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- From: Commanding Officer, USS HAWES (FFG 53) To: Director of Naval History (N09BH)
- Subj: COMMAND HISTORY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2002
- Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12G
- Encl: (1) Chronology
  - (2) Descriptive Narrative
  - (3) Color Photograph of CDR Todd W. Bostock
  - (4) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet with Commanding Officer's Biography Insert
  - (5) 3.5" Diskette with cover letter, Enclosures (1) and (2) [Disk DAMAGED]

1. In accordance with reference (a), the command history for Calendar Year 2002 for USS HAWES (FFG 53) UIC: 21234 is submitted for review.

2. Command Composition and Organization.

a. Mission: Multi-mission platform capable of performing in a variety of roles ranging from convoy escort to anti-air and anti-surface warfare. The addition of Naval Tactical Data System, Light Airborne Multi-Purpose helicopters, and the Tactical Towed Array System (TACTAS) gives USS HAWES a combat capability far beyond the class program expectations of the mid-1970s, and made the ship an integral and valued asset in virtually any war-at-sea scenario.

b. Organizational structure: The Immediate Senior In Command is Commander, Destroyer Squadron TWENTY TWO (UIC: 0131A). The aircraft attached to HAWES during 2002 were assigned by Helicopter Squadron Light FOUR EIGHT and Helicopter Squadron Light FOUR TWO from Mayport, Florida.

c. Name of Commanding Officer: Todd W. Bostock, CDR, USN.

d. Permanent duty station: Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia.

e. Type and number of aircraft assigned: One SH-60B LAMPS Helicopter.

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3. Chronology is contained in enclosure (1).

4. Descriptive narrative is contained in enclosure (2).

5. Supporting documents are contained in enclosures (3) through (5).

6. This cover letter and enclosures (1) and (2) are saved as MS Word 2001 documents.

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### **TWO THOUSAND TWO**

# **COMMAND HISTORY**

## CHRONOLOGY

01-07 JAN	Continuation of Holiday Stand down.
08 JAN	Fast Cruise.
09 JAN	Underway for CO's time.
10 JAN	Moor Norfolk, VA.
14 JAN	Ammo Onload.
15 JAN	Awards Ceremony/CO's call.
16 JAN	Berth shift to pier 9, berth 1.
17 JAN	Chief Petty Officer exam.
21 JAN	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday; Holiday routine.
22 JAN	Indoctrination training, SPAWAR visit, DESRON TWENTY TWO CO's
	meeting.
24 JAN	SR02 HSL Pre-Sail conference.
01 FEB	OS1 (SW) and GM1 reenlist.
06 FEB	HSL 48 DET 6 moves aboard, LT announced as COMDESRON TWENTY
	TWO Junior Officer Shiphandler of the Year.
07 FEB	Awards ceremony/CO's call.
08 FEB	INSURV PRE-BRIEF.
09 FEB	Underway for STRONG RESOLVE 2002 (SR02).
10 FEB	LEAPFROGs, UNREP with USNS PATUXENT.
11 FEB	PACFIRE, LEAPFROGs.
12 FEB	DIVTACs with USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK, USS MOUNT
	WHITNEY, USS OSCAR AUSTIN, with USNS PATUXENT, ATG PAX
	Transfer, ECCEs.
13 FEB	ECCEs.

14 FEB	DIVTACs with USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK, USS MOUNT
	WHITNEY, USS OSCAR AUSTIN, UNREP with USNS PATUXENT.
	HAWES awarded TYCOM Surface Ship Safety Award for 2001.
15 FEB	PAX Transfer (ATG), LEAPFROGs, ECCEs.
16 FEB	DIVTACs with USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK, USS MOUNT
	WHITNEY, USS OSCAR AUSTIN, UNREP with USNS PATUXENT.
17 FEB	LEAPFROGs.
18 FEB	MR2 reenlists, PACFIRE.
19 FEB	Moor Brest, France. HAWES awarded "GREEN H" for unit wellness.
21 FEB	VIP reception aboard USS BRISCOE.
25 FEB	GMC (SW) reenlists.
27 FEB	Underway for Kiel, Germany.
02 MAR	Moor Kiel, Germany.
03 MAR	Underway Exercise SR02.
05 MAR	Moor Kiel, Germany. E-6 Advancement Exam.
08 MAR	GSM1 (SW) reenlists. Underway Exercise SR02.
10 MAR	Brief stop for fuel Kiel, Germany.
11 MAR	CO meeting aboard HMS Cumberland.
12 MAR	E-5 Advancement Exam.
14 MAR	Moor Kiel, Germany.
15 MAR	Underway for Oslo, Norway.
16 MAR	Moor Oslo, Norway.
18 MAR	VIP Reception on HAWES. Guests included U.S. Ambassador to Norway.
19 MAR	Underway for Norfolk, VA. E-4 Advancement Exam.
20 MAR	ESWS Pinning Ceremony.
21 MAR	Brief Stop for fuel in Portsmouth, UK.
22 MAR	ECCEs, PACFIRE.
23 MAR	ECCEs.

