

# 5-7 CAV SCOUTS REPORT MONTHLY



AUGUST 2025



## FROM WARPAINT 6 & 7

Hello Warpaint family and friends!

Amazingly, this version of "Scouts Report" serves as our last edition of the rotation. Much like the everchanging leaves that will soon fall to the ground in the high north of Europe, our deployment is coming to an end. I am happy to report that Soldiers from our replacement unit out of Texas continue to arrive in increased numbers with every day that passes. Their patch is a welcome sight and each of your Soldiers is energized by their arrival, as I hope you are!

We expect that our first group of redeploying Soldiers will return to Georgia in less than a week! Excitement continues to build on this side of the Atlantic and I know that all of you understandably share the same anticipation. That said, your Soldiers do have a few things they need to accomplish when they first return to Georgia. Following arrival and a 24-hour pass, Soldiers will conduct a five-day reintegration program to ensure that everyone is taken care of. Specifically, your Soldiers will go through several briefs reorienting them to Fort Stewart and the local area, post-deployment medical screening, and finance. Once complete with their five-day reintegration, all Soldiers will have the opportunity to take two full weeks of leave – the best part 😊!

Although everyone – yourselves very much included – deserves a wonderful reunion, please remember that nine months is a long time. Patience, understanding, and open communication will be key as your Soldiers return to their lives back home. Our Home Station Mission Command (ie: Rear-Detachment) stands ready to assist and Fort Stewart even has several programs that can help with reintegration. Do not hesitate to ask for assistance should you need it...remember, we are one Squadron family team that is in this together.

In closing, CSM Padilla and I want to thank each of you for your unceasing encouragement for our Warpaint team over these past months. Your support kept all of us going and I for one stand in awe of your strength and endurance. We wish all of you the

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happiest of reunions with your Soldiers and cannot wait to meet all of you in person soon.

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LTC Roland & CSM Padilla

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# DEPLOYMENT CONCLUSION

We're ending our time in the Baltics with a bang! There couldn't have been a better way to end our deployment than with a Darkhorse gunnery and Spur Ride. Our Warfighters have done an amazing job maintaining momentum from start to finish.

As soon as they entered Lithuania, Darkhorse Troop has held a strong presence and exemplified the Squadron's lethality. The thunderous sound of Abrams sending rounds down range echoed for miles while the Troop conducted its Gunnery. The VIP crew consisting of CSM Padilla, 1SG Riley, SFC Hoover, and SSG Rickard was an impressive site to see. This lethal team was put together in honor of CSM Padilla's time with us and upcoming retirement. Even though he's nearing retirement, one thing's for sure, "he's still got it!"

It was a privilege to host one of our most sacred traditions with our Estonian and NATO allies—the Spur Ride. Soldiers from across the Squadron and other allied nations spent over 36 hours conducting a series of demanding ruck marches, obstacles, and tests of tactical proficiency in hopes finishing and earning a pair of silver spurs. Of the 176 who partook in the Spur Ride, 165 completed the event and have the honor of wearing spurs on their boots.

Our host nations of Lithuania and Estonia have been extraordinary partners to work with. From the extensive winter training to advanced live fire and tactical training exercises, our Soldiers have delivered consistent victories and progressed their expertise. We look forward to stepping off the plane, seeing our friends and families again, and continuing to advance our title as a "ready fundamental team—fighting and winning at night...in the worst conditions."

GarryOwen!



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PV2 DAKOTA BROWN



SGT VALERIA ESTEVEZ



SGT JACK CLARK

# HERO

## OF THE BATTLE





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**PV2 Dakota Brown**

**1-41 FA**

**Fire Support Specialist**

The WARPAINT Team has achieved some incredible feats while in Europe. Innovative planning, realistic training, expansive networking, and visionary goal setting has fueled excellence and ensured success. As we begin packing and outloading operations, this Squadron has much to celebrate about our time with our European counterparts.


