also had the opportunity to participate in hands-on training. One task they learned to do was to machine two slots on the end of a tool, enabling proper alignment with a mating part, a helpful skill to have.

"I did not know the capabilities of the lathe or the drill press prior to the NAMTS visit. The team was very eager to train and teach us on how to make the ship more self-sufficient. Thank you for the time and effort this great Navy program provides," said DC2 Victor Cano of Corpus Christi, TX.

Following the support from both Destroyer Squadron 28's Senior Chief Fritzges and the NAMTS SME members, several Gonzalez Sailors have a much better appreciation and understanding of their ship's organic repair equipment. In addition to this important training event, the Gonzalez team was able to restore the command's missing AC&R capability which allowed all AC&R equipment to be brought back online in proper working order at no cost as all material was available aboard the ship.



Sailors aboard USS Gonzalez (DDG 66) listen intently as Inside Machine SME, Mr. Rick Smith, teaches them about safely operating the ship's Lodge & Shipley AVS 2013 Lathe.

## MR Support from SERMC to MARMC and Beyond

By NAMTS Public Affairs

If you have read previous editions of *NAMTS News*, you have surely seen Mr. Rick Smith, Machinery Repairman Master Chief, USN (Ret.), before.

Mr. Smith calls Jacksonville, Fla. home, but at the government's request, he occasionally travels to various Navy Regional Maintenance Centers (RMC) and shipyards and inter-

mediate maintenance facilities (IMF), where he imparts his knowledge on Sailors who are the future of our fleet.

On a recent two week trip to Naval Station Norfolk, Smith was able to assist the Machine Shops aboard seven ships on the waterfront. A busy visit, it was also highly productive.

At-sea machinery repairmen are experiencing shortages in tooling, equipment breakdown, and limited knowledge in technical manual usage. Mr. Smith provided subject matter expert training for Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Inside Machinist Job Quality Requirements (JQR) and assessments of machine shop equipment and tooling aboard USS Bataan (LHD 5), USS Kearsarge (LHD 3), USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41), USS Gunston Hall (LSD 44), USS Oak Hill (LSD 51), USS Arlington (LPD 24), and USS Oscar Austin (DDG 79).

Mr. Smith conducted shipboard visits affecting every facet of the NAMTS Inside Machinist JQR, consisting of hands-on operation of various engine lathes, vertical milling machines, pedestal grinders, and associated machine shop attachments required for marine equipment repair. Mr. Smith also provided demonstrations on the proper use, maintenance, and calibration requirements of thirty different precision measuring instruments, including instruction on maintaining a meteorological calibration program. He reviewed shipboard technical manuals for associated machine shop equipment, providing training in equipment repair, part ordering, and the proper operation of machine attachments.

"I recently was blessed with the opportunity of meeting Mr. Rick Smith, who I was put in contact with to help me get my Machine Shop squared away. The Gunston Hall hasn't had an MR since 2017, and as an HT, I was really struggling with the technical knowledge of outfitting and operating the equipment in the machine shop... After finally getting an MR3 onboard, we had to turn the shop around. Mr. Smith came by with a group of MRs and renovated the entire shop, consolidated equipment that shouldn't be in there and conducted extensive maintenance and repairs on equipment, returning them to full operability," said HT1 (SW/AW) Joshua Thomas, Repair Division, USS Gunston Hall (LSD 44). "I am extremely grateful for the work Mr. Smith and his team put in. To watch him not only train the MRs he brought with him, but watching firsthand the dedication he had to square the shop away for a junior MR3 and set him up for success really set the example of what it means to be a member of the Chief's Mess. I hope to have the opportunity to uphold that example one day," Thomas added.

"Our refurbished Machine Shop is awesome! I really appreciate you (Rick Smith) and your team coming out and doing that for my MR3. It would be great if you had several days to do training with him...I would even go as far as to say several days to train all the LSD MRs!" LCDR Damon Gilbert, Chief Engineer, USS Gunston Hall (LSD 44).

It is evident that Mr. Smith has a knack for mentoring, a passion for sharing his knowledge, and a skill in connecting with Sailors. Machine shop by machine shop, he is making a marked difference in the lives of Sailors and incrementally bettering our fleet!



# NAMTS Technical Support Team



By Nate Brooks, NAMTS Senior Instructional Systems Designer

**H**ave you ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes with the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) program?

The NAMTS Technical Support Team is responsible for the elements that are an integral part and is the foundation of the NAMTS program. From the content of the NAMTS Job Qualification Requirements (JQR), curriculum development, testing, enrollment, training accomplishment tracking via the Navy's Corporate Enterprise Training Activity Resource System (CeTARS) and the NAMTS Qualification Progress Report (QPR), the technical support team does it all. The Team is made up of 4 members: Nate Brooks (Instructional Systems Designer), Kelly Thomas (Information Technology), Scott Pistella (Curriculum Developer) and James Dice (Curriculum Developer).

The team is responsible for tasks and deliverables to Commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) and is responsible for the development, review, update, analysis, test question construction and establishment, and development of the curriculum for 26 NAMTS JQRs. In addition, NAMTS JQR posttest analysis is completed for all skill areas, and this analytical feedback is provided to the government Program Manager. The posttest analytical data provides critical insight on the health of each NAMTS skill assessment, as the data shows the increased or decreased results based on testing attempts. The exam data provides the information each command can utilize to modify their training to enhance the Sailor's hands-on experience and improve the Sailor's skill level to the point where mastery of the subject can be demonstrated.

Each JQR is created to meet the objective of developing a competent and confident journeyman level technician. The overall goal is to improve Sailor self-sufficiency and fleet readiness. Each NAMTS skill area, such as Outside Electrical, Watertight Closure, Pumps or Valves is crafted utilizing a specialized set of tasks found within the 300 Process section of each NAMTS JQR. These tasks and subtasks are reviewed and analyzed for the knowledge, tools and equipment required for



NAMTS Technical Support Team members (L-R): Nate Brooks, Instructional Systems Designer; Kelly Thomas, Information Technology Support; James Dice, Curriculum Developer; and Scott Pistella, Curriculum Developer. (Photo by Kat Ciesielski.)

the Sailor to effectively perform each task. Objectives are created to stimulate the Sailor's cognitive learning ability to systematically understand the equipment's function, purpose, interfaces, operation, maintenance and repair. All material found in each NAMTS JQR is carefully constructed utilizing the most recent version of approved Naval technical references.

The Technical Support Team provides the support in the execution of the NAMTS program and performs the following actions:

- Designs/develops skill area JQRs
- Assigns course identification information
- Tracks progress within CeTARS/Qualification Progress Report (QPR)
- Design/develop/track skill area test banks and testing
- Develop oral board questions for the shop subject matter experts
- Develop Lesson Plans (LP), Trainee Guides (TG), Interactivity Multimedia Instruction (IMI) graphics

The NAMTS Technical Support Team is always looking to improve as they strive for a better product. One way you can assist in your training is by NAMTS Sailors providing digital photographs of equipment with failed components in any NAMTS skill area. Knowing what "right" and "wrong" look like provides the learner with a better understanding of the operation and interfacing of the equipment. These types of graphics can be submitted and approved through your chain of command and can be leveraged in the JQR materials for a "bigger picture" of identifying a root cause of failure and improvement of required repairs.



Nate Brooks (in red), Scott Pistella (seated) and James Dice discuss the addition of an infographic to curriculum content. (Photo by Kat Ciesielski.)





# Non-stop Machine Shop



By Darrell Monroe and MRC Jesper Sison



Being an independent Machinist aboard “small boys” (e.g., destroyers and cruisers) can have great advantages, but working in the Machine Shop on an aircraft carrier has some very different and distinct advantages, as well. Working aboard USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72), the team of Machinery Repairmen (MR) get a wide variety of machining tasks.

There is the regular flow of everyday manufacturing and/or repairs of studs, nuts, bolts, sounding tube caps, pipe caps, and other such parts. Then there are the more complex jobs, such as replacing wearing rings on pumps and manufacturing parts to rebuild valves. On occasion, there are even those rare jobs that

most MRs will never even see in their careers; one such recent project was a request to manufacture a precise calibration bar for another department so it could continue to do preventive maintenance in the plant.



MR2 Stephanie Heppard dresses out threads on a fire-main adapter piece. (Photo by MRC Jesper Sison.)

Machining and fabricating is practically an art form and it comes naturally to many MRs. What people do not realize, however, is that behind the scenes, the process of producing the perfect piece can be a long and tedious one. Knowing what material to use and when, what substitute metals can be used as alternatives, and what methods of machining to use are some of the factors MRs must consider when making precision parts. Calculations must be perfect. One slight miscalculation can lead to hundreds or thousands of dollars of material in the scrap bin



MR3 (SW) Kyle Young putting finishing touches on a pump wearing ring. (Photo by MRC Jesper Sison.)

and a delay in getting a system back up and running. Once the setup is done and chips start to fly, it may be too late to re-adjust if the process or calculations were done incor-



MR3 (SW) Kyle Young and MR3 (SW) Casey Corcoran work on repairing a quick change tool post. (Photo by Darrell Monroe.)

rectly. Sometimes there is only one chance to create that masterpiece. The team of MRs aboard Abraham Lincoln make perfection a daily practice. Life moves fast on a carrier where repair work takes center stage.

