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Encl: (1) USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37) Command History for 1989
(2) USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37) Updated Welcome Aboard Pamphlet
(3) Photograph, Commanding Officer, USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37)
(4) Photograph, USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37)
(5) Photograph, HSL 43 SH-60B SeaHawk Helicopter

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (5) are submitted for calendar year 1990. Enclosure (2) includes biographical data and has an update on CROMMELIN's statistics.


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Copy to:
COMNAVSURFPAC, San Diego, CA
COMNAVSURFGRU, Long Beach, CA
COMDESRON NINE

COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

MISSION:

USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37) is the thirty-first ship of the Oliver Hazard Perry Class of Guided Missile Frigates. CROMMELIN's mission is to provide anti-air, anti-submarine, and anti-surface protection for underway replenishment groups, convoys, amphibious forces, and other military and merchant shipping. In recent years, many ships of the FFG-7 class (including CROMMELIN) have been specifically tasked with providing escort and monitor services to U.S.- and Allied-flagged merchant shipping in the Persian Gulf. CROMMELIN's most recent tasking has included operations in Follow-On Counternarcotics operations off the coast of Central America.

In order to ensure a homogenous class of capable yet relatively inexpensive ships, many innovative concepts were incorporated into her design. These innovations include modular construction techniques, the use of numerous labor-saving devices, automatic control and monitoring systems, and shore-based maintenance support. The ship boasts some of the most comfortable living accommodations ever provided for the crew of a naval combatant. Habitability improvements include attractive living complexes (each with its own lounge), dressing, sleeping and sanitary areas.

Success in the warfare environment of the 1990's and beyond will require thorough evaluation, rapid decision making, and almost instantaneous response to any postulated threat. The systems aboard CROMMELIN have been designed to meet these demanding and dynamic prerequisites and to do so with minimum human interface. Her weapons include surface-to-surface and surface-to-air missiles, a 76MM gun, a Close In Weapon System, and anti-submarine torpedoes. The Lamps Mark III/Video Data Link system brings state-of-the-art computer technology to the anti-submarine warfare arena as well as integrating sensors and weapons to provide a total offensive and defensive weapons system.

In addition, computers control and monitor the gas turbine engines and ship's service diesel generators. Digital electronic logic circuits and remotely operated valves are monitored in a central control station which can initiate engine start and attain a "Ready to Go" status in less than ten minutes, as compared to eight or more hours for conventional steam power propulsion plants. The real heart of the ship, however, is her crew. High technology systems demand skilled technicians and professional leadership. The concept of "minimum manning" means, simply, that with professional sailors CROMMELIN can meet the challenges of modern naval warfare with approximately half the crew found on older ships of comparable size and capability. Freedom's Finest Guardian, USS CROMMELIN, proudly lives up to her motto, "Munus Bene Facit," that is, "Duty Well Done."

IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR IN COMMAND: COMMANDER, DESTROYER SQUADRON NINE

COMMANDING OFFICER: COMMANDER COLEMAN A. LANDERS, USN

HOME PORT: LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

AIRCRAFT EMBARKED: LAMPS MARK III SH-60B HELICOPTERS FROM
HSL-43, NORTH ISLAND, SAN DIEGO, CA

SIGNIFICANT STATISTICAL DATA AND AMMUNITION EXPENDITURES

MK 75 76MM GUNN	HEIR	11
	HEPD	19
	BL&P	147
	HE-CVT	00
CIWS	20MM	900
MINI-MOBILE TARGETS	MK 27	03
SMALL ARMS	.50 CAL	1400
	.45 CAL	2000
	M-60 (7.62mm LINKED)	700
	M-14 (7.62mm)	250
	12 GAUGE SHOTGUN	160
SMOKE FLOATS	MK 25	53
	MK 58	12
SONOBUOYS	8W46	02
	8W64	05
	8W54	08
	8W62	58
	8W59	01
MISSILE (SM-1 Practice shot)		01
TORPEDO (Extorp)		01
CHAFF (SRBOC)		04

AT SEA EVOLUTIONS

VERTICAL REPLENISHMENTS:	04
MOOR TO A BUOY:	01
ANCHORING:	14
SEARCH AND RESCUE:	01
TOW AND BE TOWED:	01

COMMAND HISTORY

USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37)

01 January 1990 - 31 December 1990

- 1-3 JAN Leave and Upkeep Period
- 04 JAN Visit, COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach Chaplain (CDR Bertrand).
- 05 JAN Fast Cruise: manned all normal and special evolution watchstations including: underway replenishment, abandon ship, man overboard, flight quarters, and small craft action team stations.
- 08 JAN OOD inport qualification board held.
Ammunition handling certification board held.
- 09 JAN CROMMELIN crew sponsors Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial service at NAVSTA Long Beach chapel, invites military and community.
HSL-10, SH-60-F landing brief held.
- 10 JAN Ammunition onload: 25MM (by small boat).
- 11-13 JAN Underway from Long Beach, CA for SOCAL op areas.
- 12 JAN General Quarters. PAC Fire of 76mm gun and CIWS.
Flight Quarters to receive Pac Fleet's first operational "CV Helo" (SH-60-F dipping sonar helicopter) for Deck Landing Qualifications (DLQ's).
Surface Warfare Officer qualification board held.
Mini-mobile target ASW tracking conducted.
- 13 JAN Return to Long Beach. Moor Pier 15, outboard USS PRARIE.
- 15-26 JAN CROMMELIN conducts 3M self-assessment.
- 16 JAN Awards/Frocking Ceremony held on the flight deck.
FC2(SW) [REDACTED] reenlistment ceremony.
- 16 JAN-02 FEB Tender Availability (TAV) with USS PRARIE
- 18 JAN Welfare and Recreation Fund inspection successfully completed with a 90% grade. Pre-ex brief for AAW-11-SF held at NAVSTA San Diego, CA.
- 19 JAN RM3 Barry reenlists on CROMMELIN's bridge.
- 22 JAN Financial planning seminar held for crew on CROMMELIN.
- 23 JAN Surface Warfare Officer qualification board for LTJG [REDACTED] [REDACTED] held.
OOD Inport qualification board held in the wardroom for BM2(SW) [REDACTED], OS1 [REDACTED], OSC [REDACTED], and SK1 [REDACTED]