Many of us are also celebrating personal victories; goals set and achieved in and amidst our collective training. Books read, countries visited, weights lifted- many of our Soldiers have achieved milestones along their own paths as well. Not least among them is our very own PV2 Dakota Brown, a legend out here in our camp. A native of Arkansas, PV2 Brown arrived to 5-7 with some opportunities for self-improvement, areas of potential growth identified by himself and his leadership. With the support of his NCOs, PV2 Brown set and engaged a plan of action that propelled him into steady success. He saw improvements in his PT scores, development in his mission set, and increases in his lethality as a Warfighter. In the end, it would be hard to find someone on the FOS who has made greater improvements in their personal and professional life than PV2 Brown has- and we know this is just the beginning!

To the Brown family- thank you for lending us such a kind, educable Soldier, we promise to have

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him home soon! To the NCOs of the Warpaint FiST  
- you have truly done what the Army relies on  
you to do. And for everyone out there struggling  
in your own personal goals- take inspiration from  
PV2 Brown and know that anything is achievable if  
you're willing to put in the work!

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# HERO OF THE BATTLE

**SGT Valeria Estevez**  
**Diesel Troop**  
**Small Arms Repair**

With all of our major training exercises behind us, WARPAINT has earned some well-deserved time for rest and recovery. As the tempo slows down, Soldiers are able to relax a bit more, and catch up on tasks once impossible with the pace of life at camp. However, we still need motivated leaders to push us through these last few months and ensure we're set up for success when we reach Fort Stewart.

Luckily, we are blessed with joyful NCOs like SGT Valeria Estevez. Originally from Puerto Rico, SGT Estevez joined our ranks with the intention of serving 20 years. She's a small arms repair NCO by training, but covers down whenever, wherever the mission takes her. She's consistently positive, kind and attentive to the needs of her subordinates. She takes great pride in her role in the Squadron, and knows that without world-class maintenance support, everything would come to a grinding halt.

We're so grateful to have her in our ranks, and look forward to many bright days with her around!

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**SGT Jack Clark**  
**Apache Troop**  
**Cavalry Scout**

WARPAINT may be done training, but that by no means implies they're relaxing. Going home means layouts, inventories, cleaning, packing, re-doing the layout, re-doing the inventory, and re-packing... The hustle to get home is real, and takes engaged leadership to make sure it is all done well. Luckily for us, we have California-native SGT Jack Clark ensuring that everything gets done, to standard and ahead of schedule. He has made his team proud throughout this rotation by being an outstanding NCO, staying motivated, and growing a moustache his Soldiers admire. As he pivots his team home, he is still locked in, making sure no detail goes overlooked. Apache is proud of him for his hard work, and all of WARPAINT benefits from having him on our team. Thank you so much to SGT Clark's friends and family back home, he's a solid guy and we promise we'll have him home soon!

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# WELCOMING BACK YOUR SOLDIER

## OPERATIONAL SECURITY

The time for our return home has arrived! As your Soldier gets assigned a flight it is important to be mindful of Operational Security for the protection of the Squadron and its family members:

- Publishing information relating to flight times or sharing it with outside organizations is PROHIBITED.
- Families will be contacted directly by their Service Member in regards to they day they are slated to fly out.

## WELCOME HOME CEREMONY

A Welcome Home Ceremony will be provided to Soldiers as the return to Ft. Stewart. Families and Friends are encouraged to attend and cheer on their Soldier as they enter the parade field. A brief welcome speech will be provided and Soldiers will be immediately released back to their Families.

- Welcome Home Ceremony times will be provided via the Squadron Facebook page and email about 11 hours prior to the ceremony.
- Primary location for the ceremony will be Cottrell Field. In the case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved to its alternate location at Newman Gym.
- Those wishing to attend the ceremony who don't have a DoD ID must have a Real-ID or two forms of identification (birth certificate, drivers license, social security card)
- Pre-Registration for guest passes can be done at: [https://pass.aie.army.mil/steps/branch\\_selection](https://pass.aie.army.mil/steps/branch_selection)
- A map of the ceremony and address can be found on the next page

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# WELCOMING BACK YOUR SOLDIER

## REINTEGRATION

To maximize the amount of time our Soldiers spend with their Families, the following reintegration plan will take place:

- Following the Welcome Home Ceremony Soldiers will immediately get 24 hours of leave. Soldiers will report on the next weekday if there leave falls into the weekend.
- After leave, Soldiers will begin a 5 day reintegration plan including various briefs and appointments. This will only be held MON-FRI.
- Soldiers will be offered 14 days of opportunity leave after completion of Day 5 of reintegration.

