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AND 1984; FORWARDING OF

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Encl: (1) Command History for 1983
(2) Command History for 1984
(3) Biographies of Commanding Officers

1. Enclosures (1) through (3) are forwarded as required by reference (a) and directed by reference (b).

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J.P. DAVIS

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Command History For 1983

1. In January 1983, USS JACKSONVILLE completed a post-deployment standdown period, and commenced a short upkeep. The month finished with USS JACKSONVILLE at sea providing services for other ships.
2. February 1983 found USS JACKSONVILLE commencing a workup and refresher training period at sea in preparation for its March deployment to the Atlantic. The workup included a 2 week upkeep in Norfolk, and the month concluded in a successful completion of a POMCERT (pre-overseas movement certification).
3. Final stores load was accomplished in early March 1983, and on 7 March 1983 USS JACKSONVILLE departed Norfolk, Virginia for an Atlantic deployment. The deployment was extremely successful and as a result, the ship was awarded a Meritorious Unit Citation.
4. USS JACKSONVILLE returned to Norfolk, Virginia on 21 April 1983 and was in an upkeep status until 13 May 1983.
5. On 13 May 1983 the ship departed again for an underway period. During this period the USS JACKSONVILLE transited to AUTEC Range in the Bahamas and successfully completed a Tactical Readiness Evaluation (TRE). Upon completion of the TRE a brief port visit, for liberty and weapons reload, was made to Port Canaveral, Florida.
6. On 1 June 1983, the USS JACKSONVILLE departed Port Canaveral and provided Prospective Commanding Officer services until 15 June 1983. The ship returned to Norfolk Naval Base to commence an upkeep period scheduled to last into July 1983.
7. On 19 July 1983, the USS JACKSONVILLE entered Newport News Shipyard and Drydock Company to accomplish repairs. The repairs were completed in September 1983 ahead of all shipyard schedules and estimations, which reflects great pride and dedication by the crew during this arduous period.
8. Upon completion of post shipyard sea trials, USS JACKSONVILLE worked up at sea for a Nuclear Technical Proficiency Inspection and an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination. The close of September saw the USS JACKSONVILLE excel in its NTPI.
9. On 17 October 1983, USS JACKSONVILLE entered Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Virginia for a Selected Restricted Availability period. This period accomplished various upgrading of equipment and systems and allowed the crew to perform extensive cleanliness and preservation activities.
10. In December 1983, USS JACKSONVILLE returned to sea for sea trials and upon completion, returned to Norfolk for holiday and standdown period.

ENCLOSURE (1)

Command History for 1984

1. This is the history of the USS JACKSONVILLE for calendar year 1984. The first of the year found the ship in port for the holiday. From 3-18 January the ship operated with USS SARATOGA in the Jacksonville, Florida OPAREAs. 19 January through 27 February found the ship back in Norfolk, Virginia for upkeep and the replacement of a cooling coil, which required a pressure hull cut.
2. From 27 February through 26 March USS JACKSONVILLE began a series of weekly operations in preparation for an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination. The examination was completed satisfactorily on 27 March.
3. The first two weeks in April, USS JACKSONVILLE was in port at Norfolk, Virginia. From 16 April through 23 April, the ship was underway for a Tactical Readiness Examination and acoustic trials. 23 April - 30 April the ship was in port for final loadout prior to deployment. On 5 May, USS JACKSONVILLE completed POMCERT (pre overseas movement certification).
4. The night of 6 May found the crew of USS JACKSONVILLE scrambled along with the rest of the Norfolk SUBLANT units in an AGILE PLAYER exercise. Twelve hours prior to scheduled departure for a 3 month deployment, the USS JACKSONVILLE got underway.
5. 9 July found the USS JACKSONVILLE in Rosyth, Scotland acting as representative of the United States in Great Britain. The warmth the Scots demonstrated to the officers and crew was greatly appreciated after 2 months under water. From 13 - 16 July the ship transited the English Channel and arrived in Portsmouth, England as the second and final port stop.
6. On 5 August the ship arrived in Norfolk and was in an upkeep status until 10 September. During this time the ship completed its Supply Management Inspection. From 10 - 21 September the ship was in the local OPAREAS for training and upon return to port was involved in a collision with a barge positioned across Thimble Shoals Channel. The ship's sonar dome was damaged and required replacement. On 25 September Captain Ricky Morris was relieved by Commander Francis LaCroix pending an investigation into the collision.
7. From 27 September - 5 October the ship was in Norfolk Naval Shipyard for sonar dome replacment. From 5 October to 15 November USS JACKSONVILLE was in Norfolk for upkeep and training.
8. On 15 November USS JACKSONVILLE was underway for sound trials at Andros Island. A problem with the diesel generator brought the ship back to homeport for repairs which were completed on 12 December. From 12 - 23 December the ship completed sound trials, and on the 24th of December in Norfolk the ship's Commanding Officer was relieved by Commander John P. Davis. The ship remained in port through the end of the year.