The talent pool is deep with 42 Sailors holding one or more Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Navy Enlisted Classifications (NEC) codes. There are also currently another 134 Sailors aboard who are taking advantage of this training opportunity and who have enrolled in various NAMTS courses. In the Machine Shop, MRs are actively involved in various stages of the NAMTS Inside Machinist hands-on training. MR1 (SW) Tiffany Trombley has already earned the NAMTS Inside Machinist NAMTS NEC (U33A) and MR2 Stephanie Heppard is nearing completion. These MRs come from different backgrounds and have differing degrees of experience, from having basic skills to being a Master Machinist.



MR3 Savion Keyes drilling into a stainless steel bar. (Photo by MRC Jesper Sison.)

MR3 (SW) Kyle Young is a great example of this varying degree of experience. He is no stranger to machinery as he was previously a Machinist's Mate, Nuclear Power (MMN). As such, he strived to ensure all machinery was always in good working order so the ship was mission ready. After transferring to the Machine Shop, there was no pause; he immediately got to work on every project he could



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get his hands on. MR3 Young stated, “Working on (Abraham) Lincoln as a Machinery Repairman has been such a rewarding experience. Every day presents a new set of challenges and tests your ability. Coming together as a team is the only way to really produce great parts and I lean on my fellow MRs for guidance and suggestions, as everyone has a different approach to machining. That’s what makes it so special.”

Occasionally, the repair work aboard slows down, but the MRs cannot. When not fixing things around the ship, they take advantage of the time to take preventive and/or corrective measures on the shop’s machinery. They recently started disassembling and repairing the quick change tool posts on all the shop’s lathes. A common defect was discovered in the main hold down stud of the assembly and the MRs developed a way to correct the problem.

Abraham Lincoln’s crew is led by Chief Machinery Repairman (Surface Warfare) Jesper “Jay” Sison, who actively promotes the repair mentality. Under his guidance these Sailors get some of the best training that the Navy has to offer. “Stay Ready!” is Chief Sison’s philosophy in the shop since it is a way of life to his Sailors. The ship’s namesake, our 16<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln once said, “If there is anything that a man can do well, I say let him do it. Give him a chance.” The Sailors aboard Abraham Lincoln are being given that chance and are inspired to do well in repair work and the Machine Shop is a shining example of that.

USS Abraham Lincoln “shall not perish” if her repair personnel have any say in the matter!



(L-R) MR2 Jared McGregor and MR3 Gabriel Cooper conduct a left-hand threading process.  
(Photo by MRC Jesper Sison.)

## Sailor in the Spotlight: MR1 (SW/AW/SCW) Nicholas Barkdull



By Andrew Porter, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



**M**MR1 (SW/AW/SCW) Nicholas Barkdull is from Lebanon, Oregon, and graduated from Lebanon High School in June 2008. He joined the Navy shortly after graduation. Petty Officer Barkdull’s first duty station after boot camp was in Port Hueneme, California, for Construction Mechanic (CM) “A” School, before his ultimate assignment with Amphibious Construction Battalion Two. In 2013, he converted his rating to Machinery Repairman (MR) and went back to Great Lakes, Illinois, for MR “A” School. After graduating from MR “A” School in 2014, he was stationed aboard USS Kearsarge (LHD 3). After four years on Kearsarge, he left fully qualified as a Machinery Repairman First Class Petty Officer.

MR1 Barkdull arrived at Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC) in November 2018, and immediately set up on earning his first Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) code as a NAMTS Inside Machinist. After completing the NAMTS Inside Machinist hands-on Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) he was awarded the NEC he had worked so hard to attain. MR1 Barkdull was then designated a NAMTS JQR qualifier for the Inside Machine Skill Area and eventually took over as the Skill Area Coordinator (SAC) in October 2020. Recognizing the importance of NAMTS training, MR1 Barkdull has enrolled in the NAMTS Pump Repair JQR and will soon add that NEC to his record.

As the SAC for the NAMTS Inside Machinist JQR, MR1 quickly established additional qualification standards including a revamped oral board process for Sailors who successfully pass the NAMTS post-exam. Since assuming the SAC position, the Inside Machine Shop at MARMC has qualified eight MARMC Sailors, two Norfolk Naval Shipyard Sailors, and several more Sailors are currently working on their JQR.

“NAMTS is a phenomenal training tool for Sailors to learn the information they need to fix ships in the proper way, reducing rework, and giving the Sailors the knowledge to do the jobs on their own. These efforts make us more adaptable and diverse, which ultimately improves our fleet self-sufficiency,” said Barkdull.



MR1 Barkdull’s continued belief in the NAMTS program as well as his personal dedication and drive will not only benefit his Navy career, but will help develop future Sailors who will provide quality service and sustainability to the fleet.

MR1 (SW/AW/SCW) Nicholas K. Barkdull has been designated as the NAMTS Inside Machinist Skill Area Coordinator since October 2020. His dedication to training has made him one of the top Skill Area Coordinators at MARMC and an effective administrator of the NAMTS program. (Photo by Andrew Porter.)





## Sailors in the Spotlight: MM1 (SW) Patrice Braswell & MM1 (SW/AW) Braynt Martinez



Article and photo by MM1(SW/AW) James Weierbach



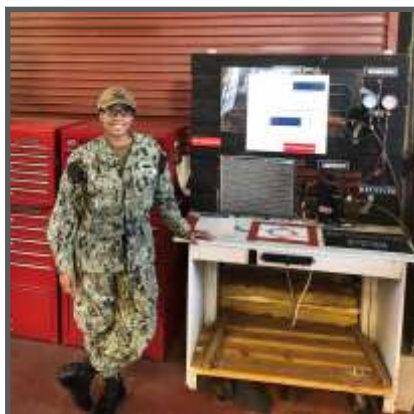
ing programs which have led to her being awarded three Navy Enlisted Classifications (NEC) codes. They include the NAMTS Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Technician, NAMTS Valve Repair Technician, and NAMTS Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician. Her successful completion of the three NAMTS JQRs have helped her expand her knowledge greatly as a Maintenance Assist Team (MAT) Team Leader at PHNS & IMF. Petty Officer Braswell has led over 35 jobs so far that have ranged from condenser cleanings to halon system flushings to repairs of various watertight doors and hatches.

Prior to coming to Pearl Harbor, MM1 Braswell was assigned to

USS McCampbell (DDG 85) and USS Ashland (LSD 48), both homeported in Sasebo, Japan. MM1 Braswell is motivated to keep learning more and earning more NAMTS NECs by successfully completing additional NAMTS JQRS. She wishes to take the increased knowledge back to the fleet and share it with her junior Sailors. MM1 chose the rate of Machinist's Mate because of the ability to be stationed on any platform of ship and the opportunity to work on a vast variety of equipment.

As the NAMTS Skill Area Coordinator aboard PHNS & IMF, MM1 Braswell has trained and qualified over ten Sailors in the NAMTS Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician JQR

thus far. Her vast knowledge on a multitude of equipment makes her an extremely invaluable asset to her next command and the fleet!



MM1(SW) Patrice Braswell stands next to the NAMTS AC&R mock up for under counter/reach in refrigerators.



MM1 (SW) Patrice Braswell earned her third NAMTS JQR, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Maintenance Technician.

By Andrew Porter, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



ly managed vital mission essential equipment including main feed pumps and coolant generators. His technical expertise led to him being handpicked to join the Engineering Training Team (ETT) where he aided the command in qualifying future watch standers.

After completing a successful sea tour on Nimitz in August 2012, MM1 Martinez transferred to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility (PSNS & IMF) Bangor Washington where he immediately enrolled in his first Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Job Qualification Requirements (JQR), Hydraulic Repair Technician. Once complete, MM1 became a designated NAMTS JQR Qualifier for the NAMTS Hydraulics Repair Technician and passed that knowledge along to his fellow shipmates until he transferred back to sea. While aboard his next command, the USS Wasp (LHD 1), MM1 Martinez successfully managed the Hydraulics Work Center, which was responsible for the operation and repair of the anchor windlass, main steering gear, cargo weapons elevators, and aircraft elevators.

In 2019, MM1 Martinez transferred to Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY) where he took the opportunity to expand his knowledge by completing three additional NAMTS courses: NAMTS Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Repair Technician, NAMTS Heat Exchanger Repair Technician, and NAMTS Valve Repair Technician. His experience and expertise with NAMTS led him to being designated as a NAMTS JQR Qualifier and Skilled Area Coordinator (SAC) for his shop, where he is currently providing in-rate training for NNSY Sailors.



MM1(SW/AW) Braynt Martinez (left) instructs MM3(SW) Cassandra Collazo (right) on how to access the pressure adjusting screw in a relief valve. Once adjusted, the valve is then tested using the hydrostatic testing stand to verify that the relief valve functions normally. (Photo by Mrs. Felicia Reid.)

MM1 (SW/AW) Braynt J. Martinez was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York, and graduated from Franklin K. Lane High School in June 2006. Shortly after graduation, MM1 Martinez enlisted in the United States Navy and completed Machinist's Mate "A" School in Great Lakes, Illinois, before being assigned to his first duty station aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68) in March 2007. While there, he expertly



MM1(SW/AW) Braynt Martinez has been designated as the NAMTS Inside Machinist Skill Area Coordinator since October 2020. His dedication to training has made him one of the top Skill Area Coordinators at NNSY and an effective administrator of the NAMTS program. (Photo by Mrs. Felicia Reid.)

"NAMTS provides a great opportunity to get some hands-on experience in a wide variety of skills while on shore duty. All these training areas are very important to the fleet and the more Sailors that return to sea with these critical NECs, the better the Navy will be!" said Martinez.



