

# NATO AWACS present at BIAS 2018



The NATO AWACS E3A from NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen, Germany was present at the Bucharest International Air Show 2018 (BIAS 2018) in Romanian on July 28.

# RAF Soccer Team

Picture & story by Stephanie Chalmers

As part of the "RAF 100" event, the British community at JFC Brunssum organized a friendly football match against the Fortuna Sittard "Oldies" team on 4 August 2018.

20 children from the Component got the chance of a lifetime! They were able to play each other for approx. 10-12 min during the halftime period in the Fortuna stadium on a full size field, in front of approx. 4000 spectators.

The picture shows all 20 children with the RAF Select Team.









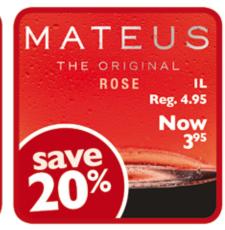


























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# COMMANDER'S CORNER

With the Commander's Corner, our NAEW&CF Commander and E-3A Commander give the opportunity to wing and squadron commanders, and branch and division heads to share their thoughts about current topics taking place at NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen. Every month a different writer will highlight a specific topic concerning their discipline.

NATO was created almost 70 years ago and remains the world's longest lived and most successful alliance. This is only true because collaboration and diplomacy, with an eye towards global stability, are the core beliefs of every member nation. The Alliance's adaptability and the flexibility of its political leadership are both admirable and necessary in our quest to maintain global security for our nations. Here in the NATO AWACS Component, we live this collaboration, diplomacy, and teamwork concept every day. We are the visible representation of our nations' commitments to peace, stability, and cooperation in the North Atlantic and beyond. Moreover, we are so successful here at Geilenkirchen Air Base because we recognize that our personal relationships drive every action, interaction, and decision we take. The teamwork we must rely on is rewarded daily in the best possible way - through successful mission accomplishment.

These fundamental personal connections, without a doubt, ensure the daily successes of the Component. It's the strength of the men and women who come together, who overcome differences in culture, background, gender, and experience, to accomplish our weighty and challenging mission of employing the E-3A for NATO. Without you, without us, this Component would not be the positive experiment it has been for more than 36 years! I have been fortunate to have two assignments to Geilenkirchen in the last two decades, and in the past three years, I have seen the marked changes in the Component and I have recognized, every day, how much we rely on each member of this team. Truly, every individual here at GK directly impacts our collective level of achievement.

Our successes are marked by our personal engagement to get the tasks in front of us done well. It is fascinating to consider that strategic decisions, made at NATO Headquarters, by SACEUR at SHAPE, or in our own nation's ministries of defense, are effectively executed at the tactical levels by you and I, every day. The Force and the Component have seen the realities of the Peacetime Establishment change come to fruition, including closures and reorganizations of squadrons Component-wide, and the corresponding moves of people, in some cases to completely new

positions. Moreover, modernization of the E-3A fleet's cockpit, reduction in fleet size from 17 to 14 aircraft, implementation of the new aircrew and ground crew training programs, Force Headquarters move from SHAPE to GK, standing up a new operation in Konya, expansion of assurance measure missions, and new maritime surveillance commitments have contributed to the demands on our international capabilities and our most important asset, our people. Throw in a mention the threat of terrorism at home and abroad, political and civil challenges facing many NATO nations both internally and externally... what we do every day is weighty stuff... and we face it with the most amazing attitude I've

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It has been my honor and privilege to be part of such an incredible team of professionals. The trust and confidence that we have worked so hard to build is intangible until you recognize our accomplishments of the past few years. The Component's future is bright and I am immensely proud to have been part of this amazing team of military members and civilians leading our organizations into NATO's eighth decade as the world's strongest alliance.

LTC Christina Vile USAF Head of the Commander's Action Group





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# NATO AWACS present at BIAS 2018 Romania



Story by Capt Albert van Dam Courtesy Photos

The NATO AWACS E3A from NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen, Germany was present at the Bucharest International Air Show 2018 (BIAS 2018) in Romania on July 28. Here the Romanian public had the opportunity to see the NATO AWACS up close and many people were keen to take up the opportunity.

Since 2016 the AWACS have provided Air and Maritime surveillance in order to enhance situational awareness for NATO Commands and to reassure NATO allies in the region. Operating solely from its Main Operating Base, the Component regularly flies to Romania and Poland. These surveillance missions are shared with the E-3D Component, who will fly out of RAF Waddington, United Kingdom.