25 MAR	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA, PACFIRE.
26 MAR	ECCEs, PACFIRE, PHOTOEX with USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK,
	USS OSCAR AUSTIN, and USNS KANAWHA.
27 MAR	DIVTACs with USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK, USS OSCAR
	AUSTIN. ECCEs.
28 MAR	PACFIRE, UNREP with USNS KANAWHA.
30 MAR	HSL FOUR EIGHT DET SIX FLY OFF. Moored Norfolk, VA.
31 MAR	Easter Sunday, holiday routine.
04 APR	COMDESRON TWENTY TWO COs meeting.
04-30 APR	FMAV.
05 APR	NIMA IMAGE Analysts Ship Tour.
08 APR	SEMAT, C5RA PHASE I.
11 APR	ISAT PHASE II.
14 APR	Tours for John D. Bryant HS NJROTC.
16 APR	Indoctrination training.
19 APR	Awards ceremony/CO's call.
22-26 APR	AVCERT Assist.
23 APR	ARQ Assist.
29 APR	ATG MATT Assist.
01 MAY	Underway for INSURV rehearsal, Full Power Run.
02 MAY	ULM-4 Range, debark ATG MATT.
03 MAY	Moored Pier South wall, NAVSTA Norfolk, VA. Advancement
	Ceremony for SK1 (SW)
06-10 MAY	C5RA Phase II
07 MAY	EN1 reenlists.
10 MAY	COMDESRON TWENTY TWO COs meeting.
13-14 MAY	Underway for INSURV rehearsal, Full Power Run, PACFIRE.
17 MAY	OSCS (SW) reenlists.

20-24 MAY	INSURV.
22 MAY	Underway for INSURV.
23 MAY	Moored South wall, NAVSTA Norfolk.
24 MAY	INSURV Debrief. Awards Ceremony/CO's call. GSM1(SW) reenlists.
27 MAY	Memorial Day (moment of silence).
29 MAY	Berth Shift to Pier 9 Berth 5.
30 MAY	Kansas National Guard Ship tour.
05 JUN	Ammo onload (SM1&Harpoon).
06 JUN	Advancement Ceremony for FC2 (SW)
07 JUN	US/UK SINKEX Pre-sail Conference.
08 JUN	Underway for US/UK SINKEX. PACFIRE.
09 JUN	Rehearsal for SINKEX, Burials at Sea, ECCEs.
10 JUN	UNREP with USNS LEROY GRUMMAN, ITT scenario, ECCEs.
11 JUN	ECCEs.
12 JUN	US/UK SINKEX (SM1 &76mm).
13 JUN	UNREP with USNS GRUMMAN. Debark CORTRAMID MIDSHIPMEN.
	SHSN reenlists. Advancement Ceremony and Awards Ceremony. CO's
	call.
14 JUN	Moored Charlestown, MA.
16 JUN	Bunker Hill Day Parade. ITC (SW) and DK2 reenlist
	onboard USS CONSTITUTION.
18 JUN	Underway for Norfolk, VA. ECCEs.
19 JUN	UNREP with USNS GRUMMAN. ECCEs.
20 JUN	Moored NAVSTA Norfolk, VA.
21 JUN	COMDESRON TWENTY TWO COs meeting.
24 JUN-18JUL	FMAV.
24 JUN-28 JUN	AVCERT Assist, 3M Assessment, HAWES PFA.
25 JUN	Ship tour for British Engineer Officers.