- 08 FEB Flight Quarters for Saberhawk 68.
Underway replenishment held with USNS KAWISHIWI.
Visit ship meeting held.
to plan for visit ship in Long Beach, 10 Feb, pier E.
Moor, NAVSTA Long Beach, pier E.
Mr. Hans Halberstadt debarks.
- 10 FEB Visit ship: approximately 575 visitors tour CROMMELIN, including
30 contestants for the Long Beach Pageant, sponsored by Long
Beach Chamber of Commerce. CROMMELIN wardroom provides nine
escorts for the event, scheduled for 23 FEB.
- 12 FEB HIV testing performed in sick bay.
"S" availability with SIMA Long Beach begins.
Berth shift from Pier Echo to Pier 16.
NADSAP training (Anti-alcohol and drug abuse) held for crew members
- 12-23 FEB COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach conducts CROMMELIN's diesel inspection.
- 13 FEB SMTT assist visit conducted onboard.
- 13-15 FEB Shipboard Explosives Safety Inspection (SESI) held onboard.
- 14 FEB Pre-brief for KERNEL USHER exercises held.
SMTT outbrief held.
- 20 FEB CROMMELIN team attends LAMPS aviation ordnance handling course.
Physical Fitness Test given to crew.
- 21 FEB Personnel inspection and awards ceremony held on the flightdeck.
- 22 FEB CROMMELIN sponsors and coordinates Black History Month presentation
at NAVSTA Long Beach chapel.
- 23 FEB Rossmoor Grade School field day tour in CROMMELIN (approximately
30 school children; ENS [REDACTED] coordinates).
Commanding Officer attends change of command ceremony between
COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach, RADM Higginson, and his relief, RADM
Gomez. The ceremony is held onboard USS MISSOURI.
CROMMELIN officers participate in Miss Long Beach Pageant as
escorts at the Long Beach Sheraton Hotel (event is sponsored
by the Long Beach Chamber of Commerce).
- 24 FEB Underway for dependent's cruise (return approx. 1500).
Navy League Bakersfield CA attends cruise, marking its adoption
of CROMMELIN by presenting Commanding Officer with plaque during
flight deck ceremony.
Peary Junior High School also attends, and presents Commanding
Officer with plaque to mark its appreciation of CROMMELIN's
efforts in the PARTNERS IN EXCELLENCE program, in which CROMMELIN
sent tutors and guest lecturers to the school. The Junior High
School is located in Gardenia, CA.

- 26 FEB Underway from Long Beach for SOCAL Opareas/Type Training.
- 27 FEB Flight Quarters for SABERHAWK 68.
Set Condition II AS gold for Anti-submarine warfare exercise.
Pre-brief for MOB-S-4-SF and Navigation brief for sea detail
in San Diego held.
ELW-17/ 18-SF conducted.
- 28 FEB Moor to bouy 19, San Diego harbor, and underway again for SOCAL
OPAREAS.
- 01 MAR Underway replenishment with USNS KAWISHIWI.
ASW-18/ 24-SF conducted.
- 02 MAR Moor pier 9, NAVSTA Long Beach.
- 05 MAR Gas Turbine on-site calibration team visit.
- 06 MAR CS02 Division (Sonar) places third out of 14 ships in Rooftop
training competition with a score of 94.3 %.
CROMMELIN earns COMNAVSURFPAC San Diego "SELF-SUFFICIENT
SHIP OF THE WEEK" award, cited in the following description:

"While participating in MEFEX 90-2, USS CROMMELIN experienced casualties to two of four SSDG's, reducing the ship to 50 % electrical capacity. The men of CROMMELIN not only completed repairs to the flapper solenoid on No. 1 SSDG, but also replaced a cylinder head on No. 3 SSDG. This action on the part of the crew prevented a C-4 casrep and enabled USS CROMMELIN to successfully complete MEFEX 90-2. During this time, USS CROMMELIN took part in an underway replenishment and a mooring evolution where a minimum of three of four SSDG's were required. When No. 1 SSDG failed to start both remotely and locally, the problem was traced to a grounded flapper solenoid and overspeed switch. With no parts allowance onboard, CROMMELIN's personnel removed, rebuilt and reinstalled the repaired overspeed switch, restoring No. 1 SSDG to full operation."

COMDESRON Nine (COMMODORE H. Dyck) sent the following message:

"The fierce determination to excel and spirited display of resolve by EN/GSE/EM personnel working together are a hallmark of CROMMELIN and allowed you to complete the exercise and 'Get the job done.' A hearty well-done to all involved for your professionalism and expert casualty control. En Garde"

- 08-30 MAR U.S. Coast Guard Legal Enforcement Detachment (LEDET)
Narcotics interdiction operations.

08 MAR Coast Guard LEDET embarks for Narcotics interdiction operations. Underway for LEDET ops: Baja/SOCAL coastal areas. Ocean Lord 29 embarks.

09 MAR General Quarters/Abandon Ship drill.

10 MAR Small Craft Action drill. Visit, Board, Search and Seizure drill. ECC's.

11 MAR Torpedo handling training. Port Brief -- Acapulco, Mexico.

12 MAR Anchor, Acapulco Harbor, Mexico. CROMMELIN receives following message from VADM R.K.U. Kihune, COMNAVSURFPAC San Diego, concerning results from Mr. Hans Halberstadt's visit between 5-8 February in preparation for a book to be published by Osprey Press in Spring 1991:
 "The display of pride and professionalism by your officers and crew is one of the most important messages we can communicate to surface force visitors, and I join Mr. Halberstadt in thanking you for your support."

15 MAR CROMMELIN hosts open house for Mexican naval officer tour. Class A fire in No. 4 SSDG enclosure due to hot lagging material. No injuries, minimal damage.

16 MAR Underway from Acapulco, for SOCAL and Baja California coastal LEDET operations.

17 MAR General Quarters/NBC attack drill/Abandon ship drill.

18 MAR Steel Beach picnic.

19 MAR General Quarters. Underway replenishment brief held.

20 MAR ECC's. Unrep with USNS KAWISHIWI.

21 MAR General Quarters. Self-conducted Training Readiness Evaluation (TRE) held by officers and chiefs.

22 MAR ECC drills.

24 MAR General Quarters for Mass Conflagration drill. Quartermasters and radiomen win the "Surface Weather Accuracy Award" for 1989.

