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(10/15/2015)

**OVER TEN YEARS OF SUPPORTING OUR K-9 TROOPS!**  
**MORE THAN 475 MILITARY WORKING DOG TEAMS SUPPORTED!**  
**126 Deployed Military Working Dog Kennels Supported**

**More than \$122,041.00 of supplies shipped down range!**

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Hello everyone! We are currently supporting six (6) kennels and twenty-eight (28) deployed Air Force, Army, Navy, and Marine teams as of October 15, 2015. October 2015 brings us to ten years and three months of operation for our "Old Dawgs & Pups" program. Once again, I'd just like to say thank you to all of you that have supported our awesome programs and especially our troops and their canine partners deployed down range.

### **Area of Operation Status - K-9 Teams Arriving/Departing**

Due to the worldwide security issues and concerns for safeguarding our troops, we will not be listing the names of the bases or countries, in which our troops are deployed. All locations will be listed as "Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia" (UDL). We are currently supporting troops at four locations in Southwest Asia. We have no new pups to introduce this month.

### **Pups returning home from the AOR**

**Undisclosed Location SW Asia #2 – 386<sup>th</sup> ESFS:** SSgt Kellie Peterson & MWD Xarius are packing to return to Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota.

SSgt Tommy Duncan & MWD Ricsi are now back stateside at Little Rock AFB, Arkansas.

SSgt Alexander Baron & MWD Bad are firming up flight reservations to return to Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina.



# Air For Paws – First Response Resuscitation Kits (New OD&P Partner)

[www.AirForPaws.com](http://www.AirForPaws.com)



It is our goal to provide **Air For Paws Resuscitation Kits** to all OCONUS/CONUS MWD installations. We've shipped **210** Air For Paws Resuscitation Kits, valued at **\$21,000.00**, to the **70** Military Working Dog installations (US Air Force/US Army/US Navy) and treatment facilities in Southwest Asia, Europe, Africa, and the Pacific Commands and stateside:

332<sup>nd</sup> ESFS  
Davis-Monthan AFB  
Seymour Johnson AFB  
JBSA/Ft. Sam Houston  
Hurlburt Field  
Spangdahlem AB  
Tinker AFB  
AFSFL/Jt. Base Lackland  
Mountain Home AFB  
Wright Patterson AFB  
Columbus AFB  
Jt. Base Elmendorf  
Jt. Base Lewis-McChord  
Sheppard AFB

379<sup>th</sup> ESFS  
Dyess AFB  
JBSA/Lackland  
Malmstrom AFB  
Grand Forks AFB  
Kirtland AFB  
NAS Bahrain  
Creech AFB  
Altus AFB  
Patrick AFB  
McConnell AFB  
Jt. Base Charleston  
Keesler AFB  
Ft. Huachuca

380<sup>th</sup> ESFS  
Ellsworth AFB  
Laughlin AFB  
Whiteman AFB  
Travis AFB  
Edwards AFB  
HQ-ARCENT  
MacDill AFB  
Peterson AFB  
Tyndall AFB  
Little Rock AFB  
Goodfellow AFB  
Robins AFB  
Naval Base Ventura

386<sup>th</sup> ESFS  
Nellis AFB  
Barksdale AFB  
F E Warren AFB  
USAF Academy  
Jt. Base Andrews  
ACC/Langley AFB  
Vance AFB  
Hansom AFB  
Cannon AFB  
Minot AFB  
Fairchild AFB  
Jt. Base Langley  
CNRSW San Diego

879<sup>th</sup> ESFS  
Shaw AFB  
Luke AFB  
Kadena AB  
Ramstein AB  
Eglin AFB  
RTC Ft. Bliss  
Hill AFB  
Offutt AFB  
Scott AFB  
Beale AFB  
Buckley AFB  
Dover AFB  
Kennel/Hold



**Team Ft. Huachuca**



**Team Edwards AFB**



**Team Buckley AFB**



**Team Robins AFB**



## Air For Paws – First Response Resuscitation Kits – Continued

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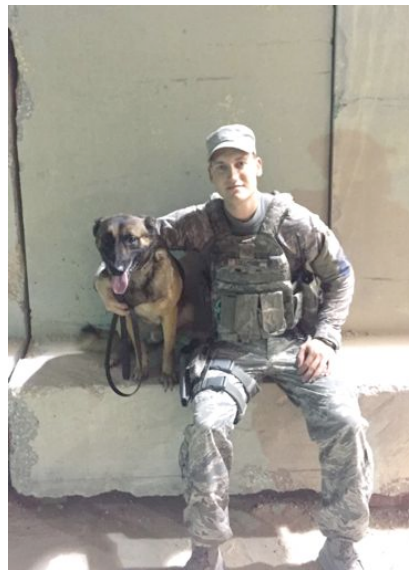
Air For Paws has just advised us that an additional one hundred (100) kits are ready for distribution. We are in the process of contacting other DoD kennels to advise them of the availability. If you have contact with a kennel that is not on our list please have them contact Bill Cummings for information.

