

Morale, Welfare & Recreation Department at Naval Air Station Whiting Field

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May

NEWSLETTER

2021



## It's Swim Season!

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# Facilities Update

**MAINTAIN  
SOCIAL  
DISTANCE**



Our events are "COVID Safe"

- Everyone wears a mask and we social distance with plenty of outdoor opportunities!
- Some facilities and times are open to active duty only
- Room furniture is limited to maintain six feet social distance and encourages small groups
- All water fountains that are not designed for water bottles are secured
- Facilities have a cleaning schedule developed which includes disinfection of high touch surfaces in customer areas every 2-3 hours.

**CLICK!**



**WATCH FOR THESE ICONS!**

- Click to sign up or register for an event through our secure website

- Click to explore all the information about the event or program through our website

**CLICK!**



## On the Cover!

### Swimming Pool Opens Soon!

Here are some youngsters enjoying our pool slide last year. The official date is still to be determined so stay tuned as we're coming close to beginning the season.

Come join us at our Olympic-size pool! It is collocated with our Fitness Center on the corner of Yorktown and Saratoga Streets.

Ten lanes of lap swimming are always open and recreational swim has an awesome corkscrew slide that everyone is welcome to play on.





# Events

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## Have Some Fun!

### CINCO DE MAYO Paint & Sip

*Create your masterpiece  
of art at our Latin themed  
Paint and Sip Party!!*

- Instructor-led
- All supplies included
- and drink ticket too!

**Sign Up Now!**

Community Recreation  
850-623-7032



Per Person  
**\$25**

COVID safe at  
**Sikes Hall**  
Wednesday, May 5



**REGISTER BY**  
Monday, May 3

## Cinco de Mayo Mother's Day Paint & Sip

**Date and Time:** Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 4:30pm – 6:30pm

**Location:** Sikes Hall

**Description:** Spend the evening painting your very own masterpiece at our Paint and Sip. Our paint night will include an instructor lead paint night with all art supplies provided and a drink ticket. Create your very own Latin themed masterpiece at our paint and sip party!

**Provided:** Price includes all supplies and a beverage ticket for wine or Margarita

**What to bring:** Inner Bob Ross

**Fee:** \$25 per person

**Register:** by Monday May 3rd call 850-623-7032

or online <https://myffr.navyaims.com/wbws/nrsewhitingfield.wsc/wbsplash.html?wbp=1>

**SIGN UP NOW  
BY USING  
MYFFR**

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# It's a DOGGIE

## SPRING FESTIVAL

Saturday

May 15th

9am-11am

WHO COMING TO  
CELEBRATE SPRING  
WITH THEIR PUP!

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WIGGLELY FIELD  
HOME OF THE  
WHITING PUPS

PET SMART



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**Date and Time:** Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00am -11:00am

**Location:** Wiggley Field

**Description:** Celebrate spring with your pup at our Doggie Spring Festival. We will be featuring some DIY spring treats, local information, music, and a spring costume contest. New to the area? This event is a great way to meet new pups and people.

**Provided:** DIY treats, local pet information, costume contest and music

**What to bring:** Best Spring Outfit

Thank you to our sponsor PetSmart "<https://www.petsmart.com/stores/us/fl/pace-store1793.html>" for their generous support of this event!





# Virtual



## May the 4<sup>th</sup> be with You Meme War

**Win  
Prizes**

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, May 4th **Location:**  
Virtual Event

**Description:** Let's start a meme war!!! Post your  
favorite Star Wars theme memes on our  
Facebook page. May the 4th be with you!!!!

**Provided:** Prizes

**What to bring:** Star Wars Memes



## NAS Whiting Field Driving Range

Enjoy the Beautiful Weather  
at the NAS Whiting Field  
MWR Driving Range



Our driving range features grass tees, mat hitting surfaces, and a separate area for chipping practice. FREE Rental Clubs are available at: Community Recreation and the Fitness Center. The range is open every day from sunrise to sunset. Range balls are available from the onsite dispenser using our tokens. Dispenser vends approximately 50 balls per token. Purchase \$2.00 tokens at the Community Recreation Desk, Fitness Center, North and South Field Snack Bars and at the Tower Cafe.

Call us at Community Recreation for more information 850-623-7032.



# Get Outdoors

## Padawan Training

**Date and Time:** Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 1:00pm.

**Eligibility:** Military/ DOD ID card holders and family members

**Location:** NAS Whiting Field Sports Pavilion

**Description:** Join us for a fun filled day in belated celebration of May the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Recommended for ages 5-12. Do you think you've got what it takes to become a Jedi?