25 MAR Steel Beach picnic.

26 MAR Unrep with USNS KAWISHIWI.

27 MAR Torpedo Handling drill.

- 28 MAR General Quarters. Crew fills out customs declaration forms in preparation for reentering the U.S.
- 29 MAR ECC drills Surface Warfare Qualification board for ENS [REDACTED]. Enlisted Surface Warfare Qualification board held. Navigation brief held.
- 30 MAR Awards ceremony held on the flight deck. Flight Quarters for departure of Ocean Lord 29. Sea and anchor detail. Moor ammo pier, WPNSTA Seal Beach, underway fm Seal Beach. Moor, NAVSTA Long Beach, pier 16.
- 07 APR CROMMELIN Dependents' Easter Egg Hunt, NAVSTA Long Beach mole park.
- 09 APR 20-B-5 Trailer van hook-up commences for Combat Systems simulation training. ASIR aviation readiness inspection in-house prep team meets in the wardroom. Welfare and Recreation locker inventory is conducted. CINCPACFLT holds admiral's call at building 1, NAVSTA Long Beach; CROMMELIN sends enlisted representatives.
- 10 APR Key personnel attend PHIBRON 5 meeting in preparation for operation KERNEL USHER, in which CROMMELIN will play the part of a Force Orange warship. HSL 45 Det 7A meets with Commanding Officer. Ordnance Handling Board held.
- 11 APR Work Definition conference for R-1 availability with SIMA held at Building 1, NAVSTA Long Beach. Welfare and Recreation Council meeting held. Professional Development Board held in the Chief Petty Officers' Mess. COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach Medical Officer conducts health record review. Radio drills pre-brief conducted at Building 1.
- 12 APR Safety Committee meeting held on the messdecks. Commanding Officer calls on RADM Gomez, COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach. FN [REDACTED] is selected as COMDESRON NINE junior sailor of the quarter.
- 13 APR Final Brief on KERNEL USHER 90-1 conducted in San Diego.
- 14 APR CROMMELIN team completes the Pilot Rescue team trainer in San Diego.
- 17 APR Key personnel attend TARTAR Flight Analysis symposium at WPNSTA Annex Corona, CA. 20-B-5 Trailer training continues.
- 18 APR Ship's Store Assist conducted aboard CROMMELIN. 20-B-5 trailer training continues. TT 624/RD-397 Equipment change-out conducted.

- 20 APR HSL 45 embarks for underway period. (Lone Wolf 43)
- 23 APR Prospective Commanding Officers (SOSMRC program) embark for underway period as part of their training pipeline in order to observe CROMMELIN operations at sea.
Spanish Naval Ship Juan Sebastian De Elcano, a 4-masted topsail training schooner for the Spanish Naval Academy, moors at NAVSTA Long Beach and holds open house for tours.
CROMMELIN teams attend firefighting school in San Diego.
- 24 APR PCO's observe pre-underway checks and light-off of various propulsion and engineering plant equipment.
Underway for SOSMRC and KERNEL USHER 90-1.
Flight Quarters.
Anchor, Fleet Training Group Anchorage, San Diego, CA
Underway for SoCAL op areas.
- 24-27 APR SOSMRC for Prospective Commanding Officers.
- 26 APR - KERNEL USHER 90-1
08 MAY
- 26 APR Flight Quarters for personnel transfer.
CROMMELIN takes station in formation for missile exercise with other KERNEL USHER missile players, including USS ARKANSAS. During missile firing sequence on PACMISTESTCEN range, CROMMELIN obtains a misfire due to an inoperative SM-1 practice round battery. No firing takes place.
- 27 APR SOSMRC observers debrief the Commanding Officer.
Condition II AS is set for torpedo firing.
Torpedo firing conducted on SCORE range off San Clemente island. Practice torpedo is fired but never activates propulsion once in the water (again, bad battery suspected). The torpedo sinks and is not recovered.
"I" division briefings conducted for newly reported personnel.
- 28 APR Anchor, FTG Anchorage in San Diego.
Underway for SOCAL OPAREAS.
Man Overboard conning drills.
- 29 APR Detect to Engage exercises conducted with contracted air services from Flight International, Inc.
Flight Quarters.
Screening Board conducted to review applications to Officer Candidate School.
Ammunition Offload Brief conducted in preparation for visit to WPNSTA Seal Beach, CA.
Contract awarded for Shipyard Restricted availability period to Al Larson Boat, Inc.

30 APR Moor, WPNSTA Seal Beach ammo pier. Commence total ammunition offload in preparation for SRA. Underway for SOCAL Opareas. UNREP brief held.

01 MAY Astern refueling conducted with USNS KAWISHIWI, followed by an alongside CONREP.

02 MAY Survey Intelligence Collection exercise is conducted against other KERNEL USHER players by CROMMELIN. Main space fire drill walkthrough conducted. Officer of the Deck underway board held.

03 MAY General Quarters/Main space fire drill conducted. TRE checklist review conducted.

04 MAY ECC drills. Enlisted Surface Warfare qualification board held.

05 MAY Flight Quarters to receive personnel transfer by UH-1 helicopter. SuperRBOC firing exercise conducted. Surface Warfare Officer qualification board held. PacFiring of 76MM gun.

07 MAY Mining Exercise: CROMMELIN simulates laying mines in front of various units of PHIBRON FIVE as part of the final portion of KERNEL USHER 90-1.

08 MAY Flight Quarters: Lone Wolf 43 departs for NAS North Island, CA. Moor, NAVSTA Long Beach Pier E berth 127.

09 MAY Awards Ceremony conducted on the flight deck.

10 MAY Catholic Mass conducted onboard. (COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach chaplain). SH1(SW) [REDACTED] reenlists. Tryouts for CROMMELIN softball team held in NAVSTA Long Beach mole park.

11 MAY USS REUBEN JAMES (FFG-57) nests outboard CROMMELIN at Pier E berth 127. The Asian Pacific Food Fair is conducted at NAVSTA Long Beach's Sailor Park; CROMMELIN sailors attend. Damage Control (DC) Olympics practice conducted.

14 MAY Supply Maintenance Assessment (SMA) inspection begins. CROMMELIN receives notice that, for the second consecutive week, its sonar technicians placed first in Rooftop training among LAMPS MK III helicopter system ships .