01-03 JUL	FEP LTT.
04 JUL	Independence Day, Holiday routine.
10 JUL	EM2 (SW) reenlists.
11-19 JUL	AT-FP Exercise SOLID CURTAIN.
11 JUL	SLAMEX.
12 JUL	IT2 (SW) reenlists.
12-19 JUL	GOTS-D Load.
15-19 JUL	AVCERT.
17 JUL	Pakistan Chief of Naval Staff visit.
22 JUL	Advancement ceremony for IT1 (SW)
24-25 JUL	SLAMEX PHASE II.
25 JUL	Awards ceremony/CO's call.
26 JUL	HAWES Family Day Cruise. FMAV sea trials.
27 JUL	HSL 42 DET 8 moves onboard.
29 JUL	Underway for Week One Work Ups.
02 AUG	Moored Mayport, FL.
04-06 AUG	NJROTC Ship Visit/Embark from North Myrtle Beach High School.
05 AUG	Underway enroute Norfolk, VA.
06 AUG	Moored NAVSTA Norfolk, VA pier 8 berth 1.
12-14 AUG	FEP.
14 AUG	Moored NAVSTA Norfolk, VA pier 9 berth 6. SM3 Reenlists.
15 AUG	HAWES golf tournament. Awards Ceremony/CO's Call.
19 AUG	AMMO onload.
20 AUG	Berth shift to pier 5 berth 2.
20-23 AUG	Exercise Solid Curtain.
26 AUG	Underway COMPTUEX.
27 AUG	PACFIRE, UNREP with USNS KANAWHA, Burials at Sea.
28-30 AUG	VANDALEX, ASWPT.

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28 AUG	Missile Exercise Rehearsal.
30 AUG	UNREP with USNS JOHN LENTHALL.
31 AUG	COMCARGRU TWO ship visit.
01 SEP	PACFIRE, Steel Beach Picnic.
02 SEP	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA, VERTREP, SAMSLEX rehearsal.
03 SEP	SAMSLEX, ECCEs.
04-07 SEP	Escort USS HARRY S. TRUMAN.
05 SEP	ECCEs.
07 SEP	UNREP with USS HARRY S. TRUMAN, COMCARGRU FOUR ship visit.
08 SEP	TORPEX, MIO Boarding with RV GOSPORT, ECCEs.
09 SEP	ESWS pinning ceremony, GPS EX.
11 SEP	Moment of silence for 9/11/01 terrorist attacks.
12 SEP	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA, MIO.
13 SEP	MIO, ADEX.
14 SEP	MIO, BGSIT embark.
15 SEP	CPO Advancement ceremony.
16 SEP	HTC(SW) reenlists, 76mm TDU shoot, MIO.
17 SEP	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA
19 SEP	Awards Ceremony, CO's Call. Swim Call.
20 SEP	OS1(SW) reenlists.
21 SEP	UNREP & CONREP with USNS KANAWHA.
22 SEP	Steel Beach Picnic.
24 SEP	Junior Officer Ship Handling Competition, ESWS Pinning Ceremony.
26 SEP	HSL 42 DET 8 Fly Off. Moored pier 9, berth 6 NAVSTA Norfolk.
01 OCT	Refueling, Renlistment ceremony for SH1(SW) & OS2
02 OCT	COMDESRON TWENTY TWO COs meeting.
03 OCT	Underway enroute WPNSTA Yorktown. Moored WPNSTA Yorktown. Ammo
	onload.