Each kit contains surgical grade Ambu bag, canine facemask, towel, snap and leash, instruction DVD, Air For Paw and Old Dawgs & Pups educational information, and a carrying case.



We are now making contact with United States Army and Navy MWD Kennels to inquire about their needs. If you have contacts for Kennel Masters at these installations please contact Bill Cummings with their information and we will continue to be out front in providing this equipment with Air For Paws. *We are now shipping kits stateside and to other installations (and other service branches) that contacted us to provide this equipment to MWD kennels where the need has been identified.* **For further information concerning AFP Resuscitation Kits contact: Bill Cummings** [usafbrutus@comcast.net](mailto:usafbrutus@comcast.net)

### Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #1 – 379<sup>th</sup> ESFS



Left: SSgt Josh Rettschlag & MWD Onur expressing a little attitude during training. Onur is ON POINT! The team is deployed from the 366<sup>th</sup> SFS, Mountain Home AFB and Rick Matott (Korat) supports them.

Right: SSgt Joshua Edelmann & MWD Chico, deployed from the 360<sup>th</sup> SFS Buckley AFB, Colorado, and they are supported by John and Joan Smith (U-Tapao).

## Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #1 – 379<sup>th</sup> ESFS - Continued



SSgt Andrew Koch and MWD WWill. WWill displays his civil aggression; he wanted that bite bad, during a 130-degree training session. They completed the exercise with a little hidden sleeve training. The team is deployed from the 21<sup>st</sup> SFS, Peterson AFB, Colorado, and TSgt Justin Kitts (USAFA) supports them.



SSgt Jerry Horn & MWD Blecki hit all of the search points during vehicle search training. They are deployed from the 30<sup>th</sup> SFS, Vandenberg AFB, California. Scotty Baker (Safeside) supports them. On the right, teams continued their training. Can you see the “Ghost Dog”? Kinda’ cool isn’t it?



SrA Scott Menadue decoys for SSgt Josh Rettschlag & MWD Onur – Nice bite Onur! Team Onur is deployed from the 366<sup>th</sup> SFS, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho, and they are supported by Rick Matott (Ubon). SrA Scott Menadue, also deployed from the 366<sup>th</sup> SFS, is supported by Charlie Wallace (Korat). On the right, MWD Rosso takes a break and enjoys his kong following training session.



## Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #2 – 386<sup>th</sup> ESFS



**Above: SSgt Kurtis Buchawiecki and SrA Mac conducted a “demo” for Army medic at their deployed location. Quite an audience for a couple of Air Force MWD handlers wouldn’t you says? SSgt Kurtis Buchawiecki & MWD FFrida are deployed from the 56<sup>th</sup> SFS, Luke AFB, Arizona and Bob Curnick (NKP) supports them. Below: SSgt Buchawiecki decoyed for SrA Mac and GGretta and all eyes are on GGretta during the bite!**



**SSgt Jesse Aquino and MWD LLoren, deployed from the 319<sup>th</sup> SFS, Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota weather a “haboob” using doggles supplied by the Military Working Dog Team Support Association. Bob Citrano (NKP) supports the team. Thanks MWDTSA for your support of our deployed troops!**

## Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #2 – 386<sup>th</sup> ESFS - Continued



Greig Parker (U-Tapao/Korat/Tan Son Nhut) recently completed Operation “Milk Bone Drop” with the help of his pup, TSgt Michael Judy. Prior to shipping clearance was obtained from the veterinarians and handlers. That’s all Greig needed for shipping the two cases of large Milk Bone products to the troops. That’s 48 pounds of treats – PARTY TIME! Way to go Greig. TSgt Judy has a plan to share the “goodie” with other kennels and services as per Greig’s wishes. Above, SrA Mac and MWD GGreta display the treats. AWESOME!



