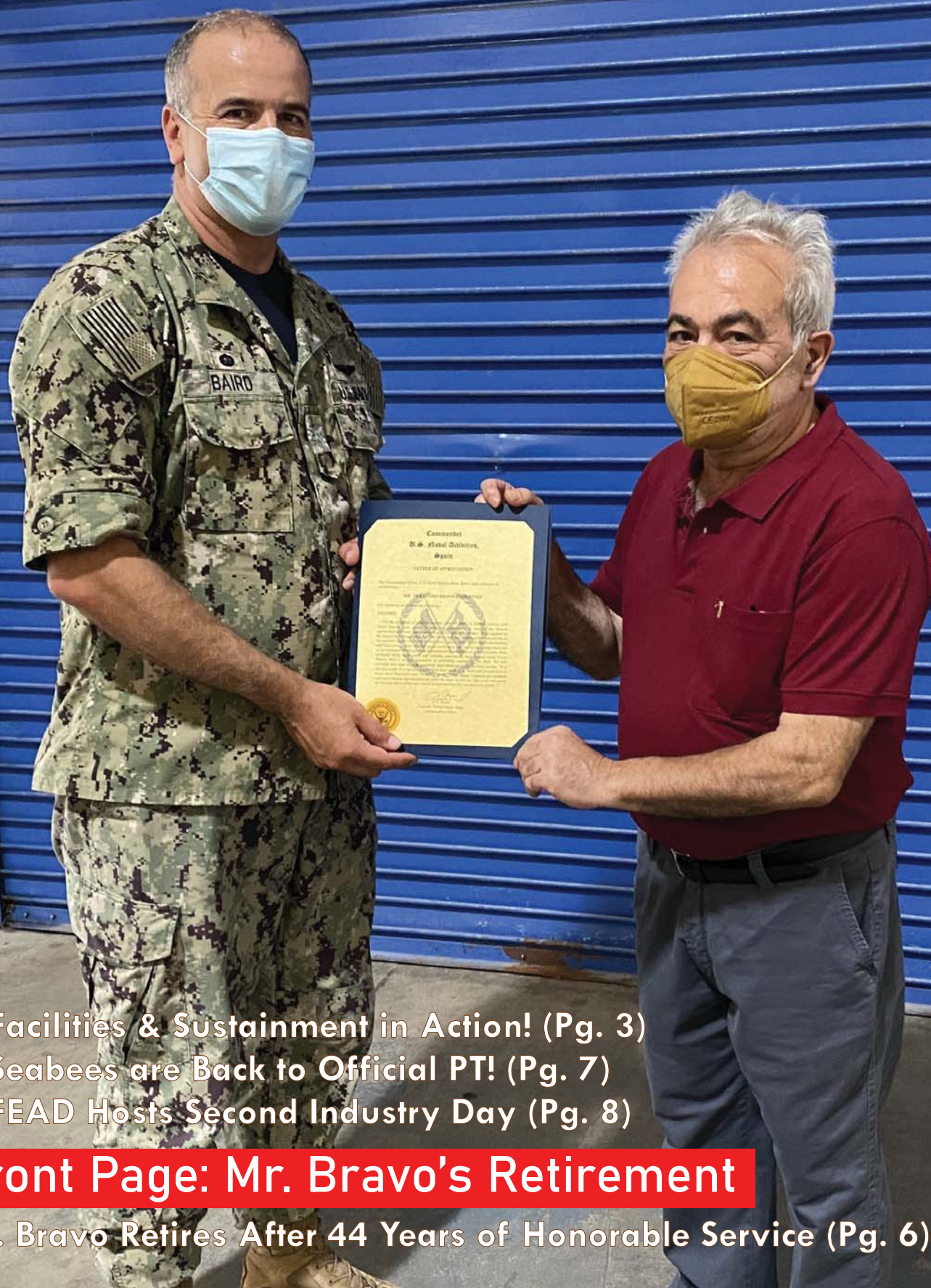


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BACKFLOW CERTIFIED

On July 13th, 2021 UT1(SCW/EXW) Juan Selvera (pictured) traveled to Naples, Italy to attend the Backflow certification class provided by NAVFAC EUR-AFCENT. He now has the authority to certify NAVSTA Rota's backflow preventers.

Photo by UT1(SCW/EXW) Juan Selvera; Article by UT1(SCW/EXW) Scott Nullmeier

DID YOU KNOW? NAVSTA has over 200 Backflow preventers that UEM water crew provides maintenance and certification's for every year.