## Sailor in the Spotlight: BM2 (SW) Christopher Spell & BMSN (SW) Destiny Sousa



By Jojo Uy, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



Boatswain's Mate Second Class (SW/AW) Christopher Spell from the state of Washington, reported to USS Emory S. Land (AS 39) in August 2018. He is assigned as a Rigger/Weight Tester for Machinery Repair (R-2) Division, which provides a myriad of services from repairing valves, pumps, hydraulics, and machinery to providing rigging and weight testing/handling to homeported and forward deployed submarines. The 72A Rigging and Weight Handling Shop is 20 strong and over 50% of the team participates in the command's Navy

Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) program. While temporarily assigned to USS Frank Cable (AS 40), Petty Officer Spell directly contributed to the safe and successful completion of 33 work packages in support of submarine repairs during fiscal year 2020.

BM2 Spell started his journey as a qualified NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester in January 2020 and completed his oral board in May 2021. He is expecting to receive

new orders and transfer by the end of the 2021 and report to USS Makin Island (LHD 8), which also participates in the NAMTS program as a designated NAMTS Afloat Training Activity (NATA).

"This certification will benefit me and my prospective command in many ways. First, it affords me higher knowledge of my rate, allowing me to become a subject matter expert which, in turn, will aid my next command by way of passing on the knowledge I have obtained to better prepare for this line of work. It enables me to be a teacher as well as a student. Lastly and just as importantly, it allows me to be more prepared for civilian life in either the government or private sector and gives me the opportunity to be self-sufficient in future endeavors," said Spell.



BM2 (SW/AW) Christopher Spell.  
(Photo by by MC2 Charlotte Oliver.)

By Jojo Uy, Regional NAMTS Coordinator



BMSN (SW) Destiny Sousa reported aboard USS Frank Cable (AS 40) in March 2019; she is assigned to Repair Department, R-2 Division, 72A Rigging and Weight Handling Shop. A native of New York, she enlisted in November 2018, and graduated from Boatswain's Mate School in the spring of the following year.

BMSN Sousa's accomplishments these last two years aboard the ship speak highly of her work ethic and dedication to her craft.

A newly designated Surface Warfare specialist, she was involved with supporting Continuous Maintenance Availabilities (CMAV) for four submarines homeported in Guam. Over the previous quarter, the shop had spent 160 man hours in direct support of those four submarines as they moved about and secured vital equipment onboard, dealing with tight, congested passageways and engine rooms. Sousa also serves as the Production Petty Officer and was instrumental in the tracking and execution of 15 work packages.

BMSN Sousa enrolled in the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) Rigger/Weight Tester Job Qualification Requirements (JQR) in November 2019. She recently completed the hands-on required JQR process, passed both her online exam and her oral board in March 2021 and was awarded a NAMTS Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) code for her efforts.

"NAMTS helped me as a Boatswain's Mate because I didn't know much about my rate until I enrolled in the NAMTS program. While going through the training, studying and preparing for my exam and board, I learned so much. This experience will better prepare me for future advancement exams, where my knowledge about my rate will be tested. I strongly feel the NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester training is very informational and helped me become more confident as a Rigger and future Rigging Supervisor in my shop."



BMSN (SW) Destiny Sousa.  
(Photo by by MC2 Charlotte Oliver.)





## NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA)



Over twenty years ago, the Navy Afloat Maintenance Training Strategy (NAMTS) program was established to provide Sailors with the ability to enhance their knowledge and skills through hands-on journeyman training. Training programs were developed and established at shore-based Intermediate level (I-level) maintenance facilities. The goal was to enhance Hull, Mechanical, and Electrical rated Sailors' skills in order that they would be capable of improving the fleet's strike force organic maintenance capability, material self-sufficiency and enhance operational readiness. Seven years ago, NAMTS was expanded and the NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA) - large afloat platforms that had the capabilities to complete significant deployed Strike Group and Amphibious Group strike force repairs) were established. USS Nimitz (CVN 68) conducted the test pilot for the NATA initiative, during which fourteen Sailors aboard the command enrolled in the program. NATA proved to be highly successful and additional NATA sites were established. Currently, 31 afloat activities in the fleet have been stood up as NATAs, with over 1,400 Sailors enrolled in 26 select NAMTS Job Qualification Requirement (JQR) training programs leading to Sailors ultimately being awarded NAMTS Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) codes.

The NATAs designate a senior enlisted member or junior officer as an Afloat NAMTS Coordinator to assist in program management. In every sense of the word, these NATAs have become true "SEA" schools. In addition, the commands that have become a NATA are able to partner with Regional Maintenance Centers (RMC), Naval Shipyards (NSY) and Intermediate Maintenance Facilities (IMF) to accomplish competency training that may not be available aboard. NATA commands also participate in JQR reviews and new JQR/NEC development. Each afloat unit has unique challenges in flexible ship scheduling, emergent work, manning shortfalls and the ever-changing geopolitical threats facing a crew when getting underway. Overcoming those challenges takes the commitment of a dedicated team of Sailors who strive to improve themselves at every opportunity. With the ability to receive on-the-job, rating-specific training, NATA ships are developing a better-rounded Sailor and improving fleet organic maintenance capabilities. Recent news/updates from the NATA units include:



USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69) continues to make NAMTS a vital element of their training and Sailor development. With the upcoming major availability at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, the ship is working to make sure that it is self-sustainable to complete the availability on time and return to the fleet. The ship presently has 46 Sailors enrolled in 14 NAMTS NEC skill areas. The Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator, MRCS Brian Pierce, is working with his Sailors in an effort to get them qualified by their return to homeport.



USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) has had a very busy schedule but is eager to continue NAMTS training. As Sailors come aboard, they are told about the NAMTS program during indoctrination, affording them the opportunity to learn about the program and enroll. The NAMTS contracted SMEs recognize the importance of assisting the ship in an attempt to share their knowledge so the Sailors can meet future operational commitments. NAMTS Afloat SMEs continue to visit the ship, when operational commitments allow, with the goal to help Sailors.



USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) continues to strive for improvements in their NAMTS program. The command has already had two Sailors earn an NEC during their deployment. The Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator, MM1 (AW) Shamir Perry, has done an exceptional job since taking over the program. He inspires the Sailors to press forward, taking tests and completing training while under his watch. MM1 Perry makes NAMTS training a priority on the ship, which will undoubtedly produce more NAMTS NEC holders before the ship returns. DC1 Christopher Reign earned his NAMTS Valve Repair Technician NEC and EMC Duds Peredo earned his NAMTS Outside Electrical Repair Technician NEC.



USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) has been conducting weekly training during their availability. The command NAMTS team has been working hard on getting Sailors through the NAMTS Core Fundamentals JQR so the Sailors can begin working on their NAMTS rating specific JQRs. The command NAMTS JQR Coordinator, MMCS Reggie Shillinger, has been very interactive with getting Sailors to train and making sure Sailors are available during scheduled training with the contracted NATA SME teams. The shops are excited about the NAMTS program and have been working hard to advance their common core and in-rate knowledge.



# NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA)



**U**SS George Washington (CVN 73) continues to push training and qualifications as they gear up to complete their RCOH. The ship currently has 47 Sailors enrolled in NAMTS with the Sailors pursuing NAMTS training in the Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Technician, Valve Repair Technician and Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician JQRs. The ship intends to expand training opportunities into the following NAMTS JQRs: Heat Exchanger Repair Technician, Inside Machinist, Outside Machine, Outside Electrical Repair Technician, Pipefitter, Shipfitter, and Rigger/Weight Tester in the very near future.



**U**SS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) is in full swing thanks to the efforts of its Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator, HTCS Chad Davis, as well as MR1 Ryan Dobler. Most recently, the program has expanded and the ship is now training in Interior Communications Repair Technician and those Sailors are making great progress. The ship's crew has taken full advantage of the NAMTS program while docked at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, with over 100 Sailors enrolled in NAMTS. The Sailors are enrolled in various NAMTS JQR programs, consisting of Heat Exchanger Repair Technician, Hydraulics Repair Technician, Inside Electrical Repair Technician, Inside Machinist, Outside Electrical Repair Technician, Pipefitter, Pump Repair Technician, Rigger Weight Tester, Shipfitter, Valve Repair Technician, Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician, and General Shipboard Welder/Brazer.

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**U**SS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) has an extremely robust NAMTS program. The ship has 150 Sailors enrolled from five different departments. Working closely with the NAMTS Afloat SMEs, Sailors are currently receiving weekly NAMTS Core Fundamentals training and are making steady progress towards the completion of their selected skill area JQRs. The command is training in twelve NAMTS skill JQRs, which include: Heat Exchanger Repair Technician, Hydraulics Repair Technician, Inside Electrical Repair Technician, Inside Machinist, Outside Electrical Repair Technician, Pipefitter, Pump Repair Technician, Rigger/Weight Tester, Shipfitter, Valve Repair Technician, Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician, and General Shipboard Welder/Brazer.



**U**SS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78) continues to make significant progress for the Sailors enrolled in NAMTS. The ship currently has 21 Sailors enrolled in nine different NAMTS JQR programs. Two (2) Sailors recently completed all requirements and earned NAMTS NECs as an Inside Machinist and an Outside Machinist, respectively.

Gerald R. Ford provides NAMTS training opportunities in the following skill areas: Heat Exchanger Repair Technician, Hydraulics Repair Technician, Inside Electrical Repair Technician, Inside Machinist, Outside Electrical Repair Technician, Pipefitter, Pump Repair Technician, Rigger/Weight Tester, Shipfitter, Valve Repair Technician, Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician, and General Shipboard Welder/Brazer.



