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COMMAND HISTORY OF USS JOUETT (DLG29)

1967

JOUETT spent the first seven weeks of 1967 in Puget Sound Naval Shipyard completing her Fitting Out Availability. During this time she also finished her Preliminary Acceptance Trials and her Structural Firing Tests including the firing of four Terrier Missile blast test vehicles. These tests were considered successful with no structural problems encountered. On 23 February JOUETT proceeded south to San Francisco and the Naval Weapons Station, Concord, California, where on 25 February, she took on her first load of terrier missiles. JOUETT then proceeded to her home port of San Diego, California, arriving on 28 February. Three days were spent in the de-perming crib and on 3 March JOUETT departed San Diego, bound for Bangor, Washington. Conventional ammunition was loaded aboard JOUETT on 7 and 8 March and she then proceeded to the Canadian port of Vancouver, British Columbia, arriving there on 11 March. JOUETT was hosted by HMCS Discovery and in turn hosted some three-thousand Canadians with tours of the ship. On 13 and 14 March JOUETT's Weapons Systems Accuracy Tests (WSAT) firings were conducted on the joint Canadian-U. S. weapons range at Nanoose Bay, Canada. Here the first two ASROC missiles were successfully fired. JOUETT returned to Puget Sound Naval Shippard on 14 March for a one week Restricted Availability. On 23 March she got underway for San Diego and stood into her home port on 26 March. ASW Systems Qualification Tests (SQT), systems alignment and submarine tracking exercises were conducted in the San Diego operating area 28-31 March. After two days in

port JOUETT participated in a COMPTUEX from 3 to 7 April: followed by another week in San Diego. The next two weeks, 12 to 24 April were spent in and out of San Diego, conducting air tracking exercises and preparations for Terrier Systems Qualification Tests (Missile SQT). JOUETT fired six Terrier missiles on the Pacific Missile Range 25-27 April. Thus JOUETT successfully completed missile SQT, and also fulfilled the missile firing requirements for final acceptance. The period 28 April through 9 May was utilized in preparing for JOUETT's Final Acceptance Trails, which were completed satisfactorily on 10 May. The remainder of May, all of June and the first week of July were devoted to Shakedown Training under the operational control of Commander Fleet Training Group, San Diego. This training included the firing of five Terrier missiles on the Pacific Missile Range on 2) through 23 June. Shakedown Training was completed on 8 July and on 10 July JOUETT was underway for Carr Inlet, Washington, where, on 14 July, Sound Measurement Trials were completed. JOUETT proceeded to Paget Sound Naval Shippard for Post Shakedown Availability which extended until 13 October. During PSA JOUETT received massive Ordalts and was completely updated in the communications field. Other major work included the removal of the MK 25 torpedo tubes, removal of DASH Control facilities, and the installation of berthing accomodations for an additional forty-three men. JOUETT put to sea on 14 October, bound for the Naval Weapons Station, Seal Beach, California, where, on 16 October, Terrier missiles as well as conventional ammunition were loaded. Two days of independent training were followed by a day at the Pacific Missile Range where two Terriers were fired. JOUETT returned to San Diego on 20 October, remaining in port until 25 October. JOUETT then

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participated in the STRIKEX 2-67 "BELL BUSTER" from 25 October to 30 October. 31 October through 5 November were spent in home port, San Diego, and on 6 November JOUETT got underway and joined the fleet in COMPTUEX 19-67 which ended on 9 November. 10 and 11 November were special days for JOUETT. She was selected as a special escort while the Commander-in-Chief visited aboard the USS ENTERPRISE (CVA(N)65) at sea. JOUETT returned to San Diego until 27 November, during which time she completed her Pre-Deployment Ordnance Review and Annual Supply Inspection. JOUETT then took part in the First Fleet Exercise 5-67 "BLUE LOTUS", from 28 November to 5 December. The period 6 December- 31 December was an inport San Diego for Christmas leave, pre-deployment inspections, and upkeep. The exception was a one day Dependent's Cruise on 19 December. During this period JOUETT also successfully completed her first Nuclear Weapons Acceptance Inspection and made extensive preparations for WESTPAC deployment scheduled for 16 January 1968.

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