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**IOWA NATIONAL GUARD TO HOST 3RD ANNUAL NO MAN'S LAND 10-
KILOMETER TRENCH RUN ON CAMP DODGE SUNDAY, AUG. 5**

On Sunday, Aug. 5, beginning at 7:00 a.m., the Iowa National Guard and the Camp Dodge Joint Maneuver Training Center, 7105 NW 70th Ave., Johnston, will host the No Man's Land Trench Run, a challenging 10-kilometer adventure run.

This physically demanding event is open to the first 1,000 entrants. Registration is open to individuals and/or teams, but participants must be at least 14 years of age at the time of this event. The race is free. Race shirts are \$10 and available for participants to purchase via the registration portal. Runners may register online, through Aug. 3 at <http://www.iowanationalguard.com/Recruiting/NMLTR/Pages/Default.aspx> and complete the entry form.

Registered runners will be able to pick up race packets the day before the run, Saturday, Aug. 4 at the Camp Dodge Freedom Center (Bldg. S70), 7105 NW 70th Ave., Johnston, from 1:00 p.m.-6 p.m.

Race day activities on Sunday, Aug. 5 begin at 5:30 a.m. with sign-in and race packet pick up until 7 a.m. at the Camp Dodge Pool Pavilion. A brief introduction, information about the race, and the National Anthem will take place from 7-7:30 a.m. The race will begin at 7:30 a.m. The Iowa National Guard will host an open house from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the historic Camp Dodge Pool Pavilion, Food Court. The awards ceremony will begin at approximately 10 a.m., followed by live music. Parking is limited and car-pooling is encouraged.

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The 10-kilometer (6.2 mile) run will take participants through multiple training and cantonment areas, woods, rolling hills and prairie on Camp Dodge and will include several challenging obstacles. All runners should be prepared to get wet and muddy. The course is subject to change due to weather implications and related safety considerations.

The No Man's Land Trench Run, named for the dangerous areas between the front lines during WWI, pays homage to the 100th anniversary of WWI and the pivotal role Camp Dodge played in that war. From 1917-1918, Camp Dodge served as a major U.S. Army training base for Soldiers destined for combat duty, with more than 118,000 Soldiers trained at Camp Dodge before deploying to France for combat operations. More than 114,000 Iowans served in the U.S. armed forces during WWI, including 3,576 Iowans who died during the war from battle wounds, injuries, and illness.

Participants may enter Camp Dodge through the main gate at 7105 NW 70th Ave., Johnston. Photo identification (a driver's license or military ID card are acceptable) is required for admittance to Camp Dodge for individuals 16 years of age and older.

ALL motorcyclists (drivers and passengers) on Camp Dodge are required by Department of Defense policy to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) consisting of helmet, eye protection (full-face shield or goggles or sunglasses), gloves, long pants, long-sleeved shirt or jacket, and over-the-ankle footwear while operating on Camp Dodge. Motorcyclists without the required PPE may park their motorcycles outside of Camp Dodge and walk onto post.

For questions concerning this release as well as additional information about the operations, training and activities of the Iowa Army and Air National Guard, please contact Lt. Col. Michael Wunn, Iowa National Guard Public Affairs Officer, by email at michael.a.wunn.mil@mail.mil or (515) 252-4582 (office) or (515) 867-4494 (cell), or contact Maj. Tim Mills at timothy.d.mills10.mil@mail.mil or (515) 252-4282 (office).

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