



**Jon M. Davis, LtGen, USMC (Ret.)**  
 “Dog”

Hometown: Orchard Park, NY.

School and College Career:  
 Orchard Park High School 1976.  
 Allegheny College 1976-1980

Date Commissioned/Source: May 1980

Dates of Active Duty: 1 August 1980-10 July 2017

Date of Designation: 28 August 1982

Total Flight Hours: 4144.9 military 2000 civilian

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed wing: 72

Approximate Flight Hours:  
 Jet: 3684.2 Prop: 25 VF/VA: 3684.2 VT: 240.8 Helo: 194.4

Combat Missions: 22 missions, 59.4 hours in AV-8B, MV-22, AH-1W, UH-1N and Y, KC-130T and J.

Aviation Commands:  
 CO VMA-223  
 CO MAWTS-1  
 CG 2nd MAW

Awards:  
 Commander RAF Germany Commendation 1991  
 MCAA Bud Baker Award 1994  
 2016 VADM James H. Doyle Secretary of the Navy Acquisition Excellence Award



**Duty Assignment Chronology**

08/80-01/81 The Basic School - Honors Graduate  
 05/81-08/81 VT-3 (T-34C)  
 10/81-03/82 VT-19 CQ *Lexington* 25 March (T-2C)  
 04/82-08/82 VT-7, CQ *Lexington* 23 Aug (TA-4J)  
 09/82-04/83 VMAT-203 (TAV-8A, AV-8A)  
 04/83-09/85 VMA-231 CQ USS *Inchon* (LPH) 10 Jan 84  
 01/84-04/84 Deploy USS *Inchon* 51 carrier landings (AV-8A)  
 09/85-11/87 VMAT-203 (TAV-8A and AV-8B)  
 11/87-12/88 VMA-223 CQ USS *Tarawa* (LHA) 9 April 1988 AV-8B  
 01/89-04/89 79 Sqd RAF RAF Brandy (Jet Provost, Hawk)  
 04/89-07/89 233 OCU RAF Wittering (T-4, GR-3, GR-5)  
 07/89-06/91 3(F) Squadron RAF Gutersloh, West Germany (T-4, GR-5, GR-7)  
 06/91-06/94 MAWTS-1 (AV-8B)  
 07/94-06/95 USMC Command and Staff College  
 06/96-08/98 USMC Commandant's Staff Group  
 10/98-07/00 VMA-223 (AV-8BII+)  
 08/00-05/01 Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies  
 04/01-02/03 SecDef Junior Military Assistant  
 03/03 3rd MAW Forward (G3A)  
 05/03 VMAT-203 Refresh (TAV-8B, AV-8B)  
 06/03-7/06 MAWTS-1 XO then CO  
 01/04-05/04 3rd MAW Fwd Al Assad, Iraq  
 10/04-05/06 2nd and 3rd MAW Fwd Al Assad, Iraq, Augment pilot AV-8  
 07/06-09/08 JFCC – Network Warfare Ft. Meade, Maryland  
 09/08-05/10 HQMC ADCA and HMX-1  
 06/10 VFA-106 FA-18 A-D Cat 4 qualification  
 09/10-05/12 CG 2nd MAW. Augment instructor VMAT-203 (A+TAV-8B)  
 07/12-07/14 Deputy Commander US Cyber Command Ft. Meade, Maryland  
 07/14-07/17 DCA tour Pentagon -- last flight in a TAV-8B

## Summary of Significant Career Events

(1) Joined VMAT-203 in September 1982 and classed up immediately. He deployed on the USS *Inchon* in the winter of 1983-1984 to Gisunder Fiord in Northern Norway on a three carrier deployment (USN CVN Battle Group including a UK Carrier group and the *Inchon*). He routinely flew armed intercepts on Soviet TU-95s probing the battle group.

(2) In 1988 was accepted for an exchange tour with the RAF in Germany. He trained in Wales flying the Jet Provost and Hawk in 79 Squadron, and East Anglia flying GR-3 and 5 models of the Harrier. Jon earned his section leader, division leader, Air Combat Instructor, Operational Low Flight instructor, NATO War Plans Officer, Site Commander qualification and was a Zulu Flight leader (one of two in squadron). Jon passed 2,000 hours flying the Harrier in this tour.

(3) In 1991 was transferred to MAWTS-1 in Yuma Arizona to be a Harrier Instructor. In 1992 he took over the Harrier shop and ran the Offensive Air Support program for four WTI courses. While at MAWTS-1, Jon rewrote and delivered the Precision Guided Munitions Academics, all the Offensive Air Support academics, and developed a new course that combined simultaneous and sequential fixed wing and rotary wing fires into courseware, doctrine and introduction at the WTI class. Jon was nominated for and received MCAA's Bud Baker award for contributions to the Harrier community in 1994.

