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Reporting In



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Welcome to NAS Jacksonville, one of three major Navy installations in the Jacksonville area. The base occupies more than 3,800 acres along the west bank of the St. Johns River, 13 miles south of downtown Jacksonville. Other bases in the area include Naval Station Mayport and Submarine Base Kings Bay, Ga., just across the Florida state line.

NAS Jacksonville is host to more than 100 tenant commands and activities and is the operational and training headquarters for P-3C Orion long-range anti-submarine reconnaissance and maritime patrol aircraft, S-3 Viking sea control aircraft, and SH-60F/HH-60H Seahawk anti-submarine warfare helicopters.



Flight Line and Hangar 1000.

Enjoy your stay at NAS Jacksonville. This guide will serve as a ready reference for the many services available. For more information, check out the NAS Jacksonville home page at www.nasjax.navy.mil.

Before You Leave

Moving from family, friends and familiar surroundings can sometimes be stressful. Planning ahead is one way to make your move to Jacksonville a little easier.

Please see our Personal Property Shipping Office section on page 15 for more information on moving.

To ensure a place for your family to stay for the first few days, it is a good

idea to make reservations in advance either at the Navy Lodge or a local motel. Orange Park is the nearest location for motels—about 3 miles south of the base.

The Navy Lodge, located on Mustin Road on NAS Jacksonville, has 102 one-bedroom units, each with two full size beds, a fully equipped kitchen, and private bath. Those under Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders may make reservations at any time in advance by calling (904) 772-6000, (800) NAVY INN or by mail to Navy Lodge, NAS Jacksonville, FL 32212. Be sure to include your expected arrival date (check in by 3 – 6 p.m.). No pets are allowed, but kennels are located in

nearby Orange Park. Later arrivals can guarantee a room with a credit card.

You can get your whole family involved in your move. Let them browse through this book, show them the maps and let them help plan the trip. This can make the difference between sharing an adventure and coping with frustration.

A checklist of other items that need to be done before moving day follows:

- Notify post office of forwarding address.
- Send change of address cards to magazines, credit card companies and others as needed.
- Stop any home delivery services and settle bills.



Bldg. 1, dedicated by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1940.

- Notify utility companies.
- Transfer insurance on car, home, etc., and check to see if personal possessions are covered during the move.
- Notify your children's schools of the move and arrange to get or forward their school records.
- Notify your clergyman and obtain any necessary documents of birth, baptism, etc., that you may need.
- Get records from any private doctors or dentists whom you have been using.

Getting Here...By Car

Jacksonville may be reached from the north or south via Interstate 95, and from the west by Interstate 10. The base is located on US Highway 17 (Roosevelt Blvd.). Those arriving from any direction will find it easiest to take I-295 around the city to Roosevelt Blvd. exit (exit 10). From exit 10, Take US 17 North to the main gate, located about three miles north of the intersection.

...By Plane

Jacksonville International Airport, 35 miles north of the base, services most major airlines. Taxi and limousine service is available from the airport to NAS Jacksonville. Fares range from \$25-\$42. If you have any problems, you may contact the Officer of the Day by using the toll-free courtesy phone at the information desk in the baggage claim area. Dial (904) 542-2338 for the duty office. If you are traveling under orders, the fare is reimbursable, but you must get a receipt from the taxi driver and submit it with your travel claim.

...By Bus

Greyhound bus services are located at 10 North Pearl St. in downtown Jacksonville near the Southern Bell Tower. Dial (904) 356-9976 for information. Local buses or taxis provide transportation from downtown to the base. The Jacksonville Transportation Authority bus information telephone

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number is (904) 630-3100. Amtrak also provides limited service in the Jacksonville area. Amtrak's toll-free number is (800) 872-7245.

Reporting Aboard

The Officer of the Day (OOD), located in Building 1 at the corner of Yorktown Ave and Langley Street, can provide driving directions and also has a Duty Driver available that will transport service members from the MAC terminal to the BEQ/BOQ or Navy Lodge. The OOD telephone number is (904) 542-2338.

Officers and enlisted personnel assigned to shore-based commands at NAS Jacksonville check in at the Personnel Support Activity Detachment (PSD) in Bldg. 789 on the corner of Birmingham and Child Streets. Personnel assigned to deployable squadrons must check in with their respective squadron duty office.

PSD is open 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. After hours, shore command personnel check in with the OOD. Personnel requiring pay-to-date, travel pay or transportation services should report to PSD during customer services hours from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Active duty and Family member ID cards are issued Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. The PSD telephone number is (904) 542-4217, the command duty officer beeper is (904) 891-0248.

Auto Registration

If you are on active duty, you may drive in Florida without getting a Florida driver's license if you hold a valid license from your home of record.

Florida does have a special reduced auto registration fee for drivers who do not intend to establish Florida as their

home of record. To get the reduced rate, take a copy of your orders to a local tag agency. For more information, call (904) 630-1916 for the tax collector's office (car tag) and (850) 922-9000 for

Are you arriving at NAS JAX as a mobilizing reservist?

- contact the NMPS prior to arrival (904) 542-8484/9831
- if you do not have a government travel card, bring cash, as advance travel takes an average of five days to process
- make sure to bring your medical records





Jacksonville, Florida, looking north.

the Department of Motor Vehicles for title and registration information.

On-Base Registration

NAS Jacksonville's Decal Office is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Please provide military/civilian ID cards, driver's license, and current registration to obtain a decal. Forms may be picked up at Building 9.

Seat Belt Use/ Child Restraints

Occupants of all motor vehicles operating on base and in the state of Florida are required to wear safety belts. Gate sentries are authorized and directed to inform personnel of this requirement

before allowing entry to the base. Station police are authorized to issue traffic citations for violations.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH DoD POLICY, CELL PHONES MAY NOT BE USED WHILE DRIVING ON NAS JAX.

In accordance with Florida statutes:

- (a) Every operator of a motor vehicle, while transporting a child in a passenger car, van or truck on the roadways, streets or highways of this state, will, if the child is five years or younger, provide for the protection of the child by properly using a crash-tested, federally-approved

child restraint. For children through three years of age, the restraint device must be a separate carrier. For children ages four and five, a separate carrier or seat belt will be used.

- (b) Personnel who cannot wear seat belts due to a medical condition shall have in their possession a certified doctor's statement for presentation to Security Department personnel, stating that a condition exists which precludes their wearing seat belts.
- (c) Personnel who wish to operate a vintage motor vehicle on base shall have appropriately installed seat belts, regardless of antique status, personal convenience or preference.

Uniform Regulations

You must be in uniform when checking in. Service Dress Blue is universally accepted as a travel uniform and may be worn at check in, regardless of season. Otherwise, the following is a seasonal chart for uniforms in this area:

Summer (1st Monday in April)
 Officers and CPO's.....Khaki
 E-6 and belowSummer Whites

Winter (1st Monday in December)
 Officer and CPO'sKhaki
 E-6 and belowWinter Blue

Firearms

Firearms and ammunition (a maximum of one rifle and one pistol with 50 rounds of ammunition each with trigger locks) may be stored in base housing (married family quarters) with the Commanding Officer's approval. Required forms and registration of weapons must be made with the Pass and ID Office, Bldg. 9, at the main gate, phone (904) 542-1470, during normal working hours. Firearms for permanent storage are housed in the armory. The use of bows and arrows, air rifles, sling shots, and other devices that may endanger persons or property are prohibited, except in areas as specified in NAS



Jacksonville Instruction 5530.2. Storage of weapons or firearms is prohibited in all BEQs and BOQs.

Bicycles

All bicyclists residing on base are encouraged to register their bicycles with the Crime Prevention Office in Bldg. 9; phone (904) 542-1586. Services are available to permanently mark bikes for those living on and off base. Bicyclists are required to wear a helmet when riding on station.

Pets

Housing residents may keep cats and dogs in their homes; however, all cats and dogs must be registered with the base Veterinary Clinic, located in Building

537, phone (904) 542-3786 (appointment line). A maximum of two pets are allowed. All pets staying on base must have proof of current vaccinations presented at the time of registration. In addition, all pets staying in base housing are required by base regulations to be microchipped. You will need to provide the Housing Office with proof of registration and microchip. Cats and dogs must be on a leash at all times when outdoors, unless they are in a fenced-in yard. Please call to find out when you can register your pets. Exotic pets and farm animals are not allowed in base housing.

Fishing and Hunting

Both saltwater and freshwater fishing is available at NAS Jacksonville. Hunting

or taking of game or wild animals aboard the station is prohibited. Hunting permits are available for Outlying Field (OLF) Whitehouse and Rodman Dam. Hunter information, requirements, and game permits may be obtained from the Security Department, NAS Jacksonville at (904) 542-2662/2663. Fishing licenses are required and may be purchased at the ITT Office, Bldg. 953A, in the Navy Exchange/Commissary Complex. The ITT Office can also provide guide and regulation summaries for both hunting and fishing in Florida.

There are posted areas of the St. Johns River, including Mulberry Cove, designated as a Manatee refuge area by NAS Jacksonville. Motorcraft must maintain no-wake speeds.



Services & Facilities



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Fleet and Family Support Center

The primary mission of Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) is to assist commands in achieving operational readiness, superior performance, member retention, and to promote a reasonable quality of life for military personnel and their families.

To do this, the FFSC provides a variety of services to single and married service members and their families. These services enhance personal and family readiness and adaptation to the military life style by helping families in crisis, providing individual counseling, assisting with relocation to another duty station, helping family members with employment issues, providing in-home parent training and more. The FFSC's trained professionals and volunteers can provide advice and assistance.



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Please come visit and check out our many services!

The FFSC is located in Building 554 on Child Street across from the Child Development Center; customer service hours are from 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Friday.

Persons eligible for services include active duty service members and their family members, reservists on active duty and military retirees and their family members.

The FFSC coordinates with and provides assistance to other military and civilian support agencies/groups that are concerned with helping military service members and the military family. While FFSC does not replace the Command Ombudsman, the Command Master Chief, or other traditional military avenues of assistance, it works with them and acts as a central source of information and referral. Some of the

free programs offered by the Center include:

HOSPITALITY KITS: Hospitality gear includes a set of dishes, flatware, pots and pans, coffee pot, toaster and steam iron. A limited number of high-chairs, play pens, and sleep pads are available on a “first come, first serve” basis for incoming personnel only. A valid military I.D. and a copy of inbound PCS orders are required. (904)542-2766, ext. 145.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL PROGRAM: The Information and Referral Program provides service members and their family members with information about services offered in the community and how to access these services. Basic information such as organization names, telephone numbers, addresses, and/or physical accessibility is provided. (904) 542-2766, ext. 127.

DEPLOYMENT SUPPORT: The Deployment Support Program helps service members and their families manage the challenges of deployment by helping them to better anticipate and understand the physical and emotional demands associated with deployment through workshops, counseling and Information and Referral Programs. While the intent is to be proactive and offer support, encouragement and assistance to prevent emergencies, the FFSC also stands ready to help family members resolve problems when emergencies occur during the service member’s absence. (904) 542-2766, ext. 127.

SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIM INTERVENTION (SAVI): The Sexual Assault Victim Intervention Program comprises three components: prevention, training and education; crisis intervention with the use of volunteers; and statistical reporting. The program is designed to respond whenever victims of sexual assault are in need of supportive services through the crisis phase and forensic examination. Advocates may be contacted through a beeper (#722-3000, X4). Limited reporting assistance may be obtained by contacting your command SAVI advocate, the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), Chaplain, FFSC or health care provider. (904) 542-2766, ext. 133.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

The FFSC offers an educational program designed to provide assistance and information to service members and their families who may be experiencing problems. Persons who wish to learn more about a subject may also attend the classes. Some of the classes and workshops available are:

- Return and Reunion
- What a Difference a Dad Makes in the Life of a Child
- Stress Management
- Anger Control
- Suicide Awareness



- Communication Skills
- Command Financial Specialist Training
- Smooth Move
- Sponsor Training

DID YOU KNOW?

FFSC can help:

- spouses looking for work?
- new parents budgeting for baby?
- sailors leaving the Navy for civilian life?
- AND MUCH MORE!

The Fleet and Family Support Center provides speakers for pre-deployment briefs, Spouses Clubs, safety stand-downs, GMTs and other events.

COUNSELING: The following counseling services are available at no cost:

Family and Marriage Counseling - Provides direct counseling services and referrals and works closely with the Family Advocacy Program (FAP) when necessary. (904) 542-2766, ext. 127.

Individual Counseling - Covers all areas not mentioned previously and any unique situations that an individual might encounter. (904) 542-2766, ext. 127.

FAMILY EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM (FERP): Provides job search assistance/career counseling to military spouses and eligible family members. This service includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Information concerning job openings in the Jacksonville area
- Instructions on preparing applications for employment with private, federal, state and county/city organizations
- Information concerning educational and vocational training offered in the Jacksonville area
- Professional employment counseling
- Seminars and workshops on subjects of interest in the employment field
- Special events such as job fairs
- Referral to external resources we are partnered with such as Adecco and Worksource (904)542-2766, ext. 130/145/153.

TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TAP): This program is a joint effort by the Department of Defense, Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Labor to assist



retiring and separating military personnel and their family members in making a smooth transition into the civilian work force. (904) 542-2766, ext. 153/130/145.

NOTE: Attendance at the TAP Workshops is by quota only. The workshops are open to all service members and their spouses who are retiring or separating. It is recommended that attendance be scheduled for a class at least 180 days prior to retirement or separation. Registration must be done via your Command Career Counselor. Schedules for the workshops can be viewed at: <http://www.ffsp.navy.mil/tap/TAPschedules/Jacksonville.doc>.

CAREER OPTIONS AND NAVY SKILLS EVALUATION PROGRAM (CONSEP): A comprehensive program providing education for military personnel in personal appraisal and self-assessment, personal financial management and investing, skills development, decision making and career planning. CONSEP First Term workshops are offered for those personnel who have less than 6 years service. CONSEP Mid-Career workshops are offered for those personnel who have between 6 and 12 years of service. CONSEP Retiree workshops will soon be offered for those personnel who have between 12 and 16 years of service. Quotas can be obtained through your Command Career Counselor. Schedules for the workshops can be viewed at: http://www.ffsp.navy.mil/consep/files/Jacksonville_CONSEP.doc. (904) 542-2766, ext. 153/130/145.

PERSONAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (PFM) PROGRAM: Provides classes and workshops on various financial and consumer education topics, including Personal Financial Planning, Managing Money and Credit, Downsizing Your Debt, Car Buying, Home Buying, Checking Account Management and Savings and Investment Basics. Most programs are scheduled on a quarterly basis at FFSC. The FFSC also facilitates the weeklong Command Financial Specialist (CFS) Training Course. This course is offered

once quarterly and is available to E-6s and above who will have 12 months remaining on board after completing the workshop. Advanced CFS training is also provided periodically during the year. (904) 542-2766, ext. 130/145/153.

RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RAP): Provides counseling, information and guidance for the service member and family preparing to PCS to their new duty station. RAP maintains an up-to-date computerized DOD database called SITES, which provides essential information for over 300 duty stations worldwide. Major topics include information about the:

- Location
- Housing
- Household Goods
- Education
- Employment

- Health Wellness
- Family Issues
- Installation Photos

SITES is also accessible via the Internet at: www.dmdc.osd.mil/sites.

RAP provides foreign culture information, brochures pertinent to moving, Welcome Aboard Packets and video presentations for select locations. Plus, Smooth Move Workshops and Sponsor Training classes are offered on a regular basis.

Anyone considering a new duty station of in receipt of PCS orders should take advantage of the SITES information and other assistance provided by the Relocation Assistance Program. It will enable you to make better-informed decisions about your new duty assignment, and can help relieve some of the stress associated with moving. (904) 542-2766, ext. 145, DSN 942-2766, ext. 145.



If you have questions about finances, college, PCSing to a new area or finding a job upon separation...FFSC has answers!



FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM (FAP): This program addresses the prevention, evaluation, identification, treatment/follow-up and reporting of child and spouse maltreatment. Family violence detracts from military performance and from the efficient functioning of military units. Experience shows that FAP can be tremendously effective in serving families and in supporting the Navy mission. FAP has three components: education, prevention and case management. (904)542-2766, ext. 120.

NEW PARENT SUPPORT (NPS): An early intervention home-visitation program promoting healthy family functioning, healthy child development, positive parent-child interactions, and advocacy and referral to other services. The program offers

assistance to expectant and new parents of infants to 3-year-olds by providing education, information and guidance. The goals of the NPS program are to:

- Strengthen positive parenting skills.
- Enhance the family's ability to cope with challenges of parenting and military life.
- Promote healthy childhood growth and development.
- Increase access to military and civilian social and health services for all family members.
- Reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect through home-based supportive and educational intervention. (904) 542-2766, ext. 154.

WE CAN HELP: Your personal life affects the operational readiness of the Navy, so naturally we want you to get the best for yourself. All FFSC programs are aimed at making life in the Navy more meaningful and productive. Single people and married persons, from E-1s through admirals, are all receiving FFSC services right now. You are not alone. Our staff is here to listen and to help. Sometimes talking things over helps to put our lives into perspective. Why not come in for a visit to see where we are, meet our staff, and learn what programs are available. If you need information or assistance of any kind, contact the Fleet and Family Support Center, NAS Jacksonville, Florida, Phone: Commercial (904) 542-2766, ext. 127, or DSN 942-2766, ext. 127. FAX (904) 542-5771.



Legal Assistance

Legal assistance can be one of the most important services offered to military personnel and their families. Advice on a wide range of legal problems is available at the Legal Assistance Office in Bldg. 4, located on Ranger Street.

Legal assistance is normally advisory only, but documents such as powers of attorney, wills, living wills, petitions for name changes and stepparent adoptions can be prepared. The Legal Assistance Office can also provide information and advice on such topics as consumer law, landlord-tenant disputes, contract interpretation, immigration, family law and real estate law.

Powers of attorney and notarizations are available from 1 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. All other services require an appointment. Urgent/emergency situations can be handled with same or next day service in most instances.

The Legal Assistance Office is open 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Telephone is 542-2565, ext. 3006.



Important Phone Numbers

(Off base, dial prefix (904) 542-) DSN 942	
Emergency	911
Ambulance	2423
Fire	3333
Police	2662
OOD/Command Duty Officer.....	2338
C.O.'s Action Line	2278
Family Service Center	2766
Red Cross	7525
USO.....	3028
Chaplain	3051/3052

Action Line

The Commanding Officer's Action Line is available to help answer complaints and problems of personnel stationed at NAS Jacksonville. Call (904) 542-2278 to leave a recorded message.

Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Program (SARP)

Located in Bldg. 2034 (behind Naval Hospital Jacksonville), the clinic provides counseling and treatment for active duty personnel, family members over the age of 18 and retired military members with diagnosed alcohol dependence/abuse problems.

This facility serves a wide geographic area and provides Screening, IMPACT (education), Outpatient, Intensive Outpatient and Residential Treatment. GMTs on alcohol prevention are available and can be exported to individual commands.

Detailed information, assistance and booking of screenings may be obtained by contacting the Patient Affairs Office at commercial (904) 542-3473/4/5 or DSN 942-2473/4/5, ext. 122. Training



can be arranged by contacting the Counseling Division Head at ext.147 or Senior Counselor at ext. 142.

Personal Property Shipping Offices (PPSO)

Location: The PPSO is located in building 110, Fleet Industrial Supply Center (FISC) on Yorktown Avenue. This PPSO serves all branches of military service, their families, retirees and DoD civilians living in Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia.

Incoming Personnel: If you are expecting a shipment of personal property, you should immediately contact the PPSO and provide contact phone numbers and email information to enable the PPSO to reach you when your shipment arrives. If the PPSO can not reach you within two hours following the arrival of your shipment, the

property will be placed in temporary storage. Temporary storage is authorized for 90 days only and all storage costs after the first 90 days will be at member's expense unless additional storage has been approved in writing. If you are expecting a shipment to be delivered directly to your residence you must coordinate the delivery with the PPSO Jacksonville, not just with the moving company. The Inbound section may be reached at: (904) 542-1000, extensions 120 through 123.

Claims for loss or damage to Personal Property: There are two basic steps to filing a claim.

Complete the reverse side of the pink sheet (DD Form 1840-R), which was provided by the driver when you received your shipment, and deliver the completed form to the PPSO. It may be hand-carried without an



appointment; or mailed to: HHG, FIS-CJAX, P.O. Box 97, NAS Jacksonville FL 32212. Failure to do this within seventy (70) days following the delivery of your shipment may reduce the amount you may claim.

Obtain a "Claims Package" from the PPSO Jacksonville. Complete the enclosed forms, according to instructions therein, and mail the completed claim to: PCU 9053 First Street, Bldg., CEP-58 Suite 102 Norfolk VA 23511-3605 (For USN and USMC). The Norfolk Claims information number is: (888) 897-8217.

Army, Air Force, and Coast Guard claimants should ask the PPSO (904) 542-1000, ext. 105 for the mailing address of their respective service branch Claims Office.

Outbound Personnel: If you are in receipt of travel orders to leave the Jacksonville area under PCS, Retirement, Separation or TEMDU orders, you should submit your Application to Ship or Store Personal Property via the Internet. Your completed application should be submitted **no less than three (3) weeks prior to your desired pack out date.** To set up your move visit the website: www.smartwebmove.navsop.navy.mil.

The SMARTWEBMOVE program is mandatory for Navy personnel. The website may be used for most moving situations such as moves within CONUS, Self-Procured (DITY) moves, local moves to government quarters, and moves to certain overseas countries. Some exceptions are moves involving mobile homes, unit deployments, Privately Owned Automobiles and Boats over 14 feet long. If you do not qualify for a SMARTWEBMOVE you should call the FISCJAX PPSO for an appointment at (904) 542-1000, ext. 105. If you do not have access to a computer you may visit your nearest military service club, library, or other private and public learning centers as well as Internet Café type establishments. The FISCJAX PPSO has an





agreement with Columbia College, (904) 778-9769, which allows personnel on travel orders to use the university's computer lab. This facility is located in Building 110, 2d floor, Yorktown Avenue, NAS Jacksonville.

If you experience problems with the SMARTWEBMOVE program, you should call the PPSO Jacksonville at (904) 542-1000, ext. 119, 127, or 109.

For other PPO assistance or for additional information call or E-mail:

Phone: (904) 542-1000, ext. 105.
E-mail: fiscjax_ppo@navy.mil.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS)

The goal of the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is to serve as a readiness multiplier.

NMCRS is a private organization established to assist Navy and Marine service members. Sailors and Marines on active duty, or retired, as well as their family members and widows, are eligible to request assistance from the Society.

Aid in the form of interest-free loans is available for things such as: emergency transportation, funerals, medical bills, necessary dental care, disaster assistance, food, rent, utilities, essential car repair, car insurance and pay problems. Grants are available in some cases. Other services are available such as budget counseling, Budget for Baby classes, layettes program, visiting nurses and referrals to other agencies.

Located in the Bldg. 13 at the Yorktown gate, NMCRS is open Monday through Thursday 8:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. and Friday, 8:15 a.m. – 3 p.m. Appointments may be made by calling (904) 542-3515 or (904) 542-3191. Emergencies are given first priority assistance and walk-ins are seen on a space available basis.

Remember, the Society is here for you—use it as your first resource, not the last resort.

Red Cross

The American Red Cross offers a variety of services to military personnel and their dependents. Services include emergency verifications and reporting, counseling in personal and family problems, financial assistance in meeting emergencies, disaster assistance and various courses, such as CPR, First Aid and water safety. The Red Cross also provides many opportunities for volunteer service in the base hospital, medical and dental clinics, and in the main Red Cross office.

Red Cross is located in Bldg. 876 NAS Jacksonville and is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. For assistance call (904) 542-2426, 24-hours a day. There is also a Red Cross office located at and Naval Station Mayport, (904) 246-1395.

United Service Organizations (USO)

The USO area office is located at the main gate of NAS Jacksonville in Bldg. 1050. Operating hours: 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Telephone (904) 778-2821, (904) 542-3028, or (904) 542-8172.

The USO offers free maps and information on local recreation and entertainment, as well as free/discount tickets and informal classes, including smoking cessation. Welcome aboard presentations, pre-deployment briefs, special events, fax service, job search assistance, computers for Internet and E-mail, lodging assistance and information are offered. USO operates a modern, well-equipped 5,500 square foot recreation





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center at 2760 Mayport Road (1.5 miles south of Naval Station Mayport), which is open 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Saturday, closed Sundays. Phone (904) 246-3481.

Sea Cadets..... Test Your Limits!

The Naval Sea Cadet Corps is a federally chartered youth training organization which helps youth, ages 11 to 17, to explore careers in the military. Providing positive role models for young adults, the Naval Sea Cadet Corps objectives are to develop good citizenship, self-discipline, a greater sense of responsibility and leadership skills. The program is open to all young Americans regardless of race, color, creed or sex. Sea Cadets drill out of NAS Jacksonville once a month, on Saturday and Sunday. At drills, cadets get hands on training in various careers in the military. Cadets gain rank just as the US Navy and can join at an advance pay

grade of up to E3. Each summer cadets have the opportunity to participate in various military trainings. In a cadet's first year, they attend boot camp. After successfully completing boot camp, each summer thereafter, cadets have the outstanding opportunity to participate in other various military trainings, such as: Airman, Medical, JAG, Seals, Weapons Ordinance, Photojournalism, and so much more! Interested!!? Join us for Orientation at our next drill! To ensure that you are properly prepared for orientation, please RSVP to ENS Nina Bush at (904) 207-0900 or nina.laymon@jacksonville.com. For more information, call LCDR June Tillet, NSCC, Regional Director, (904) 463-1945. **See you there!**

Spouses Club

Most squadrons and other major units have wives clubs, and in addition there is a base-wide club that can be an important source of information and assistance. For more information on Navy

Wives Club of America (NWCA) #86, contact Pearl Aran at (904) 777-8032.