04 OCT	Underway enroute NAVSTA Norfolk. Moored pier 10, berth 1.
07-11 OCT	Dental and Audio van assist.
09 OCT	FC1 (SW) reenlistment ceremony.
15 OCT	COMNAVSURFLANT ship visit. CNSL Supply pre-deployment assist.
16 OCT	EKMS Pre-deployment assist.
17 OCT	Medical Readiness assessment.
18 OCT	Awards ceremony, CO's Call. Baptism for MS3
21-23 OCT	Force Protection drill ATEX.
23 OCT	Underway for JTFEX. PACFIRE, TDU shoot. HSL 42 DET 8 fly on. ECCEs.
24 OCT	ULM-4 Range. Burials at Sea.
25-28 OCT	ASW Precursor Ops.
26 OCT	ECCEs. End of Daylight Savings Time.
27 OCT	Steel Beach Picnic.
28 OCT	UNREP with USNS PATUXENT. ECCEs, Petty Officer Indoctrination
	Training, Indoctrination Training. Commence JTFEX.
29 OCT	Safety Committee Meeting, ECCEs.
30 OCT	ECCEs.
31 OCT	UNREP with USNS PATUXENT.
01 NOV	Frocking/Awards Ceremony.
03 NOV	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA.
05 NOV	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA. Completed JTFEX.
06 NOV	OSC (SW) EM2 (SW) reenlistment ceremony. Moored
	NAVSTA Norfolk, VA pier 4 berth 5. Frocking ceremony. First leave period
08 NOV	NAVSTA Norfolk, VA pier 4 berth 5. Frocking ceremony. First leave period
08 NOV 09 NOV	NAVSTA Norfolk, VA pier 4 berth 5. Frocking ceremony. First leave period for POM begins.
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20 NOV	POM period turnover day. Awards ceremony.
23 NOV	BM1 (SW) reenlistment ceremony.
25 NOV	PFA for second POM period.
28 NOV	Thanksgiving, holiday routine.
03 DEC	Second POM period ends. LCDR Campbell departs; LCDR Bell assumes duties
	as Executive Officer.
04 DEC	Pre-deployment fast cruise. DESRON TWENTY TWO's Commanding
	Officer's meeting.
05 DEC	COMNAVSURFLANT visit. Underway for deployment with HARRY S.
	TRUMAN Battle Group. Commence TRANSLANT. HSL 42 DET 8 Fly-on.
	ULM-4 Range.
06 DEC	ECCEs.
07 DEC	PACFIRE.
09 DEC	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA, ASW Exercise.
10-14 DEC	Indoctrination Training.
10 DEC	COMDESRON TWENTY TWO visit, Safety Committee meeting.
11 DEC	ECCEs, Deceptive Lighting Drill.
13 DEC	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA. Low Slow Flyer Drill.
14 DEC	Small Arms fantail shoot, Safety Standown.
15 DEC	Completed TRANSLANT.
16-20 DEC	Moored Naval Station Rota, Spain.
17 DEC	QMC (SW) reenlistment ceremony, and refueling.
19 DEC	SK2 (SW) reenlistment. Small arms ammo onload.
20 DEC	Underway for Strait of Gibraltar Escort Duties.
21 DEC	PACFIRE, Small Boat Training gun shoot, ECCEs.
22 DEC	Burials at Sea.
23-24 DEC	Moored Naval Station Rota, Spain. Refueling.

24 DEC	Underway for Strait of Gibraltar Escort Duties, USMC troops embark for duties
	on M/V GREEN WAVE.
25 DEC	Holiday Routine for Christmas.
26 DEC	ECCEs.
27 DEC	Rendezvous with M/V GREEN WAVE, Strait of Gibraltar Transit.
29 DEC	UNREP with USNS KANAWHA.
30-31 DEC	Moored Taranto, Italy.

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### **COMMAND HISTORY**

### Narrative

HAWES began the New Year inport Norfolk Naval Station at pier 6, berth 5. Half of the crew was on holiday leave while the other half continued the daily routine of maintenance and preservation.

After returning from the holiday stand down, the crew prepared to get underway for Commanding Officer's time on January 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. During this underway period, vibration analysis was conducted on NR 1B GTE.

HAWES returned to Norfolk, VA on the afternoon of 10 January and prepared for an ammo on-load on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January. The ammo on-load went flawlessly as HAWES equipped herself for the upcoming events in the Baltic Sea in support of Exercise STRONG RESOLVE 2002. On January 15<sup>th</sup>, HAWES acknowledged the hard work and professional accomplishments of her crew with an awards ceremony and CO's call.

On January 16<sup>th</sup>, HAWES completed a berth shift to pier 9, berth 1 in Norfolk, VA. The next three weeks saw HAWES continue with preparations for her role in Exercise STRONG RESOLVE 2002. Some of the major highlights included a visit from SPAWAR, SISCAL, and a Pre-INSURV Safety assist.

Indoctrination Division was held for newly reported HAWESMEN on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. The CO kicked off the training by welcoming all of them aboard and letting the new crewmembers know what would be expected of them as part of the HAWES' team.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of February OS1 (SW) and GM1 centred extended their Navy careers. LTJG careers gave the oath to OS1 (SW) careers, and CDR Bostock gave the oath to GM1 centred.

February 6<sup>th</sup> brought good news for LT **Mathematical Structure**, as he was announced as COMDESRON TWENTY TWO's Junior Officer Ship Handler of the Year Award winner for 2001. HAWES also welcomed HSL 48 DET 6 aboard on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February as they embarked for EXERCISE STRONG RESOLVE 2002.

CDR Bostock congratulated HAWESMEN on their professional accomplishments at an awards ceremony on the 6th of February. HAWESMEN spent the next few days saying goodbye to their loved ones and preparing for their part in Exercise STRONG RESOLVE 2002. HAWES got underway on February 9<sup>th</sup> for the journey to the Baltic. HAWES conducted three sets of DIVTACs, two PACFIRE exercises, three sets of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises, four sets of LEAPFROGs, and four underway replenishments. USNS PATUXENT, USS MOUNT WHITNEY, USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK and USS OSCAR AUSTIN accompanied HAWES on the voyage across the Atlantic.

