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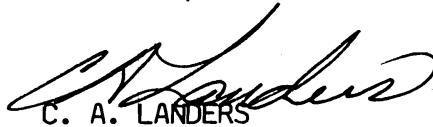
From: Commanding Officer, USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37)
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Encl: (1) USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37) Command History for 1989
(2) USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37) Updated Welcome Aboard Pamphlet
(3) Photograph, Commanding Officer, USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37)
(4) Photograph, USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37)
(5) Photograph, HSL 43 SH-60B Seahawk Helicopter

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (5) are submitted for calendar year 1989. CDR Coleman A. Landers, USN relieved CDR Paul K. A. Vosseler, USN as Commanding Officer of USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37) on 31 July 1989. Enclosure (2) includes biographical data and an update on CROMMELIN's statistics.


C. A. LANDERS

Copy to:
COMNAVSURFPAC San Diego, California
COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach, California
COMDESRON NINE

COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

MISSION:

USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37) is the thirty-first ship of the Oliver Hazard Perry Class of Guided Missile Frigates. CROMMELIN's mission is to provide anti-air, anti-submarine, and anti-surface protection for underway replenishment groups, convoys, amphibious forces, and other military and merchant shipping. In recent years, many ships of the FFG-7 class (including CROMMELIN) have been specifically tasked with providing escort and monitor services to U.S.- and Allied-flagged merchant shipping in the Persian Gulf.

In order to ensure a homogenous class of capable yet relatively inexpensive ships, many innovative concepts were incorporated into her design. These innovations include modular construction techniques, the use of numerous labor-saving devices, automatic control and monitoring systems, and shore-based maintenance support. The ship boasts some of the most comfortable living accommodations ever provided for the crew of a naval combatant. Habitability improvements include attractive living complexes (each with its own lounge), dressing, sleeping and sanitary areas.

Success in the warfare environment of the 1990's and beyond will require thorough evaluation, rapid decision making, and almost instantaneous response to any postulated threat. The systems aboard CROMMELIN have been designed to meet these demanding and dynamic prerequisites and to do so with minimum human interface. Her weapons include surface-to-surface and surface-to-air missiles, a 76MM gun, a Close In Weapon System, and anti-submarine torpedoes. The Lamps Mark III Video Data Link system brings state-of-the-art computer technology to the anti-submarine warfare arena as well as integrating sensors and weapons to provide a total offensive and defensive weapons system.

In addition, computers control and monitor the gas turbine engines and ship's service diesel generators. Digital electronic logic circuits and remotely operated valves are monitored in a central control station which can initiate engine start and attain a "Ready to Go" status in less than ten minutes, as compared to eight or more hours for conventional steam power propulsion plants. The real heart of the ship, however, is her crew. High technology systems demand skilled technicians and professional leadership. The concept of "minimum manning" means, simply, that with professional sailors CROMMELIN can meet the challenges of modern naval warfare with approximately half the crew found on older ships of comparable size and capability. Freedom's Finest Guardian, USS CROMMELIN, proudly lives up to her motto, "Munus Bene Facit," that is, "Duty Well Done."

IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR IN COMMAND: COMMANDER, DESTROYER SQUADRON NINE

COMMANDING OFFICER: COMMANDER COLEMAN A. LANDERS, USN

HOME PORT: LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

AIRCRAFT EMBARKED: LAMPS MARK III SH-60B HELICOPTERS FROM HSL-43, NORTH ISLAND CALIFORNIA

SIGNIFICANT STATISTICAL DATA AND AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES:

MK 75 76MM GUNN	HEIR	68
	HEPD	40
	BL&P	89
	HE-CVT	05
CIWS	20MM	3120
MINI-MOBILE TARGETS	MK 27	01
SMALL ARMS	.50 CAL	5610
	.45 CAL	3622
	M-60(7.62mm LINKED)	6200
	M-14(7.62mm)	1760
	12 GAUGE SHOTGUN	278
SMOKE FLOATS	MK 25	36
	MK 58	06

AT SEA EVOLUTIONS

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENTS:	5
VERTICAL REPLENISHMENTS:	5

Ship's History
USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37)
01 Jan - 31 Dec 1989

