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UNIT <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO</b>	REPORTING PERIOD FROM <b>1 Jan 1960</b> TO <b>31 Mar 1960</b>
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**PART I - ALL UNITS**

1. UNIT (Name and/or designation. If different from previous period, give prior designation, date changed, and authorization. New units show date and place of commissioning.)					<b>Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO</b>				
2. COMMANDING OFFICER <b>Jack D. KENDALL</b>			RANK <b>CDR</b>	RELIEVED (If command changed) <b>J. H. LOBDELL</b>			DATE <b>31 Mar 1960</b>		
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)									
		NAVAL	AVIATORS		AIR PILOTS		OTHER		TOTAL
		OFFICER	27				3		30
		ENLISTED					137		137
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)									
NA									

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
USS MIDWAY (CVA-41)	1 Jan 60 - 25 Mar 60
NAS Alameda, California	25 Mar 60 - 31 Mar 60

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
Commander Carrier Air Group TWO		Commander Carrier Air Group TWO	

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
	NA	

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.	Exercise Blue Sky	15 Feb 60	JOC Taiwan	
b.	Air Defense Exercise	28 Feb 60	ADCC Okinawa	
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

Ref: (a) Squadron participated in strikes on Taiwan in order to exercise Chinese Nationalist defensive capability.

Ref: (b) Squadron participated in strikes on Okinawa in order to exercise defensive capability of ADCC, Okinawa.

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

NA

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
NA	

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. NA		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL (gals)	AVIATION FUEL (gals)

5-6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS
NA	NA

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
FJ-4B	13	

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			TOTAL
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	
January	17	410.0	211.0	12		
February	17	326.1	167.0	14		
March	17	103.4	50.0	2		
	TOTAL	839.5	428.0	28		

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED
NA		

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART
NA		

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART
NA		

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD
NA	

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

COMMANDING OFFICER <i>Jack D. Kendall</i> Jack D. KENDALL	RANK CDR	DATE FORWARDED 12 April 1960
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UNIT Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO	REPORTING PERIOD FROM 1 April TO 30 Sep 1960
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2. COMMANDING OFFICER JACK D. KENDALL	RANK CDR	RELIEVED (If command changed)	DATE		
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)	NAVAL	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
	OFFICER	17		2	19
	ENLISTED		0	130	130
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)					

NA

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
Naval Air Station, Alameda, California	

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

NA

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)			
a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
Commander Carrier Air Group TWO		Commander Carrier Air Group TWO	

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
NA		

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.	NA			
b.				
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

NA

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

Syllabus ground training and syllabus light jet attack training flights

PART - II SHIPS

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LOCATION	PERIOD
NA	

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a. NA		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

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PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD
NA			

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
A4D-2	14	24 May 1960

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			TOTAL
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	
APRIL	22	176.5	176.5			176.5
MAY	18	228.9	228.9			228.9
JUNE	18	368.5	368.5			368.5
JULY	18	312.0	312.0			312.0
AUGUST	17	504.0	504.0			504.0
SEPTEMBER	18	646.4	646.4			646.4
	TOTAL	2236.3	2236.3			2236.3

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED
NA		

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

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UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART
NA		

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART
NA		

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD
NA	

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

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None

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

None

COMMANDING OFFICER <i>Jack D. Kendall</i> JACK D. KENDALL	RANK CDR, USN	DATE FORWARDED 7 October 1960
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See effective edition of OPNAVINST 5750.8

Unit <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO</b>	Period Covered (From - To) <b>31 September 1960-31 March 1961</b>
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>J. D. Kendall</i> <b>JACK D. KENDALL, CDR, USN</b>	Date Forwarded <b>20 April 1961</b>

DIRECTIONS: Complete in duplicate semi-annually for periods ending 31 March and 30 September, retain copy and forward original to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Op-05A5G, Navy Department, Washington 25, D. C., within 15 days after report period. No covering letter is required.

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2. Commanding Officer

**CDR JACK D. KENDALL, USN**

C.O. relieved if command changed this period

Date of change

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
OFFICER	17		2	19
ENLISTED		0	110	110
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

**COMMANDER CARRIER AIR GROUP TWO**

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
31 SEP - 15 FEB	U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION, ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA
16 FEB - 31 MAR	WESTPAC embarked in USS MIDWAY (CVA-41)

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

8. *Official or other recognition of accomplishment* - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

9. *General resume of activity* - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

The squadron completed the VA Training syllabus and carrier qualifications designating 17 aviators as Special Weapons Delivery pilots. LCDR C. L. BUSH, USN made the 88,000th Carrier Landing aboard the USS MIDWAY. From 8 January 1961 to 22 January 1961 eight aviators deployed to MCAAS YUMA, Arizona to develop special night strike tactics. On returning from MCAAS Yuma, the squadron was given a WEPTRAEX and STRIKEX off the California coast in USS MIDWAY (CVA-41). On 15 February 1961 the squadron deployed in USS MIDWAY for a scheduled eight month cruise. ORI and NORM were given from 20 February 1961 through 24 February 1961 in the Hawaiian area. The squadron spent 6 March 1961 in Guam and then participated in Exercise TOP HAT operating in the Philippine area. After three days of rest and recuperation in Hong Kong, BCC, 20-23 March 1961, USS MIDWAY was ordered to the South China Sea to act as a deterrent to the increasingly critical Laotian situation.







