

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
U.S.S. KAWISHIWI (AO-146)
FPO SAN FRANCISCO 96601

~~UNCLASSIFIED~~

AO146:00:rz

5750

Ser: 013

29 APR 1971

~~UNCLASSIFIED~~ classified upon removal of enclosure 3)

From: Commanding Officer, USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)
To: Director of Naval History (OP-09B9), Washington Navy
Yard, Washington, D. C. 20390

Subj: OPNAV Report 5750-1

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12A

Encl: (1) Chronology of Events
(2) Basic Narrative
(3) Informal Report of USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146) August
1970-February 1971 WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT
(4) Biography and photograph of Commanding Officer

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1), (2), (3),
and (4) are submitted.

Donald M. Wyand
DONALD M. WYAND

Copy to:
CINCPACFLT
COMSERVPAC
COMSERVRON FIVE

DOWNLOADED FROM THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES
DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
50 CFR 1.101

18 JUL 1984

~~UNCLASSIFIED~~

717X

[1970]

Chronology

01 Jan 70 On Yankee Station.

07 Jan 70 Arrived Subic Bay, R. P.

15 Jan 70 Enroute Sasebo, Japan.

18 Jan 70 Brief stop for cargo Sasebo, Japan enroute Sea of Japan operations (TF 71).

20 Jan 70 Arrived Sasebo, Japan.

23 Jan 70 Enroute Sea of Japan operations.

24 Jan 70 Enroute Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

05 Feb 70 Replenished Amphibious Task Force north of Oahu, Hawaii. USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35) collided with KAWISHIWI'S starboard quarter during her approach.

06 Feb 70 Arrived Pearl Harbor, Hawaii for leave and upkeep having completed fifteenth deployment to WESTPAC.

12 Mar 70 Conducted dock trials.

17 Mar 70 Conducted one day sea trials.

20 Mar 70 Conducted one day sea trials.

21 Mar 70 Completed upkeep and assumed duty MIDPAC Oiler.

06 Apr 70 Refueled USS BON HOMME RICHARD (CVA-31).

10 Apr 70 Refueled USS HANCOCK (CVA-19).

11 Apr 70 Refueled USS BON HOMME RICHARD (CVA-31).

14 Apr 70 Departed Pearl Harbor enroute Apollo 13 recovery as Secondary Recovery Ship.

18 Apr 70 Entered Southern Latitudes at 162-02W.

19 Apr 70 Refueled USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2), Apollo 13 Primary Recovery Ship.

21 Apr 70 Entered Northern Latitudes at 165-08W.

24 Apr 70 Arrived Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

ENCLOSURE (1)

03 May 70 Refueled USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64).

28 May 70 CAPTAIN DONALD M. WYAND relieved CAPTAIN JOSEPH J. MEYER, JR. as Commanding Officer.

29 May 70 Departed Pearl Harbor for dependants cruise with 3 day visit to Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.

10 Jun 70 Captain Donald M. WYAND was presented the Legion of Merit.

16 Jun 70 Three day Administrative and Pre-deployment Inspection conducted by Commander, Service Squadron FIVE.

06 Jul 70 Assigned to Commander Fleet Training Group Pearl Harbor for two weeks interim refresher training.

17 Jul 70 Completed interim refresher training.

25 Jul 70 Awarded Supply "E" for 1969-70 competitive year.

29 Jul 70 Departed Pearl Harbor enroute Sasebo, Japan on her sixteenth WESTPAC deployment.

10 Aug 70 Arrived Sasebo, Japan.

11 Aug 70 Underway for Sea of Japan operations (TF 71).

13 Aug 70 Arrived Sasebo, Japan for upkeep.

03 Sep 70 Departed Sasebo, Japan enroute Subic Bay, R. P. via Taiwan Strait.

07 Sep 70 Arrived Subic Bay.

09 Sep 70 Commenced first of ten line swings to Tonkin Gulf and along the coast of Vietnam made during the seven month deployment to Seventh Fleet.

27 Sep 70 Commander, Service Group THREE Rear Admiral BERGNER embarked.

29 Sep 70 Commander, Service Group THREE transferred to USS CAMDEN (AOE-2).

13 Oct 70 Emergency sortie for Typhoon Joan Evasion from Subic Bay, R. P.

09 Nov 70 Received official visit from Commander, Service Group THREE Rear Admiral COLE inport Subic Bay, R. P.

19 Nov 70 Typhoon Patsy approached while in the Tonkin Gulf, with heavy winds and seas, KAWISHIWI refueled sixteen ships, which included three CVA groups, during a 29 hour period beginning at midday.

