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# COMMAND HISTORY USS BREMERTON (SSN 698) 01 JANUARY 1984 - 31 DECEMBER 1984

### COMMANDING OFFICER

D. S. WRIGHT, CDR, USN

#### COMMAND

TYPE COMMANDER: COMMANDER SUBMARINE FORCE, U.S. PACIFIC FLEET SQUADRON COMMANDER: COMMANDER SUBMARINE SQUADRON SEVEN

#### HOMEPORT

PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII

#### BASIC HISTORY

BREMERTON spent it's year busily training it's crew to be at it's maximum efficiency and readiness. The year began with a 30 day operation at sea which was to be only one of the many trips the BREMERTON would see. Upon return, BREMERTON continued local operations in the Hawaiian operating areas.

In March, BREMERTON got underway for the Perspective Commanding Officer operations which lead to a short visit to the island of Maui. Anchored off the shores of Lahaina, Maui, the crew enjoyed the beauty and excitement of the island paradise. The return transit back to Pearl Harbor was short but allowed some dependents of the crew to experience the mysterious underwater world of submarine life.

The month of April was devoted to preparing the ship for a Western Pacific deployment. On the 5th of May, BREMERTON departed on her long journey across the Pacific. A little over 2 months of hard work and training, the BREMERTON finally pulled into Subic Bay, Phillipines where a warm welcome and beer on the pier greeted the crew. The Phillipines offered a wide variety of activities both during the day as well as at night, and gave the crew an experience that will not be forgotten. Time quickly passed and once again the BREMERTON was underway in transit to one of the most exciting port of call, Hong Kong.

Hong Kong was indeed an exciting stop for the BREMERTON. The night life, different foods, restaurants, and bargain deals on gifts kept the crew active. The stay in Hong Kong was short but the crew was more than ready to return home.

On 11 August 1984, BREMERTON completed it's Western Pacific deployment and was welcomed home by a band and hula girls with leis. The following weeks were spent in standdown and gave everyone a chance to spend time with their families, friends, and relatives. Time quickly passed and BREMERTON was again preparing to go to sea, but this time on an Eastern Pacific deployment.

On O1 October 1984, BREMERTON departed for the Eastern Pacific. The very same day BREMERTON was awarded the 1984 Battle Efficiency "E", ASW "A", Engineering "E", and Damage Control "DC". The highlight of the Eastern Pacific deployment was participating in the Fleet Week festivities in San Francisco, CA. Many activities were scheduled by the city and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Upon return to Pearl Harbor in November, the BREMERTON continued it's weekly independent operations in Hawaiian operating areas up to the middle of December. The year closed with a Christmas standdown where the crew enjoyed the holiday season with family and friends.

## CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

01 Jan - 06 Jan 07 Jan - 06 Feb 07 Feb - 12 Feb 13 Feb - 22 Feb	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base Underway for Special Operations Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base Underway on Independent Steaming Exercises in Hawaiian Operating Areas
23 Feb - 26 Feb 27 Feb - 02 Mar	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base Underway for Perspective Commanding Officer Operations
03 Mar - 04 Mar 05 Mar	Anchored off of Lahaina, Maui Dependents Cruise
06 Mar - 25 Mar	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
26 Mar - 29 Mar	Underway for Sea Trials
30 Mar - 15 Apr	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
16 Apr - 19 Apr	Underway on Independent Steaming Exercises in
·	Hawaiian Operating Areas
20 Apr - 22 Apr	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
23 Apr - 27 Apr	Underway for Pre-Overseas Movement Certification
28 Apr - 04 May	Moored Naval Submarine Base Pearl Harbor in pre-
	paration for deployment
05 May - 09 Jul	Underway for Western Pacific deployment
10 Jul - 23 Jul	Moored U.S. Naval Facility Subic Bay, RP
24 Jul - 26 Jul	Underway on transit to Hong Kong
27 Jul - 31 Jul	Moored alongside USNS PASSUMPSIC in Hong Kong
01 Aug - 10 Aug	Return transit to Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
11 Aug - 02 Sep	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
03 Sep - 30 Sep	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base for IMA Upkeep
01 Oct - 06 Oct	Underway on transit to San Diego
07 Oct	Moored alongside USS POGY in San Diego, CA
08 Oct - 11 Oct	Underway for Acoustic Trials
12 Oct - 13 Oct	Underway on transit to San Francisco, CA
14 Oct - 17 Oct	Moored Naval Air Station, Alameda, CA
18 Oct - 31 Oct	Underway for Anti-Submarine Warfare Exercise
01 Nov - 11 Nov	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
12 Nov - 16 Nov	Underway for Tactical Readiness Evaluation Work Up
17 Nov - 25 Nov	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
26 Nov - 29 Nov	Underway for Tactical Readiness Evaluation
30 Nov - 09 Dec	Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base
10 Dec - 14 Dec	Underway on Independent Steaming Exercises in
15 Dec - 31 Dec	Hawaiian Operating Areas Moored Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Base