- 15 MAY R1 availability arrival conference conducted in Long Beach at Building 755.
CROMMELIN receives following message from COMDESRON NINE (COMMO H. DYCK): "Bravo Zulu to your ASW Team for their superb rooftop performance during the month of April. Your ASW team's hard work and outstanding skill demonstrated your dedication to ASW training and readiness."
- 16 MAY Work Definition Conference held for R2 availability held at NAVSTA Long Beach Building 1.
- 18 MAY Hazardous Material Inspection conducted.
Conclude SMA inspection; outbrief conducted.
- 21 MAY Harpoon Team Trainer attended in San Diego (21-25 MAY) by members of Fire Control division (CS3).
Begin R1 Availability (21-25 MAY).
HIV testing conducted in sickbay.
Pre-ASIR aviation inspection meeting held in wardroom.
- 22 MAY CROMMELIN dresses ship to mark Maritime Day.
Electromagnetic Interference course attended at MOTU ELEVEN by ET's and RM's.
- 28 MAY CROMMELIN dresses ship to mark Memorial Day.
- 29 MAY Intermediate Multi-Threat Team Trainer attended at San Diego (29 MAY -01 JUN) by CROMMELIN OS/Officer team.
2M (Microminiature repair) certification review.
MK 2 IFF Field changes conducted (29 MAY -01 JUN) by sub-contractor Atlantic Ordnance and Gyro, Inc.
Safety Zone inspection conducted; safety presentations made to the crew via audio/visual media.
ASIR progress meeting conducted.
Captain's call conducted to kick-off Safety Standdown.
- 30 MAY Safety Standdown continues.
Following message received from COMDESRON NINE: "COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach cited outstanding results in the damage control competition by USS INGRAHAM and USS CROMMELIN among all of the NAVSURGRU Long Beach commands. The obvious commitment to damage control excellence, the most fundamental capability a warship must maintain, is commended and noted with pleasure. The proficiency demonstrated by both ships has set the standard for all other DESRON NINE ships to emulate."
- 31 MAY SMTT training conducted.
COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach conducts its safety council meeting; CROMMELIN representatives attend.
- 01 JUN Third-class midshipmen from the U.S. Naval Academy take a tour of CROMMELIN (approximately 20).

- 04 JUN USS REUBEN JAMES gets underway from Berth 127 outboard CROMMELIN. EW's attend Electronic Counter-countermeasures (ECCM) course at Naval Reserve Center, Long Beach. HIV testing and Measles vaccination conducted in Sick Bay. Shipyard arrival conference conducted.
- 05 JUN Welfare and Recreation Fund inspection conducted by COMNAVSURFPAC San Diego CA auditor and Wel/Rec officer. Pre-TRE inspection conducted by FTG San Diego reserve unit. Shipyard scheduling meeting conducted in the wardroom.
- 07 JUN FC3 ██████ reenlists. Pre-TRE team conducts inspection outbrief.
- 08 JUN Awards ceremony conducted on the flightdeck.
- 11 JUN Asbestos Survey conducted. Audiograms for selected CROMMELIN personnel (GM's, Engineering dept personnel) conducted at NAVSTA Long Beach medical facility. CROMMELIN team attends Advanced Multi-Threat Team trainer in San Diego. "I" Division briefing conducted for newly reported personnel. All E-6 and below crewmembers with an off-ship residence move out of berthing in preparation for extensive shipyard berthing work.
- 13 JUN Radio Central division conducts COMM drill cross-deck training with other commands.
- 15 JUN Navy relief fund-raiser conducted on board.
- 18 JUN CROMMELIN Summer Picnic held for all hands and families at the NAVSTA Long Beach Mole park. USS FORD representatives observe graded fire drill for record with COMDESRON NINE. COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach recognizes efforts of two CROMMELIN sailors--EW2 ██████ and EW3 ██████--made during the previous week's Electronic Warfare exercise: "Personnel performance was very good ... Bravo Zulu."
- 19 JUN SRA progress meeting held. CROMMELIN officers meet with Supervisor of Shipbuilding and Repair (SUPSHIP).
- 20 JUN CROMMELIN representatives meet with Shipyard contractor: Al Larson Boat. Executive Officer (LCDR C. Baranowski) takes Command Qualification Board. Commanding Officer attends graduation ceremonies at CROMMELIN's Partners in Excellence program school, Peary Junior High School in Gardena, CA.

- 25 JUN OS's attend NTDS Track Supervisor school in Long Beach.
Inport OOD board held.
- 26 JUN Petty Officer indoctrination conducted in the Chief Petty Officer's
Mess for newly advanced crewmembers.
Commodore H. Dyck is relieved as COMDESRON NINE by Capt.
Sussilieux.
- 28 JUN CROMMELIN installs new "PRC" solid coat overlay on decks inside the skin of the
ship, resulting in considerable re-routing of traffic onboard. The project takes
approximately three weeks to complete and manages to disrupt most work about the
ship.
- 29 JUN Shipwide safety standdown conducted. The topic is Sports and
Home recreation.
- 02 JUL EM2 ██████ reenlists in the Electrician's Workshop.
- 03 JUL LT ██████ (Chief Engineer) takes command qualification exam.
SUPSHIP meeting conducted onboard.
Progress meeting conducted for Combat Systems Assessment
preparations.
- 04 JUL CROMMELIN dresses ship to mark Independence Day.
- 05 JUL Work Definition conference for the San Diego Restricted
availability is conducted at COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach.
- 06 JUL Commanding Officer participates in Command Qualification Board
onboard USS PRINCETON.
Captain's Call and Awards Ceremony conducted on the flight
deck.
- 09 JUL AN/DVT communications cryptographic gear installed in radio
central by NAVELEXCEN Vallejo, CA.
Following schools in San Diego attended by CROMMELIN personnel:
Advanced Damage Control Nuclear plotting, Intelligence Photography,
Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, and Chief Petty Officer
Leadership Management Education Training (LMET).
- 10 JUL More audiograms conducted at NAVSTA LB clinic for selected rates.
SUPSHIP meeting conducted onboard.
- 11 JUL SHIP-SUPSHIP-CONTRACTOR meeting held.
- 13 JUL CROMMELIN crew moves into mobile barracks to allow for final
berthing re-work.
- 15 JUL Following schools are attended by selected members of the crew:
Second Class Swimmer, Galley Equipment operation, and 3M
Administration.
Captain's Call and Awards Ceremony held on the flight deck.
EN2 ██████ reenlists in the wardroom.