City Buses

City buses are run by the Jacksonville Transportation Authority. For information call 630-3100. One bus line, Westside 1, runs on base.

Space Available Travel

One of the benefits of being assigned in the vicinity of a Naval Air Station is the availability of "Space A" flights on military aircraft. A variety of aircraft fly out of NAS Jacksonville and Naval Station Mayport, traveling primarily to East Coast locations. There are also occasional overseas flights.

Members traveling Space A should remember that they are responsible for paying return travel on commercial aircraft if no military flights are available. Active duty personnel may travel in uniform or appropriate civilian attire and report no later than two hours before scheduled departure time. The aircraft commander of a military flight has the final authority for Space A seating. All flights are subject to change.

For flight information, call the NAS Jacksonville Air Operations Passenger Terminal at (904) 542-3956.

Housing

The Family Housing Office, in Bldg. 960 on Ballard Street between Yorktown and Saratoga Avenues, assigns public quarters to eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. To be eligible for on base family housing, a military member must have a legal dependent who will reside with him or her for at least nine consecutive months out of the year. NAS Jacksonville accepts applications from members stationed at NAS Jacksonville, tenant commands, and independent duty personnel within a one-hour commute during rush hour. Two, three, and four bedroom quarters are available, but with waiting lists ranging from approximately two to 24 months.



Eligible personnel may apply for housing and/or confirm their applications within 30 calendar days of report date in order to receive their PCS detaching date for placement on housing waiting list. An application consists of a DD1746, available at any housing office, a copy of the member's current orders and a certification of dependents (usually a Page 2). Copies of detaching endorsement and reporting endorsement are also required for confirmation.

Send application to Housing Officer (Code 040R), Bldg. 960, Box 33, NAS Jacksonville, FL 32212-5000. Phone number (DSN) 942-2996 or (commercial) (904) 542-2996; FAX (DSN) 942-4253 or commercial (904) 542-4253.

Housing Referral Office

In accordance with current directives, it is mandatory that all military

personnel report and be processed through the Housing Referral Office prior to the execution of a commitment for obtaining private housing. The Housing Referral Office was established to provide military personnel authorization to reside in the civilian community with a personalized and conveniently available service to assist them in locating suitable, non-discriminatory off-base housing. Dependents will be afforded all possible assistance in the same manner as would be afforded the sponsor. The Housing Referral Office, located in Building 960, is a check-in point for Naval Air Station, Jacksonville and all personnel drawing BAH and desiring to reside off-base must have their check-in slip endorsed by this office. Housing Referral Office hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Wednesday; 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.,

Thursday; and 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 Friday. The phone number is (904) 542-2996.

The Housing Referral Office maintains listings provided by realtors and individual owners of off-base housing consisting of apartments for rent and houses and mobile homes for rent or sale.

Personnel reporting to the Jacksonville area will find off-base housing varying in price depending upon size, condition, and location. The southwest section of Jacksonville and the Orange Park area of Clay County are heavily populated by military personnel, due to their proximity to NAS Jacksonville.

Visitor Quarters

Located on Mustin Road, the Riverview Visitors' Quarters consist of three beautiful buildings overlooking the calm waters of the St. Johns River. Its convenient location is only minutes away from the Naval Hospital, the Officers' Club and





other destinations on Naval Air Station Jacksonville.

The three buildings that make up the Riverview Visitors' Quarters are: Building 11 with 111 rooms, Building 844 with 111 rooms, and Building 845, with 103 rooms. All rooms are equipped with updated furnishing, TV/VCR, microwave/refrigerator combos, alarm clock radios, coffee makers with condiments, security key locks, iron/ironing boards, hair dryers and complimentary guest room amenities. There are five room types, and prices vary depending on room type: DV suites are \$37.00, suites are \$25.00, single rooms w/ kitchenette are \$20.00, single rooms w/o kitchenette are \$18.00, and multiple rooms are \$14.00. All rates are based on double occupancy; an additional \$4.00 fee will be charged for any additional guest (12 years and older).

NAS Jacksonville is included under the Bachelor Quarters Central Reservation System, and travelers on TAD/TDY orders should make requests through your local SATO Office. For

additional information write to: Visitors' Quarters, Box 11, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. 32212-5000 or call (DSN) 942-3427/3138 or (commercial) (904) 542-3427/3138. The DSN prefix is 942.

Personnel on PCS orders and not receiving BAH and other personnel requiring rooms but not on TAD/TDY orders will be billeted on a space available basis.

Combined Bachelor Quarters (CBQ)

The Combined Bachelor Quarters is conveniently located near the center of the base on Saratoga Street allowing immediate access to the main dining facility, chapel, gym, and fitness center. It's just a short walk away from the Navy Exchange, commissary, McDonalds and the NEX food court. The CBQ houses approximately 1,600 service members in two buildings: Building 822/846 provides permanent party billeting for eligible, unaccompanied personnel temporarily assigned duty under

instruction to the station or to tenant commands. Accommodations are one or two persons to a room based on pay grade. Building 822 serves as the check-in point for both buildings. They are manned 24 hours a day and provide linen to all new check-ins.

As an added convenience to residents, there are lounges equipped with televisions, video games, Internet and vending machines.

For additional information, you can write to: CBQ, Box 11, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. 32212-5000, or telephone (904) 542-8195/8196, or fax (904) 542-0910. The DSN prefix is 942.

Medical

Naval Hospital Jacksonville is the largest military community hospital within TRICARE South Region. The TRICARE South Region includes Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee. The hospital is a family practice teaching facility and the fourth largest hospital in





Navy Medicine. It is located on Naval Air Station Jacksonville at the corner of Mustin Road and Child Street. Geographically, the seven branch health clinics and substance abuse rehabilitation program span over 950 miles in Georgia and Florida — making the hospital a regional health care system.

Branch Health Clinics are located at Naval Station Mayport, Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, and Naval Air Station Jacksonville. The hospital also has Branch Health Clinics in Key West, Fla.; and Albany, Athens, and Atlanta, Ga.

Naval Hospital Jacksonville has a unique responsibility to be a premier health care facility in the community while supporting operational readiness. As part of the Navy Medicine team, healthcare professionals continue to provide the highest quality care on the front line in combat areas around the globe. The hospital maintains several deployable platforms, the largest of

which is Fleet Hospital Jacksonville. Assignment to the Fleet Hospital is an additional duty for 650 staff members. Fleet Hospital personnel can deploy worldwide with little or no notice. Other Naval Hospital Jacksonville deployable units include the 2nd Marine Logistics Group (2nd MLG), which when called up supports Marine Expeditionary Units, and Casualty and Receiving Treatment Ship Team 8, which sends medical personnel to man shipboard hospital facilities.

The hospital is an eight-story building on the banks of the St. Johns River. Each year, the hospital treats more than 214,000 outpatients and admits about 5,000 inpatients.

In addition to the main hospital building, there is a modern two-story building that houses the majority of the outpatient clinics.

The present 60-bed hospital opened in December 1967 and has been continually modernized and upgraded so that

today it contains the latest in medical and surgical equipment. The outpatient department operates a variety of specialty clinics and is designed to accommodate the steadily increasing need for outpatient services.

Naval Hospital Jacksonville is home to the Navy's largest Family Practice teaching program. Residents receive training in many specialties so they can manage a whole family's health care needs, from pediatric to geriatric care.

The emergency room is open 24 hours a day. If you need an ambulance, dial 911 from on or off base. The emergency room uses a "triage" system; less severe cases may have to wait until the more serious patients have been seen. Patients with non-emergency needs, or who want to contact their Primary Care Manager for an appointment, should call the hospital's central appointment line at (904) 542-HOSP (4677). For more information about Naval Hospital Jacksonville you may



call the information desk at (904) 542-7300 or visit www.NavalHospitaljax.med.navy.mil on the Internet.

TRICARE

Jacksonville implemented DoD's TRICARE system in 1996. Under this health care plan, active duty families, retirees, and their families may choose the type of coverage and the avenue through which they get their health care.

TRICARE consists of three health care options: TRICARE Prime, TRICARE Extra, and TRICARE Standard.

TRICARE Prime is the military's managed care option. Under this plan, enrolled beneficiaries choose a personal doctor (either military or civilian, but will be assigned to the Naval Hospital if the enrollee lives in the hospital's catchment area and there are openings for new enrollees at the Naval Hospital) who will guide them

through all of their health care needs. This personal doctor is called a Primary Care Manager.

TRICARE Extra and Standard are TRICARE's non-enrolled options. TRICARE Standard works exactly like the old CHAMPUS program. The government will share the cost of visits to authorized civilian doctors. TRICARE Extra is the same, except the government will pay a higher percentage of the cost if the patient chooses from a list of TRICARE Prime Network of providers. TRICARE will only cost share covered provider visits once the TRICARE Extra and TRICARE Standard deductibles are met.

All active duty personnel are considered to be in TRICARE Prime. They receive the highest priority for care in the Military Health System (MHS) and their Primary Care Manager will usually be their assigned Sick Call provider.

TRICARE eligible non-active duty beneficiaries (family members and retirees) must make the decision whether to enroll in TRICARE Prime. If they don't enroll, they are automatically participants of TRICARE Standard and/or Extra whenever they use a civilian doctor and file a claim for reimbursement. The TRICARE Standard and/or Extra beneficiary is responsible for ensuring providers they use are TRICARE certified and/or authorized providers. If the provider is not TRICARE authorized, the beneficiary will be responsible for the total cost of the entire medical bill, and TRICARE will pay nothing.

Under the new TRICARE rules, priority for care at Naval Hospital Jacksonville is as follows:

1. Active duty personnel
2. Active duty families enrolled in TRICARE Prime





3. Retirees and their families enrolled in TRICARE Prime
4. Active duty families not enrolled in TRICARE Prime
5. Retirees and their families not enrolled in TRICARE Prime
6. All other beneficiaries

Beneficiaries are encouraged to learn all they can about their military health care options before making a decision about TRICARE. To find out more, contact Naval Hospital Jacksonville's Health Benefits Advisors who are located on the 2nd floor of the main hospital or can be reached by phone at (904) 542-9164. Hours are 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and Thursdays from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Visit the local TRICARE Service Center at 1210 Kingsley Ave., Suite 1, Orange Park, Fla., or call the Beneficiary Information Line at (800) 444-5445.

Composite Health Care System (CHCS) & Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS)

Naval Hospital Jacksonville maintains the Composite Health Care System (CHCS), a medical computer that allows doctors to track everything about a patient, including labs, appointments, x-rays, etc. The hospital also manages Defenses Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS), a computerized registry of all military beneficiaries in the area. The system is intended to help better serve patients. However, for it to work correctly, all people receiving care through the military must be registered. To avoid lengthy waits, please pre-register at Naval Hospital Jacksonville in Out-patient Records, or one of its Branch Medical Clinics. Remember, if you have a change of address you will need to have your address and phone number updated. For more information, call 542-3728.

Also, military health care recipients must ensure they are registered in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). DEERS is a national database which is used to verify eligibility for military benefits. Without DEERS enrollment, family members may be denied health benefits other than emergency care, so please ensure your DEERS data is accurate.

If sponsors or family members have any questions about benefits or DEERS enrollment, call the DEERS Beneficiary Telephone Center at (800) 538-9552. The hours of operation are 6 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (PST), Monday through Friday. The only changes that the DEERS Beneficiary Telephone Center will make are address changes, all other changes (such as marriage, divorce, birth, death, or adoption) must be made at a Personnel Support Detachment. The



Naval Air Station Jacksonville Personnel Support Detachment is located in Building 789 and can be reached at (904) 542-3728.

Branch Health Clinic Jacksonville

The Naval Hospital's Branch Health Clinic is located in Bldg. 964 at the corner of Enterprise Ave. and Ajax St. The clinic provides routine medical care for active duty personnel.

All active duty personnel reporting to the base or tenant commands are required to check into the Health Records Office, Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 3 p.m., for a full verification of health records.

Medical care, including sick call, is obtained by appointment only. The Appointment Desk is open 7 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. each weekday and can be reached by calling (904) 542-3500.

Messages may be left after hours. On weekends and holidays, active duty sick call is held at the Naval Hospital Jacksonville Emergency Room 8 a.m. – noon.

Additional information about immunizations, optometry, physical exams, pap smears, pregnancy tests, and other health care services offered by the Branch Health Clinic is available by calling (904) 542-3500.

Dental

The Dental Clinic, located in Bldg. 964 at the corner of Enterprise Ave. and Ajax St., provides a full spectrum of dental services to active duty beneficiaries.

All dental care is obtained by appointment only. The appointment desk is open from 7 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

on Fridays. The Dental Clinic can also be reached at 542-3441. For emergencies only, an after-hours duty dental technician can be reached at (904) 542-3500 and press #0.

By law, family members enrolled in the TRICARE Active Duty Family Member Dental Plan (separate from the TRICARE health care program) are not entitled to treatment at military dental facilities for service covered by the dental plan. Due to our extremely limited space available, membership in the TRICARE Active Duty Family Member Dental Plan and Retiree Dental Plan is strongly encouraged. Information on these plans is available by calling United Concordia at (800) 866-8499 for the Active Duty Family Member Plan or (888) 838-8737 for the Retiree Dental Plan.



Medical Resources

On or Off Base Ambulance Service.....	911
Hospital Information Desk	(904) 542-7300
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Central Appointment Line	(904) 542-HOSP (4677)
Patient Administration Office	(904) 542-9212
Health Benefits Advisors	(904) 542-9164/65/66
Humana Military TRICARE South ..	(800) 444-5445
PGBA Claims Administrator	(800) 403-3950
DEERS Beneficiary Telephone Center..	(800) 538-9552
NAS Jacksonville Personnel Support Detachment (DEERS).....	(904) 542-3728
Branch Health Clinic Jax Appointment Desk..	(904) 542-3500
Dental Clinic	(904) 542-3441
TRICARE Dental contractor (United Concordia)..	(800) 866-8499



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Shopping

Navy Exchange

The Navy Exchange/Commissary Store Complex, Bldg. 987, is located on Biscayne Street between Enterprise and Birmingham Avenues. This complex consolidates almost all retail and service locations into one. Services include the barber/beauty shop, optical shop, flower shop, furniture and appliance store, personalized services and video rental. A food court includes Wendy's, Taco Bell, Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Sbarro's.

The Home Improvement-Auto/Garden Center, Bldg. 429, located on Birmingham Avenue, offers lawn, garden and patio



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supplies, hardware, home improvement items, and a variety of automotive accessories. The Autoport Service Station offers complete automotive repairs, including oil changes, wheel alignments, A/C servicing, and detailing. Tints and Tunes provides complete care stereo installation and window tinting. We also offer UPS pick-up and Budget truck rental services. Hours of operation are Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and on Sunday 7:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The Navy Exchange Main Store Complex hours of operation are as follows:

Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

The NEX^{press} Mini-Mart, located on the East end of Birmingham Avenue, is open Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.; on Saturday, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., and on Sunday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The Laundry/Dry Cleaning facility located at the Main Exchange is open



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Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., and on Saturday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; closed Sunday.

Enterprise Car Rental Service is available at the Jacksonville Air Terminal.

Your Jacksonville Navy Exchange is available to provide all of your retail needs. For more details call Customer Service at (904) 777-7286.

Navy Exchange

Food Services

The Navy Exchange operates various snack bars around the base.

The Food Court, at the Main Exchange has Wendy's, Taco Bell, Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Sbarro's. The hours are 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday through Friday; 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday; and 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Sunday.

A snack bar located in the Naval Hospital is open 6:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The snack bar in Hangar 1000 is open 6:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Commissary

The Commissary is located in Bldg. 951 on Allegheny Ave. between Yorktown and Birmingham Avenues, is a modern supermarket carrying a full line of food, beverage, and household items. Groceries are sold at cost plus a 5% surcharge which is added at the end of the sales ticket. A smart shopper can save considerably compared with off-base supermarkets. In addition to a wide range of grocery items, the commissary also offers a deli/bakery and fresh fish market. The commissary carries over 20,000 items and has 24 registers.

Commissary hours of operation are:

Sunday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Shopping for handicapped individuals begins half an hour before opening.

Please call (904) 542-3434 for more information.

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Not New Shop

The Not New Shop is a thrift shop operated by the "Jacksonville 86" enlisted Wives Club in the station theater building on Jason St. Clothes, toys, and household goods may be donated by anyone and are sold for a small fee to raise money that goes to charities such as the USO and Navy Relief.

Eating

General Mess

The galley is located in Bldg. 855 on the corner of Saratoga and Mustin Road across from the enlisted barracks, Bldg. 822.

The main serving line offers a hot, main course, soup/salad bar, specialty bar, and deserts, while the speed line offers a

choice of hamburgers, sub bar, and hot wings to go. All meals can be enjoyed in the dining area or the outside deck.

Only active duty military personnel are authorized to purchase meals from the general mess. All patrons are required to pay the appropriate meal cost unless authorized to eat at government expense (meal pass). Dependents of personnel in pay grade E1 through E4 will eat at a reduced cost.

Meal hours, Monday through Friday:

Breakfast 6 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.

Lunch 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Dinner 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

On Saturday, Sunday and Holidays:

Breakfast 6:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Brunch 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Dinner 4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Other Services

Credit Union

VyStar Credit Union (formerly Jax Navy Federal Credit Union), first established at NAS Jacksonville in 1952, is one of the nation's largest and fastest growing credit unions and is the largest financial institution chartered in the State of Florida. Offering a complete range of financial services to all military and civilian personnel stationed at NAS Jacksonville, VyStar currently has 21 branches and over 125 full-service ATMs in Northeast Florida. Current plans are to continue VyStar's expansion in Florida by providing numerous additional branches and ATMs. VyStar's newly remodeled NAS Jax branch is currently located in Building 39 at the





corner of Langley Street and Saratoga Avenue, and eight VyStar ATMs are located throughout the base.

VyStar takes pride in reducing and eliminating banking fees for its members, while offering high interest rates on savings accounts and low interest rates on all types of loan products, including mortgage, home equity, credit card, auto, and all types of consumer loans. The credit union offers a complete range of financial services for its members, including: primary savings and money market accounts earning higher interest rates than most traditional savings accounts; no-fee, interest-bearing checking accounts with no minimum balance requirements; no monthly service fees and no per item charges; no-fee ATM, credit and Visa check/debit cards; overdraft protection; VA and conventional home mortgage loans; motor vehicle loans, including RVs, motorcycles and

boats; signature and line-of-credit loans; Individual Retirement Accounts; free notary services; free financial counseling services; travelers' checks; free direct deposit of paychecks (DDS); unlimited no-fee pre-authorized debits; 24-hour telephone access through Magic*Touch automated teller system; and global access to all accounts through VyStar's internet web site at www.vystarcu.org.

The NAS Jax branch is open from 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For new account information, contact VyStar at the NAS Jax branch at (904) 908-2715 toll-free at (800) 44J-NAVY (445-6289), or VyStar's web site at www.vystarcu.org.

Jax Air News

The station's weekly newspaper, the Jax Air News, is a Chief of Information Merit Award winning publication providing NAS and its tenant commands

with news of Navy-wide and local interest, as well as features and articles about Navy people. The Jax Air News is distributed free every Thursday at the Exchange, Commissary, clubs, and in many work spaces. Telephone (904)542-3531.

Religious Ministries Department

The NAS Chapel Center at the corner of Mustin and Birmingham Roads is flanked by two historic chapels: St. Edward's (Roman Catholic) and All Saints' (Protestant). A wing of offices, meeting rooms and a social hall connect these buildings. A modern religious education complex is located behind the chapels.

The Religious Ministries Department coordinates religious, social, and educational events for over 5,000 people every month. Special celebrations should be scheduled well in advance:



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Roman Catholic weddings — six months; all other weddings, at least three months. A Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program (PREP) is required for all personnel being married in the Chapel.

The NAS Duty Chaplain can be reached during working hours by calling (904) 542-3051, and at all other times through the Station OOD at (904) 542-2338.

Information on various faith communities in the Jacksonville area is available at the Chapel Center.

St. Edward's Catholic Chapel

(Telephone (904) 542-3051)
Daily Mass (Monday through Thursday)11:30 a.m.

Saturday Mass5 p.m.
Sunday Mass
(Mass for Sunday)9:30 a.m.
Reconciliation
(Confessions)by appt.
Sacrament of
Marriagesix months in advance
CCD (September to May)....10:45 a.m.

All Saints' Protestant Chapel

(Telephone (904) 542-3051)
Holy Eucharist Service
Sunday8:15 a.m.
Worship Service
Sunday11: a.m.
Sunday School (including adults)
Sunday9:45 a.m.
12:00 p.m. - Wednesday Bible Study at Hangar 1000

Both Chapels are open for prayer and meditation daily from 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Education Opportunities

The Navy College Office, located in Bldg. 110 on Yorktown Avenue, provides general information about local civilian education programs to military and civilian personnel and dependents. If you want to begin a college program, learn a new skill, or just take a course, the Navy College Office can help you get started.

The Navy College Office is open 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, telephone (904) 542-2477/2475. Some of the services offered are:

ACADEMIC COUNSELING: One-on-one academic and career counseling is available to active duty personnel on



an appointment basis with the Navy College advisor.

ON-BASE PROGRAMS: Six academic institutions offer eight graduate and 21 undergraduate degrees. All classes are held onboard the station evenings and weekends. The six institutions are Florida Community College, Columbia College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Southern Illinois University, Jacksonville University, and Webster University. Representatives are also available from the distance learning rating partner schools: Coastline Community College,

University of Maryland, Excelsior College and Thomas Edison State College.

TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: Financial assistance program for active duty personnel is available for approved high school, college, and vocational school courses. The Navy will pay 100 percent for college or vocational courses; however, the level of assistance is capped as follows: 100 percent of tuition costs not to exceed \$250 per semester hour/\$166.67 per quarter hour/\$16.67 per clock hour, with an overall cap of \$4,000 per individual per fiscal year, not to

exceed 16 semester hours per fiscal year. The Navy will pay 100 percent for high school completion courses.

NAVY COLLEGE LEARNING CENTER: The Navy College Learning Center is equipped with twelve computer workstations that deliver PLATO reading, writing, math (through calculus), science, physics, social sciences (psychology, economics, geography, etc.), and work skills courseware. Specifically designed for adult learners, PLATO courseware incorporates comprehensive tutorials and real-life applications that





are sensitive to the learning and lifestyles of adults. PLATO's master-based instructional strategies ensure a thorough understanding of the material presented. Available to all active duty, adult family members (spouses and children over 19) and civilians with a military ID (i.e., reservists, retirees, etc.).

DEFENSE ACTIVITY FOR NON-TRADITIONAL EDUCATION SUPPORT (DANTES): Free testing services are furnished to the Navy College Office by DANTES for active duty and reservists at most shore facilities and overseas. The following examinations are available: CLEP General and Subject exams; DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST's); Regents College Examinations;





Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT); American College Test (ACT); General Education Development (GED) Exam; Subject Graduate Record Examination (GRE). CLEP and DSST are offered on line with immediate scoring. DLAB, DLPT, AFIADL (JPME) are also offered.

Post Office

The station post office, located at Bldg. 569, at the corner of Enterprise Ave. and Child Street, offers a full range of postal services and is open 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Friday; closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Vehicle Storage

Cars, motorcycles and recreational vehicles may be stored for deployed personnel at no cost in a secure area. Phone the Auto Hobby Shop, (904) 542-3227, for more information.

Veterinary Clinic

Located in Bldg. 537 on the corner of Humbolt Road and Biscayne Avenue, the clinic offers veterinary preventive services including: routine pet immunizations, testing for intestinal parasites and heartworms, and minor ear, eye and skin problems. A wide range of heartworm preventatives, flea control products, and shampoos as well as other items are available. The sale of heartworm prevention is limited to pets that have had a negative heartworm check within the last calendar year and have been on heartworm prevention since their last test.

Pets are seen by appointment only. Appointments can be made Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Veterinary service is available to pets owned by active duty and retired personnel, their dependents, and reservists on active duty. We strongly discourage children under the age of 12 in the Veterinary Clinic due to concerns for health and safety. For appointments, or further information, please call (904) 542-3786.





Missions & Commands



Commander, NAVY REGION SOUTHEAST

The Commander, currently a one-star flag officer, Rear Admiral Mark S. Boensel, is one of 13 Navy regional coordinators world-wide, setting policy and providing the leadership and continuity necessary to sustain the highest quality, combat-ready force. Commander, Navy Region Southeast (COMNAVREGSE), leads the combined efforts of 21 installations that support our operational fleet units in the southeastern United States and the Caribbean, including:





Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla.
Naval Station, Mayport, Fla.
Naval Air Station, Key West, Fla.
Naval Air Training Systems Division,
Orlando, Fla.
Naval Support Activity,
Panama City, Fla.
Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.
Naval Air Station, Whiting Field, Fla.
Naval Weapons Station,
Charleston, S.C.
Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, Ga.
Naval Air Station, Atlanta, Ga.
Naval Supply School, Athens, Ga.
Naval Construction Battalion Center,
Gulfport, Miss.
Naval Air Station, Meridian, Miss.
Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base
(JRB), New Orleans, La.
Naval Support Activity,
New Orleans, La.
Naval Air Station
Corpus Christi, Texas
Naval Air Station Kingsville, Texas
Naval Station, Ingleside, Texas

Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base
(JRB), Fort Worth, Texas
Naval Base Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
Naval Activity, Puerto Rico

The Commander also serves as the Navy's Regional Planning Agent, Regional Environmental and Public Affairs Coordinator, as well as the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency liaison in the nine southeastern states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas, and in the Caribbean, Cuba, and Puerto Rico.

Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Jacksonville

Welcome to Naval Air Station Jacksonville, a multi-mission base hosting more than 100 tenant commands. The installation is home to the P-3C Orion long-range anti-submarine reconnaissance and maritime patrol aircraft, the SH-60F Seahawk

anti-submarine warfare helicopters and S-3B Viking sea control planes.

The oldest Navy installation in the area, NAS Jacksonville occupies 3,896 acres along the scenic St. Johns River and employs more than 25,000 active duty and civilian personnel. In addition to the employees, NAS Jacksonville services thousands of retirees and family members resulting in more than \$2 billion being infused into the local community each year. Vital to our nation's defense, NAS Jax's rich tradition, support and service to our forces is symbolized by the station's logo of "Service to the Fleet."

In addition to the many operational squadrons flying P-3, S-3B and C-40 airplanes and SH-60F helicopters, NAS Jacksonville is home to Patrol Squadron Thirty (VP-30), the Navy's largest aviation squadron and the only P-3 Orion Fleet Replacement Squadron (FRS). VP-30 prepares and trains U.S. and foreign pilots, air crew and maintenance personnel.



A P3 Orion backgrounded by the St. Johns River.



Support facilities include an airfield for pilot training, a comprehensive maintenance depot (employing more than 150 different trade skills capable of performing maintenance as basic as changing a tire to intricate micro-electronics or total engine disassembly), a Naval Hospital, a Fleet Industrial Supply Center (FISC), a Navy Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) and recreational facilities for the single sailor or the entire family.

The men and women of NAS participate in their communities as action committee and board members, as youth sport coaches, PTA members, lay leaders in their churches, scout leaders and as members and leaders of other civic and social organizations.

As the benchmark for aviation installation excellence, NAS Jacksonville continuously and aggressively strives to

improve quality while focusing on the future by expanding the bounds of aviation support. This atmosphere ensures the highest quality products and services while meeting the challenges of a rapidly changing defense environment.

The men and women of NAS Jacksonville are proud to support their country's defense and pleased to be a part of the Jacksonville community.

Commands and activities on NAS Jacksonville include the following:

- Advanced Maritime Projects Office
- Aviation Support Detachment
- Aviation Survival Training Center
- Atlantic District Veterinary Command
- Commander, Helicopter Sea Combat Wing, Det Jacksonville Fl
- Commander, Helicopter Sea Combat Wing, Det WTU Jacksonville Fl

- Commander, Navy Region Southeast
- Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing Eleven
- Commander, Sea Control Wing Atlantic
- Sea Control Wing Atlantic Carrier Tactical Support Center
- Sea Control Wing Atlantic Weapons School
- Surface Rescue Swimmer School
- Disease Vector Ecology and Control Center
- Family Housing Management Institute
- Fleet and Industrial Supply Center
- Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility Jacksonville
- Fleet Aviation Specialized Operations Training Group Atlantic
- Detachment Fleet
- Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRC-SE)
- MOCC Jacksonville



LCDR Jose J. Fernandez of FISC Jacksonville (far right) helped train Iraqi personnel as part of Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraqi (MNSTCI) in The International Zone, Baghdad, Iraq.



Army Maj. Kevin Quinlan and Cdr. John Zollo, assigned to SUPSHIP Gulf Coast in Mayport, meet with Iraq's Interim Prime Minister, Lyad Allawi, at the US Embassy in Baghdad.

Navy Medicine Support Command,
Jacksonville
Mobile Environmental Team
Naval Air Technical Data and
Engineering Service Detachment
Jacksonville
Naval Air Warfare Training Systems
Division
Naval Atlantic Meteorology and
Oceanography Facility Jacksonville
Naval Audit Office
Naval Air Orlando Training System
Detachment
Naval Aviation Maintenance Training
Group Detachment
Naval Computer and
Telecommunications Station
Naval Computer and
Telecommunications Station ADP
Naval Criminal Investigative Service
Resident Agency Jacksonville
Naval Hospital Jacksonville
Naval Legal Service Office

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion
Unit 410
Navy Band Southeast
Navy Brig Jacksonville
Navy Drug Lab Jacksonville
Navy Education Center
Navy Exchange Jacksonville
Navy Exchange Service Center
Navy and Marine Corps Intranet
Detachment
Navy and Marine Corps Trial Judiciary
Branch Office Southeast
Navy Passenger Transportation Office
Navy Region Southeast Regional
Visual Information Support Center
Office of Naval Intelligence Special
Security Office
Patrol Squadron THIRTY
Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing
Atlantic
Detachment Antisubmarine Warfare
Jacksonville

Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing
Eleven
Antisubmarine Warfare Operational
Center, Jacksonville
Personnel Support Activity
Detachment Jacksonville
Public Works Center
Resident Officer-in-Charge of
Construction
Southeast Regional Calibration
Center
SPINTCOM
Transient Personnel Unit Jacksonville
Trial Service Unit Jacksonville

Permanent Non-Naval Units

Atlantic District Veterinary
Command
Defense Courier Service Jacksonville
Defense Commissary Agency
Defense Megacenter
Defense Printing Service Office



Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office
Defense Distribution Depot,
Jacksonville, Fla.
U.S. Customs

Deployable Units

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron THREE
Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron FIVE
Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron SEVEN
Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron ELEVEN
Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron FIFTEEN
Patrol Squadron FIVE
Patrol Squadron SIXTEEN
Patrol Squadron FORTY-FIVE
Sea Control Squadron TWENTY-TWO
Sea Control Squadron TWENTY-FOUR

Sea Control Squadron THIRTY-ONE
Sea Control Squadron THIRTY-TWO

Reserve Forces

345th Combat Army Support Hospital Unit
Commander, Navy Reserve Recruiting Detachment FOUR
Company B, 4th Assault Amphibian Battalion, 4th Marine Division
Fleet Logistics Support Squadron FIFTY-EIGHT
Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron SEVENTY-FIVE
Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Unit TWO-ZERO-SEVEN
Naval Operational Support Center
Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center
Naval Mobile Construction Battalion FOURTEEN
Naval Coastal Warfare Squadron 26
Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region 8

Patrol Squadron SIXTY-TWO
Reserve Intelligence Program Office
VFA-105 Naval Air Reserve

Other Offices

American Federal Government Employees
American Red Cross
AMVETS
Avantra (Fuel Contract)
Central Michigan University
Colejon/Jones
Columbia College
Dyncorp
Embry Riddle University
Federal Aviation Administration Liaison Officer
Florida Community College at Jacksonville
General Electric Aircraft Engine Division
International Association of Machinists
Jacksonville University



Cdr. Warfield, stationed at Navsta Mayport, at Um Qasi, Iraq.



Kay & Associates
Lockheed Martin Aero Systems
Logistic Service International
McDonalds
Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society
Navy Wives Club Jacksonville
Chapter
Navy/Ortega Little League
Navy Flying Club
Navy Jax Skeet Club
Navy Jax Yacht Club
U.S. Post Office
Reflectone Training Systems
Retired Affairs Office
Southern Illinois University
USO
VyStar Credit Union
Webster University
Yacht Club



Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing Eleven

PATROL AND RECONNAISSANCE WING ELEVEN'S history and reputation are unparalleled. Commissioned on August 15, 1942 at Norfolk, VA, Patrol Wing ELEVEN relocated five days later to San Juan, Puerto Rico, to provide support for allied shipping convoys in the Navy's Caribbean Sea Frontier. As the Navy overcame Germany's Atlantic/Caribbean U-boat campaign, Wing ELEVEN PBY-5Ns patrolled a million square miles of ocean, providing spotting and assistance to scores of wounded allied ships and sinking ten German submarines while damaging eighteen others.

During the post-World War II draw-down, Wing ELEVEN in 1950 shifted homeport to NAS Jacksonville and transitioned to the P-2V Neptune. Throughout the decade, Wing ELEVEN squadrons continued to patrol vast areas in support of long-range reconnaissance and Fleet exercises. Operational commitments grew as the Cold War intensified and Maritime Patrol Aviation (MPA) continued to refine warfighting competencies in anti-submarine warfare (ASW), aerial mine warfare, search and rescue, and aerial photographic intelligence.

MPA excellence continued in the 1960s with Wing ELEVEN aircraft on-station for the recovery of our first astronauts and in support of President Kennedy's quarantine of Cuba at the height of the 1962 Missile Crisis. By 1970, Wing ELEVEN squadrons had transitioned to the P-3 Orion. In the years that followed, Wing ELEVEN squadrons recorded thousands of hours 'on top' Soviet submarines in Cold War operations from Greenland, Iceland, Bermuda, Ascension, the Canary and Azores Islands and bases throughout the Mediterranean.

Wing ELEVEN units met the challenge of the immediate post-Cold War period, supporting Operation DESERT SHIELD/STORM, establishing an airborne presence during the Balkan wars of the 1990s, and supporting counter narcotics efforts in the Southern Hemisphere. The Navy formally recognized the close link between VP and VQ missions in 1998, bringing Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron TWO into Wing ELEVEN and amending the command name to Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing ELEVEN.

Wing Eleven since 1942 has protected Allied convoys from U-boats, flown three types of airplane to help recover astronauts, chased Soviet subs, and established a permanent detachment in Iraq.

Wing ELEVEN units continue to excel in multi-mission roles. P-3 Aircraft Improvement Program (AIP) delivers traditional maritime capabilities, real-time Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR), and Standoff Land Attack Missile (SLAM) capability to theater and Fleet commanders. Wing ELEVEN units proved their continued relevance and vitality during operations over Kosovo in 1999 and in subsequent stabilization efforts there.

The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 signaled a new focus for Wing ELEVEN units. In addition to traditional missions, units supported homeland defense and the Global War on Terrorism in Operations VIGILANT SHIELD and ENDURING FREEDOM respectively. During Operation IRAQI



FREEDOM, Wing ELEVEN's VP-45 was the first east coast squadron to establish a permanent detachment site in Iraq, flying combat missions in direct support of the troops on the ground. Additionally, supporting Department of Defense initiatives, Wing ELEVEN transferred administrative control of VQ-2 to Wing TEN in Whidbey Island, Washington, and subsequently acquired Jacksonville's Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD) and Aviation Supply Detachment (ASD). VP-5, VP-16, VP-45, AIMD and ASD comprise Wing ELEVEN and continue to take aircraft where they always have been: on station, in all weather, day and night, in support of our Nation and in the cause of freedom.

Lockheed P-3 Orion

The P-3C is recognized around the world as the premiere antisubmarine warfare aircraft, and is unequaled in its ability to locate, track, and attack hostile submarines beneath the waves.

Flown by all Jacksonville-based maritime patrol (VP) squadrons, the P-3C was developed from the civilian Electra airliner and is powered by four turbo-prop engines.

The Orion carries a crew of 11 on missions that may last as long as 12 hours, and uses a variety of sensors to locate and track enemy submarines. Especially visible is its tail-mounted stinger, which is a magnetic anomaly detector (MAD), used to find submarines.

The Orion is capable of delivering a host of weapons, including the anti-submarine torpedoes, air-to-surface missiles, and both contact and TV-guided bombs. The aircraft's multi-mission flexibility also includes pinpoint mine laying in harbors and shipping lanes.

Patrol Squadron Five

Patrol Squadron FIVE, the Navy's second oldest VP squadron, was commissioned in 1937 as Patrol Squadron SEVENTEEN (VP-17) in Seattle, Wash. The squadron flew the PM-1.

In 1938, VP-17 turned in its PM-1s for the new PBV-2 Catalinas. The PBV lacked cabin heaters and resulted in a lot of crew discomfort when operating in its northern patrol zones. Later models of the PBV had better crew comforts. VP-17 changed designations in 1939 to Patrol Squadron FORTY TWO (VP-42) and in 1941 switched to the newer PBV-5. One year later they again switched to the PBV-5A, which had amphibious capabilities.

VP-42 was one of the first squadrons in the Navy to attack Japanese vessels and positions while based at Dutch Harbor in the Aleutians. After unsuccessful attacks by USAAF on Kiska Harbor, VP squadrons including VP-42 performed consistent bombing on the harbor. Missions came to be known as the "Kiska Blitz." The squadron used the technique of flying in the clouds until over the target, dove low to 500 feet to bomb, then immediately returned to the clouds.

VP-42 was again redesignated to Bombing Squadron ONE THIRTY FIVE



(VB-135) at Whidbey Island, Wash., in February 1943. It was nicknamed the "Blind Fox" squadron, and the squadron's insignia was changed to a blinfolded fox riding a flying gas tank. The fox navigated the clouds with a cane to represent the squadron's tactic of flying in the blind. Less than a month later, the squadron received a new aircraft, Lockheed's PV-1 "Vega Ventura." VB-135 made its first full-scale attack on Japanese positions in Kiska in the Aleutians. The Blind Foxes formed the select group known as the Empire Express, composed of personnel who participated in bombing the Japanese mainland. Operating out of Amchitka Island, VB-135 flew more than 160 missions against the enemy. In 1944, VB-135 departed for Attu Island with the task of

determining Japanese activity in the Kurile Islands using photo-reconnaissance. In addition to surveillance patrols, over 287 bombing sorties were carried out.

In November 1945, the squadron again received a new aircraft: Lockheed's PV-2 "Harpoon."

In 1945, the squadron moved to Edenton, N.C., and then to Quonset Point, RI. To keep pace with the change of homeport, the squadron's designation underwent several changes: Patrol Squadron ONE THIRTY FIVE and then Medium Patrol Squadron FIVE in 1946.

In January 1947, the squadron relocated to the Caribbean, first to San Juan and then to Roosevelt Roads. Upon arrival to Puerto Rico, VP-ML-5 came under operational control of Commander, Fleet Air

Wing ELEVEN. The squadron received its first Lockheed P2V "Neptune" aircraft which contained the Magnetic Anomaly Detector (MAD) in 1948. Shortly thereafter, the squadron became known as the Mad Foxes and, in December 1948, was designated Patrol Squadron FIVE. To better represent the anti-submarine mission, the Foxes changed their insignia to a fox with a sledgehammer preparing to strike a sub in the northern hemisphere.

NAS Jacksonville, Fla., became the permanent home of the MAD FOXES in December 1949. In the years following, VP-5 made deployments to Bermuda, Sicily, Spain, the Azores, Puerto Rico, Iceland, Newfoundland, and the Philippines. During the fall of 1950, the MAD FOXES were instrumental in the rescue of eight French





Canadian merchantmen from the doomed British freighter, NORTH VOYAGER.

The MAD FOXES helped recover one of America's first astronauts, Commander Alan B. Shepard, Jr., on May 5, 1961. Later in the year, VP-5 was instrumental in the recovery of Captain Virgil I. Grissom as part of project Mercury.

The MAD FOXES suffered the tragic loss of 12 men who perished on the Kronborg Glacier on January 12, 1962, while on routine patrol out of Keflavik, Iceland. It would be more than 40 years before the extreme environment would allow a complete recovery of the remains. In 2004, the last of the 12 crewmen were laid to rest.

The President of the United States ordered a blockade against Cuba in late October 1962. VP-5 was one of the first units ordered into action, staging patrols from Jacksonville, Fla., Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The MAD FOX squadron was the first unit in the

Caribbean to encounter, photograph and track BUCHAREST, the first Soviet ship encountered by U.S. Naval surface forces.

In June 1966, VP-5 transitioned to the Lockheed P-3A Orion aircraft, prosecuting front-line Russian submarines.

The MAD FOXES took part in Yankee Station patrols in the South China Sea in June 1967. Duties included anti-filtration surveillance and open ocean surveillance flights. VP-5 provided night radar coverage of the Gulf of Tonkin, defending U.S. aircraft carriers from high-speed surface craft.

Patrol Squadron Five transitioned to the new Lockheed P-3C in early 1974, and attained unequalled recognition for ASW proficiency.

VP-5 was one of the first squadrons to launch the recovery effort for the space shuttle Challenger in February 1986. The MAD FOXES located the nose cone and directed recovery vessels to the site.

During August of the same year, VP-5 spotted a disabled Soviet Yankee Class submarine. The MAD FOXES provided sole coverage of the final hours before the sub sank.

The squadron transitioned to the P-3C Update III while completing preparations for their 1989-1990 deployment. The MAD FOXES deployed to Rota, Spain, with extended detachments to Lajes, Sigonella and Souda Bay in direct support of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm in 1991. Departing for Keflavik, Iceland in September 1992, VP-5 participated in operations stressing NATO interoperability and the P-3's role in coastal warfare.

In August 1995, the "Mad Foxes" embarked on a challenging tri-site deployment that split the squadron between Keflavik, Puerto Rico and Panama. This was the first time one squadron met the operational requirements of the entire Atlantic Ocean AOR. The squadron again deployed to the three sites in February 1997.



Maintaining a high operational tempo in support of ASW and NATO interoperability flights up north and drug interdiction flights down south, VP-5 completed the deployment with over 6,000 flight hours. The coordinated efforts of VP-5 and other forces in 1997 in the equatorial region interdicted \$33 billion dollars worth of drugs (street value).

In 1998, the Mad Foxes became the first East Coast squadron to deploy with the new Aircraft Improvement Program (AIP) P3Cs. The "Mad Foxes" flew missions over Bosnia-Herzegovina in support of Operation DELIBERATE FORGE and over Kosovo in Operation EAGLE EYE. The squadron deployed P-3C AIP-equipped assets over Kosovo and Bosnia, bringing to theater the first all-weather day and night overland reconnaissance and a true "sensor to shooter" platform against mobile targets.

AIP represents the latest version of the P-3 and is a new breed of "FOX." The

AIP program incorporates: SLAM (Stand-off Land Attack Missile) capability, high power electro-optical sensors, high resolution imaging radar, improved infrared detection system, and a survivability package including missile warning, chaff, and flares. These improvements have put the P-3 on the cutting edge of technology and promise to solidify the Orion's tactical and strategic importance well into the new millennium. The AIP enhancement has given the P-3 community the ability to expand upon their multi-mission capabilities of sea control, surveillance and littoral warfare in a joint and multi-national environment.

During their 2000 deployment to Iceland and Puerto Rico, the "Mad Foxes" introduced AIP to the North Atlantic Theater of Operations while participating in numerous exercises with NATO allies. In Puerto Rico, the squadron supported the nation's Counter-Narcotics efforts.

VP-5 deployed to NAS Sigonella, Sicily, in August 2001. In response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, the MAD FOXES relocated 40 percent of their combat aircrews and aircraft to NAS Souda Bay, Crete, providing direct support for Operation Enduring Freedom. Additionally, the squadron supported Operations Deliberate Forge and Joint Guardian while participating in 17 multi-national exercises.

In the last 26 years, the MAD FOXES have accumulated over 145,450 mishap-free flight hours.

The MAD FOXES continue to aggressively overcome new challenges posed by an increasingly hostile world.

VP-5 was the first unit in the Caribbean to encounter and track Soviet ships approaching Cuba in 1962!





VP-5 stands on the forefront of Maritime Patrol Aviation, ready to fight any aggressor of the United States. Safe, effective, and with unsurpassed crew and aircraft readiness, the MAD FOXES are prepared to respond to any situation.

Patrol Squadron Sixteen

The WAR EAGLES of Patrol Squadron SIXTEEN were commissioned in 1946, initially flying the amphibious PBV "Catalina." In the early 60's they transitioned to the highly sophisticated and versatile P-3 ORION. Today, the 410-person squadron is comprised of nine P-3C Update III aircraft and twelve combat aircrews with a crew compliment of three pilots, a tactical coordinator, a navigator/communicator, two flight engineers, two acoustic operators, one non-acoustic operator, and an in-flight technician. Squadron manning includes 76 officers and 334 enlisted personnel. The WAR EAGLES were the first Navy combat squadron to integrate female aviators into combat aircrews.

A dynamic cadre of administrative specialists supports the squadron's worldwide operations. Career Counselors, Personnel Specialists, Hospital Corpsmen, Information Systems Technicians, Intelligence Specialists, Culinary Specialists, Communications Specialists and Yeomen are among those whose numerous and substantive responsibilities are instrumental to the squadron's readiness and mission effectiveness.

Over 250 "Maintainers" keep aircraft running at peak performance. These industrious professionals include Aviation Machinist's Mates, Electrician's Mates, Storekeepers, Structural Mechanics, Ordnancemen, Support Equipment Technicians, Electronics Technicians, Maintenance Administrationmen and Aircrew Survival Equipmentmen. They maximize aircraft availability and material condition through ingenuity, technical expertise and quite simply, a lot of hard work.

The ORION is capable of delivering a fearsome host of weapons, to include MK-46 and MK-50 torpedoes, Harpoon and Maverick missiles, the Standoff Land Attack Missile (SLAM), Rockeyes and Mark 80 series bombs. The aircraft's multi-mission flexibility also includes pinpoint mine laying capability in harbors and shipping lanes. The multi-purpose P-3C offers the operational commander a potent weapons platform for worldwide employment with rapid response time. Similarly, the squadron has fully exploited the P-3C's exceptional command and control capabilities for "special operation missions" involving exercise insertions of Navy SEALs and other special forces.

The success of these operations is made possible by the array of sophisticated communications, navigation, detection and monitoring systems installed on the P-3C platform. Non-acoustic detection systems include the APS-115 radar, Infrared Detection System (IRDS), Magnetic Anomaly Detector (MAD), and ALR-66 Electronic Support Measures (ESM) equipment. One of the most dramatic improvements for the P-3C has been the incorporation of the Aircraft Improvement Program (AIP). Some of the upgrades include: Inverse Synthetic Aperture Radar (ISAR), a long range image radar that allows the P-3C to rapidly decipher the classification of forces at long range; Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR), a technical offshoot of ISAR which provides a map image of selected targets; a sophisticated long-range electro-optical system used to extensively observe ground force movements using Pioneer Video and Photo-Telesis; and a communication suite that fuses and relays data to remote, simultaneous users by multiple satellite connectivity paths. Not only has AIP supported Surface Warfare, it has provided critical data to the Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) mission which is fully engaged in support of Operations DETERMINED FORGE, DELIBERATE FORGE and JOINT

GUARDIAN over and near the Former Republic of Yugoslavia. Whether it be direct support to the Battle Group or shore commands, coupled with its variety of weaponry, the P-3C is firmly in place as an extension of the eyes, ears, and arm of the Battle Field Commander.

The WAR EAGLES recently concluded a split-site deployment to Sigonella, Sicily and Souda Bay, Greece. During the deployment, Patrol Squadron SIXTEEN operated simultaneously from as many as five sites in the Mediterranean and North Atlantic, flying over 6,000 hours and providing support for Operations Enduring Freedom, Joint Guardian, and Deliberate Forge. The WAR EAGLES continued their great success by contributing to numerous exercises in the Mediterranean area of operations.

Patrol Squadron Three Zero

PATROL SQUADRON THREE ZERO, the PRO'S NEST, is the U.S. Navy's maritime patrol fleet replacement squadron. VP-30's mission is to provide aircraft specific training for pilots, naval flight officers and enlisted aircrew prior to reporting to the maritime patrol aviation fleet. VP-30 trains approximately 650 officers and enlisted annually, using 29 P-3 Orion aircraft of various models. In addition, foreign military personnel from Great Britain, Canada, Australia, Thailand, Germany, Netherlands, Spain, Chile, Norway and Argentina have received specific aircrew and maintenance training on P-3 operations and systems.

VP-30 was commissioned in June 1960 at NAS Jacksonville to train flight crews for P-5 Marlin and P-2 Neptune aircraft. In June 1963, VP-30 Detachment ALFA was formed at Patuxent River, Md., to begin training for the newly introduced P-3 Orion. Growth of VP-30 Det ALFA soon became significant enough that the squadron homeport was changed to Patuxent River in 1966. In 1970, VP-30 assumed training for P-3 maintenance personnel, and in 1975, VP-30 returned to NAS Jacksonville. In August



1991, the command was designated a major shore command as the maritime patrol community's fleet replacement squadron.

VP-30 is the Navy's largest aviation squadron and the only site conducting maritime patrol fleet replacement training. Since its establishment, VP-30 has epitomized professionalism in naval aviation. This ideal has been the command's trademark, which is largely due to a rigorous process used to screen ground and flight instructors who come to the Pro's Nest with vast fleet operational experience. They also undergo an extensive instructor-under-training (IUT) syllabus prior to assignment as trainers. VP-30 ensures the fleet receives safe and competent replacement pilots, naval flight officers, aircrewmembers and maintenance technicians who are ready to do the job upon reporting to fleet squadrons.

VP-30's awards include three Navy Meritorious Unit Commendations, U.S. Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation and Operational Distinguishing Device, Chief of Naval Operations Safety Award, and Golden Anchor Award for retention. The squadron has more than 35 years and 321,000 accident free flight hours, a naval aviation record.

