

Thomas P. Scott, Captain USN (Ret.)
"Hook"

Date of Designation: 25 October 1957 NA# V-13268

Dates of Active Duty: 1 June 1956 - 1 September 1985

Total Flight Hours: 4,255

Carrier Landings: Fixed wing: 925 (725 day 203 night)

Approximate Flight Hours:

Jet: 3,994 Prop: 261 VF/VA: 3,497 VT: 758

Combat Tours:

Vietnam: VA-195, Dec. 1965, USS Bon Home Richard

(A-4C).

Vietnam: VA-113, Jan.-Jul. 1966, USS Kitty Hawk (A-4C).

Vietnam: VA-113, Dec. 1966- Jun. 1967, USS Enterprise

(A-4C).

Vietnam: VA-82, Jul.-Sep. 1972, USS *America* (A-7C). Total Combat Missions: 227 (213 A-4C, 14 A-7C)

Aviation Commands:

CO, VA-82, 9/71-9/72 (A-7C)

CAG-17, 6/74-9/75 (A-7E, F-4J, A-6E, RA-5C, E-2C, SH-3)

Combat Awards:

2 DFC

23 Air Medals

Bronze Star

Duty Assignment Chronology

2-58-6/62 VA-12, Line Officer, Safety Officer; NAS Cecil Field, FL., USS *Forrestal*, USS *F.D.*

Roosevelt, USS Shangri-La (A-4B/C).

7/62-9-63 American University, PG studies,

Washington, D.C. (T2V/T-28/T1A/SNB).



9/63-7/65 USAF Academy, Cadet Squadron Officer; Colorado Springs, CO. (T-33).

8/65-11-65 VA-125, FRP, NAS Lemoore, CA. (TF-9, A-4C).

12/65 VA-195, Administrative Officer, USS *Bon Homme Richard* (A-4C).

1/66-7/67 VA-113, Operations/Maintenance; USS *Kitty Hawk*/NAS Lemoore/USS *Enterprise* (A-4C).

8/67-12/68 VA-44, Weapons Training Officer, NAS Cecil Field, FL. (A-4C/E, TA-4).

1/69-1/70 CTF-77, Intelligence/Targeting, USS Constellation/USS Kitty Hawk (A-7B, SNB, UC-45J).

2/70-10/70 VA-174 RAG; Fleet Replacement Pilot, Safety, XO (acting), NAS Cecil Field, FL. (A-7B/E).

10/70-9/72 VA-82, XO/CO, NAS Cecil Field, USS *America* (A-7C/A-7E).

9/72-10/73 OPNAV (OP506F), Air R&D programs Pentagon, Washington, D.C. (T1A).

10/73-6-74 CVW pipeline, PCAG (various, F-4J/A-7E/A-6E/RA-5C/E-2C/SH-3).

6/74-9/75 CVW-17, CAG, NAS Oceana/USS *Forrestal* (F-4/A-7).

10/75-4/77 COMTACWINGSLANT, Opertions, NAS Oceana, VA./USS F. D. Roosevelt (TA-4J).

4/77-8/77 Senior Officers Ship Maintenance Readiness Course, Student, Idaho Falls, ID.

9/77-6/79 USS Coronado (LPD-11), CO, Norfolk, VA.

9/79-9/82 USS *Peleliu* (LHA-5), PCO/CO, Long Beach, CA.

9/82-9/84 USCINCLANT/CINCLANTFLT, J-3, Norfolk, VA.

10/84-9/85 TACWINGSLANT, COS, NAS Oceana, VA.

Summary of Significant Career Events

(1) 1959: Participated in evaluation of Night "Buddy Bombing" nuclear delivery experiments with A-3/A-4 aircraft. Thankfully, the program died in infancy.

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Summary of Significant Career Events continued:

- (2) 1967: Provided introductory training in newlyinstalled missile warning/launch alert systems for Air Force crews in Thailand. They had the gear, but no one knew how to use it.
- (3) 1969: Conducted operational test of new carrier-launched Navy reconnaissance drone called "BELFRY EXPRESS," which was similar to the highly successful Air Force "BUMPY ACTION" drone program.
- (4) 1976: Conducted initial evaluation for the integration of the AV-8 Harrier aircraft into a conventional airwing aboard USS *F. D. Roosevelt* for COMNAVAIRLANT.
- (5) 1980: Commissioning CO of USS Peleliu (LHA-5).
- (6) 1983: Developed Operations Plan for Grenada incursion, which began as classic Navy/Marine amphibious operation. JCS turned it into a joint operation with all hands participation.