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**NAVY BIRTHDAY 5K - VIRTUAL RUN**  
**OCTOBER 11-17**



**Facility Updates**  
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### Partial Reopening of Programs and Facilities

NAS Whiting Field Commanding Officer has authorized the MWR program to reopen some activities on a limited basis. Please understand that this is a phased approach while following DOD COVID-19 guidelines. We will add additional patron groups and additional hours as well as open those facilities that remain closed as soon as we can gauge on how well we are able to protect patrons and staff during this unprecedented period. We appreciate your patience and we look forward to serving you again.

### NASWF MWR Program Schedule as of 28 September 2020

Program	Open to Patrons	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday/Holidays
MWR Administration		0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	Closed	Closed
Whiting Park	Closed Due to Hurricane Sally	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Fitness Center	AD Only M-F All Patrons Sat, Sun & Hol	0600-1900 AD Only	0600-1900 AD Only	0600-1900 AD Only	0600-1900 AD Only	0600-1900 AD Only	0830-1630 All Eligible Patrons	0830-1630 All Eligible Patrons
Swimming Pool LAP SWIM	Active Duty ONLY	0600-0800 AD ONLY	0600-0800 AD ONLY	0600-0800 AD ONLY	0600-0800 AD ONLY	0600-0800 AD ONLY	Closed	Closed
Community Recreation	All Eligible Patrons	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	Closed	Closed
Library	All Eligible Patrons	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1600	Closed	Closed
South Field Snack Bar	All Eligible Patrons	0600-1900	0600-1900	0600-1900	0600-1900	0600-1900	Closed	Closed
North Field Snack Bar	All Eligible Patrons	0700-1300	0700-1300	0700-1300	0700-1300	0700-1300	Closed	Closed
Tower Cafe	All Eligible Patrons	0600-1600	0600-1600	0600-1600	0600-1600	0600-1600	Closed	Closed
Liberty Center	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Aces Lounge	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed



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## October

# Candy Corn Guessing Contest

**Candy Corn Guessing Contest** – Open to all MWR patrons: through the month of October stop by the Community Recreation desk in building 1417 and guess how many candy corns are in our fall vase. The closest guesstimate **wins two movie ticket.**



**Online MWR Auction** - Use the link "<https://www.go-dove.com/events/22660>" to find out more information, schedule a viewing of the items and to bid on available items. This auction site will stay live until October 21, 2020.



**DIY Fall Vase Craft** (Tue, Oct 6, 4:30pm-6:30pm) – [Sign up now](#) and join us as we guide you in step-by-step instructions to create a beautiful Fall Chalkboard Vase to keep or give as a gift. Only \$10.00 per project.

**Doggie Howl-O-Ween** (Sat, Oct 10, 9am-11am) – Bring your dogs to Wiggly Field for a Halloween themed event that you and your furry friends are sure to enjoy! Thanks to PetSmart "PetSmart.com" for their gracious support for this event. No endorsement implied.



**Family Paint Night: Mini Pumpkins** (Wed, Oct 14, 4:30pm-6:30pm) – Join us for step-by-step instruction as you paint/decorate 3 mini ceramic pumpkins for your fall table. We'll provide everything you need to create a beautiful centerpiece you'll be proud to display. Only \$10.00 per project. [Sign up now!](#)

**Not So Scary Haunted Trail** (Sat, Oct 24, 9am-11am) - Come check out our Not So Scary Haunted Trail. This family friendly trail will lead you on a spectacular journey of different tales. We will venture into different Halloween theme story books and visit live action scenes along the trail.

**Haunted Trail Evening** (Sat, Oct 24, 5:30pm-7:30pm) – Come check out our Haunted Trail. This Frightful trail will reveal the dark history of the Whiting Field area that date back before the base was created. This live interactive trail walk will send chills down your spine. Enter if you dare!!!

**Fitness Burpee Event** (Oct 25-31) – How many Burpees can you do? Join the competition and you may win something cool! [Sign up now!](#)

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LIBERTY PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ACTIVE DUTY AND GEO-BACHELORS



## Halloween Barracks Door Competition (October) –

Join Liberty for our Halloween Door decorating Contest. Trick out your barracks door and you could **win a pair of movie tickets.**

Get creative and Gives a treat with your decorated door.