Patrol Squadron 45

The Patrol Squadron 45 (VP-45) Pelicans of NAS Jacksonville, Florida initially were commissioned as Patrol Squadron 205 (VP-205) on 1 November 1942, at NAS Norfolk, Virginia. Through the 1940s the squadron was very active, flying PBM Mariners in both the Atlantic and Pacific theatres. Spanning the entire globe, the Pelicans changed homeports 12 times in just over three years to such places as Cuba, Hawaii, Okinawa and Japan. Finally, while homeported in Bermuda in September 1948, they were designated as VP-45. In the 1950s, VP-45 transitioned to the Martin P-5M Marlin while based at NS Coco Solo, Panama.



VP-30 trains all Navy P-3 pilots and air crew, and is also the Navy's largest aviation squadron.



Homeported in Bermuda from 1956-63, the squadron assumed duties as the Bermuda Recovery Unit for the Mercury Space Program. VP-45 deployed to Cuba in 1962 for operations during the Cuban Missile Crisis, and as a result received the Battle "E" and CNO Safety Award for outstanding performance.

The Pelicans began transitioning to the P-3A Orion aircraft in September 1963. Earning a second Battle "E" and CNO Safety Award, the Pelicans completed the transition to the P-3A in less than eight months. Deployed to Adak, Alaska in 1965, the squadron made history as the first Atlantic VP squadron to see action in Southeast Asia.

In May of 1968, VP-45 responded in less than two hours to the tragic loss of the nuclear submarine USS SCORPION, flying extensive search and rescue missions. Later in the year, the squadron departed Jacksonville for another six-month deployment in support of combat operations in Southeast Asia, operating from bases at NS Sangley Point, Philippines and U-Tapao, Thailand.

The squadron began its transition to the upgraded P-3C Orion in 1972. During their five-month deployment to Sigonella in 1973, the Pelicans were the first squadron to fly the P-3C in the Mediterranean and were awarded the Captain Arnold J. Isbell Trophy for excellence in anti-submarine warfare (ASW). During deployments to Keflavik, Iceland, in 1974 and Sigonella in 1975, the Pelicans conducted ASW operations and surface surveillance while participating in several NATO and Sixth Fleet exercises. As a result, the squadron was awarded the first of their five Sixth Fleet "Hook 'em" Awards for ASW excellence.

In 2005, the Pelicans flew over 3,800 hours in direct support of OIF/OEF.

In September of 1984, VP-45 began a split deployment to Rota, Spain, and Lajes, Azores. During the five months that followed, VP-45 was awarded their fourth "Hook 'em" award and third Battle "E" for overall operational excellence. The Pelicans deployed to Sigonella in July 1987, flying over 4,500 hours of high tempo operations in direct support of the Sixth Fleet. The Pelicans then returned home to Jacksonville where they became the first active duty patrol squadron to retrofit the P-3C baseline aircraft with the advanced Update III package.

In 1992, VP-45 embarked upon a split deployment between Keflavik and Jacksonville, aggressively participating in carrier battle group operations and coordinated shallow water ASW with several NATO countries. During the deployment, the squadron surpassed 155,000 hours of mishap-free flying and achieved a phenomenal 99 percent sortie completion rate. Another multi-site deployment followed in 1993, with the aircrews showing their versatility by participating in both Operations Desert Storm and Sharp Guard. The Pelicans received the Golden Wrench Award for outstanding maintenance and the Captain Arnold J. Isbell trophy for ASW excellence.

The Pelicans deployed to Sigonella in 1996 and again set new standards for maritime patrol aviation by participating in 18 exercises and detaching to five locations throughout Europe and the Middle East. The squadron demonstrated the multi-mission capability of the P-3C, flying both tactical reconnaissance missions overland Bosnia and blockade support missions in Operation Sharp Guard.

Returning to Sigonella in 1997, the Pelicans flew over 5000 hours with a 98 percent sortie completion rate. The sorties flown supported 18 detachments from 10 different locations, including three weeks of SAR contingency operations out of Namibia. The Pelicans were the first VP squadron to

In 1965 VP-45 was the first Atlantic VP squadron to see action in Southeast Asia.

bring the Standoff Land Attack Missile (SLAM) to the Med, and fired the first Maverick Missile there since 1994. The squadron continued to set high standards for on-station presence and performance, both over land in Operation Deliberate Guard and in a remarkable 28 exercises in support of the Sixth Fleet. For outstanding performance throughout the year, the VP-45 Maintenance Department received the Golden Wrench Award for 1998.

Returning home to Jacksonville in August, the squadron transitioned to the latest P-3 upgrade, the Aircraft Improvement Program (AIP) modification. With the transition complete in August 2000, VP-45 took AIP back on deployment to Sigonella, Sicily. Highlighted by 24-7 armed surface combat air patrol, VP-45's deployment encompassed over 84 armed missions in support of Sixth Fleet contingency operations. The Pelicans provided superior support throughout the Mediterranean in Anti-submarine/Surface Warfare, Overland Reconnaissance, and Strike missions. The squadron was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for their success while deployed. They also earned the 2000 Golden Wrench Award, Captain Arnold J. Isbell Trophy and the Southeast Region Navy Community Service Award for the second consecutive year.

After the terrorist attacks in September 2001, VP-45 flew long-range reconnaissance missions along the U.S. East Coast in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The Pelicans were awarded the Arleigh Burke Trophy and the CNO Personal Excellence Partnership Award for 2001. The squadron departed for a split site Puerto Rico/Keflavik deployment in February 2002 and operated from multiple detachment locations



NAS Jax is home to five HS squadrons flying the SH-60F and HH-60H helicopter.

spanning three continents. During this deployment the squadron was involved in the largest maritime drug interdiction in SOUTHCOM history, totaling more than \$12.4 billion. The Pelicans received the Chief of Naval Operations Safety Award and the Captain Arnold J. Isbell trophy in 2002.

Returning from deployment, the Pelicans qualified 12 aircrews an unprecedented three months ahead of schedule, enabling the squadron to fully support National Training Continuum and OIF. Four Pelican aircrews were detached prior to and during OIF receiving 10 Navy Commendation Medals and 14 Navy Achievement Medals for exceptional skill and courage. In February 2004, the Pelicans returned home from Sigonella after operating from eight different countries in direct support of the Global War on Terrorism. The squadron's most recent accolades include the Command Retention Excellence Award, a second consecutive CNO safety award, and a second consecutive CPRW-11 nomination for Golden Wrench Award.

In June 2005, VP-45 set a new precedent as the first east coast VP squadron to deploy to Fifth and Seventh Fleets since the Vietnam Era. Operating out of sixteen countries, the Pelicans flew over 3800 hours in direct support of OIF/OEF and were the first to establish a detachment in Iraq while capturing the battlespace in real time for the troops on the ground and theater commanders. Additionally, VP-45 established a new Maritime Patrol Reconnaissance hub at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. For their outstanding performance the Pelicans were awarded the 2005 Battle "E".

Helicopter Sea Combat Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Det Jax

Helicopter Sea Combat Wing, US Atlantic Fleet, Det Jax carries on a long tradition of support to Atlantic Fleet HS squadrons. Originally established as Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing ONE (HSWING ONE) on April 1, 1973 at NAS Quonset Point, Rhode Island, the Wing was relocated to NAS Jacksonville

on December 15, 1973 and redesignated as Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (HSWINGLANT). Its mission was to train and support carrier-based (CV/CVN) HS squadrons to conduct all weather, multi-sensor Antisubmarine Warfare (ASW), comprehensive overwater search and rescue (SAR), and logistics support missions for all types of Atlantic Fleet units. HSWINGLANT was disestablished and assimilated into Helicopter Sea Combat Wing, US Atlantic Fleet (HSCWINGLANT) on April 1, 2005, as part of a major reorganization of the Navy's helicopter community. The HSWINGLANT organization survives today as Helicopter Sea Combat Wing, US Atlantic Fleet Det Jacksonville (HSCWINGLANT Det Jax). HSCWINGLANT Det Jax continues to support and train the five Atlantic Fleet HS squadrons in the traditional missions of CV/CVN-based ASW, overwater SAR, and logistics support as well as newer missions such as Combat Search and Rescue (CSAR), Naval Special Warfare (NSW) support,



In 2005, HS-3 flew over 113 combat missions with British forces in the southeast of Iraq.

In 1990, the squadron enforced the United Nations sanctions against Iraqi trade, and achieved another milestone by conducting the first ever helicopter insertion of a special forces boarding team to take-down a hostile merchant ship. HS-3 provided superb combat support during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm and was awarded a Navy Unit Commendation for its accomplishments. The squadron returned home to a hero's welcome in March 1991 and began preparing for their next first, the first east coast HS squadron transition to the SH-60 Seahawk. After a flawless transition, HS-3 deployed with the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) in March 1993 to support United Nations sanctions against Bosnia-Herzegovina and Iraq.

Preparations for the squadron's spring 1995 Mediterranean deployment were interrupted when the TRIDENTS were again called into action to support Operation Uphold Democracy during the military intervention in Haiti. During the spring of 1997, HS-3 and USS JOHN F KENNEDY (CV 67) participated in both Operation Deliberate Guard off the coast of Bosnia-Herzegovina and Operation Southern Watch, in support of United Nations sanctions against Iraq.

In March 1999, The TRIDENTS deployed aboard USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) in support of Operation Noble Anvil to conduct combat operations in Kosovo. The Theodore Roosevelt also enforced no-fly zones over Southern Iraq.

In April 2001, HS-3 deployed aboard the USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65), which would eventually become a key force behind the highly successful first strikes in response to the September 11, 2001, terror attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

and Antisurface Warfare (ASUW). All five DET JAX squadrons professionally fly and maintain SH-60F and HH-60H helicopters in support critical US Navy missions around the world.

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Three

HELICOPTER ANTISUBMARINE SQUADRON THREE was established June 18, 1952, at the Naval Air Facility, Elizabeth City, North Carolina. The squadron commenced operations flying the Piasecki UH-25B helicopter, and later transitioned to the Sikorsky H-19, SH-34, and SH-3 Sea King helicopters, becoming the first Atlantic Fleet operational

squadron to operate with the gas turbine powered SH-3.

The TRIDENTS of HS-3 have been involved in many of the international events during almost five decades of existence. During the early 1960s HS-3 participated in the Naval blockade of Cuba, and throughout the 60s and 70s picked up many of the Apollo astronauts. In the early 1970s, HS-3 participated in the relief of Tunisian flood victims, rescuing or relocating 630 people while transporting more than 43,000 pounds of food and medical supplies. In recognition of this humanitarian support, the squadron was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation.



In 2003, the TRIDENTS deployed to support diplomatic efforts in the Middle East with the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) and Carrier Air Wing EIGHT. After returning home in May of that year, they squadron maintained their operational tempo in a surge status until early 2004.

On September 1, 2005, HS-3 deployed with the Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group.

After arriving in the Northern Arabian Gulf (NAG) HS-3 began providing armed plane guard aircraft in support of the Air Wing's combat missions in Northern Iraq and force protection for USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71). The Tridents also coordinated and executed a joint HS-3/HSL-44 NSW HVBSS exercise to USS Oscar Austin (DDG 79). The Tridents flew 148 passengers and 25,410 pounds of cargo during more than 600 flight hours in the month of October, freeing many local logistics aircraft to conduct earthquake

relief operations in Pakistan. On multiple occasions the Tridents were called upon to demonstrate their multi-mission nature as well as their adaptability. HS-3 repeatedly sprung into action without reservation when scheduled Vertical Replenishment (VERTREP) assets were unable to perform their tasking.

On October 18, 2005, HS-3 began integrated operations with the British Joint Helicopter Force (JHF) in the MND-SE region of Iraq. The squadron flew over 113 combat missions and 231.5 flight hours in support of British Operation TELIC. The squadron flawlessly performed Security and Stability Operations (SASO), including troop inserts and extracts, convoy escort, riverine operations, mobile vehicle check points, logistics, photoreconnaissance of over land locations for future ground operations, and Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) of liquid natural gas, petroleum, and refinery infrastructure and Southern Iraq waterways.

Previous HS squadrons had flown the ISR missions, but HS-3 was the first to integrate themselves with British Army and Royal Air Force Units in MND-SE. By year's end, the squadron had flown 1,922.2 hours with a 100 percent sortie completion rate.

At full steam through the world's waters, the TRIDENTS are prepared to continue the proud tradition of forward projection of our nation's resources by sea.

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Five

HELICOPTER ANTI-SUBMARINE SQUADRON FIVE was commissioned at Naval Air Station Key West, Fla., on January 3, 1956. Since its origin, the squadron has expanded upon its original mission of denying the enemy the effective use of their submarines. HS-5 today is a true workhorse squadron, conducting Antisubmarine Warfare (ASW), Combat Search and Rescue (CSAR), Naval Special Warfare (NSW), Search





Helicopter crews train daily at NAS Jax.

and Rescue (SAR), Anti-Surface Warfare (ASuW), Medical evacuation (MEDEVAC), Vertical Replenishment (VERTREP), and providing logistical support for the battle group.

From the beginning, HS-5 has been a pioneer in helicopter antisubmarine warfare. In 1958, HS-5 was the first to be fully equipped with the HSS-1N Sea Horse. As a result of their pioneering efforts with the 'dipping' (submersible) sonar from the HSS-1N, the members of HS-5 acquired the nickname Nightdippers.

In 1972, a new era began for the Nightdippers with the squadron's assignment to Carrier Air Wing SEVEN (CVW-7). The squadron again changed duty stations, this time to

their present homeport of Jacksonville. Highlights during this period include support of Operations Deny Flight and Southern Watch, and more recently, support of Operation Noble Eagle on September 11, 2001, and Enduring Freedom in February 2002.

Another chapter in NIGHTDIPPER history began in 1995 when they transitioned from the venerable SH-3H Sea King to the state-of-the-art SH-60F/HH-60H Seahawk. During IKE Battle Group's Joint Task Group 00-1 Deployment, HS-5's aggressive training, operational planning, and flawless execution instilled in every theater commander the confidence that the Nightdippers remain one of the most combat ready and tactically innovative helicopter squadron in the Navy. As a direct result of this, the squadron was awarded the Battle "E" Efficiency Award for calendar year 2000. HS-5's 2002 cruise on board USS JOHN F. KENNEDY in support of

Operation Enduring Freedom also yielded the Battle "E" Efficiency Award and a third consecutive Thach award for Anti-Submarine Warfare proficiency. In 2004, the Nightdippers were deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on board USS GEORGE WASHINGTON.

The squadron has won the prestigious Battle E award three of the last five years and the Fleet Forces Retention Excellence Award for the last two years.

Recent NIGHTDIPPER achievements speak for themselves. Approximately thirty maintainers, aircrew, and pilots from HS-5 were deployed for six months to an Expanded Maritime Interdiction Operation (EMIO) operating site. The Nightdippers established a dominant military presence upon their arrival in theater and passed this efficient operation on to the WARHAWKS of HS-10, who relieved them. The Nightdippers effectively fulfilled the Navy's EMIO mission, acting as a critical maritime component of

In 2005, HS-5 rescued 41 victims of Hurricane Katrina and delivered almost 15,000 pounds of food and water.



the Global War on Terrorism by deterring, delaying, and disrupting the movement of terrorists and terrorist-related materials at sea. The Nightdippers collaborated on this mission with Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Teams (FAST) and Mobile Security Squadron Seven (MSS-7), as well as other various allied nations and their forces.

In addition to the recent completion of the EMIO mission, HS-5 provided two aircraft and 37 personnel for the massive Hurricane Katrina relief effort. The Nightdippers logged more than 93.6 flight hours and rescued 41 people in distress, as well as delivering 14,860 pounds of food and water to hurricane victims.

Since Katrina, HS-5 deployed multiple times aboard USS EISENHOWER, and will continue to maintain a full schedule preparing for upcoming deployments. The Nightdippers continue to lead the community in all aspects of the ever-expanding HS mission.

HS-7

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron SEVEN was established in April 1956 at Naval Air Station Norfolk, Virginia, for the mission of harbor defense. HS-7 was later assigned the role of Anti-Submarine Warfare in support of fleet units. HS-7 served on board the USS VALLEY FORGE (CVS 45) while flying the Sikorsky HSS-1 helicopter. The squadron was disestablished on May 31, 1966 but later re-established at Naval Air Station Quonset Point, Rhode Island, on December 15, 1969.

During the 1970s the HS-7 Shamrocks—deployed to a variety of locations, including the coast of Vietnam and the Mediterranean Sea. In 1973 HS-7 joined Carrier Air Wing THREE, changed homeports Jacksonville and transitioned to the SH-3H Sea King helicopter.

From 1981 to 1993, the Shamrocks deployed numerous times on board the USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67), to

include deployments in support of Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM. In December 1993 the Shamrocks and Carrier Air Wing THREE shifted to the USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69). In 1994 the Shamrocks became the first HS squadron on the east coast to be assigned female Sailors and Officers. In September 1994 HS-7 was tasked to support “IKE” and the US Army’s 10th Mountain Division off the coast of Haiti during Operation UPHOLD DEMOCRACY. Later that same year HS-7 supported the IKE/CVW 3 team in the Arabian Gulf during Operation SOUTHERN WATCH and in the Adriatic Sea during Operations DENY FLIGHT and PROVIDE PROMISE. After returning from deployment in 1995, the Shamrocks retired the Navy’s last carrier-based SH-3H helicopters and transitioned to the Sikorsky SH-60F and HH-60H. The squadron completed its first deployment flying these new aircraft



Many helicopters from NAS Jax have flown combat missions “in the sandbox.”



from the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) in May 1997.

HS 7 returned to Jacksonville in May 1999 after participating in Operations DESERT FOX and DELIBERATE FORGE while embarked in USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65). The squadron completed the maiden deployment of the USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN 75), returning home in June 2001. From December 2002 until April 2005, HS-7 deployed twice more with the Truman. During the first deployment it served in the Mediterranean and Adriatic Seas in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH and IRAQI FREEDOM. After changing the squadron name to reflect its long standing call sign, the newly designated "Dusty Dogs" returned to the Truman in late 2004. While deployed to the Arabian Gulf the Dusty Dogs detached aircraft and personnel to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait;

between November 2004 and February 2005 HS-7 flew Naval Special Warfare support and Air Reconnaissance missions over southern Iraq to protect coalition forces, Iraqi civilians and critical infrastructure.

After returning to NAS Jacksonville in April 2005, HS-7 detached numerous times to support pilot Carrier Qualification operations. At the same time the squadron kept readiness at peak levels in support of an eight-month Sustainment period. In August 2005 the Dusty Dogs were directed to provide relief to the citizens of New Orleans and the Gulf Coast in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The Dusty Dogs rescued over 200 people from the flooded areas of New Orleans and evacuated 300 more to medical facilities or areas clear of the devastation. In April 2006, the squadron briefly joined Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN and the USS GEORGE

WASHINGTON (CVN 73) for the Partnership of the Americas deployment, during which HS-7 participated in combined military exercises to improve maritime security and foster relations with nations in the Caribbean and South America.

HS-7 proudly answers to the call sign "Dusty Dog" and provides the Navy with the fleet's finest Sea Combat and Strike Warfare capabilities.

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Eleven

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Eleven (HS-11) was commissioned in 1957, at NAS Quonset Point, Rhode Island. Located at NAS Jacksonville since October 1973, the Dragonslayers currently fly Sikorsky SH-60F/HH-60H Seahawk helicopters, having transitioned from the SH-3H Sea King in 1994.

The Dragonslayers have a distinguished history. The squadron played a





significant role in astronaut recovery, picking up several Gemini personnel and helping to develop recovery procedures for the Apollo lunar program. HS-11 also was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation for its outstanding rescue efforts on board the USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67) after two disastrous collisions at sea in 1975 and 1976. The squadron has participated in operations in Libya, Iraq, Somalia, the former Republic of Yugoslavia, Afghanistan, and Iraq. The Dragonslayers were called into action ashore in 1993 to aid in the aftermath of Hurricane Andrew in south Florida and in 1999 gained international attention for rescuing nine men whose ship was sunk at sea in the midst of Hurricane Floyd. The squadron has successfully delivered Naval Special Warfare personnel onto ships smuggling Iraqi oil in violation of United Nations sanctions, as well as ships suspected of carrying Al-Qaeda terrorists.

In September 2001, HS-11 deployed in support of USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) for a record breaking 159 days at sea while simultaneously maintaining a two-month combat search & rescue (CSAR) detachment in Pakistan, earning the Navy Unit Commendation and the 2001 Battle Efficiency Award. The next year was spent maintaining readiness and participating in numerous public relations events. The squadron deployed again in August 2003 on board the USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) while simultaneously maintaining a two-month CSAR detachment to the Horn of Africa in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, returning in February 2004. The Dragonslayers returned overseas for Summer Pulse 04 to assess the Navy's Fleet Response Plan. HS-11's most recent deployment was on board the USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) in Summer 2006 where they conducted over 90 combat missions in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The Dragonslayers have received many awards for their Antisubmarine Warfare (ASW) excellence, including the Isbell Trophy and the Admiral Jimmy Thatch Award as the Navy's most outstanding carrier-based ASW squadron. The Dragonslayers also have received numerous maintenance awards and a number of Battle Efficiency "E" awards for helicopter squadron excellence.

Whenever there is a requirement for award-winning ASW protection, Anti-Terrorism Force Protection, Naval Special Warfare support, or Combat Search and Rescue operations, the Dragonslayers of HS-11 are trained and ready on arrival.

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Fifteen

HELICOPTER ANTISUBMARINE SQUADRON FIFTEEN (HS-15) was commissioned to fly the SH-3 Sea King in October 1971, at Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, New Jersey. In November



U.S. Navy photo by Photographer's Mate 2nd Class Andrea Simmons

Jacksonville, Fla. (Feb. 3, 2006) - Aviation Structural Mechanic 2nd Class Jason Persad assigned to the "Emerald Knights" of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Seven Five (HS-75) perform a turn around inspection on a SH-60F Seahawk helicopter before a flight.

1973, the squadron moved from Lakehurst to Jacksonville, and in 1992, HS-15 transitioned to the SH-60F Seahawk helicopter.

As a Carrier Air Wing squadron, HS-15 has operated aboard eight East Coast carriers: USS NIMITZ (CVN 68), USS AMERICA (CV-66), USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62), USS FORRESTAL (CV 59), USS SARATOGA (CV 60), USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65), USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CV 69), USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CV 73), and is presently attached to USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67), as an element of Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN (CVW-17). Over the years, operations have taken HS-15 to the Atlantic, Arctic, and Indian Oceans as well as the Adriatic, Arabian, Caribbean, Mediterranean, and Norwegian Seas. During these deployments the RED LIONS have played a unique role in U.S. foreign policy and military actions. Included among HS-15's historic foreign policy and military actions are: Iranian/Afghanistan Contingency Operations, the U.S. Multinational Peacekeeping Force in Lebanon, combat operations during Urgent Fury in Grenada, extensive North Atlantic anti-submarine warfare (ASW) operations with NATO, Operation Provide Comfort in Iran, Operation Provide Promise/Deny Flight in the former Yugoslavia, Operations Decisive Endeavor and Southern Watch in the Arabian Gulf, and Operations Deliberate Guard and Cooperative Assembly supporting U.S. involvement in the Balkans conflict.

While conducting peacekeeping operations off the coast of Lebanon in 1982, the RED LIONS were specifically tasked with shuttling U.S. Special Envoy Phillip Habib to and from Beirut as he negotiated a settlement to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

With the commencement of Operation Desert Shield in August 1990, and then Desert Storm in January 1991, Carrier Air Wing SIX and HS-15 entered a grueling training regime in preparation for possible



deployment to the Middle East. In 24 days, vice the normal four months, Air Wing SIX completed refresher and advanced phase training, finishing the most intensive carrier work-up period ever conducted in the Atlantic Fleet.

The most impressive task performed by HS-15 occurred on September 12, 2001, the day after the tragic terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Within twenty-four hours of receiving the call the RED LIONS had four aircraft and over half of its personnel onboard the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON, in New York City Harbor, helping to provide Combat Air Patrol.

Throughout the past year the RED LIONS have continued to be actively involved in the war on terrorism. During the first three months of their last deployment on board USS GEORGE WASHINGTON, HS-15 actively participated in Operations Enduring Freedom and Southern Watch. The RED LIONS provided numerous hours of Search and Rescue flights and Combat Search and Rescue alerts allowing CVW-17 aircraft to constantly provide airpower in support of U. S. ground forces in Afghanistan. During the last half of the deployment, the RED LIONS participated in numerous coalition exercises with allied countries including Med Shark with the Moroccan Air Force; Destined Glory with the Italian Navy; Joint Wings 2002, an air wing detachment to Pula, Croatia; and PHIBLEX 02 over Albania. Bottom line: whatever the call, when it comes, the RED LIONS are ready.

Commander, Sea Control Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet

SEA CONTROL WING, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET was established in April 1973 as the wing commander for all operational S-3 Viking aircraft on the U.S. East Coast. After 24 years at NAS Cecil Field, the wing relocated to NAS Jacksonville in 1997. The





staff is charged with maintaining the material and operational readiness of all Atlantic Fleet fixed wing, carrier-based sea control (VS) squadrons. With the end of the Cold War, the Viking community shifted its focus from antisubmarine and undersea warfare. The Sea Control Wing today provides the oversight and community guidance for all surface and electronic warfare issues, maintenance developments and operational readiness factors impacting the VS community. In addition, it serves as immediate superior of the community's tactical center of excellence, the Sea Control Weapons School.

