



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
USS HURRICANE (PC 3)  
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From: Commanding Officer  
USS Hurricane

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Subj: Annual Command History

I. Command Composition, Organization and Technical Data  
Built by: Bollinger Shipyard, Lockport, Louisiana  
Maximum speed: 35+ knots  
Cruising speed: 25 knots  
Maximum range: 2000 nautical miles  
Complement: 4 Officers, 1 Chief Petty Officer, 24 Enlisted  
Endurance: 10 days  
Length: 170 feet  
Beam: 25 feet  
Draft: 7.8 feet  
Displacement: 328.5 tons  
Propulsion: 4 Paxman diesels (3350 HP each)  
4 Fixed pitch propellers  
Generators: 2 Caterpillar generators (155KW)  
Hull: Steel hull with aluminum superstructure  
Armament: 1 MK38 25MM chain gun  
1 MK96 25MM chain gun/40MM grenade launcher  
4 Gun mounts supporting any combination of:  
.50 caliber machine gun, M-60 machine gun,  
MK 19 machine gun (40MM grenade)  
Small arms  
2 MK 52 MOD 0 Chaff Decoy Launching System  
1 Stinger station (Shoulder fired)  
Sensors: S and X band Radars, AN/APR-39 electronic warfare  
system, forward looking infrared radar, Wesmar sonar  
Mission: Operate in low intensity conflict environments  
performing Naval Special Warfare missions such as long range SEAL  
insertion and extractions, tactical swimmer operations,  
Intelligence collection, operational deception and support,  
vessel board and search, security operations.  
Keel laid: November 20, 1991  
Launched: June 6, 1992  
Christened: June 20, 1992  
Commissioned: October 15, 1993  
Commanding Officers:  
LT John P. Gelinne 15 Oct 93 - 15 Dec 94  
LT R. Alistair Borchert 15 Dec 94 - Current

II.

1995 Chronology

01-02JAN HOLIDAY LEAVE AND UPKEEP  
01JAN-26MAR ASSIGNED TU 802.1  
03-31JAN TRAINING AVAILABILITY  
01 FEB UNDERWAY FOR SHIPHANDLING TRAINING  
02-08FEB TRAINING AVAILABILITY  
09FEB NRAD RCS TESTING  
10-12FEB TRAINING AVAILABILITY  
13FEB-26MAR MAINTENANCE AVAILABILITY  
14-16FEB TRAINING SERVICES  
21FEB FLEETEX 95-1C OPFOR  
01MAR SOCOM DIRECTORS TOUR  
07-08MAR SBU-12 ORE SUPPORT  
16-17MAR SEAL TM 1 PLT D TRAINING  
17-19MAR TRAINING SUPPORT 95-2-167  
27-29MAR ASSIGNED MCMRON ONE FOR TESTING  
30MAR-08JUL ASSIGNED TU 802.1.1  
30MAR-11MAY UPKEEP  
01APR-11MAY COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADE PH 1  
10-14APR DIESEL INSPECTION  
17-28APR MAINTENANCE AVAILABILITY  
17-19APR CART II  
24-28APR ISIC 3M ASSIST  
12MAY DIESEL INSPECTION UNDERWAY  
15-17MAY COMBAT SYSTEMS LTT  
18-19MAY COMBAT SYSTEMS LTT UNDERWAY  
24-26MAY SEAL TM 3 PLT A TRAINING  
27MAY-02JUN UPKEEP  
03JUN DEPENDENTS CRUISE TO CATALINA ISLAND  
04-18JUN UPKEEP  
19JUN DEPLOY ISO OPERATION FUERZAS UNIDAS-95  
19-21JUN TRANSIT TO CABO SAN LUCAS  
22-24JUN VISIT CABO SAN LUCAS  
25-27JUN TRANSIT ACAPULCO MX  
28JUN VISIT ACAPULCO MX  
29-30JUN TRANSIT PUERTO QUETZAL GT  
01JUL BSF PUERTO QUETZAL GT  
01-03JUL TRANSIT RODMAN PANAMA  
04JUL BSF RODMAN PANAMA  
05-06JUL TRANSIT PUERTO LIMON CS  
05JUL TRANSIT PANAMA CANAL  
06JUL BSF PUERTO LIMON CS  
07-09JUL TRANSIT PUERTO CASTILLA HO  
09JUL-27JUL ASSIGNED TF150 (JTF BRAVO)  
09JUL ARRIVE PUERTO CASTILLA HO  
10-27JUL EXERCISE FUERZAS UNIDAS  
11JUL DIVE OPS COCHINA GRANDE ISL  
13JUL TRANSIT BELIZE CITY BE  
14-15JUL VISIT BELIZE CITY BE  
16JUL TRANSIT PUERTO CASTILLA HO  
16JUL-27JUL TRAINING ISO OP FUERZAS UNIDAS-95  
28JUL-31DEC ASSIGNED TU 802.1.1  
28-30JUL TRANSIT RODMAN PANAMA