- 17 JUL Ship/Supship/Contractor meeting held.
CSA progress meeting held.
- 18 JUL COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach conducts Supply Assist training onboard.
- 19 JUL CROMMELIN refuels in preparation for end of Shipyard availability and Sea Trials.
- 23 JUL Following schools are attended by crewmembers: Surface EW Intel Operator, MK309 ASW Panel operator, CPR instructor.
- 24 JUL Lube oil transfer conducted.
Commanding Officer attends Change of Command Ceremony in USS PELILIEU.
Ship/SUPSHIP meeting conducted onboard.
- 25 JUL Ship/Supship/Contractor meeting held.
HMC(SW) [REDACTED] attends Medical department meeting at the NAVSTA LB branch clinic.
- 26 JUL CROMMELIN conducts Fast Cruise in preparation for Sea Trials; included are watch rotations, man overboard drill, General Quarters, Battle Messing, Setting Yoke, and an Emergency Destruction/Abandon ship drill.
- 30 JUL The following courses are attended by CROMMELIN personnel: Pest Control, Shipboard Fuel Oil, MOTU SAS, Junior Radio man training, and Unit Safety Petty Officer.
SRA Pre-departure meeting held.
- 31 JUL CROMMELIN conducts one-day Sea Trials, marking the end of the Shipyard Availability.

COMMAND HISTORY
USS CROMMELIN (FFG-37)
01 JAN - 31 DEC 1990 (CONT'D)

- 01 AUG NAVSEACENPAC conducts Harpoon Material Certification. Departure conference from Long Beach Navy Shipyard held in wardroom. Navigation brief conducted for Seal Beach and San Diego sea details.
- 02 AUG Ammunition onload brief conducted.
- 03 AUG Underway from NAVSTA Long Beach to WPNSTA SEAL BEACH. Moor Ammo pier, WPNSTA. Full ship's weapons loadout conducted. HT2(SW) [REDACTED] reenlists in the HT shop. Underway fm WPNSTA for NAVSTA LB. Moor LB, pier 16.
- 06 - 24 AUG Training Availability (TRAV) at NAVSTA San Diego, CA.
- 06 AUG Selected crewmembers attend the following schools in San Diego: LMET, CPO LMET, RBOC Maintenance, 3M Administration and Operations 40MM Mk19 Gun operation and maintenance, LSE school, Electronic Warfare Threat. Underway from NAVSTA Long Beach for NAVSTA San Diego. Conducted Mode 4 IFF check with SESEF range off San Diego. Moor NAVSTA San Diego, pier 3.
- 07 AUG Harpoon Trainer in-brief conducted onboard. SLQ-32 OrdAlt installed in CIC.
- 09 AUG R-Availability Arrival Conference held.
- 10 AUG Gas Turbine Inspection review held. Pre-Sail Brief conducted for ASWEX-90-4. Helo Firefighting course conducted at FF facility in San Diego.
- 13 AUG Following courses attended: General Shipboard Firefighting, Assault Boat Coxswain, FFG-7 Weapons Officer, SQQ-28 ops, Hazardous Materials Information school. CSTR in-brief conducted in the wardroom. ASIR aviation inspection in-brief conducted in wardroom. Prospective Executive Officer, LCDR S. Berg, reports aboard.
- 14 AUG Officer of the Deck inport qualification board held.
- 15 AUG TRAV schools: Shipboard CHT. ASIR de-brief conducted.
- 17 AUG LCDR S. Berg relieves LCDR C. Baranowski as Executive Officer.

- 20 AUG Flight Quarters for Recovery of HSL-43 Ocean Lord helicopter for use during LMTTU ASW trainer phase II.
TRAV schools: Advanced Firefighting.
HSL43 Detachment 12 begins work-ups for deployment with CROMMELIN.
- 22 AUG One handling torpedo shape and one REX Torpedo are unloaded.
- 23 AUG COMTRAPAC visits CROMMELIN.
- 24 AUG Underway fm NAVSTA San Diego for NAVSTA Long Beach.
Moor, NAVSTA LB pier 16.
- 27 -31 AUG Underway in SOCAL for Type Training.
- 27 AUG Underway from NAVSTA LB for SOCAL.
Following exercises conducted: Pilot by Gyro Compass,
Low Visibility Piloting, Loss of Gyro , Swept Channel.
TACAN and ULN-4 certification conducted on Seal Beach SESEF range.
Combat Systems Assessment preparation meeting conducted in the wardroom.
Flight Quarters for recovery of Ocean Lord 29.
ECC drills conducted.
- 28 AUG ECC drills, including Main Space Fire Drill conducted.
Junior Officer shiphandling and man overboard drills conducted.
Gun and Missile firing pre-brief is conducted.
CROMMELIN begins fire-marshall inspection program.
- 29 AUG General Quarters, Main Space Fire Drill, CBR Defense Exercise.
Missile firing exercise conducted on PMTC range (no green range).
Lost Plane Homing and HIFR exercise conducted.
CIWS and 76MM gunfire exercise.
REWS (Electronic warfare drills) conducted off San Clemente Island.
- 30 AUG CROMMELIN conducts personnel pick up at Wilson Cove,
San Clemente Island (Via motor whale boat) of ASW testing personnel.
EXTorp firing exercise on FORACS range.
- 31 AUG SCORE Range ASW operations off San Clemente Island.
Underway Replenishment with USNS KAWISHIWI.
Following exercises conducted: SVTT firing, ASW A/C vectac,
LAMPS vectac with weapons drop.
Sea and Anchor detail. Moored NAVSTA Long Beach, pier E.
- 03 SEP CROMMELIN observes Labor Day.
- 04 SEP COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach conducts Medical Readiness Evaluation onboard.
SSEMMS PMT visit is conducted onboard.
Chief Petty Officer Indoctrination is conducted for RMI (SW)

Gholson in the CPO mess.
NTISA det Long Beach conducts a Link 11 Quicklook and Combat Systems Assessment Multot test.
Arrival conference for S-availability conducted at SIMA Long Beach.

