



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
HELICOPTER ANTI-SUBMARINE SQUADRON LIGHT FOUR FIVE
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From: Commanding Officer, HSL 45
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Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12F

Encl: (1) CO Biography and Photograph
(2) 1998 CNO Aviation Safety Award Nomination Package
(3) 1998 Flight Hour Summary
(4) HSL 45 Organization and Structure
(5) CY 1998 Detachments

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (5) are provided.

a. Command Mission. Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light FOUR FIVE's primary mission is to provide fully mission capable LAMPS MK III detachments for deployment aboard cruisers, destroyers, and frigates assigned to the U.S. Pacific Fleet. The helicopters assigned to these detachments are an integral part of the ship's weapons systems, extending the ship's anti-surface, subsurface and strike capabilities. They also perform medical evacuation, vertical replenishment, and communications relay.

b. Organizational Structure

- Immediate Senior in Command: Commander, Helicopter Anti-Submarine Light Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet.
- Commanding Officer: Thomas P. O'Keefe, CDR, USN
- Executive Officer: Stephen Greene, CDR, USN

Homeport

Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego, CA

Aircraft Assigned

Type: SH-60B Seahawk

Number: Ten

Tailcode: TZ (Tango Zulu)

2. HSL 45 Chronology for 1998

January

05	AE3 Galloway	Letter of Commendation
05	YNC(AW) Gallagher	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

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14	AO3 Salter	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
14	AO1 Arroyo	Letter of Appreciation
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17	AD3(AW)Judd	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
23	AZ2 (AW/SW) Martin	Sea Sailor of the Year
23	AT1(AW) Snelbaker	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
23	AW1(AW) Reedy	Sea Sailor of the Year
23	AZ1 Fielder	Shore Sailor of the Year
23	PC3 Branch	Junior Shore Sailor of the Year
23	PC3 Branch	Junior Sailor of the Month
23	AD3(AW) Bannan	Junior Sea Sailor of the Year
23	AD3(AW) Bannan	Junior Sailor of the Quarter
23	AMS2(AW) Behrends	Senior Sailor of the Month
23	AMH1(AW) Bare	Senior Sailor of the Quarter
23	YN2 Etcheverry	Shore Sailor of the Year
26	AO2 Wetherhold	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

February

03	LCDR Eason	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
03	LT Palmerino	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
04	AZ1(AW) Palena	Letter of Commendation
04	LT Borges	HSL 45 Pilot of the Year
04	CWO2 Reid	Letter of Commendation
06	AE2(AW/SW) Ewing	Letter of Commendation
17	AT2(AW) Farrell	Letter of Commendation
17	AZ1(AW) Palena	Letter of Commendation
17	AT2(AW) Chapman	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
17	AZ1(AW) Gilkison	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
18	AO2 Wetherhold	Senior Sailor of the Month
18	AE3 Howard	Junior Sailor of the Month
18	AE1 Martin	Letter of Commendation
23	ADC(AW) Francisco	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
23	LT Borges	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
27	AD2 Whitten	Letter of Appreciation

March

10	AZ2 Transbarger	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
10	LT Garcia	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
10	AD2 Whitten	Letter of Commendation
10	PR1 Delossantos	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
13	AD3 Davidson	Junior Sailor of the Month
16	AEAN Ngo	Letter of Commendation
17	AEAN Askam	Letter of Academic Achievement
25	AT3 Parcell	Letter of Commendation
25	AE2(AW) Davis	Letter of Commendation
25	AK1 Cates	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

April

03	AMS1(AW) Rosal	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
07	AECS(AW) Walsh	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

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07	ADC(AW) Balleser	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
13	AMH3 Berckmann	Junior Sailor of the Quarter
20	AE1(AW) McLaughlin	Senior Sailor of the Quarter
23	ABH2(AW) Murray	Letter of Commendation

May

01	AT2 Snow	Letter of Commendation
01	AT2(AW) Bailey	Letter of Commendation
07	AE1(AW) McLaughlin	COMHSLWINGPAC Senior Sailor of the Quarter
11	LT Kanas	Letter of Appreciation
11	AD1 Allendorf	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW1(AW) Jacobson	Senior Sailor of the Month
14	ADAN Hammerlun	Junior Sailor of the Month
14	HM3 Sullivan	Letter of Commendation
14	HM3 James	Letter of Commendation
14	HM1 Dooley	Letter of Commendation
14	HN Pruitt	Letter of Commendation
14	HMC(SS) Volker	Letter of Commendation
14	HMC(FMF) Golden	Letter of Commendation
14	CDR Bloom	Letter of Commendation
14	HMCS(SW) Taylor	Letter of Commendation
18	HCMC(SW) Mueller	Meritorious Service Medal
19	YN3 Wooten	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
20	AWC(AW) Sherman	Letter of Appreciation
26	AD1 Medved	Letter of Commendation
28	AT3 Roca	Letter of Commendation

June

01	LCDR Ruttenburg	Meritorious Unit Commendation
01	AZAN Rangelgutierrez	Letter of Commendation
04	AD2(AW) Agoncillo	Senior Sailor of the Month
04	AMS1(AW) Rosal	Letter of Appreciation
05	AO3 (AW) Shade	Junior Sailor of the Month
10	AZC(AW) Rogers	Letter of Appreciation
10	AECS(AW) Walsh	Letter of Appreciation
15	AW2 Emmons	Letter of Commendation
18	AZC(AW) Rogers	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
26	LTJG Avery	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
26	LT Gominiak	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
29	AT3 Salcedo	Letter of Commendation
29	AMSC(AW) Enriquez	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
29	AMSC(AW/SW) Layton	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
29	AD1 Medved	Letter of Appreciation
30	HCMC(SW) Mueller	Letter of Appreciation

