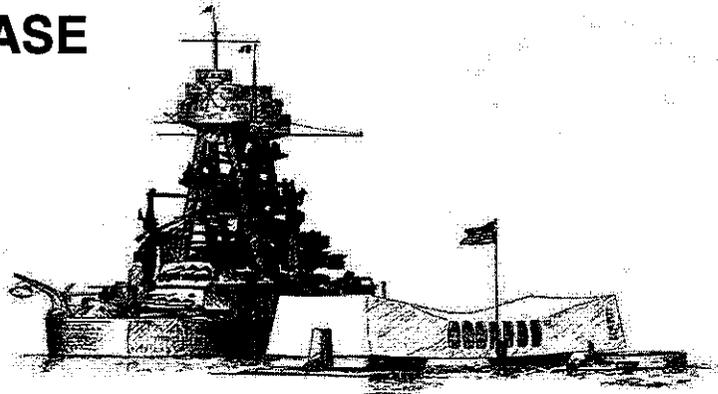


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7th Annual Ford Island Bridge 10K Run

The Navy Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR) department is hosting the 7th annual Ford Island Bridge 10K run on Sat., Apr. 10th. The 6.2-mile long race starts at 7 a.m. at the entrance of the Admiral Bernard "Chick" Clarey Bridge on Pearl Harbor Naval Station, Hawai'i. The public is invited to participate in the race across the scenic bridge, circle around historic Ford Island, race back across the bridge and finish at Richardson Field.

The bridge was dedicated on Apr. 15, 1998 and is named after former Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Adm. Bernard "Chick" Clarey. Adm. Clarey was a highly decorated naval officer who was also an active member in the Hawai'i community. The bridge is one of only six concrete floating bridges in the world at 4,700-feet in length and spanning 46-feet wide. The Ford Island Bridge run attracts a diverse crowd of over 3,000 participants each year from all over the island, making it the largest 10K on Oahu.

Entry fee, which includes an event T-shirt, is \$15 for military or their family members and \$18 for non-military. Entry deadline is March 26th. Late entries (postmarked after March 26th) are \$25 and will be accepted until April 8th. No race day entries will be taken. Applications are available at all military gyms and fitness centers or at www.greatlifehawaii.com.

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Prizes will be awarded to the top three male and female overall finishers in both the military and non-military categories. Also, prizes will be awarded to the first and second place finishers in 15 different age categories.

This event is part of the Morale Welfare and Recreation Department's continuing effort to provide enhanced quality of life programs to sailors and family members. Proceeds from this event benefit the Navy's MWR programs. For information, call the Pearl Harbor MWR Athletic Office at 473-2494 or 473-2437.