

Naval Air Station Jacksonville  
From 1907 to Present

Acronyms	
<i>A&amp;R</i>	Assembly and Repair (Shops)
<i>CAG</i>	Carrier Air Group
<i>CNO</i>	Chief of Naval Operations
<i>CO</i>	Commanding Officer
<i>COMHELWINGSLANT</i>	Commander, Helicopter Wings Atlantic
<i>FASRon</i>	Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron
<i>FAW 11</i>	Fleet Air Wing ELEVEN
<i>HC</i>	Helicopter Combat Support Squadron
<i>HS</i>	Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron
<i>NADEP</i>	Naval Aviation Depot
<i>NARD</i>	Naval Air Rework Facility
<i>NAAS</i>	Naval Auxiliary Air Station
<i>NAESU</i>	Naval Air Engineering Service Unit
<i>NARTU</i>	Naval Air Reserve Training Unit
<i>NAS</i>	Naval Air Station
<i>NATTCen</i>	Naval Air Technical Training Center
<i>NAVCOMTELSTA</i>	Naval Computer and Telecommunications S
<i>NAVHOSP</i>	Naval Hospital
<i>NEX</i>	Navy Exchange

<i>NIF</i>	Navy Industrial Fund
<i>O&amp;R</i>	Overhaul and Repair (Shops)
<i>RIF</i>	Reduction in Force
<i>SECNAV</i>	Secretary of the Navy
<i>VA</i>	Attack Squadron
<i>VAH</i>	Heavy Attack Squadron
<i>VF</i>	Fighting Plane Squadron
<i>VFA</i>	Fighter Attack Squadron
<i>VP</i>	Patrol Squadron
<i>VR</i>	Air Transport Squadron/Fleet Logistics Support Squadron
<i>VS</i>	Air Antisubmarine (Sea Control) Squadron
<i>VU</i>	Utility Squadron

### **Chronology**

May 1907 - After many sites were investigated, a 1,300-acre tract of land at Black Point (Philbrofen) was recommended as a site for a state camp.

Aug. 10, 1907 - First tract of land for 389 acres acquired from Joseph H. Phillips for \$8,000.

June 8-15, 1909 - First encampment of state troops.

Oct. 1915 - National Rifle Matches held at State Camp (Black Point).

June 24 – Oct. 2, 1916 - Second Florida Infantry mobilized at State Camp (Black Point).

Oct. 11-25, 1916 - National Rifle Tournament at State Camp (Black Point).

Dec. 4, 1916 - Earl Dodge establishes School of Aviation at Black Point, utilizing three Curtiss hydroaeroplanes. School lasts seven months.

Oct. 1, 1917 - Construction begins at Camp Johnston (near Yukon).

Oct. 15, 1917 - Camp Joseph E. Johnston commissioned.

Nov. 19, 1917 - First group of enlisted and officers arrive for training.

Dec. 1917 - Camp Johnston selected as a remount station, known as Auxiliary Remount Depot 333.

Jan. 19, 1918 - United States soldiers from Camp Johnston took up duties of guarding Jacksonville's public utilities.

April 18, 1918 - Trolley line from city to Camp Johnston gate finished.

April 18, 1919 - Major McCauley sets transcontinental speed record of 25 hours, 45 minutes between San Diego and Camp Johnston.

May 16, 1919 - Camp Johnston officially closed.

July 12, 1919 - Base Hospital (126 acres) transferred to Treasury Department for Public Health Service.

July 23, 1920 - Abandonment of Camp Johnston complete.

Feb. 24, 1921 – Lt. William Corey (U.S. Army) sets transcontinental speed record of 22 hours, 7 minutes between San Diego and landing at Camp Johnston.

June 22, 1921 - Fire destroys military warehouses at Yukon.

Aug. 21, 1921 - Public land and more than 200 buildings at Camp Johnston offered as a campus for veterans vocational training university that federal officials proposed to built in the south.

Jan. 9, 1925 - Camp Johnston recommended as site for Jacksonville's Municipal Airport.

June 7, 1926 - War Department grants revocable license to State of Florida for lands to be used for National Guard training.

March 31, 1928 - License given to state by War Department to erect a caretaker's cottage and to construct gates.

June 18, 1928 - Site named Camp J. Clifford R. Foster.

Sept. 9, 1929 - An inventory of Camp Foster shows 93 structures and roads valued at \$835,318.

Oct .14, 1929 - Duval County starts construction of road across reservation to Orange Park.

Feb. 22, 1934 - Motorcycle race held at Black Point Rifle Range. (Race would later become today's Daytona 200 Motorcycle Race.)

July 11, 1934 - Governor's Ball, social highlight of the Guard's two-week summer camp at Camp Foster, held in Officers' Club. Florida Governor Dave Sholtz attends. Also, Florida's first Peace Officers School convened at Camp Foster with 144 lawmen.

May 1938 - Congress created a board to determine suitable sites for naval shore facilities. Headed by RADM A. J. Hepburn, it was called the Hepburn Board.

Sept. 12, 1938 - Hepburn Board visits NAS Jacksonville site.

Oct. 7, 1938 - Three seaplanes begin landing and takeoff tests from St. Johns River.

Nov. 8, 1938 - Second visit to NAS Jacksonville site by Hepburn Board.

Jan. 19, 1939 - HR 2880 introduced, which included authorization for NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 12, 1939 - House Naval Affairs Committee visits Jacksonville and recommends another Hepburn Board study.

March 2, 1939 - Third visit to NAS Jacksonville site by the Hepburn Board.

March 22, 1939 - NAS Jacksonville site recommended by Hepburn Board.

April 26, 1939 - President Roosevelt signed a bill providing for \$66,800,000 for a naval air station program, of which \$15,000,000 was earmarked for NAS Jacksonville.

May 5, 1939 - Bill introduced in Florida Legislature setting up Duval County Air Base Authority.

May 13, 1939 - The Duval County Air Base Authority was organized for the purpose of acquiring lands for NAS Jacksonville.

July 7, 1939 - CDR Cotter, Public Works Officer, arrives to confer with Jacksonville leaders.

July 18, 1939 - The citizens of Duval County voted in favor of a bond issue for \$1,100,000 to provide funds for the acquisition and donation of approximately 3,260 acres of land for NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 2, 1939 - War Department transfers title of their 682.33 acres of land at Black Point to Navy

Department.

Sept. 15, 1939 - CDR Cotter starts Public Works/Contracting functions.

Oct. 25, 1939 - First contract issued for clearing, dredging and filling.

Nov. 11, 1939 - Chief Pharmacist's Mate A. E. Owen reports as first Medical Department representative.

Jan. 16, 1940 - First aircraft assigned to station, a Grumman J2F-3, arrives in Jacksonville.

April 23, 1940 - Air Station title given to U.S. Government.

June 4, 1940 - First Marines arrive at station.

Sept. 7, 1940 - First plane, an N3N, landed on airfield.

Sept. 17, 1940 – Capt. Mason, first Station commanding officer, arrives in Jacksonville.

Oct. 2, 1940 - Undersecretary of the Navy James Forrestal visits the station.

Oct. 15, 1940 - NAS Jacksonville commissioned at high noon. Capt. Charles Perry Mason first commanding officer. Squadron VN-13, D-7 established. Adm. Towers in attendance.

Oct. 16, 1940 - Station's first completed building, 110, begins operations.

Nov. 7, 1940 - First class of aviation cadets begins arriving.

Dec. 14, 1940 - First official photos of station taken by Photography Laboratory personnel.

Dec. 24, 1940 - Station's first training aircraft arrive as 10 N2S Stearmans fly in direct from the factory in St. Louis.

Jan. 2, 1941 - First primary training squadron, VN-11, commissioned.

Feb. 12, 1941 - Undersecretary Forrestal makes second visit to station.

Feb. 15, 1941 - NAS Jacksonville Post Office established.

Feb. 21, 1941 - Site Selection Board approves buying 2,666 acres for \$18,786 to establish Auxiliary Field No. 2 (Cecil Field).

March 1, 1941 - American Red Cross Field Director's Office opened.

March 5, 1941 - Seaplane squadrons VN-14 and VN-15 established, using nine P2Ys.

March 11, 1941 - Building 8, main dispensary, opened for operation.

March 12, 1941 - Benjamin Lee II outlying field at Green Cove Springs dedicated.

May 14, 1941 - Overhaul and Repair Offices open in Hangar 101.

Mar 20, 1941 - President Franklin Roosevelt visits station.

March 26, 1941 - Civilian Personnel Department established.

April 1941 - Fire Station #1 opens.

April 1, 1941 - Construction work begins at Cecil Field.

April 5, 1941 - Air Operations moves into Building 118.

May 1, 1941 - Public Relations Office established.

May 24, 1941 - First class of mechanics graduates from trade schools.

May 30, 1941 - Cadet Club opened.

June 4, 1941 - Admirals Towers and Nimitz visit station.

June 21, 1941 - First base wedding.

June 24, 1941 - First class of aviation cadets receives their wings (Ensigns Hemphill, Kennedy, and Shortlidge).

June 28, 1941 - NBC radio conducts one-day remote broadcast from station.

July 1, 1941 - U.S. Naval Hospital commissioned.

July 13, 1941 - Legal Office established.

Aug. 1, 1941 - Station War Bond Office established, as first Legal Officer arrives.

Aug. 15, 1941 - First major overhaul completed at A&R (Assembly and Repair) with completion of N2S #3423.

Sept. 20, 1941 - Officers' Club dedicated.

Sept. 29, 1941 - Station library opens.

Nov. 29, 1941 - First photo plane (J2F3) flown on aerial photographic mission.

Dec. 18, 1941 - Cecil Field opens for operation; first plane lands, from Squadron VN-11.

Dec. 26, 1941 - Industrial Medicine Department established.

March 4, 1942 - Naval Air Transport Service Squadron VR-1 begins service to NAS Jacksonville.

March 11, 1942 - Low pressure chamber for altitude flight indoctrination commissioned.

April 1, 1942 - Anti-submarine patrols began. Air Operational Training Command established at NAS Jacksonville.

April 7, 1942 - Casey Stengel's Boston Braves visit Air Station to play baseball team.

May 1, 1942 - Rear Adm. A. B. Cook became the Chief of Naval Air Operational Training Command with headquarters at NAS Jacksonville.

May 4, 1942 - First group of female workers in the shops of the A&R Department were placed in training under the Vocational Training Department.

May 5, 1942 - Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., receives his wings at station.

May 6, 1942 - Operational flight training begins.

May 11, 1942 - Air Station baseball team beats Florida Gators for fourth time.

May 13, 1942 - VP-83 is assigned to station for ASW duties.

May 27, 1942 - Mason Field dedicated.

May 29, 1942 - Construction begins at Naval Air Gunners School (Yellow Water).

May 31, 1942 - Squadron VP-94 relieves squadron VP-83.

June 1942 - First sentry dogs arrive.

June 8, 1942 – Capt. Mason reduces base speed limit from 40 to 30 mph to save rubber on tires.

June 24, 1942 - Fire Station #2, corner of Child and Enterprise, opens.

Aug. 15, 1942 - First fired target at Naval Air Gunners School.

Aug. 16, 1942 - ASW patrols discontinued.

Aug. 28, 1942 - Aviation Free Gunnery School commissioned near Cecil Field.

Aug. 30, 1942 - Ferry service started.

Sept. 10, 1942 - Naval Training Station (Recruit Center) opened.

Sept. 19, 1942 - Air Station football team beats Florida Gators, 20-7.

Sept. 21, 1942 - First 29 students graduate from Gunners School.

Oct. 15, 1942 - Operational Training began with PBYs as VPB2 OTU (Outgoing Training Unit) #1 is established and squadron VN-15 disestablished. First aircraft turrets arrive (.30 + .50 caliber) at Gunners School.

Nov. 10, 1942 - First WAVE officer logged aboard (Ensign Katherine Doe).

Jan. 1, 1943 - Service school's name changed to Naval Air Technical Training Center.

Jan. 17, 1943 - Saint Edward's Catholic Chapel dedicated.

Feb. 4, 1943 - VTB squadron begins operational training.

Feb. 9, 1943 - First WAVES report to A&R Department.

Feb. 20, 1943 - NAAS Cecil Field and NAAS Lee Field commissioned.

Feb. 20, 1943 - Squadron VN-14 became VO-VCS and began operational training with OS2U type aircraft, syllabus including catapult practice.

Feb. 26, 1943 - Last class of aviation cadets awarded wings.

Feb. 28, 1943 - All Saints' Protestant Chapel dedicated.

March 6, 1943 - Severe storm damages 87 aircraft and 28 buildings at NAAS Cecil Field.

April 1943 – Lt. Cmdr. Charles Henri de Levis Mirepoix succeeded Lt. Andre Gilbert as commanding officer of the Fighting French Naval Aviation Unit at NAS Jacksonville.

April 1, 1943 - JAX AIR NEWS, station newspaper, published first edition, replacing THE

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April 2, 1943 - Inauguration of radio programs for station. Carried on WJAX.

April 5, 1943 - Squadron VPB-OTU #2, flying PBYs, established.

April 6, 1943 - Fifty WAVES report to the Naval Hospital for one month of training for the Hospital Corps rating.

April 19, 1943 - Transportation Division established separate from Public Works.

June 3, 1943 - Squadron VPB-OTU #3 established.

July 12, 1943 - Barnett National Bank facility opens on station.

Oct. 26, 1943 - VF (fighter aircraft) training begins.

Nov. 1, 1943 - Squadron VF OTU #4 established.

Nov. 12, 1943 - TBF (torpedo bomber) training ends.

Nov. 18, 1943 - Squadron VF-OTU #5 established.

March 10, 1944 - Two SNB aircraft assigned and the multi-engine phase of instruction inaugurated.

March 14, 1944 - Bob Hope visits station and gives wings to 150 airmen.

March 30, 1944 - Air mail service initiated between NAS Jacksonville and Lee and Cecil Fields.

April 15, 1944 - NAAS Mayport commissioned.

April 25, 1944 - Senator Claude Pepper of Florida tours air station.

May 15, 1944 - Aeronautics Publications Center established at NAS Jacksonville.

July 1, 1944 - NAAS Jacksonville Municipal #1 commissioned.

July 31, 1944 - Recruit Center transferred from NAS to NATTC.

Aug. 1, 1944 - Naval recruit training ends.

Sept. 1, 1944 - Squadron VF-OTU #4 becomes MF-OTU.

Sept. 10, 1944 - NAS passes one-millionth hour of flying time.

Oct. 8, 1944 - Aerial Searchlight Course started.

Oct. 19, 1944 - NAS Jacksonville provides haven from hurricane to 1,700 personnel.

Nov. 28, 1944 - First helicopter lands at station (Sikorsky HNS).

Nov. 30, 1944 - Fernandina Gunnery Field placed in commission.

Dec. 1, 1944 - OS2U Station Ready plane replaced by SNJ-2.

Dec. 11, 1944 - A 60-bed hospital for dependents opened at NAS Jacksonville.

Dec. 12, 1944 - First baby delivered at Naval Hospital Jacksonville.

Dec. 15, 1944 - SNB-2H ambulance plane placed in commission.

Dec. 22, 1944 - MF-OTU, first All-Marine Fighter Squadron for NAS Jacksonville, established.

Dec. 30, 1944 - OS2U Weather Plane replaced by SBD-5.

Jan. 1945 - A&R begins R4D overhauls.

Feb. 12, 1945 - Actor Cary Grant visits station.

March 1, 1945 - PBY 5A's added to VPB-OTU #1.

June 4, 1945 - Five hundred German prisoners of war, the first to be assigned to a naval base in this area, arrive at NAS Jacksonville. Housed in buildings 463, 465, 466 and 467.

July 27, 1945 - Squadron VF-OTU #1 disestablished.

Aug. 15, 1945 - Station celebrates Japan's surrender. Cooks and Bakers' School closes.

Aug. 31, 1945 - Navy Separation Center Commissioning Ceremony

Sept. 14, 1945 - Ferries--USS Seabrook and USS Dkwees placed in an "out-of-service" status.

Sept. 30, 1945 - Squadron VF-5 disestablished.

Oct. 1, 1945 - Dock and Ferry Division disbanded.

Oct. 24, 1945 - Civilian Fire Department established under Yard Department.

Nov. 1, 1945 - NAOTC becomes NAATC.

Nov. 8, 1945 - A&R goes to one shift. Civilian firemen replace military personnel.

Nov. 13, 1945 - Training in PBYs halted.

Nov. 19, 1945 - Naval Air Gunnery School disestablished.

Dec. 16, 1945 - NAAS Green Cove Springs disestablished.

Feb. 4, 1946 - Crash crew and equipment transferred from Yard Department to Operations.

