

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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From: Commanding Officer, USS DOLPHIN (AGSS 555)

To: Director of Naval History

Subj: USS DOLPHIN (AGSS 555) COMMAND HISTORY FOR CALENDAR

YEAR 1998

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12F

Encl: (1) Commanding Officer's Biography

(2) Commanding Officer's Photograph

(3) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet

(4) Sailing List

1. Command Composition and Organization. USS DOLPHIN (AGSS 555) is the Navy's deep diving research and development dieselectric submarine. USS DOLPHIN (AGSS 555) is under the operational control of Commander Submarine Development Squadron FIVE. USS DOLPHIN (AGSS 555) is commanded by Commander Gerald F. Nies, and is homeported in San Diego, California

2. <u>Chronology</u>. The following chronology of events reflect the ship's operations for the calendar year 1998:

1 JAN - 5 JAN Christmas Stand down

5 JAN - 2 MAR Ship's Upkeep Period

2 MAR - 6 MAR Underway for Independent Steaming

Exercise (ISE)

14 MAR - 21 MAR Underway for ISE

30 MAR - 3 APR Underway for Littoral Airborne Sensor-

Hyperspectral Operation

7 APR - 15 APR Underway for Santa Barbara Channel

Experiment

4 MAY - 8 MAY Underway for Chief of Naval Operations

Project

12 MAY - 14 MAY Underway for ISE/Conducted Near Bottom

Operation

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19 MAY - 21 MAY Underway for ISE

26 MAY - 29 MAY ISE/Conducted near bottom operation

finding USS Jefferson City's Anchor.

16 JUN - 19 JUN Underway for ISE

30 JUN - 2 JUL Underway for Telesonar Testing

7 JUL - 10 JUL Underway for ISE

11 JUL Commenced Restricted Availability (RAV)

2-98

18 AUG Towed to Engraving Dock, Naval Station,

San Diego. Ship dry-docked.

12 NOV Undocked and towed to SPAWARSYSCEN, Pier

160A, San Diego.

5 DEC - 7 DEC Post RAV Sea Trials

15 DEC - 18 DEC Underway for ISE

19 DEC - 31 DEC Christmas Stand down period.

3. <u>Narrative</u>. USS DOLPHIN (AGSS 555) performed various research and development projects throughout the year. During the RAV, the following major changes were made to the ship:

Reconfiguration of the Galley.

Installation of the Diesel Engine Monitoring System

Overhaul of #2 Main Engine

Rebuild of the 60HZ Static Inverters

Propulsion Control Panel Redesign/ Groom

Replacement of the Main Fresh Water Pumps

Grooming of the Cubicle

Replacement of the Shaft Seals

Overhaul of #1 HPAC

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Overhaul of Fans #1 and #2

Replacement of the Honeycomb deck from the engine room door to the control room door

Refurbishment of the sail and E & E spaces

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