



Members of the ATC Purple Cobras stand together proudly as the 2007 Flag Football Tournament Champions.

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## Purple Cobras strike victory

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As Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point's intramural flag football season came to a close, the flame of competition burned with greater intensity.

The season began Aug. 21 and pitted nine teams against each other in a series of about 35 games.

"Our season winners were the Installation Personnel Administration Center's Dem IPAC Boyz in First place and Air Traffic Control's Purple Cobras in 2nd place," said Zac Leingang, the air station's sports coordinator. "A lot of teams played hard in pouring rain with no complaints and walked away covered in mud, and still smiling."

A double-elimination tournament was held, Oct. 9, following the determination of the final game bracket for the season.

In the first game of the tournament, Dem IPAC Boyz struggled against Combat Logistics Company 21's All-Stars with a 13-13 tie at half time.

Dem IPAC Boyz quickly edged by All-Stars and came out on top with a score of 33-19.

During the second game, Dem IPAC Boyz were pitted against a familiar team, the season's runner up, the Purple Cobras.

The Purple Cobras dominated the game, displaying a spirit of vengeance that brought their score to 25-0.

"It was great to win," said Thomas Krause, a cornerback with the Purple Cobras. "We've had a few hard games, but we had the right players and we were able to shut them out."

Leingang said throughout the season the Semper Fit Athletic Department's intent was to ensure Marines were able to play at the air station's softball field Monday through Thursday to give them as much game time as possible.

"Some of the Marines are about to deploy, so we wanted them to get plenty of recreation," said Leingang.

"We would like them to be able to reminisce about the games they played here."

For more information on upcoming sports events, contact the station's Semper Fit Athletic Department at 466-2390.