- 10 Jan Commanding Officer held Pre-Deployment brief for crew and families.
- 11 Jan Marksmanship qualification trip to Weapons Station, Seal Beach, CA
- 18 Jan Marksmanship qualification trip to the firing line, Huntington Beach, CA.
- 20 Jan Underway Socal for sea trials, vibration analysis, mass conflagration drill and economy Trials.
- 23 Jan Harpoon Team Trainer.
- 25 Jan Pacific Fleet Master Chief Petty Officer Visit.
- 27 Jan Commodore Dyke (COMDESRON Nine) bid farewell to Crommelin onboard before he departs for deployment with his squadron staff.
- 31 Jan Underway SOCAL -- night steaming and engineering casualty control drills.
- 01 Feb Moored Pier Bravo, NAS North Island for final Pre-Deployment ammunition onload. RADM Farrell, USN (RET) arrived along with 70 members of a "Go Navy" group for the cruise to Long Beach. Transit social, moored pier ECHO NAVSTA Long Beach, CA.
- 13 Feb Command policy on Plastics Reduction In the Marine Environment (PRIME) announced to crew.
- 14 Feb 76MM/25MM/CIWS firing exercises conducted.
- 16 Feb Moored Pier ECHO, NAVSTA Long Beach, CA.
- 07 Mar Underway SOCAL; All Chief Petty Officers onboard qualified as Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialists (ESWS).
- 08 Mar Crommelin anchored at K-6 anchorage, NAVSTA Long Beach Ca to onload five pallets of 76MM ammunition from WPNSTA Seal Beach CA. via small boat transfer. Subsequent return to pier Echo, NAVSTA Long Beach Ca
- 09 Mar Marksmanship qualification trip to WPNSTA Seal Beach, CA and the firing line in Huntington Beach, CA
- 15 Mar COMNAVSURFPAC Chief of Staff visit
- 17 Mar Underway for WESTPAC/ IO/ Persian Gulf; fly on for SH-2 for transport to Pearl Harbor, HI and for HSL-43 Ocean Lord 25 (LCDR S. KINNEY, Officer in Charge).

21 Mar LCDR C. J. Baranowski, USN relieved LCDR M. J. Leghart, Sr., USN as Executive Officer.

22 Mar Moored Pearl Harbor, HI.

23 Mar Visited by RADM P. F. Duffy, USN (USNAVCENT) to examine experimental Mast-Mounted site system installed by MacDonnell-Douglas.

25 Mar Underway from Pearl Harbor.

31 Mar Underway replenishment with USS HALEAKALA, MID-Pacific.

01 Apr INCHOP to Seventh Fleet.

07 Apr Moored NABASAN WHARF, NAVMAG Subic Bay, R. P. for 76MM HE-CVT onload and torpedo offload. Subsequent berth shift to pier 16, Subic Bay (ship repair facility).

12 Apr Underway from Subic Bay, RP.

15 Apr Moored SEMBAWANG Wharf (ROYAL NEW ZEALAND NAVY FACILITY) Republic of Singapore.

18 Apr Underway from Singapore.

22 Apr Moored Fuel Pier, Columbo Sri Lanka for fuel only.
Underway same day.

25 Apr MEFEX with USS Ranger CVBG assets: silkworm exercise, FPB Ex, SLEDGEHAMMER SUCAP Ex, Iranian SAAM FFG Harassment/Engagement Ex, Deconflictin Ex.

Midnight Unrep with USNS HASSAYAMPA for fuel only.

26 Apr Finex MEFEX with USS RANGER.

27 Apr Moored to USS GRIDLEY (CV 21) at anchor in North Arabian Sea for turnover and relief

29 Apr At Anchor, Sitrah anchorage off Manamah, Bahrain.

1 May Underway from Bahrain

2 May Conducted Mine detection Exercise with USS ENHANCE (MSO).

7-17 May Patrol of Southern Persian Gulf.

17-20 May Inport for port visit, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

18 May Softball game with Marine House, Abu Dhabi

19 May Basketball game with Marines.

20-21 May Underway, Central Persian Gulf (CPG).

21-23 May anchored, Sitrah, Bahrain.

23-28 May Underway, Soutern Persian Gulf.

29 MAY-02 JUN Moored alongside USS PUGET SOUND in Sitrah anchorage for TAV. Daily TAV progress meeting held in USS PUGET SOUND.

03 JUN Underway from alongside USS PUGET SOUND. Moor Mina Sulman pier, Bahrain, outboard USS ELROD.

04-05 JUN Inport Bahrain. CROMMELIN officers and crew learn of the death of Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini; servicemembers are advised to keep a low profile and avoid mourning demonstrations among local Shi'ite population in Bahrain. No incidents are reported.

06-09 JUN Underway Central Persian Gulf.

