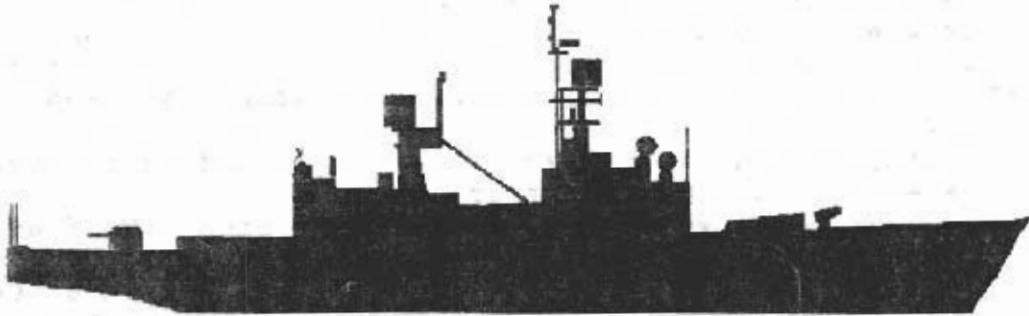


U.S.S. JOUETT (CG-29)



The world's only "Battle Cruiser"

FAMILYGRAM NUMBER TWO



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Greetings from the Gulf.

As you read this we are heading for Jebel Ali where we will spend ten days accomplishing much needed maintenance on both JOUETT and, as importantly, our people. We have completed the first third of our cruise in sterling fashion, and are a key component of United States Forces in the Arabian Gulf. It's been very, very busy, and our operating tempo has been, to say the least, challenging. Your husband's, son's and brother's have continued to set the standard in every facet of deployed operations.

We have been operating in the Northern Gulf as the "Front-Line" AAW platform, providing surveillance, aircraft control and other services in support of both the RANGER carrier battle group and U.S. national interests. During the month we have spent here, all but 5 days have been on station, and all on board have superbly managed their equipment, and themselves, during this strenuous period. Now, we'll have an opportunity to visit another port and see-for-ourselves what the entire gulf region is all about.

Our next major milestone will be the "over the hump" celebration we're planning for the middle of the month. As of about midnight on the 19th we will start the counter back down, towards the day we return to San Diego. Needless to say, we are looking forward to both of these days. I sincerely hope that all is going well with you on the home front. Please continue to support your loved one's with mail and packages, and keep all of us in your thoughts and prayer, as we do all of you. Until next month, take care of yourselves and look out for each other.

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We've already done all this. Now we're in port in Dubai. We'll be leaving here for 3 days, then we'll be in Bahrain for 3 days. Then we have 9 days at sea. After that we'll be in Bahrain for several days and then we'll be in the Gulf for the remainder of the cruise.

COMBAT SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT

CA DIV



CA Division gives a hearty Welcome Aboard to our two new Sonarmen STG3 Lebreque and STG3 Stanton. As usual, everyone in the division is doing a superb job maintaining equipment, electronic spaces, flight deck, torpedo magazine, standing topside gun watches, and Mast Mounted Site watch. All this while aggressively training in submarine signature analysis and active/passive operations.

CC DIV

Greetings from CC Division - Since our last Familygram we have finally settled into some sort of normal routine. The guys have been working hard to maintain the best CDS suite in the Gulf. You can be proud of their efforts. As usual the Third Class Petty Officers (Griffith, Orin, Thompson, and Toney) have been the workhorses of the division. They have excelled in this time of change. They have made us the best. DSC(SW) Chrestensen has survived his CPO initiation. All of our Third Classes have taken their exams for second class and DS2 Ferguson for first class. Good luck to all. We send our special thanks to Heather Orin for the packages she's sent. Not only do they keep Chris happy, he shares. (Ha,Ha!) Please, keep the letters coming. We are always glad to



hear from home. Our hearts and thoughts are home with you, our loved ones.

CE DIV



Hello again from the World's Only Battle ET's. CE Division personnel are still setting standards to which future ships will strive. Congratulations to ET1(SW) Hurd, who while ensuring the radar and navigation side of the house is kept operating at JOUETT standards, completed his board for ESWS qualifications. ET3(SW) Sharp is preparing to relieve ET3 Staffa from his mess attendance duties. The division welcomes the one-third point with open arms. Over the past month we've learned that the heat in the Gulf causes our equipment to need our attention as much as a newborn child. Liberty has not been as nice as we thought due to the Arab customs we are not accustomed to. We all wish our best to the families and friends back home and send our love and well wishes to all family, friends and pets. Take care, we will be home soon.

