COMMAND HISTORY USS BARRY (DDG-52)

01 JAN 95-31 DEC 95

PART I. COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

Ship Name:

USS BARRY

Hull Number:

DDG-52

International Call Sign:

NNJB

Commanding Officer:

CDR Kevin M. Ouinn, USN

Homeport:

Norfolk, VA

Immediate Senior Command:

COMMANDER, GWBATGRU

(Operational)

COMDESRON TWO SIX

Immediate Senior Command:

COMDESRON TWO SIX

(Administrative)

Ship's Mission: BARRY is equipped with the most advanced naval weapons system in the world. AEGIS, a computerized, quick-reaction air defense system, provides extraordinary capabilities against attacking aircraft and missiles. The heart of the AEGIS system is the SPY-1D radar. The combination of the SPY radar, Vertical Launching System (VLS) and SM-2 surface-to-air missiles make BARRY one of the most capable AAW platforms in the world.

BARRY is also extremely capable in Surface Warfare (SUW) (Harpoon, 5" Gun), Strike Warfare (STW) (Vertical Launched Tomahawk Land Attack Missiles) and Undersea Warfare (USW) (SQQ-89 Sonar Suite), comprised of the AN/SQS-53C hull-mounted sonar, AN/SQR-19 towed array, Vertical Launch ASROC, Mk 32 SVTT, AN/SQQ-28 Sonobuoy Processor, and On Board Trainer.

PART II: CHRONOLOGY

- 01 Jan-02 Apr 95- SRA, Moon Engineering
- 25 Mar 95- Embarked women as crewmembers
- 03-04 Apr 95- Underway VACAPES, Sea Trials
- 05 Apr-07 May 95- In port Norfolk (CART II)
- 08-10 May 95- Ammunition On load, Yorktown Naval Weapons Station
- 11-25 May 95- Underway Puerto Rican OPAREA (PROA)
- 18-20 May 95- Port Visit Nassau, Bahamas
- 26-31 May 95- Port Visit Annapolis, MD
- 31 May-01 Jun 95- Port Visit Baltimore, MD
- 02-18 Jun 95- In port Norfolk, VA
- 19-29 Jun 95- Underway Virginia Capes OPAREA (VACAPES)
- 22 Jun 95- VANDALEX, PROA
- 30 Jun-04 Jul 95- Port Visit Nauticus/Waterside (Norfolk, VA)
- 05-07 Jul 95- Underway VACAPES
- 08-09 Jul 95- In port Norfolk, VA
- 10-12 Jul 95- Underway VACAPES (Mock OPPE)
- 13-17 Jul 95- In port Norfolk, VA
- 18-20 Jul 95- Underway VACAPES (OPPE)

- 21-25 Jul 95- In port Norfolk, VA
- **26-27 Jul 95-** Underway VACAPES (OPPE II)
- 28 Jul-27 Aug 95- In port Norfolk, VA (CSOSS, CMTT)
- **28-31 Aug 95-** Underway VACAPES (ITT)
- 01-04 Sep 95- In port Norfolk, VA
- 05-08 Sep 95- Underway VACAPES (FEP, CMTQ)
- 09-27 Sep 95- In port Norfolk, VA (CSRR)
- 28 Sep-30 Oct 95- Underway PROA (COMPTUEX)
- 28 Sep-04 Oct 95- Anti-Submarine Warfare Proficiency Training
- 09-11 Oct 95- Port Visit Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 17 Oct 95- Torpedo Firing, St. Croix
- 26-29 Oct 95- Port Visit Mayport, FL
- 31 Oct-02 Nov 95- Ammunition On load, Yorktown Naval Weapons Station
- 03-09 Nov 95- Underway VACAPES (COMPTUEX II)
- 10-28 Nov 95- In port Norfolk, VA
- 17 Nov 95- ADM Flanagan Visit-Battenburg Cup Presentation
- 29 Nov-16 Dec 95- Underway VACAPES (JTFEX)
- 15 Dec 95- Change of Command Ceremony
- 16-31 Dec 95- Pre-Overseas Movement/Holiday Stand-down Period

PART III: NARRATIVE

01Jan-02 Apr 95- Ship's Restricted Availability (SRA), Moon Engineering

-BARRY underwent the Women At Sea (WAS) modification, and received interior modifications to prepare for the embarkation of female crewmembers. The majority of changes occurred in berthing areas. Forward head facilities were installed for officers and chiefs, and privacy curtains were added to the entrance to female E-1to E-6 berthing.

25 Mar 95- Embarkation of Women

-BARRY became the first DDG-51 class destroyer to have female crewmembers. The first women checked onboard for duty, following weeks of training by the entire crew on integration issues. BARRY's female compliment is 5 officers, 3 E-7 to E-8, and 18 E-6 and below.

03-04 Apr 95- Sea Trials

- BARRY put out to sea in the Virginia Capes to "shake down" after a three-month yard period.

05-07 Apr 95- Commander's Assessment of Readiness and Training (CART II)

- Inspectors were onboard to assess administration issues in all departments.

08-10 Apr 95- Ammunition On load

-BARRY took on a partial load out of ammunition in preparation for predeployment workups in the VACAPES and PROA. All ammunition types were loaded, with the exception of Tomahawk Land Attack Missiles

18-19 May 95- Port Visit- Nassau, Bahamas

- After two weeks at sea, BARRY visited the Caribbean vacation mecca of Nassau. The crew thoroughly enjoyed the three days of sun and sand.