(4) In 1998 was selected to command VMA-223 Bulldogs at MCAS Cherry Point. The Bulldog's deployed with two MEUs, deployed to Yuma, 29 Palms twice, and Thesloniki, Greece in 2000. Jon emphasized long range day and night strike operations (made ferry tanks part of normal flight configuration) and ensured the Bulldogs could sortie from amphibious ships at night deep into an adversary battle space. The squadron won the CNO Safety Award two years in a row and was named the MCAA Attack Squadron of the Year for 1999 and 2000. The Bulldogs have been mishap free since 1997. Jon passed 3,000 hours in the Harrier in this tour.

(5) In 2000 attended Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies where he received a Master's in International Public Policy. He was selected to be the Deputy Secretary of Defense Junior Military Assistant serving from 2000-2002. He was in the Pentagon when it was attacked on 9-11.

(6) Joined MAWTS-1 as the Executive Officer in 2003. Selected to redeploy with 3rd MAW to the Al Anbar Province to build and lead the 3rd MAW Red Team. While deployed from 2003-2004, Jon flew combat missions as a co-pilot in CH-46E, CH-53E, AH-1W, UH-1N and KC-130F (DASC(A)) and J aircraft.

(7) Rejoined MAWTS-1 as Executive Officer in June 2004 and checked out as an aggressor in VMFT-401 Snipers flying over 100 hours in the F-5E/F and N aircraft. Jon took over as Commanding Officer of MAWTS-1 in October 2006. He

led teams of MAWTS-1 IPs to Iraq three times to fly with and learn the latest TTPs for inclusion in the bi-annual pre deployment exercise MAWTS-1 ran for deploying units (Desert Talon). Flew combat missions in the AV-8B, AH-1W, UH-1N, CH-53E and an Army H-60 on these trips.

(8) In 2008 became the Assistant Deputy Commandant for Aviation and worked with his NAVAIR teammates to advance the F-35B (Co-lead for IOC Readiness Review) and the re-do of the Presidential Helicopter selection effort.

(9) In October 2010 Jon was promoted to Major General and took command of the Second Marine Aircraft Wing. As the Wing CG he built readiness, improved flight time per pilot (10% improvement) and reduced the mishap rate. The Second Marine Air Wing Forward deployed to Afghanistan in 2011. Jon also instituted a Wing Standardization Officer (USAF model) billet in the MAW to improve standardization and professionalism throughout all operations.

(10) In 2014 became the Deputy Commandant for Aviation, and the Secretary of the Navy awarded him the 2016 VADM James H. Doyle Secretary of the Navy Acquisition Excellence Award for bringing the F-35B to IOC.

(11) Retired in July 2017 after 40 years of service, 37 years active duty.

## Post Military Work

(1) After retirement in July 2017, Jon moved to Lake Pend Orielle in northern Idaho (to attract grandchildren) and started his consulting business Green Monarchs Enterprises. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Rolls Royce North America Board of Directors, the GSC Chair for Chemring Group and on the Systematic GSC Board. He is on the Strategic Advisory Board of TacAir (an Adversary Services company), Aerocore (turbine engine cleaning start-up now on contract with Delta airlines, AFSOC and USMC), Merlin (startup unmanning manned aircraft), Erickson (CH-53 MRO/reset/Firefighting), and Androdite a software coding company.

(2) Jon still flies and has logged over 2,000 hours in Cessna Cardinal, Velocity, Mooney M20, and Kodiak 100 aircraft.

## Personal

(1) Jon Michael Davis was born on 8 September 1958 in Montgomery, Alabama, the son of Jon (2ndLt USAF) and Mary Porter Davis. He grew up in upstate New York and New Jersey, graduated in 1976 from Orchard Park High School (near Buffalo NY - considered hometown). He was captain of the Orchard Park High School Lacrosse team. He went to Allegheny College in Meadville, Pennsylvania, and graduated in 1980 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics. Jon was an Alden Scholar his senior year and was Captain of the Lacrosse Team his Junior and Senior year.

(2) Jon has been married to Carol, his college sweetheart and a retired teacher, for 42 years. They have two Naval Aviator sons: Jeff, USNA Class of 2006 and CO of VMFA-314, and Eric, USNA Class of 2009, USMC FA-18C pilot and later T-45 instructor, now a reservist and Delta Airlines 737 pilot and four granddaughters.

(3) Jon is an avid pilot, alpine skier, fisherman, hunter, and hiker.

### **Association Membership and Boards**

(1) Board member of the Marine Corps Aviation Association.