07 JUN Flight quarters (Launch of Ocean Lord 25, 40 DLQ's, Helo crash drill).

08 JUN Pre-Action Calibration Fire of 76MM and 20MM CIWS guns. Flight quarters for OL 25; Helicopter M-60 machine gun exercise. Four DLQ's; helicopter refueling.

09 JUN Flight Quarters (6 DLQ's).

10-16 JUN Conducted operations in the Southern Persian Gulf.

10 JUN Rendezvous with USS UNDERWOOD for vertrep of personnel, mail, and cargo, and transfer of Warriors 01 and 02 (U.S. Army helicopters) to CROMMELIN. CROMMELIN set Condition 1A to conduct Earnest Will escort operations with U.S.-flagged merchant vessels inside the Iranian's Silkworm missile envelope.

11 JUN Flight quarters for Ocean Lord 25, Warrior 01 and 02.

12 JUN Underway replenishment with USNS SPICA.

13-14 JUN Set condition 1A for Silkworm envelope transit and EW ops.

16 JUN Anchored Sitrah anchorage.

17 JUN All hands awards ceremony held on CROMMELIN's flight deck. Underway for Northern Persian Gulf.

18 JUN Moored alongside mobile sea base HERCULES in Northern Persian Gulf. CROMMELIN takes on water and fuel. Underway for Northern Persian Gulf patrol. Flight quarters for launch of all aircraft.

19 JUN Flight Quarters for Ocean Lord 25.

20 JUN Moor mobile sea barge HERCULES for fuel and water. Underway for Northern Persian Gulf patrol. Flight quarters for all aircraft.

21 JUN Flight Quarters for Ocean Lord 25 and Army helicopters.

22 JUN Flight quarters for all aircraft. General quarters for repair locker training.

23 JUN Mobile sea barge HERCULES used a patrol boat to transfer a landing signalman enlisted to the barge to assist landing of Navy and Army helicopters.

24 JUN CROMMELIN held "Steel Beach Picnic" on ship's flightdeck.

25 JUN Flight Quarters for all aircraft. Surface Warfare Officer qualification board held in Captain's cabin.

26 JUN Flight quarters for all aircraft. Helicopter Crash and smash Drill conducted. Ocean Lord 25 conducts personnel transfer. Enlisted Surface Warfare qualification board held in the wardroom.

28 JUN Moored port side to Mina Sulman, berth 10, Manamah, Bahrain.

28-30 JUN Inport Bahrain.

30 JUN Underway for Central Persian Gulf patrol. Vertrep with USS JASON. Abandon ship and general quarters drills. Flight quarters for all aircraft.

01 JUL Flight quarters for all aircraft.

02 JUL CROMMELIN steel beach picnic held on the flight deck. Flight quarters for all aircraft. Planning began for CROMMELIN's Tiger Cruise (dependent's cruise) from Hawaii to Long Beach, California.

03 JUL Pre-action calibration of 76MM and 20MM CIWS guns. Flight quarters for all aircraft.

04 JUL Holiday routine for Independence Day. CROMMELIN celebrated with cookout on the fantail. Flight quarters and DLQ's for Ocean Lord 25.

05 JUL Engineering Casualty Control Drills. Flight quarters to receive mail and cargo from Administrative Support Unit (ASU) Bahrain via USS LASALLE's embarked UH-60 Helicopters. Flight quarters for launch and patrol for all CROMMELIN aircraft.

06 JUL Flight quarters for all aircraft.

07 JUL Conducted engineering casualty control drills. Flight quarters for all aircraft. Planning begins for IMAV 7 and 8, scheduled from 9-29 October 1989 with SIMA NRMF Long Beach, California. Night time fly-off of Warriors 01 and 02; transferred to USS ELROD.

08-09 JUL Inport Bahrain.

08 JUL Moor Mina Sulman, Bahrain. Loaded stores and refuel JP-5 supply.

10 JUL Underway, Central Persian Gulf patrol. General quarters for repair locker training and abandon ship drill. Flight Quarters for launch of Ocean Lord 25. Night time recovery of Warriors 03 and 04.

11 JUL Flight quarters for Ocean Lord 25. Conducted engineering casualty control drills.

12 JUL Flight quarters for Ocean Lord 25. Conducted engineering casualty control drills.

14 JUL Flight quarters for all embarked aircraft. Enlisted Surface Warfare qualification board held in the wardroom.

15 JUL Flight deck awards ceremony held for the crew. Flight quarters for all aircraft. Engineering casualty control drills. HM3(SW) [REDACTED] is chosen as Destroyer Squadron Nine's Junior Sailor of the Quarter.