March 1, 1946 - Civilian firefighters relieve enlisted Fire Department and take over fire protection of station.

March 21, 1946 - USS Caladesi transferred to 7th Naval District for disposal.

April 9, 1946 - Last PBY leaves the station.

April 15, 1946 - Safety Department transferred from Yard Department to Industrial Relations Department.

April 18, 1946 - Blue Angels organized at NAS Jacksonville.

May 1946 - Rear Adm. Ralph Davison named head of Seventh Naval District at NAS Jacksonville.

May 9, 1946 - An F6F Hellcat (#80097) modified by the A&R Department becomes Blue Angels' first aircraft.

May 10, 1946 - First practice flights for Blue Angels.

May 27, 1946 - Freak hailstorm damages 45 aircraft at NAAS Cecil Field.

June 7, 1946 - Blue Angels fly show at NAS Jacksonville for Rear Admiral Davison, Chief, Naval Air Advanced Training.

June 11, 1946 - VO-VCS training started in SC-1s at NAS Jacksonville.

June 15, 1946 - Craig Field dedicated with Blue Angels' first public show.

June 29, 1946 - Naval Air Reserve Training Unit established at Cecil Field.

June 30, 1946 - Seventh Naval District established at NAS Jacksonville.

July 1, 1946 - Squadron VF-751 established at NAAS Cecil Field.

Aug. 1946 - Naval Air Reserve Jacksonville transferred from NAAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville.

Dec. 1946 - Jacksonville Navy football team ranked fourth in the nation following a successful season.

Jan. 11, 1947 - First jet, Phantom, lands at NAS Jacksonville. Phantom leaves NAS Jacksonville to set speed record on way to Miami.

Feb. 9, 1947 - F4U's major overhauls start at A&R.

July 10, 1947 - ATU VF #2 (F6F Hellcats) and AU-MS #10 (PBM Mariner) Squadrons move to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Banana River.

Aug. 1, 1947 - ATU-VA #5 Avenger Squadron transferred to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Banana River.

Dec. 3, 1947 - First Navy Wives Club meeting.

Feb. 13, 1948 - NATTCen Jacksonville disestablished.

April 14, 1948 - New SAR unit organized with two PB-5As.

April 15, 1948 - Squadron ATU-VA #10 and AU-MS #10 (PBMs) leave Jacksonville for Corpus Christi.

May 1948 - Increases in workload at O & R result in 900 new jobs at NAS Jacksonville for civilians. Thirty officers receive wings in first ceremony of its kind since 1943.

May 27, 1948 - Sixteen pilots receive wings at NAS Jacksonville for first time since 1943.

June 1, 1948 - Fire Department transferred from Yard Department to Public Works Department.

June 10, 1948 - Second landing of jets, Phantom IIs, at NAS Jacksonville.

July 22, 1948 - Assembly and Repair renamed Overhaul and Repair.

Sept. 1, 1948 - Seventh Naval District disestablished and absorbed into Sixth Naval District.

Sept. 7, 1948 - Not-New shop opened.

Oct. 21, 1948 - Jessie Brown becomes first African-American in Navy to receive wings in ceremony at NAS Jacksonville.

Nov. 1, 1948 - Three Jacksonville area commands activated. Capt. A. L. Malstrom, USN, commanding officer of NAS Jacksonville, assumes additional duties as COMNAB-6; Cmdr. J. D. Shea, USN, becomes commanding officer of NAAS Cecil Field; Capt. Charles Lee, USN, assumes duties as commander, Fleet Air Jacksonville pending arrival of Rear Adm. Calvin Durgin, USN. Naval Air Advanced Training Command transferred to NAS Corpus Christi.

Nov. 8, 1948 - Blue Angels fly last Air Show at NAS Jacksonville prior to relocating to NAS Corpus Christi.

Nov. 10, 1948 - Carrier Air Group 8 (VF-81, VF-82, VF-83, VA-84, VA-85) and FASRon 6, first groups under Fleet Air Jacksonville, arrive. Rear Admiral Durgin becomes Commander Fleet Air Jacksonville. Captain Lee becomes Chief of Staff.

Jan. 14, 1949 - Carrier Air Group 17 (VF-171, VF-172, VF-173, VA-174, VA-175) arrives at Cecil Field from Quonset Point, RI. Commander Bill Leonard of VF-171, flying an FH-1 Phantom, is first to land.

Feb. 15, 1949 - Carrier Air Group 4 (VF-41, VF-42, VF-43, VA-44, VA-45) arrives at NAS Jacksonville from Norfolk.

Feb. 24, 1949 - Carrier Air Group 1 (VF-11, VF-12, VF-13, VA-14, VA-15) arrives at Cecil Field from West Coast.

March 1949 - FASRon 9 arrives at Cecil Field from Seattle, Washington.

April 11, 1949 - VF-174 relocates to NAS Jacksonville.

April 13, 1949 - "Philippine" Mars lands with staff of Carrier Air Group 13. CAG 13 (VF-131, VF-132, VF-133, VA-134, VA-135) relocated to NAS Jacksonville from San Diego.

May 3, 1949 - USS Midway arrives for carrier landing training. First carrier to dock at Mayport.

May 8, 1949 - Station holds huge air show to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the first trans-Atlantic flight.

July 1, 1949 - U.S. Navy Malaria and Mosquito Control Unit #1 established (DVECC).

July 15, 1949 - "Caroline" Mars lands at station.

Aug. 6, 1949 - Station receives Secretary of the Navy Safety Award for CY 1948.

Aug. 25-26, 1949 - Hurricane hits station; does minor damage.

Sept. 19, 1949 - AD-4 Skyraiders replace last TBM-3E's at VA-135 at NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 26, 1949 - R-60 Constitution lands at station.

Oct. 1, 1949 - 166 employees cut, making total civilian population 4,966. Fleet Airborne Electronics Training Unit Atlantic Detachment 2 (radar training) established.

Nov. 24, 1949 - FAW-11, composed of Squadrons VP-3, VP-5, and FASRon 109, advance contingents arrive at NAS Jacksonville from San Juan, PR.

Nov. 30, 1949 - Squadrons VF-82, VA-84, VA-85, VF-132, VF-133, and VA-135 disestablished.

Dec. 6, 1949 - U.S. Navy Blimp "ZW2" makes landing at station. First two planes of VP-5 arrive.

Dec. 9, 1949 - Seven planes of VP-5 on-board. Squadron Administration shifted to Jacksonville from Roosevelt Roads.

Jan. 4, 1950 - Three P2V-2 aircraft from VP-3 arrive at station.

Jan. 9, 1950 - Squadrons VA-15 and VA-175 relocated to NAS Jacksonville from NAAS Cecil Field.

Jan. 19, 1950 - Fleet Air Wing II begins operations from NAS Jacksonville. Final units arrive.

Jan. 30, 1950 - The Naval Hospital was reduced from 500 to 150 beds in accordance with the Defense Department's hospital cutback order.

Feb. 1, 1950 - CAG-8, CAG-13, VF-81, VF-83, VA-174, and VF-131 disestablished. (VA-134 replaces VA-174.)

March 11, 1950 - SECNAV Francis Mathews and CNO Adm. Forrest Sherman visit NAS.

March 24, 1950 - VA-12 and VF-172 relocated from NAAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville.

April 29, 1950 - Blue Angels perform at station.

June 1950 - NAAS Cecil Field CAG's 1 and 17 transferred to NAS Jacksonville.

June 8, 1950 - Carrier Air Group 4 disestablished (included VA-44 and VA-45).

June 15, 1950 – Capt. Malstrom relieves Capt. Day as Station CO.

June 22, 1950 - AJ-1 lands at station for first time. Naval Hospital bed capacity boosted to 325 beds, from a previously announced cut to 180.

June 22, 1950 - Lightning strikes Mason Field during baseball game. Nine NAS players knocked out.

July 1, 1950 - NAAS Cecil Field placed on partial maintenance status.

Aug. 1, 1950 - NAAS Cecil Field reactivated.

Sept. 1, 1950 - VF-44 (Hornets), flying F4U Corsairs, and VA-45 (AD-2) established at NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 5, 1950 - VA-106 transferred from NAAS Oceana to NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 12, 1950 - NAAS Cecil Field reactivated. Cmdr. Carson Hawkins installed as CO.

Sept. 18, 1950 - Squadron VA-106 transferred to NAAS Cecil Field from NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 19, 1950 - Squadrons VF-44 and VA-45 transferred from NAS Jacksonville to NAAS Cecil Field and CAG-4 established at NAAS Cecil Field. VA-42 transfers to NAS Jacksonville from NAAS Oceana.

Nov. 6, 1950 - Squadron VP-861 arrives under FAW 11.

Jan 8, 1951 - NATTCen reactivated at NAS Jacksonville.

Jan. 20, 1951 - Ronald Reagan visits station.

Feb. 1, 1951 - VF-916 established at NAS Jacksonville (VFA-83 today).

Feb. 15, 1951 - Ted Mack and the Original Amateur Hour national network show originates from NAS Jacksonville.

March 19, 1951 - Squadron VP-10 established at NAS Jacksonville.

March 28, 1951 - Squadron VF-921 (VF-86 today) transferred from NAS St. Louis to NAS Jacksonville.

April 1951 - NAAS Cecil Field receives orders for deactivation.

April 5, 1951 - Squadron VA-66 transferred to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Atlanta. Squadron VA-859 transferred from NAS Niagara Falls to NAS Jacksonville.

April 9, 1951 - Carrier Air Group 8, composed of Reserve Squadron VF-742 and others, re-established at NAS Jacksonville. FASRon 795 reported to NAS Jacksonville for training with FASRon-109.

May 1, 1951 - NAAS Sanford reactivated.

June 9, 1951 - VA-42 transferred from NAS Jacksonville to NAAS Cecil Field.

June 25, 1951 - FASRon 795 transfers to NAS Bermuda.

July 1951 - C-124 Globemaster lands at station for first time.

July 11, 1951 - Morton Downey and Three Stooges perform at station.

July 25, 1951 - Six LSSLs transferred to Italian Navy at NAS Jacksonville pier.

Aug. 30, 1951 - NAS Jacksonville runway extended 1,600 feet.

Sept. 26, 1951 - Squadron VA-85 transferred from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Quonset Point, R.I. Squadron VF-916 transfers to NAAS Oceana.

Sept. 28, 1951 - VA-66 transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Quonset Point, R.I.

Dec. 5, 1951 - FASRon 51 reassigned to NAS Jacksonville.

Jan. 24, 1952 - VC-5 (Navy's first heavy attack squadron flying the AJ-1) assigned duty to station. First P2V-5 assigned to station with VP-3.

Feb. 12, 1952 - Patrol squadron VP-10 changes homeport from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Brunswick.

Feb. 19, 1952 - 500,000th trainee graduates from NATTCen.

Feb. 29, 1952 - Squadron VA-15 relocated from NAS Jacksonville to NAAS Cecil Field.

March 10, 1952 - VJ-2 Hurricane Hunter squadron, flying P4Y "Privateers," placed in commission at NAS Jacksonville. Squadron VP-23, based at Miami, under FAW-11, disestablished.

March 31, 1952 - First HUP-2 overhaul completed at O&R.

April 10, 1952 - Composite Squadron 62 (VJ-62) established at NAS Jacksonville. Aviation Ground Officers graduate first class at NATTC.

June 11, 1952 - VF-921 transferred from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Oceana.

June 30, 1952 - Ferry service discontinued.

July 1, 1952 - NAAS Cecil Field changed to NAS Cecil Field.

Aug. 15, 1952 – Capt. McCaffree relieves Capt. Day as Station CO.

Oct. 1952 - O&R begins full-scale helicopter overhauls.

Oct. 1952 - A jet ejection trainer, one of first ever built, installed at NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 6, 1952 - VA-34 relocates to NAS Jacksonville from NAAS Sanford.

Oct. 13, 1952 - VF-44 VA-106 transferred from NAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 20, 1952 - VJ-62 transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAAS Sanford.

Oct. 30, 1952 - USS Tarawa, Heavy Attack Carrier, docks at new Mayport pier.

Dec. 1952 - Windshield decals replaced by metal auto tags.

Dec. 7, 1952 - Blue Angels perform in "Pearl Harbor" commemoration at NAS Jacksonville.

Jan. 1953 - VP-18 arrives from NAS Norfolk.

Feb. 16, 1953 - VP-741 redesignated VP-16.

Feb. 17, 1953 - Mayport named homebase for aircraft carrier USS Lake Champlain.

April 1953 - VA-104 transfers to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

May 15, 1953 - Minnie Pearl performs at station.

Nov. 1, 1953 - Guided Missile School opens at NATTCen NAS Jacksonville.

Dec. 1953 - VA-104 transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

Dec. 4, 1953 - Blue Angels perform at Mayport for first time.

Jan. 1954 - VF-44 is last squadron to replace F4U with F2H-2.

Jan. 29, 1954 - Auditorium named "King Hall" in ceremonies with Fleet Adm. Ernest J. King in attendance.

Feb. 16, 1954 - The Navy's only Landing Signal Officer School established at Jacksonville.

March 1954 - Last F4U is overhauled by O&R Department.

April 1954 - Squadron VF-174 relocated from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

April 30, 1954 - Two VP-3 P2Vs make first non-stop Iceland to Jacksonville flight.

June 1954 - Navy's only Landing Signal Officers School established at White House Field under control of Fleet Air Jacksonville.

Dec. 15, 1954 - VW-4 receives first WV-1 Super Constellation aircraft. VA-106 transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

Feb. 1955 - VA-176 relocates to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

March 17, 1955 - O&R completes first S2F overhaul.

May 1955 - O&R commences work on five aircraft for Byrd expedition to South Pole.

June 1955 - Squadron VA-176 established at NAS Jacksonville.

July 1955 - Squadrons VP-105, VA-36 relocated from NAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville.

Aug. 1955 - Main Gate island eliminated and new approach lane added.

Aug. 29, 1955 - Birmingham (West) Gate opened to traffic for first time.

Sept. 1955 - NCN-121 Super Constellation replaces P2V for Hurricane Hunters.

Sept. 29, 1955 - O&R Department overhauls first F7U Cutlass.

Nov. 1, 1955 - Patrol squadron VP-3 disestablished. Heavy Attack Squadron One "Tigers" (VAH-1), the first of its kind, established at NAS Jacksonville. Squadron VF-172 redesignated VA-172.

Nov. 3, 1955 - O&R Department overhauls first R6D.

March 31, 1956 – Cmdr. Paul Stephens, CO of RAH-1, leads a flight of five carrier-based twinjet aircraft from NAS Patuxent River, Maryland, to NAS Jacksonville. This event marked the initial delivery of Douglas A3D Skywarriors to the fleet.

April 1956 - The 75-foot NAS Jacksonville Operations Tower was put into commission. VA-105 and VA-36 relocated from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

June 15, 1956 - Heavy Attack Squadron 3 (VAH-3) established.

Aug. 1956 - Jacksonville adopts punch card checks to replace cash on pay days.

Sept. 1956 - Helicopter hangar put into operation.

Nov. 1956 - The first airplane to land at the South Pole was one of four modified by NAS O&R Department.

Feb. 14, 1957 - VA-104 moves to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

March 5, 1957 – Adm. Burke, CNO, makes first visit to NAS Jacksonville.

March 18, 1957 - Lee Harvey Oswald reports to Naval Air Technical Training Center on station for six weeks of Aviation Fundamentals School.

April 11, 1957 - Telephone service expanded to include enlisted housing.

May 1957 - O&R overhauls first HR2S and F8U "Crusader." Commander, Fleet Air Jacksonville, also assigned Commander, Naval Air Bases, Sixth Naval District.

June 5, 1957 - President Eisenhower visits station and USS Saratoga at Mayport.

June 6, 1957 - Tornado does \$21,000 in damage to salvage yard.

June 14, 1957 - O&R overhauls last R4D "Skytrain."

July 1957 - Squadron VA-15 relocated to NAS Jacksonville.

July 9, 1957 - Air Force's 679th Radar Squadron commissioned aboard NAS Jacksonville.

Aug. 1, 1957 - O&R inducts first A3D Skywarrior.

Aug. 16, 1957 - Squadron VAP 62 (formerly VJ-62) arrives at NAS Jacksonville from NAS Norfolk.

Aug. 22, 1957 - Station RIF's 239 personnel.

Sept. 23, 1957 – Capt. Parrish relieves Cmdr. Smith as Station CO.

Oct. 11, 1957 - Disabled Super Constellation salvaged.

Jan. 14, 1958 - New \$500,000 Photographic Laboratory dedicated at air station.