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ATKRON 22 has just completed a seven and one half month deployment aboard the USS MIDWAY ( CVA-41 ). Flying A4D-2 aircraft, the squadron's mission was nuclear weapons delivery and conventional weapons attack.

The MIDWAY and VA-22 stood guard in the South China Sea in March and April during the Laos crisis. Ports of call on the cruise included Hawaii, Guam, Okinawa, Yokosuka, Kobe, Iwakuni, and Sasebo Japan. VA-22 maintained its pilot safety record through this third consecutive cruise with an accident free deployment. During the cruise intensive training was conducted in special weapons delivery tactics, conventional weapons delivery, long range navigation, and night attack tactics.

Returning to CONUS 28 September 1961, ATKRON 22 moved to new quarters at the Navy's giant new Air Station at Lemoore California. On 10 October 1961, CDR W. T. Laws relieved CDR Jack D. Kendall as Commanding Officer. The squadron is now training for another cruise in the new A4D-2N aircraft.



PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A4D-2 Skyhawk	12	24 May 1960

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	April	178.2	102	July	334.4	174
	May	315.3	162	August	455.3	217
	June	258.8	118	September	122.6	56

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Op-05A5G/em  
29 June 1961

From: Aviation History Unit, Op-05A5G  
To: Commanding Officer, Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO  
Subj: Previous Commanding Officers; information concerning  
Ref: (a) C. O. VF-22 ltr Ser 219 of 20 Jun 1961  
Encl: (1) List of Commanding Officers

1. In reply to reference (a), a list of the former commanding officers of Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO is forwarded as enclosure (1).

2. Since the Aviation History Unit does not maintain a photographic file of commanding officers, it is suggested that a request be submitted to the Naval Photographic Center, Anacostia, D.C. for the official photographs needed.

A. O. VAN WIEN  
Head, Aviation History Unit

COMMANDING OFFICERS

VF-63

27 July 1948      LCdr. Malcolm W. Cagle  
13 Feb 1950      LCdr. Thomas J. Ball  
17 Aug 1951      Lt. Laverne W. S. Cummins, acting  
20 Aug 1951      LCdr. Ward S. Miller  
31 Oct 1952      LCdr. Elton A. Miller, Jr.  
    Mar 1954      Cdr. Robert N. Benson  
    July 1955      Cdr. Howard B. Bady

VA-63

7 Jun 1957      LCdr. William C. Chayman  
20 Mar 1959      Cdr. John H. Lobdell  
31 Mar 1960      Cdr. Jack D. Kendall

Encl.(1) to Op-05A50 ltr, 29 Jun '61

Unit <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO</b>	Period Covered (From - To) <b>31 September 1961-31 March 1962</b>
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>W. T. Laws</i> <b>W. T. LAWS, CDR, USN</b>	Date Forwarded <b>8 May 1962</b>

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2. Commanding Officer <b>CDR W. T. LAWS, USN</b>	C.O. relieved if command changed this period <b>CDR Jack D. KENDALL, USN</b>	Date of change <b>10 October 1962</b>

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)			
	OFFICER	ENLISTED	CIVILIAN	TOTAL
	17	0	0	21

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

**Commander Carrier Air Group TWO**

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
<b>31 Sep 61-31 Mar 62</b>	<b>U. S. Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California</b>

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

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Upon return to the U. S. in late September 1961, VA-22 was presented with both a new home station and new A4D-2N aircraft. The Navy's giant new jet base at Lemoore, California welcomed the Red Cocks to the most modern jet facilities available anywhere. The Red Cocks readily accepted their newer, more versatile A4D-2N Skyhawks which contained improved bombing, radar and navigation equipment.

During the six month winter training cycle of 1961 to 1962 the squadron completed a packed training schedule in preparation for the 1962 WestPac cruise. All pilots, new and turn around, requalified in day and night weapons delivery, buddy bombing, low level navigation, aerial refueling, Bullpup delivery, weapons loading, radar navigation, and day and night carrier landings.

A WEPTRAEX and a STRIKEX during February and March gave the squadron a chance to demonstrate its skills resulting in performances judged to be excellent to outstanding.