30JUL	TRANSIT PANAMA CANAL
31JUL-02AUG	BSF RODMAN PANAMA
03AUG	BSF PUERTO QUETZAL GA
03-05AUG	TRANSIT PUERTO VALLARTA MX
06-07AUG	VISIT PUERTO VALLARTA MX
08-11AUG	TRANSIT SAN DIEGO CA
12-20AUG	UPKEEP
21-25AUG	TSTA II
28AUG-01SEP	TSTA II UNDERWAY
28AUG-22SEP	MAINTENANCE AVAILABILITY
02OCT	UNDERWAY OPPE PREPS
10-12OCT	UNDERWAY 96-1-99 FOR REC
19-20OCT	UNDERWAY OPPE PREPS
23OCT	UNDERWAY OPPE PREPS
01-05NOV	OPPE
06NOV	AMMO ONLOAD NORTH ISLAND
07-08NOV	TSTA III
08NOV	PYRAMID COVE GUNSHOOT
13NOV	FEP PREPS UNDERWAY
13NOV	UNREP WITH WALTER S DIEHL
28-29NOV	FINAL EVALUATION PROGRAM
04DEC	HOSTED SOCPAC
11DEC	HOSTED ECUADORIAN CNO
14-31DEC	HOLIDAY LEAVE AND UPKEEP

III. Narrative

The first three months of 1995 centered on operational commitments, providing support for various elements, including Commander Third Fleet, Naval Research and Development, Special Boat Unit 12, Seal Teams 1 and 3, and Mine Counter Measures Squadron one.

April, May and June were utilized for deployment preparations and a long cycle of inspections, training evolutions, and equipment upgrades. Diesel inspection, Commanders Assessment of Readiness and Training II, 3M Assist, Combat Systems local team trainer, and underway training with Seal Team 3 Platoon A prepared Hurricane for deployment on 19 June. Underway 19 June enroute to Honduras, the ship visited Cabo San Lucas (22-24 June) and Acapulco (27-29 June) where the crew enjoyed liberty on the beautiful beaches and breathtaking local sites of Mexico.

With port visits out of the way it was time to get to the business at hand. The ship stopped briefly for fuel and logistics in Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala, Rodman Panama and Puerto Limon Costa Rica before continuing on to Puerto Castilla Honduras and Operation Fuerzas Unidas 95-Riverine (FU-95R). FU-95R brought together joint service and multi-national forces in the waters off Puerto Castilla Honduras, Cochina Grande Island, and Belize City. The Operation was designed to use U.S. forces to train Honduran Military in basic tactics and equipment maintenance. The exercise concluded with a very successful multi-force Fleet Exercise on 24 July. Hurricane departed Honduras on 28 July and escorted Costa Rican ship Cabo Blanco 6 back to Puerto Limon. Hurricane continued homeward with brief stops for

fuel and logistics again in Rodman Panama and Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala. On 6 August Hurricane pulled into Puerto Vallarta for our last liberty call of the deployment. The two days spent in Mexico were a welcome period of relaxation for the crew before returning home to family and friends on 11 August.

After a two week stand down period Hurricane began the Tailored Ship Training Availability (TSTA) cycle where Hurricane had left off before deployment. TSTA II, FLEETEX 95-2, ISIC's Engineering Readiness Assessment (IERA), Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE), TSTA III, and Final Evaluation Problem (FEP) were all successfully completed. As a result of these accomplishments Hurricane was certified as ready for deployment just prior to the holiday leave and upkeep period.

IV. Supporting Documents

Enclosure 1: 1995 BATTLE EFFICIENCY AWARD PACKAGE

Enclosure 2: Ship's Picture

Enclosure 3: Ship's Crest



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