

Twenty-One Pilots Qualify For Bennington Century Club



SKIPPER CONGRATULATES CENTURIONS - Back row, Left to Right: Captain Foley; Cdr. C.A. Blouin, CATG 201; Cdr. W.W. Forrer, VA-105; Lcdr. E.M. Cooke, VC-4; Cdr. L.A. Menard, VA-36; Lcdr. R.G. Altmann, VA-36; Lt. J. Spargo, VA-105; Middle row: Ltjg B.S. Forner, VA-105; Ltjg T.E. Dunlop, VA-105; Lt. J.A. Knufflin, VC-4; Ltjg C.L. Winnans, VA-105; Lt. G.G. Andrews, VA-105; Lt. F.H. Owens, VA-105; Ltjg D.J. Jones, VA-105; Front row: Ltjg L.N. Deivito, VA-105; Ltjg J.K. Verner, VC-4; Lt. D.J. Duhkopf, VA-105; Lt. R.C. Doan, VA-36 (Staff ATG 201); Ltjg W.T. Gracy, VA-105; Ltjg B. Stewart, VA-105.

Twenty-one pilots of Air Task Group 201 became men of the 'Century' this month when they joined the Bennington Century Club.

Membership in this club requires that a pilot have logged 100 landings aboard Bennington.

Fifteen of the twenty-one new members are attached to VA-105, which gives the squadron 100% membership in the club. This is

a distinction held by very few squadrons.

Bennington is mighty proud of CDR C. A. Blouin, Commander Air Task Group 201, and of the other twenty new 'Century' pilots.

Variety Of Duties In Sixth Division

(Editor's Note: The JET BLAST apologizes to the men of 6th division for erroneously omitting their division in the Gunners Department story that was featured in the last issue.)

The Sixth Division, headed by LTJG DiPace, has an enormous variety of tasks to perform, and uses four different specialty rates to aid in these tasks.

First there are the Torpedomen, who not only prepare special parts for the torpedoes, but also tests batteries, time-clocks, tubes, and war heads.

Keeping company with the Torpedomen in the Torpedo Shop are the Minemen. Checking the

temperature, batteries, and the color of the mines are just some of the duties of these men.

The third rate of the Sixth Division is composed of Gunners Mates. Testing magazine sprinklers, checking magazine temperatures, and keeping the ammunition store rooms ship-shape are their daily jobs. During firing exercises they feed ammo to both the gun mounts and aircraft.

The Yeomen of the Gunners Office make up the fourth specialty rate and they have the up-hill task of keeping records of all ammunition, firing exercises, and gunnery mail.

These are the four rates that make up one of Gunners's most important divisions, the Sixth Division.



QUESTION:

HAVE YOU FEEL YOU HAVE BENEFITED FROM THE WELFARE AND RECREATION PROGRAM ABOARD BENNINGTON?



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RICHARD F. VREELAND SKJ, S-3 DIVISION - (committee member) Not too much personally, The Departments select men who show very little interest. Not all the representatives show up for the meetings and the majority of those who do appear, don't give out with beneficial suggestions.

KENN ORZEC, SN, OP DIVISION - A good job is done considering the facilities there are to work with. The Crew's lounge is an example of the fine work completed. Much more could be done with intramural sports.



LT. AIELLO TURNER
LT. C.P. AIELLO, ENGINEERING - Aside from the movies the average man aboard the ship doesn't know what the Welfare and Recreation Program does for them.

LESLIE TURNER, DTJ, D DIVISION - (committee member) - The Welfare and Recreation Committee has done as much as possible in view of the ship's schedule.