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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

USS CHOSIN (CG 65), homeported in Pearl Harbor, HI, was commanded by Captain Dennis R. Dean until his relief and retirement on 6 December 1996. His relief, Captain Mark Jackson Edwards reported from the Staff of the Chief of Naval Operations. CHOSIN's Immediate Superior in Command (ISIC) is Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group ONE (CCDG-1), Rear Admiral W. R. Schmidt. Commander Tom Rowden was relieved as Executive Officer in January 1996 by LCDR Tuck Hord. LCDR Bob Marcineck was relieved as Supply Officer by LCDR Guy Leopard in July. LCDR Tom Neal was relieved as Combat Systems Officer by LCDR Dave Sheridan in July, who flected up from Weapons Officer. LT Dave Fischer also reported aboard as Weapons Officer in July. LCDR William Tower was relieved as Chief Engineer by LCDR Manny Domingo. Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL) Thirty-Seven Detachment SIX was CHOSIN's dedicated Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System (LAMPS) team throughout the year and will remain with CHOSIN through deployment in 1997. LCDR Eric Dawson assumed duties as Officer in Charge (OIC). The detachment includes two SH-60B helicopters: Easyrider 62 and Easyrider 66.

Enclosure (1)

1996 Chronology

- 01-09 January: Continued with Holiday stand down and upkeep period, inport Pearl Harbor, HI.
- 10-12 January: Type Commander Training. Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
- 13-15 January: Inport Pearl Harbor, HI.
- 16 January: Berth shift to W-4, Naval Magazine Lualualei, Pearl Harbor, HI.
Commenced ammunition onload.
Advancement and Frocking ceremony.
- 17 January: Completed initial ammunition onload. Loaded 4 Harpoon missiles, 90 SM-2 missiles, 5" shot and powder, CIWS ammunition, MK-46 torpedoes.
Berth Shift back to Naval Station Pearl Harbor, HI.
- 18 January-
04 February: Inport Pearl Harbor, HI. Upkeep period with Intermediate Maintenance Availability.
- 19 January: Safety Stand down.
Commenced JTIDS installation.
- 05-07 February: Command Assessment of Readiness and Training Phase II (CART II).
Administrative review.
- 08-09 February: Underway, Middle Pacific Operating Area.
10-19 February: Conducted Logistics, Administration, and Training Review (LATR).
- 12-16 February: Conducted Harpoon Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification Training.
- 20-25 February: Conducted Tailored Ship's Training Availability I.
- 23 February: Awards Ceremony.
- 26 February-
01 March: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area. Continued at-sea exercises for Tailored Ship's Training Availability I.
- 04-08 March: Continued Tailored Ship's Training Availability I.

Enclosure (2)

11-15 March: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Continued Tailored Ship's Training Availability I.
Tomahawk Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification Training.

16-24 March: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

18-22 March: Combined Harpoon and Tomahawk Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification Training.

22 March: Awards Ceremony.

25-29 March: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Conducted Tailored Ship's Training Availability II.

30 March-14 April: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

01-12 April: Intermediate Maintenance Availability.

15-19 April: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Conducted Tailored Ship's Training Availability II.

22-26 April: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Continued Tailored Ship's Training Availability II.

23 April: Vandal Missile Exercise.

25 April: Torpedo Exercise.

29 April-03 May: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Continued Tailored Ship's Training Availability II.

04-12 May : Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

06-10 May: Conducted Command Assessment.
Conducted Logistics Management Assessment.

12-24 May: Intermediate Maintenance Availability.

13-17 May: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Continued Tailored Ship's Training Availability II.

20-24 May: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Continued Tailored Ship's Training Availability II.

25 May-03 June: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

28-30 May: Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification.

04-17 June: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Rim of the Pacific 1996 Exercise.

20 June: Human Immune-Deficiency Virus Stand down.
Retirement Ceremony for LT William Cress, USN and LT Suzie Cress,
USN.

24 June: Ammunition Onload.

24-29 June: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Conducted Tailored Ship's Training Availability III.

01-02 July: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Conducted Engineering Certification.

03-07 July: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

08-11 July: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Conducted Final Evaluation Problem (FEP).

12 July: CHOSIN Family Picnic at Bellows Air Force Base.

15-16 July: Navy Rights and Responsibilities Workshop.

24 July: Conducted Safety Stand down.

25 July: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area.
Conducted dependents cruise to Lahaina, Maui for 164 family members.

30 July: Underway Middle Pacific Operating Area,
Conducted return dependents cruise.

31 July-19 August: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

20-26 August: Underway. Transit to Portland, OR.

27-31 August: Inport Portland, OR in support of 6th Bi-annual International Reunion of
the Chosin Few.

01-02 September: Underway. Transit to San Francisco, CA.

03-05 September: Inport San Francisco, CA.

06-11 September: Underway. Transit to Pearl Harbor, HI.

12 September-
15 October: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

16-21 October: Underway. Transit to San Diego, CA.

21-25 October: Underway Southern California Operating Area.
Conducted Composite Training Unit Exercise with USS
CONSTELLATION Task Group.

26 October-
03 November: Inport San Diego, CA for Training Availability.

04-08 November: Underway Southern California Operating Area.
Conducted Composite Training Unit Exercise.

09-13 November: Inport San Diego, CA for Training Availability.

14-20 November: Underway Southern California Operating Area.
Conducted Composite Training Unit Exercise.

20-21 November: Inport Seal Beach, CA.
Conducted ammunition onload.

21-26 November: Underway. Transit to Pearl Harbor, HI.

27 November-
31 December: Inport. Maintenance and Upkeep.

03-13 December: Conducted Combat Systems Readiness Review (CSRR).

06 December: Change of Command.
Captain Mark Jackson Edwards, USN relieves Captain Dennis Ross Dean,
USN. Captain Dean retires.

20-31 December: Holiday leave and upkeep.