Feb. 18, 1958 - O&R overhauls first F4D. Squadron VA-45, flying the AD Skyraider, disestablished.

Feb. 22, 1958 - Squadron VA-172 transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

March 4, 1958 - Squadron VAH-3 transfers to NAS Sanford.

March 15, 1958 - Squadron VA-175 disestablished.

April 13, 1958 - Blue Angels perform at station.

June 2, 1958 - FJ jet donated to Starke.

July 30, 1958 - VP-45 P5M "Marlin" taxis 150 miles into Mayport after developing engine problem.

Aug. 1958 - Circular flower bed removed and parking added at Main Gate west of Building 9.

Sept. 15, 1958 - CAG-17 disestablished.

Oct. 1, 1958 - VA-35 relocates to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

Nov. 1958 - VA-105 relocates from Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville.

Jan. 8, 1959 - VAH-1 moves from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Sanford.

Feb. 1, 1959 - NAS Jacksonville based VA-105, VF-173 disestablished.

Feb. 11, 1959 - NAS Jacksonville based VF-11 disestablished (VF-43 redesignated VF-11).

March 2, 1959 - SECNAV Thomas S. Gates visits station.

March 31, 1959 - Squadron VA-104 disestablished at NAS Jacksonville.

April 17, 1959 - Last S2-F Tracker aircraft to be overhauled here comes off O&R assembly line. S2-F program moved to Pensacola.

June 10, 1959 - Squadron VAH-3 merged with Heavy Attack Training Unit at NAS Sanford.

June 18, 1959 - Lane control lights installed on Yorktown.

June 30, 1959 - VP-30 put into commission at Fleet Air Wing II, NAS Jacksonville. Fleet aircraft Service Squadron Six and FASRon 109 disestablished. Station CO Parrish retires.

July 1, 1959 - Aircraft Maintenance Department commissioned.

July 20, 1959 – Capt. Reedy takes command of station from Captain Weber (XO) who had been acting since 30 June.

Sept. 25, 1959 - Blue main gate sign that read "NAS Jacksonville" replaced by brick sign at Yorktown/US 17. Traffic light installed at Yorktown and Allegheny intersection.

Oct. 1, 1959 - Lockheed Electra (P3V-1) visits station for first time. 20 P5Ms from NAS Bermuda take refuge in St. John's River from a hurricane.

Oct. 25, 1959 - Blue Angels perform at Open House.

March 18-28, 1960 – Adm. Rickover at station for Project Poseidon Conference.

June 30, 1960 - NAATCen becomes NATTU. Squadron VP-30 established.

July 1960 - Station receives Secretary of the Navy Safety Award.

July 23, 1960 - VP-30 P2V hit by lightning and set on fire.

Aug. 15, 1960 - VW-4 Hurricane Hunters move to Puerto Rico.

Sept. 1, 1960 - VA-165 established at NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 10, 1960 - Hurricane Donna does minor damage to station.

Oct. 14-16, 1960 - Blue Angels perform at 20th Anniversary Open House. Airfield dedicated as Admiral John Towers Field.

July 10, 1961 - P5M "Marlins" return to duty with VP-30 at station.

Aug. 10, 1961 - Station insignia established.

Aug. 21, 1961 - VA-135 established at NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 1, 1961 - VP-741 added to FAW-11; VP-7 transfers from NAS Brunswick to NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 15, 1961 - Blue Angels perform at station for 50th Anniversary of Naval Aviation.

Feb. 19, 1962 - VAP-62 sent to photograph John Glenn's launch.

March 11, 1962 - NAS Jacksonville Sports Parachute Club opens with first jump.

April 16, 1962 - Navy's first Aircraft Maintenance Radiography School opens at NATTU.

April 23, 1962 - Groundbreaking for new NEX Service Station.

May 25, 1962 - VP-18 first to spot Mercury capsule with Scott Carpenter.

Aug. 1, 1962 - VP-741 disestablished.

Aug. 7, 1962 - VA-135 transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

Aug. 14, 1962 - Remodeled Bluejackets Inn (EM Club) dedicated.

Oct. 1, 1962 - O&R Department goes under NIF. Cuban Missile Crisis starts

Oct. 16, 1962 - Flying Club organized.

Dec. 6, 1962 - First P-3 Orion arrives for orientation visit with VP-30.

Feb. 15, 1963 - VA-45 "Blackbirds" established at NAS Jacksonville with 21 Skywarriors. Station insignia approved for use by SECNAV.

Feb. 18, 1963 - VA-44 (formerly VF-44) transfers from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field, flying the A4 Skyhawk.

April 30, 1963 – Capt. "Eddie" Rickenbacker visits station. Cmdr. Boutte, VP-16's new CO, rescued Rickenbacker during WWII.

June 30, 1963 - Dewey Park deactivated.

Aug. 31, 1963 - Former Green Cove Springs Naval Station sold to City of Green Cove Springs.

Oct. 1, 1963 - A detachment of VP-45 arrives. Homeport of VP-5 changed from NAS Bermuda to NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 15, 1963 - Blue Angels perform at station.

Dec. 16, 1963 - SECNAV Nitze visits station.

Dec. 29, 1963 - NAS Cecil Field, NAS Jacksonville, and NARTU helicopters rescue 14 fire victims from roof of Hotel Roosevelt.

Jan. 1, 1964 - VP-45 changes homeport from Norfolk to NAS Jacksonville, assigned to PATWING-11.

Jan. 10, 1964 - VP-45 arrives in full at NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 3, 1964 - NATTU returns to NATTCen.

Feb. 27, 1964 - President Johnson visits station.

March 1964 - O&R Department commences A-5A "Vigilante" rework.

March 13, 1964 - First P3A "Orions" at NAS Jacksonville arrive for operational duty and take first flight with VP-45.

March 18, 1964 - New NEX store at Building 27 dedicated.

April 1964 - VA-45 changes from the AD Skywarrior to the TF-9 Cougar and moves from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Cecil Field.

April 23, 1964 - First baby born at Naval Hospital Jacksonville in 1944 gives birth to *her* first baby at Naval Hospital Jacksonville.

July 14, 1964 - VU-10 Detachment at NAS Jacksonville since 1955, disestablished. VU-4 Detachment A established at NAS Cecil Field.

July 15, 1964 - Permanent detachment of VW-4 returns to NAS Jacksonville.

July 30, 1964 - VP-30 receives first P-3 Orion.

Sept. 1964 - President Johnson visits station.

Sept. 9-10, 1964 - Station closed because of Hurricane Dora.

Oct. 1, 1964 - Dewey Park housing demolition complete.

Nov. 1, 1964 - Blue Angels perform at 24th Anniversary Show.

Dec. 15, 1964 - VAP-62 flies snakebite serum to Costa Rica. Fleet Weather Facility established at station.

Dec. 22, 1964 - O&R completes last A3B "Skywarrior" rework.

Jan. 1965 - VW-4 Hurricane Hunters reassigned to NAS Jacksonville.

April 1965 - VA-15 relocated from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Oceana.

April 1, 1965 - VP-18 is relocated to Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.

May 13, 1965 - JAX AIR NEWS and Cecil Field Afterburner newspapers merge.

May 16, 1965 - CPO Club building (corner of Yorktown/ McFarland) destroyed by fire.

June 1965 - P3 color scheme changes from dark (seaplane) gray on underside to light (gull) gray.

Aug. 6, 1965 - VA-35 reassigned from NAS Jacksonville to NAS Oceana.

Oct. 15, 1965 - Blue Angels perform at station's 25th Anniversary.

Jan. 10, 1966 - VP-30 moves headquarters to NAS Patuxent River from NAS Jacksonville.

Jan. 25, 1966 - Ground broken for \$1.5 million Building 506.

Feb. 5, 1966 - Ground broken for \$7 million hospital.

Feb. 14, 1966 - O&R designated overhaul site for A-4 Skyhawk and A-7 Corsair.

April 1966 - VA-176 becomes first station squadron to head to Vietnam War, on the USS Intrepid.

June 18, 1966 - VP-5 receives their first P-3A Orion Patrol planes, last VP to replace P2V.

July 14, 1966 - Ground broken for \$12 million Hangar 1000.

Aug. 5, 1966 - VP-5 retires last active duty SP-2E Neptune (BUNO 131526).

Oct. 14, 1966 - VA-174 formally accepts first A-7A Corsair in Atlantic Fleet in ceremonies at NAS Cecil Field.

Nov. 20, 1966 - VA-176 becomes first station-based squadron to participate in Viet Nam war with first mission.

Jan. 23, 1967 - First civilian public affairs officer established, replacing military officer billet that had been at station since 1940.

March 17, 1967 - NAS Family Service Center opens in building 955.

April 1967 - TBM-3E "Avenger" placed on permanent static display in front of Building 1.

April 1, 1967 - O&R department redesignated Naval Air Rework Facility. 90-Dday trial of motorcycle operation begins.

April 6, 1967 - NARTU Jet Attack Squadron 741 at Station Flying A4B.

April 28, 1967 - Candlelight Restaurant officially opened.

May 31, 1967 - H-34 helicopter overhaul program ends at NARF.

June 1, 1967 - VA-86 of NAS Cecil Field becomes first east coast A-7 Corsair operating squadron.

June 27, 1967 - 26-stall riding stable opens on Child Street.

June 28, 1967 - Permanent motorcycle operation approved aboard station.

Aug. 1967 - Permanent Building 504 demolished.

Aug. 1, 1967 - NAESU Jacksonville established.

Sept. 6, 1967 - Prototype TA-4F inducted at NARF for rework.

Sept. 17, 1967 - Nine damaged A-4E aircraft from USS Forrestal arrive at NARF for repair.

Sept. 21, 1967 - First A-7A Corsair, from VA-174, inducted at NARF.

Nov. 1, 1967 - RR spur track to south warehouse completed.

Nov. 29, 1967 - Final helicopter, SH-3H, completed at NARF, ending Helicopter Rework Program. 2,123 helicopters reworked since 1959.

Dec. 9, 1967 – Naval Hospital Jacksonville dedicated, with Rep. Charles Bennett speaking.

Dec. 13, 1967 - First TA-4F rework completed at NARF.

Jan. 5, 1968 - VFP-62 disestablished (Cecil Field).

Feb. 1968 - P-3 wash rack placed in operation.

Feb. 1, 1968 - Usage fees went into effect for hobby shops.

Feb. 21, 1968 - VP-5 P3A becomes first aircraft to use new \$25,000 aircraft rinsedown facility by Hangar 116.

April 25, 1968 - The Douglas A-1H Skyraider of VA-176 was phased out in ceremonies at NAS Jacksonville. This was the Navy's last piston-engine carrier-based attack squadron and the last to operate the A-1 "SPAD." NAS Jacksonville-based VA-176 moved to NAS Oceana.

May 3, 1968 - First increment of \$12 million VP complex (H-1000) dedicated. VP-7 moves in.

July 9, 1968 - The last P-5 Marlin seaplane in the Navy landed at NAS Jacksonville, enroute to the National Armed Forces Museum, a part of the Smithsonian Institute, where it was retired and put on permanent display.

July 13, 1968 - Blue Angels perform over Jacksonville Beach.

July 19, 1968 – Capt. Cutler relieves Capt. Stack as Station CO.

July 24, 1968 - Demolition of old Naval Hospital buildings completed.

Oct. 7, 1968 - An Army CH-54 helicopter records a first as it delivers an A4 Skyhawk to NARF by air.

Jan. 16, 1969 - Fleet Aviation Electronics Training Unit offers survival training for pilots and aircrewmen.

Jan. 23, 1969 - Naval Air Rework Facility has new \$45,000 brazing machine for repair of A-7 Corsair aircraft.

Jan. 27, 1969 - Navy Exchange opens the new mall for convenience of exchange patrons.

April 8, 1969 - Canadian Royal Air Force crew arrives for duty with VP-5.

May 1, 1969 - Five H-34 helicopters form nucleus of new Navy sea air reserve unit in Jacksonville from units at NAS Jacksonville, NAS Cecil Field and NAVSTA Mayport.

Aug. 26, 1969 - P-3 aircraft from squadrons at NAS Jacksonville airlift thousands of pounds of supplies to Hurricane Camille disaster victims in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama.

Sept. 25, 1969 - Navy announces decommissioning of VAP-62 and VP-7 as part of the Defense Department economy program.

Oct. 15, 1969 - Photographic squadron VAP-62 disestablished.

Oct. 7, 1969 - VP-7 disestablished.

Nov. 20, 1969 - NAS Jacksonville Fire Department began a three-day test of "Light Water" fire fighting chemicals.

Nov. 21, 1969 - NAS's first employee, Mrs. Albert Swiler, retires.

Jan. 30, 1970 - Charlie Able, Station Safety Officer since 1954, retires.

Feb. 15, 1970 - Hospital Building H-2007 demolished.

March 5, 1970 - CPO Mess Building 789 dedicated.

March 29, 1970 - Blue Angels perform at Cecil Field.

April 15, 1970 - Second phase of VP complex (H-1000) completed.

May 1, 1970 - Cecil Field squadron VA-44 disestablished.

June 1, 1970 - First of four new jet HH1-K helos assigned to NAS Jacksonville SAR unit made its maiden flight with Lt. Paul Vazquez and Lt. Cmdr. J. P. McCullough at the controls. The HH1-K replaced H-34s.

June 12, 1970 - NAS Jacksonville's last C-131 reassigned to Naples.

July 14, 1970 - Station's last two seaplanes, HU-16 Albatrosses, retired from SAR service.

July 18, 1970 - VA-203 established at NAS Jacksonville under Carrier Air Wing Reserve 20 flying A-4L Skyhawk.

Aug. 1, 1970 - Cecil Field VA-36 disestablished.

Oct. 15, 1970 - NAS Jacksonville marks its 30th anniversary.

Oct. 21, 1970 - Groundbreaking for new Barnett Bank facility.

Oct. 22, 1970 - Master Chief Boatswain's Mate Roy Pitts appointed as first NAS Jacksonville Senior Enlisted Advisor by Capt. John Kincaid, commanding officer, NAS Jacksonville.

Nov. 1, 1970 - Reserve Squadron VP-62 established.

Nov. 9, 1970 - Buildings 954, 955 demolished.

Nov. 14, 1970 - VP-62 established. Members will fly SP-2H Neptune aircraft pending delivery of P-3 Orions.

Dec. 8, 1970 - Buildings 600, 601 demolished.

Dec. 16, 1970 - Commander, Fleet Air Jacksonville, Band Unit 191 disestablished.

Jan. 15, 1971 - Naval Construction Battalion Unit 410 (CBU-410) officially organized. VA-172 disestablished at Cecil Field.

Jan. 29, 1971 - Weather Reconnaissance Squadron Four received its first WP-3A Orion aircraft which is scheduled to replace the WC-121 Super Constellations for hurricane operations.

March 20, 1971 - NAS Jacksonville AIMD initiates a four-day, 10-hour-per-day work week.

April 27, 1971 - New Barnett Bank dedicated.

June 1971 - Buildings 403, 404, 405, 412, 420, 423, 899, 915, and 917 demolished.

July 1, 1971 - Rodman, Air-to-Ground, multi-purpose bombing target complex placed under the operational control of Officer-in-Charge, Pinecastle Electronic Warfare Range, Astor, Fla.

July 2, 1971 - VP-56, commanded by Cmdr. Steven Kish, with 350 officers and enlisted personnel officially welcomed aboard from NAS Patuxent River, Md., for duty with Fleet Air Wing Eleven.

July 11, 1971 - Blue Angels perform at Open House.

Aug. 20, 1971 - The first C-5A Galaxy aircraft landed at NAS Jacksonville to take aboard seven T-28 jet aircraft which had been modified by Fairchild Industries, St. Augustine, Fla., and prepared for overseas shipment by NARF.

Oct. 1, 1971 - Building 593 dedicated and named Hancock Hall.

Dec. 9, 1971 - The first F-14 aircraft lands at NAS Jacksonville, remaining overnight and departing on Dec 10, 1971.

Dec. 17, 1971 - New \$2 million sewage disposal facility dedicated.

Jan. 15, 1972 - Buildings 551 and 1925 demolished.

Jan. 26, 1972 - VP-49 officially home-based at NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 3, 1972 - Teen Club established in Building 537.

July 3, 1972 - Library moves to building 930 after CB renovation.

July 10, 1972 - VW-4 retires last NC-121 Super Constellation.

Sept. 1972 - Quarters 1100, 1102, 1104, 1105, 1106 and Barracks 1100A, 11064, and 1107A

demolished.

Oct. 1972 - NAS Jacksonville cited by COMNAVAIRLANT for excellence in aviation safety. The citation congratulates NAS Jacksonville for "Meritorious achievement in aviation safety, during the period from July 1, 1971, until June 30, 1972, during which the Air Station operated free of major accidents." The citation said in part: "This performance contributed directly to the safest year in Naval Aviation history."

