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Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

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1. Command Data (Boxes will expand as information is typed)

Name of your Command or Organization: USS CHAFEE (DDG 90)

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: R23155

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: Fremming First: Brian M.I.: D Rank: CDR

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): 2016-04-29

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: Pearl Harbor, HI

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): Pearl Harbor, HI

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: Destroyer Squadron 9

Administrative: Destroyer Squadron 9

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable):

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): HSM-37 DET 4

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable:
MH-60R (x2), "Easyrider 45/46"

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable):

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 30 Enlisted: 300 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LTJG [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Job Title/Office Code: Navigator

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): [REDACTED]

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2. Commander's Assessment

In 2016, CHAFEE achieved excellence in both material and combat readiness through the completion of multiple maintenance availabilities, warfare area certification events, and preparations for the NIMITZ Strike Group COMTUEX and follow-on 2017 C4F-C7F deployment.

Maintaining a well-trained crew after returning from deployment in December 2015, CHAFEE transitioned to the Sustainment phase seamlessly following 6A1 CMAV and a TSRA 1. Shortly thereafter, CHAFEE fielded its technical prowess in support of Submarine Commander's Course. Following a successful READ-E3, SAR 1.4 certification event and sustainment training, CHE conducted a Change of Command ceremony between CDR Shea S. Thompson and myself on 29 APR 2016.

CHAFEE remained in port for an "extended" CMAV last from JUN 16 through SEP 16. This availability allowed for multiple tier one work items to be corrected prior to CHAFEE's Crew Certification and following U/W to the SOCAL OPAREA to participate in the first Surface Warfare Tactical Training, or, "SWATT" alongside her DESRON 9 counterparts.

Upon returning to homeport, CHAFEE entered her third CMAV. Following an extended in port period and a Holiday POM period to ring in 2017, CHAFEE was underway for another highly successful ISIC Crew certification. Immediately after, CHAFEE along with the USS HALSEY and USNS GUADALUPE participated in Submarine Commander's Course 51.

After a brief in port period, CHAFEE set sail for the SOCAL OPAREA in order to rapidly integrate with Carrier Strike Group Eleven during their GRUSAIL and COMTUEX evolution. Along the way, CHAFEE seamlessly integrated with HSM 37 DET 4 out of MCAS Kaneohe Bay and completed her USW 1.4 certification with ease.

Upon her arrival in the SOCAL OPAREA, CHAFEE completed and excelled at GRUSAIL, an in port Strike Group wide Force Protection Exercise and COMTUEX, quickly becoming Carrier strike Group Eleven's Destroyer of choice.

A brief in port Combat Systems Groom at Naval Base San Diego assured CHAFEE's combat readiness prior to returning to Pearl Harbor in preparation for her upcoming C4F/C7F Independent Deployment.

I am extremely proud of the hard work and dedication that the Destroyermen of CHAFEE have displayed over this past year. I could not have asked for a better, more seasoned and tactically proficient crew to set sail with as we prepare for our upcoming deployment.



Brian D. Fremming
Commander, United States Navy
Commanding Officer, USS CHAFEE (DDG 90)

3. Chronology

11 JAN 2016	6A1 CMAV
25 – 31 JAN 2016	TSRA 1
05 FEB 2016	Fast Cruise
08 FEB 2016	U/W Submarine Commander's Course Mini Wars
19 FEB 2016	Moored B-23
11 MAR 2016	Burial At Sea
12 MAR 2016	Anchored HI OPAREA

16 MAR 2016	Family Day Cruise
28 MAR 2016	U/W READ-E3
29 MAR 2016	Anchored READE-3, Pearl Harbor, HI
4 – 5 MAY 2016	SAR 1.4
9 – 13 MAY 2016	3M MCA
19 – 20 MAY 2016	U/W Sustainment Training
23 MAY 2016	Berth Shift B-23 to W-4 for Ammo Offload
25 MAY 2016	Flip Ship W-4
26 MAY 2016	Berth Shift W-4 to B-23
29 APR 2016	Change of Command
08 JUN 2016	Received COMNAVSURFPAC Intelligence Award, Category 2
06 JUN – 16 SEP 2016	6A3 CMAV
17 JUN 2016	CMD Hike
27 JUN 2016	RDML Watanabe, JMSDF Tour
09 JUL 2016	CHAFEE Wardroom Tour of X'IAN, PLA(N) DD-196
21 JUL 2016	Assistant Secretary of the Navy The Honorable Mr. McGinn Ship Visit and Award CNO Environmental Award
12 -16 SEP 2016	Crew Certification
16 SEP 2016	Berth Shift B-18 to W-4, W-4 to B-22
19 SEP 2016	Berth Shift B-22 to W-4, U/W W-4 to Hawaii OPAREA
27 SEP – 11 OCT 2016	Surface Warfare Advanced Tactical Training
28 OCT 2016 - 06 FEB 2017	CMAV
06 – 10 FEB 2017	ISIC Crew Certification / Navigation Check Ride
11 – 17 FEB 2017	Submarine Commander's Course (SCC) 51 / SCC Mini-Wars
20 – 24 FEB 2017	Aviation Certification (AVCERT)
27 – 03 MAR 2017	B-17 to W-4 (NAVMAG Onload)
09 MAR 2017	U/W Hawaii OPAREA Enroute SOCAL OPAREA
10-14 MAR 17	HSM-37 DET 4 Integration / USW 1.3/1.4 Certification
14 MAR 17	MFTA Casualty/Recovery At Sea
16-20 MAR 17	MFTA Repairs IPT San Diego
27-29 MAR 17	COMTUEX FPEX IPT San Diego
30 MAR – 22 APR 17	U/W Carrier Strike Group Eleven COMTUEX
24-28 MAR 17	Combat Systems Groom IPT San Diego
28 MAR – 04 APR 17	U/W SOCAL OPAREA Enroute Hawaii OPAREA

