

Jollies are clean

The first squadron at Da Nang to have all its personnel tested under Golden Flow, regardless of age, since the Wing's new program to identify and rehabilitate drug/alcohol abusers, Velvet Glove/Baseball Bat was put into effect, has come out with a perfect record.

According to Dr. (Capt.) William J. Howell, flight surgeon, the entire 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron went through a squadron sweep Golden Flow recently and the results were 100 per cent negative.

"The entire squadron is to be commended for such fine results which are directly attributable to interest shown by the commander, Lt. Col. Steven Sutton, and squadron supervisory personnel. They have been in the forefront in pushing the Velvet Glove/Baseball Bat program and have been most diligent in hosting briefings on this program including sessions with small groups," Dr. Howell said. "Their cooperation in this program has been outstanding," he added.

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Jolly's save two F-4 jocks

An Air Force F-4 shot down by the 1st Tactical Fighter Wing at Udon RTAFB, was downed by anti-aircraft artillery (AAA) fire near Dong-Hoi, North Vietnam Friday morning, October 27. The crew was rescued later by helicopters of the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron at Da Nang.

Describing the incident, aircraft commander Capt. Robert H. Jones, 35, Pryor, Okla., stated, "We were directing an air strike over Dong Hoi when my weapons system officer Capt. Eldon L. Bleak, 26 of Klamath Falls, Ore., and I were hit by AAA. A fire light went on in the instrument panel indicating a fire in one engine. We then lost hydraulic pressure and another light came on indicating the other engine was on fire, so we headed out to sea. We had traveled about 50 miles when we lost use of the aircraft's control surfaces so we ejected. The radio had gone out, but our wingman followed us and called in the rescue helicopters."

The two men had bailed out in water 20 miles off the coast of North Vietnam and seven miles north of the DMZ. After about 20 minutes two rescue helicopters arrived on the scene and picked up both men.

The crew of the helicopter which rescued Captain Jones was: pilot, Capt. Dennis Borozek, 27, South Bend, Ind.; copilot, 1st Lt. Frank Land, 26, Baton Rouge, La.; flight engineer, Sgt. Eddie Foy, 20, Plymouth, Wisc.; pararescuemen were TSgt. Dennis Baker, 20, Panama City, Fla. and Sgt. Ronald Charlesworth, 21, Camp Hill, Pa.

The crew of the helicopter which rescued Capt. Bleak were pilot, Coast Guard Lieutenant Jack Stone, 33, Sarasota, Fla.; copilot, 1st Lt. Mike McDaniel 24, De Pere, Wisc.; flight engineer, SSgt. Jerome Tuttle, 33, Laverne, Calif.; pararescuemen were Sgt. Rulen Hammock, 21, Alice, Tx. and Sgt. John Richardson, 21, Portland, Ore. TSgt. Jimmie Hathcox, 39, Ocala, Fla., a combat photographer was also on board.

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JG 66 out 0001Z - 2400Z

JG 72 out 0001Z -

0305⁺ gH Rx ATTACK - NAPALM DUMP HIT
 0340⁺ gH Rx ATTACK NO DAMAGE IN THE VALLEY
 0930⁺ gH PASS MAINT. STATUS
 0945⁺ gH JG 65 OUT -
 1830⁺ gH DAAR to Joker

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0615⁺ gH SSG BREEDEN ON DUTY
 0700⁺ gH ITEM 2 & LINE ALPHA TO JACK
 1055⁺ gH SANDIES 7 & 8 ↓ CH 77
 1640⁺ gH JG 72 ↑ TNG
 1740⁺ gH JG 71 ↓
 1900⁺ gH DAAR to Joker

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0615⁺ gH SSG BREEDEN ON DUTY
 0720⁺ gH ITEM 2 & LINE ALPHA TO JACK
 0935⁺ gH JG 65 ↑ TNG A-40-099
 1040⁺ gH 11 SCRAMBLER Ssg Wolf & (JG 72/65, TNG)
 1146⁺ gH 11c Sandies down - Sandy 7 fuel/Sandy 8 BKN
 1207⁺ gH Wolf or Punked out - 2 good shots - 330/72/77
 1217⁺ gH JG 71 ↑ SARE
 1230⁺ gH Both men in the water - No words on any
 boats in the area.
 VANGUARD 917 in area. Both men on voice -
 good condition.
 1055⁺ gH JG 72 ↑ FCF
 1057⁺ gH No boats in the area.
 1108⁺ gH Vanguard going down to get visual
 1115⁺ gH JG 65 O/S.
 1118⁺ gH JG 65 has survivor in sight - Phase "B"
 1122⁺ gH JG 65 dropping smokes
 1125⁺ gH JG 65 hovering over survivor
 1135⁺ gH JG 65 has "A" man on board
 1145⁺ gH JG 71 has "B" man on board
 1215⁺ gH JG 65 ↓ CH 77
 1220⁺ gH JG 72 ↓ FCF
 1230⁺ gH JG 71 ↓ CH 77

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DATE	CREW	SAVE	XT		LOCATION	TYPE SAVE
25 OCT	BRUNER	867	71	76 C	USS MIDWAY	8 NON COMBAT
	STOUT	↓				
	Foy	↓				
	BEAUCHAMP	875		77 C		
	BAKER					
	HOWELL					
27 OCT	BOROCZK	876	65	JONES, ROBERT B.	330/72/77	1 COMBAT
	LAND			CPT.		
	STOUT			335 TFS		
	Foy					
	BAKER					
	CHARLESWORTH					
	STICE	877	71	BLEAK, ELDON L.	330/12/77	1 COMBAT
	MCDANIEL			CPT.		
	TUTTLE			335 TFS		
	HAMMOCK					
	RICHARDSON					

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VII. COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:

- (U) a. I assume command of the 1st Special Operations Squadron with great pleasure but with some regrets. Commanding the 1st SOS, the last USAF single engine, conventional fighter squadron, with the most unique, satisfying mission, along with an unparalleled record of accomplishments, is indeed a pleasure. I regret saying goodbye to our rotating "old heads", their experience and comradeship will be missed by all of us. The biggest shock to everyone was Ambassador Godley's announcement, at the Sawadee Party, of the impending loss of the A-1's. Therefore with great regret I look forward to an uncertain future for the A-1's and the 1st SOS as well.
- (U) b. If the A-1's are to be lost to the VNAF, based on the impending ceasefire, the return of the POWs and subsequent peaceful solutions to the problems of SE Asia, then the loss of our A-1's will be more acceptable.
- (U) c. An uncertain future is a factor that all fighter pilots learn to live with in combat and I am sure that each squadron member will continue to perform with unmatched excellence in the future as they have in the past.

LT COL WILLIAM H. LATHAM ASSUMED COMMAND

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