SEA CONTROL WING, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET supports four operationally deploying S-3B squadrons. Each VS squadron is routinely assigned six Viking aircraft with approximately 35 officers and 220 enlisted. When not deployed aboard U.S. Atlantic Fleet aircraft carriers, the squadrons use NAS Jacksonville

for their shore-based training and operations. The wing also provides administrative support to the Sea Control Weapons School and Carrier Tactical Support Center Ashore.

In an age that has seen marked strides in the area of combat technologies, the S-3 and the Navy's forces are prepared to meet the challenge. The VS force is continuously training and flying to ensure the highest S-3 readiness, making the combination of trained professionals and advanced technology a formidable adversary to any hostile threat.

Sea Control Squadron Two Two

VS-22 was established on May 18, 1960 at Naval Air Station Quonset Point, Rhode Island. Since the squadron's inception, "Checkmate" aircraft have operated from the decks of legendary carriers: USS ESSEX, USS INTREPID, USS WASP, USS SARATOGA, USS INDEPENDENCE,

USS AMERICA, USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, and USS HARRY S. TRUMAN. On May 5, 1961, the "Checkmates" took part in the recovery of America's first astronaut, Alan B. Shepard, and spent the remaining Cold War years hunting Soviet submarines in the Atlantic Ocean. Since that time, "Checkmates" have flown combat support missions in Operations Desert Storm, Provide Comfort, Southern Watch, Nobel Anvil, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom. During Operation Juniper Stallion, VS-22 became the first S-3B squadron to engage a land target with an AGM-65F Maverick missile. The "Checkmates" have won nine Battle Efficiency Awards, six CNO Aviation Safety Awards, three Navy Unit Commendations, and five Meritorious Unit Commendations. Sea Control Squadron TWO TWO will have the distinct honor of being the US Navy's last "Viking" squadron when it decommissions in 2009.



Sea Control Squadron Two Four

SEA CONTROL SQUADRON TWO FOUR (VS-24) traces its history back to Jan. 1, 1943, when it was commissioned as BOMBING SQUADRON SEVENTEEN (VB-17). Its designation and tasking changed several times before 1993, when the squadron was redesignated Sea Control Squadron TWO FOUR, which reflected the new, current multi-mission role of the Viking aircraft.

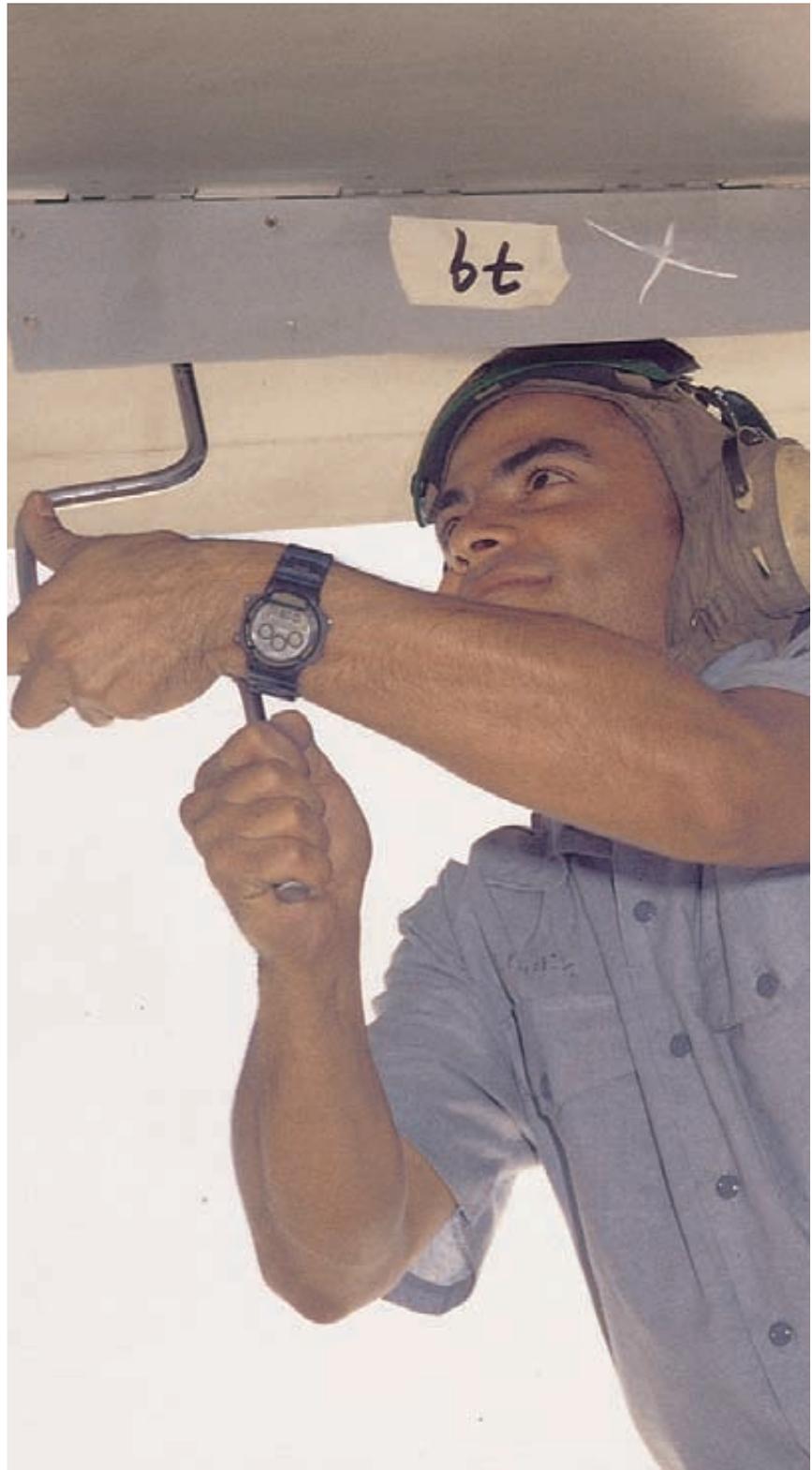
The Scouts of VS-24 began flying the S-3B Viking in September 1989. Recent modifications have increased the combat effectiveness of the Scouts by adding the Maverick and the Standoff Land Attack Missile-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER). They continue to be a proven element in the successful execution of anti-surface warfare, electronic warfare, over-the-horizon targeting, counter-targeting and aerial refueling.

In 1991, the Scouts deployed to the Persian Gulf in support of Operations Desert Shield/Storm. VS-24 crews were responsible for the first S-3B land strike over enemy territory and the first sea strike against a hostile patrol craft. During the rest of the decade, the Scouts deployed to the Mediterranean Sea and Persian Gulf in support of Operations Southern Watch, Deliberate Force and Noble Anvil.

In 2001, VS-24 participated in Operation Enduring Freedom while deployed on USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65), supporting joint air strikes in Afghanistan against terrorist targets. In 2003, the Scouts were among the first off the deck flying missions in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Most recently the Scouts returned from a very successful deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Breaking established norms, the Scouts flew 229 direct combat support missions over Iraq accumulating 790.6 combat hours.

The Scouts are the proud recipients of numerous awards, including the Battle





"E" Efficiency Awards, Safety "S," Retention Excellence and Golden Wrench Award for fleet maintenance excellence. Back home the Scouts continue their pursuit of excellence in the community, participating in or leading Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Drives, the Combined Federal Campaign, Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society, and Habitat for Humanity (HABIJAX).

Today, the Scouts continue to show themselves as leaders of both the Viking community and the Jacksonville community as well. Scouts RULE!

Sea Control Squadron Three One

SEA CONTROL SQUADRON THREE ONE (VS-31) originally existed as Scouting Squadron 31, based at NAS Squantum, Massachusetts. The squadron served meritoriously, flying the Douglas SBD-5 Dauntless and the Curtiss SB2C-4E Helldiver in the North Atlantic from 1942 until the end of

World War II in 1945, when it was decommissioned.

Reestablished as Composite Squadron 31 in 1948, VC-31 became the Atlantic Fleet's first VS squadron when its mission was changed to carrier-based anti-submarine warfare. The squadron was re-designated AIR ANTISUBMARINE SQUADRON 31 (VS-31), took the name Topcats and subsequently moved to NAS Quonset Point, R.I.

In the early years, the VS-31 Topcats accomplished its ASW mission utilizing the TBM Avenger, followed by the AF Guardian Hunter/Killer aircraft. In 1954, the Topcats received the first Grumman S-2 Tracker. This was the first true ASW aircraft that combined both search and destroy capabilities in a single carrier-based platform.

In 1973, VS-31 departed NAS Quonset Point and relocated to NAS Cecil Field, Fla. In the following year, the Topcats became the first VS squadron to deploy on USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) as

part of the first operational test of the CV concept. This was also the last deployment the S-2 Tracker would make with the squadron. The jet-powered S-3A Viking would become the Topcats' new ASW platform.

In 1988, the Topcats made their last deployment with the S-3A, and upon return from the Mediterranean transitioned to the S-3B, a quantum improvement in antisubmarine and anti-surface warfare capabilities. In March 1990, VS-31 was the first squadron to deploy with the S-3B.

The terrorist attack on our country September 11, 2001, changed our way of life and focused our nation's resolve to eradicate terrorism from the globe. On that day the Topcats embarked simultaneously on the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN-73) and USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67) in support of homeland defense against. In February 2002 the Topcats deployed on board the USS JOHN F. KENNEDY





(CV-67) in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Operation Enduring Freedom was one of the most challenging deployments for this squadron. The Topcats completed 4000 hours, 1586 sorties and 1733 traps with a 99.2 percent sortie completion rate. The squadron finished its thirty-second year of Class A mishap-free flying! This deployment was a defining moment for TOPCAT leadership, maintainers and administrators.

In 2004, the Topcats embarked aboard the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN-73) for a sixth month cruise, once again in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as well as Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Topcats also took part in Operations Sea Dragon and Thunder and Lightning. The Topcats are scheduled for their last deployment in early 2007 with their new air wing, Carrier Air Wing Nine (CVW-9) aboard USS JOHN C STENNIS (CVN-74). This will be the first deployment of an East Coast S-3B squadron with a West Coast air wing. During the Topcats' final deployment, they will be employing the most lethal S-3B to date, outfitted with the Standoff Land Attack Missile-Expanded Response (SLAM-ER) stand-off missile and the Maverick missile. To directly support combat troops on the ground they will also be carrying the Low Altitude Navigation and Targeting Infrared for Night (LANTIRN) system to conduct day and night surveillance. They are scheduled to be decommissioned in 2008.

Throughout the years the Topcats have earned a significant number of professional awards. In 2004, the Topcats won their twelfth Lockheed Golden Wrench Award for Maintenance Excellence. VS-31 also has won the CNO Aviation Safety Award for 1989, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999 and 2002. In addition to these Safety Awards, the Topcats were awarded the COMNAVAIRLANT Battle Efficiency Award in 1977, 1978, 1979, 1983, 1990,





1996, 1998, 1999, 2002, and most recently in 2004.

Sea Control Squadron Three Two

VS-32 was established at NAS Norfolk, Virginia, in May 1949. Initially flying the TBM Avenger, VS-32 subsequently transitioned to the AF Guardian and later the S-2 Tracker at NAS Quonset Point, R.I. In October 1973, the squadron's homeport was changed to NAS Cecil Field, Florida and, eventually NAS Jacksonville, Fla. The squadron transitioned to the S-3A Viking in October 1975, and currently flies the upgraded S-3B Viking.

The MAULERS have been recognized throughout the years for their accomplishments in the sea control community. VS-32 has received seven Battle "E" Efficiency Awards, seven Admiral Jimmy Thach Awards, seven Capt. A.J.

Isbell trophies for excellence in antisubmarine warfare, and 14 Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Safety Awards.

VS-32 was the first S-3 squadron to log more than 1,000 hours without a missed sortie while deployed. During the Desert Storm deployment, VS-32 became the first VS squadron to score a combat kill when they located, attacked, and sank an Iraqi patrol boat. More recently, the MAULERS once again demonstrated the multi-mission capabilities of the S-3, conducting long range mine exercises, over-the-horizon targeting, live and inert ordnance drops and electronic warfare, ASW, anti-surface warfare operations and overland reconnaissance during the same deployment.

Other accomplishments include being the first squadron to take the S-3B into overland operations to support United Nations Deny Flight in Bosnia, Restore Hope in Somalia, and Support

Democracy and Able Manner off the coast of Haiti. VS-32 earned distinction as the only Navy squadron to participate simultaneously in all three worldwide United Nations operations. During its most recent deployments, VS-32 flew numerous combat missions in support of the global war on terror in OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM. For the MAULERS of VS-32, when the country — or the world — calls, they'll be there.

Fleet Readiness Center Southeast

In October 2006, the Naval Air (NAVAIR) Depot Jacksonville combined with Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Detachments (AIMD) NAS Jacksonville, AIMD Naval Station Mayport, and AIMD NAS Key West, to form the Fleet Readiness





Center Southeast (FRC-SE). This merger integrates Level II and Level III maintenance, aligning and streamlining the production capability and capacity of the Depots and the AIMDs into a single off-aircraft maintenance provider. This merger also integrated approximately 3,500 civilians and 1,000 sailors to establish the most knowledgeable naval maintenance team in the southeast region.

The FRC-SE provides direct and indirect maintenance support to 16 VS, HS, and VP squadrons comprised of S-3 Viking, H-60 Seahawk, and P-3 Orion aircraft assigned to NAS Jacksonville, Florida, as well as depot-level maintenance and repairs for the F/A-18 Hornet, P-3C Orion, H-60 Seahawk, and EA-6B Prowler. Additionally, a variety of jet engines, thousands of aircraft components, and the ground support equipment necessary to keep naval aircraft flying receive overhaul at FRC-SE. When needed, maintenance teams travel the world to assist the warfighter on ships and in squadrons.

Distribution Depot Jacksonville, Florida

The Distribution Depot Jacksonville, Florida (DDJF), was established to consolidate depot management of certain supply functions and place them under the control of the Defense Logistics Agency.

DDJF officially came into being in March 1992. The Depot assumed control of freight, traffic and warehousing operations at the Jacksonville complex of the Navy Supply Center (now Fleet and Industrial Supply Center).

DDJF's worldwide customer base includes Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Andros Island, and Key West. Locally, the depot supports NAVAIR Jacksonville, NAS Jacksonville and Naval Station Mayport. DDJF averages 10,000 monthly receipts, 28,000 issues, and 80,000 line items in storage valued at \$4.6 billion.

The Supply Center and DDJF continue to serve the fleet in the fine tradition of teamwork, innovation and superb service that have distinguished

the Jacksonville supply operation since its inception.

Fleet and Industrial Supply Center

FISC Jacksonville

Fleet and Industrial Supply Center Jacksonville provides supply support services to Fleet units as assigned and perform such other functions as may be directed by the Commander, Fleet and Industrial Supply Centers.

Through Naval Supply Systems Command Transformation initiatives, FISC Jacksonville has evolved from a local storefront operation with several remote regional sites to a unified and decentralized single point provider of supply chain and logistics products and services for all Naval activities throughout the southeast region, from Texas to Puerto Rico.

Applying efficiencies and reorganizations, FISC Jacksonville has downsized by over 10 percent to 329 employees. Our expanded area of responsibility through a series of supply functional



alignments includes two Naval Air Depot maintenance activities, three ship construction and repair facilities, and the pending transfer of 21 base supply departments across nine states in the Southeastern United States and the Caribbean; in each case bringing efficiencies to the newly aligned organizations.

FISC Jacksonville manages a combined budget of \$115 million and a workforce of approximately 1100 personnel at 26 sites, delivering combat capability through logistics, at the right level and the right cost.

Naval Operational Support Center (NOSC) Jacksonville

The NOSC, formerly known as Naval Air Reserve Jacksonville, was established in April 1946 as the Naval Air Reserve Training Unit. NAVAIRES Jacksonville became the NOSC on March 31, 2006. Reserve units were called to duty during the Korean

Conflict, Berlin Crisis and Cuban Missile Crisis.

Many Jacksonville-based units fought during the Vietnam War, flying voluntary missions to the Western Pacific in support of the U.S. effort by airlifting humanitarian goods. In 1973, intelligence debriefing officers spent five months of temporary active duty at various U.S. Naval Hospitals in support of Operation Homecoming for returning Vietnam POWs.

The Naval Air Reserve has kept pace with the full-time Navy and are able to mobilize with the latest and best equipment. Reserve Squadron VP-62 has transitioned to the latest Anti-Surface Warfare Improvement (AIP) modification of the P-3 Orion, and HS-75 is flying the SH-60 Seahawk. VR-58 flies the new C-40 Clipper, providing important logistical support for active duty Navy personnel.

Today nearly 1,200 Selected Reservists drill with 14 augmentation units.

Assigned units drill throughout Florida. In addition, approximately 80 full-time-support military personnel and civilians are assigned temporary additional duty with tenant commands aboard NAS Jacksonville. Since Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm, the largest, fastest mobilization since World War II, the Reserve Forces have been tested and proven to be a reliable, capable force. More than 400 members of the Reserve Jacksonville team deployed during Desert Storm.

During the ongoing Global War on Terrorism, Navy Reserve support is vital to operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. Navy Reservists serve as Individual Augmentees to Civil Affairs units in Kabul, Seabees build public works in Iraq, and other Naval personnel support OEF/OIF in countless ways. NOSC Jacksonville continues to support these Sailors.

NOSC Jacksonville has received several awards for mobilization excellence,





including the Ensign C.H. Hamman Award, recognizing the most efficient Naval Air Reserve in the force, and the Golden Helm Award for retention excellence.

Fleet Logistics Support Squadron Five Eight

FLEET LOGISTICS SUPPORT SQUADRON FIVE EIGHT (VR-58) was established at NAS Jacksonville in November 1977. The squadron is composed of active duty and Selected Reserve personnel who provide seven-day, around-the-clock worldwide logistics support for all Department of Defense forces.

The SUNSEEKERS operate three Boeing C-40A Clipper aircraft, The C-40A operates at speeds in excess of 500 mph and altitudes up to 41,000 feet and is capable of carrying seven

crewmembers, 121 passengers, 30,000 pounds of cargo, or various combined passenger/cargo loads.

Since its establishment, VR-58 has compiled almost 30 years and more than 120,000 class alpha mishap-free flight hours, provided more than 16 million cargo ton miles and more than 16 million passenger seat miles, and provided personnel and aircraft for 90 overseas detachments. Squadron missions encompass worldwide fleet support: throughout the United States, Caribbean, Central and South America, Asia, Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Mediterranean, the Western Pacific, including the Republic of China, and the Indian Ocean.

VR-58 has directly supported operations for U.S. forces in Lebanon, Grenada, NATO, Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm, as well as many other missions.

Awards include CNO Safety Award, Congressman Bill Chappell Award for operational excellence, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy Unit Commendation, Fleet Logistics Support Wing Training Excellence Award, and James M. Holcombe Award for Maintenance Excellence. The Squadron also took the JOSAC Operational Unit of the Year Award for 2000-2001, Regional Environmental Stewardship Award, National Defense Transportation Association Military Unit Award for 1996-1997, and the Administrative Excellence Award. In addition, the SUNSEEKERS of VR-58 received the ultimate honor for the logistics community by winning the coveted Noel Davis Trophy for achieving the highest level of readiness.

In the event of mobilization and recall of military forces, VR-58 is



completely prepared and would conduct the same mission it performs throughout the year. Through Reserve squadrons such as VR-58, the U.S. military ensures quick reaction to any emergent world situation. VR-58: a prime example of the “One Navy” concept, in which a reserve force squadron is fully integrated into fleet service.

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Seventy-Five

HELICOPTER ANTISUBMARINE SQUADRON SEVENTY-FIVE (HS-75) was established in July 1970, at Lakehurst, New Jersey, as one of four “Citizen Patriot” HS squadrons formed during the Naval Air Reserve’s 1970 reorganization. The squadron moved to NAS Willow Grove, Pa., in 1979, and subsequently relocated to NAS Jacksonville, Fla., in 1985.

The Emerald Knights’ primary mission is search and rescue (SAR) and undersea warfare (USW) operations. Its secondary

mission is to provide logistical support to Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Atlantic Fleet during carrier qualification periods. During HS-75’s 33 years of operation, the squadron has deployed aboard carriers, as well as numerous major combatants and auxiliaries. With safety always at the forefront, HS-75 has amassed more than 53,000 class alpha mishap-free flight hours.

In December 1990, HS-75 responded to tasking and deployed 53 personnel and three SH-3H helicopters to Naval Support Facility, Diego Garcia, in support of Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Maintaining SAR posture for 153 days, the highlight of the deployment was the rescue of three B-52 aircraft personnel on February 3, 1991. The squadron received a Meritorious Unit Commendation for its performance during Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

Between August 1993 and October 1998, HS-75 completed 25 detachments

embarking aboard every Atlantic Fleet carrier. In all, the squadron spent 533 days at sea and provided more than 24,000 man-days in support of the Training Command and Fleet Replacement Squadron. After the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, HS-75 deployed aboard the USS NIMITZ (CVN 68) for 54 days, embarked with CARRIER AIR GROUP 20, providing antiterrorism force protection.

The Emerald Knights have received many other awards in their history, including the Golden Wrench award for maintenance excellence. HS-75 also received a Meritorious Unit Commendation for its role in supporting Atlantic Fleet carrier operations during the transition to the HS-60 helicopter by Commander, Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. The command also won the 2002 Administrative Excellence Award, and



in July 2002 was awarded the Chief of Naval Operations' SAR Excellence Award for the rescue of a swimmer in distress near Mayport. In February 2003, the Emerald Knights rescued four people from a burning fishing vessel near St. Augustine, Florida. After phasing out the last of the SH-3H Sea Kings, HS-75 now operates six SH-60F Seahawk helicopters. More than half of the squadron's members are Selected Reservists who participate with the Naval Reserve as a second career, maintaining their proficiency through scheduled drills and annual training periods.

Patrol Squadron Six Two

Patrol Squadron Six Two (VP-62) is a Reserve Force unit commissioned in November 1970, to provide fully manned and equipped squadrons in the event of war or national emergency.

VP-62 is located at NAS Jacksonville, Fla., and has operated the SP-Neptune, P-3AJB Orion, the P-3C Update III, and currently the Navy's newest and most formidable maritime patrol aircraft, the P-3C AIP (Aircraft Improvement Program).

The squadron has selected reservists who commute across the southeastern United States to take part in proficiency training and fleet contributory support missions. Since commissioning, VP-62 has logged thousands of operational flight hours supporting the fleet throughout the world. During reservists' two-week annual training periods, VP-62 personnel have operated out of the Azores, Bermuda, Brazil, Chile, Crete, Japan, Iceland, Norway, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Sicily, Spain, and the United Kingdom. The overwhelming success of these

deployments has highlighted the advanced capability of the PR3C AIP and demonstrated the Naval Reserve's ability to effectively operate and maintain front-line equipment in a challenging real-world environment.

Through the years, the BROADARROWS of VP-62 have been recognized in the areas of operational readiness and command efficiency. Command awards include the Battle Efficiency "E," the Liberty Bell Trophy for antisubmarine warfare excellence, the Top Bloodhound Award for torpedo delivery excellence, the Mining Derby Award, and the Administrative Excellence Award. The BROADARROWS have surpassed 23 years and 86,000 hours of mishap-free flying, and in 1998 became the first Reserve Force unit to be awarded the NAS Jacksonville Tenant Command Safety Award.





History



1940s

NAS Jax was officially commissioned on October 15, 1940, when Captain Charles P. Mason raised his pennant as Naval Air Station Jacksonville's first commanding officer.

Prior to the commissioning, on September 7, Commander Jimmy Grant became the first pilot to land on the still unfinished runway in his N3N-3 biplane. More than 10,000 pilots and 11,000 aircrewmen followed his lead to earn the wings of gold at the station during World War II. Yellow Water Naval Air Gunnery School trained about 30,000 gunners.

The pace of training and construction increased as America entered World War II, and NAS Jax was soon operating three runways over 6,000 feet long as well as seaplane ramps. Overhaul and Repair facilities (later called Naval Aviation Depot and now Fleet Readiness Center Southeast) reworked the station's planes.



The Blue Angels return home to NAS Jacksonville after another show on June 17, 1947.

NAS Jax comprised more than 700 buildings before V-J (Victory over Japan) Day, including an 80-acre hospital and a prisoner-of-war compound which housed more than 1,500 German prisoners of war. Archbishop (later Cardinal) Francis J. Spellman dedicated St. Edward's Catholic Chapel at its Birmingham Avenue location on Jan. 17, 1943. The chapel, intended for a life of only 20 years, is still in use today.

The Navy led the dawning jet age in the 1940s — in 1948 the first jet carrier air groups and squadrons came to Jacksonville. In 1946, Lt. Cdr. Butch Voris, a World War II ace, formed the Navy's first Flight Demonstration Team, who would be better known by the color of their aircraft: the Blue Angels. By April 1949, Jacksonville was the East Coast's plane capital with more aircraft stationed here than at any other base



The SBD-5 Dauntless was being used as the station weather plane when this photo was taken on April 18, 1945.