HAWES was awarded the CNSL Surface Ship Safety Award for 2001 on February 14th. On the 18<sup>th</sup> of February, ENS gave MR2 (SW) his oath of reenlistment, extending his service in the Navy.

HAWES arrived in Brest, France, on the 19<sup>th</sup> of February. HAWESMEN enjoyed their liberty in France, taking advantage of trips to Paris and to the historical sights of Normandy. HAWES was awarded the "GREEN H" for Unit Wellness on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

While in France, GMC (SW) continued his service in the Navy and was reenlisted by ENS on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February.

HAWES got underway on February 27<sup>th</sup> en route Kiel Germany for a brief stop to refuel. After navigating the English Channel HAWES arrived in Germany on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March. The following day, HAWES left Germany to participate in STRONG RESOLVE 2002. HAWES returned to Germany on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March to refuel and reward the crew with a few days of liberty and German culture.

GSM1 (SW) reenlisted on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March. That same day, HAWES got underway from Germany to return to Exercise STRONG RESOLVE. HAWES returned to Kiel, Germany the morning of the 10<sup>th</sup> of March to refuel and was underway that afternoon. The following day, CDR Bostock and the other unit Commanding Officers attended a reception aboard HMS CUMBERLAND. HAWES returned to Kiel, Germany for the last time on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March to refuel and to allow the crew liberty. The following afternoon HAWES got underway for Oslo, Norway.

HAWES arrived in Oslo, Norway with USS DONALD COOK on the morning of March 16<sup>th</sup>. The crew enjoyed ski trips to Lillehammer, visits to local museums and the Norwegian culture. HAWES had the pleasure of holding a reception for many distinguished guests, including many distinguished military guests, the US Ambassador to Norway, and the Mayor of Oslo.

HAWES left Norway on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March and headed to Portsmouth, England. HAWES arrived on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March, refueled, and was underway that afternoon enroute Norfolk, VA.

HAWES conducted two underway replenishments, four PACFIRE exercises, four sets of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises, and one set of DIVTACs while transiting the Atlantic with the USS BRISCOE, USS DONALD COOK, USS OSCAR AUSTIN, and USNS KANAHWA. HAWES participated in a PHOTOEX with the other ships in remembrance of the victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. HAWES arrived in Norfolk, VA on the 30<sup>th</sup> of March having successfully completed STRONG RESOLVE 2002 and just in time for HAWESMEN to celebrate Easter with their families.

HAWES entered an availability period from 4 April - 30 April. During this period several assist visits were conducted highlighted by assists for Aviation Certification, Aviation Readiness Qualification and the Material Assessment Training Team. On 14 April students from John D. Bryant's High School NJROTC program toured HAWES. Indoctrination training was held for new HAWESMEN starting on 16 April.

On May 1st, HAWES got underway for INSURV rehearsal. During this time HAWES conducted a full power run and used the ULM-4 Range to fine tune the SLQ-32. HAWES returned to the southwall at NAVSTA Norfolk on May 3rd. Upon returning to Norfolk, SK2 (SW)

HAWES completed the Command Control Communications Computers Readiness Assessment Phase II from 6-10 May. On 7 May EN1 (SW)

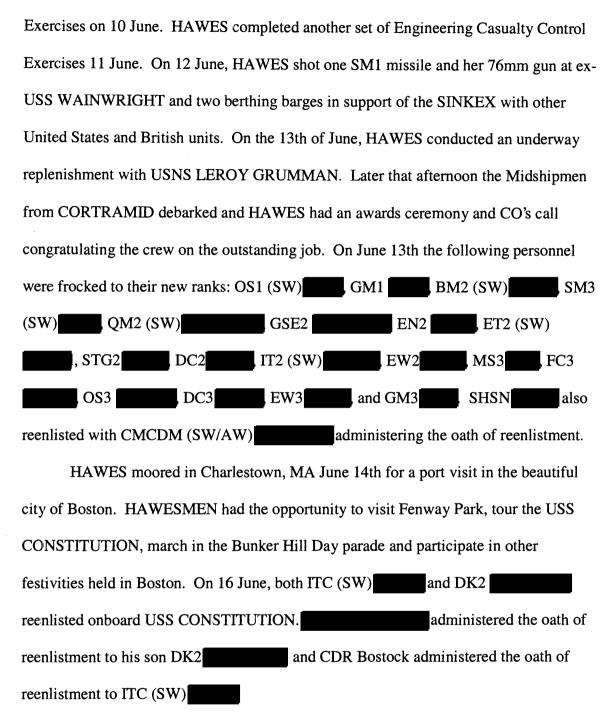
HAWES got underway on the 13th of May to prepare for INSURV. During this time HAWES conducted a PACFIRE and full power run. HAWES returned to the

southwall at NAVSTA Norfolk on 14 May. OSCS (SW) reenlisted on 17 May. LTJG administered the oath of reenlistment.

