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the survivors were quickly exchanged. Two of the survivors were in critical condition, one with burns over 100% of his body, and the two PJ's, AIC Pearson and AIC Aillet, began immediate first aid to keep them alive. The need for immediate medical help for the two critically injured necessitated an intermediate stop at the 85th Medical Evacuation Hospital at Hue. Here the four survivors with less serious injuries received interim medical aid. The survivors were then evacuated by the Jollies to Da Nang.

Ten days later another Army helicopter was shot down and Queen launched Capt Roger Colgrove's crew to assist in the recovery. Charley Horse 36 had gone down in dense jungle southwest of Hue. The Jollies orbited at 5000 feet three miles south of the crash site while Sandy 7 checked the security of the area and an Army team of three men cut the two survivors from the wreckage of the Cobra gunship. When the survivors were free, Sandy 7 led Jolly Green 65 to the crash site and the ground team popped a smoke grenade to further mark their position. Capt Colgrove hovered for 26 minutes in high hover over the 135 foot trees while TSgt Pickelsimer was lowered with the stokes litter and then he and the two survivors and the three man ground team were hoisted aboard. The Jolly crew exited the area and rushed the two injured men to the 95th Medical Evacuation Hospital.

Our last save this quarter was made by Capt "Bo" Johnson's crew on 8 March 72. Queen launched the alpha crews for a Navy A-4 with an emergency fuel condition northwest of Da Nang.

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MAR 16

SSN - ORGN

MAR 72

DATE	CREW	JG #	SAVE #		SAVE LOCATION	TYPE SAVE
8 MAR	JOHNSON MULLENIX MINSHAW STEED AVERY	21	702	FENZL, G.J. Jr. COMDR, USN FSSN UNK USS HANCOCK	295/14/77	1 COMB1

7 MAR CONT

To 37th.

07/0005 RR Fm QUEEN: K-24 will NOT BE ABLE
TO SUPPORT OUR NKP DEPLOYMENT.

0030 RR ITEM 16 LS EP FLKT DPMF

0210 RA JG 67/66 ↑ FOR ORBIT

0300 B Item 14 PASSED Fm QUEEN.

0400 RR JG 67/66 ↓ Fm ORBIT. Recalled by QUEEN
w/ immediate Turn Around.

0410 RR JG 73 ↑ FOR NKP

0415 RR ALJ JG 67 ↓ for MX. Switching to JG
21. JG 72 WILL BE TRAINER. PASSED
TO QUEEN.

0545 ZY ITEM 16: LS AX MYRP EFUX

0628 ZY JG 21 ↑ ORBIT

0630 ZY JG 66 ↑ ORBIT

0645 ZY JG 72 ↑ TNG 1

0800 ZY JG 64 ↓ ORBIT

0805 ZY JG 21 ↓ ORBIT

1028 ZY JG 72 ↓ TNG 1

8 MAR 72

212302 RR MSGT RUFF TO DUTY

2250 RR ITEM REPORT TO JOKER (Sgt Dean)

23502 RR Fm QUEEN: ^{STARFISH} ~~502~~ 502 DECLARING INFLIGHT
Emergency due low FUEL. PSN 295/80/77.

0004 RR ACFT ^{A-10} FLAMED OUT. SCRAMBLE LOLLIES.

0010 RR ~~JG 64 A SARE~~ / JG 21 ↑ JAR-E

0014 RR JG 64 ↑ SARE

contributions of ARRS to the Air Force and to the world. He said that there was no greater unit, with any better mission, than that of ARRS.

General Sherrill then presented several awards to ARRS commanders.

These included Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards to Col. Frederick V. Sohle, commander, 41st ARRWg; Col. Malcolm C. Frazee, commander, 1550th ATTWg (then the Training Center at Eglin); and Lt. Col. Robert T. Dobson, commander, 54th ARRSq.

General Everest was presented the MAC Commander's Trophy for Ground Safety, and Col. Bill A. Montgomery, commander, 40th ARRWg, was presented the MAC Ground Safety Achievement Award, MAC Flying Safety Achievement Award, and a special award for ground safety.

The MAC MSET Squadron and Detachment of the Year Awards went to the 71st ARRSq and Det. 10, 44th ARRSq, respectively.



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at the ship, about 20 miles southeast of Naha, 30 minutes later. The Ardattov went dead in the water and the helicopter hovered over the bow of the ship.

MSgt. James Souze, a pararescueman, was lowered to the deck of the ship. He advised the captain to change course into the wind in order for the helicopter to maintain position over the ship's deck. A litter was lowered to the deck from the hovering helicopter and the seaman, identified as Gordeen Borin, and the PJ hoisted aboard.

By this time, Borin was conscious, but still in very critical condition. The rescue crew flew the seaman to Naha AB, where an ambulance transported him to a hospital in Naha City.

Other crewmembers were Capt. Frank M. Zahrobky, Maj. Ronald McKinley and SSgt. Benny D. Negrette.

HH-53 crew saves Navy pilot

TAN SON NHUT AB, RVN -- An HH-53 helicopter crew rescued a downed U.S. Navy A-4 pilot some 15 miles northwest of Da Nang Airfield.

The flyer, Omdr. George R. Fendel Jr., was retrieved from thick jungle less than an hour after he ejected. Slightly injured, he was taken by the Super Jolly Green Giant to Da Nang for treatment.

Piloting the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron HH-53 was Capt. Horace E. Johnson. Other crewmembers were Capt. David E. Mullenix, copilot; SSgt. Jimmy D. Minshew, mechanic; and TSgt. Alan J. Avery and SSgt. Richard C. Stead, pararescuemen.

8 MAR 72

Jolly Greens add Navy jock to list

8 MAR 72 SAR

Despite thick underbrush and rough terrain, members of the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron (ARRS) rescued a Navy A-4 pilot about 15 miles northwest of the base recently.

The rescued pilot, Cmdr. George R. Fendel Jr., is from the USS Hancock. Commander Fendel was slightly injured and was treated and released by the 366th USAF Dispensary.

The rescue involved lowering a pararescueman, TSgt. Allen J. Avery of Auburn, Mass., to the ground, placing the survivor on the penetrator, and then sending the penetrator down again for Sergeant Avery. Sergeant Avery was dropped 30 or 40 feet from the survivor because he was in an area covered by thick underbrush and briars. Both men were reeled safely aboard the hovering HH-53 Super Jolly Green Giant helicopter.

Capt. Horace (Bo) E. Johnson, aircraft commander, said, "He was in a good place to hide, but it was a bad place for being

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Commander Fendel expresses his gratitude to Sergeant Avery upon arriving at Da Nang. Sergeant Avery was the pararescueman who went into dense jungle in order to save the downed pilot. (U.S. Air Force Photo by SSgt Roy Adams.)

Jolly Greens...

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picked up. He was on a steep incline covered with trees 160 to 175 feet high sticking out of the side."

The rescue helicopter was crewed by Captain Johnson of Montgomery, La.; Capt. David E. Mullenix of Bossier City, La., co-pilot; SSgt. Jimmy D. Minshew of Gadsden, Ala., flight engineer; Sergeant Avery; and Sgt. Richard L. Steed of Santa Barbara, Calif., another pararescueman.

The save raised to 706 the number of men rescued by the 37th ARRS.

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Jolly Greens snatch Navy pilot

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The flyer, Cmdr. George R. Fendel Jr., was retrieved from thick jungle less than an hour after he ejected from his aircraft. Slightly injured, he was taken by the Super Jolly Green Giant chopper to Da Nang for treatment at the base dispensary.

The helicopter and crew are from the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron at Da Nang.