



## **CAPTAIN STEVE NEWLUND**

**Commodore, CPRW-2**

Captain Newlund was born in Norman, OK and raised in Austin, TX. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Oceanography from the United States Naval Academy in 1992. He also holds a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, Newport, RI. Additionally, he completed a National Security Affairs Fellowship at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University.

In February 1993 and after completing Surface Warfare Officer School in Newport, RI, Ensign Newlund reported onboard USS GUNSTON HALL (LSD-44) home ported in Little Creek, VA. He earned the Surface Warfare Designation in June 1994. During this tour his duties included Damage Control Assistant, Communications Officer, and Navigator where he twice deployed to the 6th Fleet. Lieutenant Newlund transitioned to aviation and earned his pilot wings in November 1997.

Lieutenant Newlund's first VP squadron was with VP-1, NAS Whidbey Island, WA, with final jobs of Safety NATOPS Officer and Assistant Operations Officer. He completed deployments to both 5th and 7th Fleets. Follow on operational tours included his department head tour with VP-40, where LCDR Newlund served as Command Services Officer, Safety NATOPS Officer, Operations Officer and CTG 72.4 Operations Officer, again deploying 5th and 7th Fleets in support of Operations IRAQI and ENDURING FREEDOM. During his XO/CO tour with VP-4, CDR Newlund again deployed to both 5th and 7th Fleets in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and TOMADACHI.

Shore and staff assignments include Fleet Replacement Squadron Pilot Instructor duty at VP-30 in Jacksonville, FL as the Assistant Operations Officer and Maintenance Officer; a joint assignment in Omaha, NE at United States Strategic Command, Joint Functional Component Command Global Strike as the Global Deterrence Support Branch Chief; and Navy Personnel Command (NPC) in Millington, TN as the Maritime Commander and Aviation Captain detailers for PERS-43, Aviation Officer Assignments.

Captain Newlund has logged more than 3,000 flight hours in the P-3C Orion. His personal decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (2 awards), Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medals (3 awards), Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medals (3 awards), and various campaign, service, and unit awards.