IN ACTION: Facilities Sustainment



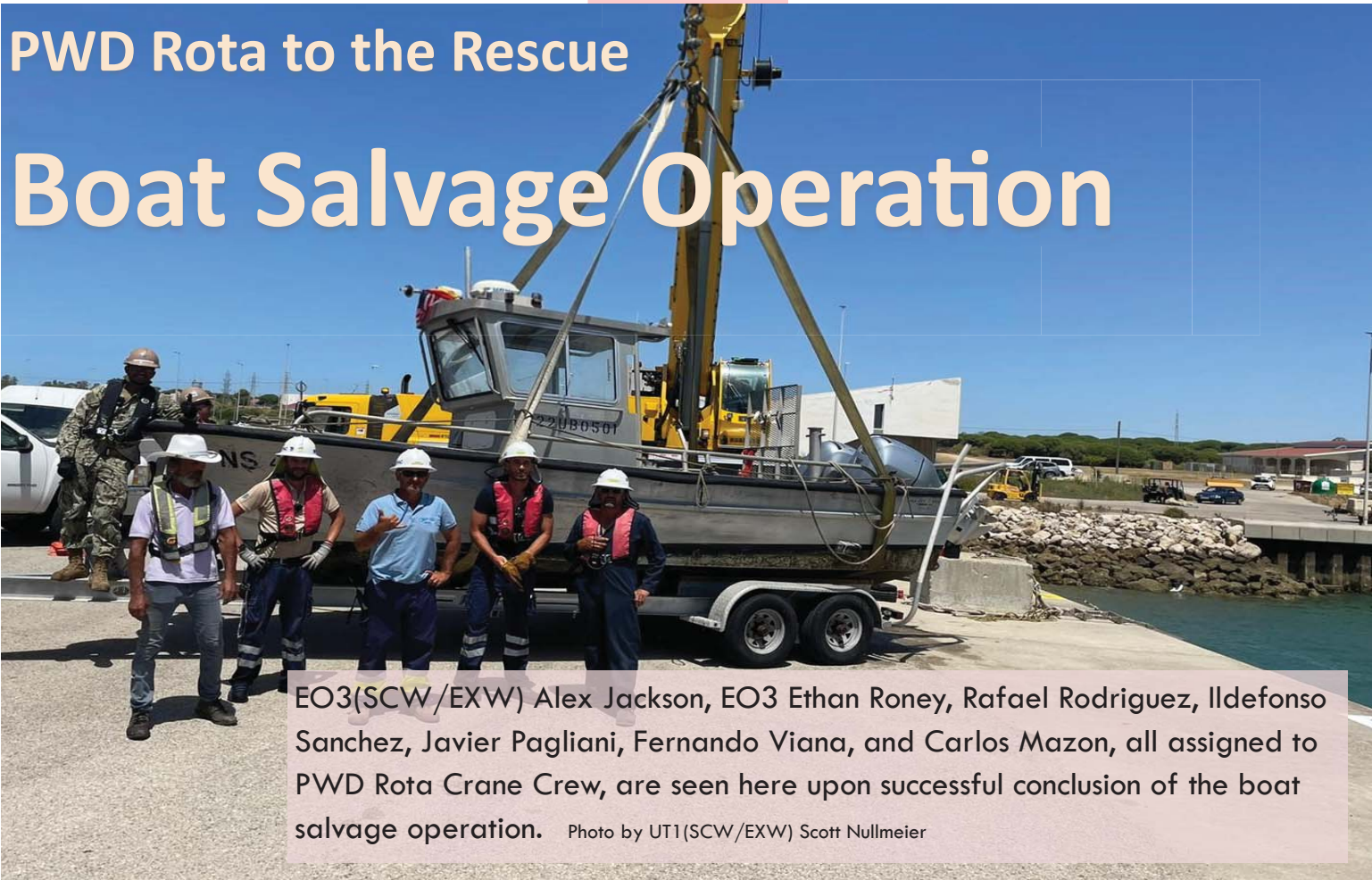
Seen here on the left is Manuel Benítez Reyes (left) and Antonio Marquez Merino (right) from PWD Rota's Facilities and Sustainment Branch refurbishing and re-painting the Hazmat and storage area. The building now looks brand new due to their hard work!