# **MSEC Change of Command**

Story by Andrea Francesca Franzini Photos by André Joosten

On Monday, 30 July 2018, Lieutenant Colonel Gennaro Cosentino relinquished command of the Mission Systems and Engineering Centre (MSEC) to Lieutenant Colonel Antonino De Gregorio, in a ceremony presided over by the Deputy Force Commander Air Commodore Andrew Martin.

In his first speech as the new MSEC Commander, Lt. Col. De Gregorio addressed his predecessor and MSEC personnel: "I'm delighted to have been selected to serve here in Geilenkirchen (GK), and I'm proud of the role given

to me as the Director of the Mission Systems Engineering Centre. Special thanks go to Lt. Col. Cosentino, we worked together for more than a decade. Because of that, I was sure to find MSEC as it is: a dedicated and motivated professional team. I count on the professional skills and dedication of all my staff at each and every level to carry on working in such a pattern".

Air Cdre. Martin also thanked the outgoing MSEC Commander Lt.
Col. Cosentino for the legacy he leaves behind, the quality of the organization he delivered and the style with which he led his personnel through a time of unprecedented changes for MSEC. He then welcomed





Lt. Col. De Gregorio and ensured him the full support of the Force.

"Antonino, you have had the opportunity to see, during your handover, that the dedication, professionalism, and expertise of the people within MSEC are the key to its success. I have no doubt that you will succeed in mastering both the challenges we know, and those that are yet to surprise us", Air Cdre. Martin said.

In departing from GK, Lt. Col. Cosentino praised the personnel's commitment to the MSEC mission despite the uncertainties about the future of the organization: "MSEC was able to accomplish almost 100% of its goals and objectives,

delivering in time crucial software, data and services for the E-3A fleet operational mission and supporting the completion of three simultaneous NAPMA Modernization programs. All this would not have been possible without the exceptional work, at all levels, of the MSEC staff that I thank here for working as a cohesive team under my command".

The ceremony was held at the E-3A Club, where all guests could enjoy the Italian style buffet offered by the Food and Services Branch. The kind words of Lt. Col. Cosentino concluded the day and his tour in GK: "Let me finish with few Italian words: Evviva l'Aeronautica Militare, Evviva l'Italia, Evviva la NATO".



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# Civilian Staff Association holds its traditional End-of-Summer Event

Photos: Andre Joosten Story: CSA Committee

The Civilian Staff Committee (CSC) hosted its traditional End-Of-Summer luncheon for NATO civilian staff members, military Leadership, LWR Council and retirees on Thursday, 23 August 2018, at the E-3A Club.

The CSA Chair, Mr. Lon Raets, opened the event and welcomed the new E-3A Component Commander. Brig. General Brian McDaniel. 'We recently entered a new era of leadership', Mr. Raets announced:' With a newly appointed Force Commander, Maj. General Joerg Lebert, E-3A Component Commander, Head of MSEC, LCL Antonino De Gregorio, and Logisitics Wing Commander, Col. Anthony Kleiger, a big part of the NAEW & C Force leadership has changed. We will support the new leadership with our corporate knowledge and experience as we have done for more than 35 years, without losing focus on our core values as civilian workforce working hand-in-hand with our military colleagues as one integrated international staff." the Chair said. 'One of the challenges we face is the fact that aprox. 65% of our civilian workforce is older than 50. We have to be pro-active to on one hand retain the corporate knowledge and to on the other hand pass our experience on to new and younger staff in order the preserve the sustainability of our unique surveillance system keeping it fit for purpose in serving the Alliance".

The Chair also expressed his positive view of the cooperation with the LWR Council were both associations represent the aprox. 800 civilian staff at our HQ.

Brig. General Brian McDaniel addressed the audience with a strong personal note, elaborating on his experiences and how he sees his leadership connection to all staff members. In the near future he will visit all squadrons in order to widen his view of our operation and giving staff the opportunity to address him in their own professional environment. His speech was well received by the civilian community which applauded the new COM extensively.

During the ceremony leaving and long serving staff members were honored by the Civilian Staff Association.

Staff members going in to retirement are: Mrs. Maureen Geraets-Head, Mr. Ton Luijten, Mr. Rolf Mahnke and Mr. Michael Pyles.

Brig. General Mcdaniel handed over their retirement certificates and Mr. Raets handed the retirees either their CSA 18-carat golden AWACS pin or an engraved watch. Both General Mcdaniel and Mr. Raets wished them a well-deserved and enjoyable retirement. We wish Mr. Rene Mertens success in his new career at NCIA

Long serving staff members (25 years): Mr. Marcus Marczak and Mr. Norbert Randerath. They also received their 25 years of service certificates from COM and an engraved glass AWACS cube from the CSA Chair.

