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1. FIGHTER SQUADRON TWO COMMAND DATA

COMMANDING OFFICER: Frederick J. Dodge, CDR, USN

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Marvin T. Serhan, CDR, USN

SQUADRON MISSIONS:

- a. To sustain at all times the capability to establish and maintain Maritime Air Superiority in the vicinity of the Task Force.
- b. To project power ashore in support of strike operations and maintain air supremacy in the vicinity of a strike group.
- c. To provide a tactical reconnaissance capability.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE COMMAND: Commander Fighter Airborne Early Warning Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet

SENIOR OPERATIONAL COMMAND: Commander Carrier Air Wing TWO

AIRCRAFT: GRUMMAN F-14A BUREAU NO's: 158986, 158998, 160693, 160695, *160914, *161273, *161275, 161291, 161293, 161295, 161297, 161299, 161443, 159837, 161276.

DEPLOYMENTS: USS RANGER CV-61: OPS 7-26 APR
 RIMPAC 28 MAY - 2 JUL
 SURGE 86 28 AUG - 20 OCT

* Configured to carry the Tactical Air Reconnaissance Pod System (TARPS)

Enclosure (1)

**FIGHTER SQUADRON TWO
1986 SUMMARY**

The Bounty Hunters embarked in USS RANGER (CV-61) in October 1985 for extensive workups which lasted throughout 1986 and included RIMPAC '86 to the Hawaiian operation areas and SURGE '86 to the Sea of Japan, Northern Pacific and Bering Sea. Additionally, the squadron made two integrated Air Wing training and weapons deployments to NAS Fallon, Nevada (Feb and Dec) and a Fleet fighter ACM readiness (FFARP) deployment to NAF El Centro in November. At Fallon, VF-2 participated in the first Strike Warfare/Navy Fighter Weapons School sponsored OAST/Integrated Strike Warfare Program. To improve F-14 section and division tactical readiness, VF-2 hosted F-15 squadrons from Eglin AFB and Luke AFB at NAS Miramar in March and July. During SURGE '86 numerous intercepts were made on Soviet strategic and tactical aircraft including SU-15 Flagnos and MIG-23 Floggers. Throughout the year the Bounty Hunters garnered numerous awards for operational readiness and performance which included winning the 1986 High Noon aerial gunnery trophy, placing the Top Gun Derby aircrew with the highest percentage of hits, and amassing a total of 153 competitive exercise "E's". These efforts culminated in VF-2 winning its second Battle Efficiency award for the period 1985-1986. For the third time in five years, VF-2 was named the recipient of the "Mutha" trophy for being selected the best Pacific Fleet Fighter squadron as voted by community peers. The Bounty Hunters won the 1986 Boola Boola Award, for missile firing and weapon system readiness, for the second year in a row to become the first ever repeat winner of this coveted trophy. In December 1986 VF-2 surpassed 15,000 hours of accident free operations and set a new squadron record of 508 FOD free days.

VF-2 1986 CHRONOLOGY

1. Hosted 550th F-15's from Luke AFB	8-10 Jan
2. China Lake EW Flights	8 Jan
3. China Lake EW Flights	15 Jan
4. No-Notice Loadex	17 Jan
5. MSLX- Low alt ovln AIM-7F/AIM-9H	21 Jan
6. Recce Rally	22 Jan
7. NATOPS Unit eval	24 Jan
8. Low altitude training	24 Jan
9. NAS Fallon Airwing Training	29 Jan-14 Feb
10. TARPS Training	1-14 Feb
11. Constant Peg	3-7 Feb
12. ACM Det 2v2's	15-28 Mar
13. Hosted 59th SQDN F-15's from Eglin AFB	1-14 Mar
14. Battle Group "E" AAW Training	3-7 Mar
15. Long Range Strike to Saylor Creek (3000NM)	11 Mar
16. CWTPI	26-27 Mar
17. Command Inspection	1-2 Apr
18. Air Power Demonstration with USS RANGER	5 Apr
19. CQ	9-10 Apr
20. Social Ops aboard USS RANGER	9-25 Apr
21. Advanced Training Assessment	16-18 Apr
22. Missilex	21 Apr
23. "FAST" and ECM Battle problems	28 Apr-2 May
24. China Lake EW Flights	28 Apr
25. ACM Weekend w/complexes	3-4 May
26. AIC complexes w/VAQ-131	5-7 May
27. WEPTAC	5-9 May
28. Kernel Usher	8-9 May
29. No-Notice ECCM complex	9 May
30. TARPS complexes	13 May
31. No-Notice Loadex	13 May
32. Many v Many (VF-2 Host)	21 May
33. SITS Lab training	27 May
34. CQ USS RANGER	29 Oct-8 Nov
35. Battle Group Integrated Operations	28 May-30 Jun
36. Missilex (AIM-54 FOT&E)	1 Jun
37. RIMPAC 86	5-16 Jun
38. Pre-strike 900NM Radius TARPS mission	9 Jun
39. Escort 900NM Long Range Strike	10 Jun
40. Fighter Sweep 500NM Radius	14 Jun
41. TOPGUN class 5-86	7 Jul
42. No-Notice Loadex	8 Jul
43. Division Tactics Trng with 550th F-15's	12-18 Jul
44. Missilex (AIM-7F FOT&E)	24 Jul
45. No-Notice Missilex	31 Jul
46. TAC D&E Flts on escorted Bomber Tactics	2-8 Aug
47. Fifth Annual "Bullet Blowout", CAPT R.P. Hickey, guest speaker	6 Aug

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48. Low Altitude Training	12-15 Aug
49. Battle "E" and Mutha trophy awarded	16 Aug
50. Echo Range EW Flights	19-20 Aug
51. Many vs Many (VF-124 Host)	23 Aug
52. SURGE Operations	28 Aug-20 Oct
53. Battle Group "E" Deceptive EMCON Transit	1-12 Sep
54. SOJ OPS	12-17 Sep
55. 4 SU-15 Flagon Intercepts	15 Sep
56. Annual-Ex 86	22-29 Sep
57. 1600NM TARPS Mission	29 Sep
58. 5 MIG 23 Flogger Intercepts	1 Oct
59. Fleet-Ex 86, Bering Sea Ops	1-12 Oct
60. Tiger Cruise	16-20 Oct
61. ACM refresher with 550th TFTS F-15's	27-30 Oct
62. CNO Recce Tasking	2 Nov
63. FFARP and Low altitude training	3-22 Nov
64. Fighter Derby	24-25 Nov
65. NAS Fallon Airwing training	5-19 Dec
66. Constant Peg	9-12 Dec
67. OAST	9-12 Dec
68. TARPS EW and Low altitude training	8-19 Dec