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From: Commanding Officer, Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron 120
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Encl: (1) CY-98 VAW 120 Command History
(2) Commanding Officer's Biography
(3) VAW 120 Squadron History
(4) 3.5 inch disk containing above, and JPEG of CO

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.
2. Late submission due to administrative error.


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CY-98 VAW 120 COMMAND HISTORY

COMMAND MISSION

Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY is the Fleet Replacement Squadron for the Carrier Airborne Early Warning and Fleet Logistics Support Communities. It is our primary duty to indoctrinate and train Naval Aviators, Naval Flight Officers, and enlisted Naval Aircrewmembers in the operation of the E-2C "Hawkeye" and C-2A "Greyhound" aircraft.

COMMAND ORGANIZATION

VAW-120 is a shore command permanently based at Naval Air Station Norfolk, Virginia. The squadron's nickname is "The Greyhawks".

Commander, Airborne Early Warning Wing Atlantic		ISIC
CAPT David T. Keuhlen	Commanding Officer	Jan 98 - Oct 98
CDR Brian M. Roby	Commanding Officer	Oct 98 - Dec 98
CDR Harry Robinson	Executive Officer	Jan 98 - Aug 98
CDR Raoul Rall	Executive Officer	Aug 98 - Dec 98
CDR William Havens	Maintenance Officer	Jan 98 - Jul 98
CDR Luther Kinsey	Maintenance Officer	Jul 98 - Dec 98
LCDR Marty Plumleigh	Operations Officer	Jan 98 - Dec 98
LCDR Kevin Andersen	Operations Officer	Dec 98 - Dec 98
LCDR Matt Danehy	Administrative Officer	Jan 98 - Dec 98
LCDR Chris Sullivan	Safety Officer	Jan 98 - Aug 98
LCDR Howard Johnson	Safety Officer	Aug 98 - Dec 98
LCDR James Godek	Training Officer	Jan 98 - Aug 98
CDR John Morrison	Training Officer	Aug 98 - Dec 98
LCDR Dan Knaus	Human Resources Officer	Jan 98 - Aug 98

LCDR Charles Daniels Human Resources Officer Aug 98 - Dec 98

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL ON BOARD

<u>Staff Officers</u>	<u>Staff Enlisted</u>	<u>Student Officers</u>	<u>Student Enlisted</u>
70	350	110	8

OPERATIONS

The Operations Department schedules every training and flight event at VAW 120. This group of officers works closely with the Training Department on a daily basis ensuring every element of the CNO syllabus is completed for category I through category IV students. In 1998, 50 pilots, 59 Naval Flight Officers (NFO's) and 20 C-2A(R) enlisted Naval Aircrewmembers completed the E-2C and C-2A(R) training syllabi. The squadron logged 6835 total flight hours, all of which were class "A" mishap-free. Squadron personnel developed and presented numerous VIP orientation briefings and aircraft indoctrination tours for visiting groups and prospective Carrier Air Wing Commanders. Additionally, VAW 120 trains foreign military students of Egypt, France, Singapore, and Taiwan.

The Operations Department scheduled and coordinated five Field Carrier Landing Practice and five Carrier Qualification detachments. These comprehensive tasks included determining the aircraft assets required, training to be completed, field or carrier usage, billeting, maintenance support, funding and other miscellaneous items. Operations was responsible for scheduling and contracting Air Intercept Control (AIC) aircraft assets which were employed for student NFO's to become AIC qualified.

VAW 120 is routinely tasked with providing tours for visiting groups such as the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps, the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, the Sea Cadets and the Boy Scouts of America. These briefings are designed to orientate prospective naval officers and enlisted personnel to the capabilities, limitations and mission of the E-2C "Hawkeye" and the C-2A(R) "Greyhound".

MAINTENANCE

The Maintenance Department at VAW 120 provides the aircraft maintenance support necessary to accomplish the command's training mission. It currently provides all scheduled, unscheduled and special maintenance requirements for 12 E-2C and 5 C-2A(R) aircraft.

As the largest department in the squadron, it contains approximately 70% of all permanently assigned personnel consisting of over 200 enlisted maintenance personnel, 23 Chief Petty Officers and 11 Officers.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT

CY 98 was another impressive year of operational safety for the Greyhawks. The squadron flew 6835 hours and logged 804 arrested landings. Highlights for the year include:

TOTAL HOURS:	6835
TOTAL EMBARKED HOURS:	650
TOTAL NIGHT HOURS:	1066
TOTAL ARRESTED LANDINGS:	804
TOTAL NIGHT ARRESTED LANDINGS:	497
NUMBER OF E2C NATOPS CHANGES SUBMITTED:	56
NUMBER OF C2A NATOPS CHANGES SUBMITTED:	25
NUMBER OF HAZREPS SUBMITTED:	8
NUMBER SUBMITTED OF:	
HMR:	18
TPDR:	2
EI:	15
QDR:	5
NUMBER SAFETY ARTICLES PUBLISHED:	3
NUMBER OF SAFETY STAND DOWNS:	4
LAST:	DEC 98
NUMBER OF MISHAPS:	1 (Class C)
NUMBER OF FLIGHT VIOLATIONS:	0

TRAINING DEPARTMENT

The 2F110 Operational Flight Trainer (OFT) was transferred in January for upgrading to a Group 2/Navigation upgrade simulator. The 2F166 (#2) Group 0/C2 OFT was conditionally accepted in January as a replacement for the 2F110.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

No significant actions.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

No significant actions.