Oct. 1, 1972 – Lt. Mark Gartley, first POW to be released from Vietnam, enters Naval Hospital Jacksonville.

Nov. 2, 1972 - Bus facility, Building 857, given to Navy by City of Jacksonville.

Nov. 20, 1972 - VP-5 celebrates their 30th anniversary.

Dec. 1, 1972 - VP-24 welcomed officially to its new home at NAS Jacksonville.

Dec. 4, 1972 - NAS Jacksonville AIMD reverts to a five-day work week in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the four-day work week they had operated under since March 1972.

Feb. 1973 - The first group of former Vietnam POWs arrived at NAS Jacksonville.

March 8, 1973 - CNO Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt visits NAS Jacksonville.

May 1, 1973 – Commander, Tactical Air Atlantic established.

June 29, 1973 - Fleet Air Jacksonville disestablished.

June 30, 1973 – Commander, Fleet Air Wing 11 changed to Commander, Patrol Wing 11.

Aug. 1973 - NARF completes last A4 Skyhawk. Over 1200 aircraft were reworked.

Sept. 27, 1973 - HS-7 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from Quonset Point, R.I.

Oct. 1, 1973 - Naval Alcohol Rehabilitation Center Jacksonville established.

Oct. 13, 1973 - HS-1 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from Quonset Point, R.I.

Oct. 17, 1973 - HS-3 and HS-11 arrive at NAS Jacksonville from Quonset Point, R.I.

Nov. 1, 1973 - NATTCen closed, consolidated at Memphis. HC-2 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from Lakehurst, N.J.

Nov. 3-4, 1973 - Air Show at NAS Jacksonville.

Nov. 5, 1973 - HS-15 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from Quonset Point, R.I.

Nov. 16, 1973 - The Shirelles perform at Hancock Hall.

Dec. 15, 1973 - Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing One moved from NAS Quonset Point, R.I., to NAS Jacksonville under the command of Captain William O. Wirt.

Dec. 27, 1973 - Glenn Miller Orchestra performs at CPO Club.

Feb. 1, 1974 - HS-5 arrives at NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 21, 1974 - With the graduation of Aviation Electrician's Mate class #411, the U.S. Naval Air Technical Training Center at NAS Jacksonville is transferred to NAS Memphis, Tennessee.

March 8, 1974 - VA-203 retires the Navy's last A-4 at NAS Jacksonville.

March 28, 1974 - NARF completes 150th A-7 Corsair.

June 1974 - Quarters 1130, 1134, 1140, 1143, 1144, 1147, 1218, 1221, 1231, 1235, 1245, 1246, 1313, 1314, 1317, 1330, 1340, 1413, 1414, and 1430 demolished.

July 12, 1974 - In an unusual change of command, two different admirals relieve Rear Adm. Lawrence Geis of his two commands. Rear Adm. John Dixon assumes the duties of Commander, Tactical Wings Atlantic and moves his headquarters to NAS Oceana, Va. At the same ceremony, Rear Adm. Norman Green assumes area responsibility as Commander, Sea Based ASW Wings Atlantic. This ceremony marks the official end of the ComFAir Jacksonville command.

Sept. 12, 1974 - Peruvian Naval Attache, Rear Adm. Rafael Durano, accepts three Grumman S-2 Tracers at NARF to start Peru's first Naval Aviation Squadron.

Sept. 20, 1974 - Admiral's Cup HydroPlane (Boat) Race draws 10,000 to NAS seawall as Miss Budweiser wins.

Nov. 16, 1974 - Mulberry Grove plantation marker is unveiled by members of Florida Society of Colonial Dames and CO, Captain Bernstein.

Nov. 16-17, 1974 - Blue Angels perform at NAS Open House.

Jan. 1975 - Buildings 401, 402, 502, 511, 512, 521, 522, 544, 580, 581, 593, 701 and 900 demolished.

April 1975 - NARF's new Jet Engine Test Cell constructed.

April 1, 1975 - VC-2 Fleet Composite Squadron Two Detachment disestablished. NARF inducts

first P-3 Orion for rework. Building 425 demolished.

April 23, 1975 - VW-4, Weather Reconnaissance Squadron Four, disestablishment ceremony.

April 30, 1975 - VW-4 disestablished.

May 1, 1975 - VP-30, training squadron for all East Coast VP squadrons, moves headquarters from NAS Patuxent River, Maryland, to NAS Jacksonville.

May 4, 1975 - Shah, Mohammad Reza Pehlevi, of Iran and King Hussein of Jordan visit NAS Jacksonville and Cecil Field on aircraft "shopping" tour.

May 30, 1975 - NEX Gas Station opens.

June 1975 - Quarters 1133, 1217, 1232, 1236, 1241, 1321, 1334, and 1417 demolished.

June 10, 1975 - Applied Instruction Building dedicated.

June 27, 1975 - Jay Beasley, Lockheed Rep and Test Pilot for the Navy's P-3 "Orion" makes his final flight in a VP-24 aircraft.

July 19, 1975 - New Jax Navy Federal Credit Union opens.

Sept. 15, 1975 - VP-56 celebrates their 25th anniversary.

Oct. 1, 1975 - Buildings 591, 897, and 898 demolished. Naval Readiness Command Region 8 established.

Oct. 26, 1975 - Blue Angels perform at Cecil Field.

Nov. 1, 1975 - Presidents Ford and Sadat (of Egypt) visit NAS Jacksonville.

Nov. 21, 1975 - NARF turns 4 S-2 Tracker aircraft over to Brazilian Air Force.

Dec. 1, 1975 - Buildings 424, 510, and 907 demolished.

Dec. 6, 1975 - Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region EIGHT commissioned.

March 1976 - AN John Spangler of HS-11 receives from Capt. Warren E. Aut, Commander, HS Wing One, the Purple Heart, Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry for combat service in Southeast Asia.

April 13, 1976 - The world's only operational flight simulator for the P-3C Orion aircraft is housed at FASO Det Jacksonville.

April 15, 1976 - The Honorable J. William Middendorf II, Secretary of the Navy, visits NAS Jacksonville.

May 6, 1976 - New uniform center opened by the Navy Exchange.

May 14, 1976 – Adm. James Holloway III, Chief of Naval Operations, visits NAS Jacksonville and NS Mayport.

May 27, 1976 - Adm. Albert Charles Joire-Noulens, Chief of Staff of the French Navy, visits NAS Jacksonville and receives ASW briefings by VP-45.

June 3, 1976 - NAS Jacksonville Trailer Park opens.

June 4, 1976 - HS-9 re-established under Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing One at NAS Jacksonville.

June 20, 1976 - HC-2's Det 3 in the Mediterranean participates in the evacuation of American citizens and other non-combatants from Beirut, Lebanon.

July 6, 1976 - Groundbreaking ceremonies held for the \$1.9 million Armed Forces Reserve Center to be constructed at NAS Jacksonville.

July 22, 1976 - Groundbreaking ceremonies held for the new \$472,478 aircraft fire and rescue station to be built at NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 28, 1976 - Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld visits NAS Jacksonville.

Nov. 6-7, 1976 - Blue Angels perform at Cecil Field.

March 31, 1977 - M-A-S-H star Mike Farrell, "B. J. Hunnicutt," visits Naval Regional Medical Center.

April 1977 - This month the Naval Air Rework Facility (NARF) celebrates the tenth anniversary of its commissioning as a separate command.

April 1, 1977 - During special dedication ceremonies, the Jacksonville Operating Area Coordination Center (JOACC) at NAS Jacksonville becomes the Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility (FASFAC).

April 11, 1977 – Capt. W. D. Bodensteiner, commanding officer NAS Jacksonville, officially opens the station's new Consolidated Package Store.

April 13, 1977 - The first female line officer to be promoted to flag rank, Rear Adm. Fran McKee, visits NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 30, 1977 - HC-2, the oldest helo squadron in the U.S. Navy, disestablished.

Oct. 27, 1977 - New \$473,000 Aircraft Fire and Rescue Station dedicated.

Nov. 1, 1977 - VR-58 administratively established at NAS Jacksonville. It will be assigned to the Naval Air Reserve Unit.

Dec. 1, 1977 - VA-203, a reserve attack squadron assigned to Reserve Carrier Air Wing Twenty (CVWR-20), flying the A7B "Corsair," relocated to NAS Cecil Field. With this move, the last jet fighter aircraft based at NAS Jacksonville leave.

Jan. 1978 - New DVECC building dedicated.

Jan. 25, 1978 - Groundbreaking ceremonies for a new \$1,288,500 Naval Regional Medical Center Branch Clinic and Naval Regional Dental Center at NAS Jacksonville held.

May 18, 1978 – Adm. Ryohei Oga, Chief of Staff of the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force, visits COMPATWING Eleven and VP-30 for a look at the P-3 training program and the P-3C Orion Update II.

June 27, 1978 - Air Installation Compatible Use Zone Ordinance passed by City of Jacksonville.

July 1, 1978 - NARDAC Jacksonville established.

July 15, 1978 - Armed Forces Reserve Center dedicated.

July 18, 1978 - CNO, Adm. Thomas Haywood, visits station.

Nov. 1978 - NARF dedicates Richard J. Kemen Standard Navy Test Cell, after former NARF engineer.

Jan. 29, 1979 - Two new commands established at NAS Jacksonville: Regional Accounting and Disbursing Center and Personnel Support Activity Jacksonville. Navy Finance Office disestablished.

March 1979 – Adm. Ulusu, Commander of Turkish Naval Forces, visits VP-56 to get a first-hand observation of air anti-submarine warfare assets in the Jacksonville Navy complex.

April 1979 - Buildings 901, 905, and 906 demolished, displacing "Thumper" the Ghost.

April 10, 1979 - Groundbreaking ceremonies for a new \$940,000 Navy Exchange convenience store (Express Store) held.

May 1979 - A new helicopter trainer to be used in training crews for helicopter antisubmarine

warfare is accepted at FASO. Buildings 29, 155, 309, 394, 481, 517, 538, 555, 1851, 1904, 1934, 1979, 1999, and gas pump and tank at H-2032 demolished.

May 15, 1979 - Base switchboard closes.

June 1979 - A team from the Mexican Naval Warfare College led by Rear Admiral Hector Argudin onboard at FASO as part of a tour of U.S. antisubmarine warfare facilities.

July 2, 1979 - Building 953 demolished.

July 15, 1979 - Building 723 demolished.

Aug. 1979 - Vice Adm. James Stockdale speaks at station auditorium.

Oct. 1979 - Secretary of Defense Harold Brown visits NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 29, 1979 - Computerized On-Line Police System became operational.

Nov. 16, 1979 - The Regional Medical Center Branch Clinic and Naval Regional Dental Center dedicated.

Jan. 1980 - Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Tom Crow makes a three-day visit to NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 21, 1980 - Navy Exchange's new Convenience Store opens.

June 1980 - Navy Jacksonville Flying Club relocates to NAS Jacksonville from Herlong.

July 25, 1980 - HH-46 rescue helos take last flight. Replaced by SH-3's.

Aug. 1980 - Base Sea & Air Rescue team saves seven civilians in boating accident.

Sept. 26-27, 1980 - An estimated 300 spectators assemble in a wooded area on NAS Jacksonville to join the Wacca Palatka Inter-tribal Council and the Southeastern Cherokee Conference in the first Indian Pow-Wow ever held in the Jacksonville area.

Nov. 1980 - A small oak tree with 53 yellow ribbons symbolizes the hostages held captive now for more than a year in Iran. The JAX Navy Wives Club, Chapter 86, bought and decorated the tree and placed it near the flag pole in remembrance of the hostages. The Spanish Chief of Naval Operations, Adm. Luis Arevalo-Pelluz, visits NAS Jacksonville.

Dec. 1, 1980 - VR-58 names one of their C-9's "City of Orange Park."

April 1981 - REDCOM 8 building dedicated.

May 16, 1981 - First Scout World held at station.

May 27, 1981 - NAS commands respond to Nimitz accident. NAS Jacksonville helicopter squadrons and the Naval Regional Medical Center Hospital involved in assisting the USS Nimitz medical personnel with their injured.

Jun 1981 - CNO Adm. Thomas Hayward, author of the Pride and Professionalism program, visits VP-62 while in town as guest speaker at National Naval Officer's Association Convention.

Oct. 1981 – Adm. Masaru Maeda, Chief of Staff, Japan Maritime Self Defense Force (JMSDF), tours NAS Jacksonville to inspect JMSDF P-3C CONUS Training Group. The 679th Air Force Radar Squadron is disestablished at NAS Jacksonville.

Jan. 1982 - His Excellency Charles Hernu, French Defense Minister, visits NAS Jacksonville.

April 13, 1982 - Secretary of the Navy John Lehman visits NAS Jacksonville.

June 1982 - Opening ceremonies held for the new Family Service Center.

Oct. 15, 1982 - Nelson Helicopter Facility dedicated. Naval Supply Center established.

Nov. 1982 - Miss Florida visits Naval Regional Medical Center onboard NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 2, 1983 - Highest wind ever recorded in Jacksonville area occurs on-station as 113 mph gust hits.

March 1983 - Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy AVCM Billy Sanders visits NAS Jacksonville.

April 1983 - VP-45 is the first P-3 squadron to carry the Harpoon missile.

July 1983 - ABC's 20/20 roving reporter Geraldo Rivera on base shooting "stand-up" footage for a report. Subject of the 20/20 segment was the government's drug interdiction program in Florida.

Dec. 9, 1983 - Station's Telecommunications Department is absorbed into Naval Communications Station.

March 1984 - The new Child Care Center and new Navy Lodge dedicated.

March 15, 1984 - Vice Adm. Robert Dunn, Commander Naval Air Force Atlantic Fleet, visits NAS Jacksonville.

April 4, 1984 - HS-17 is commissioned--NAS Jacksonville's newest HS Squadron.

Oct. 1984 - A new reserve squadron is established at NAS Jacksonville, HS-1197.

Jan. 1985 - Senator Paula Hawkins visits NAS Jacksonville as part of a tour of military bases in Florida.

March 15, 1985 - Admiral James Watkins, Chief of Naval Operations, makes his first visit to NAS Jacksonville, NAS Cecil Field, and the USS Saratoga.

April 1985 - NAS Jacksonville wins the 1984 Secretary of the Navy Environmental Protection Award.

May 1, 1985 - Consolidated Civilian Personnel Office established.

July 3, 1985 - NARF dedicated Cleaning and Plating Facility and Aircraft Acoustical Enclosure.

Oct. 1, 1985 - HS-75 transfers to Station from NAS Willow Grove.

Nov. 1985 - First F/A-18 inducted at NARF.

Dec. 1985 - The Navy Exchange Auto Center begins a new program for the handicapped called "Sound Horn for Service."

Jan. 28, 1986 - NAS Jacksonville crews assist in search for shuttle wreckage.

March 1986 – Adm. Carlisle Frost, commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, visits NAS Jacksonville.

April 1986 – Cmdr. Dennis Frick not only carries the title of executive officer of the Naval Air Reserve Rework Facility 0404, a selected reserve unit at NAS Jacksonville, but as of April 1, he is also mayor of Orange Park.

June 8, 1986 - WW II PBV "Catalina" is put on display at the Main Gate.

Oct. 1, 1986 - Marines turn over guard duty to civilian force for first time since station was commissioned. Commander, Sea-Based Wings Atlantic changes name to Commander, Helicopter Wings Atlantic.

March 31, 1987 - Naval Air Rework Facility changes name to Naval Aviation Depot.

April 13, 1987 - New \$2,000,000 NARF Materials Engineering Laboratory dedicated.

June 1-2, 1987 - Blue Angels fly first show in F/A-18 Hornets at Cecil Field.

June 4, 1987 - Secretary of the Navy, James Webb, Jr., visits NAS Jacksonville. NAS Jacksonville wins Secretary of the Navy Safety Award.

Sept. 30, 1987 - Defense Mapping Agency Detachment is disestablished--was established during WW II.

Oct. 1, 1987 - Navy Courier Service Jacksonville established.

Oct. 15, 1987 - VP-24 receives first P-3 Orion in tactical paint scheme.

Nov. 12, 1987 - Vice President George Bush visits station.

Dec. 23, 1987 - NADEP begins modification to T-2 Buckeye (Bu No. 157035).

Feb. 1988 - A 250-foot long, half-scale replica of the Vietnam War Memorial, "The Healing Wall," exhibited in downtown Jacksonville ... Rear Admiral R. H. Jesberg of COMHELWINGSLANT addressed a large crowd at its unveiling.

