

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
Marine Aircraft Group - 13
1 June to 30 June 1966

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 - (5) Marine Aerial Refueling Transport Squadron - 152

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MCAS IWAKUNI, JAPAN
COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
FOR PERIOD 1-30 JUNE 1966

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1. Commanders and Staff:

a. Headquarters, MAG-13 (1-30 June)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
EDWIN A. HARPER	CO	COL	COL
JOHN J. MURPHY	XO	LTCOL	LTCOL
HUBERT MITCHELL	ADJ	MAJOR	CAPT
CHESTER A. LIDDLE	S-1	MAJOR	MAJOR
CLYDE C. SIMON	S-2	MAJOR	CAPT
WALTER E. DOMINA	S-3	LTCOL	LTCOL
MARVIN R. RUSSELL	S-4	LTCOL	LTCOL

b. H&MS-13 (1-30 June)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
KENNETH G. FIEGENER	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
REECE J. WOODARD	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
JAMES H. FULBRIGHT	A/C MAINTO	MAJOR	MAJOR
LOUIS A. GAGNON	OPNSO	CAPT	CAPT
RICHARD M. BLOOM	ADMINO (1-6 JUNE)	LT	1STLT
THOMAS L. CARR	ADMINO (6-30 JUNE)	LT	2NDLT

c. MABS-13 (1-30 June)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
WILLIAM E. CASLIN	CO	LTCOL	MAJOR
CHARLES F. SCHWAB	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
JOHN L. LOHR	ADMINO	CAPT	2NDLT
JAMES E. SOWER	BASEOPSO	MAJOR	CAPT
JOHN J. FUCIK	BASESERVO	MAJOR	1STLT
WALTER C. SERVICE	OIC MATCU-60	MAJOR	MAJOR

d. VMFA-314 (1-30 June)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
DARRELL E. BJORKLUND	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
CLARENCE M. BAKER	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
ROBERT L. PAPPAS	S-1	LT	CAPT
HERBERT F. STROMAN	S-2	LT	CAPT
WILLIAM A. TYKSINSKI	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
JOHN T. TYLER	S-4	WO	CAPT
JOHN B. LAVELLE	MAINTO	MAJOR	MAJOR

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~~SECRET~~e. VMA-224 (1-30 June)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
JOHN BROWNE	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
ROBERT L. TALBERT	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
HARDY R. STENNIS	S-1 (1-6 JUNE)	LT	CAPT
RICHARD M. BLOOM	S-1 (6-30 JUNE)	LT	1STLT
BARRY A. RUDIACILLE	S-2	LT	1STLT
HUGH N. LEVIN	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
ROBERT J. NEWMAN	S-4	WO	CAPT
BRUCE R. BOOKER	MAINTO	MAJOR	CAPT

f. VMFA-323 (1-30 June)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANKS</u>	
		<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
ANDREW W. O'DONNELL	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
STANLEY A. CHALLGREN	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
RICHARD P. LEE	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
JERRY C. ROBINSON	S-1	LT	1STLT
CARROL M. LACROIX	S-4	WO	CAPT

2. Task Organization and Unit Location

MAG-13 (Rein)	MCAS IWAKUNI	COL EDWIN A. HARPER
H&MS-13	MCAS IWAKUNI	LTCOL KENNETH G. FIEGENER
MABS-13 (MATCU-60 ATTACHED)	MCAS IWAKUNI	MAJ WILLIAM E. CASLIN
VMFA-314	MCAS IWAKUNI	LTCOL DARRELL E. BJORKLUND
VMFA-323	MCAS IWAKUNI	LTCOL ANDREW W. O'DONNELL
VMA-224	MCAS IWAKUNI	LTCOL JOHN BROWN
VMGR-152	MCAF FUTEMA	LTCOL JOHN T. URELL
MACS-6	CAMP SCHWAB	MAJ FRANCIS L. DELANEY
HMM-263	MCAF FUTEMA	LTCOL JEROME L. GOEBEL
MATCU-66	MCAF FUTEMA	CAPT VICTOR J. FULLADOSA
HMM-364	USS PRINCETON	LTCOL DANIEL A. SOMERVILLE

a. Command chronologies from Okinawa based units and SLF have been submitted direct to CG Ninth MAB for the reporting period.