**What to bring:** Water, lunch or snacks, and make sure to bring The Force with you!

**Fee:** FREE – **REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY**

**Register:** by May 6<sup>th</sup> at 850-741-8746 or online at

<https://myffr.navyaims.com/wbws/nrsewhitingfieid.wsc/wbsplash.html?wbp=1>



## Movie and Game Night

**Date and Time:** Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm to 9:00pm

**Eligibility:** Military/ DOD ID card holders and family members

**Location:** Sports Pavilion NAS Whiting Field

**Description:** Join us for a FREE COVID safe outdoor event. We'll have yard games for everyone then enjoy a family friendly movie beginning around sunset. Pizza will be available for purchase at the event.

**What to bring:** Chairs and blankets for movie time along with your favorite movie snacks.

**Fee:** FREE





# Get Outdoors



## Guided Kayak Tour

**Date and Time:** Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:00am

**Eligibility:** Military/ DOD ID card holders and family members

**Location:** Meet us at Whiting Park, 5499 Old River Road, Milton, FL 32583

**Description:** Kayak the beautiful Blackwater River with our fabulous guides. This event is suitable for all skill levels. We'll return about 4:00pm to Whiting Park.

**What to bring:** Water, lunch or snacks, sunscreen, hat. Ensure attire is weather appropriate and water safe.

**Fee:** FREE – **REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY**

**Register:** by May 13<sup>th</sup> at 850-741-8746 or online at

<https://myffr.navyaims.com/wbwsc/nrsewhitingfield.wsc/wbsplash.html?wbp=1>

## FULL FLOWER MOON



## Super Moon Gazing Party

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:00pm

**Eligibility:** Military/ DOD ID card holders and family members

**Location:** Sports Pavilion NAS Whiting Field

**Description:** Come check out the Full Moon using our two fancy Celestron telescopes with four inch refractor lenses.

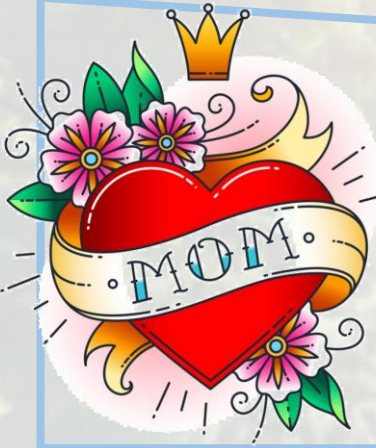
**What to bring:** Drinks, snacks and your learning cap!

**Fee:** FREE – **REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY**

**Register:** by May 24<sup>th</sup> at 850-741-8746 or online at

<https://myffr.navyaims.com/wbwsc/nrsewhitingfield.wsc/wbsplash.html?wbp=1>





### Liberty's Mother's Day Card Making

**Date and Time:** Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11:00am-1:00pm

**Eligibility:** Single Active Duty Military/Geo-bachelors

**Location:** In front of NAS Fitness Center

**Description:** Join Liberty as we get ready to celebrate Mother's day. Stop by the Liberty table and create a custom Mother's Day Card.

**Fee:** Free

**Provided:** Cards, envelopes, postage stamp, and decorative materials.

**What to bring:** Love for your Mama

### Liberty's Paper Plane Challenge

**Date and Time:** Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am-1:00pm

**Eligibility:** Single Active Duty Military/Geo-bachelors

**Location:** In front of NAS Fitness Center

**Description:** Stop by the Liberty Table at the Fitness Center and create a paper airplane. Then test out your engineering skill and see how your paper airplane flies.

**Fee:** Free

**Provided:** Paper to make airplanes

**What to bring:** skills



**Win  
Something  
Cool!!**



### Liberty's OLF Cinco de Mayo Celebration

**Date and Time:** Monday-Thursday, May 17-20

**Eligibility:** Single Active Duty Military/Geo-bachelors

**Location:** NAS Whiting Field OLF locations

**Description:** We are celebrating Cinco de Mayo with our Outlying Fields with a fiesta. We will be having walking tacos and faux margaritas!!!