## Pumpkin Carving (Thu, Oct 15, 3pm-5pm, NGIS/Barracks) -

Liberty is getting into the Halloween spirit and carving pumpkins. The Liberty team will provide all the pumpkins and carving supplies. We will have different templates to choose from or you can create your own design.



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To get involved ... call 850-623-7040 or  
e-mail [xylene.lennon1@navy.mil](mailto:xylene.lennon1@navy.mil)

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# ONLINE AUCTION

The NAS Whiting Field MWR Department is currently auctioning off excess non-appropriated fund property.

This is a public sale and is open to all personnel. Those who do not have base access will be granted access to pick up items that they are able to purchase.



Follow the link to find out more information and to bid on available items  
<https://www.go-dove.com/events/22660>  
This auction site will stay live until October 21<sup>st</sup> 2020

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## Aquatics

### Swimming Pool

**\*\*\* AVAILABLE BY RESERVATION ONLY \*\*\***



All patrons must enter the facility wearing a mask

**LAP SWIM ONLY** (Closed for recreation swimming:

- Active Duty Only: M-F 6:00am-8:00am
- Reservations limited to 60 minute time slots for Lap Swim
- Reservations must be made and can be obtained by calling 850-623-7412

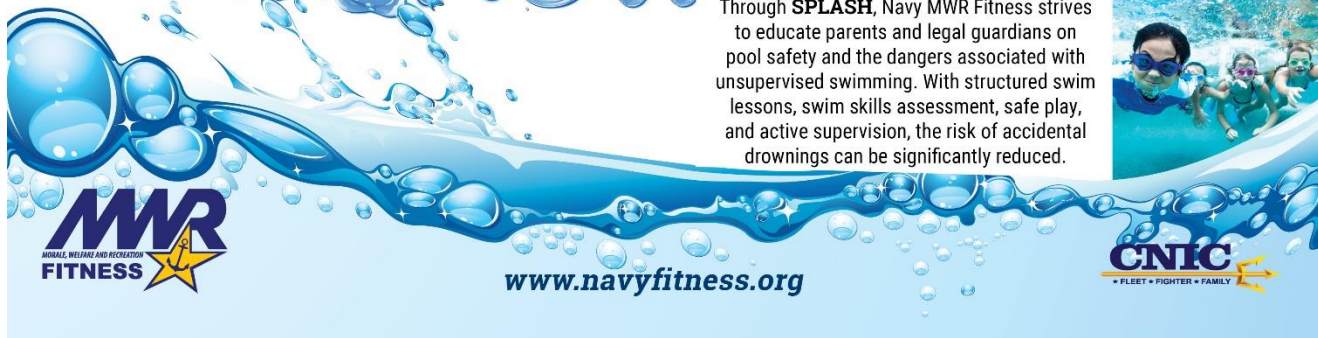
**MAINTAIN  
SOCIAL  
DISTANCE**



**SPLASH**

### Navy MWR Fitness Drowning Prevention Campaign

Through **SPLASH**, Navy MWR Fitness strives to educate parents and legal guardians on pool safety and the dangers associated with unsupervised swimming. With structured swim lessons, swim skills assessment, safe play, and active supervision, the risk of accidental drownings can be significantly reduced.



[www.navyfitness.org](http://www.navyfitness.org)



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## Fitness / Sports Programs

### FITNESS CENTER:

- ✓ Open for all eligible patrons on weekends and holidays only.
- ✓ Weekdays are reserved for Active Duty only.

### HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday – Friday 6:00am-4:00pm Active Duty Only  
Sat, Sun & Hol 8:30am-4:30pm All Eligible Patrons

### SERVICE NOTES:

- Maximum capacity is 60 person. When we achieve max capacity, a 90-minute time limit will be enforced.
- All patrons must wear a mask when unable to social distance
- No spotters
- No classes scheduled at this time

Every  
Monday



# Fitness News

**Let us help you  
Stay Fit!**

Follow along on our



## GROUP FITNESS & SPORTS PROGRAMS REMAIN CLOSED

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## Food and Beverage / Ace's Pub