3. Average Monthly Strengths

<u>MAG-13</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>AG</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>USN</u>	
				<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
H&MS-13	24	19	377	0	0
MABS-13 (MATCU-60 ATTACHED)	8	12	463	0	0
VMA-224	22	0	168	1	0
VMFA-314	19	20	255	1	2
VMFA-323	21	21	292	1	0
TOTALS	94	72	1555	3	2

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PART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The reporting period has been a routine one for MAG-13 (Rein). The tactical squadrons attached to the Group continued preparations for their return to VietNam. Emphasis was placed on training new personnel.

Marine Attack Squadron 224 and Marine Fighter/Attack Squadron 314 deployed during the month to Naha AB, Okinawa for weapons training. VMFA-323 continued to stand the air defense alert at Tainan AB, Taiwan, being relieved on 23 June by VMFA-314.

H&MS-13 has continued on a normal routine for the month. The squadron deployed two (2) TF-9J aircraft to Naha AB, Okinawa to support VMFA-314 in intercept training missions. The Shudoin Orphanage, Hiroshima received continued support from H&MS-13.

MABS-13 was primarily engaged in routine, in-garrison support of MAG-13 (Rein) during the month of June. The squadron continued support of the Shudoin Orphanage at Hiroshima. Forty-eight hours of basic training was conducted.

VMFA-323 was deployed to Tainan AB for the period 1-23 June. During this time the squadron concentrated on air-to-ground weapons training, day and night air-to-air weapons and inflight refueling. The squadron also maintained a constant alert status of one hour during the day and five minutes at night.

While at Tainan, the following persons visited the squadron and received a briefing on the squadron posture and capabilities:

- a. 3 June. Brigadier General Michael P. RYAN, Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade; Colonel Edwin A. HARPER, Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Rein); and Major General TSANG, Commander, First Fighter Wing, GRC Air Force.
- b. 7 June. Vice Admiral John J. HYLAND, Commander Seventh Fleet.
- c. 15 June. Admiral NI, Chief of Staff, ~~Grand~~ Republic of China.
- d. 16 June. General T. H. HAN, Inspector General, GRC Air Force.

On 24 June the squadron returned to Iwakuni and continued training in anticipation for their return to combat.

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VMFA-314 during the first twenty (20) days of the month had the majority of the squadron participating in a deployment at Naha AB. Primary emphasis was placed on qualifying new aircrew members in conventional air-to-ground ordnance delivery. On 20 June, the squadron returned to MCAS Iwakuni.

Five days after its return to Iwakuni, VMFA-314 deployed to Tainan AB, Taiwan, to assume the Air Defense Alert.

VMA-224 was involved in routine training operations at both MCAS Iwakuni and NAF Naha, Okinawa. Inclement weather was the main cause in the cancellation of scheduled sorties at the beginning of the month. On 17 June, a five (5) plane detachment with six (6) officers and twenty-nine (29) enlisted deployed to Naha AB for weapons training.

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a. Personnel/Administration. During the month of June, three (3) Warrant Officers, twenty-six (26) Gunnery Sergeants, eight (8) Staff Sergeants, eleven (11) Sergeants, two (2) Lance Corporals, and seven Privates First Class were promoted to their present rank.

H&MS-13 initiated their Savings Bond Drive on 10 June in which 130 bond allotments were started for a 42% total participation.

b. Casualties. 1/Lt. Stanley SOLOMAN, NFO with VMFA-314, suffered moderate injuries while practicing cockpit emergency egress procedures.

c. Morale/Welfare Programs.

(1) MAG-13 (Rein) has continued support of the Shudoin Orphanage, Hiroshima. On 15 June, LtCol. BROWNE, Commanding Officer of VMA-224, presented the orphanage 214,000 yen, for the purchase and installation of a hot water heater. This gift was donated by the officers and men of VMA-224 and MAG-13 (Rein). At the presentation ceremony the Third Marine Division Band played a one hour concert.