16 JUL Flight quarters for all aircraft. Holiday routine.

18 JUL Underway replenishment with British Oiler HMS BAYLEAF. conducted engineering casualty control drills. Flight quarters for all aircraft. Fly-off of Warriors 03 and 04.

19 JUL Moored alongside mobile sea base HERCULES for fuel and water. Ocean Lord 25 undergoes seven-day command inspection. Underway for Central Persian Gulf patrol.

24 JUL Leapfrog exercises with USS LASALLE. Flight quarters for Ocean Lord 25.

26 JUL Moor Mina Sulman, Bahrain. Refuel JP-5. Prospective Commanding Officer, CDR Coleman A. Landers, and Prospective Combat Systems Officer, LT [REDACTED], arrived onboard to begin turnover and tour of spaces.

29 JUL Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force Middle East, BGEN Philip Nuber, USAF, visited Commanding Officer CROMMELIN, CDR Paul K.A. Vosseler, for ship tour. CROMMELIN held Change of Command picnic at ASU Bahrain for crew.

31 JUL Change of Command ceremony: CDR Coleman A. Landers, USN, relieved CDR Paul K.A. Vosseler, USN of Command of USS CROMMELIN. Guest speaker: Commander, Joint Task Force Middle East RADM William Fogarty, USN. Other distinguished guests include Deputy CJTFME; Commanding Officer, ASU Bahrain; Commanding Officer, USS LASALLE. CDR Vosseler and relieved Combat Systems Officer LT [REDACTED] depart CROMMELIN. Underway for Central Persian Gulf and MEF equipment turnover with USS KINKAID. Warriors 03 and 04 unable to perform night time liftoff due to hydraulic oil leak on Warrior 03. CROMMELIN directed to proceed to mobile sea base HERCULES for crane offload of Army helicopters.

01 AUG Moored mobile sea base Hercules for fuel, water, and offload of Warriors 03 and 04. Warrior 03 is repaired; both aircraft Persian Gulf on the part of U.S. forces, based on the announced execution of LTCOL William R. Higgins, USMC, by a Middle East terrorist organization. CROMMELIN is to remain

under command of CJTFME an additional two weeks, instead of conducting outchop on 1 August, as originally planned.

- 02 AUG Underway for Central Persian Gulf. Flight quarters for recovery of SH-3 (cargo).
- 03 AUG 76MM Pre-action calibration firing conducted.
- 04 AUG Flight quarters for launch of Ocean Lord 25 and vertrep with USNS SPICA.
- 05 AUG Flight quarters for all aircraft.
- 06 AUG Flight deck cookout for the crew. Flight quarters for all aircraft.
- 07 AUG Small craft action drill conducted. 76MM and 25MM gun pre-action calibration firings. Flight quarters for all aircraft.
- 08 AUG Transfer of STINGER detachment personnel to ASU Bahrain by helicopter. Flight quarters for all aircraft.
- 09 AUG Flight quarters for all aircraft.
- 10 AUG Moored, Mina Sulman, Bahrain.
- 12 AUG CROMMELIN is named "Self-Sufficient Ship of the Week" by Commander, Naval Surface Forces Pacific. COMNAVSURFPAC cites, "A major contributing factor to CROMMELIN's high state of readiness was scheduling all annual/semi-annual/quarterly PMS before they arrived in Subic and then carefully managing preventive maintenance performance in the Gulf to ensure PMS checks were completed within periodicity without interfering with operational commitments. CROMMELIN was the only ship that did not require dedicated "off-line" time to accomplish PMS. CROMMELIN "exported" their self-sufficiency to other MEF deployers by providing parts and tech assist to USS LASALLE, ELROD, CURTS, UNDERWOOD, and GALLERY to keep them going."
- 14 AUG Underway for Strait of Hormuz and outchop from Persian Gulf. Conducted engineering casualty control drills. Flight quarters for transfer of Army personnel, equipment, and helicopters to USS KINKAID.
- 15 AUG CROMMELIN transits Strait of Hormuz and Silkworm missile envelope in condition 1A. Ocean Lord 25 is kept on deck in a 30 minute standby.
- 16 AUG Flight deck picnic to celebrate departure from the Persian Gulf. Flight Quarters for Ocean Lord 25 DLQ's.
- 17 AUG Welfare and recreation committee meeting held to make plans for port visit to Phuket, Thailand. Flight quarters for DLQ's.
- 19 AUG Moor to fueling pier, Colombo, Sri Lanka. (Brief stop for fuel. Time constraint and political unrest prevent crewmembers from leaving the ship while inport.)