The Chair thanked General McDaniel, military colleagues and LWR Council for their attendance. Furthermore the CSA Committee for their relentless support, which is performed next to their day-to-day jobs. The E-3A Club staff was thanked for the perfect organization of the Event.

After the official part Mr. Raets invited all attendees to the social part with a BBQ luncheon.



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# Dr. Fritz Felgentreu (Member of the German parliament)

Chairman of the Defence Committee.

Visted the German contingent on the 20th August 2018 as part of his summer inspection tour.



# Summer 2018 Combined (in Ørland NAEW&C Force's into the Future

Story& Photos by Ltc Martin Radusch

Upon invitation by the former NAEW&C Force Commander Major General Dawn D. Dunlop and the former E-3A Component Commander Brigadier General Karsten Stoye, senior leaders and commanders from the NAEW&C Force, E-3D and FOB/FOL Commanders and support

agencies attended the Combined Commander's and Forward Operating Base and Location Conference from June 26th to 29th. 2018. The Conference took place at the NATO E-3A Forward Operating Location in Ørland, Norway. Eight degree temperatures, low-hanging black clouds and pouring rain at least gave us the comfort of having escaped the unbearable heat of Geilenkirchen (GK) for 3 days.

Maj. Gen. Dunlop opened the conference by presenting the 2018 Strategic Directive for the Force and an outlook of the adaptation of the NATO Command Structure. The Deputy Force Commander Air Commodore Andrew Martin followed, with a presentation that clarified the role and responsibilities derived from Air Command and Control.

The participants shared their view on how their combined efforts could improve the mission effectiveness and processes, while balancing the Force's available resources. The discussion mainly focused on current operations and ongoing and future modernization measures. The effect of such measures on aircraft availability, crew conversion training, the manning of posts and recruitment for existing vacancies were also discussed, as well as airworthiness-related matters and the future contract for Depot Level Maintenance of the E-3A.

The event was also an occasion to say farewell to 5 key leaders of the NAEW&C Force, as this was

The gun turret of the Battleship Gneisenau on top of Austråt Bunker.



Diverted to Maastricht Airport.





# Commanders Conference Strategic Look

the last Combined Commanders
Conference, before a new assignment
or retirement, for the 2 Commanders,
Maj. Gen. Dunlop and Brig. Gen. Stoye,
the SHAPE Liaison Officer, Colonel
Harald J. Borst, the Logistics Wing
Commander, Colonel Michael Mote
and the Head of the Mission Systems
Engineering Centre, Lieutenant Colonel
Gennaro Cosentino.

Together with the warm hospitality, attention to detail and excellent food, prepared by Chef Sølvi Johannessen and her team from the Ørland messhall, which nicely rounded off the entire event, our Norwegian hosts wouldn't let us go without 3 key takeaways:

#### 1 - Big guns make a big bang!

During World War II, the occupying German Forces transported the only gun turret of the German Battleship Gneisenau that remained intact after the ship was destroyed during a British air raid to a bunker near Ørland. At the expense of the lives of many war prisoners, the gun turret was mounted on top of the bunker to quard the entrance of Trondheim Fjord. After the end of the war, Norway kept the site but fired the guns one time only since the effect was shattered windows in houses miles away. Today, both the bunker and the guns are maintained privately as a

# 2 - You buy a fighter aircraft and you end up with a flying computer system!

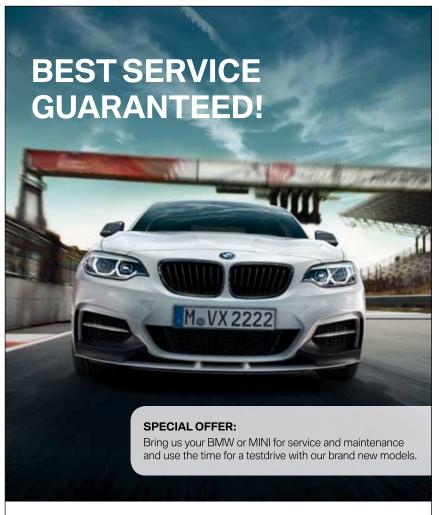
Norway is one of the nations that decided to procure the F-35 Lightning stealth fighter, which is going to be stationed in Ørland. The difference to other fighter aircraft is already visible when you just look at the aircraft. But the stealth capability, which makes the jet invisible to radar detection together with the data processing, and relaying capability and you are playing in a completely different league. The potential of these advancements is yet to be fully comprehended, but the impact is significant enough to change future tactics dramatically.

