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"To Unify Diversed Leaders Striving Towards Excellence Through Knowledge and Mutual Respect"

Editorial Note

In this edition, students completed the final weeks of their staff duties phase and transitioned to the strategic environment phase. Week 4 & 5 covered essay writing lessons and military technology overview. There were also keynote speakers from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Joint Doctrine Warfare Centre, MINDEF. Themed after 'Leadership', readers of this edition will find scoops across various applications of leadership. Engaging our tech-savvy readers, various QR Codes that link to supplementary resources can also be found within this edition.

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TEACHER'S DAY Celebrations

24 September 2018 - In commemoration of Teacher's Day, JSC 2018 organised a cake cutting celebration in honour of the teaching staff at LMC. Head of LMC took the opportunity to emphasise on the importance of continual learning and strong values - naming them as foundation pillars for a meaningful and fulfilling career.



ISLAMIC LEADERSHIP

27 September 2018 - The talk on Islamic Leadership was delivered by Lieutenant Colonel Pg Sharifuddin bin Pg Hj Yusof, Staff Officer Grade 1 Joint Warfare, Joint Doctrine Warfare Centre, MINDEF. The talk highlighted the fact that Islam is a way of life, and can be incorporated into the governance of a Muslim nation. The Islamic political system is based on two cardinal principles. The legitimacy of the Islamic political order comes, first and foremost, by accepting Allah Subhanahu Wata'ala as The Sovereign. Secondly, society must be governed by, and in accordance with, the will of the people.

BRUNEI FOREIGN POLICY

By Ministry of Foreign Affairs

26 September 2018 - JSC cohort welcomed eight invited speakers from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs who provided insights on Bruneian Foreign Policy and its perspective on ASEAN as well as other International Organisations. It was an appreciated opportunity to understand and appreciate the dynamic nature of global politics through the lenses of Bruneian foreign policy makers.

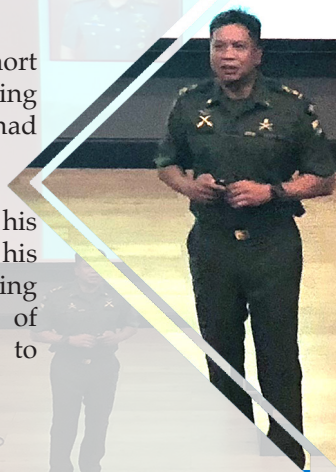


PERSPECTIVES ON LEADERSHIP

By Commanding Officer 2Bn RBLF

27 September 2018 - On the 5th week of JSC 2018, the cohort had the honour of receiving a talk from the Commanding Officer 2Bn RBLF, Lieutenant Colonel Pengiran Mohammad Shamsul Reza bin Pengiran Dato Paduka Haji Tengah.

During the leadership talk, Commanding Officer 2Bn shared his thoughts and perspectives on leadership, drawing upon his experiences of serving in the RBAF as a junior officer to holding a command appointment. These experiences were words of advice that, hopefully, the cohort could bring with them to their respective units upon graduating from JSC 2018.



ESSAY WRITING

Skills Workshop

Week 4 saw the Head of LMC, Lieutenant Colonel (U) Muhd Amiruddin bin Hj Tuah, taking the whole cohort of Junior Staff Course 2018 (JSC 18) for lessons on academic essay writing. The scope of lessons included introduction writing, research and analysis skills as well as conclusion drafting. Lessons also included equipping skills for referencing, plagiarism, paraphrasing and summary writing.

MILITARY TECHNOLOGY

Overview

26 September 2018 - The first session the cohort had with Fawzie bin Pehin Datu Juraragan Laila Diraja Colonel (Rtd.) Dato Seri Pahlawan Hj Kefli centred on technology and its applications to the military. It focused on the history and evolution of technology, national doctrine and how it relates to the acquisition of technology and the importance of the human component in complementing technology.

STAYING ROOTED IN OUR HERITAGE

Castille War: Upholding the Malay Islamic Monarchy (MIB) March - June 1578

The evangelistic expedition of Spanish in the 16th century to the archipelago (now part of modern day Philippines) had resulted in a conflict with Bruneian Empire (at that time the Bruneian empire extended from Borneo to parts of Philippines).

On 14 April 1578, the Spanish declared war on Brunei due to Sultan Saiful Rijal's opposition to the terms given - to allow Christian evangelism in Brunei and cease Islamic teachings in the Philippines and surrounding regions.

Spain succeeded in capturing Brunei's capital Kota Batu on the 16 April 1578. After 72 days of conflict, on 23 June 1578, Bendahara Sakam, brother of the ruling Sultan assembled a small force and successfully expelled the Spanish. The Spanish also suffered heavy losses due to the outbreak of cholera and dysentery. Yet, Spain managed to keep Brunei from regaining a foothold in Luzon. It was not until a few years later that relations began to improve, marking the end of the Castille War.

