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(4) Biography of CDR Michael D. Crisp
(5) Photo of CDR Michael D. Crisp

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


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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

COMMANDING OFFICER
(01 JAN 94 to 04 FEB 94) CDR Bruce W. Clingan
(04 FEB 94 to Present) CDR Michael D. Crisp

EXECUTIVE OFFICER
(01 JAN 94 to 04 FEB 94) CDR Michael D. Crisp
(04 FEB 94 to Present) CDR Timothy L. Benham

LOCATION OF COMMAND
Naval Air Station Miramar
San Diego, CA 92145

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL ASHORE
Commander, Carrier Air Wing FOURTEEN
Commander, Fighter Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet

OPERATIONAL CONTROL AFLOAT
Commander, Carrier Air Wing FOURTEEN
Commander, Cruiser Destroyer Group THREE

AIRCRAFT
F-14D SUPER TOMCAT
Tail Code "NK"

CARRIER ASSIGNMENTS
USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70)
Homeported at Naval Air Station Alameda, California

MISSION
Fleet Air Superiority and Power Projection Missions include: Combat Air Patrol, Air Intercept, Maritime Air Superiority, Strike Escort and TARPS Reconnaissance.

CHRONOLOGY OF OUTSTANDING EVENTS

JANUARY

01-06 Holiday leave period.
04-07 FAST.
11-18 Refresher training (CQ,BG Ops) at-sea period, USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70).
25-26 CWTPI.

FEBRUARY

01-02 Missile Exercise, PMTC, California. Successfully employed 1 AIM-54 Phoenix, 1 AIM-7-Sparrow and 1 AIM-9 Sidewinder missiles.
04 Change of command.
17 Departed on WESTPAC '94, USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70).
26-28 Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

MARCH

11-14 Inport Yokosuka, Japan.
19-23 Inport Hong Kong.
28-02 APR Inport Singapore.

APRIL

13 Inchop NAVCENT.
15 Large Force Exercise in Iraq
28-05 MAY Qatar Detachment to demonstrate US forces' capabilities.

MAY

07-10 Inport Jebel Ali.
07-24 TAD to Dhahran/NAVCENTDET BRAVO
18 Large Force Exercise in Iraq
24-29 Inport Jebel Ali.
28-02 JUN Air Force aircrew exchange program detachment in Dhahran.

JUNE

11-14 Inport Jebel Ali.
15 Large Force Exercise in Iraq
24 Outchop NAVCENT.

JULY

05-09 Inport Perth, Australia.
14 Command Assessment Team submitted annual report.
17-21 Inport Hobart, Tasmania.

AUGUST

04-08 Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
08-15 Tiger Cruise.
17-25 SEP Post cruise leave period.

Encl (2)

SEPTEMBER

22 Physical Readiness Test.
30 Missile Exercise, PMTC, California. Successfully employed 2 AIM-54 Phoenix and 1 AIM-9 Sidewinder missiles.

OCTOBER

18-20 Administration and Material Inspection (ADMAT).
20-21 Material Condition Inspection (MCI).
30-04 NOV Air-to-Air Guns Detachment, NAF El Centro, California.

NOVEMBER

03-04 High Noon Air-to-Air Gunnery Competition, NAF El Centro, California.
07-13 Hosted VF-2 as they deployed on WESTPAC.
22 ECCM COMPLEX Competition.
28-02 DEC TARPS Derby.

DECEMBER

08 Squadron Christmas Party.
10 Childrens Christmas Party.
14-15 Fighter Derby.
16-31 Holiday leave period.
20-22 Orange Air support flights.

NARRATIVE OF OUTSTANDING EVENTS

The beginning of 1994 marked the completion of turnaround training and final preparations for WESTPAC '94. Fleet Air Superiority Tactics Training was conducted at the end of the holiday leave period. Following that, the Rippers were off for their last at sea period before cruise for final refresher training. VF-11 participated in Conventional Weapons Training Proficiency Inspection testing both aircrew and maintenance personnel on system capability and applications.

February proved to be an extremely busy month, commencing with an air to air missile shoot of Phoenix, Sparrows, and Sidewinders off the coast of southern California. February 4, CDR B. W. Clingan passed the squadron command to CDR M. D. Crisp. In just under two weeks, VF-11 departed on WESTPAC '94 aboard the USS CARL VINSON, the first deployment for the F-14D Super Tomcat. On February 22, VF-11 lost one aircraft at sea due to a catastrophic engine failure. Both aircrew ejected safely. The USS CARL VINSON pulled into Pearl Harbor, Hawaii during the last week of February for supply on-loads.

The months of March and April were filled with inport periods, preparations for Operation Southern WATCH, and the transit west to the Persian Gulf. Port stops included Yokosuka, Japan, Hong Kong, and Singapore. The USS CARL VINSON shifted to Commander Central Forces April 13. A detachment was sent to Qatar on 15 April to demonstrate U.S. forces' capabilities. Aircrew completed contingency planning in preparation for Iraqi operations.

The USS CARL VINSON entered the Persian Gulf, in mid April. While in the gulf, three port visits were made to Jebel Ali, UAE. VF-11 participated in three Large Force exercises in which United Nation assets operated with U.S. forces to enforce the U.N. imposed sanctions upon Iraq. Numerous exchanges with the USAF took place enabling the Naval and Air Forces to operate more efficiently during Operation Southern WATCH. During Air Wing FOURTEEN/CARL VINSONS deployment in the Persian Gulf, VF-11 flew 197 sorties and 676.8 hours sustaining a 96 percent sortie completion rate in support of Operation Southern WATCH.

July and August was spent transiting east with port calls in Perth, Australia and Hobart, Tasmania. The last port call was Pearl Harbor, Hawaii where squadron family members joined the Rippers for the Tiger cruise to San Diego. VF-11 returned to NAS Miramar August 15. A one month post cruise leave period commenced immediately as the Red Rippers stood down from all flight operations. During late September, VF-11 participated in a missile shoot in which 2 AIM-54 Phoenix missiles and one AIM-9 Sidewinder were successfully employed. Finally VF-11 provided aircraft and crew to VX-4 to complete the Operational Test and evaluation of the F-14D/APG-71 ECCM capabilities against real world threat systems.

October found the squadron preparing for post cruise and Battle "E" events. The Command Inspection and Material Condition Inspection were prepared for and administered concurrently. These inspections were followed by an air-to-air gunnery detachment to El Centro, California in preparation for the High Noon Competition at the beginning of November.

Other major events in November included hosting the VF-2 Bounty Hunters for the week prior to their departing on WESTPAC. The Rippers also conducted the ECCM COMPLEX and took part in the TARPS Derby as part of the Battle "E" competition.

The dust settled slightly during December while squadron members took time off to be with their families during the holidays. VF-11 prepared for and participated in the annual Fighter Derby Competition. The Red Rippers also supported the Abraham Lincoln turn around training by providing Orange Air adversary flights against Air Wing ELEVEN and the Abraham Lincoln Battle Group.

1994 was an extremely successful year for the Navy's oldest continuously active Fighter Squadron. The Red Rippers look forward to 1995 as the turnaround cycle begins again and will attempt to make this year successful and safe.