MAG-13's Sunday "Big Brother" program has resulted in approximately 608 volunteer man hours during the month of June. Also, MABS-13 delivered two (2) loads of sand and one load of fire wood to the Orphanage.

(2) Chaplain's Report;

(a) Religious Services

1. Sunday; 16: attendance; 543
2. Daily; 19: attendance, 77
3. Wednesday evening; 5: attendance; 32

(b) Discussion Group; 4: attendance; 13

(c) Counseling Interviews

1. Joint Marriage; 4
2. Other; 216

(d) Visitation

1. Brig; 22
2. Hospital; 30
3. Brig Group Therapy Sessions; 2

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(e) Civil Affairs

1. Protestant Chaplain arranged for group of 15 military personnel and Japanese of the Iwakuni area to attend the Sunday, 19 June, evening service at the Hiroshima Assembly of God Mission Church. The Protestant Chaplain delivered the sermon at this service.

2. \$104.98 was donated to the above church through the MCAS Protestant Chapel Fund. The money, collected under the supervision of the MAG-13 (Rein) Protestant Chaplain, will be used to help purchase a piano for the church.

d. Intelligence/Counterintelligence.

(1) Preparation for execution of assigned mission.

(a) Particular events related.

1. Continued training and orientation to insure deploying units receive maximum familiarity with Southeast Asia.

(2) Activities.

(a) Inspections.

1. Pre-rotation inspection held on HMM-263 on 14 June 1966. No major discrepancies were found.

2. Pre-rotation inspection held on VMFA-323 on 30 June 1966. No major discrepancies were found.

3. 6 June 1966 after-hours Security inspection held by Sub-Team #1, 7th CI Team on VMFA-314 and VMA-224. Security violation reported on VMA-224. 8 June 1966 after-hours security inspection held on MWSG-17. No violation noted. 13 June 1966 after-hour security inspection held by Sub-Unit #1, 7th CI Team on MAMS-17, MWSG-17. No violations noted. 15 June 1966 after-hours security inspection held by Sub-Unit #1, 7th CI Team on MABS-13, MAG-13 (Rein). No violations noted.

(b) Training.

1. Assistance was rendered to tactical squadrons in preparation for deployment. Intelligence briefs were presented to the commanding officers and his staff at the regularly scheduled weekly CO's conference.

2. 1stLt. Wesley L. CRAVEN, Ass't S-2 Officer, returned from the Vietnamese Language School, Okinawa. Cpl. Thomas C. WERTS from the Group S-2 Section went TAD 28 June 1966 to the Vietnamese Language School, Okinawa.

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3. On 30 June 1966 Ass't S-2 Officer gave a one hour class on Military Security to MABS-13. On 8 June 1966 S-2 Chief gave a two hour class on Combat Intelligence to H&MS-13.

(c) Administrative.

1. Classified files were maintained in accordance with OPNAV INST 5510.1C.

2. Personnel Security Clearances were processed in accordance with OPNAV INST 5510.1C.

3. Unclassified files were maintained in accordance with SECNAV INST P5213.1 (Naval Filing System).

4. 2ndLt. L. A. DE HART was transferred from this command on 8 June 1966.

e. Air Operations.

(1) H&MS-13. Two (2) TF-9J aircraft deployed to NAF Naha in support of VMFA-314. Flight time for the month was 140.1 hours in the TF-9J and 89.8 in the C117D.

(2) VMA-224. Pilots at Iwakuni flew 309 sorties and 333 hours, while the detachment at Naha AB flew 114 sorties and 127 hours. Three newly joined pilots have completed A4C fam, instruments, tactics, and have been flying practice ordnance sorties.

(3) VMFA-323. The squadron flew a total of 457 hours in 265 sorties, completing 163 air-to-air, 99 air-to-ground, and 18 in-flight refueling training syllabus sorties. Of 296 syllabus sorties scheduled, 252 were completed for and 88% completion factor.

