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Mission Debrief

OPERATION WAKE SURF

MONTHLY UPDATE



 Loomis, California



Operation Wake Surf wants to welcome all our readers, new and old, to 2025! The last time we all connected was September 2024, and we have been up to A LOT since then! In total, our **XInsurance** Ri265 collectively accumulated over 700hrs of pulling Heroes. We were able to pull over 300 Heroes in several different states including; AZ, NC, TX, CA and NH.

December and January were our months of fundraising! OWS was hosted at **Boondogglers Brewery** in Mooresville, NC. In January, **LIG Rentals** sponsored a fundraising event in Loomis, CA. OWS was able to raise enough funds for the 2025 operational budget!!

On a more somber note, 2025 will be a big year for our very own Robby Maschhaupt. A 15 year career of operating as a Nascar Gasman has taken a toll on his health. Robby had surgery on his left shoulder earlier this month and is expected to have a left knee replacement later in the year. We ask for your prayers during this time of healing and look forward to placing some of our other volunteers in positions to carry on our mission of serving those that serve us while Robby heals.

MEET THE SUPPORTERS

THIS IS MΦNSTER

One of our most exciting and longest partnerships is with Monster Energy. "I was introduced to Robby and the Operation Wake Surf team through a mutual friend several years ago" says Monster Senior Field Marketing Manager Robert Hoover. Robert has served in multiple marketing roles throughout his career. Throughout all his time, Robert has often mentioned how important friendship networking is to him. "Keep doing what you're doing" says Rob. "Enriching the lives of our Veterans is priceless".





SALUTE 2 SERVICE

HOW YOU CAN HELP

2025 has a long list of events coming to serve veterans near you. S2S Events will be hosted in Arizona, California, Texas, North Carolina, Kingsport, Nashville, Tulsa and New Hampshire. All these events will range from 1 to 3 Day events all between April and July. Check out the events section on our website and socials for more information.

[SEE EVENT PICTURES](#)



UP NEXT

APRIL:
LAKE PLEASANT, AZ
FOLSOM LAKE, CA

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MERCHANDISE

We are in the process of designing new merchandise for the 2025 season. In the meantime, check out some swag from one of our partners Roswell Marine.

[roswellmarine.com](https://www.roswellmarine.com)

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HERO SPOTLIGHT

ALEX BOWEN - ARMY

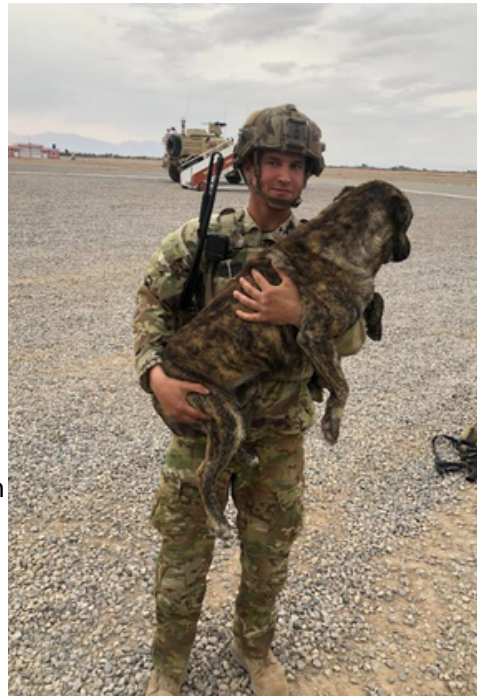
Alex was a guest at the Operation Wake Surf 3-Day event on Lake Norman in June 2024. Alex served as an Army Infantry Officer in the 82nd Airborne serving 9 months in Afghanistan before returning home to Davidson, NC, where he currently works in construction.

"I was fortunate enough to have been driving around Huntersville, NC when my girlfriend and I saw this amazing Operation Wake Surf truck," Alex says. "Without my knowledge, my girlfriend investigated OWS and signed me up for the June hero event. When Robby called me, I thought it was a scam and too good to be true".

Alex's hobbies include anything outdoors. "I grew up snowboarding, so transitioning to a wakeboard was great muscle memory for me". Alex, his fiancé, and her 13-year-old son love spending time on the water together.

While at the 3-Day event, Alex had the opportunity to connect with our very own Ziggy Graves. Both Alex and Ziggy spent time in the same Infantry School at Fort Bragg. While getting to know each other more, both found out they had a close mutual friend that they had both served with. Alex also had the opportunity to connect with fellow Hero Dakota Farrow of **MilSpec K9**, an organization that adopts, trains and donates service dogs to Heroes. After returning home from his last deployment, Alex had tragically lost his family dog. Alex and Dakota were able to develop a relationship throughout the 2024 event, which resulted in MilSpec K9 awarding Alex and his family with a beloved Black Lab named Lucy.

"I had an incredible weekend meeting some of the most genuine and fun people," says Alex. "I hope to have the opportunity to volunteer with OWS for future events".



IT TAKES A VILLAGE

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