NAMTS Afloat Outside Machine SME, Mike Dengate, provides training to HT3 Elmar Caraballo Lopez of Ponce, Puerto Rico, on how to properly lubricate a hydraulic RAM cylinder seal and wiper before installing them onto the cylinder. (Photo by Jon Bonet Sepulveda.)



NAMTS Afloat Outside Machine SME, Jon Bonet Sepulveda, assists HT3 Elmar Caraballo Lopez with centering the spring holding screw after installing the RAM piston assembly. All four hydraulic RAM cylinders for the Barbee HP-6000-TR valve test stand turret style test table were overhauled due to hydraulic fluid leaking from the RAM cylinders. (Photo by Mike Dengate.)



**U**SS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) is at Norfolk Naval Shipyard and is in the transitioning stage of getting the ship back in operation. The NAMTS program is also undergoing a major overhaul onboard, which is being spearheaded by MMC Casey Williams and

MM1 Joshua Koehne. The ship currently has 88 Sailors enrolled in 14 NAMTS NEC Skill areas



**U**SS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76), homeported in Yokosuka, Japan, currently has seven Sailors enrolled in two NAMTS JQRs, Valve Repair Technician and Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician. The command is also looking into areas to increase

NAMTS enrollment and training by implementation additional NAMTS JQRs





# NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA)



As USS Essex (LHD 2) prepares for deployment and West Pac, that has not stopped their motivation to get training when they can from our NAMTS mentors. The mentors have been going aboard regularly and knocking out core fundamentals for the ship to help them continue training and move on to skill area JQRs. There has been much enthusiasm from the crew about this program, which continues to grow aboard the ship.

(L-R) DC3(SW) Shannon Hoffer, DC3(SW) Chase Stone and DCFN Isiah Roberts receive 271.02 Chain Hoist and 272.03 Hoist Come Along training from NAMTS Afloat 3M/DC SME Ramir Pulido. (Photo by Steven Constantino.)



USS Boxer (LHD 4) has a new NAMTS Command JQR Coordinator, MMC Herminio Bravo, who has already made great strides. Chief Bravo has set up weekly training aboard the ship, which has been a great learning and morale success for the Sailors. Several Sailors are close to finishing their NAMTS Core Fundamentals training and will soon complete testing. While the command has been in the yards, it

has been a challenge for Sailors to dedicate time to training, but MMC Bravo makes it a priority. Having a Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator who recognizes the program's value and shares his enthusiasm for the opportunities available for his Sailors has helped immensely.



EM3 Jennifer Lomeliavila receiving instruction from EMCS Henderson Susmerano in troubleshooting a controller aboard USS Boxer (LHD 4). (Photo by Rizalito Antonio.)

EMCS Henderson Susmerano, with the assistance of NAMTS Afloat Electrical SME, Rizalito Antonio, provides troubleshooting training to EM3 Edwin Castillo. (Photo by Rizalito Antonio.)



Aboard USS Boxer, MR2 Katherine Chumbiray manufactures a vent plenum bolt as per the sample provided. (Photo by Darrell Monroe.)



Under the leadership of EMCS William Dooley, USS Bataan (LHD 5) has seen a significant increase in NAMTS enrollment and participation. The ship has also enlisted the assistance of the Contracted NAMTS Afloat mentors. The subject matter experts have assisted the command by providing regularly scheduled training for Sailors enrolled in the program. The ship currently has 32 Sailors enrolled in the program and is training in the following NAMTS skill areas of Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Technician, Heat Exchanger Repair Technician, Hydraulic Repair Technician, Inside Machinist, Pipefitter, Shipfitter, Valve Repair Technician, Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician, and General Shipboard Welder/Brazer.



Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator, ENCS (SW) Steven Blair, leads the ship's program; he took over during their deployment and he has been doing great things since. The ship has recently returned from that deployment and will soon be working very closely with NAMTS Afloat mentors. In the previous edition of NAMTS News, then MR3 Chad Ericson, was recognized for repairing a CASREP on the ship's Hercules lathe. During the deployment from which they just returned, USS Makin Island (LHD 8) was the amphibious readiness group's (ARG) Strike Force Intermediate Maintenance Activity. With their lathe up and running, MR2 was able to machine a critical part for another ship and several other parts for ships within the ARG.

MR2 Chad Ericson stands proudly in front of the lathe on which he spends much of his time. (Photo by Darrell Monroe.)





# NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA)



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Since reporting aboard USS San Antonio (LPD 17) in January 2021, EMCS Brandon Shibley and EMC Joshua Stribling have worked diligently to make sure to maximize their Sailors' opportunity to participate in NAMTS. The ship currently has 67 Sailors enrolled in the program.



After successfully completing their Lite-Off Assessment (LOA), USS Mesa Verde (LPD 19) is actively working on developing a more robust training schedule for its enrolled Sailors. The ship is currently working with the NAMTS Afloat SMEs to make sure enrollees have the knowledge and skill sets needed to become more self-sufficient. The ship has 24 Sailors enrolled in the NAMTS Core Fundamentals JQR with the Assistant Command NAMTS Coordinator, EM1 Von Nabong leading the way.



USS John P. Murtha (LPD 26) has been steady with the program and getting signatures in the Core Fundamentals. Afloat mentors regularly go aboard for training each week to support the ship and their thriving program.



John P. Murtha Sailors (L-R) MM1 (SW) Tod Buntain, MM3 (SW) Jorge Cordovacardenas, MMFN Cade Jackson, and MM2 (SW) Calvin Davis receive relief valve repair training from NAMTS Afloat Outside Machine SME Steven Constantino. (Photo by Rizalito Antonio.)



Ramir Pulido, NAMTS Afloat3M/DC SME, provides 100.94 System / Component Troubleshooting Training for John P. Murtha's P-100 Firefighting Pump. (Photo by Steven Constantino.)



PCU Fort Lauderdale (LPD 28) is one of the newest NAMTS Afloat Training Activities. In large part due to the efforts of the ship's Executive Officer, LCDR William Murtha; the Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator HTC Hoff; and the Assistant Command NAMTS Coordinator, MM2 Herrera, the ship was able to implement NAMTS aboard in record time. Since implementation, Sailors assigned to Fort Lauderdale have received NAMTS Core Fundamentals training from the NAMTS Afloat SMEs and have commenced working on their skill area NAMTS JQRs.



USS Tortuga (LSD 46) is at BAE systems undergoing an extended overhaul. The ship is working hard and training diligently to stay on track of their timeline. They currently have 25 Sailors enrolled in the NAMTS Core Fundamentals with the NAMTS Afloat SMEs providing weekly training assistance. DCC Brandon Goins recently turned the reigns as Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator over to MR1 Seth Dillard.



USS Rushmore (LSD 47) has joined the NATA family and HTC (SW) Donipaul Briscoe serves as the Command NAMTS JQR Coordinator aboard the ship. As the ship prepares to sail to their new homeport, the command is especially committed to their training. NAMTS Afloat SMEs are helping them establish a solid foundation for their NAMTS training program.





# NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA)



(L-R) DC2(SW) Joshua Astorga and DC3(SW) Isaac Richards receive Tag-Out Fundamentals training from NAMTS Afloat 3M/DC SME Ramir Pulido aboard USS Rushmore (LSD 47). (Photo by Steven Constantino.)



USS Carter Hall's (LSD 50) NATA program is highly active as the ship continues to train in Inside Machinist, Outside Electrical Repair Technician, Outside Machinist, Valve Repair Technician, Shipfitter, and General Shipboard Welder/Brazer. They currently have ten enthusiastic Sailors enrolled. Although Command Senior Chief Brandon Majors has turned the title of Command

NAMTS JQR Coordinator over to MR1 Jesse West, he continues to be highly involved in their Sailors' professional development through NAMTS.



MR1 (SW/AW) Jesse A. West is presented with his Inside Machinist NAMTS Certificate by USS Carter Hall (LSD 50) Command Senior Chief, HTCS Brandon Majors. Majors had served as the command's NAMTS JQR Coordinator, and has since turned that title over to West. (Photo by MCSN Sawyer T. Connally.)



Since the inception of USS Pearl Harbor's (LSD 52) NAMTS program, they have taken full advantage of training opportunities, including utilizing the NATA team SMEs. The SMEs go aboard the ship at least once a week, usually more. Training is big on Pearl Harbor with Sailors already completing the Core Fundamentals. The ship's training team has been pushing hard to get Sailors qualified since they will be deploying later this year. Many Sailors are excited to work their individual skill JQRs and obtain in-rate knowledge. With the amount of training the ship does, they will surely be an asset to their ARG on deployment.



(R-L) MM2( SW/AW) Dylan Campbell, EN3 Jeremy Morgan, MMC (SW) Brian Phillips, MMFN Jahmier Brown, and MM3 (SW) Sergio Villasenor receive Chillwater Target Flow Meter training from NAMTS Afloat Outside Machine SME Steven Constantino. (Photo by Ramir Pulido.)



The USS Stethem (DDG 63) is currently at BAE Systems shipyard, preparing for their Lite Off Assessment (LOA). They currently have Sailors enrolled in NAMTS and training will resume when the ship's schedule allows.