(4) VMFA-314. During the month of June, the majority of the squadron was involved in the deployment to Naha. Primary emphasis was placed on air-to-ground ordnance delivery. From 25-30 June, VMFA-314 was deployed to Tainan Air Base, where 75 training sorties for 125 hours were flown.

f. Ground Training. Basic Training was conducted on the squadron level with emphasis upon guerrilla warfare, jungle survival, UCMJ, ground defense, and physical fitness.

g. Logistics.

(1) On 20 June the Group Embarkation Officer and NCO attended an MCAS, Iwakuni, Embarkation meeting at 1300 in Building 360. It was decided that Ltjg. D. L. JOHNSON, USN, MCAS, Iwakuni, Supply Material Officer would draft up a Shipping and Receiving S. O. P. to include all forms of cargo transportation to and from MCAS, Iwakuni. The two

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main areas of concern to be covered were procedures to be observed by tenant organizations involved in a administrative and/or a combat move.

(2) On 22 June Marine Aircraft Group-13, (Rein), S-4 and Supply personnel conferred with Marine Aircraft Group-11 counterparts concerning common problem areas. Also on 22 June the rotation between VMFA-314 and VMFA-323 from Iwakuni to Tainan respectively, commenced with the departure and turn around of three (3) C-130's and one (1) C-54 aircraft.

(3) On 23, 24, and 25 June two (2) C-130 aircraft shuttled from MCAS, Iwakuni to Tainan Air Base completing the VMFA-323/314 rotation.

(4) On 27 June a briefing was prepared for Col. HARPER for delivery to CG, FMFPac. The Group went into Typhoon Condition III, then II. Preparations were made accordingly.

(5) On 28 June, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Rein) went into Typhoon Condition III then out of the typhoon alert all together.

h. Communications. MABS-13 has continued to operate the communications center for MAG-13 (Rein). The center processed 7,573 messages in the past month.

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1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), the following report is submitted:

PART I: Organizational Data

1. Captain E. H. LONEY, Officer in Charge, SOCC, 1-30 June 1966
 2ndLt K. L. WERBINSKI, Assistant Officer in Charge, SOCC, 1-3 June 1966
2. The SIOP Operations Control Center (SOCC) is directly responsible to the Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Rein)/Task Group 79.3.
3. Average monthly strength during period: One (1) officer and (4) enlisted.
4. 2ndLt K. L. WERBINSKI transferred to CONUS (Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California) 3 June 1966. Master Sergeant R. LIPPE promoted to WO-1 30 June 1966 and assigned as assistant Officer in Charge, SOCC.

PART II: Narrative Summary

1. A SIOP Planning Conference was held 29 June 1966 for the purpose of reconstituting committed Marine forces at MCAS Iwakuni. Representatives of FMFPAC, COMUSMACV, COMSEVENTHFLT, 1STMAW, CTF 79 and CTG 79.3 attended.

PART III: Significant Events

1. SOCC continued an extensive training and updating program on all documents so far received pertaining to the new SIOP-4 effective 1 July 1966.

PART IV: Supporting Documents

1. None.

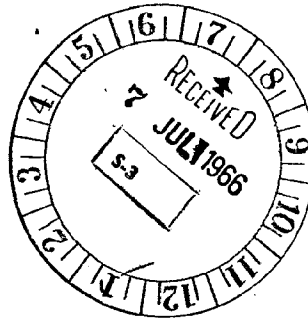
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1. REF A REFERS AVIATION STATUS RPT AS OF 30 JUNE 1966

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B. K. G. FIEGNER, LTCOL, USMC

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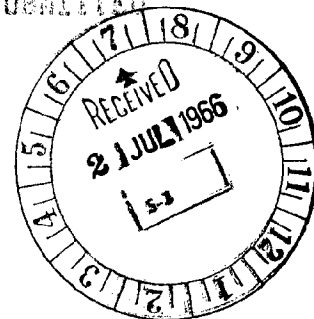
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY-TIO

PERIOD FROM 1 JUNE 1966 TO 30 JUNE 1966

1. ROSTER.


1stLt W. L. CRAVEN remains as MAG-13 TIO.

2. NARRATIVE.

MAG-13 TIO continued administrative supervision of informational services activity in MAG-13.