CG DIV

Hello again from the Gun Guru's. We welcome aboard FC1 Rasbeary and GMG1 Herrin. We wish GMG1(SW) "Chaz" Line and GMG3 "Tupe" Tavai fare winds and following seas. The gun team has attained new heights of material condition readiness, we are meeting this challenging assignment successfully and we contribute our success to your support, through letters and packages.



which keep most of our spirits high. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you, very much. The main battery, led by Chief Hacker, has met all commitments with hard work and determination. Petty Officers Paolo, Athans, and Tavai and SN Perea's efforts have helped JOUETT remain in a true battle readiness condition. SN Troster from 1st Division, now striking for GMG, has been of great help as well. Gun Plot dreaded the return of Chief Peterson, but after the initial shock, is now ready for most everything. Thanks to Petty Officers: Welch, Smith, McDermitt and SN Odom, Gun Plot is functioning its smoothest ever. CIWS, led by FC1 Butcher, and manned by Petty Officers White, Conkright, and Kreeger are busy working on the CIWS mounts. They've spent a lot of time topside and recommend sending lots of sun tan lotion!

CM DIV



Hello to all our wives and girlfriends from Missile Division. We've had a busy month on "Southern Watch" keeping our systems up 100% of the time. FC3 Simpson, FC2 Jones, and FC1 "not old" McDonald have been attacking any computer problems with vengeance and winning. FC1 Ryder has been sharing his talents with CG Division. The 48E radar team with FC1 Carter, FC2 McMahon, FC3 Sayles, and FC3 Mendiola have been ensuring 48E radar superiority and giving us the ability to see farther than ever. The missile house led by GMM1 "almost gone"

-Strickert, GMM1 Morris, and the newest addition GMC Hughes, - have been hustling to ensure they can launch in a flash. FC3 Promnitz, FC3 Massey, SN Winters, SN Cochran, SN Savoy, and SN Batson have been busy studying and are anxiously awaiting the results of the advancement exams they just completed. As usual all systems are ready to go and we are anxiously awaiting the time when they tell us to go home. We love you.

N/X DEPARTMENT



Well it's October now and we're one more month closer to home. Here at the Nav. Department we have been busy keeping pace with the daily grind. The Quartermaster's care-falling over with boredom tracking the ship's movement, polishing brass and padding all the sharp corners on the bridge to protect QM1 Murray's head. Everyone says medical is really busy, although the sick call line stays short. Congratulations Admin section to both PN1(SW) Riley and YN1(SW) Callegri who have earned their "Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist" pins since the ship's departure. We would also like to wish PNCS(SW), now ENS Calma fair winds and following seas as he departs the ship bound for his new assignment Camp Pendleton. A hearty welcome aboard to our new "Doc" HMC Magpayo. PC1 Blank says "Keep those cards and letters coming, especially the perfume scented one's that



keep my office smelling nice. But, please keep the box's light, I'm not as young as I used to be."

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

1st DIV

As the mighty First Division continues to steamroll through WESTPAC, we welcome our four newest members, SN's Boyd, Ceballos, Hughes, and Mighty. Since arriving in the Arabian Gulf the dry weather and calm seas have made it easier to keep the ship looking sharp and set the example as the best looking ship in the Gulf. Between watches, small boat operations, flight quarters, and underway replenishments our days have been very busy.

A well done goes to BM2 Keimach, SN Alexander, and SN Carr, who as members of the ready life boat squad helped rescue a drifting, stranded fishing boat with engine problems. We would like to extend a

hearty Congratulations to BM2 Carlucci and his wife on the birth of their daughter, and his re-enlistment. Overall, your guys are in good spirits and are anxiously waiting the deployment's halfway point festivities. We all appreciate the support from home and hope the mail keeps coming. See you all soon!



OB DIV

From: The Cave

To: Rebecca, Donna, Lucy, Nancy, Wendi, Deborah, Pam, Sue and Brenda:

CT's and IS Corner - We just want to let you all know that we are fine and that the division's morale is high and were all feeling good. While in Thailand, we all had fun by kicking back and relaxing on the beach. Now that we're in the Gulf, the liberty is not as exciting but it's a unique experience. Don't worry Mamas because we're all looking out for each other and will be home before you know it. Keep those letters coming, they mean a lot!



EW corner - Thank you for all the support you have shown in our first two months of the deployment. We appreciate all you do and your efforts won't soon be forgotten. Congratulations to EW2(SW) Butler on his qualification as a Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist, the long hours have finally paid off! We wish you all the best of health and welfare. Keep writing. P.S. EWSN Valentine still hasn't received a letter! With love!



OC DIV

Hello from the hot signal bridge and cool radio shack. Hope all is going well on the home front. The communicators have been working hard and are ready for some liberty in Jebel Ali. Here's some news flashes from



the division: Congratulations to RM3 Moreland on becoming a daddy and RM1(SW) Warmkessel on receiving his Associates Degree. RM1 Boyer, RM2 Cavanaugh, RM3 Zimmerman, and RM3 Beals are working hard on qualifications for ESWS (Surface Warfare). RMC(SW) Irvine and RM1(SW) Warmkessel are going for their second as they are working hard on EAWS (Air Warfare).