### Cottrell Field

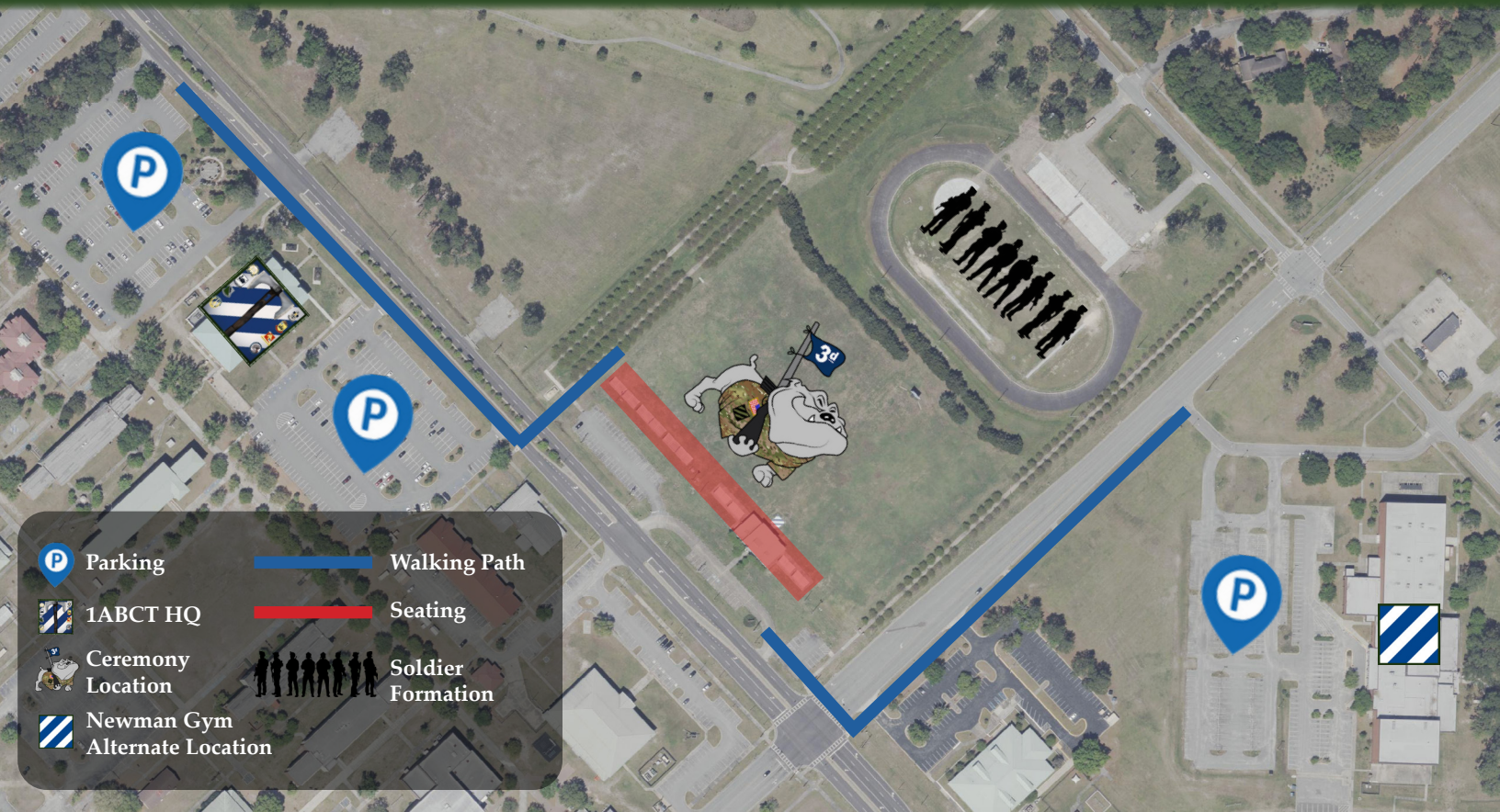
W 7th St  
Fort Stewart, GA 31314

### Newman Gym

215 W 6th St  
Fort Stewart, GA 31314

### 1ABCT HQ

1065 Gulick Ave  
BLG 613  
Fort Stewart GA 31314



# PHONE NUMBERS

## 5-7 Cav Staff Duty

Mon-Thur: 6:00 am - 7:00 pm

571-801-2508

Fri: 6:00 am - 4:00 pm

## 1st Brigade Staff Duty

Available 24/7

571-801-3566

Army Community Service

571-801-1687

Child Care (CYS) Registration

571-802-0010

Family Assistance Center (FAC)