#### 3 - Even the fastest flight doesn't get you home on time!

When favorable winds promised a landing back in GK within 2 hours, everyone was very pleased. The GK runway was indeed in sight after a very short time, but an incident on the ground blocked the runway for the next few hours. The diversion to Maastricht airport had everybody face 2 harsh realities: Getting back to Geilenkirchen from Maastricht by bus would take longer than the flight from Norway and we were back in the sweltering heat!

The participants of the Combined Commanders Conference in Ørland.





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Story by Capt. Albert van Dam Photos by André Joosten

The summer of 2018 has been one of the hottest of this century. Which makes it is great to have the open air swimming pool at MOB Geilenkirchen. This was the best place to be during the recent heat wave. At the swimming pool we have 4 Lifeguards and one Supervisor - Life guards; Michael Lange, Willie Hubert, Jutta Gemander, Werner Gemander plus Marion Suhr (Supervisor). Without these personnel the swimming pool could not open. All are professional lifeguards and members of the German Lifeguard Association and some are also qualified swimming Instructors.

"We are responsible for opening the pool in the morning, inspecting the shower, toilets and changing rooms on cleanness, prepare the pool for the lane swimming session, inspect the tools like the diving board on function and report any discrepancies. Further on to sell entrance tickets, ice cream and drinks during the public swimming pool session" Jutta said.

Supervisor Marion adds "The biggest responsibility we have is to look after the swimmers and more importantly the non-swimmers. Because a pool area can be dangerous and risky Marion's greatest challenge from her point of view is the weather...." when the sun is shining the bathers envy our jobs, but they do not consider that we have to stand in the sun all day long. We also have to be there when it rains, and when it is windy and cold". According to Werner the greatest challenge is "To avoid any accidents within the pool area, to keep the pool running in accordance to the rules and keep the customers satisfied. To overcome these challenges you have to keep yourself fit, undertake specialised training, attend First Aid Courses on a regular base and talk to the customers for any improvements" Marion adds that "sun protection, keeping hydrated, rotating the personnel and in bad weather, have an umbrella and protective clothing, are essential".

All the Lifeguards enjoy the friendly atmosphere of the pool and the team spirit. Michael likes the social aspect of the job, working in the fresh air and particularly enjoys the responsibility of providing a safe environment for everyone to use.



# Memorial held on base to honour the Royal Engineers fallen in 1944

Story by Andrea Francesca Franzini Photos by

On Sunday, 12 August, a Memorial was held here in Geilenkirchen (GK) Airbase, to honour the 17 members of the 204 Field Company Royal Engineers (R.E.), who perished in an explosion, following the detonation of tank mines on 14 November 1944.

The ceremony took place in the far north-west of the base at the end of the flight line, as this was recently determined as the approximate location of the tragic accident. In the morning of 14 November, Platoon 1 of the 204 Field Company R.E. was moving 1400 mines to enable the passage of the 214 Brigade, when no less than 700 mines spontaneously detonated. The explosion killed 14 R.E. instantly and left 6 severely wounded, including Brigadier Gerard Mole, Commander of the 129 Brigade. Brig. Mole had approached the area as the mines were being moved close to the 129 Brigade Headquarters. He was taken to No. 3 Field Dressing Station at Brunssum, but he died later that



Seventy-four years later, members of the Royal Engineers Association and their families travelled from Chatham, UK, to visit the spot that is now marked by a British and a German flag. For the ceremony, a soldiershaped empty figure and two red garlands were placed at the foot of the flags, together with a silver wooden placard that reads "Lest we Forget", underneath the description of the accident. For the Tarrant family, this was the occasion to remember Soldier TE Wakefield, one of the 17 victims. A bagpipe and a trumpet accompanied musically two solemn moments of the Memorial, while a veteran recited an extract of the Ode

"For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

We will remember them.

We will remember them.

Colonel Bas Pellemans, Lieutenant Colonel Ekkehard Heinichen and Squadron Leader Andy Webley welcomed the guests and attended the ceremony in representation of the leadership and of the three nations that were most impacted by the tragedy, the Netherlands, Germany and the United Kingdom. Col. Pellemans

accompanied the group across the base to the Memorial and back, describing the mission of the NAEW&CF and its assets, while passing by the fleet of NATO AWACS.

The memorabilia of the ceremony will be exposed in the NATO AWACS museum in the E-3A Club to honour the memory of the 17 Royal Engineers and remember their story as part of the history of our base. Whenever we will tell it, the Kohima epitaph will resound as loud and deep as it did during the ceremony:

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Engineer (Information Technology), Advertisement Number 180480, Grade A-3, assigned to the Strategic Requirements and Experimentation Branch, Requirements Division, NAEW&C Force HQ, HQ NAEW&C Force GK. This post is due to be filled as soon as possible, after 30 September 2018. CLOSING DATE: 10 September 2018.