10 Dec 70 Grounded on uncharted sandbar in Vung Tau, R. V. N. No damage.

16 Dec 70 Six day port visit to Hong Kong.

31 Dec 70 On Yankee Station.

USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146) Command History-Narrative.

1. Command organization and relations.

a. Commanding Officers.

Captain J. B. SWAIN, USN	06 Jul 55-31 Oct 56
Captain E. T. HYDEMAN, USN	31 Oct 56-24 Aug 57
Captain A. L. GEBLIN, USN	24 Aug 57-21 Aug 58
Captain E. G. GARDNER, JR, USN	21 Aug 58-10 Jan 59
Captain G. P. JOYCE, USN	10 Jan 59-11 Jul 60
Captain H. A. SEYMOUR, USN	11 Jul 60-19 Jul 61
Captain L. R. VASEY, USN	19 Jul 61-09 Aug 62
Captain F. T. COOPER, USN	09 Aug 62-14 Dec 63
Captain R. L. PITTS, USN	14 Dec 63-10 Nov 64
Captain C. S. TANNER, USN	10 Nov 64-27 Nov 65
Captain M. J. CARPENTER, USN	27 Nov 65-27 Jan 67
Captain D. B. EDGE, USN	27 Jan 67-19 Jan 68
Captain J. CADY, USN	19 Jan 68-06 May 69
Captain J. J. MEYER, JR, USN	06 May 69-28 May 70
Captain D. M. WYAND, USN	28 May 70-Present

b. Homeport:

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

c. Mission of USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146):

As a unit of an underway replenishment group, to provide complete replenishment of petroleum products to the fleet at sea.

(1) Designated tasks

(a) To transport and deliver bulk and packaged petroleum products, bottled gases and fleet freight to the fleet underway, servicing ships along both sides simultaneously.

(b) To destroy surface targets and aircraft at close range.

(c) To provide command facilities and accommodations for Service Force/Underway Replenishment Group Commander and Staff.

(2) Contingent Tasks

(a) To transport and deliver limited provisions and mail to the fleet underway.

d. USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146) Composition on 31 Dec 70.

	<u>Complement</u>	<u>On Board</u>
Enlisted	300	257
Officers	14	19

2. Operations:

New Years Day, 1970, found KAWISHIWI on Yankee Station servicing units of Task Force 77. After an upkeep period in Subic Bay, R. P. from 7 Jan to 15 Jan, KAWISHIWI headed north and refueled units of TF 71 in the Sea of Japan from Sasebo, Japan. The ship departed the Sea of Japan on 24 Jan 70 for Midpac.

KAWISHIWI refueled an Amphibious Task Force North of Oahu on 5 Feb 70. While making her approach on KAWISHIWI, USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35) collided with KAWISHIWI'S starboard quarter. There were no personnel casualties and light material damage to KAWISHIWI.

On 6 Feb 70 KAWISHIWI arrived in her homeport, Pearl Harbor, following a seven month deployment having serviced 275 ships. The ship entered Pearl Harbor Naval ship yard for post deployment upkeep with sea trials held on 17 and 20 March.

As duty Midpac Oiler refueled USS BON HOMME RICHARD (CVA-31) on 6 Apr and 11 Apr and USS HANCOCK (CVA-19) on 10 April.

On 14 April 70 under the OPCON of CTF 130, departed Hawaiian waters as Secondary Recovery Ship and support unit for the Apollo 13 recovery. On 18 April the ship crossed the Equator at 162-02W and refueled the Primary Recovery Ship, USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2) on 19 April. Having crossed the equator again on 21 April at 165-08W the ship returned to Pearl Harbor on 24 April.

On 3 May, 70 refueled USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64).

On 28 May 70 Captain Donald M. WYAND, USN relieved Captain Joseph J. MEYER, JR, USN as Commanding Officer. Captain WYAND

reported from the Staff, Commander in Chief, United States Pacific Fleet.

Departed Pearl Harbor on 29 May 70 with dependents embarked for a cruise to Kailua-Kona, Hawaii as the Service Force representative at the annual Captain Cooke Festival.

Returned to Pearl Harbor on 1 Jun 70 entering Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard for upkeep.

Captain D. M. WYAND, Commanding Officer, was presented the Legion of Merit on 10 Jun 70.

On 16 Jun 70 Commander Service Squadron Five conducted a three day Administrative and Pre-deployment Inspection.

On the sixth of July assigned to Commander Fleet Training Group, Pearl Harbor for two weeks of interim refresher training in preparation for her deployment to the Seventh Fleet.

On 25 July 70 received the unit award for Supply Efficiency.