USS IWO JIMA (LHD 7) is forward deployed, and has answered the call to provide the training in the development of her Sailors to be more knowledgeable, skilled and self-sufficient technicians through enrollment of her Sailors in the NAMTS Program. SCPO John Torres' leadership has been instrumental during a challenging deployment to maintain the enrollment, and qualification process of 17 Sailors in five specific JQRs. Additionally, since the implementation of the Core Fundamentals JQR, ten Sailors have already completed the Core Fundamental JQR, and are currently enrolled another specific skill JQR to earn a NAMTS NEC. Moreover, another six Sailors will soon be tested to completed the Core Fundamentals JQR.



# NAMTS Afloat Training Activities (NATA)



**U**SS Emory S. Land (AS 39), left San Diego in early April after an eight month planned availability in Vallejo, Calif. Towards the end of their time in San Diego, twenty Sailors went through a week long training session on the Core Fundamentals JQR taught by NAMTS SMEs. The ship would

like to extend its gratitude to ICC (SW/AW) Reginald Morris, who served as the command's NAMTS JQR Coordinator since January 2019, and who has recently turned the reigns over to ENCS (SW/EXW) Stephen Hand.



Sailors enrolled in the Core Fundamentals NAMTS JQR take time out for a photo on April 29, 2021. (Photo by MC3 Zachary Grooman.)



Starting at the front left of the table, MM3 Shataysha Belfield, MM3 Jorge Vargas, MM3 Codey Fentermacher, MMFN Jabari Ford, and MM2 Paxton Winokur, receive training from NAMTS Electrical SME, Rizalito Antonio. (Photo by Darrell Monroe.)



Daniel Robertson, NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester SME provides weight testing and corrosion control training to R-2 division Sailors. (Photo by Ramir Pulido.)



**U**SS Frank Cable (AS 40), continues to provide repairs and maintenance support to four Los Angeles-class attack submarines homeported in Guam as well as ships supporting the 5th and 7th Fleet areas of operations. With over 100 Sailors enrolled in NAMTS, Frank Cable continues to share the Navy's vision of improving the fleet's maintenance self-sufficiency. Sailors who participate in NAMTS grow professionally and become more valuable to the fleet as maintenance warriors.



FT2 (SS) Zane Glidewell (left) helps as FT1 (SS) Edward Scaglione prepares a barge winch for weight testing. Scaglione, with the Weapons Department, is currently enrolled in the NAMTS Rigger/Weight Tester JQR and also serves as the Leading Petty Officer of the weapons department's Weight Handling Shop. The shop provides weight testing and handling services and provided 4,851 hours of submarine repair support during 2020. (Photo by MC2 Charlotte Oliver.)



HT2 Pamela Hensley is a member of the Repair Department Hull Repair Division (R-1) and is currently enrolled in the Shipfitter JQR. She is seen here exercising her welding skills in repairing a damaged portion of a bulkhead onboard a floating barge where layout and fabrication were required. With over 100 Hull Maintenance Technicians onboard, R-1 Division provides a myriad of services in submarine repair. It is also a perfect setting for Hull Technicians to earn their NAMTS NEC in Shipfitting and Pipefitting. R-1 currently has 46 Sailors enrolled in NAMTS. (Photo by MC2 Charlotte Oliver.)





# GRADUATES

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## **NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW) Leonard Barnes  
GM1 (SW) Josette Barret  
HTC (SW) Kyle Hendricks  
HT1 (EXW) Jonathan Hicks  
EN3 (SW) Kilafwa Aliksa  
FC1 (SW) Armand Altiveros, II  
MM2 (SW) Sean Arp, Jr.  
GSM2 (SW) Porfirio Bowens  
FC2 (SW) Peter Cardullo  
GSMC (SW) Jareem Carter  
HT2 (SW) Daphny Davila  
IC3 (SW) Madison Evans  
GMC (SW) Tommy Hampton  
HT1 (SW) Christopher Johnson  
MM3 (SW) Marissa Killings  
MR2 (SW) Sydney Phiniezy  
MM1 (SW) Coby Piskacek  
EN2 (SW) Ariel Plaza  
EN1 (SW) Rodney Ruth, III  
MM1 (SW) Chauncy Stull  
MM3 (SW) Daniel Villaluz  
HT2 (SW) Ian Williams  
EM2 (SW) Vanessa Williams  
ET2 (SW/AW) Clint Bronzi  
MM3 (SW/AW) Beverly Gomez  
MRC (SW/AW) Michael Martin  
MM1 (SW/AW) Justin Webb  
MM1 (SW/AW/IW) Arouna Cisse  
EN2 Brandon Anderson  
EN2 Kamau Bernard  
EMN2 Christopher Campbell  
GM2 Shelby Dietrick  
MMN2 Daryl Garcia  
MM2 Alexander Farris  
MMN2 Rachel Howard  
MM3 Udele Mckenzie  
GM1 Matthew Walters  
GSM2 (AW) Kyle Ahlers  
GSM1 (SW/AW) Delani Elvis  
MM1 (SW) Stacey Gangloff  
HT2 (SW) Talvanisha Lawing  
STG2 (SW) Valerie Mahaley  
ET1 Lindsey Mcfarland  
IC1 (SW/AW) Kathryn Pierre  
MRFN Amber Reid  
HT1 Justin Spry  
ET3 (SW) Lanna Varden  
MRFN Nadaisha Wilson  
EM2 (SW) Thomas Frazier



## **NEC - U08A Gas Turbine Repair Technician**

GSM1 (SW) Perry Lane, Jr.  
GSM3 (SW) Naquise Llewellyn  
GSM2 (SW) Warren Synard  
GSM2 Anfernee McClure  
GSM2 Norman Ziegler

## **NEC - U11A Gas Turbine Electrical Repair Technician**

EM2 (SW) Hyun Kim  
GSE2 (SW) Mikaela Cortez  
GSM2 (SW) Ramseygabriel Innabtriesh  
GSE2 (SW) Nicole Lawver  
GSE2 (SW) Danielle Vallely  
GSEFN (SW) Michael Wynkoop  
GSE1 (SW/AW) Aaron Williams  
GSE2 Santiago Sepulvedasanchez  
GSE1 (SW) Frederick Asumang  
GSM1 (SW) Edwyn Munoz  
GSE2 (SW) Austin Vanark

## **NEC - U17A Air Conditioning and Refrigeration**

MM1 (SW) Charles Berend, Jr.  
MM2 (SW) Jessica Kletecka  
MM2 (SW/AW) Jazmine Logan  
MM2 (SW/AW/IW) Coriona Smith

## **NEC - U18A Heat Exchanger Repair Technician**

GSM1 (SW) Cornelius Miller  
GSM2 (SW) Lizette Saucedo  
MM2 (EXW) Jose Martinez, Jr.  
MMN2 (SW) Joshua Deloach  
MMN2 (SW) Jarred Parker  
MM3 (SW/AW) Beverly Gomez  
MM2 (SW/AW) David Johnson  
MM1 (SW/AW/IW) Arouna Cisse  
MM2 John Oglesby  
MM2 (SW/AW) Ashley Armstrong

## **NEC - U33A Inside Machinist**

MR1 (SW) John Britt  
MRC (SW) Ryan Frierdich  
MR2 (SW) Joshua Mills  
MR2 (SW) Justin Roman  
MRC (SW/SCW) Steven Vanlandschoot  
MRFA Nicole Alley  
MRFN Andrew Uribe  
MRFN Venessa Junchaya  
MRFN Zacharia Costa  
MR1 (SW/AW) Garrett Goodman  
MRFN Amber Reid  
MRFN Nadaisha Wilson



# GRADUATES

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## **NEC - U34A Outside Machinist**

MM1 (SW) Dustin Davis  
MM2 (SW) Jonathan Lepley  
MM2 (SW) Richard Oestreich  
MM2 (SW) Aaron Vien  
MMC (SW/AW/EXW) Darren Kovas

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM3 (SW) Jared Bruski  
EM2 (SW) Jinjie Dai  
EM2 (SW) Kenneth Eshbaugh  
EM2 (SW) Kaitlyn Johnson  
EM2 (SW) Eymardbien Lacambra  
EM2 (SW) Kyle Loomis  
EMFN (SW) Brandon Reeves  
EM2 (SW) Sean Sprigg  
EM2 (SW) Johnnie White, III  
EM2 (SW/AW) Daniel Saavedra  
EM1 (SW/AW) Nathan Williams  
EMN2 Christopher Campbell  
EM1 Efren Alano, Jr.  
EM2 (SW) James Androstic, III  
EM2 (SW/AW) Keri Burkhart  
EMC (SW/AW) Adrian Childers  
EM2 (SW) Jaemal Crosby  
EM2 (SW) Andrew Driver  
EM3 (SW) Jordan Hall  
EM2 (SW) Clarisse Luna  
GSE2 (IW) Muzhapabi Mwema  
GSE2 (SW) Justin Nwanjoku  
EM2 (SW) Maxwell Olson  
GSE1 (SW) Derval Philip  
EM3 Kaifeng Cheng

## **NEC - U47A Shipfitter**

HT2 (SW) Austin Carter  
HT2 (SW) Traland McCamey  
HT2 (SW) Adrienne Richardson  
HT1 (SW) Joshua Trevillian  
HT2 (SW) Mikayla Willis  
HT2 (SW/AW) Samantha Gibson  
HT3 (SW/AW) Cody Holland  
HT1 (SW/EXW) Steven Smithhisler  
HT2 (SW/IW) Shannon Willoughby  
HTFN Morgan Conley  
HTFN George Dickens  
HTFA Antonio Don  
HT3 Jack Ferron  
HT3 James Manderano  
HTFN Gavin Totty