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO, trained and prepared for any contingency, continues final preparations for deployment aboard the USS MIDWAY to WestPac on 6 April 1962.



PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A4D-2N Skyhawk	12	6 October 1961

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	October	326.8	194	January	462.7	232
	November	455.9	384	February	344.6	202
	December	318.3	310	March	452.6	252

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

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MIDWAY CENTURIAN LANDING AWARDS:

Single Centurian - 13 Pilots  
Double Centurian - 4 Pilots

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Upon successful completion of a busy six-month training cycle VA-22, on 6 April 1962, embarked aboard the USS MIDWAY and deployed to WESTPAC for an eventful Far East cruise.

Operational and Fleet exercises exposed the squadron to a wide variety of climates and operating conditions, ranging from northern temperate to southern tropical. Air operations continued at a fast pace throughout the cruise enabling the squadron to fly a great deal and to achieve a near record number of flight hours. The Fighting Redcocks did not slacken their pace even once so that during the final days of the cruise they flew more hours (48) in a single day than they had ever flown before.

With such a fast pace the pilots and men exceeded their previous performance time and time again. This performance is doubly impressive in light of the fact that the VA-22 Fighting Redcocks are returning from this cruise with another perfect no-loss of life record for the ninth consecutive year.



PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A4D-2N SKYHAWK	7	6 October 1961

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	April	224	160	July	535	269
	May	412	205	August	603	314
	June	614	319	September	403	224

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED
NA		

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED
NA		

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NA

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FILE COPY  
AVIATION HISTORY UNIT

Unit <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO</b>	Period Covered (From - To) <b>31 Sep 1962 - 31 Mar 1963</b>
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>E. W. Abbott</i> <b>E. W. ABBOTT, CDR, USN</b>	Date Forwarded <b>22 APR 1963</b>

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2. Commanding Officer

<b>E. W. ABBOTT, CDR, USN</b>	C.O. relieved if command changed this period <b>W. T. LAWS, CDR, USN</b>	Date of change <b>29 Oct 1962</b>
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3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	19		2	21
OFFICER				
ENLISTED		0	141	141
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

**Commander Carrier Air Group TWO**

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
31 Sep 62 - 20 Oct 62	WESTPAC EMBARKED ON USS MIDWAY (CVA-41)
20 Oct 62 - 31 Mar 63	U. S. Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

8. *Official or other recognition of accomplishment* - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

9. *General resume of activity* - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO returned to CONUS on 20 October 1963 after a seven month cruise in WESTPAC aboard the USS MIDWAY (CVA-41). In December the squadron participated in Air Group Nine's STRIKEX and AAWEX. A rating of excellent was awarded to the squadron in an Administrative and Material Inspection held by COMFAIRALAMEDA on 17 January 1963. VA-22 deployed to Fallon, Nevada, in early February for Conventional Weapons Training. All pilots qualified in rockets, dive bombing, and strafing. Upon return from Fallon the squadron went aboard the USS HORNET (CVS-12) for carrier qualifications.

Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO formed Detachment ROMEO on 6 March 1963. The detachment of 4 - A4B's consists of six pilots, and forty eight enlisted men. In April DET ROMEO will deploy on the USS KEARSARGE (CVS-33).





Unit <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO</b>	Period Covered (From - To) <b>31 MAR 63 - 30 SEP 63</b>
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>R. S. Smith</i> <b>R. S. SMITH</b>	Date Forwarded <b>4 October 1963</b>

DIRECTIONS: Complete in duplicate semi-annually for periods ending 31 March and 30 September, retain copy and forward original to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Op-05A5G, Navy Department, Washington 25, D. C., within 15 days after report period. No covering letter is required.

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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. Designation: Omit if same as in previous period. If changed, enter previous designation, date of change and the authorizing directive. New units record date and place of commissioning.

2. Commanding Officer

<b>R. S. SMITH, CDR, USN</b>	C.O. relieved if command changed this period <b>E. W. ABBOTT, CDR, USN</b>	Date of change <b>12 SEP 63</b>
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3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	22		4	26
OFFICER				
ENLISTED		0	159	159
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

**Commander Air Group TWO**

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
<b>1 APR - 30 SEP 63</b>	<b>Lemoore Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California</b>
<b>VA22 Det. "R"</b>	
<b>1 APR - 30 SEP</b>	<b>Embarked on USS KEARSARGE (CVS-33) WESTPAC</b>

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

LTJG H.W. PAPA made the 109,000 landing on USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) on 20 June 1963.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

Attack Squadron TWENTY TWO continued its VA training syllabus and carrier qualifications designating thirteen Special Weapon Delivery Pilots. In April the squadron deployed to NAAS Fallon, Nevada and compeked in special weapon delivery. The squadron then embarked in MIDWAY for extensive air operations. During the month of July VA22 test fired BULLPUP missile lots for Point Mugu at NAS China Lake. A WEPTRAEX was given to the squadron from 1-16 August.

