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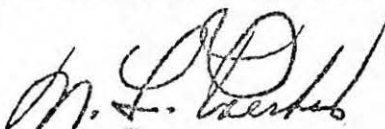
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USS COCHRANE (DDG-21) Command History  
Chronology of Outstanding Events 1969

Jan 1 - Jan 5	Upkeep - Pearl Harbor
Jan 6 - Jan 8	INSURV inspection
Jan 9 - Jan 19	Upkeep - Pearl Harbor
Jan 20 - Jan 23	COMPTUEX 3-69
Jan 24 - Feb 4	TAV USS ISLE ROYALE (AD-29)
Feb 5 - Feb 6	TAV - NTPI - Grade of outstanding assigned
Feb 7	TAV - Pearl Harbor
Feb 8 - Feb 29	Upkeep - Pearl Harbor
Mar 1 - Mar 7	Depart Apollo 9    Mar 3 - INSURV corrections 3/20
Mar 8	Refuel @ Pearl
Mar 9 - Mar 11	Apollo 9 - Splashdown 10 Mar
Mar 12 - Mar 16	Return Pearl
Mar 17 - Mar 19	Type Training
Mar 20	Depart Pearl for Hilo
Mar 21 - Mar 23	Inport Hilo
Mar 24	Depart Hilo for Pearl
Mar 25 - Apr 7	Pearl - Flot 5 Nuc Safety Meeting (27 Mar)
Apr 8 - Apr 9	POM Inspection - Grade of outstanding assigned
Apr 10 - Apr 13	Pearl Upkeep - FORACS (11 Apr)
Apr 14	FORACS Range
Apr 15 - Apr 17	Type Training
Apr 18	Expended two Tartar missiles at Barking Sands Weapons Range - Both hits.
Apr 19 - Apr 20	Upkeep - Pearl Harbor

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Apr 21 - Apr 22	Ordnance Review
Apr 23 - Apr 27	Upkeep Pearl Harbor
Apr 28 - May 2	COMPTUEX 13-69 COMDESRON 25 embarked.
May 3 - May 11	Upkeep Pearl Harbor
May 12 - May 16	Type training in NGFS Qual/Kahoolawe 14-16 Apr COMDESRON 25 embarked.
May 17 - June 8	Upkeep - Pearl Harbor
Jun 9	Dependents' Cruise for COCHRANE and staff CDS-25
Jun 10 - Jun 18	Upkeep - Pearl Harbor
Jun 19	Depart Pearl for WESTPAC - COMDESRON 25 embarked
Jun 20 - Jun 21	Transit
Jun 22	Refuel Midway
Jun 23 - Jun 28	Transit
Jun 29	Arrive Yokosuka
Jun 30 - Jul 2	Inport Yoko
Jul 3 - Jul 4	Underway for Sasebo
Jul 5	Arrive Sasebo
Jul 6	Inport Sasebo
Jul 7 - Jul 14	U/W Carrier Ops (BON HOMME RICHARD (CVA-31))
Jul 15 - Jul 23	Inport Sasebo
Jul 24 - Jul 29	U/W Carrier Ops (BHR)
Jul 30 - Jul 31	U/W Transit Yankee Station
Aug 1 - Aug 2	Plane Guard (BHR)
Aug 2	Anchor Danang Harbor,

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Aug 3	NGFS Anchored in Danang Harbor
Aug 4 - Aug 6	U/W for NGFS Chu Lai
Aug 7	U/W ISE Danang
Aug 8 - Aug 12	NGFS anchored in Danang Harbor
Aug 13 - Aug 18	NGFS Chu Lai
Aug 19	NGFS Chu Lai & AAWEX
Aug 20 - Aug 24	NGFS
Aug 25 - Aug 26	Enroute Subic Bay
Aug 27	Arrive Subic Bay
Aug 28 - Sep 10	Inport - Subic Bay
Sep 11 - Sep 12	U/W for Danang
Sep 13	Arrive Danang
Sep 14 - Sep 17	NGFS II Corps
Sep 18	U/W Danang
Sep 19	Arrive Danang
Sep 20 - Sep 21	NGFS Chu Lai
Sep 22	Anchored Danang
Sep 23 - Sep 24	H & I Danang
Sep 25 - Oct 3	NGFS II Corps
Oct 4 - Oct 6	NGFS I Corps
Oct 7	NGFS II Corps
Oct 8	Transit - Subic Bay
Oct 9	Arrive Subic Bay
Oct 10	Gun Shoot of the FRANK E. EVANS

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Oct 11 - Oct 15	Upkeep Subic Bay
Oct 16	U/W Kaoshung
Oct 17 - Oct 19	Inport Kaoshung
Oct 20 - Oct 21	U/W for TF 71 ops
Oct 22 - Oct 24	Carrier ops with USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64) in Sea of Japan
Oct 25 - Oct 27	Inport Sasebo
Oct 28 - Oct 30	U/W for Carrier Ops with USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64)
Oct 31 - Nov 7	Inport Sasebo - Upkeep
Nov 8 - Nov 14	U/W Carrier Ops - USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
Nov 15 - Nov 19	Inport Sasebo - Upkeep
Nov 20 - Nov 21	U/W Carrier Ops - HANCOCK
Nov 22 - Nov 23	U/W for Hong Kong
Nov 24 - Nov 30	Inport Hong Kong
Dec 1	U/W for Yankee Station
Dec 2 - Dec 4	Yankee station/USS HANCOCK (CVA-19)
Dec 4	U/W for Subic Bay
Dec 5	Arrive Subic Bay
Dec 6 - Dec 8	U/W for Guam
Dec 9	Arrive Guam -- refuel
Dec 10 - Dec 14	U/W for Midway
Dec 15 - Dec 17	U/W for Pearl
Dec 18	Arrive Pearl
Dec 19 - Dec 31	Inport Pearl Harbor -- Leave and Upkeep

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USS COCHRANE (DDG-21) Command History  
Basic Narrative

The year 1969 began for USS COCHRANE (DDG-21) in her home-port of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. COCHRANE was in Destroyer Division Two Fifty One, acting as flagship for Commander Destroyer Squadron 25. The COCHRANE was commanded by Commander John F. ADDAMS, USN.