SSgt Tori Dames and MWD Arco completed a “Breast Cancer Run” during the first weekend in October. The team is deployed from the 319<sup>th</sup> SFS, Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota, and Bill and Janice Cummings (U-Tapao) support Tori and Arco during this deployment. This is the team spirit and commitment to helping others that makes our teams stand out in the Air Force. Way to go Team Arco!



## Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #2 – 386<sup>th</sup> ESFS – Continued



**Left:** TSgt Mike Judy, Trainer, works out SSgt Justin Ridenour's MWD YYoda in quite an exciting position during training. You just never know what's in the storage bins do you? TSgt Judy is deployed from the 86<sup>th</sup> SFS, Ramstein Air Base, Germany, and Greig Parker (U-Tapao/Korat/Tan Son Nhut). SSgt Ridenour and MWD YYoda are deployed from the 97<sup>th</sup> SFS, Altus AFB, Oklahoma, and Jim Hazelton (Korat) supports them.

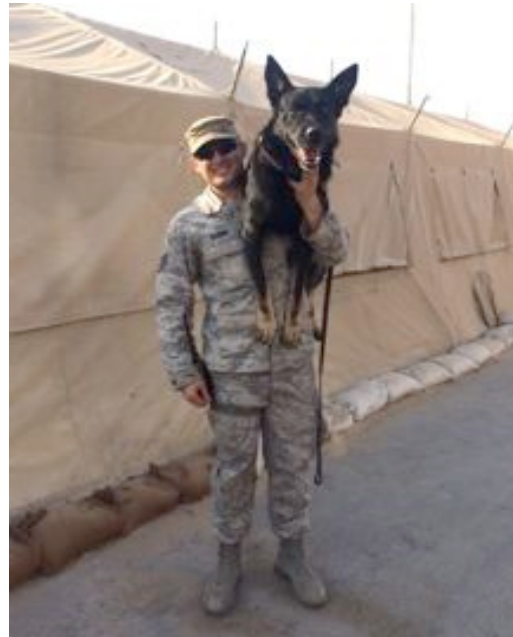
**Right:** SSgt Quesada runs decoy for SSgt Jesse Aquino's MWD LLoren. Team LLoren is deployed from the 319<sup>th</sup> SFS, Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota, and Bob Citrano (NKP) supports them.



**Left:** SSgt Chad Coe puts MWD LLoren (SSgt Jesse Aquino's partner) through the paces during muzzle attach training. SSgt Coe is deployed from the 86<sup>th</sup> SFS, Ramstein Air Base, Germany, and Bob Sullivan (Phu Cat) supports the team.

**Right:** MWD Roky, SSgt Justin William's partner, finds a relaxing spot to enjoy the afterglow of the training session. He sure looks quite content! The team is deployed from 21<sup>st</sup> SFS, Peterson AFB, Colorado and David Adams (Korat) supports the team during their deployment.

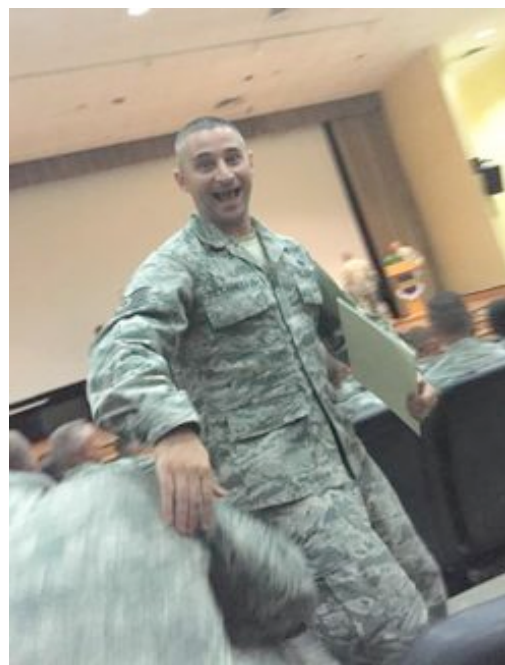
### **Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #3 – 380<sup>th</sup> ESFS**



**Left: SSgt Kellie Peterson & Xarius, 28<sup>th</sup> SFS, Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota, pay their respects during a ceremony at the 911 Memorial. Team Xarius is supported by Mike Diercks (Korat). Thanks Kellie for all your help as our POC during your deployment!**

**Right: SSgt Alexander Baron gives MWD Bad a lift during some bonding time. The team is deployed from the 4<sup>th</sup> SFS, Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina and Mike Fink supports the team.**