- 05 SEP NTISA det Long Beach conducts Link 11 Longlook.
Brief conducted: ASWEX 90-4/TACTRAGRUPAC for Commanding Officer, Operations, Air and CIC officers.
- 06 SEP COMNAVSURFGRU Long Beach conducts Dental Readiness Evaluation.
CROMMELIN officers and chiefs conduct Inport Quiet Ship Survey.
- 07 SEP Rehearsal for Refresher Training (REFTRA) Battle Problem conducted.
SK2 █████ reenlists in the Supply Office.
- 08 SEP CROMMELIN conducts Visit Ship tours at Pier Echo, berth 127;
approximately 175 visitors take tours throughout the day.
- 10 SEP PC3 █████ reenlists in Sick Bay.
- 11 SEP Supply Material Assessment (SMA) re-evaluation begins.
Petty Officer of the Watch qualification board conducted.
Training Battle Problem conducted in CIC.
- 12 SEP AAV Aviation inspection in-brief conducted.
Blood Drive conducted for Long Beach Naval Hospital onboard;
Type "O" blood especially solicited.
- 14 SEP Awards Ceremony conducted on the flight deck.
Chief Petty Officer indoctrination conducted at the CPO Club,
NAVSTA Long Beach for RMC (SW) Gholson.
- 17-18 SEP Training Readiness Evaluation (TRE) conducted.
- 18-21 SEP Combat Systems Assessment (CSA) conducted.
- 17 SEP TRE Team reports aboard and conducts in-brief.
- 18 SEP General Quarters (Inport). CSA team conducts in-brief in the wardroom.
Battle Problem and ship-wide Yoke-fitting checks are conducted.
COMNAVSURFPAC San Diego medical officer conducts visit to Sick Bay.
CSA conducts System Operability checks, Communications proficiency examinations, and radar checks.
TRE team conducts outbrief; consensus: CROMMELIN is ready for training (i.e., REFTRA).
- 19 SEP CSA exams taken for CIC, Lookouts, and various technical and operator rates.
Officer of the Deck inport board held.

- 20 SEP Pre-briefs for ASU-2-SF, ASW-16-SF, and AAW-24-B exercises conducted. COMDESRON Nine (CAPT Sussilieux) embarks in CROMMELIN to observe CSA.
Underway for SOCAL opareas and CSA underway tests.
Anti-Surface Warfare Detect to Engage training conducted in CIC.
- 21 SEP UHF/IFF/TACAN demonstrations conducted.
AAW warfare DTE conducted.
Moored, Pier 16 NAVSTA Long Beach.
CSA outbrief -- CROMMELIN attains passing score with excellent in several areas.
COMDESRON Nine debarks.
- 24 SEP Underway fm NAVSTA LB; Moor Ammo pier, WPNSTA Seal Beach.
Onload of practice missile and torpedo.
Underway fm WPNSTA to NAVSTA. Moor Pier 16.
- 25 SEP - 03 OCT ASWEX 90-4
- 25 SEP Underway for ASWEX 90-4 (most of operations during this period conducted approximately 25-50 miles off the coast between San Francisco, CA and Seattle, WA.
Flight Quarters to receive Ocean Lord 24 (HSL 43 det 12).
ASU-18-SF and ASU-4/8-SF are conducted.
ELW-3-4-SF exercise is conducted on the REWS Range off San Clemente Island.
- 26 SEP Rules of Engagement and Publication Usage exercises conducted.
AAW-2-SF (Link exercise with USS RENTZ) is conducted.
ELW-18-SF is conducted.
General Quarters for CBR defense drill conducted.
AAW-6-I conducted.
HIFR and Vertrep conducted with Ocean Lord 24.
YN3 ████████ reenlists on the flightdeck.
- 27 SEP CCC-7/8-SF and ELW-7-SF conducted.
50 Caliber machine gun operator training conducted.
Leap Frog and Flag Hoist drills conducted with other ASWEX 90-4 units.
Shipwide electrical safety zone inspection conducted.
Deconfliction exercise conducted in CIC.
ECC drills.
- 28 SEP Following Exercises conducted:
CCC-9-SF (DivTacs); Visit Boarding Search and Seizure;
Towing exercise;
COMDESRON Two One arrives by Helicopter, tours ship with Commanding Officer, joins the wardroom for lunch and departs.
- 29 SEP Underway Replenishment conducted with HMCS PROVIDER
General Quarters conducted for Mass Conflagration drill.
Small Arms qualification firing held on the flight deck.

- 30 SEP Encounter exercise (ASUW) with two Canadian Naval frigates begins.
 Flight Quarters for Ocean Lord 24; Ocean Lord is launched to conduct over-the-horizon targeting against Canadian forces in an Anti-surface warfare exercise.
 At approximately 1920, the Aircraft Commander (and Air Det Officer In Charge), LCDR Paul K. Miller, reports to CROMMELIN's ATACO that there is smoke in the cockpit. Ocean Lord 24 "busters" back to the ship as CROMMELIN sets emergency flight quarters.
 CROMMELIN'S flight deck camera records a flare of the helicopters lights while it is on final approach. The aircraft impacts the water approximately 100 yards from CROMMELIN's flight deck.
 CROMMELIN and other ships operating in the area immediately assume Search and Rescue duties for the downed aircrew and helicopter. The search continues throughout the night and through all of the following day (01 Oct). Small traces of the helicopter wreckage are found and retained for subsequent investigations. The crew of Ocean Lord 24 -- LCDR Paul K. Miller, ENS Timothy E. Hanusin, and AW2 William R. Nolte -- are lost at sea. After some 30 hours of continuous search involving U.S. Navy, Coast Guard, and Canadian naval ships and aircraft, COMDESRON Two One concludes the search operation.
- 01 OCT In light of the Ocean Lord 24 tragedy, the Commanding Officer and COMDESRON Two One decide to conclude CROMMELIN's participation in the remainder of ASWEX 90-4 and a scheduled port visit to Vancouver, British Columbia in order to return to Long Beach.
- 03 OCT Memorial Service for crew of Ocean Lord 24 conducted on the flight deck with ship's company and air detachment in attendance. U.S. flags are presented to LT [REDACTED], in lieu of family members, for each man lost in the helicopter accident.
 ECC drills.
 Flight Quarters to receive U.S. Coast Guard helicopter for vertical personnel transfer of Mishap investigation team.
- 04 OCT Moor NAVSTA Long Beach, pier 16.
- 08 OCT CROMMELIN marks Columbus Day with Holiday Routine.
- 09 OCT Personnel involved in ammunition handling attend ammo handling training. Super RBOC training conducted for all bridge watch standing.
 ECC drills.
- 10 - 26 OCT Refresher Training (REFTRA)