### FOOD AND BEVERAGE

#### HOURS OF OPERATION:

**PATRONS:** All Eligible Patrons

#### SERVICE NOTES:

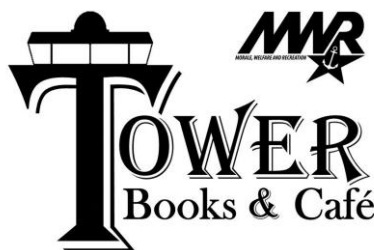
- Take Out Only
- Credit Card only (no cash sales)
- Face coverings are required except while eating/drinking



**North Field Snack Bar**

850-623-2692

M-F 7:00am-1:00pm



**Tower Café (Coffee Shop)**

850-623-7290

M-F 6:00am-4:00pm



**South Field Snack Bar**

850-623-6574

M-F 6:00am-7:00pm

## ACES PUB

(LOCATED IN THE GATEWAY INN)



**ACE'S PUB  
REMAINS CLOSED**

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# Facility Updates

**MWR COVID-19 MITIGATIONS:**  
**EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 28, 2020**

## Community Recreation



### COMMUNITY RECREATION

(Bldg. 1417 Operations)

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Monday – Friday

8:00am-4:00pm

**PATRONS:** All Eligible Patrons

**PRICE  
LIST**

Download our latest  
[Tickets & Travel Brochure.pdf](#)

#### SERVICE NOTES:

- Reservations for equipment check out is strongly encouraged by calling:  
850-623-7032 / 850-665-6250 M-F 8:00am-4:00pm
- All patrons must wear a mask
- Credit Card Sales Only – No Cash Sales



### Navy Community Recreation Tickets & Travel Office

We specialize in:  
Tickets • Cruises  
Vacation Packages  
Air • Car • Rail • Hotel

Call (850) 665-6250 to let our travel professionals serve you!



### CLEAR CREEK RV PARK

#### HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday – Friday 8:00am-4:00pm

On Site Services available at the  
Community Recreation Office

#### SERVICE NOTES:

• Reservations must be in advance and can be provided by calling the office at 850-623-7032 / 850-665-6250 or by calling the 24/7 call center at 877-628-9233 (877-NAVY-BED) or by accessing <https://get.dodlodging.net>

## Clear Creek RV Park



*Stay! Play! Relax!*  
[www.navygetaways.com](http://www.navygetaways.com)

- Personnel arriving from outside the local area (greater than 150 miles) will not be allowed on the installation for 14 days.

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## Navy General Library (Tower Books)



**All patrons must enter the facility wearing a mask**



### **HOURS OF OPERATION:**

Monday – Friday 8:00am-4:00pm

**PATRONS:** All Eligible Patrons

### **SERVICE NOTES:**

- The Library IS NOW OPEN TO BROWSE RESOURCES
- No seating will be available
- Returned items are not available for at least 24 hours
- All patrons must wear a mask
- You can request an item by either calling the library at 850-623-7861 or email the library at [whitingfieldlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:whitingfieldlibrary@gmail.com)
- Staff will continue to pull the books and call patrons when the items are ready for pickup



To view our catalog go to:

<https://eosfcweb01.eosfc-intl.net/N94058/OPAC/Til eStart.aspx>

## Liberty Program



**LIBERTY PROGRAM  
REMAINS CLOSED**

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## Whiting Park

Our beloved Whiting Park on the banks of the Blackwater River received substantial damage due to flooding from Hurricane Sally.

The park is closed as we salvage the facility. We will rebound as quickly as possible and keep you posted with more information as we move forward.



### Whiting Park Recreation Area



- Camper rentals
- Boat rentals
- Fishing pier & more

Old River Road  
Milton, FL 32583  
850-623-2383

**CLOSED DUE TO  
HURRICANE SALLY**

Florida Clean Marina Program

Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
the Clean Boating Partnership recognizes:

**WHITING PARK MARINA NAS  
MILTON, FLORIDA**

for your 3th Annual Renewal as a Clean Marina  
September 17, 2018



Pamela Grainger, Program Manager  
Clean Marina Program





Sam Chavers, Chairman  
Clean Boating Partnership





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We'd like to hear from you!  
QUESTIONS - CONCERNS - COMMENTS

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**Navy Birthday Run** presented by @fepblue.

