

4TH FAAD BATTERY, 4THLAAM BATTALION, 4THMAW  
COMMAND CHRONOLOGY REPORT CY-78

1. 4th FAAD Battery, 4thLAAM Battlion, 4thMAW, N&MCRTC 2755 East Sierra Madre Blvd., Pasadena, Ca. 91107

a. 1 January through 31 December 1978

b. Major W.R. MACBETH, , USMCR, Line Number #02;  
T/O: 3125; 1 January through 31 March 1978

Major W.H. HARPER, , USMCR, Line Number: #02;  
T/O: 3125; 31 March through 31 December 1978

c. Average monthly strength during reporting period: 6 Officers and 60 Enlisted.

2. Sequential listing of significant events.

a. Personnel. 91.5% average drill attendance during reporting period.

b. Administration. None

c. Training.

(1) Apr 1-2: Conducted RELS FIREX at MCB, 29 Palms, Ca.

(2) May 13-26: Provided personnel in support of Operation Solid Shield at Camp Lejuene, N.C.

(3) Jul 22-5 Aug: Provided personnel in support Operation Palm Tree 8-78 at MCB, 29 Palms, Ca.

(4) Aug 13-26: Provided Redeye personnel to attend Formal Redeye Gunners Course at Fort Bliss, Texas.

(5) Aug 13-26: Provided personnel in support of Operation Palm Tree 9-78 at MCB, 29 Palms, Ca.

(6) Sept 2-3: Conducted Redeye (Live) FIREX at MCB, 29 Palms, Ca.

(7) Oct 14-15: Conducted mobilization drill in support of Operation Nifty Nugget.

d. Special Projects. During November and December assisted in the annual Toys for Tots Program.

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e. Community Relations.

(1) Jan 2: Assisted the MARMTU Staff in the support of the Annual Tournament of Roses Parade.

(2) Assisted the MARMTU Staff throughout the year in Color Guards, Redeye Displays and Open House.

f. Ceremonies. Participated in the Marine Corps Birthday Ball at the La Canada Country Club in La Canada, Ca.

g. Modification to plant and facilities. None

h. New Programs and changes/status of existing programs.  
Young Marines. Measures initiated to develop a Young Marine Chapter, to be sponsored jointly by the command and the Marine Corps League.

i. Command Relationship with other military organizations within the immediate area. Excellent

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DET "A" 4th FAAD(-) Battery Command Chronology

1. Organizational Data

a. Designation and Location. DET "A", 4th FAAD(-) Battery, 4th LAAM Battalion, 4th MAW, FMF, NAS Atlanta, Marietta, Georgia 30060.

b. Period Covered by Report. 1 January - 31 December 1978

c. Commanding Officer and Principal Staff Officers

OIC	R. F. BAKER, LTCOL	1Jan-31Dec
ASST OIC	D. C. VASSEY, MAJOR	1Jan-31Dec
3rd PLT CO	M. E. GEHRING, 1STLT	1Jan-31Dec
4th PLT CO	S. MORGAN, CAPT	1Jan-31Jul
4th PLT CO	C. FLOURNOY, SSGT	1Aug-31Dec
5th PLT CO	R. JACKSON, CAPT	1Jul-31Dec
SERV PLT CO	D. RICHARDSON, 1STLT	1Jan-31Dec

d. Average Monthly Strength During the Period. 5 air/ground officers, 74 enlisted, 79 total.

2. Sequential Listing of Significant Events Especially As They Relate To

a. Personnel. During the period of this report, one officer was added to the unit and one officer transferred out of the unit.

b. Administration. The Detachment Administrative section has effectively maintained the unit's records, basic correspondence, SRB audits, message releases, and reports during the period.

c. Intelligence. Negative report.

d. Training

(1) During the course of the 12 months covered by this report, priority has continued to be placed on maintaining qualification of redeye gunners. In excess of 100 hours has been devoted to redeye and related training such as aircraft recognition, tracking head training, map reading, and associated military training. In addition, 12 Marines live fired the redeye missile successfully during the course of the year. One officer, 1 SNCO, and 17 enlisted men attended the Redeye Gunner Course at Fort Bliss, Texas during the summer of 1978.

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(2) The unit accomplished ATD in several phases:

(a) Captain MORGAN and five enlisted personnel participated in Operation Solid Shield during May 1978. These Marines constituted a redeye fire team and deployed in the field in defense of the friendly forces at Bogue Field, NC.

(b) In June 1978, two officers and 17 enlisted attended two weeks ATD at Cherry Point, NC with the 3rd LAAM Battalion. The host unit spent the first week bringing our Marines up to date on the latest developments in HAWK and redeye. The second week, one officer and 13 enlisted joined those of the unit at Cherry Point for a live firing exercise (FIREX 2-78) at Onslow Beach. Following the FIREX, one officer and 12 enlisted Marines participated in Exercise Lynx Cat at Onslow Beach.

(c) In August 1978, one officer and 17 enlisted Marines attended a two week redeye school at Fort Bliss, Texas. Due to the hold on live firings of redeye missiles, none of those attending were able to fire a live missile.

(d) During September 1978, two regular SNGO's and two enlisted reservists participated in Operation Bold Guard in West Germany in support of a NATO exercise.

(3) Training Hours Accomplished

Officer and Enlisted Technical	2350
Officer and Enlisted GMS	200
Officer and Enlisted OJT	600

e. Special Operations

(1) The unit as a whole participated in a GMS field exercise at Kennesaw Mountain during April 1978, at which day and night time small unit tactics were taught, with special emphasis on patrolling and night compass work.

(2) In September 1978, the unit deployed to the Army Ranger Camp at Dahlonga, GA for training in small unit tactics, deployment of the redeye and tracking head training with live aircraft.

f. Command and Control. Negative report.

g. Logistics

(1) General supply systems, requisitioning, and records keeping was maintained. First echelon maintenance, OJT, and classes were conducted for the equipment organic to the Detachment.

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(2) Services Platoon. First and second echelon maintenance of vehicles and OJT was accomplished during ATD. Services personnel were also actively engaged on maintenance and OJT on the "Mule" belonging to the Detachment.

h. Air Defense. The complete spectrum of redeye training was conducted as mentioned earlier in this report.

i. Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations

(1) Detachment personnel, both reserves and regular participated in the "Toys for Tots" program.

(2) Command relations with the other Marine and Navy units located at NAS Atlanta are excellent. All Detachment officers are members of MCROA.

j. Activations/Deactivations/Redesignations. Negative report.

k. Changes of Operational and Administrative Control. Negative report.

l. ATD Site and Dates. As noted above.

m. Ceremonies. Negative report.

n. New Program. Negative report.

o. Other Significant Activities/Events. Negative report.