### **Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #6**



**It's Official – On October 1, 2015, John Pillarella was promoted to Master Sergeant! He sure looks pretty pleased in the photograph on the right. This is John's second trip down range with OD&P and Bill Cummings (U-Tapao) supports him during his "Master Sergeant Deployment". He previously was deployed to Camp Cropper, Iraq, and was supported by Bill & Dale and Debbie Burton (U-Tapao). Way to go John! From all of us at OD&P – Congratulations and welcome to the "Top Three" of the USAF.**



## Undisclosed Location Southwest Asia #8 – 332<sup>nd</sup> ESFS



TSgt Kristopher Hall and MWD Vvladimir get a little work out! A Security Forces troop took the bite and we're not exactly sure when he thinks of being a decoy again after this training exercise. The team is deployed from the 9<sup>th</sup> SFS, Beale AFB, California and Rich Vivio (U-Tapao) supports them during this deployment.

### ***MWDTSA - Military Working Dog Team Support Association, Inc.***

A tax-exempt organization under IRS code section 501(c)(3). All donations are tax-deductible.

<http://www.mwdtsa.org>



### **MWDTSA 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Packages**

Once again, we'd like to extend a VERY BIG THANK YOU to Nikki Rohrig, Dixie Whitman, and everyone associated with the Military Working Dog Team Support Association for sending fourth quarter packages down range to support our deployed troops. They have sent 57 packages to six deployed kennel locations in southwest Asia to support Old Dawgs & Pups troops again this quarter.



## Other News concerning OD&P Graduates

**OD&P graduate TSgt Justin Kitts and the USAF Falcons visit Washington, D.C. and Annapolis, Maryland for the 2015 Air Force - Navy Football game.**



TSgt Justin Kitts, U.S.A.F.A. Cadre, and the Academy Falconers, visited Washington, D.C. and the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, over the October 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend for the annual Air Force - Navy football game. Patsy Perrotto (NKP) and Phil Carroll (Takhli/NKP) have sponsored Justin over the years.

The “Falconers” met with AFCS General Mark Welsh at his office in the Pentagon. The General coined each of the team members. TSgt Kitts made the rounds in Washington and he visited the many military memorials during his brief stay. One of the most solemn moments occurred while visiting the gravesite of MA2 Sean Edward Brazas (USN) who was KIA on May 30, 2012 while serving during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. MA2 Brazas was one of his students at Inter-Service Advanced Skills K-9 Course, Yuma Proving Ground, Arizona.

The Falcon team gathered with their mascots at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium. There were a few “wet” team members following the 33-11 loss to the Midshipmen. Better luck next year AF!



## Feed the Dawgs Project 2015 Schedule

<http://www.thedawgsproject.com>



The *Feed the Dawgs* Project is a culmination of United States Military Vietnam Veterans, Active Duty Military Working Dog Personnel, and patriotic citizens joining together to support and recognize the dedication and patriotism of today's Military Working Dog Teams around the globe. The United States Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, and Navy deploy Military Working Dogs. We feed steak barbecues to active military dog handlers in all branches of United States service as they return from or "ship out" for "deployment" to the front lines on the War on Terror.

2015 brings new adventures for *Feed the Dawgs* – They have expanded to **THREE** regions! Here are the contacts for the regions – if you are interested in participating in an event – just ping the POC and they will put you to work and make sure you share some quality time with the TROOPS!

**Southwest Dawgs (CA, AZ, NV, & TX)**

Jon Hemp - [jonhemp@thedawgsproject.com](mailto:jonhemp@thedawgsproject.com)  
<http://thedawgsproject.com>

**Rocky Mountain Dawgs (CO, NM, MO, OK, & TX)**

Kevin Sonka – [kevinsonka@comcast.net](mailto:kevinsonka@comcast.net)  
<http://www.rockymountaindawgsproject.org>

**Northwest Dawgs Project (NV, UT, ID, & WA)**

Frank Wehner – [nwdawgs@fcwehner.com](mailto:nwdawgs@fcwehner.com)  
<http://northwestdawgsproject.com>

If you are interested in assisting in one of the projects or need more information about “*Feed the Dawgs*” please contact Jon Hemp at [jmhemp@feedthedawgs.com](mailto:jmhemp@feedthedawgs.com)

Here is the Feed the Dawgs upcoming schedule for 2015 – Get Involved!