3. LOCAL NEWS RELEASES.

Encl (1) local news release concerning MAG-13 for this month.


W. L. CRAVEN
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APPENDIX 4

Fisherman's Reward

The old fisherman probably had little forethought of the consequences of inviting the three Americans out to his boat to take pictures. He had seen the three servicemen on bicycles watching one of his fishing boats off the shore of Murozumi City, near Tokuyama, and "thinking that they wanted to have a closer look at our operation, I sent a small boat to invite them to my boat. I was happy to see them appreciating my offer and enjoying themselves taking pictures," wrote Seiichi Matsunaga in a letter to the air station last month. "I knew they were all away from home, so I thought we should be kind and thoughtful to them." Last week the favor was returned.

Wanted Pictures. In the letter Matsunaga had noted that "although I could not understand their language, I knew they were very nice people, and I would like to have copies of the pictures they shot of us to remember our friendship. The language barrier hampered me in asking for them at the time or getting their names and addresses." After the fisherman's plea appeared in the *Torii Teller* May 16, the three Marines — Sgts. Art Espinosa and Warren Cracknell and Cpl. Bill Nicolaus, all of H&MS-13's engine shop — were identified, and plans were made to invite Matsunaga to Iwakuni to pick up his pictures and look over the air station.

When Matsunaga arrived June 18, he was met at the gate by Sgt. Espinosa and an interpreter (Cracknell and Nicolaus were deployed), escorted through the H&MS-13 engine shop, watched a staged jet engine test on the test ramp, then was taken on a tour of the air station. Later he met

FAW-6 chief of staff officer Capt. John "X" Miller and his wife at the captain's quarters.

Added Wisdom. During the tour, Espinosa once suggested to Matsunaga that they go to the enlisted club for something to eat and drink. The stately old gentleman declined because "I don't want you to spend money on me that you could spend on your family." He did, however, sip some 100-yr.-old brandy with Capt. Miller that the captain had been saving for just such an occasion.



MATSUNAGA & ESPINOSA AT ENGINE SHOP

The favor was returned.

A bit of a philosopher, Matsunaga had written in his letter that "no matter how loud a voice Prime Minister Sato may raise for world peace, I'm pretty sure that it won't be realized unless each individual is tied in such a fine friendship as I witnessed between the three men from your base and our fishermen, including myself." He added a few more words of wisdom last week, told Espinosa that health was the most important commodity in the world. "Without it," said Matsunaga, 64, "a man cannot serve himself or his country." The old fisherman is still able to do both well.

Out of Hot Water

Since the first of this year Hiroshima City has been financially unable to provide separate public facilities for its orphaned and abandoned infants, has shoved the responsibility off on the already overcrowded Shudoin Orphanage, which is poorly equipped to handle the problems peculiar to the diaper set. Just last April the water heater that serviced the 25 under-2-yr.-olds' nursery went on the blink and for 2 mos. the kids had to freeze through cold baths. Thanks to the Marines of VMA-224, though, by last week the youngsters were able to splash around in warm water again.

VMA-224 got involved in the project last month when the MAG-13 orphanage committee asked the squadron, after learning of the children's plight, if they would participate in a fund raising campaign. "No," said a VMA-224 spokesman. "We'll replace the water heater." Actually the squadron did much more. When '224 commander LtCol John Browne and squadron representatives drove up to Hiroshima last June 15 to present Shudoin's director Kogi Kitamuya with the money to purchase a new heater (¥214,000 or \$594.44), they brought along an added treat for the kids: the visiting 3d Marine Division Band, which played an hour-long concert at the orphanage.

