

**USS JUNEAU (LPD 10)** FPO SAN FRANCISCO 96669 - 1713

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Commanding Officer, USS JUNEAU (LPD-10)

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COMMAND HISTORY OF USS JUNEAU (LPD-10) Sub j:

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1. In accordance with reference (a), the 1991 Command History of USS JUNEAU (LPD-10) is submitted as enclosures (1) through (6).

## USS JUNEAU COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

<u>Mission</u>: To load Marines and their equipment by landing craft carried in the well deck and launched through the stern gate, or by helicopter operating from our flight deck.

Organization Structure: COMPHIBRON NINE (immediate senior command).

Commanding Officer: CAPTAIN THOMAS A. FITZGIBBONS, U.S. NAVY, 01 JANUARY 1991 - 31 DECEMBER 1991.

Home Port: San Diego, California.

## Chronology of Events for 1991

DATE	EVENT
01 Jan - 02 Jan	Inport Subic Bay, RP
03 Jan - 16 Jan	Underway, enroute Mashirah anchorage. Transited Singapore Straits (06 Jan); Underway Replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA (09 Jan); INCHOP COMUSNAVCENT (12 Jan); Anchored at Al Mashirah Airhead (15 Jan); Underway Replenishment with USNS WALTER S. DIEHL (16 Jan).
17 Jan - 23 Jan	Anchored North Mashirah Anchorage: HMA 773 embarked (18 Jan).
24 Jan - 25 Jan	Underway, enroute Ra Al Makrakan anchorage: Commence Sea Soldier IV exercise; Underway replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA (25 Jan).
26 Jan - 31 Jan	Anchored Ra Al Madrakan, Oman Gulf of Sawqirah: Vertical Replenishment with USS MARS (30 Jan).
01 Feb - 04 Feb	Underway Enroute to Dubai, United Arab Emirates: Transited through the Straits of Hormuz (03 Feb); HMA 773 detached to USS TRIPOLI (04 Feb).
05 Feb - 16 Feb	Inport, Dubai Drydock Shipyard, United Arab Emirates, maintenance availability.
17 Feb - 23 Feb	Underway enroute to Ras Al Mish'ab, Saudi Arabia: Underway replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA (20 Feb).
24 Feb - 09 Mar	Inport Ras Al Mish'ab, Saudi Arabia: Off-load (Battalion Service Support Group FIVE (BSSG 5) (24 - 26 Feb); On load BSSG 5 (28 Feb - 09 Mar).
10 Mar - 11 Mar	Underway enroute to Dubai, United Arab Emirates anchorage. Underway replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA (11 Mar).
12 Mar - 19 Mar	Anchored Dubai, United Arab Emirates anchorage. Availability with USS CAPE COD (12 Mar - 19 Mar).
20 Mar	Underway enroute to Ras Al'Ghar, Saudi Arabia, anchorage.
21 Mar	Anchored Ras Al'Ghar, Saudi Arabia; on loaded Regimental Landing Team FIVE (RLT 5).
22 Mar	Underway, enroute to Dubai, United Arab Emirates, anchorage.
23 Mar - 24 Mar	Anchored Dubai, United Arab Emirates anchorage.
25 Mar	Underway for underway replenishment with USNS ANDREW J. HIGGINS. Enclosure (2)

Inport Mina Rashid, Dubai, United Arab Emirates 26 Mar - 02 Apr for port visit. Underway/Anchored, Dubai, United Arab Emirates 03 Apr - 06 Apr anchorage; Vertical Replenishment with USS MARS (05 Apr). 07 Apr Underway enroute Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia. Inport Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia for opportune lift of 08 Apr OV-10 aircraft. 09 Apr - 11 Apr Underway enroute Dubai, United Arab Emirates anchorage to rejoin task force. 11 Apr - 19 Apr Underway in South Arabian Gulf with task Vertical Replenishment with USS MARS (11 Apr). Underway Replenishment with USNS ANDREW J. HIGGINS (11 Apr). AAV operations (17 Apr). Full power trial (18 Apr) and economy trial (18 Apr). 20 Apr - 21 Apr Anchored in Dubai, United Arab Emirates anchorage. Deck Olympics (20 Apr), steel beach picnic (21 Apr). Underway for vertical replenishment with USS 22 Apr NIAGARA FALLS (22 Apr) and underway replenishment with USNS PASSUMPSIC (23 Apr). 23 Apr - 24 Apr Anchored in Dubai, United Arab Emirates anchorage. 25 Apr Underway enroute Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia. 26 Apr - 27 Apr Inport Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia for on load. Underway enroute Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. 28 Apr - 29 Apr 30 Apr - 04 May Inport Port Zayed, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates for port visit. Underway enroute Bangladesh for relief operations. 05 May - 14 May Underway replenishments with USS PASSUMPSIC (6 and 13 May). 15 May - 27 May Anchored off coast of Bangladesh in Bay of Bengal assisting in relief operations as Primary Control Ship for displacement craft. Underway replenishment with USS PASSUMPSIC (24 May).

