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1995

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Encl: (1) Command Composition and Organization
(2) Chronology
(3) Narrative

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (3) are forwarded.


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Command Composition and Organization

1. Mission. USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63) is an aircraft carrier whose operational mission is power projection and sea lane control, in support of U.S. national policy.

2. Organizational Structure

(a) Immediate Operational Senior in Command

(1) Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group FIVE, 1 January to 31 December 1995.

(b) Immediate Administrative Senior in Command

(1) Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group FIVE, 1 January to 31 December 1995.

3. Commanding Officer. Captain William W. Pickavance, Jr., 1 January to 27 January 1995; Captain Terry E. Magee, 27 January to 31 December 1995.

4. Homeport. Naval Air Station, North Island, San Diego, Calif., 1 January to 31 December 1995.

5. Type of Aircraft Assigned are as follows:

<u>Squadron</u>	<u>Acft Type</u>	<u>Tailcode</u>	<u>Base</u>
HS-6	SH-60F/H	NL/610 Series	NAS North Island, Calif.
VRC-30	C-2A	RW/160 Series	NAS North Island, Calif.
VF-213	F-14A	NL/100 Series	NAS Miramar, Calif.
VFA-97	F/A-18A	NL/200 Series	NAS Lemoore, Calif.
VFA-22	F/A-18A	NL/300 Series	NAS Lemoore, Calif.
VFA-94	F/A-18A	NL/400 Series	NAS Lemoore, Calif.
VAW-117	E-2C	NL/600 Series	NAS Miramar, Calif.
VAQ-135	EA-6B	NL/620 Series	NAS Whidbey Island, Wash.
VS-29	S-3B	NL/700 Series	NAS North Island, Calif.
VQ-5	ES-3A	NL/720 Series	NAS North Island, Calif.

Chronology

- 1 Jan USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63) is inport at NAS North Island (NASNI), San Diego, Calif. CAPT William W. Pickavance, Jr., is the Commanding Officer.
- 1 Jan USS KITTY HAWK in post-deployment standdown 1-24 January.
- 6 Jan USS KITTY HAWK hosts Sheraton Hotel reception onboard.
- 25 Jan Deputy Secretary of Defense John Deutch visits USS KITTY HAWK.
- 25 Jan USS KITTY HAWK hosts Joint Forces Air Component Commander (JFACC) Conference 25-26 January.
- 27 Jan CAPT Terry E. Magee relieves CAPT William W. Pickavance as Commanding Officer, USS KITTY HAWK.
- 1 Feb USS KITTY HAWK hosts Montgomery Middle School's 1,000 students for tour and Flight Deck spellout of "MONTGOMERY."
- 3 Feb USS KITTY HAWK conducts Fleet Replacement Squadron onload 3-6 February.
- 7 Feb USS KITTY HAWK underway 7-13 February for FRS/CVW-9 Carrier Qualifications (CQ).
- 9 Feb USS KITTY HAWK earns Golden Anchor Award for 1994.
- 14 Feb USS KITTY HAWK undergoes extensive Ship's Restricted Availability (SRA) 14 Feb.-26 May while inport NASNI.
- 3 Mar USS KITTY HAWK hosts visit by PRC General Zhu Dunfa, president of China's National Defense University.
- 4 Mar British Prince Michael of Kent visits USS KITTY HAWK.
- 8 Mar USS KITTY HAWK commences Command ADMAT Inspection 8-21 March.
- 9 Mar USS KITTY HAWK awarded the Battle "E" by Commander Naval Air Forces Pacific, VADM Robert Spane.
- 14 Mar USS KITTY HAWK hosts crew of America's Cup contender America³.
- 20 Mar Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, ETCM(SW) John Hagen, visits USS KITTY HAWK.
- 22 Mar USS KITTY HAWK hosts reunion of survivors of USS OMMANEY BAY (CVE 79), an escort carrier sunk by Japanese kamikaze aircraft in World War II.

April USS KITTY HAWK earns Dorie P. Miller Award for Wardroom Excellence and the Carl Schuefele Award of Outstanding Chief Petty Officers' Mess for 1994.

16 Apr USS KITTY HAWK hosts over 1,100 visitors for Easter Sunrise Service.

15 May USS KITTY HAWK undergoes CART.

25 May USS KITTY HAWK featured live on local TV (KUSI) station's morning show.

30 May USS KITTY HAWK holds Safety Standdown.

2 Jun USS KITTY HAWK underway 2-9 June for sea trials/UMAT/LTT/TSTA 1.

7 Jun Over 900 Sailors form "SEAFAIR 95" spellout on USS KITTY HAWK's Flight Deck.

12 Jun USS KITTY HAWK underway 12-16 June for FRS CQ.

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21 Jun Singer Adina Howard performs for USS KITTY HAWK crew on Flight Deck.