Underway for Thailand.

- 20 AUG Flight quarters, DLQ's. port brief for Phuket, Thailand. CROMMELIN averages 22 knots speed over ground (SOG) during transit of Arabian Sea and Indian Ocean in order to make visit on time.
- 21-24 AUG Moor, Phuket Thailand. (Liberty port). CROMMELIN received farewell message from Commander, Joint Task Force Middle East: "As you depart the Persian Gulf, you take with you the admiration of the entire Joint Task Force Middle East. Your performance across the board has been superb. The flexibility and readiness of CROMMELIN during constantly changing operations during periods of increased tensions in the region was noteworthy. Your ingenuity and skill proved the effectiveness of the Mast-Mounted Sight System (prototype electro-optical device developed by McDonnell-Douglas Corp.) during patrol throughout the Gulf during visits with our friends in the Gulf, your conduct as goodwill, ambassadors went far to enhancing relations between the U.S. and Gulf nations."
- 25 AUG Underway for Subic Bay, Republic of the Phillipines. General quarters and abandon ship drills.
- 26 AUG Flight deck awards ceremony for the crew. Flight Quarters. Main Space Fire Drill (General Quarters). CROMMELIN marks "Polly-Wog Day" with "Wog Beauty Contest and "Wog Talent Show" in preparation for crossing the line ceremony. Davy Jones arrives and addresses candidate Shellbacks.
- 27 AUG CROMMELIN crossed the equator and commenced crossing the line ceremony. All Pollywogs were "de-slimed" in accordance with appropriate traditional guidance. Flight Deck cookout. Engineering Officer of the Watch (EOOW) qualification board held in the wardroom.
- 28 AUG Conducted engineering casualty control drills. Small Arms Qualifications on the fantail for all inport OOD, POOW, and MOOW watchstanders. Flight quarters. Pier Sentry training on the messdecks. Command Duty Officer qualification board held in the wardroom.
- 29 AUG Conducted engineering casualty control drills. Pre-action calibration firing of 20MM CIWS and 25MM Gun. Port brief for Subic Bay, RP.
- 30 AUG Moored, Nabasan Wharf, (ordnance pier, Subic Bay). Offload of MEF-specific ordnance. Underway and moored, Navsta Subic Bay. RP.
- 01 SEP Underway from Subic Bay, RP. (Originally planned five-day availability was shortened to one day and a half in order to make Hong Kong port visit on schedule.) Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
- 02 SEP Navigation Brief for Hong Kong
- 03 SEP Moored HMS TAMAR (British Royal Naval Station), Hong Kong Island.

Boarding brief and liberty call.

- 05 SEP Underway from Hong Kong.
CROMMELIN received following message from COMSEVENTHFLT:
"As CROMMELIN and HSL 43 Det 4 head toward home after a most demanding MEF deployment, my best wishes go with you for a safe voyage and a well deserved reunion with family and loved ones. Your performance under the very demanding circumstances of the Arabian Gulf was superb and your representation of the U.S. Navy was exemplary. The dedication and sacrifices by all in CROMMELIN are recognized and appreciated. Congratulations on a job well done. VADM Mauz sends."
- 07 SEP Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Flight quarters for DLQ's and crash drill.
CROMMELIN completed transit of South China Sea.
- 08 SEP Underway replenishment brief in the wardroom.
Planning began for CROMMELIN's participation in Surface Line Week, scheduled for 27 NOV to 02 DEC in Long Beach, California. The week-long event is to be a string of athletic and professional contests among ships homeported at Navsta Long Beach.
- 09 SEP Underway replenishment with USS WHITE PLAINS for fuel, stores, and mail.
- 10 SEP Final photographs are taken for the Cruisebook for WestPac '89.
- 11 SEP Aviation certification meeting was held in the wardroom.
Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
- 12 SEP CROMMELIN officers and chief petty officers conducted in-house customs inspection of all spaces in preparation for returning to U.S territory at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
- 13 SEP Flight quarters for DLQ's, crash and smash drill,.
Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
General quarters for Main Space Fire Drill.
- 14 SEP Navigation brief for arrival Pearl Harbor.
Officer Of the Deck board (Underway) in wardroom.
Engineering task practice.
Flight quarters
CROMMELIN received the following message from COMNAVSURFPAC:
"Bravo Zulu as the Officers and men of USS CROMMELIN head home from an arduous Arabian Gulf deployment, you can take great pride in a job well done. Your thorough and extensive exploitation of the Mast-Mounted Sight System's capabilities and detailed reporting of the results achieved has been extremely valuable to the Navy. Your critical evaluation of this system and innovative approach to exploring its operational limitations has enabled expansion of the Mast-Mounted Sight System's installation to include future MEF deployers. Warm regards and keep smiling. VADM R.K.U. Kihune."
- 15 SEP Conducted degaussing run while enroute Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Moored Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.
Refueled DFM and JP-5, loaded stores.

