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1986 COMMAND HISTORY
VRC-40

1. Command Orgination and Mission:

a. Fleet Logistics Support Squadron Forty (VRC-40) is assigned the joint tasks of Carrier On Board Delivery (COD) and air logistics transport services to the Navy's Atlantic Fleet. VRC-40 is homeported at Naval Air Station Norfolk, Virginia operating the C-2A "Greyhound" and the T-39A "Sabreliner".

The Grumman C-2A carries the largest cargo payload of any carrier based COD aircraft and is the main-stay of the carrier battle group logistics support effort. The aircraft's maximum payload is 10,000 pounds. It can also be configured to a seating capacity of 26 passengers with a reduced bulk cargo capacity. The "Greyhound" is powered by two T56-A-425 Turbo-prop engines and has a cruise speed of 260 knots.

The Rockwell built CT-39E Sabreliner carries six passengers in comfort and 1300 pounds of cargo or a combination of both. The Sabreliners cruise speed is 430 knots and has a range of approximately 1500 miles. The primary mission of the CT-39E is providing around-the-clock support to V-Q4 maintenance contingencies along with executive airlift and priority-one cargo transport.

1986 is a significant period in VRC-40 history in that the squadron successfully completed transition fom the C-1A to the C-2A.

b. Homebase: Bldg. SP-2, Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Virginia
23511-5294

c. Commanding Officer:

1 January 1986 to 24 May 1986, Commander G. A. Lee, USN
24 May 1986 to 31 December 1986, Commander T. E. Lutes, USN

d. Composition of Command as of 31 December 1986:

(1) Officers:

(2) (a) C-2A Pilots - 17
(b) CT-39 Pilots - 9
(c) Non-avaitors - 3

(3) Enlisted:

(a) Shore - 182
(b) Sea - 45
(c) TAR - 17

(4) Squadron Aircraft:

(a) C-2A - 3
(b) CT-39E - 2

1986 CT-39 Summary

Total Hours: 1238.7
Operational Hours: 1038.8
Total Passengers: 1309
Total Cargo: 19,445 lbs.

1986 C-1A Summary

Total Time: 2126.2
Operational Hours: 1731.6
Total Carrier Landings: 588
Total Detachment Hours: 1348.6
Total Cargo Carried: 432,917 lbs.
Total Passengers Carried: 4428

1986 C-2A Summary

Total Hours: 867.5
Operational Hours: 384.0
Detached Hours: 302.6
Total Carrier Landings: 225
Total Passengers Carried: 1714
Total Cargo Carried: 167,273 lbs.

1986 C-1A Detachment Summary

January:	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE	10-13	JAN
	USS LEXINGTON	PENSACOLA/KEY WEST	14-22	JAN
	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	16,17,25	JAN
	USS KENNEDY	JACKSONVILLE	18-23	JAN
FEBRUARY:	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE	11-22	FEB
	USS AMERICA	ROOSEVELT ROADS	10-13	FEB
	USS LEXINGTON	KEY WEST	21-26	FEB
	USS AMERICA	VACAPES	5-6	FEB
MARCH:	USS AMERICA	VACAPES	10	MARCH
	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	4-16	MARCH
	USS KENNEDY	JACKSONVILLE	5-15	MARCH
	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE	8-19	MARCH
	USS LEXINGTON	KEYWEST	23-27	MARCH
APRIL:	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE/ROOSY RDS	01-26	APRIL
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	10-23	APRIL
	USS KENNDEY	VACAPES	14-19	APRIL
	USS LEXINGTON	CORPUS CHRISTI	23-30	APRIL
MAY:	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	7-8	MAY
	USS KENNEDY	ROOSEVELT ROADS	11-30	MAY
	USS CORAL SEA	VACAPES	18	MAY
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	20-28	MAY

JUNE :	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	2,5,26	JUNE
	USS LEXINGTON	CORPUS CHRISTI/PENSACOLA	3-8	JUNE
	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE	3	JUNE
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	10-13, 25-26	JUN
	USS NIMITZ	JACKSONVILLE	28-30	JUNE
JULY :	USS NIMITZ	JACKSONVILLE	1-16	JULY
	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	15-29	JULY
	USS CORAL SEA	VACAPES	16	JULY
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	29-31	JULY
AUGUST:	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	1,15,16	AUG
	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	19	AUG
	USS LEXINGTON	CORPUS/PENSACOLA	24-31	AUG
SEPTEMBER:	USS AMERICA	VACAPES	9-11	SEPT
	USS SARATOGA	JACKSONVILLE	15-30	SEPT
	USS LEXINGTON	CORPUS CHRISTI/PENSACOLA	21-30	SEPT
OCTOBER:	USS SARATOGA	VACAPES	1-5	OCT
	USS AMERICA	VACAPES	14-20	OCT
	USS LEXINGTON	CORPUS/PENSACOLA	26-31	OCT
NOVEMBER:	USS LEXINGTON	PENSACOLA	1-5	NOV
	USS THEODORE	ROOSEVELT ROADS	3-7	NOV