All registered runners are entered into a drawing for three \$50 pre-paid  
VISA gift cards [#sponsored](#) by @GEICOMilitary

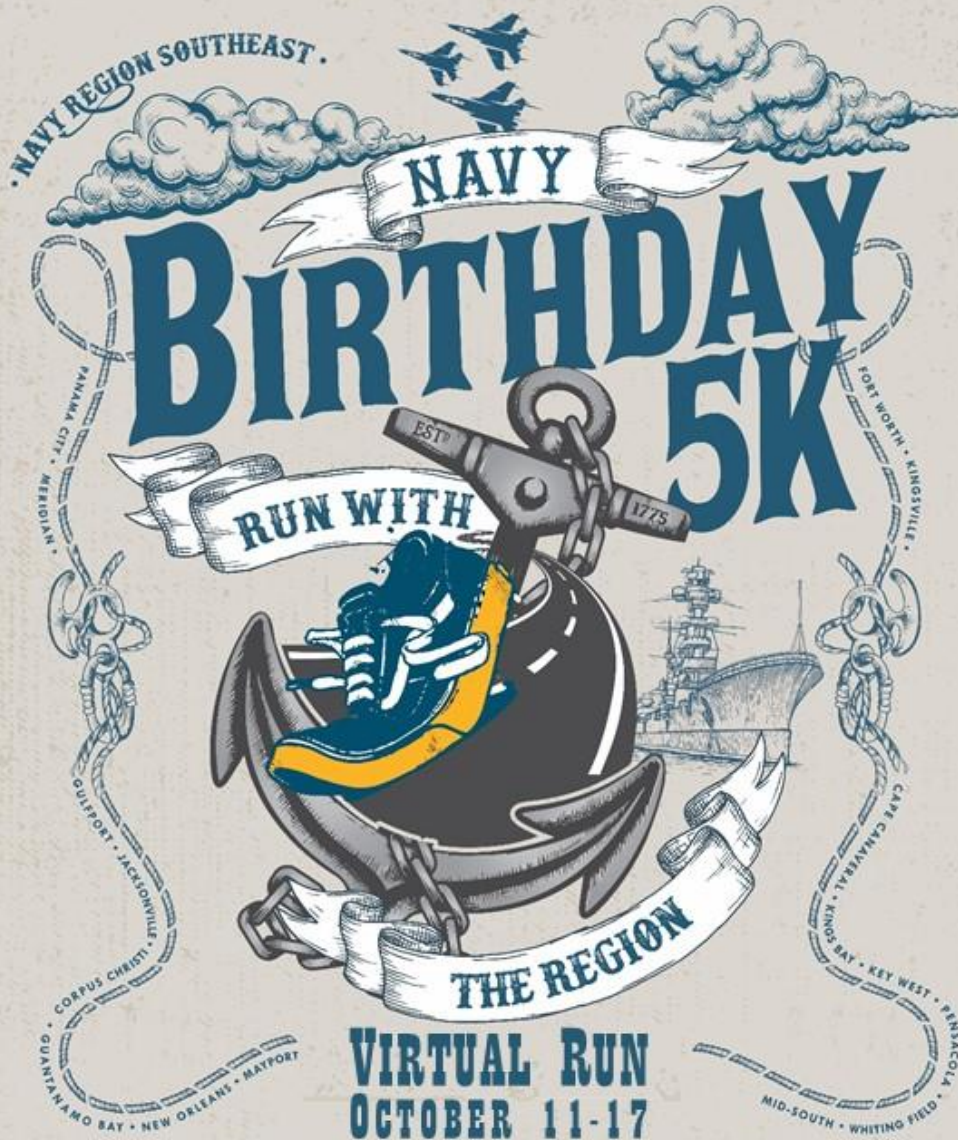
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["https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSfzXcUO2pMPOD.../viewform"](https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSfzXcUO2pMPOD.../viewform).

No Navy endorsement implied. [#SENavyBdayRun](#)







Celebrate the US Navy's Birthday with a region-wide 5K run. Medals will be given to the top 3 male and female finishers at each installation. The top 3 male and female finishers in the region will be awarded commemorative plaques and cash prizes!

Open to all ages. Registered participants will receive commemorative t-shirts (while supplies last). **SHARE YOUR RUN WITH US ON OUR FACEBOOK!**

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