HAWES got underway for INSURV on 21 May, and returned to the southwall at Naval Station Norfolk the evening of 23 May. HAWES' material readiness was evaluated as exceptional in all areas, and showed the hard work and pride HAWESMEN take in performing their duties. An awards ceremony and CO's call were held on 24 May, congratulating HAWESMEN on their performance during the past several months of hard work. GSM1 (SW) reenlisted in the Navy on 24 May with GSMC (SW)

HAWES berth shifted to pier 9, berth 5 Naval Station Norfolk on 29 May in preparation for an ammunition onload. Members of the Kansas Employer Support of the National Guard and Reserve visited HAWES on 30 May for a tour. HAWES loaded SM1 and HARPOON missiles on 5 June in preparation for the upcoming SINKEX with US and UK forces. On June 6th, FC3 (SW) Trombley was advanced to Second Class Petty Officer. HAWES participated in SINKEX pre-sail conference on 7 June, and was underway 8 June for SINKEX with Midshipmen embarked for CORTRAMID. The Midshipmen were onboard HAWES to learn about the Surface Warfare Community. On the 9th of June HAWES committed the remains of SH2 Willard L. Turcotte, OT1 Max M. Swartz and EMC Melvin L. Knodel at sea. HAWES also participated in a rehearsal for the upcoming SINKEX and conducted a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises.

HAWES completed an underway replenishment with USNS LEROY GRUMMAN, an Integrated Training Team scenario and Engineering Casualty Control



HAWES got underway en route NAVSTA Norfolk on 18 June. During the transit from Boston HAWES conducted two sets of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises and an underway replenishment with USNS LEROY GRUMMAN. HAWES moored at pier 8 berth 1 Naval Station Norfolk on 20 June.

From June 24th until July 18th HAWES was in an availability period. During the first week of this period HAWES conducted an Aviation Certification (AVCERT) assist visit from Afloat Training Group. HAWES also held the Physical Fitness Assessment from the 24th-28th of June. On the 25th of June, British engineers from the Royal Navy visited HAWES for a ship tour.

From 1-3 July, Afloat Training Group Norfolk assisted HAWES in preparation for Final Evaluation Period. HAWES celebrated Independence Day with holiday routine. EM2 (SW) reenlisted on the 10th of July with LTJG administering the oath of reenlistment.

On 11 July, HAWES began Exercise SOLID CURTAIN, a force protection exercise held for Naval Station Norfolk. SOLID CURTAIN lasted until 19 July and provided valuable training in force protection to HAWESMEN. On 12 July IT2 (SW)

was reenlisted by LCDR

From 15-19 July, HAWES completed her Aviation Certification with outstanding performance in all aviation areas and qualifying for all helicopter operations. The Chief of Naval Staff from Pakistan visited HAWES for a ship tour on 17 July. IT2 (SW)

was frocked to First Class Petty Officer on 22 July. On 25 July, HAWESMEN were congratulated on their recent accomplishments with an awards ceremony and Commanding Officer's call. HAWES got underway on 26 July for a Family Day Cruise and post Fleet Maintenance Availability Sea trials. Over 170 friends and family members of HAWES got underway for the Family Day cruise and had the opportunity to see their loved ones at work. They also enjoyed a Steel Beach picnic. HAWES moored at pier 8, berth 1 Naval Station, Norfolk the evening of the 26th.

HSL 42 DET 8 moved aboard HAWES on 27 July in preparation for Week One Workups (WOWU), COMPTUEX and the upcoming deployment. HAWES got underway 27 July for WOWU. HAWES moored at Naval Station Mayport on 2 August, and left 5 August enroute Naval Station Norfolk. While in Mayport, NJROTC cadets from North Myrtle Beach High School visited HAWES for a ship tour, and ten of these cadets got underway with HAWES for the transit to Norfolk, VA. HAWES moored at pier 8 berth 1 Naval Station Norfolk on 6 August.