Top: Students participate in a Bailout Survival Training Course, 1952. Center: NR-1 Ryans and N2S Stearman are tilted on their noses to pack in as many aircraft as possible. A hurricane was approaching the station when this photo was taken on September 13, 1941. Stearman #22 was the first ever reworked at the Assembly and Repair Shop (Naval Air Depot today). Bottom: The NAS Jacksonville main gate in 1953. Note that motorcycles are parked before the gate (located in the left side of the photo) because they were banned from the base.

from Nova Scotia to the Caribbean. NAS Jax wielded 60 percent of the fleet air striking force in the Atlantic area from pole to pole.

1950s

As in the 1940s, the nation was at war during the early years of the decade. The growing NAS Jacksonville supported the war effort in many ways.

Fleet Air Wing Eleven moved on base, bringing with it VP-3 from Coco Solo, Panama, and VP-5 from San Juan, Puerto Rico. The Blue Angels, who had moved to NAS Corpus Christi in the late 1940s, performed a last air show at the station on April 29, 1950, before forming a nucleus of an operational squadron (Satan's Kittens) which was assigned to combat in Korea. The "Blues" would not return to the station for more than two years. The Naval Air Technical Training Center was reactivated and included nine different schools.

With the signing of the Korean Armistice in 1953, NAS Jacksonville again converted to peacetime operations. The quiet of peace; however, did not diminish the activity on board the station. The following year, the last F4U Corsair, which had earned a superb reputation throughout World War II and Korea, departed the station forever. It was replaced by the state of the art FH-2 Banshee jet. VF-44 was the last squadron to fly the famous fighter.

Long a front runner in Naval aviation, NAS Jacksonville's Overhaul and Repair Department outfitted R4D transport airplane and H04S-3 helicopter to withstand the cold weather they would encounter on a historic mission: the 1955 Byrd expedition to the South Pole.

In the mid-fifties, the field expanded: an air traffic control center for joint use by the Navy, Air Force, and Civil Aeronautics Administration was completed at a cost of \$325,000, parking ramps were added to the land plane hangars and a 1,231-foot-long taxiway was built. The station now had over 11,000 military assigned, along with



5,000 civilians, and a payroll of more than \$35 million. The growth of NAS Jax had a tremendous economic impact on the economic area.

In February 1958, America entered the space age and launched the first satellite. Communication workers on NAS Jax were responsible for tracking this satellite, "Explorer." The station joined the space race once again when VP-18 was the first to spot and track the nose cone from the Army's test firing of the first Jupiter rocket. In May 1959, VP-18 continued its support of the space program, spotting and tracking the world's first astronauts, the space monkeys Alpha and Baker. After vectoring two destroyers and a Navy seagoing tug to the landing site, the mission was successfully completed as the monkeys were recovered.

NAS Jacksonville ended the 1950s with an event that would be important for decades to come. On October 1, 1959, NAS Jacksonville received its first P-3 Orion, a plane that would be the workhorse of VP community for the next 40-plus years.

1960s

Unlike the previous two decades, the 1960s opened upon a relatively calm world.

A young senator from Massachusetts named John F. Kennedy (who was a resident for a short period of time at Naval Hospital Jacksonville in WW II) narrowly defeated Richard M. Nixon in the 1960 presidential election. The next year, VP-7 was transferred here and assisted in the Project Mercury Space Program.

Soon, the calm world situation shattered when President Kennedy ordered a Naval blockade of Cuba in response to a massive Soviet missile build-up. NAS Jacksonville had sent an attack squadron to Guantanamo Bay; had patrol squadrons monitoring Soviet ship movements; and processed daily spy plane film was then immediately flown to Washington. The world stood ready



The Blue Angels return home to NAS Jacksonville after another show on June 17, 1947.

for war until the Soviet Union backed down and agreed to remove and dismantle its missiles located just 90 miles from the shores of America.

But another crisis on the other side of the world was building. For the first time, President Kennedy authorized the ever-increasing number of military advisers in South Vietnam to return fire against aggression from the North.

In 1965, when NAS Jacksonville celebrated its 25th anniversary and the "Happy Days" of the 1950s and 1960s gasped their last breath, President Johnson ordered more than 100,000 troops into Vietnam. For the third decade in a row, America was sending its sons and daughters (nurses) into combat, and NAS Jacksonville continued its proud tradition of supporting our Sailors, Soldiers, Airmen, and Marines.

The conflict hit close to home when in 1967, a young pilot by the name of John McCain, attached to VA-76 at Cecil Field, was shot down over North Vietnam while flying a combat mission from the aircraft carrier, USS Oriskany. He would be a prisoner of war for the next five-and-a-half years.

In 1968, NAS Jacksonville-based VA-176 became the last Navy

squadron to retire the A-1 Skyraider. The piston-driven plane had shot down three of four attacking Soviet MIG jets in one air fight in the skies over Vietnam, the only such time a propeller driven aircraft shot down a jet.

In February 1969, Hospital Corpsman Second Class E. Scott Hancock, a Jacksonville native who attended Robert E. Lee high school, was killed just 11 days after reporting to Vietnam. He lost his life assisting wounded Marines, and for his valor was awarded the nation's second highest award, the Navy Cross. The new enlisted dining facility at NAS Jacksonville built later that year was dedicated in his honor.

Also in 1969, the Barnett First National Bank located on base (no longer aboard NAS Jacksonville) was burglarized. The perpetrators were later caught in San Antonio, Texas and two-thirds of the \$363,000 was recovered.

1970s

NAS Jacksonville continued to support the Vietnam conflict. Though, the fixed wing antisubmarine community had the only personnel directly involved, thousands of sailors and civilian personnel supported combat operations. In 1973, the first Prisoner of War



P-3C Orion approaches NAS Jacksonville from the St. Johns River.

to be released from North Vietnam entered the naval hospital at NAS Jacksonville for a thorough examination and debriefing.

The 1970s was a decade of change and growth for the air station; new airframes arrived and old ones were retired. In 1970, the last two seaplanes left NAS Jacksonville for the boneyard at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. Also in 1970, Fleet Air Jacksonville Band disbanded. For the first time NAS Jacksonville would

have to depend on other service bands to meet musical commitments. Also disestablished were the Hurricane Hunters. Their NC121 Super Constellations had long been a familiar sight in the skies over Jacksonville, as well as playing a key role for the National Weather Service in tracking ravaging Atlantic storms. Helicopter Combat Support Squadron Two, the oldest helicopter squadron in the Navy was disestablished. The squadron had recorded more than 2,000

rescues. Fleet Air Jacksonville, established on board the air station in 1948, was decommissioned in June 1974.

New units and missions replaced the old. The first of four HH-1K helicopters arrived, and the aging H-34s used for search and rescue were retired. CBU-410 was organized and began station operations. VP-56 arrived from NAS Patuxent River, Md., and was soon followed by VP-49 and VP-24.

The station's popularity grew, and it became the most requested duty station throughout the Navy. In 1973, with the assignment of Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing One, the station's primary mission became antisubmarine warfare. The five helicopter squadrons accompanying the wing are still here today. The new helo assets created opportunities for sea and shore assignment to NAS Jacksonville. In 1974, Fleet Air Wing Eleven, composed of six patrol squadrons with 2,100 personnel and 54 P-3 Orions, changed their name to Patrol Wing Eleven. NAS Jacksonville had now become an antisubmarine force with which to be reckoned. Fleet Logistics



Intersection of Saratoga and Ballard looking east-northeast.



Support Squadron 58, flying C-9 Skytrains, was established at NAS Jacksonville on November 1, 1977.

During the mid-seventies, the Navy Campus for Achievement program was begun. The Navy Campus Network (now the Navy College Office), consisted of a world-wide system of professional education specialists whose mission was to establish, promote, and manage all base civilian education programs.

In the late 1970s, the Jacksonville Operating Area Coordination Center was disestablished and the Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility assumed the duties of controlling airspace for military aircraft.

On June 27, 1978, the Jacksonville City Council passed an Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) ordinance that proved to be a landmark piece of legislation. The AICUZ ordinance ultimately limited building around the three Naval Air Stations (NAS Mayport, NAS Cecil Field, and NAS Jacksonville) and the civilian airport. The last station-based jet squadron, Attack Squadron 203, transferred to NAS Cecil Field. From that point, jets had additional restrictions they followed when using NAS Jacksonville's runways for landings and takeoffs.

1980s

President Jimmy Carter had nearly completed his term when 90 hostages were taken in Tehran, by Iranian students shortly after the fall of the Shah. The 1980s would be characterized by two conflicts: the ever-present tension of the Cold War against the Soviet Union, and occasional flare-ups of fighting in unstable areas across the globe. NAS Jacksonville's anti-submarine warfare mission continued to be of vital importance to the defense of the nation.

NAS Jacksonville grew, changed and reorganized throughout the eighties. A new Child Care Center and Navy Lodge were built, and HS-17 was

established. In 1989, Captain Kevin Delaney assumed command of the station. Under his command, improvements were made to the existing Child Development Center; a comprehensive recycling program that continues today was begun; a new park, called Manatee Point, was built; a new recreational vehicle park was started; and a new fitness center was established. Also opened in 1989 were new Navy Exchange and Commissary stores.

The NAS Supply Department reorganized into the Naval Supply Center on October 1, 1982. Consolidated from three supply centers located on station,

it would become the supply point for the Southeastern United States, the Gulf of Mexico, the Caribbean, the Panama Canal Zone, and Puerto Rico. About the same time, a new helicopter training facility was dedicated and named the Paul Nelson Helicopter Training Facility after the former commanding officer of HS-3 who had died the year before while flying from USS Nimitz.

The Civilian Personnel Office became the Consolidated Civilian Personnel Office and assumed control of civilian personnel actions for all of NAS Jacksonville and NAS Cecil Field (now closed). The Birmingham and Main



Lieutenant Judith Ann Neuffer reviews the preflight checklist points in the cockpit of a WP-3A Orion weather reconnaissance aircraft of Weather Reconnaissance Squadron 4 (VW-4). Neuffer is one of the first U.S. Navy women pilots.



McDonalds under construction at NAS Jacksonville in early 1985.

gates underwent major changes, including the fly-in and placement of a PBY at the main gate in 1986. In October 1986, the evolution of the station's only flag command continued as Commander, Sea-Based Antisubmarine Warfare Wings was reorganized and became Commander Helicopter Wings Atlantic.

The early 1980s proved disastrous for the Naval Investigative Service. During the early part of the decade, a fire destroyed the Naval Investigative Service building. Two sailors were found and charged. The investigators found evidence that they had set the fire in an attempt to destroy evidence in an on-going investigation. A second fire later destroyed not only the NIS but the offices of the Navy Absentee Collection Unit, some Naval Air



A P-3 Orion from VP-30 lands at NAS Jacksonville with the City of Jacksonville skyline in the background, October 1995.



Rework Facility offices, and some Naval Regional Data Automation equipment. This time a faulty boiler was to blame.

In April 1988, the USS Bonefish caught fire while operating off the North Florida coast and made newspaper headlines as station search and rescue helicopters, including HS-1 and HS-7, transported 67 injured crewmen to Naval Hospital Jacksonville.

NAS Jax continued to be a mainstay of the Jacksonville community. In 1981, the first Armed Forces Day/Scout World (later called Scout Blast) was held on base. The event grew from a first year attendance of only 6,000 to crowds in excess of 15,000 in 2000, but it was moved to Cecil Field after 9/11 due to security concerns.

A piece of history was lost in 1986 when the last unit of Marines left the base. Marine Barracks Jacksonville had been one of the first groups to arrive at the base in 1940, but left due to mission realignments and a reduction in authorized troops in the Corps.

1990s

NAS Jacksonville celebrated its 50th anniversary came in 1990. The golden anniversary festivities included dedications of the Pelicans Perch Child Care Center (making NAS Jacksonville's child development center the largest in the Navy at that time), a flag memorial at the main gate, a veterans memorial in front of the administration building, and the placement of new static display aircraft near the front gate. The final celebration was an air show featuring the Blue Angels and a luncheon honoring the first class of naval aviators who received their wings of gold at NAS Jacksonville. Another important anniversary occurred in 1996. The first Blue Angel, Butch Voris, was the honored guest for the 50th Anniversary celebration of the Blue Angels, which he formed at NAS Jacksonville in 1946.



Sailor refuels an aircraft on the NAS Jacksonville flight line.

During this anniversary year, the Naval Air Depot (formerly the Naval Air Rework Facility) finished the last standard level depot maintenance on the A-7 Corsair, which the tenant activity had reworked continuously since 1967.

However, the golden anniversary was offset by a concern over the pending downsizing of the military and trouble brewing in the Middle East. Tensions mounted between Iraq and Kuwait. The station would eventually take part in another foreign conflict as NAS Jacksonville squadron aircraft launched from aircraft carriers in support of Operation Desert Storm.

HS 17 was disestablished on July 2, 1991, right before the Soviet Navy

made a historic visit to the base. Also in 1991, the station received numerous awards for recycling, safety, and environmental programs. That year, the station won the Commander-in-Chief's Installation Excellence Award as the best base in the Navy. HS-9 was disestablished on April 23, 1993. In April 1995, VP-24 was disestablished. The Chief's club closed in July, and relocated to a section of the enlisted club.

As Base Closure and Realignment Commission meetings convened, funding was reduced and new ways to operate were formulated. Reorganizations continued in 1992 as the Public Works Center was established and Commander, Naval Aviation Activities Jacksonville, replaced Commander, Helicopter Wings



Atlantic, as the installation's Flag command. A new bike patrol, formed in Security, was started near the end of the year. The Fleet and Industrial Supply Center replaced the Naval Supply Center in 1993.

Changes in names and missions continued in June, as the station's flag command, Commander, Naval Aviation Activities Jacksonville, changed its name to Commander, Naval Base Jacksonville. Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing ONE also changed its name to Helicopter Wing Atlantic. Ground breaking ceremonies took place for a new five-story BOQ in July, followed by ground-breaking for a new hangar to house VP-30 in October.

In May 1993 NAS Jacksonville made email available to the station. In August, the Family Service Center dedicated a

new building, and a P2V Neptune was added to the static display park. The Naval Oceanography Command changed their name to Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Jacksonville Facility Atlantic in November.

Major changes in workload began at the Naval Aviation Depot in 1994, as the first two F-14 Tomcats arrived for rework in January. This aircraft rework program, along with the EA-6 and 2,000 additional employees, came as a result of the closure of NADEP Norfolk. Just a few days after this, VP-49 was disestablished.

1996 saw a U-2 conducting special operations from the station, as construction was started on a new U.S. Customs hangar. Patriots Grove, honoring 80 U.S. Navy Medal of Honor recipients since from WWII to date, was dedicated

in April. As the station received another Secretary of the Navy safety award, VP-30 moved into its new hangar in July. A new BOQ was dedicated along with a new Aircraft Acoustical Enclosure for testing the F-14 Tomcat at NADEP. HS-1 said farewell to the last SH-3 "Sea King" helicopter in October.

HS-1 was formally disestablished in June 1997. The new BEQ was dedicated, along with a newly renovated galley. Commander, Sea Control Wing Atlantic and the first of the VS squadrons arrived in October, as VS-24 flew in to their new home at Hangar 1000. This move would eventually encompass 48 aircraft and approximately 1,800 personnel who would call NAS Jacksonville home. With the closing of NAS Cecil Field, the Sea Control



A SH-3H Sea King HS-1 flies over downtown Jacksonville.



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2006 NAS Jacksonville Air Show.

Wing and their complement of S-3 Viking squadrons, VS-22, VS-24, VS-30; VS-31; VS-32 and VQ-6 (VQ-6 was decommissioned in 1999), relocated to NAS Jacksonville.

In 1998, a TBM “Avenger” was added to the Aircraft Heritage Park, followed by an S2F and an S-3 Viking, to represent the new community.

In February 1999, Commander, Naval Base Jacksonville changed its name to Commander, Navy Region Southeast, as part the Navy’s regionalization program, assuming responsibility for the eight southeastern states and the Caribbean. In March, NAS Jacksonville hosted its first Area V Special Olympics Spring Games.

Even with all of the funding reductions, reorganizations, and Base Closure and Realignment actions taken during the 1990s, NAS Jacksonville was able to grow, increasing the

number of commands/activities and personnel who worked on the base. The stability and continued growth illustrated NAS Jacksonville’s importance to the Navy and the local community.

2000 and Beyond!

NAS Jacksonville celebrated its 60th anniversary On October 15, 2000. The first five years of the new millenium have been productive and exciting for the NAS community. NAS personnel continue to support efforts in the Global War on Terrorism in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the world. In 2004, Naval Air Depot, Jacksonville won the 2004 Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Award for Achievement in Safety Ashore, Large Industrial Activity, and the Commissary was named “Best Super Commissary” in the Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) East Region. NAS

Jacksonville continues to mirror the dynamic, forward-looking nature of the Navy as the last overhaul for the venerable F-14s was completed at NADEP in 2004. Naval Hospital Jacksonville and Naval Dental Center Southeast (NDCSE) became one command as part of the Navy-wide integration of medical and dental treatment facilities, and a new full service satellite pharmacy is now in operation. NAS Jacksonville provides continuing support of the Global War on Terrorism and Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Hundreds of Reservists have mobilized through the Naval Personnel Mobilization Site on NAS Jax: Seabees, Coastal Boat units, and individual augmentees for a variety of assignments. NAS Jacksonville squadrons continue to fly combat missions supporting ground troops. In 2007, NAS Jax will continue to provide support for our troops here and abroad.



Recreation



Liberty Program annual Barracks Bash.

MWR Administrative Office

(904) 542-3111/3112

Located in Bldg. 1 on Langley Street, this office includes the MWR Installation Program Director and Operations Manager, Administration Marketing Director, Personnel, and the Business Manager. For more information log on to http://www.nasjax.navy.mil/mwr/mwr_home.htm.

Personnel

(904) 542-3111/3112

Located in Bldg. 1. Various employment opportunities are available. MWR is an Equal Opportunity Employer and accepts applications Monday through Friday. A merit promotion program offers employees the opportunity for advancement. Permanent full-time employees earn annual



and sick leave. Medical and life insurance, retirement and disability insurance is offered to all full-time employees.

Marketing & Publicity

(904) 542-3577

Located in Bldg. 1 on Langley Street, this office is the information center for the MWR Department. The Marketing Director is the point of contact for sponsorship, special events, indoctrinations, command briefs, homecomings and ombudsman meetings. Annual special events include the Navy Run, Haunted Woods, intramural tournaments, concerts and much more.

Recycling Center

(904) 542-3113

Located in Bldg. 623 on Birmingham Ave. between Gillis and Jason Streets. The center takes office paper (colored and white), newspaper, computer paper and cards, cardboard, car batteries, plastic (including bottles); glass (clear, brown and green) and aluminum cans. Squadrons, commands and departments are encouraged to drop off all recyclables at the Recycling Center. Used oil is accepted at the Auto Hobby Shop during business hours only.



Recycling Center.

Gymnasium

(904) 542-3239/2930

Located in Bldg. 614 on Gillis Street, the Gym offers exercise and aerobic fitness equipment. There are weight rooms, complete with Olympic weights, dumbbells, and benches. Also available are male and female steam and sauna

rooms. The facility includes a basketball court and three racquetball courts. Athletic gear issue includes towels and sports equipment. Lockers are available on a daily or monthly basis.

The Athletic Office, located in the Gym, is the center for all types of sports programs. Intramural Sports



MWR annual special event, The Navy Run.



Outdoor Pool.



Indoor Pool.

available include: softball, flag football, golf, tennis, racquetball, basketball, indoor volleyball, sand volleyball, and soccer. Most sports are offered twice a year, and there is a fierce competition for the coveted Captain's Cup awarded annually to the top command. Many special events are offered, such as softball tournaments, 5K annual runs/walks and the Annual Navy 10K Run/5K Walk.

McCaffrey Softball Complex

(904) 542-2930

The McCaffrey Complex features four playing fields, each with a 275-foot fence, spectator bleaches, rest room facilities, second floor scorers and announcer's booths for all fields, and an electronic scoreboards on fields two and four. The complex is utilized throughout the year by intramural leagues, gray-beard leagues, and various tournaments. McCaffrey Softball Complex also offers a concession stand, which serves food and beverages.

Outdoor Pool

(904) 542-3720

The outdoor swimming pool is adjacent to Bldg. 419 on Allegheny Street. The pool is a 50-meter by 25-yard pool with graduated depth to six feet. The compound includes a bathhouse.

The large deck features tables and chairs with tiki-style umbrellas where customers may relax and enjoy food and beverages from the snack bar.

The Outdoor Pool offers a variety of swim lessons for all ages, aqua aerobic classes and lifeguard training.

Make your next party a "Pool Party."

Indoor Pool

(904) 542-2930/3239

Inside the Base Gym, the indoor swimming pool is 50 meters by 25 yards, with a graduated depth to 12 feet. The pool also serves as a training area for military requirements.

Year-round activities include aqua aerobics, water walking, swim lessons,



ITT Office.

scuba lessons, recreational swimming and weekend family days.

Field and Court

(904) 542-3239/2930

Reserved court/field space is available by advance reservation through the base gym.

Tennis

(904) 542-3239/2930

Six lighted and four non-lighted tennis courts are located near the Birmingham Gate, and no reservations are needed. Two additional lighted tennis courts are located at the Visitor's Quarters on Mustin Road.

PRT Center

(904) 542-3239/2930

Located at Bldg. 10-A off Mustin Road, the PRT Center offers small groups of individuals facilities to accommodate basic exercise needs and features showers 24 hours a day. A 1.5-mile run is clearly marked and mapped from the

front of the center. Mats are provided for stretching and sit-ups.

Bowling Center

(904) 542-3493

The Bowling Center is a 24-lane center with automatic scoring, automatic bumpers located on Gillis Street in Bldg. 609. The bowling Center is equipped with a large game room outfitted with pool tables, and video game machines, TV monitors, snack bar and lockers.

The center offers open bowling, league bowling, and a fully stocked pro shop with professional fitting and drilling service. There are individual and group lessons available. Xtreme bowling has made it to NAS Jacksonville and is a bowling trend that is sure to knock you over! Xtreme bowling is offered on weekends at specified times and for special functions. The center has automatic bumpers for children. Other services include daily specials, summer and winter leagues, intramural leagues, senior citizen leagues, command parties and birthday parties.

Information, Tickets and Travel (ITT)

(904) 542-3318

Located in Bldg. 953A, adjacent to the Navy Exchange, the ITT office offers a variety of discounted tickets to area attractions, hotels, sporting events, concerts, cruises, tours and special events. VISA/Master/American Express cards accepted.

Youth Activities

(904) 778-9772

Located in Bldg. 2065 on Knight Lane in base housing and at the Yellow Water Housing area near Cecil Field, this program consists of many different activities to accommodate military and DoD dependents aged kindergarten through 18 years. Open recreation and Friday Night events are popular programs and feature a variety of activities designed for individual age groups. Youth Activities offers special programs for teens only and features a Teen Center located in the Youth Gym at NAS



Jacksonville. Other programs provided by Youth Activities are Haunted Woods, Night Easter Egg Hunt, Month of the Military Child Carnival, Navy Family Day Carnival, Tropical Freeze, and fun and fitness programs.

The School-Age Care Program

The School-Age Care Program is available for dependents of military and DoD personnel for children aged kindergarten through 12 years. Trained counselors help children with homework, arts and crafts, nature, and other activities. All counselors have experience in childhood education, and are CPR and first aid certified.

Camps

Spring Break Day Camp, Summer Day Camp, and Holiday Camp are three of the



NAS Jax Golf Course.



Summer Camp.

many programs provided by the center. Summer Camp is 11 weeks and includes swimming, arts and crafts, nature hikes, bowling, and field trips. Camp is 6:15 a.m. – 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information, eligibility or registration for any of these programs, contact the Youth Activities Center at 778-9772.

Golf Course/Pro Shop

(904) 542-3249

Located in Bldg. 809 on Mustin Rd., NAS Jacksonville Golf Course offers 27 holes of championship golf for all ages and skill levels. The Red and White courses are each a Par 36, while the Blue Course is a Par 35. The Red/White course plays to a demanding 6,890 yards, Par 72. The addition of the new White Course has added to the landscape of the original Red and Blue Courses, holes wind through beautiful tree-lined fairways that are complimented with rich blue lakes. A full practice facility is available, as well as a PGA Professional Staff to meet your every golf need. It is one the finest golf courses in the Jacksonville area and a must for your golf course play list.



Heritage Cottages

(904) 542-3138/3139

In a cozy setting, amidst tall pines, colorful birds and playful squirrels, you will find 16 new opened cottages, including two wheelchair accessible units. The Heritage Cottages aboard NAS Jacksonville are furnished units that offer a wonderful rest and relaxation destination for military families, retirees and DoD personnel at a very affordable price. The new two-bedroom, one-bath cottages sleep up to six and have a screened-in porch that runs the entire width of the unit. No two units face each other, affording the occupants maximum privacy. The cottages have all the amenities found at home, including DVD players and VCRs, telephones and fully furnished kitchens with full-sized appliances. Guests do not have to bring anything but food and personal items. Linens, pillows, blankets, towels and an initial supply of paper products, soaps, and laundry detergent are provided. Conveniently located adjacent to the golf course and across from the Naval Hospital, the cottages are within walking distance or a short ride of the Base NEX, Commissary, and MWR facilities.



Heritage Cottages.