## **NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HT2 (SW) Matthew Blevins  
HT2 (SW) Kyndell Polite  
HT2 (SW/AW) Luke Maguire  
HT2 (SW/AW) Daniel Reinfried  
HTFN Anndrea Buckley  
HT3 Cody Collins  
HT2 (SW) Eric Enderson  
HT3 Charles Lomax  
HT2 (SW) Bryan Malcolm, Jr.  
HTFN Aldrin Ramirezcordero

## **NEC - V15C Phalanx Gun & Ammunition Handling System Repair Technician**

FC1 (SW) Jeffrey Ashby  
FC1 (SW) Bradley Nunnelle

## **NEC - 719B Shipboard Calibration Coordinator**

MMC (SW/AW) Lauren Blackman

## **NEC - 835A Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician**

EN1 (SW) Antonio Morgan  
GMC (SW) Davion Reese  
MR1 (SW) John Archer, III  
OS2 (SW) Richard Baker  
EM1 (SW) Negus Frame  
EM1 (SW) Randi Kannenberg  
EM2 (SW) Jeremiah Mariano  
DC2 (SW) Jessica Matney  
EM2 (SW) Erik Palmer  
DC2 (SW) Jedidiah Patton  
DC2 (SW) Britton Raven  
DC2 (SW) Nathan Washington  
DC1 (SW) Alexandria Williams  
DC2 (SW) Austin Williamson  
BMC (SW/EXW) Michael Mathhues  
HT1 Christen Jenkins  
IC3 Kylie Thompson  
BM2 (SW/IW) Darrenangelo Pineda  
EM2 (SW) Gregory Preston  
ET2 (SW) Samantha Rutter

## **NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

MMN1 (SW) David Dean  
BM3 (SW) Corey Brown  
BM2 (SW) Baryshnikov Chambers  
EN1 (SW) Hezekiah Crandall  
BM3 (SW) Nicholas Diodati  
BM2 (SW) Jacob Konija  
BM2 (SW) Brenda Nolasconolasco





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BM2 (SW/AW/IW) Dynesha Parker  
BM1 (SW/EXW) Emanuel Williams  
MM1 (SW/IW) Sharak Chisholm  
BM3 (SW/IW) Deondrea English  
BM3 Damontee Royster  
BM2 (SW/AW) Darrian Ashton  
BM2 (SW/AW) Raiona Briscoe  
BM2 (SW) Darrel Oates, Jr.  
BM1 (SW/AW) John Turner

## **NEC - 736B Pump Repair Technician**

EN2 (AW) Aysha Adkins  
HTC (SW) Kyle Hendricks  
MM2 (SW) Shundrikka Jones  
GSM1 (SW) Shaquetta Maloney  
GSM2 (SW) David Matthews, Jr.  
GSM2 (SW) Brittany Pitt  
MM1 (SW) Sunny Qiu  
MM2 (SW/AW/IW) Jasmin Ross  
MM1 (SW) Samuel Bland  
MM2 (SW) Daniel Kimball  
GSMC (SW) Robert Meade  
MM1 (SW) Lendon Poyser  
MR1 (SW/AW) Nicholas Barkdull  
MM2 (SW/AW) Joshua Barker  
MM2 (SW/AW) Maxine Guillory  
MM1 (SW/AW) Folorunso Olanrewaju  
MM2 (SW/AW) Jessica Raines  
MM2 (SW/AW) Alex Ronne  
MM2 Jose Martinez, Jr.  
GSM2 (AW) Kyle Ahlers  
MM1 (SW/AW) Kyle Hawkins  
EN2 (SW) Keiana Martin  
MMC (SW) Aaron Roberts



## **Norfolk Naval Shipyard**

### **NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM2 Jordan Gonzalez

### **NEC - U18A Heat Exchanger Repair Technician**

MM1 (SW) Jason Colvin  
GSM2 (SW) Jennifer Ogbomon

## **NEC - 736B Pump Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW) Trayvon Brown  
MM2 (SW) Jesus Gomez  
MM2 (SW) Curtis Johnson, Jr.  
MM2 (SW) Darren Mcleod  
MM2 (SW) Chad Potter  
MM2 (SW/AW) Eric Lambert  
MM2 (SW) Nicholas Ramsdell  
MM1 (SW) Christopher Ransier  
MM2 Austin Paschall

## **NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

EN2 (SW) Raymond Armstrong  
MR2 (SW) Marshall Darnell  
EN1 (SW) Hailes Lee  
MM2 (SW) Tiamorria Scott  
EN2 (SW) Kenisha Sheppard  
DC2 (SW/AW) Sharon Reinhardt  
EN2 (SW) Michael Alba  
EN2 (SW) Gabon Morris

## **NEC - U26A Diesel Engine-Governor & Injector Repair Technician**

EN2 (SW) Samuel Frank  
EN1 (SW) Romulus Guerrero  
EN1 (SW) Hailes Lee  
EN2 Forrest Mick, II

## **NEC - U33A Inside Machinist**

MR2 (SW) Walker Iverson  
MR1 (SW) Floyd Manley  
MR1 (SW/AW) Michael Petronio

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM3 (SW/AW) Beau Lee

## **NEC - U54A General Shipboard Welder/Brazer**

HT2 (SW) Stephen Byrne  
HT2 (SW/AW) Jonathan Allen  
HT1 (SW/AW) Erick Belena



## **Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility (IMF)**

### **NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

BM1 (SW) Joseph Royal



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## **NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

MR1 (SW) Frank Hotmer, II  
IC2 (SW) Justin Lujan  
GSM1 (SW) Cayce Moore  
GSM2 (SW/AW) Nicholas Ojeda  
MMN1 (SW/AW) Mattlock Simmons  
MMC (SW/AW) Jerry Valdez  
MM1 (SW) Daniel Harrison

## **NEC - 835A Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician**

EM1 (SW) Skyler Beals  
ICC (SW) Jason Harris  
GSMC (SW) Wing Ho  
GSE1 (SW) Evamee Gazmin  
EM2 (SW) Christian Peters  
GSM1 (SW) Gabriel Torres  
EM3 Luis Vasquez

## **NEC - U08A Gas Turbine Repair Technician**

GSM2 (SW) Orlyn Alvarez  
GSM2 (SW) Sarah Campos  
GSM2 (SW) Michael Jones  
GSM2 (SW/AW) Keith Daye, Jr.  
GSM1 (SW) Bryandale Crisostomo

## **NEC - U17A Air Conditioning and Refrigeration**

MM1 (SW) Jarryd Walters  
MM2 (SW) Ryan Weber  
MM2 (SW) Kenna Hall, IV  
MM2 (SW) Jaden Orlino  
MM1 (SW/AW) Quoc Nguyen

## **NEC - U18A Heat Exchanger Repair Technician**

GSM2 (SW) Nakona Brawner  
MM2 (SW) Kameron Dunklin  
MM2 (SW) Travis Hayes  
MM2 (SW) Vincent Larzelere  
MM1 (SW) Jeffrey Lustina  
MM2 (SW) Jaden Orlino  
MM2 (SW/AW) Quoc Nguyen  
MMN1 (SW/AW) Mattlock Simmons  
MM1 (SW/AW) James Weierbach  
MM1 (SW) Carljohn Lontoc

## **NEC - U26A Diesel Engine-Governor & Injector Repair Tech.**

EN1 (EXW) Joey Villanueva  
EN2 (SW/EXW) Ryan Wright

## **NEC - U47A Shipfitter**

HT2 (SW) Robert Rowe  
HT2 (SW) Jonathan Ruiz  
HT1 (SW) Jonathon Berridge  
HT1 (SW/AW) Kiefer Nelson

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW/AW) Jesse Kulikowski

## **NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW) Gharnel Garcia  
EM1 (SW/AW) Jesse Kulikowski

## **NEC - 719B Shipboard Calibration Coordinator**

GSE1 (SW) Rensselaer Castro



## **Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & IMF**

## **NEC - 736B Pump Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW) Lance Kniceley  
MM1 (EXW) Jesse Crocker  
MM1 (SW) Travis Chisholm  
DC2 (SW) Tao Tian  
DC2 (SW/AW) Karlo Zacarias  
MM2 (SW) Austyn Carole  
MM1 (SW/AW) Setoki Qauqau, Jr.

