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One, Two, Three, Strike!: Senior Airman Royce Sims, 36th Maintenance Squadron, left, Aviation Ordnanceman 2nd Class (SW/AW) Soane Sili, Naval Airborne Weapons Maintenance Unit 1, center, and Hospitalman Jason Cornell, U.S. Naval Hospital Guam, assist a Special Olympics Guam (SOG) bowling athlete during the SOG bowling tournament at Central Lanes in Tamuning Oct. 6. Sailors and Airmen volunteered at the event as coaches as supporters encouraging athletes to do their best. *U.S. Navy photo by JoAnna Delfin/Released*

Service members volunteer time at Special Olympics Guam tournament

By JoAnna Delfin
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Sailors and Airmen on island spent their day coaching Special Olympics Guam athletes during a bowling tournament at Central Lanes in Tamuning Oct. 6.

The event was the culmination of eight weeks of preparation for the participants who took to the lanes for a day filled with fun and friendly competition.

"It's a great opportunity for (the athletes) to show that they can do all the same activities regardless of what special need they have and for us to be able to assist them, to be able to give them…to be able to have that self-worth that they can do it themselves," said Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Armel Estaquio, of U.S. Naval Hospital Guam.

As the coaches and volunteers assisted athletes, the bond built between the local and military communities was not overlooked.

"The athletes, they get really close to these people even if they're only here for two to three years at a time," said Special Olympics

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Commando Warrior facilitates inspection

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At some point in their career, security forces Airmen are required to make a trip to a regional training center to make sure they have the skill sets to execute their mission downrange. In Asia-Pacific region, Andersen Air Force Base's (AFB) 736th Security Forces Squadron Commando Warrior Flight not only prepares the Airmen for deployment, but also facilitates command-level readiness inspections.

The Commando Warrior flight is in charge of the Pacific Regional Training

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All in the Plan: Commando Warrior students from Kadena Air Force Base, Japan, discuss the mission and plan of action before going out on patrol at the Pacific Regional Training Center in Dededo Sept. 24. Security forces Airmen from all over the Pacific travel to Guam in order to receive mandatory contingency training from the 734th Security Forces Squadron Commando Warrior flight in preparation for future deployments downrange. *U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Marianique Santos/Released*

Chamber honors military counterparts

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Airmen return home

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