571-802-7474

Fort Stewart Family Homes Maintenance

912-408-2466

Fort Stewart Legal Assistance

571-801-5149

All Emergencies

911

Non-Emergencies

571-802-1800

Fire Department

571-801-1123

Police Department

571-801-2205

Patient Appointment Line

571-802-0394

Red Cross (Emergency Communications Center)

1-877-272-7337

Tricare East Service Center

1-800-444-5445

Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic

571-802-0409

WIC

855-262-7670

Military Family Life Counselor (MFLC)

571-801-2016

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# MESSAGE BOARD

## FREE CHILDCARE

Ft. Stewart is happy to offer 16 hours of monthly free childcare to the Spouses of deployed Soldiers. Registration is simple and only requires a signed memo from the Home Station Mission Command team and a copy of your Soldiers orders. If this is something that interests you, stop by the Squadron Headquarters\* and speak with a member of the Home Station Mission Command (HSMC) Team or give us a call at 571-801-2508.

## SQUADRON HEADQUARTERS

The address to our Squadron Headquarters and it's hours of operation can be found below:

**Address:**

1218 William H. Wilson Ave.  
BLDG 639  
Ft. Stewart, GA 31314

**Hours of Operation:**

Mon - Thur: 6:30 am - 7:00 pm EST  
Fri: 6:30 am - 4:00 pm EST

## JOIN YOUR TROOP'S SFRG

The Soldier Family Readiness Group (SFRG) plays an active role within each Troops Family. Organization days, fundraising, community outreach, etc. are all parts of the SFRG. Positions are readily available. [TAP HERE](#) if you would like to join.



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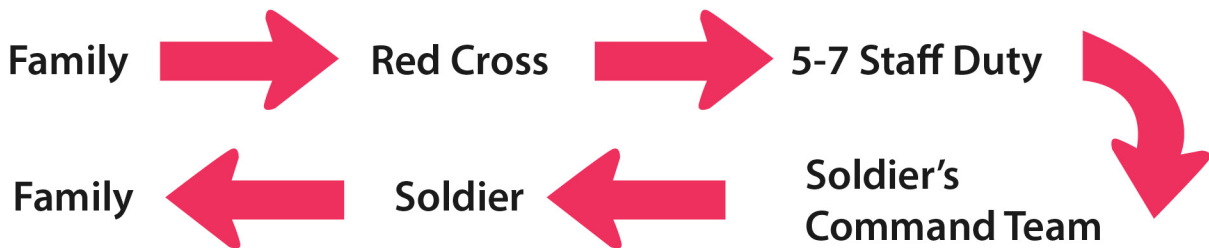


# Red Cross Emergency Communication Service

## Contacting Your Soldier in Times of Need

- 1 Call Toll-Free**  
To speak to a Red Cross Emergency Communications Specialist call **1-877-272-7337**.
- 2 Call Free from Overseas**  
Using a computer, smartphone or tablet, you can call the Hero Care Center for free.
- 3 Download The FREE App**  
Use the Hero Care App to access vital emergency and non-emergency resources for military members, veterans and military families.
- 4 Submit a Request Online**  
Using a computer, smartphone or tablet, you can start a request for services and track its progress from anywhere in the world.

### Contact Chain



**5-7 Cav Staff Duty**  
**(HRS) 0600-1830 Mon-Fri**  
**(P) 571-801-2508**

**1ABCT Staff Duty\***  
**(HRS) 24/7**  
**(P) 571-801-3566**

\*1ABCT Staff Duty is available 24/7 and can assist in forwarding emergency and non-emergency events your Soldier should be aware of while they're in the field



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FOOD  
TRUCKS

TROOP VS TROOP  
NCO VS OFFICER  
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11:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
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