- 16 SEP Middle East Force Awards Ceremony held on the Flight Deck for the crew. Captain Landers presents Navy Achievement Medals, Commendations, and other recognition to members of the crew for their performance while on patrol and escort operations in the Persian Gulf.
Embarkation of over 60 crewmembers' relatives and friends.
Tiger cruise (dependents' cruise) meeting on the messdecks.
LT [REDACTED] (prospective Chief Engineer) and LT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (prospective Supply Officer) arrive onboard to begin turnover and tour of spaces.
CROMMELIN receives following welcome from COMDESRON NINE by message:
"CROMMELIN's performance during your just completed deployment to the MIDDLE East Force established new standards of excellence in operations, maintenance, self-sufficiency, and diplomacy. Each and every crew-member in CROMMELIN contributed to your record of success and should take pride in himself and his ship. Well done and welcome home. Commodore H. Dyke sends."
- 17 SEP Underway from Pearl Harbor for homeport: Long Beach, California.
- 18 SEP Small arms training held on the flight deck for crewmembers and observation by Tigers.
Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Flight quarters for DLQ's and crash/smash drill.
- 19 SEP Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Tiger tour of engineering spaces.
- 20 SEP Conducted tiger gun mount tour (76MM).
Conducted Pre-action calibration firing of 76MM and 20MM CIWS guns.
Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Flight quarters
Ship's Store sale held on the messdecks.
- 21 SEP Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist qualification board held in the wardroom.
CROMMELIN received notification of following Squadron awards from DESRON NINE:
- ASUW excellence award
 - CCC excellence award
 - EW excellence award
 - MOB (NAV/SEAMANSHIP) Excellence award
 - MOB damage control
 - MOB (ENGINEERING) Excellence award
- 22 SEP Flight Quarters for fly off of Ocean Lord 25 and HSL 43 Det 4.
CROMMELIN maned rails to enter port.
Moored, pier 7, Naval Station Long Beach.
Secured from West-Pac Mid-East Force '89.
Receptions for family, friends and guests held in wardroom, chief petty officers' mess, and messdecks.
Secured from Tiger Cruise '89.
Began two-week, post-deployment.

Engineering and Supply Officers complete turnover with their reliefs and depart CROMMELIN. (LCDR [REDACTED] and LT [REDACTED], respectively).

- 28 SEP Refueled DFM and JP-5.
Combined Federal Campaign kick-off meeting held in the wardroom.
Command Duty Officer qualification board met in the wardroom.
- 29 SEP Youth group ship tour coordinated by Navy Reserve Youth Recruiting Activity Long Beach.
Ombudsman Mrs. [REDACTED] resigns with the transfer of her husband, YNC (SW) [REDACTED], to a new command.
- 01 OCT Begin IMAV, one week earlier than scheduled, with SIMA NRMF Long Beach.
- 05 OCT Work Definition Conference held, COMNAVSURFGRU LONG BEACH CA conference room, Building 1, Navsta Long Beach.
- 06 OCT McDonnell Douglas technical representative visited to dismantle Mast-Mounted Sight System.
- 10 OCT Hull cleaning services commenced with diver assistance.
I Division -- three-day indoctrination of newly reported personnel -- began.
Work Definition Conference for "S" availability held in wardroom.
Engineering Officer of the Watch qualification board held in engineering/support berthing.
- 11 OCT CROMMELIN sends representative to Officers' Club Advisory Board.
EPCC oral examination held onboard.
- 12 OCT Menu Planning/ Review Board held on messdecks.
Principal and Vice-Principal of Perry Junior High School in Gardena visit CROMMELIN for ship tour as a preliminary event in CROMMELIN's plans to adopt the school.
- 13 OCT CROMMELIN celebrated the U.S. Navy's birthday with a cake-cutting ceremony on the messdecks.