CE2 Cutter Bullen, also assigned to PWD Rota's Facilities Sustainment Branch Shop as the Locksmith, is seen here responding to a trouble call at Camp Mitchell, where there had been a malfunction of a X-O9 safe tumbler at one of the buildings. CE2 Bullen not only fixed the lock and put it safely back into service, but helped prevent NMCB 11 from setting up a 24-hour watch in order to maintain security on the armory at Camp Mitchell. (Photos by CE2(AW) Warreck Neubauer)

PWD Rota to the Rescue

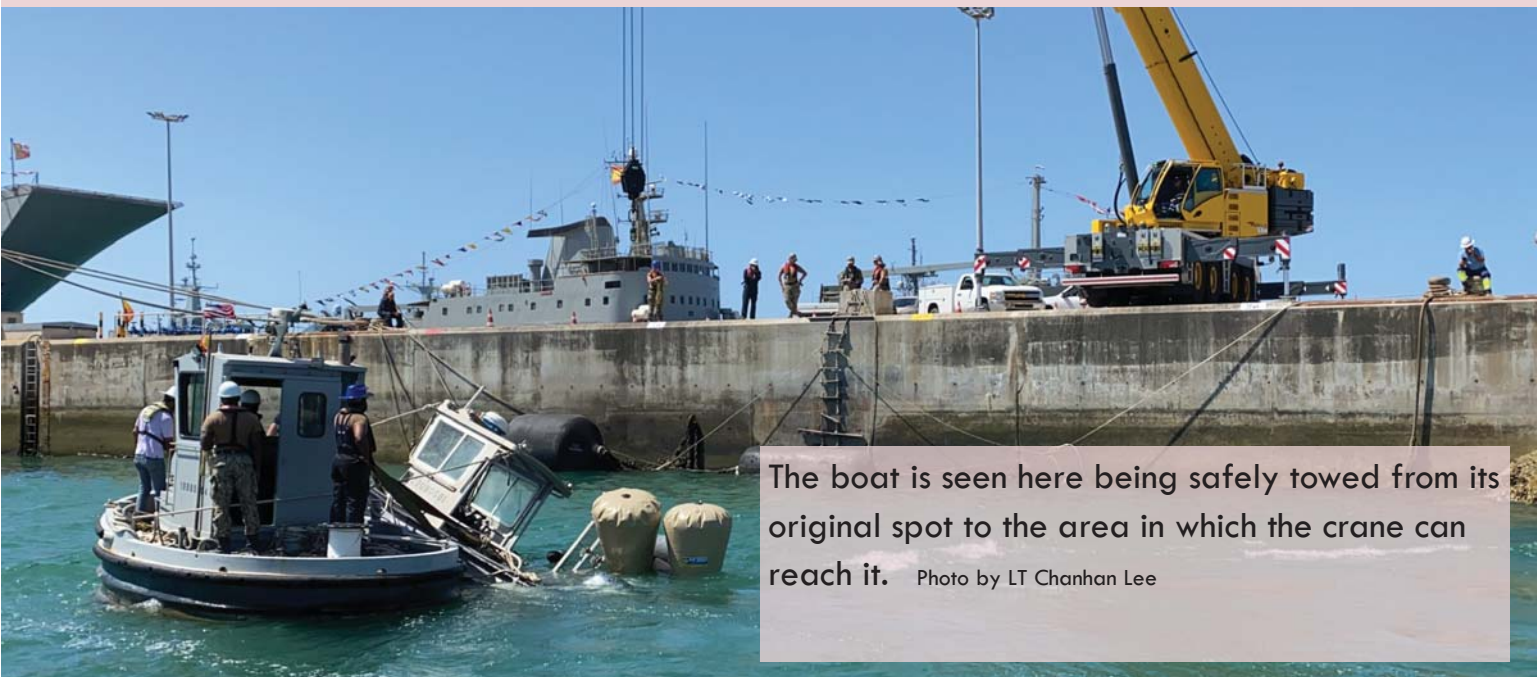
Boat Salvage Operation



EO3(SCW/EXW) Alex Jackson, EO3 Ethan Roney, Rafael Rodriguez, Ildefonso Sanchez, Javier Pagliani, Fernando Viana, and Carlos Mazon, all assigned to PWD Rota Crane Crew, are seen here upon successful conclusion of the boat salvage operation. Photo by UT1(SCW/EXW) Scott Nullmeier

Public Works Department Rota's crane crew assisted in salvage operation of a support boat #NS4, which was found at "A" landing partially underwater on its starboard side still connected to its moorings the night before. This critical lift operation required joint expertise of the NAVSTA Rota Port Operations, Navy divers, and PWD Rota crane crew, and the boat was successfully lifted at around 1400 local time, 18 hours after the problem was detected.

