

# **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

CARRIER AIRBORNE EARLY WARINING SQUADRON 120 1027 BELLINGER BLVD NAVAL STATION, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23511-2216

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From: Commanding Officer, Carrier Airborne Early Warning

Squadron 120

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1998

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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 Aircrewmen 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 Earl	y 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	Maintenance Officer	Jan	98	_	Jul	98
CDR	Maintenance Officer	Jul	98		Dec	98
LCDR	Operations Officer	Jan	98	_	Dec	98
LCDR	Operations Officer	Dec	98		Dec	98
LCDR	Administrative Officer	Jan	98	_	Dec	98
LCDR	Safety Officer	Jan	98	_	Aug	98
LCDR	Safety Officer	Aug	98	_	Dec	98
LCDR	Training Officer	Jan	98	-	Aug	98
CDR	Training Officer	Aug	98	-	Dec	98
LCDR	Human Resources Officer	Jan	98	_	Aug	98

## NUMBER OF PERSONNEL ON BOARD

Staff Officers Staff Enlisted Student Officers Student Enlisted 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 Aircrewmen 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: TOTAL EMBARKED HOURS: TOTAL NIGHT HOURS: TOTAL ARRESTED LANDINGS: TOTAL NIGHT ARRESTED LANDINGS:	6835 650 1066 804 497
NUMBER OF E2C NATOPS CHANGES SUBMITTED: NUMBER OF C2A NATOPS CHANGES SUBMITTED:	
NUMBER OF HAZREPS SUBMITTED:	8
NUMBER SUBMITTED OF: HMR: TPDR: EI: QDR:	18 2 15 5
NUMBER SAFETY ARTICLES PUBLISHED:	3
NUMBER OF SAFETY STAND DOWNS: LAST:	4 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.