- 10 OCT Underway for REFTRA.
Anchor, Fleet Training Group (FTG) anchorage, San Diego.
Engineering, Damage Control, and CBR defense assessment
conducted. Battle messing conducted for lunch.
MOB-N-5-SF and MOB-5-3-SF conducted.
Underway for SOCAL OPAREAS.
- 11 OCT Anchor, FTG anchorage.
MOB-D-27-SF conducted.
Underway for FLETA COLD.
Following exercises conducted underway:
MOB-S-8/7/13/15/75-SF ;CCC-3-SF; AAW-4-I
Formation steaming with USS KIRK.
- 12 OCT UNREP with USNS NAVASOTA.
Following exercises conducted: ASU-8-SF (Long Range Surface
Target firing) ASU-18-SF (.50 Cal gun shoot), and
MIW-11-SF (anti-mine exercise).
Anchor at FTG anchorage. Underway. Moor NAVSTA San Diego, pier 1.
- 15 OCT Underway fm NAVSTA San Diego. Precision anchorage conducted.
MOB-D-8-SF (Major Conflagration walk-through) is conducted.
Formation steaming with USS MOBILE.
- 16 OCT Rendezvous with PACTOW tug to conduct Tow and Be towed exercise.
Following other exercises conducted: AAW-4/7/10/20-SF (anti-air
gunnery with Flight International jet services; all are non-
firing, conducted in FLETA COLD); Torpedo Handling drill.
Flight Quarters for recovery of Ocean Lord 30 (HSL 43).
AAW-6-SF conducted.
ELW-3/4-SF conducted on REWS Range.
- 17 OCT Sea and Anchor detail set for approach to Wilson Cove,
San Clemente Island. Motor Whale boat is launched, and it
retrieves personnel for conducting various tests aboard
during REFTRA.
Following exercises conducted: ASW-18-SF,
ASW-22/23/40-SF.
- 18 OCT General Quarters for Zebra check, abandon ship drill, and
emergency destruction drill.
AAW-11-SF missile firing exercise conducted.
- 19 OCT General Quarters.
Anchor at FTG anchorage; Moor NAVSTA San Diego.
- 22 OCT Underway for FTG anchorage; Precision anchorage exercise conducted.
Underway for SOCAL.
General Quarters -- continuing through battle messing.
- 23 OCT ASW exercise postponed to allow CROMMELIN to take part in Search
and Rescue (SAR) for downed F/A-18 Hornet pilot off San Clemente
Island.

- 24 OCT Anchor at FTG anchorage. Visit Boarding Search and Seizure drill conducted.
- 25 OCT ASW exercises conducted off San Clemente Island.
- 26 OCT AAW-12/20-SF conducted in SOCAL OPAREAS.
Moor NAVSTA Long Beach, pier E.
- 29 OCT Awards Ceremony conducted on the flight deck.
CROMMELIN crew learns it has been assigned to carry out a four-month counternarcotics deployment in Central America beginning 9 November. Pre-overseas movement begins.
- 29 OCT - 07 NOV Pre-deployment Stand Down (Duty Section only onboard).
- 01 NOV GMG2 ██████ reenlists in the 76MM Gun Mount.
- 08 NOV JOTS II intelligence reporting system computer hardware installation is completed in a record 10 days by NAVELEXCEN San Diego personnel.
HSL 43 det 12 move aboard.
- 09 NOV CROMMELIN deploys for CENTAM 90 counternarcotics operations.
Flight Quarters to receive Ocean Lord 30 helicopter.
- 11 NOV Steel Beach Picnic held on the flight deck.
- 12 NOV ECC drills.
Intelligence Brief: conducted weekly each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday throughout deployment for all bridge, and CIC watchstanders, and air chiefs and officers. Topics delineate tipper information and structural matters for counternarcotics (CN) operations under the aegis of CTG 4.1.
General Quarters for Abandon Ship drill.
Enroute Gulf of Tehuantepec, Mexico.
- 14 NOV Safety Committee meeting conducted.
Flight Quarters for personnel transfer of Coast Guard Legal Enforcement Detachment (LEDET) from USS OULETTE -- USCG PACAREA TACLET DET 3 embarks.
CN 101 radio-telephone encrypted hardware transferred to CROMMELIN from OULETTE.
- 15 NOV UNREP with USNS MISSISSINEWA.
On Station, Gulf of Tehuantepec, Mexico.
CROMMELIN proceeds to monitor, investigate and board selected targets of interest in this oparea until 09 Dec.
- 16 NOV Pre-action calibration firing (PACFire) of 76MM and .50 Cal guns.
GSM2 ██████ reenlists in the Main Engine Room.
ECC drills.

- 17 NOV Detect to Engage exercise conducted with Fire Control systems.
- 18 NOV A program of shipwide, national and worldwide news, sports and entertainment premieres on Site-TV system, hosted by QMC(SW) [REDACTED] and TM2 [REDACTED]; the production proves popular among the crew.
- 19 NOV EM2 [REDACTED] reenlists in the EM workshop. Ship Electronic Readiness Team (SERT) meets in Radar, IFF, CIC Equipment Room (RICER). SERT meets each Monday morning throughout deployment to discuss and resolve inter-rate technical problems and plan training and maintenance.
- 20 NOV Combat Systems Casualty Control Drills (CSCCD). Small Arms training and firing held for Inport duty sections 1 and 2 on the flight deck. 12 Gauge shotguns and M-14 rifles are fired. CROMMELIN boards MV (Motor Vessel) MEXICO EXPRESS (Hamburg, Germany) at 14.21 N, 093.40 W.
- 21 NOV General Quarters (Hit "Alfa" scenario). CIWS PAC Fire exercise.
- 22 NOV CROMMELIN marks Thanksgiving Day underway with Holiday routine, special formal dining on the messdecks and in the wardroom, and a turkey-carving ceremony on the messdecks with the Commanding Officer. A "Turkey Shoot" (skeet shooting) contest is held with shotguns and clay pigeons on the flight deck.
- 23 NOV Safety Stand Down conducted for the entire crew. Safety Council and Retention Team conduct meetings. Casino Night conducted for crew entertainment on messdecks.
- 24 NOV ECC Drills conducted. UNREP with USNS MISSISSINEWA. Flight Quarters.
- 25 NOV Crew members compete for head-of-the-line privileges on Crazy Hat Day by inventing outrageous covers. Steel Beach Barbeque conducted on the flight deck.
- 26 NOV ECC drills.
- 27 NOV Vertical Replenishment (VERTREP) with USNS SATURN. CSCCD conducted in Combat Systems and operations spaces.
- 28 NOV General Quarters conducted with Hit Alfa scenario. "I" Division indoctrination conducted for newly reported personnel. Flight Quarters: Ocean Lord 30 is made available for 15 minute familiarization flights for several members of the

crew; the exercise is coordinated with the detachment's need to conduct numerous Deck Landing Qualifications (DLQ's) in order to retain its readiness rating.