Narrative

Early in 2016, CHAFEE completed CMAV 6A1 along with TSRA 1 prior to supporting Submarine Commander's course in the Hawaii OPAREA. She then went on to complete a successful READ-E3 assessment. Continuing her tradition of excellence, CHAFEE completed her SAR 1.4 certification and 3M MCA with exceptional results prior to conducting essential sustainment phase training at sea.

In late April, CDR Shea S. Thompson turned over command of CHAFEE to the then Executive Officer, CDR Brian D. Fremming.

CHAFEE would remain in port Pearl Harbor from June through September in an extended CMAV in order to complete essential maintenance items prior to her participation in the upcoming Surface Warfare Tactical Training (SWATT). During this time CHAFEE received the COMNAVSURFPAC Intelligence Award and CNO Environmental award, presented by none other than the Honorable Mr. McGinn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy. Additionally, CHAFEE sailors were chosen to host RDML Watanabe of the JMSDF as well as tour the PLA(N) DDG-196 X'IAN while it visited Pearl Harbor.

With the extended CMAV coming to a close in mid-September, CHAFEE expertly demonstrated her maintained state of readiness and ability to Navigate safely during a thorough ISIC Crew Certification and Navigation Check ride. CHAFEE immediately set sail for the SOCAL OPAREA in support of SWATT. Through late October, CHAFEE completed multiple integrated exercise level evolutions with her counterparts in Destroyer Squadron 9.

Upon her return to homeport in late October, CHAFEE entered her third extended CMAV in Pearl Harbor in order to complete multiple depot level maintenance and repair items in preparation for 2017's compressed schedule of events.

In February of 2017, following a well-deserved end of year Holiday POM period, the sailors of CHAFEE completed yet another successful ISIC Crew Certification and Navigation Check ride prior to participating in the Submarine Commander's course. Her performance during this evolution was exceptional and lauded by WTI's assigned to CHAFEE from the Naval Surface Warfare Development Center. During their time onboard, they assisted CHAFEE in perfecting its ASW employment and methods.

In March of 2017 CHAFEE set sail yet again for the SOCAL OPAREA. During her transit CHAFEE rapidly integrated with her Air Department brothers-in-arms from HSM-37 DET 4 based out of MCAS Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. She also completed her USW 1.4 certification, solidifying CHAFEE's ability to identify and prosecute sub-surface threats.

CHAFEE made her presence known in the SOCAL OPAREA as the most prepared and tactically proficient warship in the Pacific Fleet after effortlessly integrating with Carrier Striker Group Eleven during its GRUSAIL exercise in preparation for COMTUEX. For over a month, CHAFEE performed at a high and sustained state of combat readiness while demonstrating its ability to conduct integrated Strike Group Operations across multiple warfare areas in an ever changing environment. Her performance during these evolutions was nothing short of remarkable.

Following the completion of COMTUEX, CHAFEE enjoyed a short in port visit at Naval Base San Diego in order to complete multiple Combat Systems Grooms in preparation for her upcoming independent deployment to both C4F and C7F. CHAFEE returned to homeport in early May of 2017.

4. Supporting Reports (Refer to specific guide for Ship/Shore/Aviation or Fleet Command)

N/A

5. Published Documents

N/A

6. Photographs

Photographs included:

1. Commanding Officer
 2. Executive Officer
 3. Command Master Chief
 4. ASECNAV Visit to USS CHAFEE (DDG 90)
 5. SWATT PHOTOEX
 6. FAS w/ USS NIMITZ (CVN 68)
 7. CHAFEE at SWATT
 8. CHAFEE's Battle Flag
 9. SWATT PACFIRE
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