Watches are running smooth even though the RM's are still sorting through messages and the Sigs are hoisting flags in the desert heat. We're almost to hump day (Oct 20th), and just 16 more weeks to go before the waiting's over !! Take care and we love you all !!

OI DIV

OI Division has really been busy since arriving on station in the Northern Arabian Gulf. The division is motivated, trained and ready to take on any challenge. Since our turnover with USS GRIDLEY, JOUETT has been assigned duties as the Battle Group's alternate anti-air warfare commander and on several occasions has assumed the role of anti-air warfare commander. We have also been assigned duties as "Red Crown", or positive identification radar advisory zone control ship. This the payoff for the long hours of training. As "Red Crown" we identify all aircraft flying over the Northern Arabian Gulf. The job is being done by OS1 McGlochlin, and OS1 Fennewalt.



JOUETT's CIC team consistently shows the other guys how it's done! To our family and friends we would like to say we miss and love all of you, and keep the mail coming. It's always good to hear from home!

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

A DIV

We have made it to the Persian Gulf and the temperature has been moderate (low 90's). We're managing to keep everything cool so far. There have been lots of "Flight Quarters" for the thirsty helo and each time it's an all hands evolution for A Gang to refuel the bird. MM2 Toth supervises making sure the fuel keeps flowing. EN1 Barsness will be leaving us soon, which means ENC Machado will have to go back to work until a new EN1 reports onboard in December. We have two new guys to welcome into A-Gang, MMFN Tudman whose work is keeping the ship cool and FN Vigre who will learn how to keep Chief Machado cool! Meanwhile the rest of us are charging hard to keep the laundry flowing, the food cooking, the dishes washing, the air conditioners conditioning. Our division is working hard to keep Ensign Thompson and Chief Wadman from getting gray hair, or losing more than aging intended! Chief Wadman is getting close to a demanding challenge, his Engineering Officer of the Watch Board. We wish him luck. FN Hathorn has been temporarily



assigned to mess cooking, an extremely demanding job that all our junior personnel must undertake. Wives and loved ones, please hold the fort down till we return. We are counting the days with you, and looking over the horizon for 20 January 1993. God bless you all and keep the letters flowing in.

B DIV

Since the last time you've heard from us we have been pretty busy. The BT's have done an excellent job of getting both Firerooms up to speed and looking good. We've had a few problems with some leaky valves and some pump problems, but through hard work and determination those discrepancies have been corrected. The men in the Oil Lab have been hard at work, taking care of our fuel and water. Welcome aboard FA Snither and farewell to BTC Brookins and FN King. BTC Brookins is off to Great Lakes for some well deserved shore time. He will be missed. "Thanks for your outstanding work and dedication, Chief". FN King is off to be a Gas Turbine man. Good luck and continue to work hard.

R DIV

"R" division is still working very hard keeping JOUETT at peak operating potential through damage control training and ship machinery repair, welding and fabricating services maintenance. A fun time was had by all in Thailand. We

-sampled much of the food at a most reasonable price. Our shipmate DC3 Chavez is back with us. We are very glad to have him back. MR2 Dugay has been especially valuable. Without him the tasks of machinery repair would be very difficult if not impossible. We are safe and sound and will return home soon. DC3 Shubert has become our own personnel poet laureate and is driving us all nuts.

M DIV

Your Machinist Mates continue to keep the engine rooms in top condition. We are at peak readiness, continually training and improving both ourselves and our equipment. Our only exciting port-of-call so far has been Bahrain. The weather is hot and humid, but our spirits remain high. We welcome aboard FN Espinoza, FN Galan, FN Holloway, and FN Tokvam. All four reported aboard from Apprenticeship Training. All have been assigned to Number 1 Engine room, except for FN Tokvam who has been assigned to Number 2 Fireroom. All are welcome additions to our division and are beginning to qualify for watches. Until next time, we'll keep the JOUETT moving in style.

E DIV

From Electricians and Interior Communications Gang: Warmest regards to all our family and friends. We are all doing fine so there is nothing to worry about. Fortunately,

our equipment is still being kept up and repaired. Keep sending letters and packages, we love them always. Lovely thoughts for Julia, Robbie, Terese, Cindy, Tracy, Kathy, Maria and Kailey, Susan, Rhona, Tammy, Heather, Melony, and Carmen + 5. We will stay in touch.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

S-1 DIV

S-1 works as a team ensuring that spare parts and supplies are ordered and received quickly and efficiently. We support all the shipboard divisions with prompt service and a reputation of excellent customer satisfaction. We wish all the E-4, 5, and 6 exam participants good luck. They deserve it. S-1 extends congratulations to SKSN Francis and family, the proud parents of a healthy baby boy born 30 July 92. SKSN Francis wants to say "I Love You" to his family and he can't wait to get home.