28 May - 05 Jun Underway enroute Subic Bay, RP. Vertical replenishment with USS SPICA (31 May). Transit the Straits of Malaca (2 Jun). Underway replenishment with USS PASSUMPSIC (5 Jun) 06 Jun - 08 Jun Inport Subic Bay, RP for stores on load. 09 Jun - 20 Jun Underway enroute Pearl Harbor, HI. INCHOPPED COMTHIRDFLT (15 Jun). Underway replenishment with USNS KAWISHIWI (20 Jun). 21 Jun Inport Pearl Harbor, HI. 22 Jun - 28 Jun Underway enroute Del Mar Boat Basin, Camp Pendelton, CA. Completed ISIC Engineering Readiness Assessment (21 - 23 Jun).29 Jun Anchored off Del Mar Boat Basin, Camp Pendelton, CA. Off-loaded RLT 5. Inport San Diego, CA for post-deployment standdown. 30 Jun - 05 Aug Off-loaded OV-10 aircraft (2 Jul). Underway in SOCAL conducting engineering preprations for 05 Aug - 09 Aug OPPE. Conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with HC-3 (05 and 06 Aug). Inport San Diego, CA. 10 Aug - 11 Aug 12 Aug - 16 Aug Underway in SOCAL conducting engineering preparations for OPPE. Conducted Anti-mine Gunnery Exercise (14 Aug). 17 Aug - 18 Aug Inport San Diego, CA. 19 Aug - 24 Aug Underway in SOCAL for Engineering Mobile Team Training Phase II. Conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with HC-1 (21 Aug). Conducted Surface Ship Radiated Noise Measurement Range survey (23 Aug). Inport San Diego, CA. Sea World Day for ship's crew 25 Aug - 22 Sep (25 Aug). 23 Sep - 26 Sep Underway in SOCAL for Engineering Mobile Team Training Phase III. 27 Sep - 06 Oct Inport San Diego, CA for upkeep. Underway in SOCAL conducting engineering preparations for 07 Oct - 11 Oct OPPE. Conducted Precision Anchorage SELEX (07 Oct).

Underway replenishment with USNS KAWISHIWI (07 Oct) for personnel high line transfer. Conducted Low Visibility Harbor Entry/Exit SELEX (08 Oct). Participated in Accolade Parade of Ships (11 Oct) returning to port.

- 12 Oct 21 Oct Inport San Diego, CA for upkeep. Fast cruise (21 Oct).
- 22 Oct 23 Oct Underway in SOCAL, successfully completed Operational Propulsion Plant Examination.
- 24 Oct 11 Nov Inport San Diego, CA for restricted availability with SIMA.
- 12 Nov Underway enroute Seal Beach, CA.
- 13 Nov 14 Nov Inport Seal Beach, CA. Off-loaded ammunition in preparation for DPMA.
- 15 Nov Underway enroute San Diego, CA.
- 16 Nov 17 Nov Inport San Diego, CA.
- 18 Nov 22 Nov Underway in SOCAL for amphibious familiarization training with First Marine Division staff. Embarked Major General Myatt (20 Nov) for the day to observe staff training, simulated amphibious assault, and general off-load (21 Nov) utilizing 4 LCM-8's and 2 LARCS.
- 23 Nov 01 Dec Inport San Diego, CA for upkeep. 3-M Assist (25-27 Nov).
- O2 Dec 06 Dec

  Underway in SOCAL for amphibious familiarization training with Regimental Combat Team Seven staff.