## **NEC - 761A Hydraulic Repair Technician**

MM1 (SW/AW) Alexei Litovtchenko  
MM2 (SW) Alexia Rodriguez

## **NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

BM1 (SW) Edward Missey  
FC1 (SW) Miguel Butler

## **NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

ET2 (SW) Holly Dively  
MM2 (SW) Amador Fry  
EN2 (SW) Justin Jenei  
MM3 (SW) Rhea Sabarita  
MM2 (SW) Fanny Vacaflores  
ET2 (SW) Devin Walter  
EM2 (SW/AW) Brandon Lewis  
MM1 (SW/AW) Andrew Mariano  
IC1 (SW/AW) Ashley Martini  
MM1 (SW) Jacob Anderson  
DC1 (SW/AW) Thomas Harrison

## **NEC - 835A Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician**

BM2 (SW/AW) Travis Danner  
BM2 (SW/AW) Eric Hunt  
MR1 (SW) Bridget Cowne





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## **NEC - U08A Gas Turbine Repair Technician**

GSM3 (SW) Ryan Farr  
GSM3 (SW) Alec Kramer  
GSM2 (SW) Louis Larcom  
GSM2 (SW) Jesse Maples  
GSM2 (SW/AW) Hasan Hollingsworth  
GSMC (SW/AW) Rudolfo Navarromunoz  
GSM1 (SW) Simona Aarons  
GSM1 (SW) Taylor Poling

## **NEC - U34A Outside Machinist**

MM1 (SW/AW) Alexei Litovtchenko  
MM2 (SW) Alexia Rodriguez  
MM1 (SW) Abraham Fuentes  
MM2 (SW) Paul Lewis

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW) Cory Bonacorsi  
EM1 (SW) Tyler Castro  
EM2 (SW) Brian Clinton  
EM2 (SW) Komlan Dagnon  
EMC (SW) Hermes Delosreyes  
EM1 (SW) Andy Zhang  
EM1 (SW/AW) Mohammed Uddin  
EMFN Todd Ha  
EM1 (SW) Tobias Fast  
EM2 (SW) Edgar Gomez

## **NEC - U47A Shipfitter**

HT2 (SW) Darion Jester

## **NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HTC (SW) John Mcfarland

## **NEC - V15C Phalanx Gun & Ammunition Handling System Repair Technician**

FC2 (SW) Jonathan Plank  
FC2 (SW) Shane Stevens



## **Southeast Regional Maintenance Center**

## **NEC - 736B Pump Repair Technician**

GSM2 (SW) Cameron Reeves  
MM2 (SW) Brian Treacy

## **NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

BM2 (SW) Spencer Crews  
BM2 (SW/AW) Jeron Hancock  
BM2 (SW/AW) Jacob Roeder

## **NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

MRC (SW/AW) William Arroyo

## **NEC - 835A Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician**

DC3 (SW) William Freeman  
DC2 (SW) Michael Goodale  
DC1 (SW) Jasmine Pena  
DC2 (SW/AW) Donte Mcneil  
DC2 (SW/AW/IW) Derek Case

## **NEC - U08A Gas Turbine Repair Technician**

GSM2 (SW) Cory Allen  
GSM2 (SW) Michael Blasucci  
GSM2 (SW) Enrico Estayo  
GSM2 (SW) Sequoia Jenkins  
GSM1 (SW) Michael Maxham, Jr.  
GSM1 (SW) Adriana Sanabria  
GSM2 (SW) Erin Stack  
GSM1 (SW/IW) Claire Bedding

## **NEC - U11A Gas Turbine Electrical Repair Technician**

GSE1 (SW) Gage Bailey  
GSEC (SW) Thomas Davis

## **NEC - U18A Heat Exchanger Repair Technician**

MM1 (SW) Carilynn Keeney  
EN1 (SW/AW) Marshal Tripp  
EN3 Thomas Lee  
GSM2 Matthew Klueber

## **NEC - U26A Diesel Engine-Governor & Injector Repair Tech.**

EN1 (SW) Joseph Chase  
EN1 (SW/AW) Duane McCurdy

## **NEC - U33A Inside Machinist**

MRC (SW/AW) Stanley Peters, II  
MR2 Michael Christensen  
DC1 (SW/AW) Adam Ferenbach  
MR3 Yujiro Umemoto

## **NEC - U34A Outside Machinist**

MM1 (SW/AW) Curtis Richardson  
MM2 (SW/AW) Lesia Haliburtonlooney  
MM1 (SW) Cody Hart  
GSM2 (SW/AW) Shayne Meeker



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## **NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HT1 (SW) Joseph Norris

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM2 (SW) Edgardo Tamayohernandez

EMC (SW/AW) Joshua Jones

## **NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM2 (SW) Paul Draves

EM3 (SW) William Mullen

EMC (SW) Jeffrey Belcher

EM1 (SW) Jeremy Mosley

EM2 (SW) Kasey Wymys

## **NEC - U54A General Shipboard Welder/Brazer**

HT2 (SW) Levi Montegary

HT2 (SW) Devonta Woods

HT3 (SW/AW) Kyera Burnell

HT3 Katherine Garnettrivas

HT1 (SW) Shawn Sukeena

## **NEC - V15C Phalanx Gun & Ammunition Handling System Repair Technician**

FC2 (SW) Katherine Patak

FC1 (SW/AW) Alexander Farrell



## **Southwest Regional Maintenance Center (SWRMC)**

## **NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

GSM2 (SW) Erica Martinezgomez

GSM2 (SW) James Norvell

BM2 (SW) Whitley Currie

BM2 (SW) Alexiana Fox

BM2 (SW) Jabari Hosten

BM2 (SW) Rachel Johnson

EN1 (SW) Vanessa Luko

BM2 (SW/AW) Robert Hamric

GSE1 (SW/AW) Yunsung Lee

HT1 Joseph Dicaro

BM2 Ayanna Morris

## **NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

MM1 (SW) Darlene Dasig

MM1 (SW) Maryjoy Ancheta

MM2 (SW) Shawn Cabral

MM2 (SW) Joshua Dominguezmonzon

MM2 (SW) Jose Leoncastaneda

MMC (SW) Eseroma Maefau, Jr.

MM2 (SW) Nagavishnu Nagulu

MM2 (SW) Anthony Terry, Jr

MM1 (SW/AW) Jeremy Fredell

MM1 (SW/AW) David Whaley

ET1 (SW/AW/IW) Elijah Abdullah

MM1 (SW/EXW) Nicholas Drescher

MM3 Cecilia Rocha

STG2 Kyla Stevens

MM3 Javon Lindsey

MM1 (SW) Juse Agyei

EN1 (SW) Efren Apa

MM2 (SW) Sean Lasker

## **NEC - 835A Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician**

GSM2 (SW) Kadia Dixon

EN1 (SW) Brandon Woods

GSM1 (SW) Kevin Elliott

BM1 (SW) Donovan Jaeger

EN1 (SW) Harveyjoshua Macadaan

EM1 (SW) Terrell Malcolm

MR1 (SW/AW) Jonathan Calderon

BM2 (SW/AW) Brandy Raborn

DC3 (SW) Chenoa Berumen

STG2 Nycia Glover

## **NEC - U08A Gas Turbine Repair Technician**

GSM3 (SW) Jose Guerrero

GSM2 (SW) Olivia Marcus

GSM2 (SW) Jesse Marinchicas

GSM2 (SW) Morgan Schelker

GSM2 Rashaun Prewitt

## **NEC - U11A Gas Turbine Electrical Repair Technician**

GSE1 (SW) Enrique Delacueva, Jr

## **NEC - U17A Air Conditioning and Refrigeration**

MMC (SW) Rebecca Brown

MM2 (SW) Cirilo Catalan

## **NEC - U26A Diesel Engine-Governor & Injector Repair Technician**

EN1 (SW) Ryan Wiley

## **NEC - U33A Inside Machinist**

MR2 (SW) Jesus Lob





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## **NEC - U34A Outside Machinist**

MM2 (SW) Charles Bonner, III  
MM2 (SW) Jamir Fletcher  
MM1 (SW) Trenton Isabel  
EN1 (SW) Harveyjoshua Macadaan  
MM2 (SW) Tony Marble, Jr.  
MM2 (SW/AW) Jocquetta Coleman  
MM1 (SW/AW) Jose Garcia  
MM1 (SW/AW) Benjamin Jones  
MM1 (SW) James Anastassiadis  
MM1 (SW) Jordan Hailey  
MM2 (SW) Xavier McWillie

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW) Richard Jones  
EM1 (SW) Jeanneth Reed

## **NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW) Kingbernard Bungubung  
EM1 (SW) Marvin Harris, Jr.  
EM1 (SW) James Sagar  
EM1 (SW/AW) Kylie Thu  
EM1 (SW/AW) Crystalrose Wickelgren

## **NEC - U47A Shipfitter**

HT2 (SW) Matthew Brown  
HT1 (SW/AW) Kristen Pacheco

## **NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HTC (SW) Cade Brock  
HT1 (SW) Anthony Haynes  
HTC (SW) Derick Kennington  
HTC (SW/AW) Lovell Cooper

## **NEC - U54A General Shipboard Welder/Brazer**

HT2 (SW/AW) Bethany Perez

## **NEC - V82B Interior Communications Repair Technician**

ICC (SW/AW) Korey Bozeman  
ICC (SW/AW) Erick Friend  
IC2 (SW) Tyler Nelson



## **Trident Refit Facility Bangor, WA**

### **NEC - 736B Pump Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW) Edgar Nieves

### **NEC - 761A Hydraulic Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW) David Lanum

## **NEC - 797A Rigger/Weight Tester**

BM2 (SW) Dominic Cornett  
BM2 (SW) Anthony Morgan

## **NEC - U17A Air Conditioning and Refrigeration**

MM2 (SW) Remie Asuncion  
MM1 (SW) Warren Beeler

## **NEC - U18A Heat Exchanger Repair Technician**

MM1 (SW/AW) Kevin Davis  
MM1 (SW/AW) Jasper Graham, Jr.  
MMC (SW) Austin Tussey

## **NEC - U34A Outside Machinist**

MM1 (SW) Marlen Ramirezmolina  
MM1 (SW) Gregory Gagnon  
MM1 (SW/AW) Shemeka Judene

## **NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM2 (SW) Andrea Sopher

## **NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW/AW) Samuel Medina  
EM2 (SW) Sharmaine Cambronerio  
EM2 (SW/AW) Jevonn Madaus  
EM2 (SW/AW) Rauneisha Mayesreid  
EM2 (SW/AW) Carly Mohr