The majority of the month of January 1969 was spent in port preparing for an INSURV inspection and a tender availability with the USS ISLE ROYALE (AD-29). The third week of the month was spent at sea conducting type training.

The entire month of February 1969 was spent in port. COCHRANE's tender availability continued through the 7th, with an NTPI inspection being held on the 5th and 6th of February.

The first two weeks of March were spent in support of Apollo 9. This involved taking station about 750 miles north of Pearl Harbor. Splushdown occurred on the 10th and the COCHRANE returned to Pearl on the 16th. The next several days were spent in type training. On the 20th, COCHRANE paid a recreational visit to Hilo, Hawaii. Many of the crews' wives were able to join their men for a pleasurable weekend of sight seeing. The COCHRANE departed Hilo on the 24th to return to Pearl. The rest of the month was spent inport at Pearl.

The first week of April 1969 was spent inport in Pearl. A POM inspection was held on the 8th and 9th. The second week of April consisted of type training. On the 18th, COCHRANE expended two Tartar missiles at the Barking Sands Weapons Range west of the island Kauai. The remainder of April was spent in port preparing for the forthcoming WestPac deployment with the exception of the last several days which was spent in type training.

COCHRANE continued type training for the first few days of May 1969. The COCHRANE returned to Pearl for an upkeep period until the 12th, when she was once more underway for type training. The COCHRANE returned to Pearl on the 17th and spent the remainder of the month in port.

The first week of June 1969 found COCHRANE inport for upkeep. COCHRANE got underway on the 9th for a short dependents' cruise. The 10th through the 13th were spent inport in final preparation for the WestPac deployment. On the 19th of June COCHRANE, with COMDESRON Twenty-Five embarked, departed Pearl Harbor for West-Pac and approximately one week later changed operational control to the Seventh Fleet. The COCHRANE arrived in Yokosuka on the 29th and closedout the month inport there.

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On the 3rd of July 1969 COCHRANE got underway for Sasebo, Japan arriving on the 5th. The second week of July, COCHRANE spent underway conducting carrier operations with the USS BON HOMME RICHARD (CVA-31) off of Korea. The remainder of the month was spent either inport Sasebo or at sea conducting carrier operations. The COCHRANE got underway for Yankee station on the 30th, and spent the first few days of August, 1969 plane-guarding for the BON HOMME RICHARD.

On 2 Aug, COCHRANE anchored in Danang Harbor for her first gunline period. COCHRANE's guns probed deep into the hills surrounding Danang Harbor with gun fire striking at suspected enemy troop positions and infiltration routes. During the remainder of the month, COCHRANE was doing NGFS either at Chu Lai or Danang.

The beginning of September found COCHRANE inport in Subic Bay, R. P. COCHRANE's first gunline tour had been rewarding. Firing at a multitude of targets within 100 miles of Danang, COCHRANE inflicted heavy damage whenever her mounts trained on enemy targets. On September 14th, COCHRANE returned to the gunline to relieve USS BENJAMIN STODDERT (DDG-22) of duties as flagship for Gunline Commander. From the 14th through the 17th, COCHRANE fired missions in support of the U. S. Army's Task Force South twenty-four miles north north-east of the Binh Thuan Province capital, Phan Thiet. On the 18th COCHRANE returned to Danang. On the 20th it was back to the Chu Lai area firing in support of the 2nd ARVN Division. On the 23rd COCHRANE returned to Danang to fire H&I fire in support of the First Marine Division and for the Second Brigade, ROMKO. The remainder of the month was spent in gunfire support in the II Corps area.

The first week of October 1969 was spent firing NGFS in the II and I Corps areas. On the 8th, COCHRANE left the gunline for Subic Bay. During her second gunline tour COCHRANE fired thirty-eight missions in support of allied forces in I and II Corps areas. Gunfire from COCHRANE's five inch gun accounted for the destruction or damage of sixty-eight military structures, and sixty-seven bunkers; ignited four secondary fires and five secondary explosions; interdicted twelve supply and infiltration routes; and killed three enemy troops. The second week of October was spent inport in Subic with the exception of the gunshoot of the Frank E. Evans hull on the 10th. On the 16th, COCHRANE got underway for Kaoshiung, Taiwan for a three day visit. The third week of October was spent as a portion of Task Force 71 operating with the USS CONSTELLATION (CVA 64) in the Sea of Japan. For this operation, COCHRANE was awarded

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the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. The remainder of the month either found the COCHRANE conducting carrier ops or inport Sasebo, Japan.

The first week of November was spent in upkeep inport in Sasebo. The second week found COCHRANE underway conducting carrier ops with the USS HANCOCK (CVA-19). The 15th through 22nd was spent either inport Sasebo or on carrier ops. November 22 found COCHRANE underway for Hong Kong arriving the 24th. The remainder of the month was spent inport Hong Kong.

On the 1st of December, COCHRANE got underway for Yankee Station. The next few days COCHRANE planeguarded for HANCOCK. On the 4th, COCHRANE returned to Subic Bay arriving the night of the 5th. Early morning of the 6th COCHRANE departed Subic Bay, beginning the long transit back to Pearl Harbor, stopping briefly at Guam and Midway for refueling. COCHRANE arrived at Pearl on December 18th and closed out the remaining days of 1969 inport Pearl.

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