26-31 May 95- Port Visit- Annapolis, MD

- BARRY anchored in the Chesapeake Bay, off the United States Naval Academy, as the "Ship in the Yard" for Commissioning Week '95. Throughout the week, BARRY hosted over 3000 visitors who braved the bay's choppy waters to get a look at the first DDG-51 class destroyer to visit USNA.

31 May-01 Jun 95- Port Visit-Baltimore, MD

- BARRY paid a short visit to this lively waterside city, where crewmembers enjoyed the Baltimore Orioles and the local fare.

30 Jun-04 Jul 95- Port Visit-Nauticus/Waterside

- BARRY was pierside at the Nauticus Maritime Museum, and served as the touring ship for Fourth of July festivities in downtown Norfolk. In record setting heat, BARRY gave tours to over 1000 visitors daily.

10-12 Jul 94- Underway VACAPES (MOCK OPPE)

- Inspectors from the Engineering Training Group were onboard to administer a mock Operational Propulsion Plant Examination. BARRY's engineers worked around the clock to ensure the flawless operation of the engineering plant and perfect execution of Basic Engineering Casualty Control Exercises.

18-20 Jul 95- Underway VACAPES (OPPE)

- BARRY's OPPE was evaluated as incomplete due to an actual casualty to the steering system. The examination was rescheduled for completion 26-27 July. However, the inspectors did have a chance to do a material inspection and found

only ten discrepancies in the entire engineering plant, an accomplishment for which BARRY received an "Outstanding" in materiel.

26-27 Jul 95- Underway VACAPES (OPPE II)

-ETG conducted the final inspections for OPPE. BARRY received an overall "GOOD" for the examination.

28 July-27 Aug 95- In port Norfolk, VA (CSOSS, CMTT)

-Aegis Training Support Group representatives were on board to conduct training with BARRY's Combat Systems and Operations personnel. The focus was technicians perfecting their Combat Systems Operational Sequencing System procedures, and operators preparing for the upcoming Cruise Missile Team Qualification.

28-31 Aug 95- Underway VACAPES (ITT)

-BARRY was underway to conduct training in all facets of shipboard operations. Shiphandling, navigation, and damage control were the focus.

05-08 Sep 95- Underway VACAPES (FEP, CMTQ)

BARRY spent a busy three weeks at sea going through the Final Evaluation Period, topped off with Cruise Missile Team Qualification. After months of preparation, BARRY's teams received an overall "excellent" for their simulated Tomahawk and Harpoon missile engagements.

28 Sep-30 Oct 95- Underway PROA (COMPTUEX)

-For the first time in the pre-deployment training cycle, BARRY participated with the entire George Washington Battle Group in the Composite Training Unit Excercise. During this exercise, BARRY flexed all weapons systems and conducted maximum training to ensure the top-notch readiness of the deployment crew.

28 Sep-04 Oct 95- Anti-Submarine Warfare Proficiency Training

- BARRY was a key player in this ASW exercise, having control of Search Attack Units in 7 of 11 planned scenarios.

09-11 Oct 95- Port Visit, Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico

- BARRY pulled into the Puerto Rican port of Roosevelt Roads for three days of liberty. The crew enjoyed trips to Old San Juan, "El Yunque" National Rain Forest, and daily outings to the local beach.

17 Oct 95- Torpedo Firing, St. Croix

-BARRY added to her ASW success with three successful exercise torpedo firings at the AFWTF range off St. Croix.

26-29 Oct 95- Port Visit Mayport, FL

-BARRY's crew enjoyed well-deserved liberty in Mayport after a busy schedule during COMPTUEX.

31 Oct-02 Nov 95- Ammunition On load, Yorktown Naval Weapons Station

- In preparation for deployment, BARRY onloaded all remaining weapons, making the ship fully capable to fire ordnance in all mission areas.

03-09 Nov 95- COMPTUEX II

- Continuing pre-deployment exercises with the GW Battle Group, BARRY participated in Phase II of COMPTUEX, which focused on amphibious operations. BARRY was tasked with providing defense for the USS Guam and its escorts as they conducted a training amphibious landing.

17 Nov 95- Visit by COMSECONDFLT, Admiral Flanagan, USN

- BARRY was honored to have ADM Flanagan formally present the ship with the Battenburg Cup award for being the best ship of the Cruiser-Destroyer class in the Atlantic Fleet. The award is given anually to the ship with the highest amount of crew achievements.

29 Nov-16 Dec 95- Underway VACAPES (JTFEX)

- For the final exercises before deployment, BARRY participated in Joint Task Force Exercise 96-1. An extended mini-war, JTFEX was the final examination of the pre-deployment training phase.

15 Dec 95- Change of Command Ceremony

- Under beautiful, sunny skies in the VACAPES, CDR Kevin Quinn relieved CDR James Stavridis as Commanding Officer, USS BARRY. The guest speaker at the ceremony was CAPT John Morgan, COMDESRON 26. Also present was RADM Hank Giffin, COMGWBATGRU.

16-31 Dec 95- Pre-Overseas Movement/Holiday Stand-down Period

- BARRY's crew spent their remaining days in port taking leave and making preparations to get underway for deployment. Personal affairs as well as last-minute shipboard business were taken care of.