April 24, 1988 - Twenty-two injured Sailors from the USS Bonefish treated at the Naval Hospital after a blast aboard the diesel submarine forced their evacuation. Teams from HS-1, HS-7, and the NAS Jacksonville SAR assist in the air evacuation.

May 2, 1988 - Apex takes over NAS maintenance from Public Works Maintenance.

July 20, 1988 – Capt. Ray relieves Capt. Green as Station CO.

Aug. 1988 – Adm. Carlisle Frost, Chief of Naval Operations, visits NAS Jacksonville and was guest speaker at the HS-17 Change of Command ceremony.

Sept. 1988 – Adm. Sir William Stavelly, First Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Staff, Royal Navy, visits NAS Jacksonville.

Nov. 10, 1988 - "911" Emergency System begins on-station.

Dec. 14, 1988 - New outpatient clinic dedicated at NAVHOSP Jacksonville.

Jan. 26-27, 1989 - The Naval Inspector General, Rear Adm. Ming Chang, and Chief of Naval Operations OP-15, Rear Adm. Ralph West, conduct a joint area visit at NAS Jacksonville.

Feb. 11, 1989 - U.S. Senator Bob Graham join the Navy for a day, working beside HS-1 sailors in the line division.

Feb. 23, 1989 - A VP-5 P-3 takes off to reopen Runway 9/27, celebrating the end of an over-\$28 million construction project that included completely repaving both runways.

June 29, 1989 – Capt. Delaney relieves Capt. Green.

July 12, 1989 - New Exchange/Commissary opens.

Aug. 2, 1989 - Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, Duane Bushey, visits NAS Jacksonville.

May 7, 1990 - Manatee Park dedicated.

June 4, 1990 - Pelican's Perch opens, making NAS Jacksonville the largest Child Development Center in the Navy.

June 15, 1990 - P-3 Orion and H-3 Sea King dedicated as static displays.

July 6, 1990 - New SH-60F Helicopter Training Facility dedicated in memory of Commander Paul Nelson.

July 9, 1990 - Vice President Dan Quayle visits station.

July 19, 1990 - Flag Memorial near Main Gate dedicated.

Aug. 12, 1990 - Alternate Work Schedule started.

Aug. 13-16, 1990 - Armed Forces Softball Championships held at NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 24, 1990 - Last Standard Depot Level Maintenance on A7 Corsair at NADEP.

Oct. 1, 1990 - NAVCOMTELSTA established.

Oct. 13, 1990 - Veterans Memorial dedicated at Bldg. 1.

Oct. 13-14, 1990 - 50th Anniversary Air Show

Oct. 15, 1990 - First class of NAS Jacksonville aviators honored at luncheon.

March 1, 1991 - Jay Beasley Hangar dedicated.

March 27, 1991 - Whitney Houston visits Station.

May 24, 1991 - NAS Jacksonville presented Commander Installation Excellence Award for Best Base in the Navy in ceremonies at the Pentagon.

June 28, 1991 - VP-56 disestablished.

July 2, 1991 - HS-17 disestablished; NADEP RIF of 700 announced.

July 16-20, 1991 - Soviet Navy visits station.

Aug. 15, 1991 - NADEP celebrates 50th Anniversary of first completed aircraft.

Aug. 19, 1991 - Ground breaking for \$2.1 million building to house enlisted corpsmen (Hancock Hall).

Aug. 26, 1991 – Capt. Cramer relieves Capt. Delaney as station CO.

Sept. 1991 - First SH-60 helicopter arrives on-station. Will eventually replace all SH-3 Sea Kings's.

Nov. 14, 1991 - Vital Signs Grand Opening Celebration.

Nov. 15, 1991 - Air Operations Terminal Building 118 dedicated in memory of Winton "Buddy" Ellis.

March 27, 1992 - King Hall (building 563) demolished.

June 1, 1992 - Mobile Maintenance Facility Detachment Alpha disestablished.

June 16, 1992 - Brick entrance, at NAS Main Gate since 1958, relocated to a new location. New front-entrance sign installed.

Aug. 14, 1992 - CNO Adm. Kelso visits station.

Sept. 10, 1992 - SECNAV O'Keefe visits station.

Oct. 1, 1992 - Public Works Center; Commander, Naval Aviation Activities Jacksonville; and Human Relations Office established.

Oct. 5, 1992 - RAADC changed to Defense Accounting Office-Cleveland Center, Jacksonville.

Oct. 19, 1992 - Oliver North (Lieutenant Colonel, Retired) speaks at Station auditorium.

Oct. 30, 1992 - Nov 1, 1992 - Blue Angels perform at Station.

Dec. 15, 1992 - NAS Security starts bike patrol.

Jan. 8, 1993 - NADEP announces elimination of 200 temporary positions to be conducted throughout the year.

Feb. 11, 1993 - New Marina Pier dedicated.

Feb. 22, 1993 - Public Works Center personnel commence moving into Building 902 after recent renovation.

March 1, 1993 - "Naval Supply Center" title changed to "Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Jacksonville."

March 12, 1993 - Cecil Field announced as being on BRAC list for closure. NADEP Jacksonville announces an increase of 1683 personnel employed at their facilities.

March 13, 1993 - Freebird Concert at station cancelled due to severe weather. Rescheduled to Civic Auditorium March 15.

April 1, 1993 - Family Service Center becomes a department.

April 23, 1993 - HS-9 disestablishment ceremony (Officially disestablished on Apr 30).

May 4, 1993 - Electronic Mail started for NAS Jacksonville departments.

May 21, 1993 – Lt. Cmdr. Kathryn Hire is the first woman assigned to a Navy combat aircraft. She is assigned to VP-62 at NAS Jacksonville.

May 25-27, 1993 - Building 13 demolished, all but bottom four walls.

June 8-11, 1993 - Building 13 rebuilt.

June 26, 1993 - Cecil Field voted for closure by BRAC Commission.

July 1, 1993 - Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing One changes title to Helicopter Squadron Wings Atlantic.

July 13, 1993 - Building 1884 demolished (old Package Store).

Aug. 7, 1993 - Building 137 demolished.

Aug. 12, 1993 - Family Service Center dedicates new facility in 876.

Aug. 18, 1993 - P2V Neptune dedicated in static display park.

Aug. 20, 1993 – Capt. Resavage relieves Capt. Cramer as station CO.

Oct. 1, 1993 - Human Resources Office (HRO) becomes separate tenant command.

Nov .30, 1993 - Naval Oceanography Command Facility (NOCF) changes name to Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Jacksonville Facility Atlantic (NAVLANT METOCAF).

Jan. 6, 1994 - First F-14 Tomcats (two) arrive at NADEP Jacksonville for rework.

Jan. 14, 1994 - VP-49 Disestablishment/50th Anniversary Ceremony.

Jan. 19, 1994 - Runway 9/27 officially opened after \$2.1 million reconstruction.

March 18, 1994 - Presidential helo lands and placed in H-117 for emergency repairs.

March 21, 1994 - ABC's Good Morning America's Joan Lunden goes through water survival training in preparation for an F/A-18 flight.

April 1, 1994 - NACU (Navy Absentee Collection Unit) disestablished. Duties transferred to Security Department.

April 27, 1994 - Station honors President Richard Nixon with day of mourning.

May 19, 1994 - Defense Megacenters Jacksonville established.

June 2, 1994 - Commander, Naval Aviation Activities Jacksonville (CNAAJ) changed to Commander, Naval Base Jacksonville. Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing One changed to Helicopter Wing Atlantic.

June 6-11, 1994 - Train track from H-113 to Pier 199 removed, and track from 113 to U.S.-17 removed.

June 13, 1994 - VP-30 P-3 damaged when P-3 was blown into wash rack during severe storm, damaging tail and nose of plane.

July 7, 1994 - Ground broken for new 5-story BOQ.

July 19, 1994 - Train engine removed. Train operated on base since 1941, and was sent to the Florida Gulf Coast RR Museum (Tampa, FL).

Sept. 17, 1994 - Timucuan oak tree splits down middle during storm.

Sept. 24-25, 1994 - Air Show at station with Blue Angels attracts over 90,000.

Oct. 1, 1994 - Quick Trans disestablished.

Oct. 8, 1994 - Freebird Festival at station featuring Lynard Skynard and Charlie Daniels attracts 6,000. VR-58 accepts fourth C-9B named "City of Orlando."

Oct. 21, 1994 - Groundbreaking Ceremony for new \$24 million Hangar 2000 (renamed Hangar 30).

Dec. 15, 1994 - CNO Adm. Boorda visits Station.

Dec. 21, 1994 - Fleet Aviation Specialized Operation Training Group (FASO) changed to Naval Aeronautical Medical Institute (NAMI).

Feb. 28, 1995 - BRAC-95 list maintains NAS Jacksonville.

March 13, 1995 - McFarland Street, between Enterprise and Saratoga, permanently closed.

March 22, 1995 - CNO Adm. Boorda speaks to Station personnel. First steel supports go up for Hangar 30. HS-5 receives their first SH-60 helo.

April 10, 1995 - Facilities and Environmental Department moves from Building 103 to newly-renovated Building 27.

April 13, 1995 - VP-24 disestablishment ceremony in Segment 4 of Hangar 1000.

April 30, 1995 - Building H-2032 (Hospital Transportation Building) demolished.

May 12, 1995 - Rear Adm. Delaney returns as Commander, Naval Base Jacksonville.

May 15, 1995 - Congresswoman Tillie Fowler receives thanks from all 3,000 NADEP employees at NADEP horseshoe area.

May 18, 1995 - Building 711 demolished.

June 1, 1995 - USS Saratoga towed out of Mayport. Defense Accounting Office (formerly RAADC) disestablished.

June 26, 1995 - Ground broken by Capt. Resavage for Westside Regional Park.

June 27, 1995 - NADEP rolls out first Thai A-7 Corsair.

July 5, 1995 - Chiefs Club closes at Building 789 and reopens at Building 798.

Aug. 7, 1995 - Navy Band Jacksonville begins first practice in old Chiefs' Club. Air Ops SH-3 (#8042), "Old Reliable," flies off to Norfolk for last flight, ending SAR for NAS Jacksonville after 45 years.

Aug. 25, 1995 - Capt. Whitmire relieves Capt. Resavage as Station CO at H-124.

Sept. 14, 1995 - Severe evening lightning storm with lightning hitting runway 37 times in a 200' area.

Oct. 11, 1995 - Dedication of NAS Jacksonville Band building (formerly old brig).

Nov. 14-19, 1995 - Civilian employees furloughed due to federal government shutdown.

Dec. 13, 1995 - Gate guards removed from all gates for first time in station s history.

Jan. 25, 1996 - Honorable John Dalton, Secretary of the Navy, visits Station.

Feb. 7, 1996 - Tree planting started for Patriot Park. Station based VR-58 names Fourth C9B "City of Orlando."

Feb. 10-19, 1996 - A U-2 conducts special operations out of NAS Jacksonville in support of USS Kennedy.

Feb. 19, 1996 - Construction starts on new U.S. Custom's hangar.

Feb. 24, 1996 - HS-11 returns home from deployment on USS America (CV 66).

March 14, 1996 - NADEP tests first F-14 in modified Hush House at Black Point.

March 22, 1996 - Naval Helicopter Association Southeast Region Three Banquet held at NAS Jacksonville Officers' Club.

April 1, 1996 - Aircraft Carrier John C. Stennis became first nuclear carrier to dock at NS Mayport.

April 15, 1996 - Security starts issuing new magnetic stamp security badges.

April 19, 1996 - Patriots' Grove dedicated. Seventy-nine historic trees will memorialize Navy Medal of Honor recipients since WWII. Former U.S. Congressman Charles Bennett keynote speaker. NAS Jacksonville Sailors invade West Riverside Elementary in Jacksonville to assist in Career Day.

April 24, 1996 - Weapons Department personnel make repairs to a Jacksonville home as part of the H.E.A.R.T. (Helping Elderly Attain Repairs Today) Program.

April 25, 1996 - Volunteer Recognition Program and Reception held at Station Theatre. Adm. (Retired) Jerome Johnson, National President of Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, was guest speaker.

April 29, 1996 - Thirty Seabees from CBU-410 work with the Jacksonville Housing Authority to help refurbish a 58-year-old facility at the Brentwood Park Housing Community.

May 15, 1996 - Jay Beasley, "Mr. P-3", passes away at the station.

May 18, 1996 - "Scout Blast" attracts 4,000. Fireworks display ends evening ceremonies for first time. Lee Greenwood performs.

May 21, 1996 - Memorial service held at St. Edwards Catholic Church for CNO Adm. Jeremy Boorda.

June 1, 1996 - USS Monterey shifts homeport from NAVSTA Mayport to NAVSTA Norfolk.

June 13, 1996 – Adm. Flannigan, CINCLANTFLT, calls rare area meeting w/all CO's, staffs in regions at NAS Jacksonville.

June 27, 1996 - NADEP rolls out first Royal Thai Navy A-7 Corsair.

June 30, 1996 - Vehicle Emission Inspection Report now required for all privately registered vehicles at NAS Jacksonville for obtaining a Station decal.

July 3, 1996 - Navy Campus moves from Building 8 to Building 110.

July 8, 1996 - NAS Jacksonville awarded SECNAV Safety Award in Large Non-industrial Category.

July 9, 1996 - VP-30 given Hangar 30.

July 10, 1996 - First aircraft go into Hangar 30 as Hurricane Bertha skirts coast.

July 12, 1996 - New BOQ (Bldg 844) dedicated.

July 22-Aug 31, 1996 - NAS Jacksonville hosts All-Navy Women's Softball Training Camp.

July 31, 1996 - Guards placed back on gates after experimenting with "open base" concept. Navy Exchange awarded Bingham Award.

Aug. 20, 1996 - NAS Jacksonville "Home Page" goes on Internet.

Aug. 20-22, 1996 - VP-30 moves out of H-1000 and into Hangar 30.

Aug. 29, 1996 - Public meeting held with local citizenry to discuss the environmental assessment of the relocation of the six S-3 Viking aircraft squadrons from NAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 9, 1996 - NADEP dedicates new Aircraft Acoustical Enclosure (Hush House for F-14's).

Sept. 17, 1996 - Westside Regional Park dedicated.

Sept. 28, 1996 - VFA-203 (Reserve Squadron) becomes first squadron to leave NAS Cecil Field

due to BRAC closure.

Oct. 2, 1996 - Adm. Johnson, CNO, visits Station.

Oct. 7, 1996 - 59 minutes of Admin Time authorized for all employees due to wet conditions/impending tropical storm.

Oct. 10, 1996 - F/A-18 "Blue Angel" put on static display at Main Gate.

Oct. 16, 1996 - Regional Disaster Preparedness Drill conducted on-base in conjunction with First Coast Disaster Planning Council.

Oct. 18, 1996 - Hangar 30 officially dedicated. The \$24 million project was built by local construction firm Perry-McCall.

Oct. 21, 1996 - HS-1 says farewell to final SH-3 "Sea King" helicopter at Station.

Oct. 22, 1996 - Daniel Reinhard, SECNAV's Director of Health & Safety, presents Secretary of the Navy Safety Award to Capt. Whitmire.

Oct. 23, 1996 - New NAS Jacksonville organization in effect. 31 departments and special assistants reduced to 15.

Oct. 25, 1996 – Capt. (Retired) Roy "Butch" Voris, first Blue Angel, honored at reception.

Oct. 26-27, 1996 - Blue Angels 50th Anniversary Show brings 250,000 to Station.

Nov. 8, 1996 - Healthcare Support Office dedicated. This was a \$1.3 million renovation of Building H-2083.

Nov. 13, 1996 - Wellness Center groundbreaking (by Fitness Source).

Dec. 16, 1996 - Building 1 vacated for renovation. CNBJ staff moved to 850, CO/XO to trailers, RMO to Bldg 111. NADEP Jacksonville rolls out last T-2 Buckeye.

Jan. 29, 1997 - SECNAV John Dalton visits Station (NADEP) and NS Mayport.

Feb. 4, 1997 - VS-22, first squadron to be administratively assigned to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field BRAC as of 1 Nov 9.

Feb. 11-13, 1997 - VP-62 moves from H-114 to H-1000, Segment 1.

Feb. 18, 1997 - HRO learns it is being regionalized at Bay St. Louis (Gulfport) Mississippi. Staff to go from 120 to 30.

Feb. 19-20, 1997 - Station Executive Board meets for two days at Florida Yacht Club to reduce cost, re-engineer Station.

March 14, 1997 - Traffic light at Yorktown/Child initialized.

May 7-8, 1997 - VP-45 moves from H-1000 to H-114 so construction on H-1000 can proceed.

May 17-18, 1997 - Scout World attracts about 5,000.

