

From the Editor:

Issue 12 of the MOC Warfighter is the second issue published in the new Digital Commons format. The new MOC Warfighter website has reached full functionality as you can now see data on article downloads and the 'Most Popular Articles' feature has been populated. We hope you find that these features make the MOC Warfighter more useful to you as well as more efficient in helping you find topics pertinent to your duties and interests.

This issue features pertinent articles from both the staff here at the NWC as well as submissions from the fleet.

In "U.S. 6th Fleet Completes First Fleet 360 Wargame", Dave Banschbach discusses the 6th Fleet's MOC involvement in the first Fleet 360 Wargame and the lessons that resulted from that participation. Mr. Banschbach had a unique perspective being the 6th Fleet MOC Training Officer and any MOC staff personnel will benefit from his insights.

In "Navy Planning – It's a Process, Not a Checklist", Prof Steve Kornatz describes how approaching the Navy Planning Process as a checklist risks losing sight of the linkages among the steps that build upon each other throughout the NPP.

In "Planning Pathology: How to avoid complicating Specified and Implied Tasks for the Navy Staff Planner", Prof Chris Krajacich discusses some of the deficiencies and pitfalls staff planners stumble into when discerning Implied Tasks during Mission Analysis.

And in "The MAWS Graduate – Expanding the Operational Capability of Staffs throughout the Fleet", CDR Matt Acanfora details the many capabilities and expertise that a graduate of the NWC's Maritime Advanced Warfighting School brings to an Operational Level Staff.

The strength and value of the MOC Warfighter depends on input and articles from our readers in the fleet. We (the editors at the MOC Warfighter) look forward to your future article submissions as well as your continued support.