**Fee:** Free

**Provided:** walking tacos and faux margaritas

**LIBERTY CENTER REMAINS CLOSED**

**To get involved call 850-741-8746  
Email: [xylene.lennon1@navy.mil](mailto:xylene.lennon1@navy.mil)**



# Fitness / Sports

## FITNESS CENTER:

### HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday – Friday 4:30am-9:00pm (active duty only)  
Sat, Sun & Hol 8:00am-4:00pm

## SERVICE NOTES:

- Maximum capacity is 60 persons. When we achieve max capacity, a 90-minute time limit will be enforced.
- All patrons must wear a mask at all times when not actively working out or if social distance can't be maintained
- No spotters
- No classes scheduled at this time



ALWAYS READY

## WHITING FIELD MWR FITNESS CENTER

Filled with top of line Fitness Equipment, our Fitness Center is designed to keep you Mission Ready. Speak with a certified trainer about any of your fitness needs today.

M-F 0430-2100 ACTIVE DUTY ONLY

S/S- 0800-1600

HOLIDAY- 0800-1600

PHONE: 850.623.7412

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## Fitness News

Let us help you  
Stay Fit!

Follow along on our



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for up to date info,  
equipment highlights,  
workout tips,  
challenges,  
and more!

### Or download our APPs





## National Physical Fitness and Sports Month

The weekly challenges are designed to encourage the Navy community to be physically active. Each challenge can be completed in one session or throughout the week based on current physical activity levels. Each challenge includes warm-up (i.e., pillar prep and movement prep) and cool-down (i.e., regeneration) recommendations. To complete the challenges individuals can participate with or without weight/resistance.

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- ✓ 1984 Challenge (May 2-8)
- ✓ Iron Anchor Challenge (May 9-15)
- ✓ Triple Threat Challenge (May 16-22)
- ✓ Push-Pull Challenge (May 23-29)

## 3 Point Shootout

It's time to find out who is the Top Gun on base. Take your best shots this month in the Fitness Center.

Thank you to our sponsor USAA! #sponsored by @USAA, to learn more about USAA please visit: [www.usaa.com/inet/wc/insurance-products](http://www.usaa.com/inet/wc/insurance-products)

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WHO IS THE  
**TOP GUN**  
ON BASE

**3 Point  
Shootout**  
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# GROUP FITNESS & SPORTS PROGRAMS REMAIN CLOSED



# Food & Beverage

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE

**PATRONS:** All Eligible Patrons

### SERVICE NOTES:

- Take Out Only
- Credit Card only (no cash sales)
- Face coverings are required



**North Field Snack Bar**  
**850-623-2692**  
**Mon-Fri 7:00am-1:00pm**

**Located in the North  
Field parking area**

Hello from South of the Border!

Try our standard burritos or be creative with our loaded burritos which give you a choice of meats, beans, rice, corn, sautéed vegetables and all the cold fixings! Guaranteed to leave you satisfied. We have ready made "grab and go" salads and daily specials too.

Northfield Snack bar is the place to go if you're looking for healthy options or you're trying to go gluten free, we have many great menu items to choose from. Come see us today!

Offering a little bit of everything!  
We have many delicious breakfast sandwiches, burritos and omelets to choose from. In a hurry? We make fresh salads daily that are ready when you need them! Add to that a bowl of our homemade soups or chili and you have a quick meal on the go! Enjoy a burger, Philly cheese steak, chicken strips, or wraps with some hot fries that are prepared especially for you.



**South Field Snack Bar**  
**850-623-6574**  
**Mon-Fri 6:00am-7:00pm**

**Located inside the South  
Field Squadron Building**

**ACES PUB**  
(LOCATED IN THE GATEWAY INN)



**See all our  
dining options!**

Visit our website for all our menus:  
[www.navymwrwhitingfield.com](http://www.navymwrwhitingfield.com)





# Food & Beverage

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE

PATRONS: All Eligible Patrons



**Tower Café (Coffee Shop)**  
850 -623-7290  
Mon-Fri 6:00am-1:30pm

Enjoy early morning treats and a tasty lunch in our Starbucks coffee shop! You can enjoy your favorite coffee beverage whether it's hot, iced, or frozen. Top it off with one of our gourmet pastries, muffins or biscuits and you can't go wrong. Lunch offerings of hot panini sandwiches and fresh designer salads are sure to wake up your taste buds.

### SERVICE NOTES:

- Take Out Only
- Face coverings are required

**FRESH**  
**PANINIS & SANDWICHES**  
All served with choice of chips or potato salad and a pickle spear

**Cuban Sandwich** - Seasoned pulled pork, thinly sliced ham pressed with Swiss cheese, pickles and mustard on a French baguette.

**Italian Grilled Chicken** - grilled chicken, provolone cheese, tomatoes and fresh spinach pressed on a pesto coated ciabatta roll topped with a drizzle of balsamic glaze.