May 22, 1997 - Patriots' Grove rededicated. Mayor Delaney speaks.

May 27, 1997 - Wellness Center dedicated. 106-mph gust demolishes Building 136, numerous roofs, trees, and street signs.

May 29, 1997 - HS-1's last flight. Helo #164103 left at 0842 hours.

June 1, 1997 - Telephone prefix changes from 772 to 542.

June 19, 1997 - HS-1 disestablishment ceremony.

June 30, 1997 - Pelican's Perch Child Care Center closed.

July 11, 1997 - A-7 Corsairs at NADEP loaded on barge for disposal at sea.

July 18, 1997 - Family Housing moves into newly-renovated offices. Customs moves into new hangar and out of H-116.

July 1997 - NADEP rolls out last A-7 Corsair for foreign military sales.

Aug. 2, 1997 - Cecil Field VMFA-142 (Marine F/A-18 Reserve Squadron) becomes the second squadron to relocate due to BRAC. Relocated to NAS Atlanta.

Sept. 12, 1997 - CO dedicates Allegheny Road housing (renovation project).

Sept. 17, 1997 - New \$23 million BEQ, Building 822, dedicated.

Oct. 1, 1997 - Galley reopens after \$300,000 major renovation.

Oct. 21, 1997 - 130' high towers 20R and 25R demolished.

Oct. 27, 1997 – Commander, Sea Control Wing Atlantic and VS-24 ceremony held (in pouring rain) to welcome first BRAC transfer squadron to NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field at Hangar 1000, segment 5.

Oct. 28, 1997 - HS-3 returns from deployment and moves into Hangar 124 from Hangar 122, which will go to NADEP.

Oct. 31, 1997 - Vice President Al Gore makes stop at station. HS-75 moves into Hangar 124 from Hangar 122.

Nov. 1-2, 1997 - Blue Angels perform at NAS Cecil Field's last air show.

Nov. 10, 1997 - Building 3 (old Navy Exchange) demolished.

Nov. 12, 1997 - Building 199 demolished.

Nov. 18, 1997 - Building 532 demolished.

Nov. 20, 1997 - VS-30 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

Nov. 24, 1997 - VS-31 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

Dec. 12, 1997 - VS-22 arrives at NAS Jacksonville from NAS Cecil Field.

Dec. 16, 1997 - Sea Control Wing Atlantic completes move from NAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville. Barnett Bank closed after 53 years of station operations.

Dec. 19, 1997 - Formal opening of new 300 passenger air terminal building (buildings 278 and 279.)

Jan. 8, 1998 - Renovation of old Chiefs Club, building 789, halted due to asbestos disturbance.

Feb. 4, 1998 - Ground breaking ceremony held for new \$1.6 million S-3 operational trainer.

Feb. 26, 1998 - Ground breaking ceremony held for new \$2.9 million Aviation Physiology Training Facility.

March 9, 1998 - Post office moves from building 920 to new location (former Pelican's Perch Child Care building.)

March 23, 1998 - Building 197, old public works gas pump island and building, demolished. VQ-6 commences moving from NAS Cecil Field into Hangar 113 at NAS Jacksonville.

March 24, 1998 - S-3 static display placed into NAS Jacksonville static park. "Guppy" aircraft visits station for first time. TBM static display taken from NAS Cecil Field to NAS Jacksonville for rework prior to display.

March 31, 1998 - VS-32 comes off deployment and arrives at NAS Jacksonville as new home.

April 8, 1998 - Capt. Turcotte relieves Capt. Whitmire as commanding officer of NAS Jacksonville.

April 21, 1998 - TBM static display placed in static display park after restoration.

April 30, 1998 - Station library, located in building 620, closes.

May 5, 1998 - S2F Tracker static display brought over from NAS Cecil Field and put on display in NAS Jacksonville static display park.

May 26, 1998 - MWR administration moves from building 621 to building 584.

May 29, 1998 - "Subway" sandwich shop opens on Birmingham.

June 3-5, 1998 - Air Force flights bring fire equipment to NAS Jacksonville to help fight Florida fires. Station is designated base support installation by FEMA.

July 6-10, 1998 - Building 585, located at NW corner of Enterprise and Gillis, demolished.

July 15, 1998 - Building 920, old post office, located at corner of Saratoga and Langley, demolished.

July 31, 1998 - NAS Supply department moved out of building 111 and placed partly in barracks 6A and partly in old Barnett bank building while building 111 is renovated. CNB Jacksonville will move newly formed consolidated financial group into building 111 when complete.

Aug. 14, 1998 - NAS Jacksonville Fire Chief Roy Bryant retires after 30 years of service to NAS Jacksonville. T-45 "Goshawks" located at station as CNET student pilots conduct carrier landing qualifications on USS Kennedy.

Aug. 20, 1998 - Station goes to security threat Alpha (A). POVs restricted from using commercial gate and parking restricted no closer than 40 feet from any building.

Sept. 16, 1998 - Demolition starts on building 621 (old MWR administration building).

Sept. 28, 1998 - CNB Jacksonville regional financial office moves into building 111. Demolition starts on building 620 (old station library.)

Sept. 24, 1998 - FEMA designates NAS Jacksonville as a base mobilization site and starts staging Hurricane Georges' relief supplies in hangar 116.

Oct. 23, 1998 - U.S. Customs hangar dedicated.

Oct. 23-25, 1998 - NAS Jacksonville hosts Blue Angels at air show.

Dec. 5, 1998 - Building 620 demolition complete.

Dec. 7, 1998 - NAS Jacksonville and CNB Jacksonville staffs move back into renovated Bldg. 1.

Dec. 14, 1998 - Sea Control Wing Atlantic moves from hangar 1000 into building 850 (where CNB Jacksonville was located during renovation.)

Dec. 16, 1998 - A-7 Corsair located at Jacksonville University air-lifted to NAS Jacksonville for future static display.

Jan. 13-15, 1999 - CNBJ CO's Conference on station defines regionalization plan after 3.5 years of study.

Jan. 29, 1999 - NADEP change of command.

Feb. 2, 1999 - Commander, Naval Base Jacksonville changed to Commander, Navy Region SE. Mulberry Cove nature trail dedicated.

Feb. 22, 1999 - NADEP inducts SH-60 helo BUNO 164099 to commence helo reworks after 32-year lapse.

Feb. 26, 1999 - A-7 Corsair dedicated in static display park. (Placed there after AIMD restoration.)

March 20, 1999 - NAS Jacksonville holds first Special Olympics on-station.

April 6-9, 1999 - Building 650, old power plant on Mustin, between Saratoga and Enterprise, demolished.

April 25, 1999 - PATWING 11 name changed to Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 11.

April 28, 1999 - Solar lighting installed on Perimeter Road for PRT.

May 14-16, 1999 - Scout World held in Hangar 30.

June 1, 1999 - SCWL dedicates building 852 (\$4 million) as new Weapons School.

June 7, 1999 - Buildings 395, 396, 387 and field 99 demolished to make way for new golf course expansion.

June 28, 1999 - New parking lot at corner of Enterprise and Ranger opened for parking. (Formerly old Navy Exchange).

July 14, 1999 - VFA-137 becomes last squadron to leave NAS Cecil Field. REDCOM-8

commences moving into new addition at east end of building 966.

July 22, 1999 - F-8 and A-4 static display aircraft, formerly on display at NAS Cecil Field, delivered to NAS Jacksonville.

July 25-26, 1999 - VFA-82 (Hangar 116) and VFA-86 (Hangar 114) arrive on station.

July 27, 1999 - Trees removed on block surrounded by Keily, Yorktown, Saratoga and Gillis.

Aug. 10, 1999 - VQ-6 sends out last ES-3A to Nevada for storage.

Aug. 26, 1999 - VQ-6 disestablishment ceremony.

Aug. 27, 1999 - VFA-82 has change of command ceremony in hangar 114.

Sept. 14, 1999 - Hurricane Floyd cancels POW/MIA ceremony. Base personnel start leaving at noon. Approximately 100 aircraft evacuate station, remaining aircraft hangared.

Sept. 15, 1999 - NAS Jacksonville secured due to Hurricane Floyd. No damage due to hurricane.

Sept. 17, 1999 - Concert on base with Goo Goo Dolls, Fastball and Sugar Ray attracts 13,000.

Sept. 22-23, 1999 - F/A-18 squadrons 82 and 86 leave NAS Jacksonville for Oceana.

Sept. 27, 1999 - U.S. Customs announces new squadron of P-3's will be based at station.

Sept. 30, 1999 - Ron Williamson and Lt. "B.T." Smith remove NAS Cecil Field's sign at the main gate. Flag is lowered at 11:37 am at ceremony by Capt. Cech, last CO of Cecil Field.

Oct. 7, 1999 - Gov. Bush has meeting at Officers' Club to discuss ways to protect Florida's bases from future BRACs.

Nov. 2, 1999 - Adm. Clark, CINCLANTFLT, visits station.

Nov. 5-7, 1999 - Air Show attracts low turnout of approximately 80,000 for the weekend event. First night air show held on 6 Nov.

Dec. 1, 1999 - Last of three SH-3 "Sea King" Helicopters leave HS-75 and NAS Jacksonville. One goes to Patuxent River and two go to San Diego with HC-85. BUNO 149005 and 148964 last to leave.

Dec. 17, 1999 - Anchor, formerly belonging to NAS Cecil Field, placed in front of Building 1.

Jan. 1, 2000 - Millennium party at Officers' Club attracts 267. No problems reported due to Y2K

computer fears.

Jan. 4, 2000 - Groundbreaking ceremony held for \$12 million expansion of Navy Exchange and Commissary.

Feb. 8, 2000 - First P3E arrives for U. S. Customs.

Feb. 10, 2000 - Groundbreaking held for \$11.2 million steam system renovations.

Feb. 24, 2000 - Building 1558, located at corner of Ranger and Albemarle, demolished.

Feb. 27 - March 10 2000 - Air Force participates in NAS Jacksonville hosted DoD ASCIET exercises flying F-15, F-16 and F-4 jets.

Feb. 29, 2000 - Last SH-3 Sea King (BUNO 149717) from HS-75 towed to DRMO for disposal.

March 8, 2000 - Demolition started on barracks 7M, 7N and 7O.

March 23, 2000 - Area V Special Olympics Spring Games held.

March 28, 2000 - Navy College Office dedicates new wing in building 110.

April 8, 2000 - U.S. Customs receives second P3E aircraft.

April 13, 2000 - NAS Jacksonville receives the FY 99 CNO Safety Award.

April 18, 2000 - Building 592 demolished.

May 4, 2000 - "Love Bug" virus shuts down station computers.

May 20-21, 2000 - Scout Blast attracts 3,500 scouts and approximately 5,500 visitors.

June 1, 2000 - A-4 Skyhawk and F-8 Crusader aircraft moved to static display park.

June 15, 2000 - Last ES-3A departs station on a barge for Pensacola, Fla.

July 20, 2000 - A law passed by the City of Jacksonville expands the manatee Protection Zone along the NAS Jacksonville shoreline.

Aug. 24, 2000 - Fire Department honored as the U.S. Navy's best fire department in 2000. Also honored were Douglas Thomas, the 2000 Firefighter of the Year and Paul Stewart, the 2000 Fire Chief of the Year.

Sept. 7, 2000 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the reunion for the survivors of the ship Shinyo Maru, a Japanese freighter sunk on Sept. 7, 1944, by the American submarine USS Praddle. There were 750 American POWs on board, only 82 survived. Fourteen of the survivors participated in a reunion and memorial service.

Sept. 14, 2000 - POW/MIA Ceremony held at Patriots' Grove.

Sept. 29, 2000 - Scheduled Airline Ticket Office (SATO) dissolved.

Sept. 30, 2000 - F/A-18 E/F model makes first landing at station.

Oct. 5, 2000 - Single Sailor Program moves to old Barnett Bank building.

Oct. 15, 2000 - NAS Jacksonville celebrates 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the station's commissioning. A new Donald Duck coin is commissioned based on the original station logo created by Walt Disney in 1940.

Oct. 25, 2000 - Building 632 demolished.

Oct. 30, 2000 - Commanding officer signs Record of Decision for the cleanup of six hazardous waste sites, known as Operable Unit Three, in the Naval Aviation Depot industrial area.

Nov. 1, 2000 - Budweiser Brewhouse dedicated by Commanding Officer Capt. Turcotte and Capt. Roy "Butch" Voris, U.S. Navy retired, the first flight leader of the Blue Angels.

Nov. 2-5 2000 - NAS Jacksonville and the City of Jacksonville host the second annual Jacksonville International Air & Sea Spectacular. An estimated 500,000 people attend the four-day event.

Nov. 2, 2000 - The NAS Jacksonville Air Terminal (building 278) is dedicated in the name of Capt. Roy "Butch" Voris, U. S. Navy (Ret.), founder and first flight leader of the Blue Angels on board the station in 1946.

Nov. 12, 2000 - One hundred sailors reenlist during the NFL Jacksonville Jaguars pre-game at Alltel Stadium.

Nov. 15-17, 2000 - Train tracks from NAS Jacksonville that cross Roosevelt Boulevard (U.S. 17) are removed.

Dec. 11, 2000 - Runway 14-32 resurfacing begins with expected completion in March 2001.

Dec. 13-14 - NAS Jacksonville staff has strategic off-site to plan vision for station's future.

Dec. 15, 2000 - NAS Jacksonville golf course officially reopens after completion of a nine-hole

expansion. The name of the course is changed from Casa Linda Oaks to NAS Jacksonville Golf Club.

Jan. 8-10, 2001 - Personnel Support Detachment Jacksonville relocates from Building 135 to Building 789 (Old Chief Petty Officers Club)

Jan. 8, 2001 - MMCM(SS/SW/AW) Jim Herdt, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, visits the base.

Feb. 6, 2001 – Adm. Robert Natter, Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, visits the base.

Feb. 17, 2001 - AK1(AW/SW) Jeffrey Kirby is selected as the Sailor of the Year.

Feb. 18, 2001 - Intersection of Mustin and Saratoga reopens after a water pipe broke which closed this busy intersection for two months.

Feb. 21, 2001 - A T-45 Goshawk jet on a training mission from NAS Jacksonville to USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69) crashes into the Atlantic Ocean killing two pilots, Lt. Gregory Fulco and Air Force Capt. Justin Sanders.

March 14, 2001 - Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. Norbert Ryan, Jr. visits the base.

March 22, 2001 - Base receives Award of Excellence during the JaxPride Week City Beautification Program.

March 31, 2001 - Special Olympics Area V Spring Games are held on the station.

April 7, 2001 - Station hosts the Navy Run with 780 runners participating.

April 16, 2001 - Fire at NADEP engine test facility does \$1 million in damage.

April 19, 2001 - Eagle Scouts install nature trail signs on-board the station.

April 20, 2001 - Naval Aviation Depot Jacksonville changes name to Naval Air Depot Jacksonville.

April 20, 2001 - NAS Jacksonville participates in Earth Day festivities at the Jacksonville Landing.

April 21, 2001 - Station old and new logos painted on new fuel tanks along Yorktown Road.

April 26, 2001 - Capt. Mark Boensel relieves Capt. Stephen Turcotte as commanding officer of NAS Jacksonville.

April 30, 2001 - Base hosts Police Mountain Bike Certification class with police coming from St. Johns, Putnam and Duval County, NAS Pensacola, and base security.

May 10, 2001 - Base begins a trapping program to catch and reduce the feral cat population.

Captured cats are turned over to Duval County Animal Control.

May 14, 2001 - Station recognized on the CINCLANTFLT Retention Honor Roll

May 17, 2001 - Naval Engineering Field Activities Southeast established at NAS Jacksonville.

May 19, 2001 - 21<sup>st</sup> Armed Forces Day/Scout Blast held with more than 3,500 scouts camping on station for two nights.

May 26, 2001 - Memorial Day Hot Rod and Car Show hosts 500 hot rods and antique cars on board the station.

May 30, 2001 - The Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce selects AMH1(AW) Clarence Boswell as the 2001 First Coast Military Representative of the Year.

May 31, 2001 - New pavilion constructed next to the Bachelor Officers Quarters on Mustin Road.

June 8, 2001 - 26<sup>th</sup> Marine Expeditionary Unit from Camp Lejeune, N.C., holds two weeks of "Training in an Urban Environment" in downtown Jacksonville. The Marines used NAS Jacksonville as their base of operations.

June 9, 2001 - Station goes into tighter security stance with positive identification check for all personnel.

June 11, 2001 - Steam pipe removal along Mustin Road south of Birmingham Street commences.

June 18-22, 2001 - Career Decision Fair hosted by base to provide information to Sailors who were considering leaving the Navy. Sponsored by BUPERS, hundreds of Sailors learned of the variety of Navy opportunities in an effort to improve retention.