Article by LT Chanhon Lee



The boat is seen here being safely towed from its original spot to the area in which the crane can reach it. Photo by LT Chanhon Lee

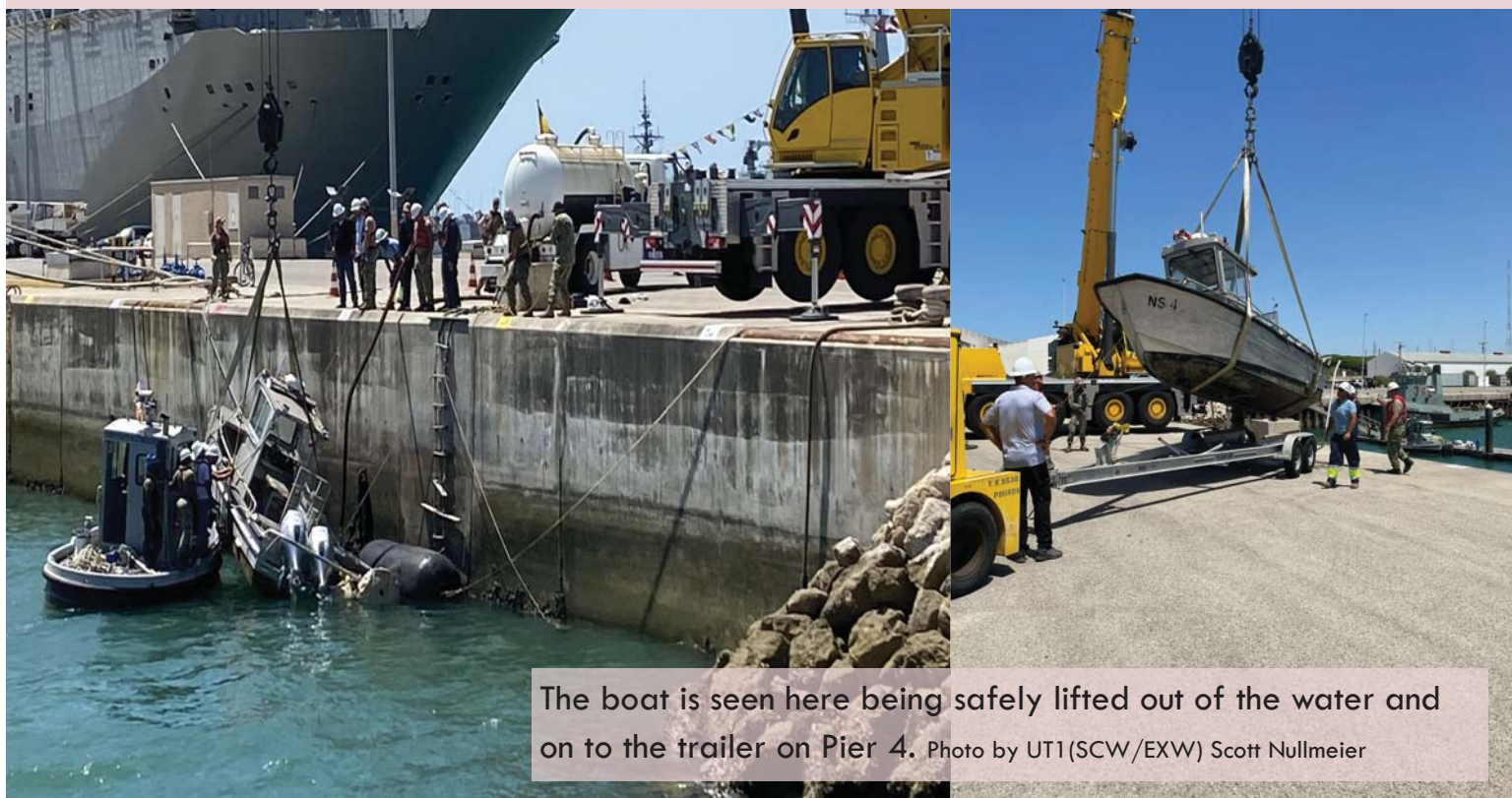


PWD Rota's WHE supervisor Jason McShea (on center in black shirt) is seen here giving the NAVSTA Rota port operations personnel, PWD Rota crane crew, and the navy divers involved with the salvage operation a safety brief to make sure all parties are in sync.