HAWES got underway for COMPTUEX on the 26th of August. On the 27th of August, HAWES executed a PACFIRE and an underway replenishment with USNS KANAWHA. HAWES buried the remains of CDR Milford E. Andersen, LT Zenon S. Losin, CWO3 Melanio G. Mina, YN1 Linda Louise Fox Smith, HN Samuel J. Thorpe and FN Second Class Vas Balamontis at sea on the 27th of August. From the 28th

through the 30th of August HAWES participated in Precursor Operations, an exercise preparing for the upcoming ASWPT. HAWES then took part in another Anti Submarine exercise, ASWPT. A rehearsal for the upcoming missile shoot was conducted on 28 August. HAWES conducted an underway replenishment on 30 August with USNS JOHN LENTHALL. On 31 August, COMCARGRU TWO, RADM Stufflebeam, visited HAWES for a ship tour and to meet with the crew.

On 1 September, HAWES conducted a PACFIRE and held a Steel Beach picnic on the Flight Deck to reward the crew for the outstanding job done during the first week of COMPTUEX. HAWES executed an underway replenishment as well as a vertical replenishment with USNS KANAWHA on 2 September taking on fuel, supplies, food, and torpedoes for the upcoming TORPEX. Indoctrination training began on 2 September for the newest HAWESMEN, and HAWES conducted another rehearsal for SAMSLEX on the evening of September 2nd. On September 3<sup>rd</sup>, HAWES launched three SM-1's in SAMSLEX and that evening held a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises.

HAWES assumed carrier escort duties for USS HARRY S. TRUMAN from September 4th -7th. On the morning of the 5th of September HAWES conducted a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises. COMCARGRU FOUR, RDML Rutherford visited HAWES 7 September following HAWES' underway replenishment with USS HARRY S. TRUMAN. After detaching from USS HARRY S. TRUMAN, HAWES proceeded through the Virgin Passage to the vicinity of ST. CROIX where on the 8th of September she conducted a torpedo exercise (TORPEX) and a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises. HAWES also completed a MIO boarding of RV GOSPORT on 8 SEP, the first of several boardings conducted that week with other ships including

USNS JOHN LENTHALL, USNS KANAWHA, and RV HUNTER. HAWES completed a VERTREP and UNREP with USNS KANAWHA on 12 SEP.

On 15 September HT1(SW) and GSM1(SW) were frocked to Chief Petty Officer in the United States Navy. On September 16th, now HTC(SW)

On September 19th HAWES held an awards ceremony and Commanding Officer's Call to congratulate HAWESMEN on their recent accomplishments. Following the awards ceremony, 48 crewmembers enjoyed the beautiful waters of the Caribbean with a swim call. OS1(SW)

HAWES conducted an UNREP and a CONREP with USNS KANAWHA on 21 SEP. HAWES had a Steel Beach Picnic on 22 SEP. ENS Grant competed in a Junior Officer Ship Handling Contest on 24 SEP while HAWES was on her way home to Naval Station Norfolk. HSL 42 DET 8 flew off on 26 SEP prior to HAWES' return to Naval Station Norfolk at pier 9, berth 6. SH1(SW) and OS2(SW) returns and reenlisted on 1 OCT. LT and LTJG and LTJG administered the oath of reenlistment to SH1(SW) and OS2(SW) respectively. HAWES got underway for Weapon Station Yorktown on OCT 3rd. After mooring at Weapon Station Yorktown, HAWES loaded SM1 and HARPOON missiles, MK 46 Torpedoes, 76mm ammunition, CHAFF rounds, and small arms ammunition for the upcoming deployment.

HAWES was underway from Weapon Station Yorktown on the morning of 4 OCT and moored at Naval Station Norfolk, pier 10, berth 1 that afternoon.

FC1 (SW) reenlisted on OCT 9th. COMNAVSURFLANT, RADM Etnyre visited HAWES on 15 OCT to meet with the crew and inform them of his expectations for deployment. The next week brought several pre-deployment assist visits for Supply, EKMS and Postal Assistance Teams. HAWES medical department performed superbly in the Medical Readiness Assessment on 17 OCT scoring exceptionally high marks. On 18 October, MS3 resonst is son, resonst is son, resonst is a solution of the pilothouse. HAWES also held an awards ceremony and Commanding Officer's call congratulating HAWESMEN on their recent professional accomplishments. HAWES participated in ATEX, a force protection drill for the HARRY S. TRUMAN Battle Group, from 21-23 OCT.