VA22 Detachment ROMEO is presently embarked in KEARSARGE deployed in WESTPAC.



PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A4C (A4D-2N)	14	6 OCT 61
A4B (A4D-2)	4	6 MAR 63

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	APR	472.2	358	JUL	436.1	358
	MAY	356.0	391	AUG	521.3	308
	JUN	534.3	364	SEP	346.0	238 (Note 1)

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Note 1: Does not include Detachment ROMEO.

Unit <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO</b>	Period Covered (From - To) <b>31 SEP 63 - 31 MAR 64</b>
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>R. S. Smith</i> <b>R.S. SMITH, CDR, USN, Commanding Officer</b>	Date Forwarded <b>1 May 1964</b>

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2. Commanding Officer

**R. S. SMITH, CDR, USN**

C.O. relieved if command changed this period

Date of change

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
OFFICER	17		4	21
ENLISTED		0	134	134
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

**Commander Attack Carrier Air Wing TWO**

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
<b>13 SEP 63 - 7 NOV 63</b>	<b>Lemoore Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California.</b>
<b>8 NOV 63 - 31 MAR 64</b>	<b>Embarked in USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) in WESTPAC.</b>
<b>VA-22 DETACHMENT ROMEO</b>	
<b>31 SEP 63 - 20 NOV 63</b>	<b>Embarked in USS KEARSARGE (CVS-33) in WESTPAC.</b>
<b>20 NOV 63 - 18 DEC 63</b>	<b>Lemoore Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California.</b>

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO completed its VA Training Syllabus and carrier qualifications. The squadron was given a STRIKE during Officer off the coast of California. On 8 November 1963 the squadron deployed in the USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) for a scheduled seven month cruise. The ORI and NORM were given in the Hawaiian area. During the 1963-64 cruise the squadron participated in the following exercises: Blue Sky, Tigertail, Checkertail and Autumn Flower. Ports of call were Subic Bay, Hong Kong, Sasebo, Iwakuni, Beppu and Yokosuka.

Two "Fighting Redcocks" were designated MIDWAY Double Centurions while ~~two~~ other pilots accomplished the Single Centurion distinction.

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO DETACHMENT ROMEO returned to CONUS after a seven month cruise in the USS KEARSARGE (CVS-33). The detachment was officially disestablished on 18 December 1963.



PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A4C	14	6 October 1961

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	October	558.9	307	January	451.5	290
	November	242.0	189	February	585.7	295
	December	308.6	166	March	401.6	212

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

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On July 28, 1964, Captain Kenneth J. SANGER, Commander Fleet Air Alameda, presented Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO with the Commander Naval Air Pacific Battle Efficiency Award for light jet attack squadrons for the period from November 1962 to February 1964.

LTJG William E. NEWMAN made the 120,000 landing on the USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) in a ALC Skyhawk.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO returned to CONUS on 26 May 1964 after a seven month cruise in WESTPAC aboard the USS MIDWAY (CVA-41). In July, the Fighting Redcocks participated in Air Wing Nine's STRIKEX. A grade of 94.56<sup>64</sup> was awarded to the Squadron in an Administrative/Material Inspection held by COMFAIRALAMEDA on 17 and 18 August 1964. ATKRON 22 deployed to NAAS Fallon, Nevada in September for Conventional and Special Weapons Delivery Training.





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Unit <b>Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO</b>	Period Covered (From - To) <b>1 OCT 64 to 31 MAR 65</b>
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative	Date Forwarded <b>14 APR 65</b>

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2. Commanding Officer <i>[Signature]</i> <b>D. M. WYAND, CDR, USN</b>	C.O. relieved if command changed this period <b>See reverse</b>	Date of change
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3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD	PERSONNEL ON BOARD			
	OFFICER	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.		17		3
	ENLISTED		0	132
	CIVILIAN			132

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

**Commander Attack Carrier Air Wing TWO**

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
30 SEP - 5 OCT 64	Lemoore Naval Air Station Lemoore California
6 OCT - NOV 64	Embarked on USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) (MIDPAC)
7 NOV 64 - 24 JAN 65	Lemoore Naval Air Station Lemoore California
25 JAN - 5 FEB 65	Embarked on USS MIDWAY (CVA-41)
6 FEB - 21 FEB 65	Lemoore Naval Air Station Lemoore California
22 FEB 65 - Present	Embarked on USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) (WESTPAC)

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO embarked aboard USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) participated in Exercise Silver Lance under CTF19 from 23 February to 1 March 1965. The exercise was held off the coast of southern California and was the largest peace time maneuver ever held. Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO was a part of the striking force and flew sorties against Aggressor Forces. Subsequently, an amphibious landing was made against the Aggressor Forces by Marine units at Camp Pendleton, California.

