## VF-201 -1975

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(b) CVWR-20 INST 5725.1A

Encl: (1) Command History of VF-201 with annexes

1. As required by references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted for calendar year 1975.

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#### COMMAND HISTORY FIGHTER SQUADRON 201 1975

### Chronology:

Fighter Squadron 201 was commanded by Commander P. J. SMITH until 11 May 1975 at which time he was relieved by Commander P. R. PITTS.

January-February	CARQUALS USS INDEPENDENCE
March-April	DACM detachment to Langley AFB, Va. Won NAS Dallas volleyball championship 3rd consecutive year.
May-June	CARQUAL USS SARATOGA. Gunnery Detachment to NAS New Orleans. Won NAS Dallas Bowling Championship.
July-August	4th of July flyover at Kermit, Texas. CVWR-20 two week ACDUTRA NAS Fallon, Nevada.
SeptOctober	Awarded the CNO Safety Award. DACM detachment to NAS Key West, Florida. Supported SRU 1111 cruise at NAS Dallas. Deployed to CFB Cold Lake, Alberta, Canada for DACM. DACM detachment to NAS Miramar, California.
November-December	DACM Detachment to NAS Miramar. Won NAS Dallas Football Championship for 4th consecutive year.

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The year began with a month of normal operations at NAS Dallas. February saw the squadron preparing for a Carrier Qualification period aboard USS INDEPENDENCE. After field qualifications and the necessary maintenance grooming, 14 officers and 60 enlisted men deployed with 8 F8H aircraft to NAS Oceana, Virginia. Because of low priority only 39 arrestments were accumulated.

During the period 16-21 March, VF-201 and VF-202 combined resources and deployed to Langley AFB, Virginia for Dissimilar Air Combat Maneuvering against the F-106's of the 48th FIS.

VF-201 won the NAS Dallas Volleyball Championship for the 3rd consecutive year.

An air-to-air gunnery detachment deployed to NAS New Orleans from 18-23 May. As a result of the support of 54 enlisted men 11 pilots flew 58 sorties while firing 7,554 rounds of 20-mm.

On returning from New Orleans, work-up and refreshers began for another Carqual period aboard USS SARATOGA. This period was considerably more successful than the earlier attempt due to a higher priority for available deck time. All 13 participating pilots were day qualified.

July provided time necessary for preparation for the CVWR-20 cruise to NAS Fallon 26 July through 7 August. During this period routine ACM, Strafe, ECM and Low Level Navigation was accomplished. Additionally, Compexes in ACM, Strafing and Missile Firing were completed. The final week was utilized for Air Wing Coordinated Strikes against targets in the Fallon target complex.

September provided a definite high point for the year when the CNO Safety Award was presented to VF-201 in recognition of an outstanding all hands effort in attaining a most enviable safety record.

A two plane detachment was sent to NAS Key West, Florida as requested by VF-101 for DACM with that activity's F4's.

SRU-1111 completed their Annual Cruise at NAS Dallas in September.

On 17 September 11 officers and 60 enlisted men deployed to CFB Cold Lake, Alberta, Canada with 8 aircraft for DACM against the CF-104's of the 417th T.F.S. This cruise proved a repeat of the 1974 cruise in that valuable training was accomplished while a most enjoyable 10 days were had by all.

In aiding an assist to VF-301, a three plane detachment was sent to NAS Miramar to provide DACM training in both October and November.

The squadron won the NAS Dallas Football Championship for the 4th consecutive year.

In summary the squadron had a very good year in terms of the training accomplished. Aircraft availability was excellent in view of a high NORS rate. Valuable services were provided in support of Fleet activities and each pilot met his currency requirements.