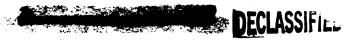
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8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to he "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

- 1. April 3-Kitty Hawk awarded Naval "E" for Battle Efficiency in competition with all other attack carriers of the Pacific Fleet during the period 1 Nov. 1962 to 1 March 1964. An individual "E" was awarded to the Air Department and an efficiency "C" to the Communications Department.
- 2. LT. C.E. Klusmann, VFP 63, Det. C. was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his participation in photo recon missions(over Communist Laos).
- 3. Seventh Fleet records for the replentishment of aviation fuel were set by Kitty Hawk as follows:

23 April-Single hose record-Average transfer rate

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36 April-Double hose record-Average transfer rate Received

6,742 barrels per hour 9.776 barrels

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11.303 barrels These records were confirmed by Service Squadron Three letter 3180 ser 36.31-1489 of 11 June 1964.

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9. General resume of activity - (Marrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

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General Resume of Activity

On 6 April 1964, Rear Admiral Thomas Winfield South III was relieved by Rear Admiral William F. Bringle as Commander Carrier Division Seven aboard Kitty Hawk. Admiral Bringle was well known to the old hands aboard Kitty Hawk as he had previously served as her first commanding officer. The ship then visited Hong Kong during the period of 10 April to 17 April.

After departing Hong Kong, Captain John "L" Butts, Jr. relieved Captain Horace H. Epes, Jr. as Commanding Officer of Kitty Hawk on 20 April. Kitty Hawk then conducted operations in the South China Sea until she departed that area to arrive at Yokosuka, Japan on 6 May 1964 for a three day stay. Following this, the ship and air group engaged in joint operations with HMS Victorious on 10 and 11 May 1964.

During the period between 18 May and 10 June, Kitty Hawk was again engaged in special operations in the South China Sea /off the coast of Viet Nam. While conducting photo reconnaissance flights over Communist Laotian territory, two Kitty Hawk pilots were downed by ground fire. Commander D.W. Lynn, executive officer of VF-111 went down under Communist fire on 7 June, but was rescued and returned to the ship on the 8th. Also at this time, Lieutenant C. F. Klusmann of the VFP-63 detachment aboard Kitty Hawk was shot down and captured by Communist forces in Laos. After almost three months in his prison camp, Lieutenant Klusmann managed his escape and was returned to the United States in mid-September. 7 Kitty Hawk arrived in Yokosuka, Japan on 14 June 1964 after 36 continuous days at sea. On 15 June in an impressive Change of Command ceremony aboard Kitty Hawk, Vice Admiral Thomas H. Moorer was relieved by Vice Admiral Roy L. Johnson as Commander Seventh Fleet. In October 1962, Admiral Moorer had assumed command of the Seventh Fleet in a ceremony also held on board Kitty Hawk.

On 29 June Kitty Hawk departed Yokosuka for operations south of Japan and returned on 5 July to make final preparations for the return trip to CONUS. The ship departed Yokosuka on 7 July for her return to CONUS, leaving a day early to avoid a threatening typhoon. Kitty Hawk arrived home at San Diego after a deployment that lasted over 9 months. She thus was entitled to fly her "homeward-bound" pennant, over 1,000 feet long, which she earned by being deployed more than 9 months.

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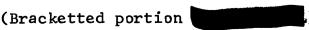
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On 10 August, Kitty Hawk departed San Diego for the three day trip to Bangor, Washington. While enroute on 12 August the icebreaker USS STATEN ISLAND towed the Kitty Hawk for several hours off Newport, Oregon, to test this capability. The ship spent two days at Bangor offloading ammunition and departed on 15 August for the one day trip to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard at Bremerton, Washington. During this short inland sea cruise local dignitaries and their families were invited aboard. On 16 August, an open house was conducted at Bremerton during which approximately 25,000 people streamed This was the largest crowd to visit Kitty Hawk in a single day.

On 16 August, the eight month overhaul and modification period began with several major modifications being installed in Kitty Hawk. These include the Naval Tactical Data System (NTDS), Integrated Operational Intelligence Center (IOIC). Automatic Handing System (AN/SPN-10), and the Airborne System Support Center (ASSC). On 4 September, she moved into Dry Dock Number 6, the world's largest dry dock, and thus provided the first full capacity load for this dry dock.

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CARRIER LANDING RESUME

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28,000	27 Apr 64	VF-111	F8D	108	LCDR MOORE
29,000	15 May 64	VQ-1	A3Q	7	LCDR NEW
30,000	9 Jun 64	VAP-61	RA3B	901	LCDR BAILEY

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20 Jul-9 Aug 64	At San Diego							
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14 Aug 64	At Bangor							
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