## **NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HT2 (SW) Jorge Figueroa, Jr.

## **NAMTS Submarine Auxiliaryman Valve Repair Technician**

MMAC (SS) Russel Drost



## **USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69)**

### **NEC - 736B Pump Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW/AW) Julia Flores

### **NEC - 761A Hydraulic Repair Technician**

MM1 Zachary Ruple

### **NEC - 835A Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician**

MM2 (SW/AW) Julia Flores  
DCC (SW) Tracy Thatcher



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**NEC - U18A Heat Exchanger Repair Technician**

MM2 (SW/AW) Julia Flores

**NEC - U33A Inside Machinist**

MR2 Hunter Kennon

MR3 Joseph Marroquin

**NEC - U47A Shipfitter**

HT1 (SW) Kyle Foulke

HT2 Merin Oakley, III

**NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HT1 (SW) Kyle Foulke

HT2 James Macfarlane



**USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77)**

**NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

MMN1 (SW) Joshua Renteria

MM3 (SW/AW) Jordan Berry

MM3 Ralph Calef

**NEC - V82B Interior Communications Repair Technician**

IC1 (SW/AW) Joshua Sheprow



**USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71)**

**NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

DC1 (SW/AW) Christopher Reign

**NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EMC (SW) Duds Peredo



**USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78)**

**NEC - U33A Inside Machinist**

MR2 (SW) Austin Isom

**NEC - U34A Outside Machinist**

MM2 (SW/AW) Xin Xing



**USS Emory S. Land (AS 39)**

**NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

BM2 (SW/AW) Christopher Spell

**NEC - U39A Outside Electrical Repair Technician**

EMC (SW/AW) Samuel Nabutete

**NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW) Jonathan Jackson



**USS Frank Cable (AS 40)**

**NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester**

BM2 (SW) Leana Huntwork

BMSN (SW) Destiny Sousa

BM2 (SW/AW) Mark Deleon

BMC (SW/EXW) Christopher Penn

**NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician**

EN1 (SW) Trever Herman

**NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician**

EM1 (SW) Salvador Ronquilloescobar

EMC (SW/AW) Ross Ehrhart

**NEC - U52A Pipefitter**

HT1 (SW) Chad Fry



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## Navy Reserve Surge Maintenance

### NEC - 797A Rigger / Weight Tester

BM1 Oscar Allison

BM1 Cory Copeland

### NEC - 834A Valve Repair Technician

HTC (SW) Travis McGee

ET1 (SW) Michael Vernon

ET2 Carl Frost, II

EM2 Bridgette McNeil

ET2 Matthew Walejko

ET2 Joshua Wheatonsanko

ET3 James Campbell

ET2 Dennis Garciatorres

HT1 Jesus Paredes

ET2 Zachary Powell

ET2 Terra Ritchie

ETR1 Michael Schoultz

### NEC - U17A Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Repair Technician

EN1 George Kavchak

MM1 Noel Gonzaga

MM1 Sampson Nwosu

### NEC - U33A Inside Machinist

MRC (AW) Charles Durette

### NEC - U40A Inside Electrical Repair Technician

EM1 (SS) Nestor Leynes, Jr.

EM1 (SW) Cory Bonacorsi

### NEC - V15C Phalanx Gun & Ammunition Handling System Repair Technician

FC2 (SW) John Bejarano

FC1 (SW) Gregory Hand

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| NEC  | NEC Title  | Ratings                       | MARMC | NNSY | SERMC | SWRMC | PNS DET | TRF | PSNS & IMF<br>Everett | HRMC |
|------|--|-------------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|---------|-----|-----------------------|------|
| U17A | Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Technician                | MM                            | X     | X    | X     | X     |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| V15C | Close in Weapons System (CIWS)                             | FC, GM                        | X     |      | X     |       |         |     | X                     |      |
| 860A | Corrosion Control Program Technician                       | All Ratings                   |       |      |       |       |         |     | X                     |      |
| U26A | Diesel Engine Repair Governor & Injector Repair Technician | EN                            |       | X    | X     | X     |         | X   |                       | X    |
| U08A | Gas Turbine (Mechanical) Repair Technician                 | GS, GSE, GSM                  | X     |      | X     | X     |         |     | X                     | X    |
| U11A | Gas Turbine (Electrical) Repair Technician                 | GS, GSE                       | X     |      | X     | X     |         |     | X                     | X    |
| U18A | Heat Exchanger Repair Technician                           | DC, EN, GSM, MM               | X     |      | X     |       |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| 761A | Hydraulics Repair Technician                               | ABE, ABF, GS, GSE, GSM, MM    |       | X    |       |       |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| U40A | Inside Electrical Repair Technician                        | EM                            |       | X    | X     | X     |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| U33A | Inside Machinist   | MR                            | X     | X    | X     | X     | X       | X   | X                     |      |
| V82B | Interior Communications Repair Technician                  | EM, ET, IC                    |       |      | X     | X     |         |     | X                     |      |
| U39A | Outside Electrical Repair Technician                       | EM, GS, GSE                   | X     | X    | X     | X     |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| U34A | Outside Machinist  | GS, GSM, MM, MR               | X     |      | X     | X     |         | X   | X                     |      |
| U52A | Pipefitter   | HT                            | X     |      | X     | X     | X       | X   | X                     |      |
| 736B | Pump Repair Technician                                     | ABE, ABF, DC, EN, GSM, MM, MR | X     | X    | X     |       | X       | X   | X                     |      |
| 797A | Rigger/Weight Tester                                       | All Ratings                   | X     |      | X     | X     |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| 719B | Shipboard Calibration Coordinator                          | EM, EN, ET, GSE, GSM, IC, MM  | X     |      |       |       |         |     |                       | X    |
| U47A | Shipfitter   | HT                            | X     | X    | X     | X     | X       | X   | X                     | X    |
| 834A | Valve Repair Technician                                    | All Ratings                   | X     | X    | X     | X     | X       | X   | X                     | X    |
| 835A | Watertight Closure Maintenance Technician                  | All Ratings                   | X     |      | X     | X     |         | X   | X                     | X    |
| U54A | General Shipboard Welder/Brazer                            | HT                            | X     | X    | X     | X     |         | X   |                       |      |





# NAMTS Training is Available at these Facilities



## West Coast Afloat

- USS Nimitz (CVN 68)
- USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70)
- USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71)
- USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72)
- USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76)
- USS America (LHA 6)
- USS Essex (LHD 2)
- USS Boxer (LHD 4)
- USS Makin Island (LHD 8)
- USS John P. Murtha (LPD 26)
- USS Rushmore (LSD 47)
- USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52)
- USS Stethem (DDG 63)

## East Coast Afloat

- USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69)
- USS George Washington (CVN 73)
- USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74)
- USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75)
- USS George H. W. Bush (CVN 77)
- USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78)
- USS Kearsarge (LHD 3)
- USS Bataan (LHD 5)
- USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7)
- USS San Antonio (LPD 17)
- USS Mesa Verde (LPD 19)
- PCU Ft. Lauderdale (LPD 28)
- USS Tortuga (LSD 46)
- USS Carter Hall (LSD 50)
- Assault Craft Unit Four (ACU 4)





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| CNRMC - Code 900 Director, I-Level Production                                  | (757) 400-0090       |
| CNRMC - Code 910 I-Level Maintenance & Production                              | (757) 400-2127       |
| CNRMC - Code 920 I-Level Programs/Knowledge Management                         | (757) 400-2486       |
| CNRMC - Code 930 Sailor Professional Development Program Manager               | (757) 400-2103       |
| CNRMC - Code 931 Assistant Sailor Professional Development Manager             | (757) 400-2467       |
| NAMTS Program Manager  | (757) 578- 5448      |
| Assistant Program Manager/Afloat Lead  | (757) 578-5181       |
| NAMTS RNC Lead   | (757) 500-4630       |
| NATA Scheduler/Coordinator   | (757) 578-5342       |
| RNC- Trident Refit Facility, Bangor  | (360) 315-1800       |
| RNC - Mid-Atlantic Regional Maintenance Center (MARMC)                         | (757) 396-7771       |
| RNC - Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY)  | (757) 400-2620       |
| RNC - Southeast Regional Maintenance Center (SERMC)                            | (904) 270-5126 x5464 |
| RNC - Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility (Everett) | (425) 304-5507       |
| RNC - Southwest Regional Maintenance Center (SWRMC)                            | (619) 571-8109       |
| RNC - Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility          | (808) 473-8000 x6357 |
| Industrial Plant Equipment - Lead  | (757) 400-2208       |
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| Corrosion Control Program Manager  | (757) 400-2466       |
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| Afloat NAMTS Coordinator Lead                               | (757) 226-8860       |
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| Afloat NAMTS Coordinator (West)                             | (619) 259-2278       |
| CSMP / 3M / CORE (East)                                     | (757) 735-1398       |
| Inside Machinist SME (East)                                 | (904) 339-1712       |
| Structural SME (East)                                       | (757) 373-4016       |
| Outside Machinery SME (East)                                | (757) 469-2332       |
| Electrical SME (East) & Team Lead                           | (757) 578-5139       |
| Outside Machinery SME (East)                                | (757) 351-3111       |
| Logistician SME (East)                                      | (757) 223-0732 x4036 |
| Assistant Program Manager (West)                            | (619) 259-2925       |
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| Inside Machinist SME (West)                                 | (619) 259-2240       |
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| Outside Machinist SME (West)                                | (619) 259-2528       |
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