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1. Enclosure (1) is hereby submitted in accordance with reference (a).


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COMMAND HISTORY
USS BREMERTON (SSN698)
01 JANUARY 1982 - 31 DECEMBER 1982

COMMANDING OFFICER

CAPT T. H. ANDERSON, USN Through 29 May 1982

CDR D. S. WRIGHT, USN From 29 May 1982

COMMAND

Type Commander: Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet

Squadron Commander: Commander Submarine Squadron SEVEN

HOMEPORT

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

BASIC HISTORY

1982 was an eventful year for USS BREMERTON. In addition to completing a Post Shakedown Availability period at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, the ship saw its first change of command and a deployment to the Eastern Pacific. The year ended with the ship back home in Pearl Harbor, making preparations for a Western Pacific deployment scheduled for the spring of 1983.

Beginning the year in Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, the ship underwent significant modification during a 7 month Post Shakedown Availability period. The period also saw CAPT T.H. ANDERSON, the ship's first Commanding Officer, depart after being relieved by CDR D. S. WRIGHT IN May.

Midsummer brought an end to the shipyard period, and in early August BREMERTON left Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard on sea trials. The remainder of the summer was spent conducting local operations and in short upkeep periods at Subase Pearl Harbor. In late September, the ship deployed to the Eastern Pacific and made 3 port calls along the West Coast.

The ship stopped first in Bremerton, Washington and visited for the first time the city for which the ship was named. On hand to greet the ship were Bremerton Mayor Gene Nelson; Commodore Theodore LEWIN, Commander Naval Base Seattle; and Captain W. G. LANGE, Commander Submarine Group NINE. Additionally, about 100 other government officials and local luminaries were present as the Bremerton High School Marching Band welcomed the ship on arrival. During the 5 day stay, the city hosted several events for BREMERTON crew members, and made the ship's first visit to its namesake a memorable one.

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Departing Bremerton with Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, RADM B. M. KAUDERER embarked, the ship made a short transit to San Francisco, where it participated with other Pacific Fleet units in the city's Fleet Week festivities. After steaming in formation through the Bay, BREMERTON tied up at Naval Air Station, Alameda, and for 4 days the crew enjoyed one of the world's best liberty ports.

After leaving San Francisco, the ship made a brief stop in San Diego, where many crew members found at least a little time to explore this Navy town and to visit Tijuana, Mexico. BREMERTON then departed San Diego for the long trip home to Pearl Harbor.

Arriving home in early November, the ship made preparations for an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination, which occurred in Mid-December. Following the examination the year's end saw the ship in stand down for the holidays.

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

01 JAN - 02 AUG 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard for Post Shakedown Availability.

03 AUG - 04 AUG 82 Underway for Sea Trials.

05 AUG - 08 AUG 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.

09 AUG - 13 AUG 82 Underway on independent steaming exercises in Hawaiian Operating Areas

14 AUG - 29 AUG 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.

30 AUG - 03 SEP 82 Underway on independent steaming exercises in Hawaiian Operating Areas.

04 SEP - 06 SEP 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.

07 SEP - 10 SEP 82 Underway on independent steaming exercises in Hawaiian Operating Areas.

11 SEP - 19 SEP 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.

20 SEP - 07 OCT 82 Underway on transit to Eastern Pacific.

08 OCT - 11 OCT 82 Moored Puget Sound Naval Shipyard.

12 OCT - 15 OCT 82 Underway on transit to San Francisco.

16 OCT - 18 OCT 82 Moored Naval Air Station, Alameda.

19 OCT - 22 OCT 82 Underway on transit to San Diego.

23 OCT - 24 OCT 82 Moored alongside USS DIXON in San Diego, California.

25 OCT - 07 NOV 82 Underway on transit to Pearl Harbor.

08 NOV - 14 NOV 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.

15 NOV - 24 NOV 82 Underway on independent steaming exercises in Hawaiian Operating Areas.

25 NOV - 31 NOV 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.

01 DEC - 18 DEC 82 Underway on independent steaming exercises in Hawaiian Operating Areas.

19 DEC - 31 DEC 82 Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base.