Aug. 2, 2001 Capt. Edward Bell is selected as the Navy's 2001 Civilian Fire Fighter of the Year.

Aug 23, 2001 - The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), teams up with the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) partner with NASA's DC-8 and ER-2 Airborne Science aircraft and NOAA's WP-3D aircraft to study Atlantic Ocean hurricanes. They remained on the base until Sept. 4.

Sept 1, 2001 - Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD) assigned under Commander, Sea Control Wing Atlantic, and is no longer a station department.

Sept. 11, 2001 - The base sets THREATCON Delta after the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

Sept. 30, 2001 - Aviation Support Division transfers as a function of the Supply Department to Fleet and Industrial Supply Center Jacksonville.

Oct. 17, 2001 - A Stearman N2S biplane is brought to the station for restoration and future static display.

Oct. 22, 2001 – MCPON MMCM(SS/SW/AW) Jim Herdt visits the base.

Oct. 24 - Nov 9, 2001 - Building 109, Base Laundry, demolished.

Nov. 5, 2001 - New pass system (Military Access Control System - MACS) implemented.

Nov. 14, 2001 - Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Vern Clark, visits the base.

Nov. 21, 2001 - The Florida Times Union publishes the first issue of the JAX AIR NEWS in the new broadsheet format. The Times Union becomes the new publisher for the base's civilian enterprise newspaper.

Dec. 1, 2001 - Navy Flying Club relocates from NAS Jacksonville to Herlong Field.

Dec. 6, 2001 - The base galley begins major renovations to the facility.

Dec. 15, 2001 - Last C-9 from VR-58 departs NAS Jacksonville. (New C-40 replacement aircraft slated to arrive April 1, 2002.)

Dec. 20, 2001 - The base Veterinary Clinic begins implanting microchips in all base pets to ID the animals for their protection and to reduce the feral pet population.

Jan. 7, 2002 - Navy Exchange holds grand opening for new Food Court. Eateries include Wendy's, Taco Bell, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Sbarro Italian Food, and a deli.

Jan. 10, 2002 - Outlying Field Whitehouse and Rodman Target Range opens for hunting.

Jan. 15, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the 800<sup>th</sup> Royal Naval Air Squadron out of RNAS Yeovilton, Somerset England, in a soccer match at Sea King Park Soccer Field.

Jan. 29, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville becomes first Navy installation to launch Career Accelerator Program for military spouses. The program matches spouses with job opportunities.

Feb. 2, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville Navy Flying Club relocates from air station to Hangar H5 at Herlong Field in west Jacksonville.

March 11, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville holds a memorial service in Patriots' Grove in remembrance of the victims of 9/11.

March 15, 2002 - Navy Exchange and Commissary holds a "grand opening" after completing major renovations and increases in square footage to their respective stores.

March 17, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the Area V Special Olympics involving more than 500

Special Olympics athletes and another 500 volunteers.

March 20, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville begins issuing new Common Access Cards, a military and civilian common ID card containing a microchip, bar codes and magnetic strip, to improve the control over access to restricted areas and computer systems. Country-singer, Charlie Daniels, visits the base on his way to Naval Base Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Daniels speaks with sailors assigned to local squadrons.

April 5, 2002 - Chief Petty Officers Club reopens after completing major renovations.

April 6, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville hosts 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Navy Run on board the station.

April 11, 2002 - Dianne Parker of the NAS Jacksonville Fleet and Family Support Center is honored with the Volunteer Jacksonville Heart of Gold 2002 Good Neighbor Award.

April 12, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville signs a historic charter that formally establishes an environmental compliance partnering team along with Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), St. John's River Water Management District, City of Jacksonville Regulatory and Environmental Services Department, Commander, Navy Region Southeast, Naval Station Mayport, Naval Air Depot Jacksonville, Supervisor of Shipbuilding Conversion and Repair Jacksonville, Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville, and Engineering Field Activity Southeast.

April 29, 2002 - Jax Navy Federal Credit Union celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and changes name to Vystar.

May 2, 2002 - JAX AIR NEWS, NAS Jacksonville's base newspaper, wins the CHINFO Merit Award as the Navy's top civilian enterprise newspaper in the Metro Category.

May 3, 2002 - Youth Activities Center celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

May 5, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville hosts 150 golfers competing in the 38th Annual Southeast Military Invitational Golf Tournament.

May 14, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville hosts an Education Fair to provide information on educational opportunities for Sailors and their families.

May 20, 2002 - Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) relocates to Bldg. 554.

May 23, 2002 - Information, Tickets and Tours (ITT) reopens after major renovations.

May 29, 2002 - Catholic Bishop Victor Galeone, the Bishop of the Diocese of St. Augustine, confers the Sacrament of Confirmation for candidates at the NAS Jacksonville St. Edward Catholic Chapel.

June 4-5, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville staff conducts off-site strategic planning.

June 5, 2002 - Enterprise Avenue between Ajax and Ballard reopens.

June 18, 2002 - Atlantic Fleet Master Chief MMCM(SW/AW) Buck Heffernan visits NAS Jacksonville.

June 20, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville participates in a shoreline cleanup along the St. John's River.

June 23, 2002 - Surgeon General of the Navy and Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Vice Adm. Michael Cowan visits NAS Jacksonville.

June 28, 2002 - NASCAR driver, Dale Earnhardt, Jr., visits NAS Jacksonville.

July 1-19, 2002 - Steam pipes removed along Birmingham Road.

July 5-10, 2002 - Buildings 196 and 197A are demolished.

July 10, 2002 - Demolition starts on 7 Series enlisted barracks.

July 12, 2002 - More than 25 Sailors stationed around the world were flown to Jacksonville on July 12 to attend a three week All-Navy Softball Training Camp held at NAS Jacksonville.

July 31, 2002 - River Cove Officers' Club holds grand reopening after major renovations are completed.

Aug. 1, 2002 - U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service signs agreement allowing the Navy continued use of the Pinecastle Bombing Range for the next 20 years.

Aug. 2, 2002 - Repaving project starts at Yorktown Gate.

Aug. 2-5, 2002 - Staff of Commander, Navy Region Southeast moves from Building 1 to Building 919. In conjunction with this move, NAS Jacksonville Quarterdeck relocates to Building 1.

Aug. 21, 2002 - Commanding officer and command chaplain plant a tree in Patriots' Grove dedicated to those who perished during the 9/11 attacks.

Aug. 24, 2002 - Dedication ceremony for the new C-40A "Clipper" jet held. The C-40A replaced the C-9 "Skytrain" flown by VR-58.

Aug. 28, 2002 – John “Charlie” Wright III , a firefighter for NAS Jacksonville, is recognized for his dedication, hard work, and distinguished career as a firefighter by receiving both the 2001 All-Navy Firefighter of the Year and 2001 Department of Defense (DoD) Firefighter of the Year awards. These prestigious awards were presented to Wright in conjunction with the DoD Fire and

Emergency Training Conference in Kansas City, Mo.

Sept. 10, 2002 - S-3 Viking jet from VS-22 crashes killing three crewmen on board.

Sept. 11, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville holds a memorial service marking the one-year anniversary of those who died during the terrorists attacks of 9/11.

Sept. 23 – Oct. 5, 2002 - Yorktown Avenue repaved.

Oct. 31 – Nov. 2, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the Air Show as part of the 2002 Jacksonville Sea & Sky Spectacular. More than 250,000 people attend over the three days of aerial performances that included the Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron - the Blue Angels.

Nov. 21, 2002 - Base Fitness Center closes until April 2003 for renovations.

Nov. 27, 2002 - Two 9-1-1 telephones installed along perimeter road for Sailors who use the street for physical fitness.

Dec 4, 2002 - Base-wide PA system installed.

Dec. 6, 2002 - NAS Jacksonville holds annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Jan. 8, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville Sailors judge 68 students participating in the Ridgeview High School Science Fair.

Jan. 9, 2003 - TM1(SW/AW) Jose Santana Jr. of Base Weapons Department announced as NAS Jacksonville Sailor of the Year for 2003.

Jan. 21, 2003 - CNRSE Human Resources-Jacksonville Satellite Office moves from NAS Jacksonville Human Resources Office in Building 4 to Room 118, Building 1.

Jan. 23, 2003 - New bar codes are issued to military and civilian personnel working on board NAS Jacksonville as part of increased security measures put in place.

Jan. 26, 2003 - A medical support platform comprised of nearly 100 medical personnel with 2nd Force Service Support Group (2nd FSSG) from Naval Hospital Jacksonville deploys to CENTCOM.

Jan. 30, 2003 - TM1(SW/AW) Jose Santana, Jr., is selected as the Commander, Navy Region Southeast 2003 Sailor of the Year.

Feb. 5, 2003 - "Harbor Defense Command 206" attached to Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center (N&MCRC) Jacksonville recalled to active duty. First unit-wide mobilization for a Jacksonville-based Reserve Unit in 2003.

Feb. 13, 2003 - An \$11.79 million renovation is completed on Enlisted Barracks #846.

Feb. 27, 2003 - New "trenchless" technology used on board NAS Jacksonville to replace aging sewer lines.

March 2003 - Fifty-four Selected Reservists mobilized to Naval Hospital Jacksonville. Fleet and Family Support Center held Military Spouse 101 Resource Fair to educate military spouses about available services.

March 5, 2003 - Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society President Adm. Jerome Johnson, U.S. Navy, Ret., visits NAS Jacksonville.

March 11, 2003 - Ground broken for construction of a new Hospital Pharmacy in the north side of the Navy Exchange Parking lot.

March 13, 2003 - MWR opens 16 new cottages for day/weekly rentals along the NAS Jacksonville Golf Course.

Mar 14, 2003 - TM1(SW/AW) Jose Santana, Jr., is selected as the Commander, Atlantic Fleet Directing Shore Reporting 2003 Sailor of the Year.

March 17, 2003 - Six VS-24 Scout aircraft are the first jets to launch off the deck of the USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) during the early stages of OIF to act as "mission tankers," providing fuel to strike aircraft to enable them to make their way over land and into Iraq.

March 27, 2003 - VS-22, VS-24, HS-3 and HS-11, homeported at NAS Jacksonville, participate in strikes on Iraq at the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

March 29, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville Sailors joined local community residents in the Operation Support Our Troops Rally at Metropolitan Park in downtown Jacksonville.

April 4, 2003 - 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Navy 10K Run held at NAS Jacksonville; more than 500 runners participated.

April 10, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville's Self-Help Division wins the Commander, Atlantic Fleet 2002 Bronze Hammer Award.

April 11, 2003 - 21<sup>st</sup> Annual NAS Jacksonville Bass Tournament held at Mulberry Cove Marina; 92 fishermen in 46 boats participated.

April 18, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville participates in Earth Day activities at the Jacksonville Landing.

April 24, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the Naval Personnel Command (NPC) Decision Fair in Hangar 30.

May 6, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville receives the 2002 CNO Environmental Award for an Industrial

Installation.

May 21, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville holds a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) drill.

May 26 – June 3, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville conducts a "Click-It or Ticket" campaign to encourage military and civilian personnel to wear their auto safety belts.

May 28, 2003 - Fitness Center reopens after extensive renovations.

June 4, 2003 - Navy Surgeon General Vice Adm. Michael Cowan visits NAS Jacksonville.

June 6, 2003 - Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, MCPON(SS/AW) Terry Scott, visits NAS Jacksonville.

June 12, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts Drug Education For Youth (DEFY) camp for local children to emphasize the importance of a "drug-free" lifestyle.

NAS Jacksonville hosts "Kid Fit" Fair during the MWR Youth Activities Center Summer Camp.

July 18, 2003 - Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) recognizes NAS Jacksonville's efforts in raising \$288,000 during the annual fund drive.

July 24, 2003 - More than 100 children participate in Vacation Bible School at the NAS Jacksonville Chapel.

July 30, 2003 - Golfer struck by lightning on NAS; minor injuries.

July 31, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts two weeks of training for Naval Sea Cadets and Navy League Cadet Corps. Sharon Cruz, customer service representative with NAS Jacksonville Stock Control Office is selected as Civilian of the Quarter for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2003.

Aug. 21, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville's Combined Bachelor Quarters is nominated for the Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt Award. Baseball legends Harmon Killebrew, Furgeson Jenkins, Paul Blair, Manny Sanguillen, John Tudor, and Jimmy Wynn visit NAS Jacksonville.

Aug. 22, 2003 - Rear Adm. Christopher Weaver, prospective Commander, Naval Installations, visits NAS Jacksonville.

Aug. 25, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville wins the Chief of Naval Operations 2002 Self-Help Bronze Hammer Award.

Aug. 28, 2003 – Third annual Multi-Cultural Fair hosted by NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 2003 - Members of VS-30 embark on board the Navy's newest nuclear aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN-76) for the carrier's flight deck certification and set new aviation records. Lt. Cmdr. James Hoskins, VS-30 operations officer, becomes the first pilot to land an S-3B Viking aboard the aircraft carrier.

Sept. 9, 2003 - President George W. Bush visits NAS Jacksonville and is greeted by Florida Governor Jeb Bush, City of Jacksonville Mayor John Peyton, and Commanding Officer Capt. Mark Boensel.

Sept. 11, 2003 - VyStar Credit Union named as the 2003 Credit Union of the Year by the Department of the Navy and Defense Credit Union Council.

Sept. 18, 2003 - \$200,000 in renovations is completed to MWR's "The Zone" enlisted club.

Sept. 19, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the POW/MIA Recognition Day memorial service at the Station Chapel. Retired Chief Ordnanceman Carl "Ed" Creamer is the guest speaker.

Sept. 22, 2003 - City of Jacksonville Mayor John Peyton visits with HS-11 on board NAS Jacksonville.

Sept. 24, 2003 - Ombudsman Appreciation Luncheon held at NAS Jacksonville's River Cove Officers Club.

Oct .2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts first CISM World Military Golf Championship, with participants from 55 countries.

Oct. 10, 2003 - 135 students graduate from Southern Illinois University during commencement ceremonies aboard NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 11, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville celebrates the Navy's 228<sup>th</sup> birthday during the Navy Ball in Hangar 117.

Oct. 13-18, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts the first Conseil International du Militaire (CISM) World Military Golf Championship. Nine countries, including the United States, Argentina, Belgium, Canada, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Pakistan, and South Africa, compete in the week-long event.

Oct. 23, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville holds a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) drill at the Navy Drug Lab.

Nov. 6, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville's Fire Department earns the 2002 Life Safety Achievement Award.

Nov. 11, 2003 - NAS Jax dedicates a 1940s -era Stearman bi-plane during a ceremony at Patriot's Grove, as a part of the Veterans Day festivities throughout the city of Jacksonville.

Nov. 13, 2003 - NAS Jacksonville hosts more than 100 students who participate in Junior Achievement Job Shadow Day.

Dec. 11, 2003 - Fleet and Family Support Center Education and Training/Community Service Program Coordinator, Diane Parker, receives the 2003 National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Medal of Honor.

Dec. 12, 2003 - MS1(SW/AW) Anthony Williams announced 2004 Sailor of the Year.

Dec. 18, 2003 - Naval Hospital, like many military and non-military hospitals throughout the United States, runs out of flu vaccine due to demand caused by a deadly strain of flu virus.

Feb. 19, 2004 - More than 30 Fleet Hospital Jacksonville doctors, nurses and hospital corpsmen deploy to the African nation of Djibouti.

Feb. 23, 2004 - New Refill Pharmacy opens by NEX.

May 2, 2004 - Seven Sailors from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 14, a reserve unit based at NAS Jacksonville, killed in Iraq in two separate incidents.

May 7, 2004 Capt. Earnest "Chip" Dobson, Jr. assumes command of NAS Jacksonville, relieving Capt. Mark Boensel, who has commanded the air station since April 2001.

May 10, 2004 - Twelve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 14 Seabees arrive at Naval Hospital Jacksonville to continue their recovery from injuries they sustained in Iraq.

June 16, 2004 - Rear Adm. Kenneth Belisle, deputy for operations and battle staff director for EUCOM retired in a ceremony at NAS Jax after 37 years of naval service.

June 30, 2004 - Rear Adm. Robert Cowley III, commander, NEXCOM, presents the 2003 Bingham Award for Excellence in Customer Service, Outstanding Managerial and Operational Results in the large store category (store with sales from \$52 to \$82 million), to NAS Jacksonville NEX. NAS Jax NEX is one of the 108 exchanges from around the world that competed for the annual award.

July 11, 2004 - Sixteen service members from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 14 (NMCB 14) receive the Purple Heart Medal from Vice Adm. John Cotton, Commander, Naval Reserve Force, in a ceremony before more than 300 people.