July

01	PN2(FMF) Machling	Letter of Commendation Letter of Commendation
06	AMH1 Efland	Letter of Commendation
08	AE2(AW) Ferguson	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
08	AWC(AW) Sherman	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

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08	AZ2 Henson	Letter of Commendation
13	AT2(AW) Dionne	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
17	AK1(AW) Thompson	Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal
17	LCDR Sharp	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
21	AD1(AW) Cortez	Senior Sailor of the Month
21	AW3(AW) Espinoza	Junior Sailor of the Month
22	AZ2 Alfaro	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
22	AEAN Berthet	Letter of Commendation
22	LT Roppolo	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
22	LT Brooks	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
23	AO2 Ladelia	Letter of Commendation
23	AEAN Turner	Letter of Commendation
23	ATAN Ekstrom	Letter of Commendation
23	AZ2 Tranbarger	Letter of Commendation
23	AZ1 Fielder	Letter of Commendation
23	AW3 Berkebile	Letter of Appreciation
23	AD1(AW) Mastascuso	Letter of Commendation
23	AW2(AW) Emmons	Letter of Appreciation
23	AK2 Abille	Letter of Commendation
23	AK1(AW) Thompson	Letter of Commendation
23	AT1 Tucker	Letter of Commendation
23	AW3(AW) Espinoza	Letter of Appreciation
23	AW3 Jacques	Letter of Appreciation
23	AW3 Moore	Letter of Appreciation
23	AW3 Gilbert	Letter of Appreciation
23	AW3 Ames	Letter of Appreciation
23	AEAN Berthet	Letter of Commendation
23	AR Courtney	Letter of Commendation
23	AEAA Askam	Letter of Commendation
23	AZ3 Rangelgutierrez	Letter of Commendation
23	PR1 Mose	Letter of Commendation
29	AT3 Cole	Letter of Appreciation
31	AMH1 Efland	Letter of Appreciation

August

07	CDR Gomrick	Meritorious Service Medal
19	AEAN Bell	Junior Sailor of the Month
20	AMS2(AW) Hester	Senior Sailor of the Month
21	AT3 Roth	Letter of Commendation
31	ADC(AW) Ducot	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
31	AT2 Rice	Letter of Appreciation
31	PR3 Bitangcol	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal

September

02	YN2 Oubre	Letter of Appreciation
02	AZ3 Jason	Letter of Appreciation
02	AMS1 Giron	Letter of Commendation
02	YNC Emling	Letter of Appreciation
02	AZ1 Fielder	Letter of Appreciation
02	AD2 Agoncillo	Letter of Appreciation
24	LT Brooks	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
24	ADC(AW) Ducot	Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal

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October

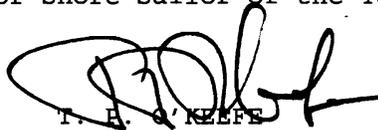
12	AD3 Hammerlun	Letter of Appreciation
12	PC3 Branch	Letter of Appreciation
12	YN3 Samuel	Letter of Appreciation
12	YN2 Oubre	Letter of Appreciation
12	YN2 (SW) Alexander	Letter of Appreciation
12	YN1 (SW) Jones	Letter of Appreciation
12	YNC(AW) Towson	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW2(AW) Berardi	Letter of Appreciation
12	AR Rivera	Letter of Appreciation
12	AO2 Shade	Letter of Appreciation
12	ATAA Lopez	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW1(AW) Martino	Letter of Appreciation
12	BM2 (SW) Wilson	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW3 Berkebile	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW3 Ames	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW3 Espinoza	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW2 Apple	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW3 Moore	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW1(AW) Reedy	Letter of Appreciation
12	AW1(AW) Jacobson	Letter of Appreciation
12	AMS3 Canlas	Letter of Appreciation
12	AEAN Oliver	Letter of Appreciation
12	ADC Zappa	Letter of Appreciation
12	AN Flores	Letter of Appreciation
14	CDR O'Keefe	Letter of Appreciation
15	AD2 (AW) Agoncillo	Senior Sailor of the Quarter
29	LT Bauernschmidt	Letter of Appreciation
29	LCDR Groelinger	Letter of Appreciation
29	LCDR Lankford	Letter of Appreciation

November

16	LT Nolan	Letter of Commendation
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December

03	AMH1(AW) Bare	Senior Sailor of the Month
08	AW3(AW) Espinoza	Junior Sailor of the Quarter
16	AW1(AW) Jacobson	Senior Sailor of the Quarter
16	LTJG Choate	Officer of the Year
16	LT Vorce	Pilot of the Year
16	AD1(AW) Campano	Senior Sea Sailor of the Year
16	AE1(AW) Kresge	Senior Shore Sailor of the Year
16	AW2(AW/NAC) Espinoza	Junior Sea Sailor of the Year
16	PC2 Branch	Junior Shore Sailor of the Year


T. A. O'KEEFE

CY 1998 DETACHMENTS

DET TEN

Officer in Charge
Maintenance Officer
Operations Officer
Administrative Officer

LCDR T. M. Wilson
LT D. J. Mendler
LT J. M. Vorce
LT J. A. Baltes

DET ONE

Officer in Charge
Maintenance Officer
Operations Officer
Administrative Officer

LCDR R. A. Powers
LT C. H. Weller
LT C. L. Culver
LTJG G. I. Harris

DET TWO

Officer in Charge
Maintenance Officer
Operations Officer
Administrative Officer

LCDR C. E. Huff
LT J. H. Pershing
LT L. G. Nelson
LTJG C. L. McClland

DET THREE

Officer in Charge
Maintenance Officer
Operations Officer
Administrative Officer

LCDR B. O. Lankford
LT J. T. Kanas
LT K. H. Porter
LTJG M. K. Kaslik