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For further details, please visit the HQ NAEW&C FORCE GK (WSS) Portal under HEADQUARTERS NAEW&C FORCE/Personnel and Manpower Division/Civilian Personnel Branch/CPB Recruitment/Recruitment, the official HQ NAEW&C FORCE GK Internet Home Page (www.awacs.nato.int).

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Full body workout for Ladies: a program specially built for women; a combination of Yoga, Pilates, cardio, strength and stretch exercises. Especially for those working in an office environment without many opportunities for workout, here is a chance to sculpt your abs, slim your waistline, align your spine and loosen up your tight shoulders! Time: Thursdays, 1200 to 1300. Cost: 100 €/Term.

Experienced Teacher with academic and practical background: Mrs. Ioanna Bournia.

Open class at no cost for all programs on Thursday, 6 September, at the IYA Multi-purpose Room in Building 95 on NAB-GK.

Term Sep-Dec 2018: Thursdays, 13-20-27/Sep, 4-11/Oct, 8-15-22-29/Nov, 6-13-20/Dec

For questions and sign-up please email or call Mrs. Ingrid Neuhalfen-Trepper,

IYA Director, at x 6033 or 0049 2451 63 6033, ingrid.neuhalfentrepper@naew. nato.int.

#### Volkshochschule Language Courses on NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen

Volkshochschule is the official German College for Adults. Classes are held in Bldg. 141. Fees apply to courses with 10 or more participants. If between 6 and 9 students wish to participate in a course, it may be held for a higher fee per person. Register in class. Registration for German Beginners courses only is at the IYA Office in Bldg. 95 from 10 to 13 September, 1000 to 1300. Further information at x 6033 or 0049 2451 63 6033. The following courses are offered:

GERMAN: starting the week of 17 September. The basic price for German intensive courses (twice per week) is € 94 for 12 weeks.

A1.1 - Beginners, Schritte plus 1

Mon & Wed, 1030 - 1200, instructor: Meral Alkan-Oncu, Room 109 Mon & Wed, 1800 - 1930, instructor: Tanja Rzeppa, Room 118 Starting with Unit 4:

Wed, 1830 – 2000, instructor: Monika Mastalirska, Room 109 the basic price is € 47 for 12 weeks (once per week)

A1.2 - Advanced Beginners, Schritte plus 2 neu

Mon & Wed, 1700 - 1830, instructor: Monika Mastalirska, Room 109

A2.1 - Pre-Intermediate, Schritte plus 3

Tue & Thu, 1030 - 1200, instructor: Meral Alkan-Oncu, Room 109

A2.2 – Intermediate, Schritte plus 4

Tue & Thu, 0900 - 1030, instructor: Meral Alkan-Oncu, Room 109

#### ENGLISH:

A1.1 – Beginners, New English File Beginner Wed, 0930 – 1145, starting on 19 September

instructor: Jason Hann, Room 118, basic price: € 69 for 12 weeks A2.1 – Pre-Intermediate, New English File Pre-Intermediate

Thu, 0930 - 1230, starting on 13 September

instructor: Sonja Kolacz-Prather, Room 118, basic price: € 94 for 12 weeks A2.2 - Intermediate, New English File Intermediate, starting with Unit 3

Tue, 0930 - 1230, starting on 11 September

instructor: Sonja Kolacz-Prather, Room 118, basic price: € 94 for 12 weeks

#### IYA Swimming Course for Beginners and Advanced Beginners

for ages 5 and up at the GELOBAD in Geilenkirchen starts on 13 September: Thursdays, 1745 to 1845. Our certified instructors speak English and German, and work with the children in small groups. Cost for 10 lessons is € 62,50.

Bavarian Keller: "Schafkopf" a traditional Bavarian card game; if YOU are / could be interested in playing Schafkopf the Bavaria Keller is hosting a Schafkopf tournament every last Monday a month. We are always looking for "newcomers" to keep the tournament running. (You need at least 4 players for one table), a "Refresher "can be provided in the hour before the tournament starts by our famous experts. Or just drop by and watch what it is all about. You could do "Kiebitzen" like we say in Bavaria. That means: watch the game but do not say anything during the game for not giving hints to the other players You are not watching:-).

If interested: contact the Bavaria Keller / karlheinz.nottebrock@naew.nato.int to get further information.

28 Sep: Bavarian Breakfast at the Rotodome

#### Horror Studios Presents: Haunted Labyrinth Location: Building 93. • Dates: 1-13 October.

To support this event, the committee is seeking volunteers and actors. If you are interested in volunteering please email gkhauntedhouse@gmail.com.

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