25 Jun EM1(SW) [REDACTED] checks aboard USS KITTY HAWK marking the first step in the carrier's integration of females into the crew.

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23 Jul FOX TV boards USS KITTY HAWK to shoot segments for show "Not Just News."

28 Jul USS KITTY HAWK underway 28 July-1 August transiting to Everett, Wash.

1 Aug USS KITTY HAWK visits Everett, Wash., for one night; 4,400 guests visit.

2 Aug USS KITTY HAWK provides guest cruise for 2,400 during daylight transit from Everett to Seattle.

2 Aug USS KITTY HAWK inport for Seattle Seafair 2-6 August. Over 70,000 visitors tour the ship.

4 Aug Seattle Seafair's flagship TV station, KIRO, shoots morning show live aboard USS KITTY HAWK.

5 Aug USS KITTY HAWK Sailors and Marines take part in Seattle

- Seahawks-St. Louis Rams pre-game and halftime festivities at the Seattle Kingdome.
- 7 Aug USS KITTY HAWK conducts Tiger Cruise (330 Tigers) 7-10 August during return transit from Seattle Seafair.
- 18 Aug Popcorn king Orville Redenbacher tours USS KITTY HAWK.
- Sept USS KITTY HAWK awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation Award for WestPac '94.
- 1 Sep USS KITTY HAWK holds Safety Standdown.
- 3 Sep USS KITTY HAWK hosts VP/VPB-23 Veterans Association memorial service.
- 6 Sep Joint Warrior Interoperability Demonstration (JWID) begins aboard USS KITTY HAWK 6-29 September.
- 7 Sep Secretary of the Navy John Dalton visits USS KITTY HAWK.
- 8 Sep 448th Bombardment Group visits USS KITTY HAWK as part of 50th anniversary of the end of World War II reunion.
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- 12 Sep Saudi Prince Abdul Kassir visits USS KITTY HAWK.
- 13 Sep USS KITTY HAWK underway 13-18 September for TCQ; RTP for 5½ hours, underway 18-22 September for FRS CQ.
- 19 Sep German Chief of Defense, General Claus Naumann, visits USS KITTY HAWK.
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- 24 Sep Air Chief Marshall Sir John Willis, Vice Chief of Defense, United Kingdom, Air Force visits USS KITTY HAWK.
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- 18 Oct USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64) and USS KITTY HAWK team up at sea for "GO NAVY," "BEAT ARMY" spellouts on their respective flight decks.
- 30 Oct INSURV begins 30 Oct.-3 Nov.
- 3 Nov Former President George Bush visits USS KITTY HAWK inport NASNI.
- 10 Nov USS KITTY HAWK is the subject of Los Angeles' largest TV station, KTLA, "Morning News" show, shot live aboard the ship.
- 14 Nov CART II 14-16 November.
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- 5 Dec Actor Michael Dorn ("Worf" on TV's *Star Trek: The Next Generation*) and syndicated cartoonists Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott (creators of "Baby Blues") visit USS KITTY HAWK underway.
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- 25 Jan USS KITTY HAWK hosts Joint Forces Air Component Commander (JFACC) Conference 25-26 January. The Hawk is the first carrier to host this unique platform for unified air forces control.
- 27 Jan In a flight deck ceremony, CAPT Terry E. Magee relieves CAPT William W. Pickavance as Commanding Officer, USS KITTY HAWK.
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- 9 Feb USS KITTY HAWK earns Golden Anchor Award for 1994. The award is Hawk's second consecutive Golden Anchor (1993) with a Silver Anchor also earned for 1992.
- 14 Feb USS KITTY HAWK undergoes extensive Ship's Restricted Availability (SRA) 14 Feb-26 May while inport NASNI. Over 2,000 repair/upgrade jobs include replacement of AN/SPS-49 (V) 5 Air Search Radar antenna, installation of new air conditioning plant; quality of live (QOL) upgrades in messes, heads and berthing areas; elevator work; and all boilers cleaned and valves refitted.
- 3 Mar USS KITTY HAWK hosts visit by PRC General Zhu Dunfa, president of China's National Defense University. Zhu, accompanied by several other flag-ranked Chinese officers toured Combat Direction Center (CDC) and Flight Deck before receiving a capabilities brief and lunch during a three-hour tour.

- 4 Mar British Prince Michael of Kent visits USS KITTY HAWK, touring CDC, Carrier Air Traffic Control Center (CATCC), JFACC, Primary Flight Control and Flight Deck.
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