Photo by LT Chanhon Lee

Jason McShea, supervisor in the PWD Rota Crane Crew, devised a quick solution to lift the partially sunken boat, briefed his chain of command and was able to gain NAVFAC EURAFCENT Commanding Officer's approval within couple hours. The boat was safely towed from its original spot toward Pier 4, where PWD Rota's 115-ton crane was able to reach and pull it out from the water and onto a trailer. Thanks to his ingenious solution and teamwork from PWD Rota crane crew, port operations, and divers, the mission was safely and quickly accomplished!

Article by LT Chanhon Lee



The boat is seen here being safely lifted out of the water and on to the trailer on Pier 4. Photo by UT1 (SCW/EXW) Scott Nullmeier

Mr. Bravo Retires After 44 Years



Mr. Bravo (left) is seen here being presented the retirement plaque by CDR Joe Dunaway (right), Public Works Officer.

Public Works Department Rota held a retirement ceremony for Fernando Bravo Rodriguez, Electrical Power Control Supervisor of the Utilities and Energy Management Branch, on July 16th, 2021. Mr. Bravo has worked for the US Forces for more than 44 years in which, for the development of his work, has been characterized by his professionalism and commitment, his seriousness at work and his great capacity for leadership that transmits to his peers. Capt. David Baird, Installation Commanding Officer of NAVSTA Rota personally attended the ceremony to present his Letter of Appreciation.

Photos and Article by LT Chanhon Lee



Capt. David Baird jokingly commented that he came for the magic show (Mr. Bravo apparently is also a magician and does cool tricks.) Joking aside, he showed his appreciation for the long years of service and dedication by Mr. Bravo for the U.S. Forces at NAVSTA Rota.

PATRIOTIC 5K



Seabees from PWD Rota ran the NAVSTA Rota Patriotic 5K Run, hosted by the Installation MWR on July 1st, 2021. EO3 Ethan Roney, EO3(SCW/EXW) Alex Jackson, EO2 Alex Randolph, EO1(SCW/EXW) Christopher Lindsey, and LT Chanhon Lee ran together, flying the Seabee flag proudly during the 5K run.

Photo from NAVSTA Rota MWR

& COMMAND PT IS BACK!



On the other hand, official physical training (PT) has recently begun as of July 12th! Seen on this photo is LT Scott Sobieralski leading PWD Rota Seabees during a calisthenics training. He is truly a motivator. Photo by LT Chanhon Lee

PWD Rota Hosts Second Industry Day



ALL EYES ON HIM: Nick Simpson (right), PWD Rota's architect, is seen here leading discussion on the difference between "deviation" and "substitution" during the FEAD Industry Day of June 29th.

Public Works Rota's Facilities Engineering & Acquisition Division (FEAD) hosted the second FEAD Industry Day on June 29th, 2021 at NAVSTA Rota La Plaza Building as part of the quarterly scheduled meeting between the Government and the construction contractor's on-base assigned to various MILCONs. The emphasis of this meeting was placed on major items of discussion from the previous Industry Day. For this event, the participants discussed the difference between material "substitution" and "deviation", as well as different avenues of Request for Proposal (RFP) to help streamline the process for lower value projects. They also discussed the Electronic Construction and Facility Support Contract Management (eCMS) through which we gave a brief introduction of this new management tool and expectation of how it will be utilized. At the end, the contractor personnel were given a homework, in which they must: 1. Provide examples of submittals that have been approved for substitution, 2. Think of solutions to work-around the obstacles manifested through the Spanish labor laws, and 3. Present examples of delays in the past that were caused by Spain-specific requirements. The contractors were encouraged to hire a quality scheduler that can actively manage the schedule through Primavera software, and proactively inform the Government throughout the project duration, including presenting multiple courses of action (COAs) and possible solutions when faced with delays.

Photo and Article by LT Chanhon Lee

What's Up 'Bees?