Auto Skills Center

(904) 542-3227

The Auto Skills Center, located at Bldg. 622 on Birmingham, is a large, complete auto workshop with wheel balancing, 22 work bays, tool checkout, paint booth, and welding. An ASE-certified master mechanic is available for advice and assistance. Classes are also available on a regular basis. An in-house safety test is mandatory before participation. Long pants and shoes are required. For safety reasons, children under age 16 are not permitted in or around the facility at any time.



Auto Skills Center.

RV Park

(904) 542-3227

Forty-four sites are located on the corner of Birmingham Avenue and Mustin Road overlooking the St. John's River. The park offers discounted weekly rates,



RV Park.

28 full sites (sewer, water, and electric), nine partial sites (water, electric), and 7 primitive sites. Shower and restroom facilities are available.

Reservations are made at the Auto Skills Center or by calling (904) 542-3227 for site information.

Car Wash

(904) 542-3227

Located behind the Auto Skills Center between Gillis and Jason Streets, this self-service facility is open 24 hours. The car wash offers three wash bays and heavy-duty vacuums, power wands and brushes, towel dispenser and other amenities, such as fragrance and protectors.



Fitness Source.

Deployed Storage (For Vehicles)

(904) 542-3227

This is a secured lot that allows storage from overnight to six months for deployments and for hospitalizations in excess of 30 days. For registration, stop by the Auto Skills Center or call (904) 542-3227 for information.

Storage Lot (For Vehicles, RV's, Trailers)

(904) 542-3227

Grated storage with 24-hours access. Rates are either on a monthly or yearly basis.

Autorama Resale Lot

(904) 542-3227

Are you interested in selling your car, boat, camper, etc? The Autorama Resale lot is located on Birmingham Avenue. Stop by the Auto Skills Center and register your vehicle prior to parking it at the resale lot. Remember, when you drop off your vehicle, make sure that everything is locked up tight.



Powerflex Aerobics Class.

Fitness Source

(904) 542-3518

Located in Bldg. 867 on Enterprise Avenue, this high-tech facility is free for active duty service members, family members, reservists, and retirees; there is



a charge for authorized civilian patrons. The facility offers a complete line of cardio and strength training equipment.

The cardio area offers treadmills, stair steppers, stair mills, Ellipticals, Cross trainers, stationary & recumbent bikes. Most of the cardio equipment is connected to a cardio theatre which allows you to enjoy a wide array of television channels and radio stations while you work out.

There are two separate strength training areas. One is the free weight area which offers Olympic weights, dumbbells, benches, squat rack, power rack, and a leg press sled, just to name a few. The other area offers two complete lines of strength training equipment, Nautilus and Cybex.

Qualified instructors offer a variety of aerobics, kickboxing, pilates, yoga, and step classes various days of the week.

Mulberry Cove Marina and Navy Outdoor Recreation

(904) 542-3260

The Marina is located on the south end of Ranger Street, along the banks for the beautiful St. John's River. The Marina Store offers bait, ice, sandwiches, beer, soda, fishing licenses, fishing tackle, sunglasses, tee shirts, outdoor recreation knives, basic boat parts and various sundries to meet all your boating needs. The Marina also has unleaded mid-grade gasoline pier-side and a free boat ramp.

For boat owners there are slips, moorings and dry storage available on daily, monthly and yearly rental basis. Fresh water and 30-amp station power are available at the slips. Live-aboards are only permitted on a temporary basis.

Sailing instruction classes and safe boating courses are also available in partnership with the Navy Jacksonville Yacht Club. The Marina offers a wide array of rental equipment including, kayaks, canoes, Flying Junior and Flying Scot sailboats, 14' Lasers, and powerboats. Powerboats include bass boats with trolling motors and fish finders,



Mulberry Cove Marina & Navy Outdoor Recreation.



Mulberry Cove Marina.



The Zone Budweiser Brew House and Mulligan's 19th hole is now Mulligan's Restaurant and Bar.



River Cove Catering & Conference Center.

pontoon boats, Boston Whalers, Deckboats, Jetskis, and 14' stumpknockers. In order to rent a powerboat patrons are required to have a Florida Safe Boater card. This card is available free of charge at www.boatus.org. Reservations for powerboats must be made in person with a \$25 deposit.

The Marina also rents tents, sleeping pads, cots, camp stoves, lanterns, large grills, coolers, and turkey fryers.

Fishing

Fishing is permitted on the North Side of Casa Linda Lake (catch and release only), and in the St. John's River. Fishing is not permitted from the piers at Mulberry Cove Marina. A Florida fishing license is required for anyone ages 15-65. Fishing licenses are available at the Mulberry Cove Marina, (904) 542-3260.

Picnic Areas

Several beautiful parks and picnic grounds are scattered around the base. Most are equipped with shelters, rest rooms, barbecue pits, ball fields, and playground equipment. Reservations are required and can be made up to six months in advance. For additional information regarding Fisherman's Cove, Mariner's Cove or Sea Bat Parks, call (904) 542-3260. For Allegheny and Sea King parks, call (904) 542-2930/3239.

MWR Restaurants and Bars

Mulligan's Restaurant & Bar
(904) 542-2936

This all-hands food operation is located in Bldg. 809 on Mustin Road, inside the golf clubhouse, and services daily customers as well as golf food functions and small social events. An attractive setting offers a dramatic view overlooking the golf course. The full-service eatery offers breakfast from 6:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. with daily and lunch specials. Social hours are held every Wednesday and Friday beginning at 4 p.m.



Gutterball Grill

(904) 542-3295

The Gutterball Grill is located in the Bowling Center, Bldg. 609, on Gillis Street. A sandwich and snack bar serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner, as well as alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages daily. We also offer daily lunch specials and birthday packages for all ages.

The Zone

(904) 542-3521

The Zone Entertainment Complex is located in Bldg. 798 on the corner of Saratoga Avenue and Jason Street. The Zone offers a variety of experiences for all hands. The complex features the Budweiser Brewhouse, All Hands Bingo, CPO Club and Party Rooms. The complex is available to cater private parties, weddings, special themes and conferences. Import and domestic kegs are available through The Zone. Need food for an occasion? Checkout our pick-up service of five-foot subs, wings, finger sandwiches and more! Great for any function or time!

“All Hands” Bingo — Lunchtime Bingo is played Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Evening Bingo is played Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday starting at 6:30 p.m. Jackpots are \$1,500, \$3,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, and \$30,000. For more information, call (904) 542-3521 ext. 14.

The CPO Club — The CPO Club welcomes all E-7s, E-8s, and E-9s, retirees and their guests, and offers a full service bar. For information or party reservations or hours of operation, call (904) 542-3521 ext. 16.

The Zone pick -up and delivery (featuring Bambinos pizza) — It’s your base food delivery answer. Their wide variety menu consists of pizza, wings, calzones, salads and more. For pick-up or delivery call 542-3900.

Budweiser Brew House — Join us for lunch, dinner or a social hour. The Brew House is your headquarters for viewing sports on Direct TV and has a variety of video games for entertainment. Check out our monthly schedule of events to see



Liberty Program annual Barracks Bash.

who is playing or performing! We are a Direct TV. NFL Sunday Ticket Location.

River Cove Catering & Conference Center/Officers’ Club

(904) 542-3041

Specializing in a full array of catering service is offered to all hands to include command functions, conference/training, private functions and all special events. Rooms with river view make the perfect setting for all occasions. Call 542-3041 for contract booking or e-mail lyn.brightwell@navy.mil.

T-Bar

(904) 542-3041

Are you looking for a great view while you kick back and relax with your

favorite beverage? The T-Bar located in the Visitor’s Quarters Complex is a full service bar. It features a two-level deck that overlooks the St. John’s River. The T-Bar and deck are available for private functions.

Liberty Cove Recreation Center

(904) 542-1335/3491

This high-tech recreation center, located in Bldg. 816 is designed to meet the needs of the 18-to-25-year-old Sailor living on board NAS Jacksonville. The Liberty Recreation Center contains Internet access computer, Sony Play Stations, X-Box, movie viewing area and a variety of recreational equipment



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including pool, darts, ping-pong, outdoor Basketball Courts, and more. Everything in the center is open to active duty and is free of charge. The hours of operation are Monday through Sunday 10 a.m. – Midnight (7 days/week).

The center is open 365 days of the year. Liberty Cove Recreation Center also offers a variety of off-base trips including to Key West, Orlando, white-water rafting, skydiving, and more.

Child Development Services

(904) 542-5529/5434

The Child Development Program provides full-time and drop-in care in an environment that promotes social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development of children. The emphasis, and our paramount concern, is on quality care provided by trained individuals in a safe, healthy, and secure environment.

The Child Development Center (CDC) is, located in Bldg. 705 and is open from 6:15 a.m. – 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays. Full-time weekly care comprises the majority of care provided, and it includes breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. The fee structure for full time care is based on total family income as regulated by Department of Defense instructions.

Hourly or drop-in care is limited due to space availability. Reservations are strongly recommended and can be made up to one week in advance. Hourly care is available for ages 3-5 years daily and for ages 6 weeks to two years based on availability.

Priority for full-time weekly care is given to single and dual military families.

Children will be accepted who are six weeks through five years of age. Parents of infants must show documentation of a well-baby check-up before use of the Child Development Center.

All patrons must complete a USDA Food Program application annually.

For admittance into the program, all patrons must show proof of an up-to-date immunization record (including



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Child Development Center.



NAS Jax Flying Club.

HIV vaccine), health physical exam and a military ID at the time of registration. The enrollment process must be completed before the child's initial visit. Parents are responsible for keeping all information current at all times. At least three emergency contact people (adults who are not the parents) must be listed for each child; these people must have parent's authorization to remove the child from the Child Development Center in the event that the parent cannot be contacted. No child will be accepted for weekly/hourly care unless information is on file before using the Center. Parents must also sign an authorization release which permits transportation and admittance to the hospital should the need arise.

Child Development Homes Program

(904) 542-5381

This program is an extension of the Child Development Program. Providers

are certified by the Commanding Officer for a period of one year following background checks, various home inspections, and training. Providers may live either on base or off base, and may care for up to six children (including their own), under the age of eight. Military families, as well as DoD civilians, are eligible for this program. Full day, hourly, before and after school, special needs, weekends, and nightly care are available. All providers are trained in providing age appropriate activities for the children.

A subsidy program is available to provide weekly rates that are similar to those of the CDC for children under the age of three years. All rates are determined either by the subsidy program or by the provider. Providers must maintain current CPR and First Aid certification, pass monthly inspections by the CDH Director/Monitor, and prepare meals in accordance with the USDA Food Program guidelines. CDH can accommodate command childcare needs with

evening care for special events, such as parties or pre-deployment briefings. Call (904) 542-5381 for information on childcare options or information on becoming a provider.

Navy Flying Club

(904) 777-8549/6035

The JAX Navy Flying Club is located in Bldg. 27 on base. JNFC offers courses in private aircraft instruction for personal enjoyment to a certified flight instructor. All of the courses are FAA part 141 and VA approved.

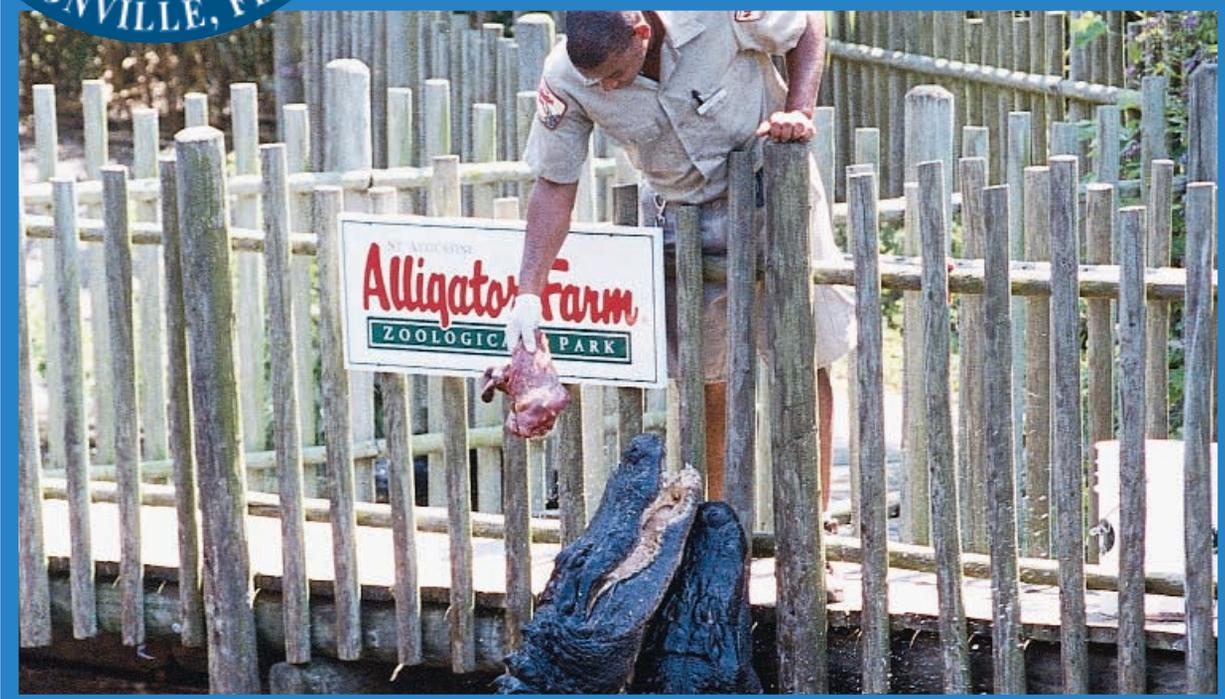
The JNFC offers services in aircraft checkouts, flight reviews, instrument proficiency checks, and recurrent training in areas requested by club members.

Membership requirements

The Navy Flying Club is a sponsored club and all members must meet specific requirements. Members of the JNFC must be active duty military, active Reserve, Retired military, military family member, Civil Air Patrol (active member) or DOD employee.



Jacksonville & Florida



St. Augustine's Alligator Farm is home to 23 different types of crocodilians, including the 15-foot "Maximo." It is the only zoo in the world with such a comprehensive collection.

The City and the Coast

Jacksonville is the commercial, financial and cultural heart of Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia. Spanning the broad St. Johns River, the city offers a mild climate, miles of fine beaches, and almost unlimited recreational opportunities.

The city is spread out over an area of 840 square miles, making it the most spacious city in the continental U.S., and second in size only to Juneau, Alaska. More than one million people live in Florida's First Coast, a five-county area of mild climate, beautiful waterways and beaches, and countless opportunities for work and play.



The Jacksonville area has been settled intermittently for four centuries, since French Huguenots established one of the first colonies in North America on the banks of the St. Johns River in 1564. The city's first permanent settlers arrived in 1816, and six years later the town was named in honor of General Andrew Jackson.

Jacksonville became a new city in October 1968, when the city and Duval County were consolidated into a single government unit. A new charter provided for mayor-council form of government, and for the unification of city and county services to promote efficiency and economy of government.

The area's climate is characterized by short, mild winters (it drops below freezing occasionally), and long warm summers. The average year-round temperature is a pleasant 67.8 degrees, and averages range from 54.7 degrees in December to 80.2 in July. Rainfall amounts to about 51 inches per year, with much of it coming during warm summer afternoons.

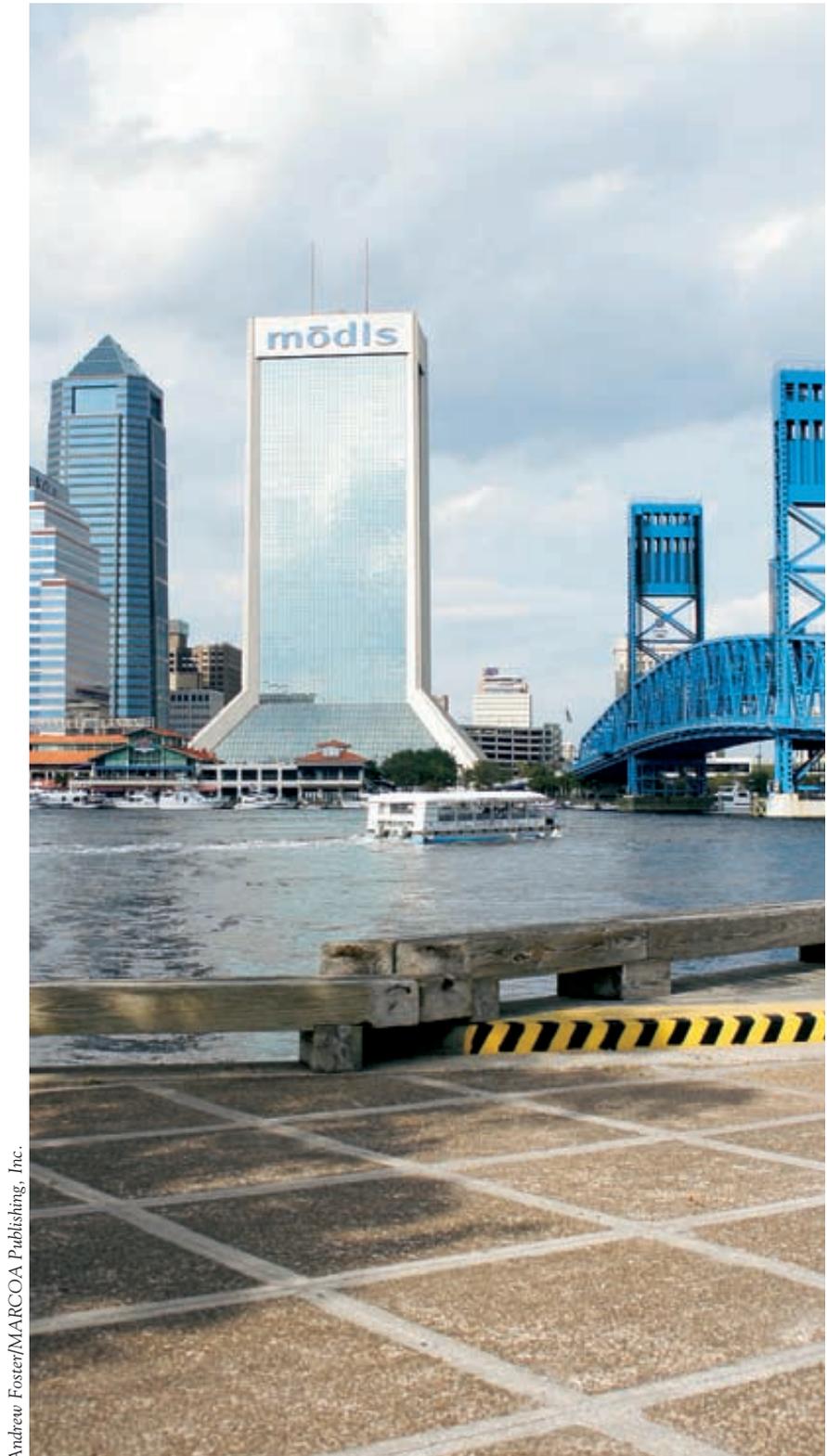
Many people assigned to NAS Jacksonville live either on the westside of Jacksonville or south of the base, in Clay County communities such as Orange Park.

Jacksonville

Jacksonville means business. Building on its reputation as "Florida's Busiest City," it offers economic diversity, finance, insurance, real estate, the Navy, international business, medical technology, information services and more. The city is the home of such prestigious entities as the first satellite Mayo Clinic, American Transtech, Parker Hannefin, Crane Resistoflex

DID YOU KNOW?

The Fort Caroline area of Jacksonville was settled by the French BEFORE St. Augustine?



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Defense and the Jacksonville Jaguars NFL franchise.

The St. Johns River makes Jacksonville one of the nation's busiest deepwater ports and distribution hubs. As a center of trade, finance and insurance, the city boasts an unemployment rate consistently lower than the national average.

But Jacksonville means more than business. Its unique quality of life attracts not only major corporations, but also visitors and new residents. Mixing southern tradition, casual living and avant garde style, the city offers cultural, sports, and educational and community activities for all ages and in all seasons.

The sparkling St. Johns, which flows through the heart of the city, is a well-spring of recreational and commercial activity. The Northbank is downtown Jacksonville, featuring a sparkling, modern sky-line including the Jacksonville Landing. Across the St. Johns on the Southbank, is the Riverwalk, 1.2 miles of wooden boardwalk built in 1985. The



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Alltel Stadium, home of the Jacksonville Jaguars and 2005's SuperBowl XXXIX.



A scenic, palm-lined walk in Jacksonville.

Riverwalk meanders past shops and restaurants.

With 840 square miles in area—more than New York and Los Angeles combined—Jacksonville is one of the largest U.S. cities.

Because Jacksonville has a smaller retiree population than many other Florida cities, its lifestyle is active and family-oriented. The cost of living is reasonable and local taxes are relatively low. Public schools are fully accredited, and fire and police protection are first rate.

Lifestyle

Jacksonville: it's the first city of Florida's First Coast! Florida truly begins at Jacksonville.

DID YOU KNOW?

Jacksonville is home to the FIRST satellite Mayo Clinic?



During your tour here, these are just some of the activities you can enjoy:

- Sail the St. Johns River, one of only a few rivers to flow north in the United States, during the delicate light of a Florida sunrise or sunset.
- Cheer for your favorite team like the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars or the AA Minor League Baseball Jacksonville Suns.
- Enjoy the classics at the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra.
- Grow flowers year round.
- Tee off at some of best golf courses in the world.
- Run with the pack during river runs over two of Jacksonville's famous bridges.
- Watch the Blue Angels fly at one largest international air shows on the East Coast.

Peruse the local art scene during First Wednesday Art Walks downtown.

Experience the collections and the beautiful Italian and English gardens at the Cummer Gallery of Art or the sleek Jacksonville Museum of Modern Art.

Travel a few hours south to Florida's Space Coast and watch a shuttle launch from Cape Canaveral.

The Jacksonville sports complex includes Alltel Stadium, home of the NFL Jacksonville Jaguars; Wolfson Baseball Park, home to the Jacksonville Suns, and Veterans Memorial Coliseum, which seats 10,000 persons and hosts Jacksonville University basketball games as well as a wide variety of other sports and entertainment events.

World-class greyhound racing action can be enjoyed in Jacksonville. Watch, wager and win on the greyhounds at three area tracks: Jacksonville Kennel Club, I-10 at McDuff, mid April through September; St. Johns Greyhound Park, U.S. One and Racetrack Road, September through November; and Orange Park Kennel Club on U.S. 17, south of I-295, end of



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The Jacksonville skyline from the southbank (Main Street Bridge at right).

November through mid April. For information, call (904) 646-0001.

The Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair takes place each October at the Alltel Stadium and Coliseum Sports Complex. The two-week event draws large crowds to its displays, entertainment offerings and midway.

Outdoor competition to match almost every interest is available in the Jacksonville area. The annual River Run with more than 15,000 runners begins and ends downtown and includes two river bridges in its course. An annual summer Kingfish Tournament offers big dollars. Boating, swimming, water skiing, racquetball, bowling and other sports are popular year-round, and regattas on beautiful breezy days fill the St. Johns River with colorful sailboats.

Tennis and golf can be played year-round, and Jacksonville offers top-notch facilities for both. Located at Ponte Vedra Beach are professional golf's PGA Tour National Headquarters

and the tour's innovative Tournament Players Club at Sawgrass, where the Tournament Players Championship (TPC) each March brings together the top names in golf.

The Women's International Tennis Association (WITA) Championship tournament takes place each April at Amelia Island Plantation near Fernandina Beach. The TPC and WITA are nationally televised.

The city's calendar of cultural events offers an electric and eclectic selection. The 37-year-old Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra performs classical, pop, chamber and coffee series concerts. In addition, the orchestra performs school, ensembles and special holiday concerts, totalling more than 130 performances each year.

Several ballet companies, including the professional Florida Ballet at Jacksonville, offer regular performances. The nation's oldest continually active theater group, Theater Jacksonville is one of several drama companies active here. The Florida

Junior College Artist Series brings famous performers to the city. Check out downtown venues such as the Florida Theater and Boomtown Café at Hemmings Plaza.

The St. Johns River City Band, Jacksonville's "official band," offers frequent out-door concerts. The free Jacksonville Jazz Festival staged each spring at downtown Metropolitan Park attracts thousands of fans each year. Dozens of American jazz greats have starred in this popular event.

Three Jacksonville museums offer widely varying exhibits and programs. The Cummer Gallery of Art, with 10 galleries, features an internationally known collection of Meissen porcelain, and a fine offering of Old Masters. It is situated in beautiful formal gardens in Riverside.

The Jacksonville Museum of Modern Art, in the heart of downtown, hosts many exhibitions on thought-provoking works of contemporary art. Its airy limestone interior is pleasant to visit.



The Jacksonville Museum of Science and History on the southbank offers exhibits including Florida history and wildlife; it also features classes, hands-on tours for children and the Alexander Brest Planetarium and Science Theater. The Science and Space Theater is one of only 30 similar facilities in the nation.

The Jacksonville Zoo, located on the northside just off interstate 95, is home to more than 200 species of animal life and one of the south's best collections of rare waterfowl. Many African species roam outside cages, in fenced areas, and may be viewed safely from the elevated observation deck.

Neighborhoods

Whether you are looking for a modestly priced starter home, townhouse, condominium, a mansion in a prestigious

neighborhood or a house with fine old bones that needs some restoration, living in Jacksonville is fun, easy and affordable.