This historical account illustrated the firm resolve of the people of Brunei when it came to defending the dignity and sovereignty of their nation. The lessons remain relevant, even today, amidst the influences of globalisation- reinvigorating the deep-rootedness of our religion and core belief of MIB. These remain an integral part of our uniquely Bruneian identity and serve as a sombre reminder of the values we hold dearly - that of harmony, self-respect and happiness - in both this world and the hereafter.



TEAM BUILDING

WEEK 4 & 5

Week 4 Champion

Awesome Award Winner

Week 5 Champion

SYNDICATE 4

SYNDICATE 1

SYNDICATE 1

LEADERSHIP AT THE MOVIES

ARMY



Late in 1944, the Allies seem to have the upper hand in the European land war. Operation Market Garden: The Allies attempt to capture several strategically bridges in the Netherlands in the hope of breaking the German lines. A combined British and American paratrooper force plans to take a highway leading from the Netherlands into Germany, so that British ground troops can enter enemy territory. But the Allies soon learn that they may be overconfident; mismanagement and poor planning result in its failure.

Theme:

Poor planning & Over-confident

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NAVY



Crimson Tide focuses on a clash of wills between the new Executive Officer of a U.S. nuclear missile submarine and its seasoned Commanding Officer, arising from conflicting interpretations of an order to launch their missiles. This movie parallels a real incident during the Cuban Missile Crisis, albeit aboard a Soviet rather than a U.S. submarine.

Theme:

Conflict of Leadership Theories

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AIR FORCE



The Top Gun Naval Fighter Weapons School is where the best of the best train to refine their elite flying skills. When hotshot fighter pilot Maverick (Tom Cruise) is sent to the school, his reckless attitude and cocky demeanor put him at odds with the other pilots, especially the cool and collected Iceman (Val Kilmer). But Maverick isn't only competing to be the top fighter pilot, he's also fighting for the attention of his beautiful flight instructor, Charlotte Blackwood (Kelly McGillis).

Theme:

Values Alignment & Decision-Making

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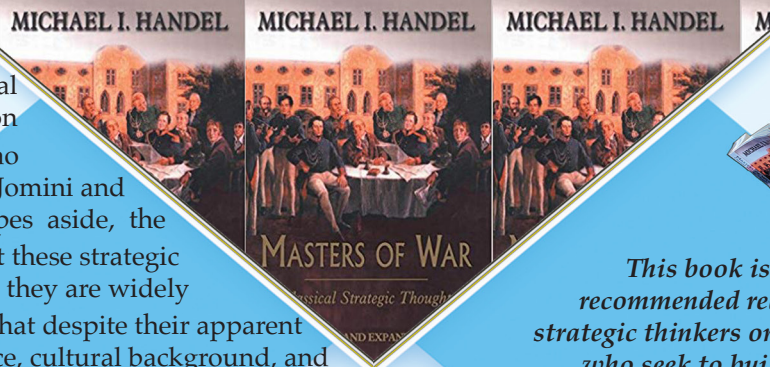


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Leading with KNOWLEDGE

This is the first comprehensive study based on a detailed textual analysis of the classical works on war by Clausewitz, Sun Tzu, Mao Tse-tung, and to a lesser extent, Jomini and Machiavelli. Brushing stereotypes aside, the author takes a fresh look at what these strategic thinkers actually said - not what they are widely believed to have said. He finds that despite their apparent differences in terms of time, place, cultural background, and level of material/technological development, all had much more in common than previously supposed. In fact, the central conclusion of this book is that the logic of waging war and of strategic thinking is as universal and timeless as human nature itself.



This book is a recommended read for strategic thinkers or for those who seek to build the capacity for such a skill.

TO PURCHASE



LEADING WITH TECH



"PLUG & PLAY SHIP"

With uncertainties prevailing over the stability of world economies and rapidly evolving strategic parameters, militaries around the world are grappling between the contrasting dichotomies of reduced defence budgets and increased national security needs. In such a fast changing global environment, conventional special-purposed ships are increasingly considered to be both heavy on financial and manpower costs. With the help of modern technology, established navies around the world have shown indication of shift towards adopting concepts of modularity and flexibility in ship designs. Admittedly, such an approach would do well to alleviate concerns over the abilities of ships to meet undefined future mission whilst simultaneously keeping platforms susceptible to seamless integration of future technologies. To top things off, such an approach are argued to be able to significantly reduce both principal and modernisation costs. This concept is fast gaining traction both in the world and in the ASEAN region.



Leading a HEALTHY Lifestyle

DiETING is an important factor in maintaining a healthy personal Body Mass Index (BMI). By dieting, the challenge is in monitoring our calorie intake. Which is why we recommend using the 'MyFitnessPal' app. By entering your physical details such as your height, weight and age, the app will be able to automatically calculate your recommended daily calorie intake. It also calculates content calories of our local delights such as Ayam Penyet. So, what's your excuse? Start your healthy eating today!

Count Your Calories TODAY

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FOR FURTHER READING



Designing Adaptable Ships Journal

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