  Off-loaded mogas at La Playa pier (02 Dec). Conducted navigation check ride (02 Dec). Conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with MAG 13 (03 Dec). Conducted Helo Amphibious Assault with MAG 16 (04 Dec). Conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with MAG 13 and MAG 16 (05 Dec).
- 07 Dec 31 Dec Inport San Diego, CA. Restricted availability with SIMA (07 11 Dec), Holiday Leave and Upkeep (12 31 Dec).

  Outstanding 3M/Supply Management Assessment Inspection (16 -18 Dec).

## BASIC NARRATIVE

USS JUNEAU began 1991 inport Subic Bay R.P. completing repairs. On 3 January JUNEAU departed enroute to North Mashirah Anchorage as part of Task Group ONE SEVEN SIX POINT ZERO. JUNEAU transited the Singapore Straits 06 January and conducted an underway replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA on 09 January.

JUNEAU INCHOPPED to COMUSNAVCENT as part of Task Group ONE FIVE SIX POINT TWO 12 January. On 14 January JUNEAU detached Task Group ONE FIVE SIX POINT TWO enroute to Al Mashirah anchorage and anchored to collect mail for the task group on 15 January. That evening JUNEAU departed Al Mashirah anchorage enroute to rejoin the task group. JUNEAU rejoined the task group 16 January and conducted an underway replenishment with USNS WALTER S. DIEHL. Upon completion JUNEAU entered North Mashirah anchorage 17 January and embarked HMA 773 18 January.

Sea Soldier IV exercise commenced 24 January as JUNEAU departed for the Gulf of Sawquirah, Oman. On 25 January JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA and after anchoring at Ra Al Madrakon 26 January, commenced an off-load of BSSG 5. On 30 January JUNEAU conducted a vertical replenishment with USS MARS.

JUNEAU detached from Task Group ONE FIVE SIX POINT TWO 01 February enroute to Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) for maintenance availability. On 03 February JUNEAU transited the Straits of Hormuz and entered the Persian Gulf. JUNEAU rendezvoused with USS TRIPOLI 04 February at which point HMA 773 detached JUNEAU and embarked TRIPOLI. Upon Completion JUNEAU resumed transit to Dubai and entered Dubai Drydock shipyard, UAE for maintenance availability on 05 February.

JUNEAU's maintenance availability at Dubai Drydock, UAE ended 16 February, with JUNEAU departing 17 February enroute to Ras Al Mish' Ab, Saudi Arabia. JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS PONCHATOULA 20 February. JUNEAU arrived at Ras Al Mis' Ab 24 February and began an off-load of BSSG 5, in support of the ground assault into Kuwait. The off-load was completed 26 February. Orders were received 28 February to commence the on load of Battalion Service Support Group FIVE (BSSG 5) which was completed 09 March.

JUNEAU departed Ras Al Mis'Ab 20 March enroute to Ras Al'Ghar, Saudi Arabia to transfer Marines. On 21 March JUNEAU anchored off Ras Al'Ghar, Saudi Arabia and completed all transfers, including embarkation of Regimental Landing Team FIVE (RLT 5). JUNEAU departed 22 March enroute to Dubai, UAE anchorage and arrived 23 March. Underway 25 March, JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS ANDREW J. HIGGINS. JUNEAU entered the port of Dubai, UAE 26 March for liberty call. JUNEAU departed Dubai, UAE 03 April and anchored at Dubai, UAE anchorage on 03 April. On 05 April JUNEAU conducted a vertical replenishment with USS MARS.

JUNEAU departed Dubai, UAE anchorage 07 April enroute to Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia and arrived 08 April, after which an opportune lift of OV-10 aircraft was conducted. JUNEAU departed 09 April enroute to Dubai, UAE anchorage rejoining the task force that day.

JUNEAU departed Dubai, UAE anchorage 11 April underway in the South Arabian Gulf with the task force and conducted a vertical replenishment with USS MARS along with an underway replenishment with USNS ANDREW J. HIGGINS. JUNEAU conducted AAV operations 17 April along with a full power trial and an economy trial 18 April. On 20 April JUNEAU anchored in Dubai, UAE anchorage and held Deck Olympics that day along with a steel beach picnic 21 April.

JUNEAU departed Dubai, UAE anchorage 22 April and conducted a vertical replenishment with USS NIAGARA FALLS followed by an underway replenishment with USNS PASSUMPSIC on 23 April. Upon completion JUNEAU anchored in Dubai, UAE anchorage.