Excellent buys and friendly people abound in all sections of town. Neighborhoods are diverse, filled with homes reflecting Florida's Spanish heritage, southern tradition or contemporary trends.

Buyers who want the serenity of heavily wooded areas, the pleasure of watching the sunset across the St. Johns River or the sound of waves rolling along the beach will enjoy one of the many homes boasting the latest in amenities. Young people tend to flock to heavily developed areas where homes are moderately priced. Garden and patio homes are becoming increasingly popular because they offer efficiently designed living space, low

maintenance and single-family ownership. Four neighborhood societies—Riverside/Avondale, Springfield, San Marco and San Jose Estates—encourage preservation and restoration of the city's architectural heritage.

The famous tradition of southern hospitality still prevails here. Homes with price tags lower than those in many comparable cities are marketed by real estate agents who enjoy helping customers find the perfect home.

DID YOU KNOW?

Jacksonville was originally called "Cowford" after a ford in the St. Johns river where farmers could cross their herds?



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The Landing, on downtown's northbank.



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New residents should be familiar with the major residential sections of the city before making a final decision to buy. These include the following:

Arlington—This was a sparsely populated area until the 1950's when the Mathews Bridge and Arlington Expressway linked it to downtown. Dozens of new sub-divisions are available here in every price range, and more are being built every year. The Atlantic Boulevard area from St. Johns Bluff Road to the beach is booming. New residential communities abound, from patio and multi-family units to single family-unit neighborhoods.

Arlington contains Regency Square, with 170 businesses including retail, food, theaters and medical services. The Southside Connector overpass conveniently links the Regency Square area with the rest of the southside. Atlantic Boulevard provides access to Jacksonville's beaches from Arlington.

Beaches—Duval County has four beach communities. From north to south they are: Mayport, Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach and Jacksonville Beach. All are easily accessible from the city by one of three highways: Atlantic Boulevard, Beach Boulevard and J. Turner Butler Boulevard. The latter terminates at the Beaches' most prestigious area, Ponte Vedra and Sawgrass.

Downtown—A recent survey indicated many people in Jacksonville are interested in living within walking distance of their downtown offices. More than 500,000 people reside within 10 miles of downtown.

Oak Park Villas, the first new condominium project to be built near downtown in 51 years, is in the Springfield section of the city. It is five blocks from the central business district and has 48 units. Numerous senior citizens apartment towers are also in the area. Springfield is also home to many houses

that were built before a devastating 1901 fire. Many deteriorating homes have been purchased by new owners who are restoring them to their former grandeur.

Jacksonville Landing, a festival market-place, is located on the St. Johns River at the foot of the Main Street Bridge. It offers a variety of restaurants, shops and entertainment. A stroll around the complex affords a beautiful view of the river.

Northside—The city originally developed toward the north and the oldest residential areas run from downtown to the Trout River. Recently developed subdivisions north of the Trout River have provided additional neighborhoods of moderately priced homes served by the Interstate 95 Expressway.

This area continues to grow and has proven a viable business location. With projects such as the DevRin Building on Bush Drive, the Dunn Avenue Center and Interstate North, the area offers



new medical facilities, office space warehouses and industrial locations.

The Tallyrand Avenue area and Blount Island are locations for Jacksonville Port Authority facilities and other maritime industries.

Westside/Avondale—Development has progressed to the west steadily from Riverside to Murray Hill, Normandy and sections near Cecil Field Commerce Center. Many moderately priced homes and large apartment complexes are located in this area. Westside's northern portion contains much business and industry, including the Farmer's Market, industrial parks and warehousing. It is served by Interstate 10 and U.S. 90.

Westside's southern portion includes the Jacksonville Naval Air Station, The area also includes Avondale and the Ortega/Ortega Forest/Venetia sections

that contain both modest homes and luxurious riverfront mansions. The Florida Yacht Club and Timuquana Country Club are located in this area.

Just south of NAS Jacksonville is Orange Park, a fast-growing Clay County community that is home for many Jacksonville workers. The area has expanded tremendously with residential areas, retail and entertainment. Argyle Forest is a huge residential community with single-family and patio-home developments.

Southside—At one time a separate city, this is now one of Jacksonville's busiest sections. Attractive homes stretch from close-in San Marco through San Jose to Mandarin. Southside includes the popular Baymeadows area, site of modern apartment complexes and luxury retail shops. Much of the southside, including Southpoint, located at

the intersection of Interstate 95, and J. Turner Boulevard, is filling rapidly with sleek, million-dollar office, medical and retail establishments.

Shopping & Malls

Jacksonville offers a wide selection of stores and shopping centers, from the archtypal mega-mall experience to designer boutiques to waterfront gift shopping.

You can't miss the curved orange roof of Jacksonville Landing—a downtown shopping and entertainment hub that opened in June 1987.

If you would prefer a more intimate shopping experience, explore boutique shopping in neighborhoods like Avondale, Five Points or San Marco. Fine gifts, stationary, gourmet chocolate and designer clothes are only some of the finds!



The shrimping docks of Mayport bring in delicious seafood.



Jacksonville also supports six area malls circled by the usual satellite shopping centers. They are:

Gateway Shopping Center—5320 Norwood Avenue at 44th Street near the Golfair Boulevard exit from Interstate 95 North.

Avenues Mall—10300 Southside Blvd. Close to I-95.

Regency Square—9501 Arlington Expressway near Atlantic Boulevard.

Roosevelt Mall—4400 Roosevelt Boulevard (U.S. 17 South) near San Juan Avenue. Convenient to NAS Jax, Orange Park/Argyle/Ortega.

Orange Park Mall—1910 Wells Road, Orange Park. Boasts 136 shops, offering area residents a variety of unique merchandise from which to choose.

St. John's Town Center offers 1.1 million square feet of unique shopping and dining including many new stores. Relax and enjoy the Village Park Green, located at 4775 Town Center Pkwy, Jacksonville: conveniently located off



Orange Park Mall is located on Blanding Boulevard, convenient to NAS Jacksonville.



The Baseball Grounds of Jacksonville, home of the Jax Suns, was built in 2003 and seats 11,000 spectators.

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the Gate Parkway exit off J. Turner Butler Blvd.

Beyond Jacksonville: Florida Attractions

Wonderful Natural Florida

Check out a natural spring, a state park, or simply drive along an old country road where you can still buy fresh produce from a variety of roadside stands. Venues such as Silver Springs, south of Jacksonville on Route 301, have attracted tourists for literally hundreds of years. <http://www.silversprings.com/>. Florida's state parks are among the nation's finest. More information on them may be found on their Web site: <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/parks/>.

St. Augustine

St. Augustine, the oldest continuously occupied European city in North America, is located 30 miles south of Jacksonville.



Founded in 1565 by the Spanish, St. Augustine has preserved its rich history in a restoration area where visitors can “step back in time.” The narrow, picturesque streets and restored homes reflect the lifestyles of early Spanish colonists, and “period-dressed” tour guides and craftsmen help recreate the feel of a bygone era.

World Golf Hall of Fame

Six miles northwest of St. Augustine, and only 12 miles south of Jacksonville on I-95 off Exit 95A, the World Golf Hall of Fame offers an opportunity for a personal look at the legends of the game.

The complex also includes a six-story tall IMAX Theater and the World Golf Village. You can stay at the resort hotel and play a round of golf on either of the two golf courses, considered among the finest courses in Florida. www.wgv.com.

Daytona Beach

Just 90 miles south of Jacksonville is the world’s most famous beach. You can lounge in the sun or take a long walk along miles of sand and surf.

And if you are looking for a faster pace, you can visit the Daytona Speedway, home of NASCAR’s most famous race—The Daytona 500. The Speedway has a museum and movie theater. You can even test your skill at the 16-Second Pit Stop Challenge.

Kennedy Space Center

Experience NASA’s past, present, and future. From the Apollo/Saturn rocket, to the Space Shuttle missions, and now the construction of the Space Station, you can see it all through tours, movies, and displays. Bus tours operate from the Visitors Center and show you the entire facility, including Launch Complex 39, where the shuttle is prepared for flight.

Disney

Three hours southwest of Jacksonville in Orlando is one of the most popular tourist spots in the





Busch Gardens, only a short drive southwest in Tampa.



world—the Walt Disney complex—which includes Epcot, the Magic Kingdom, Disney-MGM Studios, and Disney’s Animal Kingdom.

Sea World

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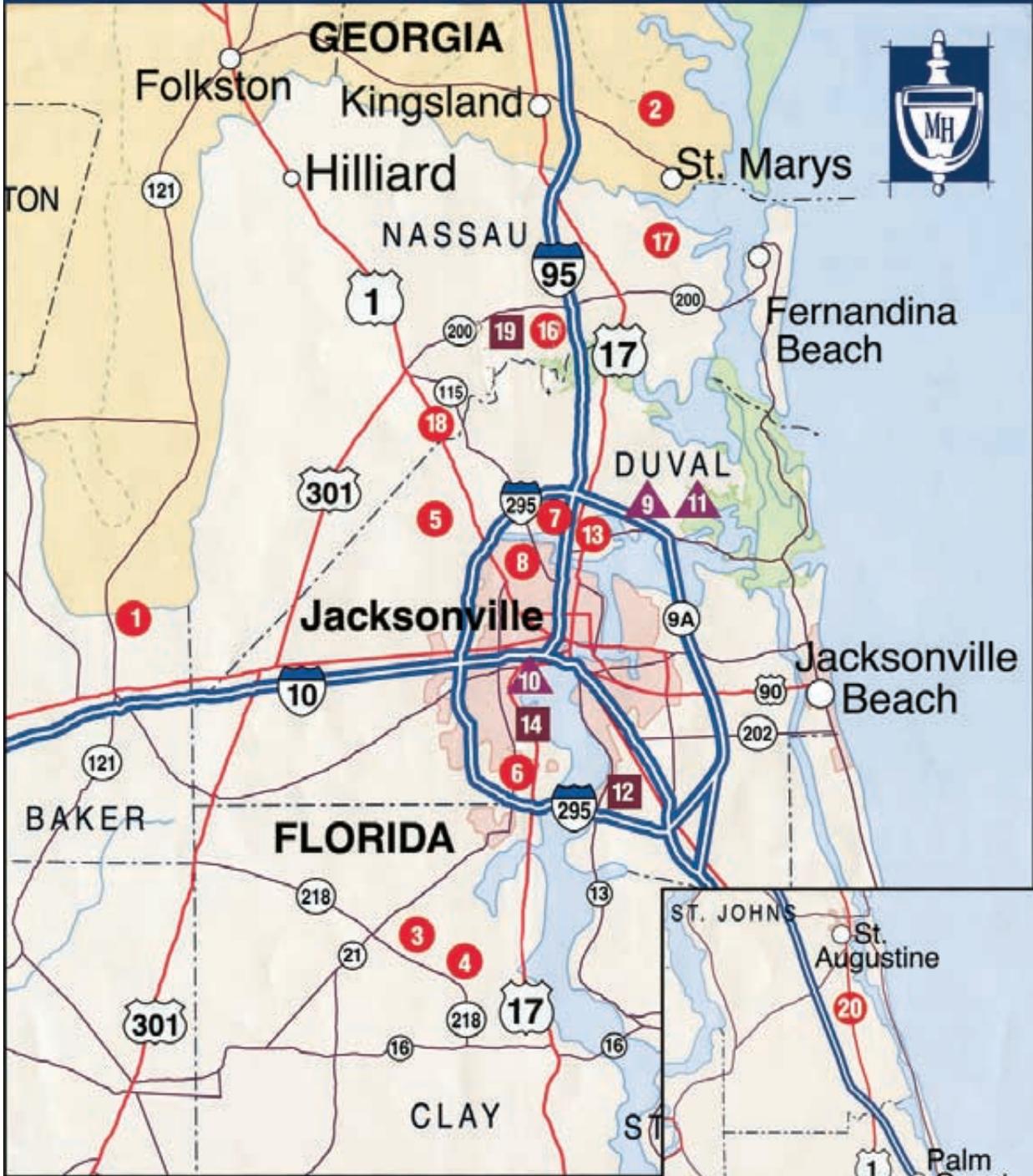
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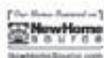
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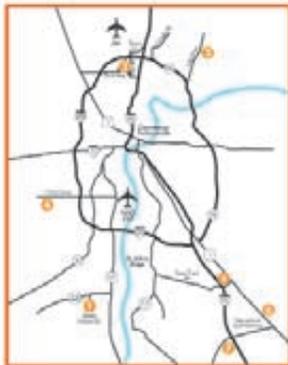
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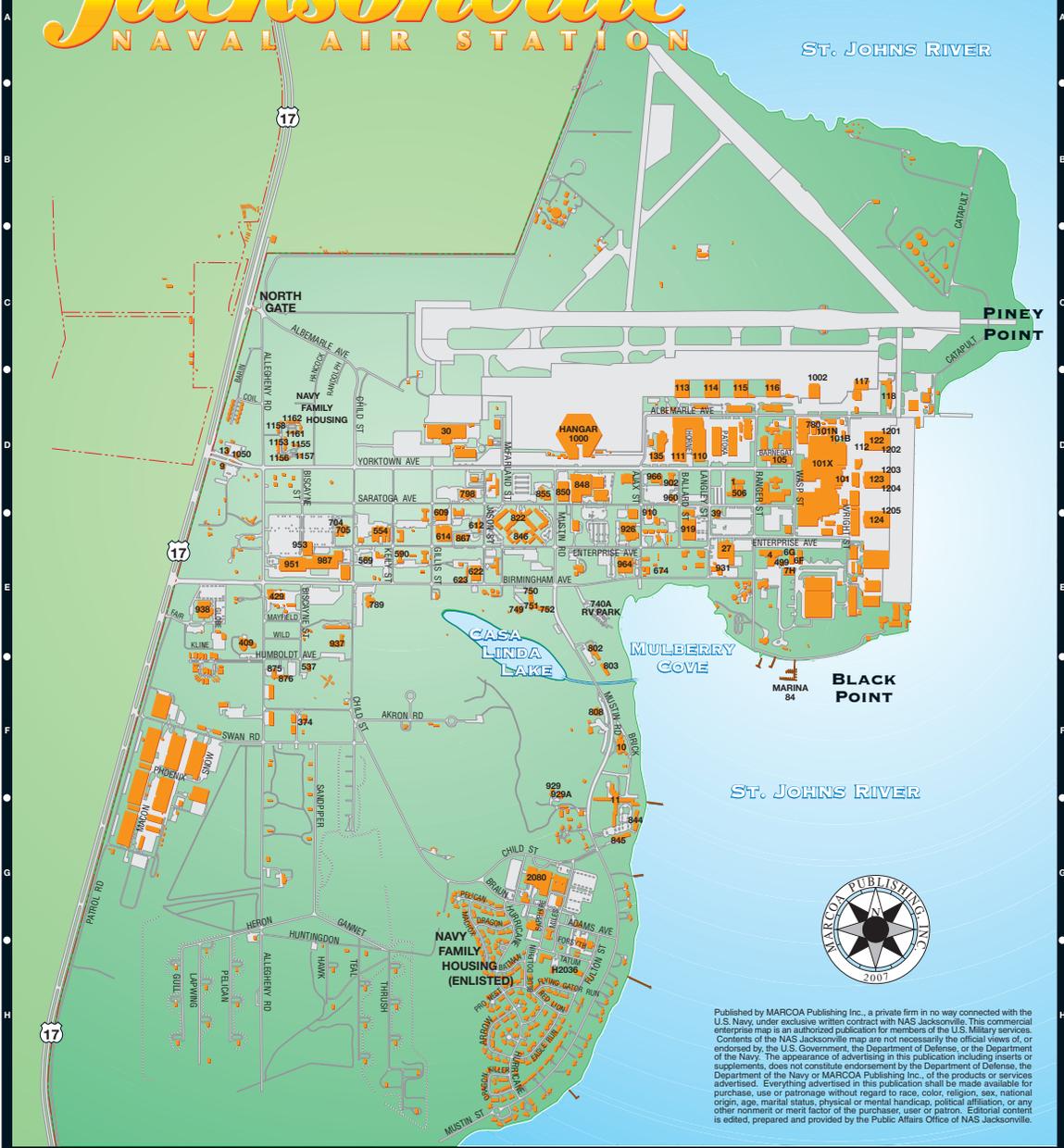


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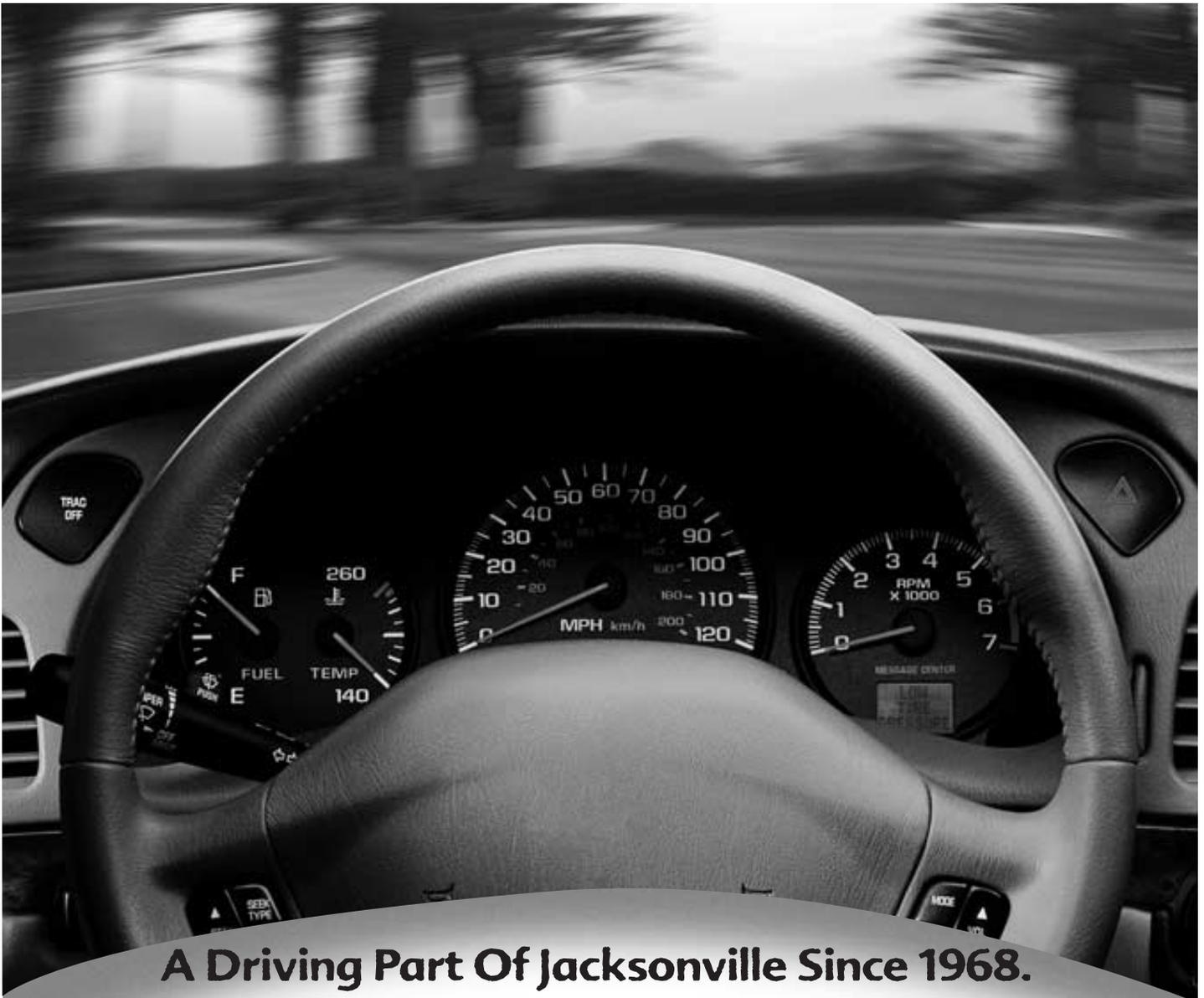
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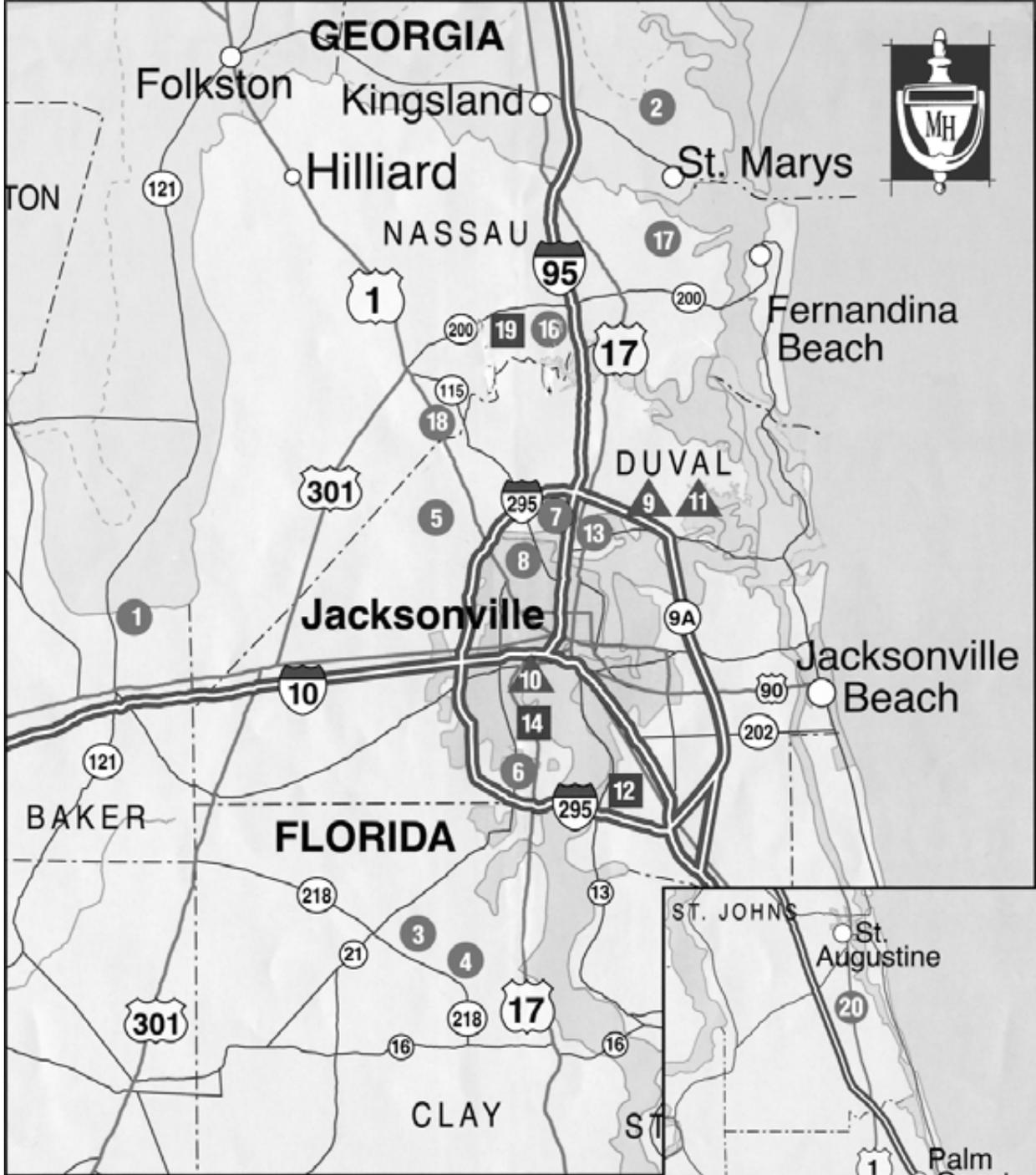
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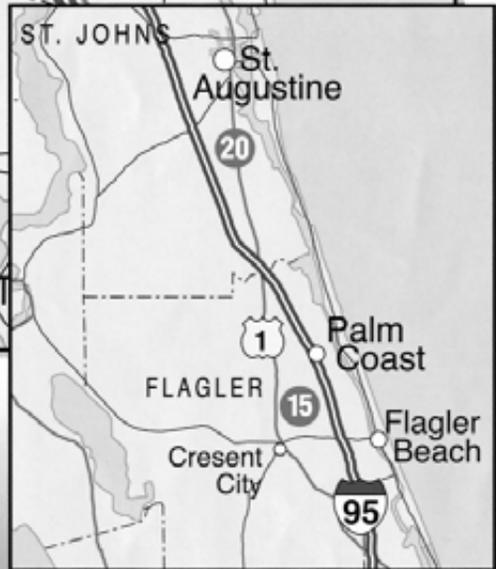
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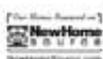
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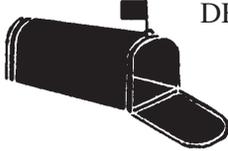


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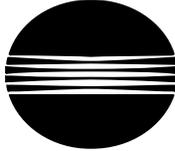


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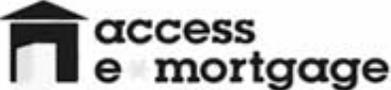
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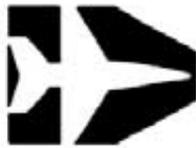


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