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

2. CDR C. E. DECHOW relieved CDR R. S. SMITH as Commanding Officer 2 October 1964. CDR C. E. DECHOW was fatally injured in an aircraft accident at NAS Alameda 6 October 1964. CDR E. H. SCHORZ became acting Commanding Officer 6 October 1964. CDR D. M. WYAND relieved CDR E. H. SCHORZ as Commanding Officer 20 October 1964.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO made its MIDPAC cruise from 6 October to 6 November 1964 embarked in the USS MIDWAY (CVA-41). During the cruise carquals were conducted off the coast of Hawaii, and training flights were flown against targets in the Hawaiian area. During the last week of the MIDPAC a STRIKEX was conducted off the coast of southern California. VA-22 flew strike missions against targets in the Chocolate Mountain Bombing Range.

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO participated in Carrier Air Wing TWO's ORE from 23 February to 1 March 1965 and received a grade of 95.0. The squadron was awarded a grade 94.60 in the ORI held by COMFAIRHAWAII 15-19 March 1965.

Ports of call during the MIDPAC were Pearl Harbor, and San Diego. One Fighting Redcock was designated a Double Centurion and one a Single Centurion aboard USS MIDWAY (CVA-41).

The squadron is presently on a WESTPAC Deployment.



PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A/C	14	6 October 1961

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	OCT	307.6	236	JAN	346.2	298
	NOV	373.6	196	FEB	525.4	299
	DEC	268.3	134	MAR	303.7	185

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)



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1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
A4C	14	6 OCT 1961

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	APRIL	526	330	JULY	441	217
	MAY	439	210	AUGUST	980	512
	JUNE	673	364	SEPTEMBER	604	310

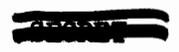
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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

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PARAGRAPH 7.

The "Fighting Redcocks" arrived at NAS Cubi Point, Philippines in USS MIDWAY (CVA-41) 4 April 1965. After a short inport period MIDWAY steamed to Yankee Station for special operations involving strikes against Communist insurgent forces in North Vietnam. During the following months "The Redcocks" participated in heavy combat operations. The Redcocks participated in the following major strikes with CVW-2: 16 April, Bia Duc Thon Hwy Bridge; 22 April, destroyed six PT Boats; 23 April, Yen Vinh Hwy Bridge; 27 April, Tho San Hwy Bridge; 28 April, destroyed four Swatow Boats; 30 April, Thien Dong Army Depot; 8 May, Vinh Air Field Radar; Vinh Air Field; 20 May, Phuc Loi Naval Base; 22 May, destroyed three PT Boats; 27 May, Vinh Railroad and Marshalling Yard; 1-2 June, destroyed two PT Boats; 8 June, Co Dinh Power Plant; 13 June, Yen Phu Barracks; 15 June, Ninh Binh Bridge; 24 June, Vinh Son Army Barracks; 25 June, Qui Hau Ordnance Depot; 24 July, Dong Hoi Army Barracks; 25 July, Dong Hoi Railroad Bridge; 28 July, Nam Dinh Thermal Power Plant; 30 July, Vinh Army Barracks; 2-4 August, Nam Dinh Thermal Power Plant; 2-4 August, Nam Dinh Railroad Yard, 5 August, Than Hoa Hwy and Railroad Bridge; 12-13 August, Surface-to-Air Missile Reconnaissance; 12 September, Phuc Loi Petroleum Storage; 13 September, Chap Le Army Barracks; 20 September, Kep Hwy Bridge, 22 September, Phuc Loi Naval Base; 22 September, Ngue Luy Hwy Bridge; 23 September, Than Hoa Air Field under construction and associated equipment; 24 September, Hoa Binh Barracks; 30 September, Xom Chang Barracks.

In addition to these major strikes, "The Fighting Redcocks" have participated in approximately 1000 day and night Search and Rescue, Tanker and Armed Road Reconnaissance Missions. Armed Road Reconnaissance Missions are the major objectives assigned with denial of the enemy the use of his main roads and railroad lines of communications.

During this deployment "The Fighting Redcocks" have additionally participated in Checkertail and Blue Sky exercises on 18/19 August.

