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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

MISSION: The Black Eagles are tasked with providing ship based Airborne Early Warning as well as Command and Control for the Carrier Battle Group.

ISIC: Carrier Air Wing FOURTEEN

Commanding Officer: CDR John B. Gregor

Homeport: NAS Miramar

Type and Number of Aircraft: (4) E-2C Hawkeyes

Tail Code: NK

Bureau Numbers: 161096, 159498, 160703, 161227

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SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1990

ABBREVIATED FORMAT

JANUARY

01-15
15-26
27-28
29-31

NAS MIRAMAR
ISE/REFTRA (CV 62)
INPORT SAN DIEGO
REFTRA/CQ (CV 62)

FEBRUARY

01-02
03-25
12-15
16
20-21

26-28

REFTRA/CQ (CV 62)
NAS MIRAMAR - LOCAL OPS
DACT, IN-OUT LEMOORE NAS
CNO PROJECT 59
E-2C CROSS TRAINING/DACT
IN-OUT LEMOORE
AOPS/ATA (CV 62)

MARCH

01-22
23-31

AOPS/ATA (CV 62)
LOCAL OPS (MIRAMAR NAS)

APRIL

01-08
09-22
23-30

LOCAL OPS (MIRAMAR NAS)
COMPTUEX (CV 62) SOCIAL
INPORT SAN DIEGO/NAS
MIRAMAR

MAY

01-20

12-13
21-31

RIMPAC '90 (CV 62)
TRANSIT TO HAWAII AND
RETURN
INPORT HAWAII
NAS MIRAMAR

JUNE

01-22

23-30

NAS MIRAMAR - PRE-
DEPLOYMENT POM
READIEX 90-1B (CV 62)/
COMMENCED WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT/
TRANSIT TO HAWAII

JULY

01-03
04
05-19
20-22
23-31

BGE (HAWAIIAN OP AREAS)
INPORT HAWAII
TRANSIT TO PHILIPPINES
INPORT PHILIPPINES
ENROUTE TRANSIT TO DIEGO
GARCIA FOR WEAPONS WEEK

AUGUST

01-02

03-09

10-31

SEPTEMBER

01-30

OCTOBER

01-31

02-04

NOVEMBER

01-03

04-10

11-14

15-18

19-23

24-26

27-28

29-30

DECEMBER

01-11

12

13-17

20-31

TRANSIT ENROUTE DIEGO
GARCIA
CONTINGENCY TASKING -
ENROUTE GULF OF OMAN
ON STATION GULF OF OMAN
OPERATION DESERT SHIELD

DESERT SHIELD CONTINGENCY
OPS (CV 62)

DESERT SHIELD CONTINGENCY
OPS (CV 62)
ARABIAN GULF CONTINGENCY
OPS (CV 62)

DESERT SHIELD CONTINGENCY
OPS (CV 62)
TRANSIT - SINGAPORE
INPORT SINGAPORE
ENROUTE HONG KONG
INPORT HONG KONG
ENROUTE PHILIPPINES
INPORT PHILIPPINES
ENROUTE HAWAII

ENROUTE HAWAII
INPORT HAWAII
ENROUTE SAN DIEGO
INPORT SAN DIEGO/SQUADRON
POST CRUISE STANDDOWN

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NARRATIVE FORMAT

VAW-113, commanded by John B. Gregor began 1990 at our home station, NAS Miramar. Having just completed a WESTPAC/Indian Ocean deployment and a major Northern Pacific exercise, the Black Eagles were tasked with a shortened turn-around. Midway through January, the squadron participated in Independent Steaming Exercise onboard the USS INDEPENDENCE (CV-62), completing Refresher Training and Carrier Qualification exercises.

In February, the squadron was underway again, working up with the new CV-62/CVW-14 team, taking decisive steps to help the ship and air wing grow as a team. Advanced Training Assessment Exercise was conducted in March with VAW-113 scoring highest in CVW-14 in each and every tested area. After a two week respite, the high tempo turn-around continued. April and May were underway with RIMPAC '90, an extremely successful multi-national exercise. Prior to returning to San Diego for Prior to Overseas Movement (POM), the squadron stopped in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, for a two day rest.

In June, the squadron departed for the Western Pacific, and started the deployment with a rousing success in the Battle Group Exercise, where VAW-113 was the Command and Control centerpiece in every warfare area. Admiral Dorsey stated this was the best Battle Group Exercise he had seen in his three years as Commander, Third Fleet. After a quick stop in Hawaii, the INDEPENDENCE continued west on deployment. The Black Eagles provided the battle group with outstanding Airborne Early Warning prior to pulling into NAS Cubi Point, R.P. and continuing on into the Indian Ocean.

Steaming toward Diego Garcia for Weapons Week, Battle Group Delta was ordered to alter its plans and steam to the North Arabian Sea.

In early August, Battle Group Delta was the first U.S. force to respond to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. For three months, VAW-113 answered every call in support of Operation Desert Shield, operating throughout the Gulf of Oman and Arabian (Persian) Gulf. During Operation Desert Shield, we provided outstanding Command and Control that the USS INDEPENDENCE, Battle Group Delta and Commander, Carrier Air Wing 14 have grown to consider the finest.

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After completing our tour on station in support of Operation Desert Shield, the Black Eagles began our trek home. Again, VAW-113 was able to provide the finest Airborne Early Warning to the Battle Group, as they continued to train their personnel and aircrew. Airborne Early Warning coordination was tasked and delivered as the Black Eagles made port visits to Singapore, Hong Kong and Subic Bay, R.P. The Black Eagles won the coveted CVW-14 Tailhook Award for cruise 1990 with the highest squadron landing grades.

In December, after a three week extension and three months participation in Operation Desert Shield, the Black Eagles returned to San Diego for a jubilant homecoming, after the most successful cruise in recent memory.

HOURS AND TRAPS FOR 1990, 1 JAN TO 31 DEC

HOURS FLOWN	2670.9
NIGHT HOURS	853.7
EMBARKED HOURS	2449.5
CARRIER LANDINGS	900

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