HAWES got underway for JTFEX on 23 OCT. HAWES completed a PACFIRE, a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises, HSL 42 DET 8 fly-on, and a TDU shoot on 23 OCT. On the morning of 24 OCT, HAWES used the ULM-4 Range to fine-tune her SLQ-32. That afternoon HAWES committed the remains of SH3 Edward Williams, Coxswain John Allan Nowrey and SA William C Gray.

HAWES completed a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises on 26 OCT. On October 27<sup>th</sup> HAWES held a Steel Beach picnic. HAWES successfully completed an underway replenishment with USNS PATUXENT and a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises on 28 OCT. Petty Officer indoctrination training began on 28 OCT. The Commanding Officer kicked off the training by letting the new Petty Officers know

what would be expected of them. HAWES also began indoctrination training for the new HAWESMEN.

HAWES commenced JTFEX 1-03 on 28 OCT with the USS HARRY S. TRUMAN Battle Group. HAWES conducted Engineering Casualty Control Exercises on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of October. HAWES conducted an underway replenishment with USNS PATUXENT on 31OCT.

On November 1<sup>st</sup> the following personnel were frocked to their new ranks: QM1



HAWES also recognized the recent accomplishments of the crew with an awards ceremony and Commanding Officer's call on 1 NOV. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of November, HAWES conducted underway replenishments with USNS KANAWHA. HAWES completed JTFEX on 6 NOV and performed outstanding in all warfare areas and received valuable training for the upcoming deployment. HAWES returned to Pier 4, berth 5, Naval Station Norfolk on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November. SK2 (SW)

HAWES held a semi-annual Physical Fitness Assessment on 9 NOV and again on 25 NOV for those on leave during the first assessment. On 11 NOV, divers conducted an underwater hull cleaning and inspection, ensuring HAWES was ready for deployment. The first POM period ended on 20 NOV, and following a turnover between the sections, HAWES held an awards ceremony and Commanding Officer's Call to recognize the recent accomplishments of HAWES' crew. FTSCLANT Norfolk removed HAWES' 1A Gas Turbine Engine on 20 NOV in order to replace the high-speed flexible coupling and completed the repairs on the 25<sup>th</sup> of NOV. BM1 (SW) reenlisted on 23 NOV with CDR Bostock administering the oath of reenlistment. The second POM period ended on 03 DEC. LCDR Joseph Bell relieved LCDR William Campbell as the Executive Officer of HAWES on DEC 3<sup>rd</sup>.

RADM Etnyre, COMNAVSURFLANT, visited HAWES prior to getting underway with the HARRY S. TRUMAN Battle Group on 5 DEC for a Mediterranean Sea Deployment. HSL 42 DET 8, PROUD WARRIOR 421, flew onboard and HAWES utilized the ULM-4 Range to fine tune HAWES' SLQ-32. During the Atlantic transit, HAWES completed two sets of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises, a PACFIRE, a small arms shoot, two underway replenishments with USNS KANAWHA and several war fighting scenarios. CAPT O'Bryan, COMDESRON TWENTY TWO, visited HAWES on 10 DEC to discuss the upcoming operations HAWES was to participate in as a member of Standing Naval Forces Mediterranean (SNFM).

After completing the transit, HAWES moored at Naval Station Rota, Spain, on the 16<sup>th</sup> of DEC. On DEC 17<sup>th</sup>, QMC (SW) reenlisted on the Naval Station Golf Course in Rota, Spain with CDR Bostock administering the oath of reenlistment. SK2 (SW) reenlisted on 19 DEC with LT remains administering the oath. HAWES left Rota, Spain, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of DEC in preparation for escort duties through the Strait of Gibraltar. HAWES conducted a PACFIRE, small boat training gun shoot and Engineering Casualty Control Exercises on 21 DEC. On 22 DEC, HAWES committed the remains of A/2C Thomas J. Daley and LT Joseph M Hughes. HAWES returned to Rota, Spain to refuel on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of DEC and departed Rota the following morning. HAWES embarked 17 US Marines to transfer to M/V GREENWAVE as a security force. On 25 DEC, HAWES celebrated Christmas with a holiday routine. HAWES completed a set of Engineering Casualty Control Exercises on 26 DEC. On 27 DEC, HAWES escorted M/V GREEN WAVE through the Strait of Gibraltar. After completing the transit, HAWES proceded to Taranto, Italy. HAWES completed an underway replenishment with USNS KANAWHA en route. HAWES arrived in Taranto, Italy on 30 DEC in time to celebrate the New Year.