

NROTC UNIT UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA INSTRUCTION 1601.4

Subj: Commander's Cup

1. Purpose. This instruction establishes the policies for the Commander's Cup (CC) at Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps, University of Arizona (NROTC).
2. Discussion. The CC is established for the following purposes: (1) to foster friendly competition between the various branches of ROTC, (2) to build motivation, camaraderie, and esprit de corps among the NROTC Unit through competition with other ROTC branches, and (3) practice joint operations with other branches of service.
3. Policy. **The Battalion Commander (BNCO) is personally responsible for the enforcement of this Instruction.**

a. The Intent of the CC is to create a roughly week long (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) culminating event schedule that involves inter-service competitions as well as roughly 3-4 inter-service PT days that involve intramural sports against the other branches. Use past interservice competitions as a jumping off point. The goal of the CC is to make a large scale and multi-event operation that is both fun for the participants while still being a competition among the branches. In summary:

(1) There should be a multi-day culminating event in the form of inter-service competitions (traditional sports should not be featured in this portion of the CC). While conducting this portion of the CC, the rules for each event need to be published prior to the start of the event in the form of an LOI and **referees are required to enforce the published rules.**

(2) Throughout the semester there should be 3-4 PT days where the branches have mini-tournaments against each other playing traditional intramural sports. While conducting this portion of the CC, the rules for each event need to be published prior to the start of the event in the form of an LOI and **referees are required to enforce the published rules.** Examples of traditional sports are Football, Softball, Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee, etc.

b. It is the responsibility of the BNCO to appoint an action

officer to serve as the liaison between the other branches that will be the OIC for the planning and executing of the CC. It is incumbent upon this person to begin planning and meeting with the other branches as soon as the semester begins.

c. It is the BNCO's responsibility to ensure the CC fulfills the above stated purposes and that the other branches commanders are involved in the planning of the CC.

d. Creativity and initiative are paramount in the execution of the CC. Without them, the CC will not have the desired effect of building motivation, camaraderie, and esprit de corps among not only the NROTC Unit, but also the other ROTC branches.

#### 4. Procedures

a. NLT the 2nd week of the semester, the BNCO must appoint the unit liaison. Upon appointing a liaison, he/she needs to begin immediate work on planning the culminating event. It is incumbent upon the BNCO to ensure the 4-6 interservice sports days get implemented into the PT schedule.

b. Throughout the semester, after a CC event is completed, a running score should be kept of the results of the CC events. This score will be published so every branch knows where they stand.

c. The final award will be given at the end of the multi-day culminating event to the ROTC with the most combined points for the CC events that took place over the entire semester. Scores will reset at the beginning of the following semester.

d. The reigning champion holds the title of victor until the end the the following semester when a new CC is help.

e. The Battalion S-4 is responsible for purchasing the initial trophy and updating the CC Trophy when the NROTC wins the trophy. The CC Trophy ought to be big enough to continually inscribe the victors on it.

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