July 15, 2004 - First Lady Laura Bush visits Jacksonville promoting the Heart Truth Campaign, a national awareness campaign, and addresses a packed auditorium at St. Vincent's Hospital that included 33 Navy personnel from NAS Jacksonville.

Oct. 29-31, 2004 - NAS Jacksonville Air Show.

Dec. 5, 2004 NAS Jacksonville holds annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Dec. 12, 2004 – VS-30 returns from last deployment before squadron's decommissioning.

Jan. 11, 2005 - F-14 Tomcat, restored by NADEP forces, towed to static display park.

March 12, 2005 - Private vehicles restricted from coming through Commercial gate.

March 14, 2005 - Groundbreaking for new Golf Clubhouse (Mulligan's) for \$3.6M.

April 1, 2005 - HSWING disestablished. New name is COMHSWING LANT DET JAX. Moving to NS Mayport.

April 2005 - Buildings 590/44 demolished.

May 13, 2005 - BRAC announces NAS JAX is the largest gaining command in the BRAC. P-3's from NAS Brunswick will be relocated to NAS JAX. All hands call by Commanding Officer in base theatre to discuss.

Sept. 21, 2005 - Crash in Yukon of VS-32 S-3 Viking as it was approaching for a landing kills two. Lightning hit was the suspected cause.

Dec. 5, 2005 NAS Jacksonville holds annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Dec. 9, 2005 VS-30 disestablished.

Feb. 2006 Naval Reserve Intelligence Command moves into newly renovated (\$2.9M) building 135.

March 2006 Environmental group moves from Building 27 to Building 1.

June 24, 2006 Water towers on base near Birmingham and Ranger painted with "Fly Navy" and "NAS JAX"

July 20-24, 2006 Building 582 demolished.

Aug.16, 2006 DVECC changes its name to Navy Entomology Center of Excellence.

Oct. 20, 2006 Naval Air Depot announces name change to Fleet Readiness Center, Southeast at a ceremony with Rear Adm. Hardee present.

Feb. 22, 2007 Fencing started along Yorktown for new hangar construction. Child Street between Yorktown and Albemarle closed.

Feb. 25, 2007 HS-75 disestablishment ceremony

March 7, 2007 Ground breaking for new helicopter hangar.

March 23, 2007 VS-24 disestablishment ceremony.

March 25, 2007 HS-75 and VS-24 officially disestablished.

April 25-May 11, 2007 Hangar 122 demolished.

May 1-8, 2007	Former housing area west of Yorktown on Allegheny demolished.
May 7, 2007	Helicopter from HS-7 crashes at Fallon, NV, killing 5 service members including the squadron commanding officer.
May 8, 2007	Railings for steps installed at building 1.
May 22, 2007	Ballard Street, between Yorktown and Saratoga, closed for construction of new NAVFAC SE headquarters building
May 24, 2007	Ballard Street between Yorktown and Saratoga permanently closed for future NAVFAC SE building.
May 30, 2007	Groundbreaking ceremony for new NAVFAC SE headquarters building (\$16.9M), in lot where flag pole stands. Ceremony for HS-7 sailors that were killed in crash held between hangars 115/116.
June 7, 2007	Construction on main flag pole mount in front of building 1 commences.
June 15, 2007	Main station flag pole moved to new location in front of building 1.
July 25, 2007	Building 1 historical photo display dedicated.
July 26, 2007	Sea Control Weapons School, corner of Yorktown and Ajax, disestablished.
Aug.10, 2007	Capt. Scorby relieves Capt. Dobson as NAS Jacksonville commanding officer.
Sept–Oct. 2, 2007	Hangar 123 demolished.
Oct. 6, 2007	First steel placed for new helicopter hangar.
Oct. 13, 2007	Survivor from the USS Indianapolis gives main speech at Navy Ball held in Hangar 117 on station.
Oct. 15, 2007	New Youth Center dedicated (Mustin Road.)
Oct. 16, 2007	Capt Scorby receives SECNAV Safety Award at ceremony at Navy Memorial Building in Washington, DC, from the Secretary of the Navy.
Oct. 19, 2007	First steel placed for new hangar on Yorktown.
Dec. 7, 2007	Nancy Hanson, long time commanding officer secretary, retires. Four former commanding officers attend luncheon.
Jan. 11, 2008	Pat Dooling, NAS Jacksonville and Commander Navy Region Southeast Public Affairs Officer since 1992, retires.

March 14, 2008	Naval Aviation Depot changes name to Fleet Readiness Center Southeast.
March 27, 2008	VS-31 disestablishment ceremony.
April 4, 2008	New traffic light and crosswalk added 200 feet east of entrance to VP-30 hangar on Yorktown. New parking lot corner Yorktown and Gillis completed. Use not starting until 28 April.
May-June 2008	Speed bumps, requested by base Security, installed at all three gates.
June 9, 2008	Naval Hospital Jacksonville Surgical Suite Addition groundbreaking ceremony (35.8M project).
June 17, 2008	Traffic light at Gillis and Yorktown turned on. Crosswalk walk light 200 feet to the east discontinued.
June 25, 2008	Military Family Housing Privatization (\$100M) Groundbreaking and Demolition Ceremony.
Aug. 4, 2008	Ribbon Cutting/Award Ceremony for NAVFAC Southeast Engineering Operations Center.
Aug. 21-22, 2008	Personnel stay home due to tropical storm Fay.
Sept. 12 2008	Fourth lane open at Birmingham gate for better traffic flow into the base during morning rush.
Sept. 25, 2008	VS-32 disestablished.
Sept. 30, 2008	Fleet Aviation Support Office (FASO) decommissioned and put under NTEC.
Oct. 1, 2008	Weapons Department becomes Naval Munitions Command Detachment, a tenant command.
Oct. 25-26, 2008	NAS Jax Air Show featuring Blue Angels and Al Taddeo, last surviving original Blue Angel team member as VIP guest.
Dec. 31, 2008	Base theatre, building 612, closed for demolition.
Jan. 13, 2009	First MH-60R Seahawk helo arrives for duty with new squadron HSM-70.
Jan. 29, 2009	Last S-3 squadron, VS-22, disestablished.
Jan. 30, 2009	Commander Sea Control Wings Atlantic (S-3 Wing) decommissioned.

Feb. 12, 2009	First HSM squadron (HSM-70) formal establishment ceremony 1000.
March 6, 2009	Consolidated Maintenance Organization Eleven (Black Tips) disestablished.
May 5, 2009	Ribbon cutting ceremony for new \$123.5M VP Hangar 511.
May 15, 2009	VPU-1 arrives from NAS Brunswick.
May 27, 2009	First P-3 for NAS Brunswick squadron VP-8 arrives, with XO on board.
June 1, 2009	HS-3 re-designated HSC-9; starts move to NS Norfolk. (Move completed July 16. VPU-1 arrives in hangar 511 from NAS Brunswick.
June 9, 2009	VP-5 arrives back from deployment, moves to hangar 511. NAS JAX runway 09/27 re-designated 10/28 due to magnetic variation.
June 10, 2009	VP-8 last P-3 arrives with CO on board; squadron officially transfers to PATRECONWING-11 and moves homeport to NAS Jax from NAS Brunswick. Locates in new hangar 511.
June 26, 2009	Waterspout goes right by base in St John's River at 1700 hours in the afternoon.
June 30, 2009	New HS hangar 1122 ribbon-cutting ceremony. HSM-70 is first squadron to move in.
July 25, 2009	VR-62 "Nomads" arrive from NAS Brunswick flying C-130T. They are the third NAS Brunswick squadron to transfer to NAS JAX due to BRAC.
July 29, 2009	MWR Bowling Center receives \$16K in damages from lightning strike.
Aug. 3, 2009	Demolition of 260 more housing homes commences by PPV contractor.
Aug. 13, 2009	Capt. Scott Speicher returned to NAS Jax. Procession leaves airfield and takes body to chapel.
Aug. 14, 2009	Capt. Speicher procession leaves NAS Jax Chapel, heads for final burial. Base theatre, building 612, demolished.
Oct. 26, 2009	President Obama visits NAS JAX and makes a speech in Hangar 1122.
Nov. 9, 2009	HSL-44 arrives from NS Mayport. Will eventually become an HSM squadron.
Nov. 19-20, 2009	Building 2, corner Yorktown and Ranger, demolished.
Dec. 5, 2009	VP-10 arrives from NAS Brunswick. Located in Hangar 1000.

Dec. 15, 2009	New NEX Outdoor Garden Center dedicated. (Located corner of Birmingham and Child.)
Dec. 29, 2009	HS-5 departs for NS Norfolk, Va.
Jan. 12, 2010	HS-15 departs for USS Carl Vinson and then to new home at NAS North Island, San Diego, CA (1 March 2010).
Jan. 22-29 2010	Station designated as a Base Support Installation to provide supplies to earthquake ravaged Haiti.
Feb. 2 2010	Groundbreaking ceremony held for new \$6.8M Child Development Center. Will be located NW corner of Mustin/Braun.
March 19, 2010	HSL-42 "Proud Warriors" change homeport from NS Mayport to NAS JAX.
March 23-25, 2010	Pakistani CNO visits NAS Jax.
April 7-10, 2010	Utilities facilities buildings 127, 127E, 127F, 127I demolished. (SW corner of Birmingham and Ranger.)
April 12, 2010	Oak trees removed and clearing started for new Mulligan's parking lot on Mustin. NAS Jax places third for Installation Excellence Award, receives a check for \$100,000 for use by the CO.
April 12-15, 2010	NAS Jax receives Voluntary Protection Program inspection. Recommended for "Star" status. Keily Street, between Yorktown and Saratoga, permanently closed.
April 16, 2010	Groundbreaking ceremony for new P-8 Trainer facility.
April 27, 2010	Demolition started on building 104, Utilities building.
April 29-30, 2010	Pakistani's accept P-3's from VP-30 in ceremony.
May 17, 2010	Capt Maclay relieves Capt Scorby as Commanding Officer.
June 7, 2010	CO's plane for VP-26 arrives, completing the transfer of VP-26 to NAS Jax. First plane arrived on June 3. This also completes the final squadron transfer from NAS Brunswick, Maine.
June 25, 2010	New Mulligan's parking lot opens on Mustin.
July 6, 2010	Capt. Robert "Colonel" Sanders takes over as new XO. Will eventually become CO in 18 months under new fleet-up program.

July 15, 2010	Naval Hospital opens new three-story addition.
July 22, 2009	First sections go up for new \$38M P-8 Integrated Training Center, along Yorktown Avenue.
Aug. 2, 2010	Waterfront Brig closes and Transient Personnel Unit/Pre-trial Confinement Facility (PCF) is established.
Sept. 17, 2010	16 oak trees removed along Mustin Road after safety survey. Two were removed in front of Mulligan's including one that was over 90 years old.
Oct. 23-24, 2010	Air Show held at station. Al Taddeo is VIP guest of honor.
Nov. 4, 2010	Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 30 (VX-30) picks up second modified S-3 Viking. Plane is marked in CONA paint scheme.
Dec. 8, 2010	FRCSE inducts first F/A-18F Super Hornet for maintenance and minor repairs.
Jan. 13, 2011	HSL-44 receives first MH-60R "Romeo" helicopter.
Jan. 31, 2011	Asphalt leading to Keily Street, as you turn south off of Yorktown at new P-8 training facility, removed. VR-58 receives new C-40A Clipper aircraft.
March 8, 2011	Station receives CNO Safety Award in large non-industrial category.
March 17-29, 2011	Concrete foundation removed NW corner Yorktown/Ranger. (Building was destroyed in a microburst on May 27, 1997.)
April 4, 2011	Fly-over of historic aircraft in fall-back paint schemes for VP-30 CONA event at hangar 30. P-8A Poseidon lands at station for first time. Navy's only blimp lands at the station for a four day visit.
April 5, 2011	Patrol community Centennial of Naval Aviation (CONA) dinner in H-117 enshrines first six patrol community Hall of Honor Recipients. New parking lot on Gillis (west side), between Enterprise and Saratoga, opens after considerably delay.
April 6, 2011	PBY re-dedicated in static display park after two-year renovation. P-8A departs.
April 11, 2011	Helicopter Sea Combat (HSC) Detachment Jacksonville changes its name to Helicopter Sea Maritime Detachment Jacksonville (HSM Det JAX.)
April 12-18, 2011	Mooring field for boats at NAS Jax marina installed.

May 2, 2011 Base traffic backs-up as increased security measures are instituted (FPCON Bravo) due to killing of Osama Bin Laden.

May 6, 2011 PFC. Jonathan M. Villanueva returned home as a fallen warrior. Becomes the 13th person to be returned through NAS JAX. Personnel again turn out to pay their respects along Yorktown Avenue.

May 17, 2011 Groundbreaking ceremony for new \$6.4M All Hands Club. The design and construction of a single story, 25K square foot facility to include a Bingo/Banquet Hall, a Chief Petty Officer's Club, a Casual Dining Restaurant/Lounge, a full kitchen and administrative offices. Construction scheduled for Fall 2012 completion.

May 19, 2011 The 27<sup>th</sup> and final aircraft to be painted in the formal Heritage Paint Project for the Centennial of Naval Aviation is turned over to VT-10, part of Training Wing Six, (NAS Pensacola) at a ceremony at NAS JAX.

May 26, 2011 Air Test and Evaluation Squadron VX-30 picks up last modified S-3 Viking from FRCSE.

June 4, 2011 Pedestrian bridge installed over Yorktown Avenue near Gillis.

June 9, 2011 HSL-44 changes to HSM-74. New Child Development Center, building 2070, Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. New facility is located on Mustin Road.

July 1, 2011 Fleet Industrial Supply Center Jacksonville changes name to Naval Supply Systems Command Fleet Logistics Center (FLC) Jacksonville.

July 23, 2011 Lighted sign that states "Naval Air Station Jacksonville" installed on new overhead pedestrian bridge on Yorktown Avenue.

Sept. 7, 2011 Grand opening of new Naval Hospital Jacksonville's completed \$60M renovation.

Sept. 8, 2011 Florida Gov. Rick Scott visits the station for a day of work.

Sept. 10, 2011 Station has remembrance ceremony for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11.

Oct. 13, 2011 Maynard "Snakeman" Cox, long-time safety office employee, known for his colorful safety stand down presentations and for catching snakes on the base for over 25 years, passes away.

Nov. 4-6, 2011 NAS JAX "Centennial of Naval Aviation" Air Show held. Overcast clouds; windy and cold weather and a low ceiling on Sunday caused a reduced crowd estimated at 160,000. (Blue Angels leave in formation to head to Pensacola.)

Nov. 4, 2011	16 Distinguished Flying Cross recipients received certificates and recognition at the O'Club on base at a private event, tied to the Centennial of Naval Aviation.
Nov. 18, 2011	State of Florida Governor Rick Scott has meeting with all State of Florida military base Commanding Officers at NAS JAX Officers' Club.
Dec. 28, 2011-Jan. 10 2012	Building 921, Photo Laboratory, located on Saratoga/Langley, demolished. Reinforced concrete structure required bigger equipment to demolish.
Jan.13, 2012	Change of command ceremony takes place as Capt. Maclay is relieved by Capt. Sanders, at a ceremony in Hangar 117. Station aircraft weather vane, located on top of Building 9 at main gate, replaced with F/A-18 weather vane as roof project finishes.
Feb. 28, 2012	Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus lands at NAS Jax after airport at NS Mayport is covered by fog.
March 5, 2012	First P8A to be assigned to NAS Jax arrives, (VP-30).
March 28, 2012	P-8A formal arrival and introduction ceremony, attended by hundreds of dignitaries, held at Hangar 30. Formal dedication of the P8 Integrated Training Facility.
April 12, 2012	First Lady Michelle Obama makes another appearance to NAS Jacksonville. Speaks to 300 middle and high school girls in Hangar 117.
April 21, 2012	Main gate closed as adjustments are made at all three gates to remove/relocate some speed bumps.
April 27, 2012	VPU-1 disestablishment ceremony takes place at hangar 511.
May 2, 2012	Capt. Sanders, base CO, accepts Installation Excellence Award from SECNAV Ray Mabus at a ceremony at the Pentagon. NAS Jax receives award for best base in DoD, and a check for \$250K.
May 27-28, 2012	Tropical Storm Beryl passed near station doing minimal damage, but cancels Memorial Day services.
June 17, 2012	New traffic lights installed at Mustin and Birmingham. Intersection was also redesigned to add new turn lanes involving a two month project.
June 24-27, 2012	Torrential rain from Tropical Storm Debby dumps almost a foot of rain on the station.