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The following decorations have been awarded the listed personnel:

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>DFC</u>	<u>NCM</u>	<u>AIR MEDAL</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>
CDR D. M. WYAND, 453430/1310, USN	2	1	6	
CDR E. H. SCHORZ, 496374/1310, USN			8	
LCDR J. R. EMERSON, 557423/1310, USN			5	SECNAV COM FOR ACHIVEMT
LCDR W. A. LACY, 610835/1310, USN			8	
LT F. G. SPELLMAN, 604339/1310, USN			6	
LT M. D. MIEFERT, 619971, 1310, USN		1	9	
LT R. D. MILLER, 625274/1310, USN			6	
LT R. P. ILG, 641398/1310, USN		1	4	Bronze Star, Purple Heart
LT W. E. NEWMAN, 647832/1310, USN			6	
LT D. H. GILDNER, 657814/1315, USNR			7	
LT J. R. JAMISON, 661310/1315, USNR			7	
LTJG D. H. BEYER, 663145/1315, USNR			5	
LTJG T. E. MURRAY, 659321/1310, USN			8	
LTJG W. F. LEE, 664184/1315, USNR			8	
LTJG R. M. BRUNHAVER, 674218/1315, USNR			8	
LTJG D. A. WEBBER, 668586/1310, USN			4	
LTJG W. T. ARNOLD, 673007/1310, USN			1	
ENS D. D. GREGORY, 683159/1315, USNR			3	

20 April LT P. N. BUTLER, 647398/1310, USN was shot down over North Vietnam while on a night armed recce and successfully ejected. He was captured four days later and is now detained in North Vietnam.

3 June, LT R. P. ILG, 641389/1310, USN was shot down while on an armed road reconnaissance mission in Northern Laos. After a successful ejection he evaded the Pathet Lao Forces for three days. Threading his way through an enemy encampment during the first night he was able to eventually reach an area where rescue was possible by helo. On 6 June he was rescued after this daring escapade deep inside enemy lines.

13 August LT W. E. NEWMAN, 647832/1310, USN was shot down while conducting armed low level SA-2 reconnaissance in North Vietnam. The nose of the aircraft was blown off up to the windscreen from a direct AAA hit. LT NEWMAN was able to fly the crippled aircraft out over the Tonkin Gulf and ejected. He was rescued by the SAR destroyer, USS PARKS.

24 August, LTJG R. M. BRUNHAVER, 674218/1315, USNR was observed to eject after his aircraft burst into flames following a low level bombing run over North Vietnam. His parachute was observed and PRC 49 signals were heard for a short duration. Search and rescue efforts were negative. LTJG BRUNHAVER is listed as Missing In Action.

Eighteen squadron aircraft have been damaged by flak and five aircraft have been lost during this reporting period.

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PARAGRAPH 9.

On 16 June 1965 the Redcocks participated in what is believed to be the first night Combat Buddy Bomb mission. The mission was against the Yen Phu Army Barracks, North Vietnam. The A3B aircraft of VAH-8 acted as pathfinder for the A4's. Two A3B, two A4C and two A4E aircraft were involved in this mission.

Ports of call during the period of the report were Cubi Point, Philippines, Yokosuka, Japan and Hong Kong, BCC.

Nine "Fighting Redcocks" have been designated as Midway Centurions and two have been designated Midway Double Centurions.

28 April, LT M. D. MIEFERT made the 130,000th landing aboard the USS MIDWAY.

CDR E. H. SCHORZ trapped aboard for the 132,000th landing on 8 June. 24 June, LT F. G. SPELLMAN had honors for the 133,000th landing and LCDR W. A. LACY arrested for the 134,000th landing on 27 July.

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Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12

- Encl: (1) Personal Awards
- (2) Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO Combat Sorties
- (3) Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO Officers' Roster
- (4) Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO Muster Roll
- (5) Commanding Officer's Biography

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1. (U) The period of this report is from 1 April to 31 December 1967 vice the full calendar year as required by reference (a) due to inadvertant coverage of the period of 1 January to 31 March 1967 in a previous report. Since the erroneously submitted report of the additional quarter covered an eventful period and consisted of lengthy summaries of action and activity in Vietnam, it is considered desirable to continue the chronological history after that period rather than resubmitting a large amount of material.

2. (U) Chronology:

- 23 July - 3 August 1967 Participated in Joint Task Force TWO Low Altitude Test 4.4
- 30 July - 18 August 1967 Weapons Training Deployment at NAAS Fallon
- 15 September - 18 October 1967 Carrier qualification landings aboard USS RANGER
- 7 October 1967 Change of Command
- 4 November 1967 Deployed aboard USS RANGER to Western Pacific
- 3 December 1967 First combat sortie of the cruise against North Vietnamese forces

3. The "Fighting Redcocks" of Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO are presently headed by Commander J. K. ASHMORE, USN who relieved Commander H. D. ARNOLD, USN on 7 October 1967 in ceremonies aboard USS RANGER (CVA-61) at NAS Alameda. The squadron is currently deployed from its home port, NAS

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Lemoore, California and is serving in RANGER on its third combat cruise to Southeast Asia.

The squadron's contribution to the strike arm of Attack Air Wing TWO is twelve A-4C Skyhawks. Other attack aircraft assigned to this uniquely composed air wing are the A-3, A-5, A-6, and A-7 making it particularly flexible and effective. The squadron officer complement, as of 31 December was 24, consisting of 20 pilots and 4 ground officers. The crew numbered 163 excluding Romeo, the Fightingest Redcock of them all. The squadron's mascot, an authentic fighting cock, is now making his second combat tour.

Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO prepared for the deployment in a comprehensive training cycle emphasizing ground training, low level navigation and weapon delivery. Early in the cycle, an Administrative Inspection was conducted and a grade of excellent was assigned. A highlight of the shore based turnaround was an Award Ceremony during which additional recognition for achievement in the latter line periods of the preceding combat cruise was given to each of the veteran Redcock officers and several of the men. A summary of the awards not previously reported is attached as enclosure (1).

From 23 July to 3 August, the squadron made a contribution of three pilots and three aircraft to the Joint Task Force TWO Low Altitude Test 4.4 at Little Rock Air Force Base, Arkansas. The tests involved extremely low altitude flights over an instrumented course in an effort to determine target detectability information.

A combined squadron, air wing weapon training deployment was made to NAAS Fallon, Nevada from 30 July to 18 August. Refresher training in dive bombing, strafing, rockets and nuclear weapon delivery preceded coordinated exercises with other squadrons of the embryo air wing. Realism was incorporated into these exercises to as high a degree as possible in preparation for the forthcoming movement to the hostilities of Vietnam. Efforts to ready the squadron for sea were continued in day and night carrier landing qualifications aboard RANGER from 15 September to 18 October. Additional coordinated exercises were conducted while operating off the coast of California ultimately culminating in an Operational Readiness Exercise. During the few remaining weeks prior to deployment, the Maintenance Inspection was held and a mark of excellent was awarded.

On 4 November, Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO sailed in RANGER from NAS Alameda, under the Golden Gate Bridge, bound for the Western Pacific. Enroute, in the Hawaiian Operating Area, a combined Operational Readiness Inspection was performed and the squadron's individual grade was excellent. RANGER proceeded to the Gulf of Tonkin after short in-port periods in

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Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Yokosuka, Japan and Subic Bay, Philippine Islands and commenced special operations in support of Yankee Team forces against North Vietnam. The first combat sortie by the squadron was flown on 3 December.

During the weeks from 3 December to the end of the reporting period, the "Fighting Redcocks" totaled 225 flights into action and expended 221 tons of ordnance on hostile targets with no loss of pilots or aircraft. Three of the squadron's aircraft suffered damage as a result of action but all were subsequently returned to service. Enclosure (2) is a summary of combat sorties and their targets.

In totalling statistics for the entire calendar year, Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO amassed 5473 flight hours and 1372 carrier landings.

  
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## Personal Awards

Presented in addition to previously reported awards for 1966 - 1967 WestPac cruise.

CDR Henry D. ARNOLD	15th Air Medal
CDR Jackie K. ASHMORE	4, 5th Air Medal
LCDR Lacey A. COLLIER	NCM, 2, 3rd Air Medal
LCDR William A. LACY	19th, 20th Air Medal
LCDR James U. CROUSE	12th Air Medal
LCDR George R. VEZINA	NCM
LCDR Douglas W. BARRON	NCM
LTJG James E. SANDERS	NCM
LTJG Thomas SAUCIER	2nd Air Medal, NCM
LTJG Melvin B. FULLER	Air Medal, NCM
LTJG Carl E. DINWIDDIE	NCM
LTJG Thomas THOMPSON	NCM

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Enclosure (1)

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Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO Combat Sorties