C-2A Detachment Summary

MAY:	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	20	MAY
	- FIRST C-2 LOGISTICS OPERATIONS IN SQUADRON HISTORY			
JUNE :	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	2,5,27	JUNE
	USS FORRESTAL	VACAPES	5	JUNE
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	11,12,25-27	JUN
JULY :	USS CORAL SEA	VACAPES	15	JULY
	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	23	JULY
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	29-30	JULY
AUGUST:	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	15-16	AUG
	USS KENNEDY	VACAPES	19,20	AUG
	USS NIMITZ	GANDER, NEWFOUNDLAND	18-20	AUG
	USS KENNEDY	BERMUDA	21-24	AUG
SEPTEMBER:	USS AMERICA	VACAPES	9	SEPT
	USS LEXINGTON	PENSACOLA	26-30	SEPT
	USS SARATOGA	JACKSONVILLE	15-30	SEPT
	USS SARATOGA	VACAPES	30	SEPT
OCTOBER:	USS SARATOGA	VACAPES	1-4	OCT
	USS NIMITZ	BERMUDA	10-13	OCT
	USS NIMITZ	VACAPES	14,15	OCT
	USS AMERICA	VACAPES	14,17	OCT
	USS LEXINGTON	CORPUS CHRISTI/PENSACOLA	29-31	OCT
	USS SARATOGA	JACKSONVILLE	29-31	OCT

NOVEMBER:	USS LEXINTON	PENSACOLA	1-4	NOV
	USS SARATOGA	JACKSONVILLE	1-14	NOV
	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE	9	NOV
DECEMBER:	USS SARATOGA	JACKSONVILLE	2-10	DEC
	USS ROOSEVELT	JACKSONVILLE	9-16	DEC
	USS FORRESTAL	JACKSONVILLE	9-13	DEC
	USS NIMITZ	JACKSONVILLE	13-17	DEC

SAFETY ACHIEVEMENTS

Alpha Mishaps:	0
Bravo Mishaps:	0
Alpha Ground Mishaps:	0
NATOPS Changes Submitted:	8 CT-39E
	3 C-2A

AIRCRAFT READINESS

	<u>T-39</u>	<u>C-2A</u>	<u>C-1A</u>
MAR 86	63.5%		49.6%
JUN 86	78.5%	24.2%	45.6%
SEP 86	65.5%	41.2%	39.9%
DEC 86	46.1%	27.9%	Oct 86 59.0%

OPTAR MANAGEMENT

	<u>C-1A</u>	<u>CT-39</u>	<u>C-2A</u>
ORIGINAL FLIGHT HOURS GRANT	1170	1050	1472
ADJUSTED GRANT	(INCREASED 75 HOURS-DECREASED 83 HRS.)		
HOURS FLOWN	2828.2	1443.7	410.2
ORIGINAL MONEY GRANT	(\$936,900.00)		
ADJUSTED MONEY GRANT	(\$937,400.00)		
DOLLARS EXPENDED	\$384,992.28	\$398,778.35	\$141,137.41
COST PER HOUR	\$136.13	\$276.23	\$344.07

1986 MILESTONES VRC-40

- APRIL: This month VRC-40 received its first C-2A from the Philippines via NARF in San Diego. The squadron worked through an initial shake-down period to ensure that the C-2A aircraft maintenance technicians and air crew were fully operationally ready for detached operations.
- April: 30 April 1986, VRC-40 hosted a visit by Captain Skrzypek, COMTACSUPWING ONE, for an award presentation. VRC-40 received the prestigious and most coveted Battle "E" and Safety "S" awards.
- May: 23 May 1986, a change of command ceremony was held at which Commander Gary A. Lee, USN, was relieved by Commander Thomas E. Lutes, USN.
- October: 3 October 1986, a retirement ceremony was held for ADC [REDACTED], USN.
- November: 13 November 1986, VRC-40 hosted a visit by VADM DUNN, COMNAVAIRLANT, for an award presentation. AMS2 [REDACTED] USN, received the Meritorious Service Medal for his performance in repairing the "C-1A "Trader" wingfold systems with a level of technical expertise and professional skill unmatched in the squadron. He repaired six different airframes, successfully returning each to operational status at substantial monetary savings to the Navy, and months before contract process would have allowed." This award is significant because it is rare that an enlisted person would receive such an award normally reserved for senior officers holding command status.