



Welcome Aboard!

VMAQ-2 Mission: Support the MAGTF Commander by conducting airborne Electronic Warfare, day or night, under all weather conditions, during Expeditionary, Joint, or Combined operations.

Allow me to be the first to welcome you to VMAQ-2 and to MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina. We are excited to have you and your family join our “Death Jester” team and I look forward to serving with you and getting to know you. You have joined a squadron that possesses a rich history of service to the Marine Corps and whose roots can be traced back to 1952.

Designated in 1975 as Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 2 (VMAQ-2), the intervening years have seen the squadron on numerous aircraft carrier deployments, participating in raids against Libya, and deploying to Bahrain in support of Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM. Throughout the 1990’s, VMAQ-2 conducted multiple deployments to Iwakuni, Japan and Aviano, Italy. The squadron also supported Operations NOBLE ANVIL and ALLIED FORCE in the late 90’s by providing electronic suppression of enemy air defenses, as well as through delivering ordnance on suspected enemy radar sites. After the attacks of September 11, VMAQ-2 deployed in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM II, IRAQI FREEDOM 05-07, and IRAQI FREEDOM 06-08. This sustained tempo led not only to the highest utilization rate of any Marine Prowler Squadron, but the highest utilization rate for any Type/Model/Series aircraft in the Marine Corps.

Our families are an integral part of our individual and collective success and are therefore distinguished partners of this command. Because we depend on the readiness of both the individual and the family, it is critical to our mission that you possess the information and tools needed for success. Services offered by MCAS Cherry Point can be found at <http://mccscherrypoint.com/programs/>. Additionally, Ms. Katie Walker, our Family Readiness Officer, can also provide you with information and resources to assist you during your tenure with VMAQ-2. She can be reached at katie.walker@usmc.mil or by phone at (252) 466-2577.

If there’s anything that I, or my Command team can do to assist you, please don’t hesitate to contact us! Welcome aboard.

Sincerely,

Jeremy W. Beaven
Lieutenant Colonel, United States Marine Corps
Commanding

“CAN DO EASY”