S-2 DIV



Hello loved ones, family and friends. Here's the latest on what's going on in S-2 division. So far your beloved stew-burners have served 80,000 meals and we're just getting started! Our latest belly buster event consisted of prime rib, fresh Tiger prawns from Thailand, corn on the cob, and for a delicious dessert we served cherry and blueberry cheese

cake. So, you can be well assured that the crew of JOUETT is not starving. S-2 has been very busy in every port, by loading food in Hawaii, Guam, Singapore, Thailand, and Bahrain. As of September 15th, we have ordered and received \$92,000.00 dollars worth of food. We have enjoyed two steel beach picnics, where all hands enjoy time for recreation and good eating. The average food consumption is 144 pounds of hamburgers, 60 pounds of hot dogs, plus 350 pounds of ribs. Not to be short changed, we throw in 1800 sodas and 2000 chocolate chip cookies for good measure. We welcome our newest arrival MS1 Bigalbal to our staff. These are the Mess Specialists that turn and burn to provide the crew with outstanding service. Until next time we bid you a hearty good bye and God Bless.

S-3&4 DIVS



Satisfaction guaranteed is S-3's Number One priority as we take care of the ship's services and ship's store stock. Since entering the Gulf we have received supplies from three Vert Reps and have received foreign merchandise from NEX Yokosuka, Japan. SH3 McKenzie is busy putting the new stock on display in the ship's store. On 8 August 92, ship's laundryman SH3 Garza re-enlisted for four years shore duty at TPU Puget Sound, Washington. Our second re-enlistment on 3 September 92 was the division's LPO, SH1 Mazon. He re-enlisted for three years shore duty. We wish both men the best. From the service department, we send

hugs and kisses to our loved one's! See you in January. WESTPAC 92 is over one-third completed, and S-4, the Disbursing Office, wants you to know that keeping the crew's pay records up-to-date is our Number One priority. Leading the division is our LPO, DK1 Bandy, who takes full responsibility for the day to day operations of the disbursing office. DKSA Thompson and DKSJ Abadie are quick to fill in any gaps. We would like to wish our ex-shipmate, DK3 Merritt, who left us in Singapore, good luck in his new job. We would also like to wish happiness to our loved ones back home while we are on deployment.



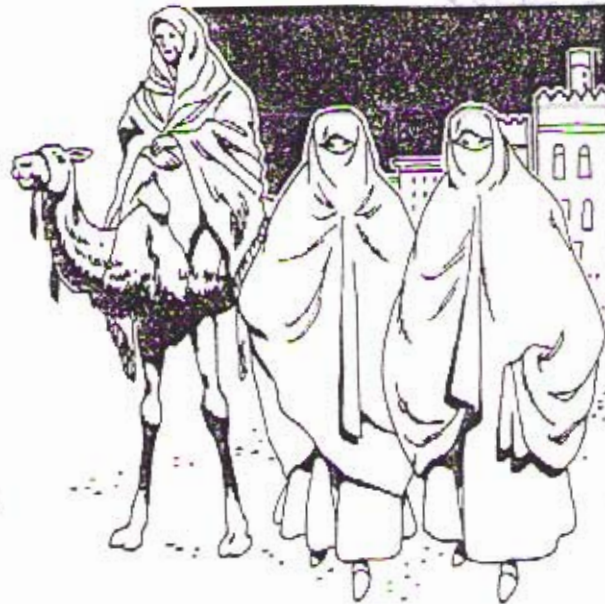
in the wonderful city of Singapore, where shopping and sight seeing were the main attraction. The DET then entered the exotic port of Phuket, Thailand. Warm water and beautiful beaches combined with each person's individual flare, made for the perfect R&R location. The DET is bonding together nicely, to the point of dropping given names for nicknames, such as AE3 "Word" Griesel, AMH1 "Pizon" Sazon, and AE1 "Cookie" Cobarruvia. Thoughts of loved ones run rampant and we all look forward to seeing you in January.

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COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

HELO DETACHMENT



As the month of September winds down, the Air Department has proven once again its Can Do attitude by meeting every operational commitment given to them. During a short port visit to Bahrain, the maintenance department was able to expeditiously complete an "A" Phase inspection thus ensuring JOUETT a ready helo. In the Gulf, a constant battle is waged with the ferocious heat and humidity, both day and night. AT3 Cotroneo and AE3 Griesel can attest to this as their equipment (electrical and electronic) must continually be adjusted to survive the tormenting heat. Before arriving in the Gulf we stopped



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