- 29 NOV Small arms training/firing (M-14 and 12 Gauge) conducted on the flight deck.
ECC Drills.
- 30 NOV Awards Ceremony conducted on the flight deck.
Small craft Action Team and .50 Cal gun training scenarios are conducted with live ammunition.
- 01 DEC ECC drills.
Anti-malarial pills (Chloro-quinine) dispensed to the crew in anticipation of Manta, Ecuador port visit.
- 02 DEC Steel Beach Barbeque.
UNREP with USNS MISSISSINEWA.
- 04 DEC General Quarters: Main Space Fire drill.
ECC drills.
- 05 DEC All bridge-watch standing officers and chief petty officers take a Rules of the Road exam.
- 06 DEC MR1 [REDACTED] and EM1 [REDACTED] reenlist in the HT and EM shops, respectively.
Security Force training conducted on .45 caliber pistols on the flight deck (live ammo).
- 07 DEC ECC drills.
76MM firing exercise conducted against smoke floats while using TDT emergency optical mode to direct fire.
- 08 DEC UNREP with USNS MISSISSINEWA for fuel and stores.
- 10 DEC ECC drills.
CROMMELIN boards FV (Fishing Vessel) PAUL (Hamburg, Germany) at 06.54 N, 083.43 W.
- 11 DEC Moored, starboard side to Pier 3, NAVSTA PANAMA CANAL RODMAN PM.
Refueling conducted inport, along with stores and mail onload.
Underway from NAVSTA Rodman for Oparea.
Battle Efficiency Nomination package is submitted.
A talent show and beauty contest are conducted on the flight deck; contestants are drawn from the crew's body of uninitiated "Polly-Wogs" to mark Polly-Wog day (last day before Crossing the Line Ceremonies commence.)
- 12 DEC Davey Jones breaks his flag in USS CROMMELIN, marking the commencement of initiation ceremonies for the Order of the

Shellback. CROMMELIN initiates all Polly Wogs aboard into the secret rites of said Order by Noon.
Chaff Launcher training conducted for all bridge watch standers (OODs, JOODs, BMOWs and QMOWs).
.50 Cal anti-mine exercise conducted from starboard main deck with a 55-gallon drum in the water as a target.

- 13 DEC Small Arms training (.45 cal) held on the flight deck.
CROMMELIN crosses the equator, enroute Manta, Ecuador.
- 14 - 16 DEC Inport Manta, Ecuador for CROMMELIN's first port visit following 35 continuous days of counter-narcotics operations.
- 14 DEC Moor, starboard side to Port Authority Pier, Manta, Ecuador.
CROMMELIN hosts a formal wardroom reception for officers of the Ecuadorian Navy, the Mayor of Manta, various other local officials, and members of the American consulates and embassies in Guayaquil, EC, Quito, EC and Lima, Peru.
- 16 DEC CROMMELIN's crew conducts a Community Relations Project by repairing a bridge near a local medical clinic, as well as donating medicine purchased with money collected from voluntary donations of the crew. A total of \$1500 was collected to aid in this undertaking.
- 17-30 DEC Counter-narcotics OPAREA patrol.
- 17 DEC Underway from Manta, EC for P4 Opareas.
Flight Quarters for launch of Ocean Lord 30.
CROMMELIN conducts an Anti-Surface Warfare and Electronics Warfare exercise with the Ecuadorian Naval Ship LOS RIOS (CM-13) while enroute to OPAREA station.
- 18 DEC UNREP with USNS JOHN LENTHAL.
LT [REDACTED] relieves LT [REDACTED] as Combat Systems Officer;
- 19 DEC General Quarters conducted for Main Space Fire Drill.
- 20 DEC Small Arms Training (.45 cal) conducted on the flight deck. Bingo night held for the crew on the mess decks.
CROMMELIN boards SV (Sailing Vessel) COASTA II (Miami, FL) at 05.16 N, 084.13 W;
also boards FV ISABEL QUATRO (Manta, Ecuador) at 06.09 N, 084.10 W.
- 21 DEC Live 76MM gun firing exercise conducted, using TDT mode of control against smoke float targets.
IC3 Holt reenlists in the IC shop.
ECC drills conducted.
- 22 DEC ECC drills.

- 23 DEC Steel Beach picnic and a musical talent show are carried out on the flight deck; cash prizes are awarded for the winners. An advancement ceremony is held on the flight deck. BM3 [REDACTED] is advanced to BM2 via the Command Advancement Program (CAP).
- 24 DEC Christmas Eve
- 25 DEC CROMMELIN marks Christmas Day underway with religious services, holiday routine, and a full Christmas dinner.
- 27 DEC General Quarters held for Main Space Fire, Helo Crash, and other drills.
ECC drills.
- 28 DEC Body Fat percentages measured for all hands in sick bay as part of the overall Navy Fitness program.
CROMMELIN sets Condition II AS Blue for anti-submarine warfare training after launching a mobile mini-target. During this exercise between ship and helicopter, CROMMELIN encounters and boards SV SERENITE (Marseille, France) at 06.18 N 084.13 W.
ECC drills are conducted.
- 29 DEC ECC drills are conducted.
- 30 DEC Steel Beach Picnic, and Navigation brief for NAVSTA Rodman PM conducted.
- 31 DEC Moored, Port Side to Pier 2, NAVSTA PANAMA CANAL RODMAN PM for port visit to celebrate the New Year.