JUNEAU departed Dubai, UAE anchorage 25 April enroute to Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia, arriving 26 April for an onload of Marine supplies. JUNEAU departed the port of Al Jubayl, Saudi Arabia 28 April enroute to a port visit at Port Zayed, Abu Dhabi, UAE arriving 30 April.

JUNEAU departed Port Zayed, Abu Dhabi, UAE 05 May enroute to Bangladesh for relief operations conducting underway replenishments with USNS PASSUMPSIC enroute on 06 and 13 May, JUNEAU anchored off the coast of Bangladesh in the Bay of Bengal 15 May assisting in relief operations as Primary Control Ship for displacement craft. On 24 May JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS PASSUMPSIC.

JUNEAU departed the Bay of Bengal 28 May enroute to Subic Bay, RP; conducting a vertical replenishment with USS SPICA on 31 May. JUNEAU transited the Straits of Malaca 2 June. On 5 June JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS PASSUMPSIC and entered the port of Subic Bay, RP for stores on load on 06 June.

JUNEAU departed Subic Bay, RP 09 June enroute to Pearl Harbor, HI. JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS KAWISHIWI 20 June and entered the port of Pearl Harbor, HI on 21 June. JUNEAU conducted Immediate Superior in Command (ISIC) Engineering Readiness Assessment 21-23 June.

JUNEAU departed Pearl Harbor, HI 22 June enroute to Del Mar Boat Basin, Camp Pendelton, Ca and anchored off Del Mar Boat Basin, Camp Pendelton, CA for an off-load of RLT 5 on 29 June. JUNEAU departed Del Mar Boat Basin, Camp Pendelton, CA 30 June and entered the port of San Diego, CA later that day for post-deployment standdown. On 2 July the OV-10 aircraft were off-loaded.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 05 August enroute to SOCAL to conduct engineering preparations for Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE). On 05-06 August JUNEAU conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with HC-3 and returned to port 10 August.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 12 August enroute to SOCAL to conduct engineering preparations for OPPE. On 14 August JUNEAU conducted an Antimine Gunnery Exercise. JUNEAU entered the port of San Diego, CA 17 August.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 19 August enroute to SOCAL for Engineering Mobile Team Training Phase II. On 21 August JUNEAU conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with HC-1. JUNEAU conducted Surface Ship Radiated Noise Measurement Range survey 23 August and returned to port 24 August. On 25 August JUNEAU's crew and families visited Sea World for the day.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 23 September enroute to SOCAL for Engineering Mobile Team Training Phase III returning on 27 September for upkeep. JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 07 October enroute to SOCAL to conduct engineering preparations for OPPE. On 07 October JUNEAU conducted an underway replenishment with USNS KAWISHIWI for personnel highline transfer along with a precision anchorage SELEX. JUNEAU conducted a low visibility harbor entry/exit SELEX 08 October. On 11 October JUNEAU participated in Accolade Parade of Ships and entered the port of San Diego, CA for upkeep. On 21 October JUNEAU conducted a fast cruise in preparation for OPPE.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 22 October enroute to SOCAL and successfully completed Operational Propulsion Plant Examination returning to port on 24 October for a restricted availability with SIMA.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 12 November and entered the port of Seal Beach, Ca 13 November and conducted an off-load of ammunition in preparation for DPMA on 13-15 November. JUNEAU departed the port of Seal Beach, CA 15 November and entered the port of San Diego, CA 16 November.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 18 November enroute to SOCAL for amphibious familiarization training with First Marine Division staff. On 20 November JUNEAU embarked Major General Myatt to observe simulated amphibious assault and general off-load 21 November utilizing 4 LCM-8's and 2 LARCS. JUNEAU entered the port of San Diego, CA 23 November for upkeep. During 25-27 November JUNEAU conducted a 3-M assist.

JUNEAU departed the port of San Diego, CA 02 December enroute to SOCAL for amphibious familiarization training with Regimental Combat Team Seven staff. On 02 December JUNEAU off-loaded mogas at La Playa pier and conducted a Navigation check ride. JUNEAU conducted Deck Landing Qualifications with MAG 13 03 December, Helo Amphibious Assault with MAG 16, 04 December and Deck Landing Qualifications with MAG 13 and MAG 16, 05 December. O7 December JUNEAU entered the port of San Diego, CA. JUNEAU conducted restricted availability with SIMA 07-11 December, Holiday Leave and Upkeep 12-31 December and an outstanding 3M/Supply Management Assessment Inspection 16-18 December.