Engineering Officer of the Watch and EPCC written examinations are administered in the weightroom. ASM and PSM oral boards are delivered in the engineering lounge.
Surface Line Week Planning meeting held onboard.
General Quarters held for repair locker personnel:
Class B fire drill in Main Engine Room.
- 16 OCT Commenced safety checks in the main engine room in preparation for Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE).
Officer of the Deck (inport) board held in the wardroom.
- 18 OCT Aviation assist Visit inspection meeting held in the wardroom.
Combined Federal Campaign (\$2900.00 dollars required to reach projected goal of \$9000.00)
- 19 OCT Partners in Excellence Meeting held in the wardroom (Executive Officer and Perry Junior High School representatives.)
Surface Warfare Officer Qualification board held in the wardroom.

20 OCT Influenza immunization shots administered to all hands.

23 OCT Commence audiogram testing for engineering personnel at Navsta Long Beach Branch Medical Clinic.
Partners in Excellence coordinator, OS1 [REDACTED], visits Perry Junior High School.

24 OCT Flight Deck awards ceremony.
Navigation brief held in the wardroom.
CROMMELIN begins (Aviation Inspection Assist AAV) preparations.
Surface Line Week coordinator, ENS [REDACTED], attends planning meeting at Navsta Long Beach.
ASM/PSM/Sounding and Security Watch oral boards are administered in engineering lounge.
Conducted Helo crash drill and engineering casualty control drills.

25 OCT AAV team arrived onboard to commence assist.
(The inspectors review administrative data, and examine all equipment associated with the flight deck, helicopter recovery systems, and fueling systems. CROMMELIN sets flight quarters and conducts a crash and smash drill. AAV debrief states inspector approval of results and upgrades the assist to a full inspection.)
FAST CRUISE: Stationed Condition 3, all three watch sections.
General Quarters.
Abandon Ship Drill.
Update of all Watch, Quarters, and Station Bills.

26 OCT Underway for combat systems exercised in southern California. (SOCAL) operational areas.
Swept channel egress exercise. Conducted.
Man Overboard drills. Practiced.
Engineering casualty control drills. Conducted.
Flight quarters for DLQ's. HSL 43.
Anti-submarine warfare tracking and training exercises, Conducted.

27 OCT Air tracking exercises AAW-3-SF and AAW-4-SF conducted.
Engineering casualty control drills. Completed moored pier 16 Long Beach Naval Station.

30 OCT CROMMELIN sends members to ASW operations and ATACO schools.
Pacific Fleet Career Information Team arrived for outbriefs on CROMMELIN.
Mobile Training Team (MTT) arrived onboard.
Perry Junior High School principal met with Commanding Officer.

31 OCT CROMMELIN welfare and recreation officer, ENS [REDACTED], attended wel/rec management course.
Navigational Brief for San Diego held in wardroom.
Command inspection guide review meeting held in wardroom.
Inport Officer of the Deck qualification board held in wardroom.
CROMMELIN basketball team, under coaching direction of SKC(SW) [REDACTED], defeated USS CAYUGA with a score of 37 - 23.

01 NOV Conducted underway for Naval Base San Diego, California.

Conducted Engineering Casualty Control Drills.
Detect to Engage exercises in Combat Information Center.
Flight quarters for DLQ's.

- 02 NOV Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Flight quarters for DLQ's.
sonar source levels testing conducted.
- 03 NOV Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Pre-action calibration firing of 76MM gun.
Moored pier 3, Naval Base San Diego for training availability.
- 04 NOV CROMMELIN quartermasters (under leadership of QMC (SW) [REDACTED])
received the following message from COMDESRON NINE:
"Your outstanding performance during the 3rd quarter of fiscal
year 89, in achieving the highest accuracy rate for a ship
without an organic oceanography division, reflects long hours
of training, hard work, and attention to detail by your weather
observation team. Well done and En Garde. Commodore Dyke sends."
- 07 NOV Shifted berths, to pier 3, outboard USS COPELAND.
- 08 NOV Conducted General shipboard firefighting training for CROMMELIN personnel.
engineering casualty control drills.
radar navigation team trainer.
- 09 NOV LMTT inspection and assist completed.
OPPE safety checks conducted.
- 10 NOV Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
CROMMELIN received a letter from NAVSEA DET 519, thanking
Captain Landers for his crew's assistance in the execution of
a NAVSEA combat systems survivability testing project on 22
October. The project entailed a study of the 76MM gun and 20MM
CIWS.
- 11 NOV Conducted main space fire training walk-through.
- 13 NOV Command training team students attended course.
Retail Operations Management course attended by Disbursing
Officer, ENS [REDACTED].
SQQ 28 operator training held in Sonar Control.
CMS assist visit conducted onboard.
- 14 NOV All hands engineering maintenance project began in preparation
for OPPE.
- 15 NOV Continued OPPE preparations.
REWS Range Brief held in the wardroom.
- 17 NOV CROMMELIN embarked over 100 guests, including a group of nursing
student potential Officer Candidates from Recruiting District
San Diego, and a San Diego Go Navy chapter.
Underway.
Visitor cruise and tours conducted throughout the morning.
Moor San Diego for debarkation of passengers.
Embarked Helicopter firefighting team members from school.
Underway for Southern California opareas.

Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
High power run conducted.

18 NOV Conducted engineering casualty control drills.
Moored Long Beach, CA.
Refueled.

20 NOV Propulsion Examining Board (PEB) arrived onboard.
Oral boards and safety checks conducted and graded satisfactory.
Underway for OPPE.
Conducted engineering casualty control drills.

21 NOV Conducted engineering casualty control drills for OPPE.

22 NOV Completed engineering casualty control drills.
Demonstrated high power Run.
Moored pier 9, Long Beach Naval Station.
OPPE debrief: Satisfactory completion of examination.

27 NOV Commence surface line week: Basketball, Small Arms, Flag Hoist,
Racquetball, Marlinspike Seamanship, Tennis, Chess, Powerlifting,
Motor Whale Boat race, Golf, DC Olympics, Sea Story Telling,
Shot Line Accuracy, 5k and 10K runs, Shore Power Tug of War,
Chili Cook-Off and Cake Decorating, and Sharpest Quarterdeck
competitions included.
CROMMELIN took first in Motor Whale Boat race and Quarterdeck competition.
Crewmembers place in Tug of War, Sharpshooting, cake.
Powerlifting and Seamanship
contests.

28 NOV COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach CA chaplain, CDR [REDACTED], visited
CROMMELIN for Chaplain's call.

29 NOV Welfare and Recreation committee meeting completed.
CROMMELIN sent delegates to drug awareness luncheon at Long
Beach Officer's Club.

30 NOV Ammunition Handling Certification Board conducted.
Concluded Surface Line Week.
Mrs. [REDACTED], wife of Communications Officer ENS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], is named CROMMELIN's new Ombudsman.

01-07 DEC Underway, SOCAL

01 DEC AAW-3/4-SF in FLETA COLD oparea.
Flight quarters for DLQ's and crash/smash drill with HSL 41.
REWS range exercises conducted.

02 DEC Source level transducer calibration conducted underway.
AAW-12/20-SF live firings conducted in FLETA HOT oparea.
General quarters for repair locker training.
Flight quarters for DLQ's and crash/smash drill with HSL 41

03 DEC Sonar source level measurement

07 DEC Moored, pier 16 Navsta Long Beach.
All hands muster for retirement ceremony for Command Senior Chief,
BMCS (SW) [REDACTED], held on the flight Deck.

08 DEC ASW team trainer review conducted in the wardroom.
Command inspection meeting for all officers and chiefs held
in the wardroom.

09 DEC CROMMELIN children's Christmas party held on messdecks.

11 DEC LAMPS MK III phase one team trainer
Dumbwaiter improvement program assist visit.

12 DEC COMNAVSURFPAC, VADM R.K.U. Kihune, visits CROMMELIN during
a trip to Long Beach Naval Station . His time onboard includes
a tour of engineering and topside spaces.
conducted "I" Division for indoctrination of newly arrived personnel.
Enlisted detailer visit conducted.
Layleader luncheon with COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach Ca chaplain.
CROMMELIN sends delegates to Enlisted Club Advisory Board
meeting.

13 DEC LAMPS MKIII phase one team trainer completed.
Waterfront operations meeting, Naval Station Long Beach Bldg 145

14 DEC CROMMELIN basketball team defeated USS FRANCIS HAMMOND 56 to 43.
CROMMELIN all hands Christmas party held at the Long Beach
Officers' Club.

15-20 DEC Maintenance and Upkeep period.
LCDR [REDACTED] relieved LCDR [REDACTED] as Ship Control Officer.

20 DEC Awards ceremony held on the flight deck.
Ship store clinic conducted.
SERT meeting held onboard.

21-31 DEC Leave and Upkeep period completed.