Now the MAG-13 orphanage committee is helping Shudoin with another project to give the orphaned infants a better home. The group is asking for donations of any article, new or used in good condition, that the orphanage can sell at a bazaar they are planning Aug. 7. Shudoin officials are hoping to raise enough money at

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Memento for "Mama-San"

She was hardly dressed for the occasion, but, after all, it was supposed to be a surprise. The MAG-13 officers working in the Pentagon building had gotten to like the way their little "mama-san" shuffled around cleaning up their offices, emptying trash cans and ash trays, and thought it only fitting that they should present Teruko Dohi some little memento for her 10 yrs. of faithful service as a janitress at the Pentagon. So, one day last week MAG-13 executive officer LtCol. J.J. Murphy asked Teruko to put down her broom and step into his office where he pinned a corsage on her slightly worn working dress. Teruko beamed, then chatted with Col. Murphy and the other officers who attended the brief ceremony about all the generals she has met during her 10 yrs. at the Pentagon. Altogether, she has worked aboard the station for about 18 yrs.



TERUKO & MURPHY
A corsage for 10 yrs.

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Sports**The Thorn Strikes**

H&HS's entry in the intramural softball league is proving to be a late season thorn in the side of the leaders. For its first win, after losing four straight, the station team stopped front-running Supply, 2-0, and threw the race into a virtual four-way tie. Then, before rain put an end to the action last week, H&HS dampened the hopes of another contender. After battling back and forth 10 innings, the season's longest game, H&HS's 22-hit attack finally felled VMA-224, by a score of 13-12, to drop the northside team from first to fourth place.

In the only other games played before press time, MAMS-17 moved up to sole possession of first place via a 3-2 victory over H&HS-17, and H&MS-13 defeated VP-2, 7-6.

SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	%	GB
MAMS-17	6	2	.750	-
Supply	5	2	.714	1/2
NAMD	6	3	.666	1/2
VMA-224	5	3	.625	1
VP-1	4	3	.571	1 1/2
H&MS-13	4	3	.571	1 1/2
H&HS-17	3	3	.500	2
H&HS	2	4	.333	3
VP-2	0	6	.000	5
Hospital	0	6	.000	5

Golfing in the Rain

The clouds cleared away, the sun came out of hiding and, all in all, it looked like a great day for golf. But before the 64 American and Japanese golfers could finish the first annual 27-hole Iwakuni JayCee-MCAS golf tournament last Sunday they got drenched in rain. It didn't dampen their spirits much, though, nor their scores. The air station's best golfer, Navy Lt. Jack Allen, notched a one over par 109 for top gross honors, but could win only a fifth place in the net column with a handicap score of 103. He was out handicapped by four JayCeers, the lowest of which shot an 8 1/2 under par 99 1/2 net score.

After the tourney, the contestants slipped into dry clothing and drove out to the slipway officer's club for a banquet and awards ceremony, with station commander Col. James T. McDaniel, MAG-13 commander Col. Edwin E. Harper, FAW-6 commodore Capt. Gerald E. Minor and station deputy commander LtCol. Henry W. Horst passing out the trophies.

SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	won	Lost	%	GB
VMA-224	4	0	1.000	-
Supply	4	1	.800	1/2
MAMS-17	3	1	.750	1
H&HS-17	2	1	.667	1 1/2
H&MS-13	2	1	.667	1 1/2
NAMD	3	2	.699	1 1/2
VP-1	0	2	.000	3
H&HS	0	3	.000	3 1/2
VP-2	0	4	.000	4
Hospital	0	4	.000	4

Promotions

MABS-13 — 2dLts. Thomas L. Carr and J.L. Lohr, Sgts Nathan S. Johnson, Herbert Jacinto, Dick Burchfield, Alfred A. Gagnon, Walter J. Risch, Paul E. Rice, William H. Ditch, Michael J. O'Bryon,

VMA-224 — 2dLt. Joseph E. Garavaglia, Sgts. Wallace E. Barber, Raymond A. Enama, Horace L. Gullick, Stephen D. Hale, John J. Kojdecki, Raymond C. Lewis and Merle J. Thompson; to their present ranks.

H&MS-13 — 2dLts. Zane C. Hulcy, John L. Lohr, Donald L. Hockensmith, William Risko and Lawrence A. Dehart, Sgts. D.D. Bennett, J.H. Burkett, D.M. Geer, M. Green, G.H. Johnson, A. Lockwood, H.D. Maille, S.N. Nelson, H.W. Shemery, D.E. Swafford, L.A. Ward and C.A. West; to their present ranks.

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