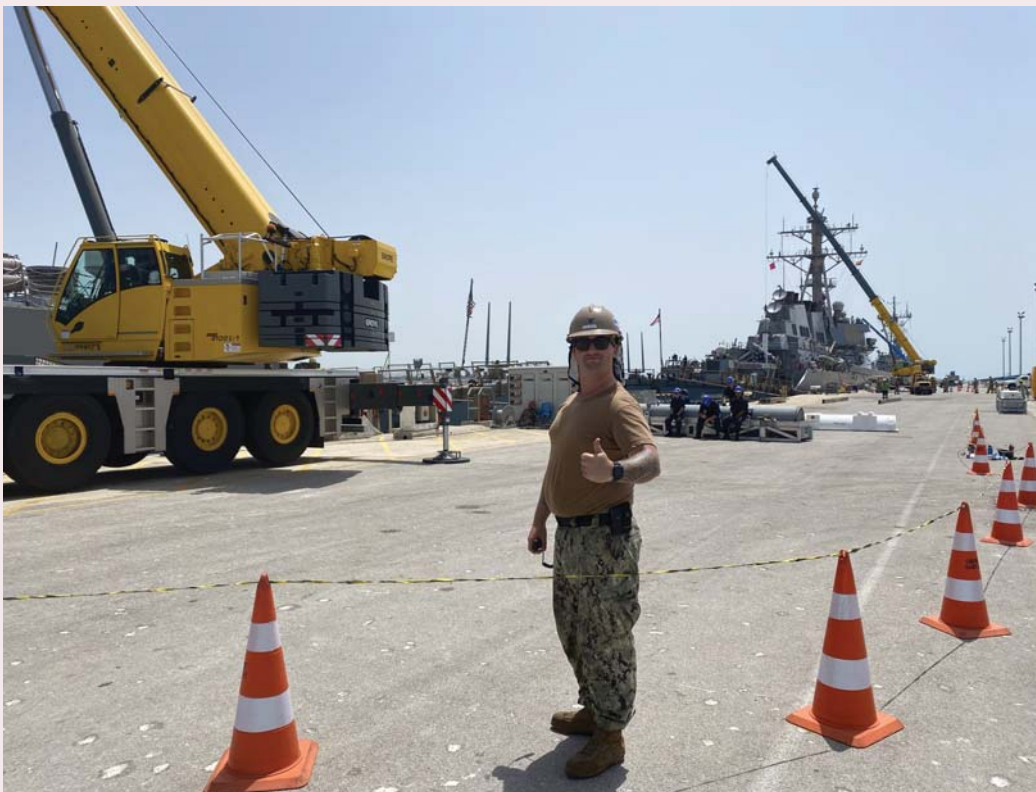
Scenes Around PWD Rota



CE2(AW) Warreck Neubauer (above) is seen here crafting a wooden board with Seabee mascot to be used for future recreational activities and events onboard installation. Photo by LT Chanhon Lee



UTCN Mario Duran (above) is seen here recording the monthly water consumption at Camp Mitchell in NAVSTA Rota. He and fellow utilitiesmen (UTs) conduct regular checks over 250 water meters that are installed throughout the base, ensuring 100% accuracy and preventative maintenance. Photo by CE2 (SCW/EXW) Kwamme Washington



EO3 Ethan Roney (left), assigned to PWD Rota crane crew, gives it a thumbs up during the busy ammunition loading operation in support of USS Porter and USS Mahan at Pier 1 of NAVSTA Rota on July 22nd, 2021. The PWD Rota crane crew have been on non-stop mode supporting the port operations this year. Photo by LT Chanhon Lee

WELCOME ABOARD:

NEW FACES OF PWD ROTA



CECR Orion Fisher (left) is from St. Louis, Missouri. He enjoys playing sports video games and traveling/visiting other places. CECR Fisher's goals while in PWD Rota is to establish his roots as a Seabee, learning his trade as a construction electricians as a new member of the UEM's electrical crew, as well as to travel throughout Spain and Europe as much as possible.

UTCR Kaden Johnson-Powers (right) is from Lubbock, Texas, and will be a new member of the Utilities & Energy Management (UEM) water crew. His hobbies include hunting and fishing; back home, he enjoyed going to gun ranges on his free time. UTCR's goals here in PWD Rota is to gain knowledge and skill from his mentors. Just like CECR, he is excited to be here in Spain and hopes to be able to travel around Spain & Europe, his first destination out-of-Spain being Gibraltar, UK.



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**Pictured: EO2 Smith attaches the
brow on Pier 3 in support of USS
Hershel Woody Williams on July 13th.**