



BRADLEY MASTER GUNNER



UPDATE

4 Sep 2013



AGENDA



- BFV MG Prerequisite Issues
- Current/Future Course Initiatives
- Unit Concerns
- Discussion/Questions



BFV MG PREREQUISITE ISSUES



Prerequisites are established to ensure Master Gunner candidates have a solid knowledge base and aptitude prior to attendance.

- Prerequisites were not enforced in recently past years, to accommodate the ARFORGEN process
- Most students did not meet all prerequisites
- Bradley proficiency is low among students
- 11B and 19D from IBCTs



BFV MG PREREQUISITE ISSUES



FY13 the Bradley Master Gunner School began strict enforcement of the prerequisites

- Implemented GST on day 1 to assess the proficiency of incoming students (Between 1-13, 2-13, 3-13 and 702-13 we have received 128 students, 57 failed one or more GST task)
- Approving only timeline waivers on a case by case basis
- We have seen proficiency levels increase from 1-13 through 3-13

Class	Fill #	Drop #	Grad #	Grad %
1-12	45	13	32	71%
2-12	41	23	18	44%
3-12	34	10	24	71%
4-12	41	8	33	80%
701-12	30	7	23	77%
702-12	26	8	18	69%
Total	217	69	148	69%

Class	Fill #	Drop #	Grad #	Grad %
1-13	37	6	31	84%
2-13	26	7	19	73%
3-13	19	1		
4-13				
702-13	29	4	25	86%
Total	111	18	75	81%

3-13 graduates 19 Sep, 4-13 started 9 Sep



BFV MG PREREQUISITE ISSUES



Received some negative feedback from releasing NCOs that were not proficient (how are we supposed to train our NCOs on the BFV?)

- Unit training
- Bradley Leaders Course
- Units need to forecast their future candidates
 - Wait until they have shot gunnery
 - Ensure they have BFV experience



CURRENT/FUTURE COURSE INITIATIVES



- CSF2-LEP - Learning Enhancement Program has been implemented into the course (001-13 first class)
 - 3 to 4 hour block of instruction for students taught during the first week, the lesson teaches study habits and how to improve comprehension techniques.
- Course length shortened (analyzing 11 and 12 week COA)
 - Enforcement of current pre-requisites critical to mitigate impact in reduced instruction time
 - Dropping VCE and I/O, will still instruct SIO
 - Increased opportunity for future common core instruction among Master Gunner Programs
- 3D Interactive Multimedia Instructions
 - Virtual 25mm (CACI) under development
 - Virtual M2A3 Bradley (CACI) under development
 - Virtual CTD (CACI) under development
 - SDZ developing software (Ngrain) under development/partnership with Armor Master Gunner School



CURRENT/FUTURE COURSE INITIATIVES



- Training Device update
- TOW training programs
- Laptops for each student throughout the duration of the course



UNIT CONCERNS



The BFV Master Gunner school receives several calls concerning J3 assignments

- BFV MGs assigned to IBCTs
- Stabilization of MGs after graduating course



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DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