**24 October High Desert Joint Feed – 29 Palms Wounded Warrior, PMO/K9, Barstow Depot, Ft. Irwin & 29 Palms Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, CA**

### Here's this month's update on the K-9 Supply Program

At the time of this report we have **30** members of the “Old Dawgs & Pups” program actively supporting **28** handlers assigned to six (6) kennels in Southwest Asia.

Our K-9 Supply program has been coordinated and funded by the “Old Dawgs & Pups” program volunteers. The supporters are members of the VSPA, VDHA, and friends of K-9. A total of 2,503 pieces of equipment has been delivered to our K-9 troops serving in the AOR from August 15, 2005 to October 15, 2015. “Old Dawgs & Friends” have supported **126** kennels and **475** K-9 personnel via our program. For additional information on the program please go to:

<http://www.war-stories.com/odap/ws-odap-index.htm>

Please review, photographs, press releases, and more about our ongoing programs.

We have purchased and shipped **\$29,607.00** worth of supplies to **126** kennels solely via your personal donations. Including the Leatherman Corporation, Air For Paws, Inc., and other noted major donations; our program has supplied a total of **\$122,041.00** to deployed Military Working Dog teams. Please note that this total does not reflect all of the “care packages” that have been sent directly by team sponsors and other organizations that we have been so fortunate to be involved with for this program.

## Major List of Supplies Shipped by Old Dawgs & Pups

342	Leatherman “Surge” Tools (145 donated by Leatherman)
	• The Leatherman “Surge”/MUTS/Flashlights/Knives/Toys donation is valued at <b>\$68,014.00</b>
287	Thailand Challenge Coins (Donated & Purchased)
266	Thailand Historical Base Patches
203	* Leatherman Serac S3 Flashlights
143	Guardian Pet Beds (Pet Edge)
210	Air For Paws Resuscitation Kits ( <b>Value \$21,000.00</b> )
102	Alpha Dog Challenge Coins
90	* Leatherman M5 LED Lenser Flashlights
79	* Leatherman MUT Tools
75	* Leatherman Knives (Models: e33T, e55, e55B, e33L)
62	Retractable Leashes (Pet Edge)
56	Kongs (Assorted sizes)
55	* Leatherman Wave Dog Toys
46	Sponges
44	PSI Water Holes
40	Cleaning/Scouring Pads
33	Kygen Port-A-Bowls
31	Doggles (10 Pairs donated)
24	Kygen 2-In-1 Food/Water Bowls
24	Rolls 26”x78” 20% Dark Limo Window Tint (Checker Auto Supply)
20	160 oz. Stainless Steel Bowls (Pet Edge)
20	Flat Sided Stainless Steel Water Pails (Pet Edge)
20	Bucket Clips (Pet Edge)
19	VSPA Challenge Coins (Donated & Purchased)
16	Cooling Vests & Extra Cooling Packs ( <b>Helping Udders – Value \$3,420.00</b> )
16	Coastal Medium Firm Shedding Blades
16	Classis Long Tooth Undercoat Rakes
15	Classic HG Food Dishes
12	Coastal Large Slickers
12	Heavy Guard Handled Water Pails
10	Muzzles
10	Heavy Duty Handled Pails – 9 Quart (Pet Edge)
10	Stainless Steel – 3 Quart Dura-weight Bowls (Pet Edge)
10	Helping Udders Reward Toys (Helping Udders)
9	Hose Nozzles
8	K-9 Bluelight Supplement (2 pounds)
8	Cooling Wraps (Roshgo)
8	Cooldanna Cooling Mats (Roshgo)
8	Sets of Flood Light Bulbs
8	24” Heavy Duty Floor Squeegees
7	Digital Thermometers
7	Sets Ruff Wear Bark’n Boots Trex (Ray Allen & Ruff Wear)
7	20”/12” (3 each) Heavy Duty Cleaning Brushes
4	Carabiners
4	5” Heavy Duty Cleaning Brushes
3	100-Foot Water Hoses
3	Ceremonial K-9 Badges (Memorial)
2	Hose Reels – Wheeled Cart
2	50-Foot Water Hoses



- 2     Spray Bottles & Sprayers**
- 2     130-Foot Enclosed Hose Reels**
- 2     \* Leatherman EOD MUT Tools**
- 1     Large Patrol Harness**
- 1     Medium Patrol Harness**
- 1     Case Toilet Paper (30 Rolls)**
- 1     Case Drink Mixes & Snacks**
- 1     Syntek Hidden Sleeve (Ray Allen)**
- 1     Armor Carrier Shoulder Pads**
- 1     Molle Dump Pouch**