Rolling Thunder - North Vietnam

<u>Date</u>	<u>No. A-4C</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Damage Assessment</u>
5 Dec 1967	2	15 Trucks	Unknown
5 Dec 1967	2	1 Bridge	Destroyed
5 Dec 1967	2	3 Trucks	3 Damaged
5 Dec 1967	4	3 Barges	1 Damaged
5 Dec 1967	2	4 Trucks	1 Burning
5 Dec 1967	2	4 Barges	2 Damaged
5 Dec 1967	2	1 Storage area	No damage assessment
5 Dec 1967	2	Bunkers	No damage assessment
6 Dec 1967	2	SAM site	Site ceased emitting
7 Dec 1967	2	1 Barge	High damage
8 Dec 1967	2	1 SAM site	Site ceased emitting
11 Dec 1967	2	Artillery emplacement	No damage assessment
11 Dec 1967	4	Song Ma Wip	All ordnance on target
11 Dec 1967	2	2 Barges	1 lightly damaged
11 Dec 1967	2	Coastal defense site	No damage assessment
12 Dec 1967	2	Artillery site	No damage assessment
13 Dec 1967	2	1 Truck/ 1 Pier	Pier damaged
13 Dec 1967	2	Radar site	No damage assessment
13 Dec 1967	2	2 SAM sites	2 Probable hits
14 Dec 1967	4	2 SAM sites	No damage assessment
14 Dec 1967	3	Train	1 Secondary explosion
15 Dec 1967	2	Nui Long Lou Caves	High Damage
15 Dec 1967	4	4 SAM sites	No damage assessment
15 Dec 1967	2	2 Barges	1 damaged
15 Dec 1967	2	Railway Bridge	No damage assessment due to darkness
16 Dec 1967	4	Kienan Electric Sub Station	Moderate damage
16 Dec 1967	2	3 SAM sites	No damage assessment
16 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	No damage assessment
16 Dec 1967	2	6 Barges	1 sunk
16 Dec 1967	2	1 SAM site	No damage assessment
17 Dec 1967	3	1 Bridge	2 Hits
17 Dec 1967	2	2 SAM sites	2 Probable hits
17 Dec 1967	2	Cua Lo Wip	Ordnance on target
17 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	Ordnance on target
17 Dec 1967	2	Hai Duong Bridge	No damage assessment
17 Dec 1967	2	CHOKE Point	No damage assessment
17 Dec 1967	2	Hai Duong Bridge	1 Secondary explosion
18 Dec 1967	2	Hoang Xa Bridge	High damage
18 Dec 1967	3	2 SAM sites	High damage
18 Dec 1967	4	Me Xa Bridge	Approaches cratered
18 Dec 1967	2	Radar site	No damage assessment
18 Dec 1967	2	Coastal Defense site	Several secondary expl.
19 Dec 1967	4	Nui Long Lau	High damage
19 Dec 1967	2	1 SAM site	site hit

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<u>Date</u>	<u>No. A-4C</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Damage Assessment</u>
19 Dec 1967	4	Hai Duong Bridge	Ordnance on target
19 Dec 1967	3	3 SAM sites	No damage assessment
19 Dec 1967	2	30 Barges	1 sunk
19 Dec 1967	2	20 Trucks	No damage assessment
20 Dec 1967	2	Unknown No. of Trucks	No damage assessment
22 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	No damage assessment
23 Dec 1967	4	3 Bridges	2 damaged
23 Dec 1967	2	20 Barges	8-10 sunk and damaged
23 Dec 1967	1	1 Barge	No damage assessment
23 Dec 1967	1	Kim Nac Bridge	Cratered approaches
23 Dec 1967	2	Barges	No damage assessment
23 Dec 1967	2	Trucks	No damage assessment
23 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	No damage assessment
24 Dec 1967	2	Highway Route 1A	No damage assessment
24 Dec 1967	2	AAA site/wharfe	Missed target
24 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	light damage
26 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	No damage assessment
26 Dec 1967	2	Barge	Missed target
26 Dec 1967	2	Transshipment point	No damage assessment
26 Dec 1967	2	3 Trucks	2 damaged
27 Dec 1967	2	1 Barge	No damage assessment
27 Dec 1967	2	1 Coastal Defense site	No damage assessment
27 Dec 1967	2	1 Radar site	No damage assessment
27 Dec 1967	2	Bridge	Missed target

Steel Tiger - Laos

3 Dec 1967	3	Truck Park	No damage assessment
3 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	1 secondary explosion
3 Dec 1967	1	Bridge	No damage assessment
3 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	Ordnance on target
3 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	Ordnance on target
3 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	Ordnance on target
3 Dec 1967	3	River Ford	Cratered
4 Dec 1967	2	Storage Area	1 secondary explosion
4 Dec 1967	4	Truck Park	2 secondary explosions
4 Dec 1967	2	Highway crossing	Ordnance on target
4 Dec 1967	4	Vulnerable Highway	Ordnance on target
4 Dec 1967	2	Storage area	No damage assessment
4 Dec 1967	2	AAA site	Ordnance on target
4 Dec 1967	2	River Ford	Ordnance on target
5 Dec 1967	4	37 mm Site	1 secondary explosion
4 Dec 1967	2	Troop concentration	Ordnance on target
4 Dec 1967	2	Troop concentration	Ordnance on target
6 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	Ordnance on target
6 Dec 1967	3	Truck Park/AAA site	Ordnance on target
6 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	Ordnance on target
7 Dec 1967	4	Storage area	Ordnance on target

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<u>Date</u>	<u>No. A-4C</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Damage Assessment</u>
9 Dec 1967	4	3 Trucks	Ordnance on target
9 Dec 1967	3	Truck Park	1 Truck destroyed
11 Dec 1967	2	3 Trucks	1 Damaged/1 Destroyed
11 Dec 1967	4	Truck Park	No damage assessment
12 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	No damage assessment
12 Dec 1967	2	Bridge	Bridge destroyed
13 Dec 1967	2	Choke point	No damage assessment
14 Dec 1967	2	Truck Park	No damage assessment

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