**BBQ Pork Panini** - seasoned pulled pork with dill pickles topped with sweet baby rays bar-b-que sauce and cheddar cheese.

**Caprese Press** - thick slices of mozzarella cheese, tomatoes, spinach on a ciabatta roll with pesto and a delicious balsamic glaze. Lightly pressed for perfection!

**Chicago Beef Sandwich** - tender chuck roast and Provolone Cheese on a toasted Italian roll with Chicago style Giardinera vegetables and sweet banana peppers.

**Mom's Pot Roast Sandwich** - toasted roll with slow cooked tender chuck roast, provolone cheese, Arugula, tomatoes and a light horseradish sauce.

**Muffaletta Sandwich** - Provolone, ham, salami, pepperoni with delicious olive salad served on a Kaiser roll.

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**Call in orders:**  
850-623-7290

**TOWER**  
Books & Café



## See all our dining options!

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# Community Recreation

## COMMUNITY RECREATION

(Bldg. 1417 Operations)

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Monday – Friday

8:00am-4:00pm

**PATRONS:** All Eligible Patrons

### 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

**PRICE LIST**

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

**PRICE LIST**

### Rental Equipment List

[Outdoor Recreation Rental Equipment.pdf](#)



## 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:

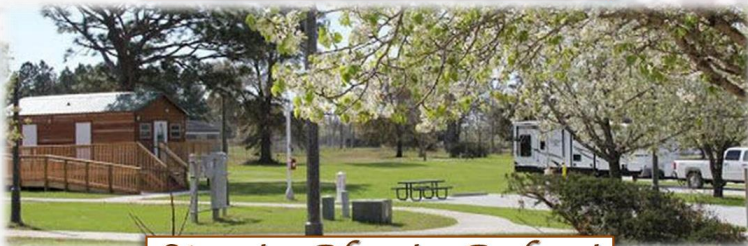
Monday – Friday 8:00am-4:00pm

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.





# 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

- 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)



To view our catalog go to:

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

## SERVICE NOTES:

- The Library is 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

Each week let us read two illustrated books to you. Our chosen themes are timely, and based on our libraries collection. We select from holidays and special events to all creatures great and small. So find a comfortable place and let us take you on an adventure!

Visit our Youtube channel for all our videos:

["https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMMGir5OcQTLzWe-5Ea3nLA/featured"](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMMGir5OcQTLzWe-5Ea3nLA/featured).

You'll find a video playlist for topics of:

- Outdoor Recreation
- Story Time
- Fitness
- Do It Yourself Crafts and Projects

New Story Time every Wednesday!  
posted on our Facebook and YouTube

facebook

You Tube

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# Whiting Park

**Reopening Soon!**  
**DATE TO BE DETERMINED**

**PATRONS:** All eligible ID card holders

**SERVICE NOTES:**

- Reservations encouraged for boat and equipment rentals.
  - Reservations mandatory for boaters exam
  - Reservations available by calling 850-623-2383 or 850-741-8746
  - Groups of no more than 10 persons allowed on pontoons.
- Playground, pavilions and wading area are closed until further notice.
- All patrons must wear a mask when unable to properly social distance
  - All ID cards will be checked and all patrons will be required to go through COVID screening and have their temperature checked

NAVY MWR

## Boater Safety Course

In accordance with CNIC standards, NAS Whiting Field has implemented a boater safety course.

All individuals are required to complete our boater safety course and be in possession of their "Boater Safety Card" in order to operate any motorized watercraft at Whiting Park.

The Boater Safety Course consists of a written test and a practical proficiency demonstration for safe operation of our motorized vessels on the waters of the Blackwater River.

1. Test can be taken at any time during normal hours of operation.
2. The practical can be scheduled at the time the test is completed.

A "Boater Safety Card" will be issued by Whiting Park upon successful completion of the written test and the practical proficiency demonstration.

Additionally, those born after 1 Jan 1988 are required to provide proof of completion of the Florida state course available through [www.boatus.org/florida](http://www.boatus.org/florida).

Boater Safety Manuals are available at Whiting Park.

Furthermore, this card / course is reciprocated at NAS Pensacola as well as the completion of the NAS Pensacola boating safety course is recognized at NAS Whiting Field (Whiting Park).



## Be ready with the Boater Safety Course

**Have your credentials ready to use one of our power driven vessels. Take this FREE course!**



## Whiting Park Recreation Area

- Six Riverfront Acres
- Boat Rentals
- Grills & Pavilions
- Fishing pier & more



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