On 29 July 70 departed Pearl Harbor enroute Sasebo, Japan for her sixteenth deployment to the Western Pacific. After a brief stop for cargo in Sasebo on 11 Aug 70 the ship refueled units of TF 71 in the Sea of Japan and then returned to Sasebo for upkeep.

On 3 Sep 70 departed Sasebo, Japan enroute Subic Bay, R. P. via the Taiwan Straits, arriving 7 Sep 70.

On 9 Sep 70 commenced the first of ten line swings to the Tonkin Gulf and along the Coast of Vietnam made during the seven month deployment to Seventh Fleet.

For eight weeks, beginning 20 Sep 70 hosted two Vietnamese Naval Aspirants. Their presence afforded a opportunity for a mutual exchange of ideas and training of these two young officers.

During a 29 hour period commencing at midday 19 Nov 70, with heavy winds, seas, with Typhoon Patsy approaching the Gulf of Tonkin, KAWISHIWI refueled sixteen ships.

On 10 Dec 70 grounded on an uncharted sandbar at Vung Tau, RVN. Free with tug assistance. Underwater Hull inspection conducted 11 Dec 70. No damage.

Six day visit to Hong Kong commencing 16 December 70.

New Years Eve, 1970, on Yankee Station servicing units of Task Force Seventy Seven.

ENCLOSURE (2)

BIOGRAPHY OF COMMANDING OFFICER, USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146) CAPTAIN DONALD MCKAY WYAND, U. S. NAVY

Captain WYAND was born in Kisbey, Sask., Canada, the fourth of six sons and one daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hedley WYAND.

He attended school in Santa Paula, California, San Jose State College and enlisted as an Apprentice Seaman in 1942, then to the V-5 Aviation Cadet program and commenced flight training in June 1943.

He was designated as a Naval Aviator April 1945 at Corpus Christi, Texas. Upon completion of operational training at Fort Lauderdale, Florida in TBE aircraft, and initial carrier qualifications on USS WOLVERINE on Lake Michigan, he reported to Torpedo Squadron FORTY ONE embarked in CVE's BAIROKO, BAEDONG STRAIT and RENDOVA. In July 1948 he went to Inactive duty.

From August 1948, until returning to active duty he graduated from Western Michigan University, and continued post graduate studies at the University of Michigan, part time, while a member of the faculty of Western Michigan University. During this time he was flying with the "Weekend Warriors" at Grosse Ile, Michigan in the AM-1 aircraft. Captain WYAND was recalled to active duty and assigned to the Staff, COMFAIRSEATTLE, in 1952.

In 1953 he reported to Fleet All Weather Training Unit, Pacific as a Night Attack and Instrument instructor, flying the AD series (AD-1 thru AD5N). He was ordered to the Naval Examining Center, Great Lakes in 1955 supervising the preparation of Aviation Officer promotion examinations.

In July 1956, Captain WYAND reported to General Line School, Monterey, California, in June 1957 to the Armed Forces Staff College and then to the Naval Intelligence School, Washington, D. C.

Upon completion of Intelligence School in September 1958, he reported to the USS BENNINGTON (CVA 20) in WESTPAC. He was ordered to CVG-9 Staff in April 1960 as Operations Officer attending A-4 training enroute. Two WESTPAC deployments were completed in RANGER (CVA-61) from 1961 to 1963.

In March, 1963 he reported to ATKRON 125 as Executive Officer and to ATKRON 113, embarked in KITTY HAWK (CVA-63) in WESTPAC. He participated in combat flight operations in 1964 in Laos.

In October 1964, he was ordered to the "Fighting Redcocks" of Attack Squadron TWENTY-TWO as Commanding Officer.

Captain WYAND participated in 161 combat missions from USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), April through October 1965. He was awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses, fifteen Air Medals, three Navy Commendation Medals, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Bronze Star and Palm, and his squadron was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation.

He reported to USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43) as Navigator in November 1965. In July 1966 he became the Operations Officer for the 1966-1967 WESTPAC deployment. CORAL SEA was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation and CAPT WYAND was awarded the Bronze Star. He reported to Staff, Commander in Chief U. S. Pacific Fleet in May 1967 as Striking Forces Officer and June 1968 as Command and Control Officer and was awarded the Legion of Merit.

Captain WYAND assumed command of USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146) on 28 May 1970, and deployed to Seventh Fleet on 29 July 1970.

Captain WYAND married the former Barbara BALDWIN of Greenville, Michigan in 1945. The WYAND's have three children, Susan, Donald and Nancy, and reside in quarters MAKALAPA, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.