



RECONNAISSANCE ATTACK
SQUADRON TWELVE
USS Forrestal

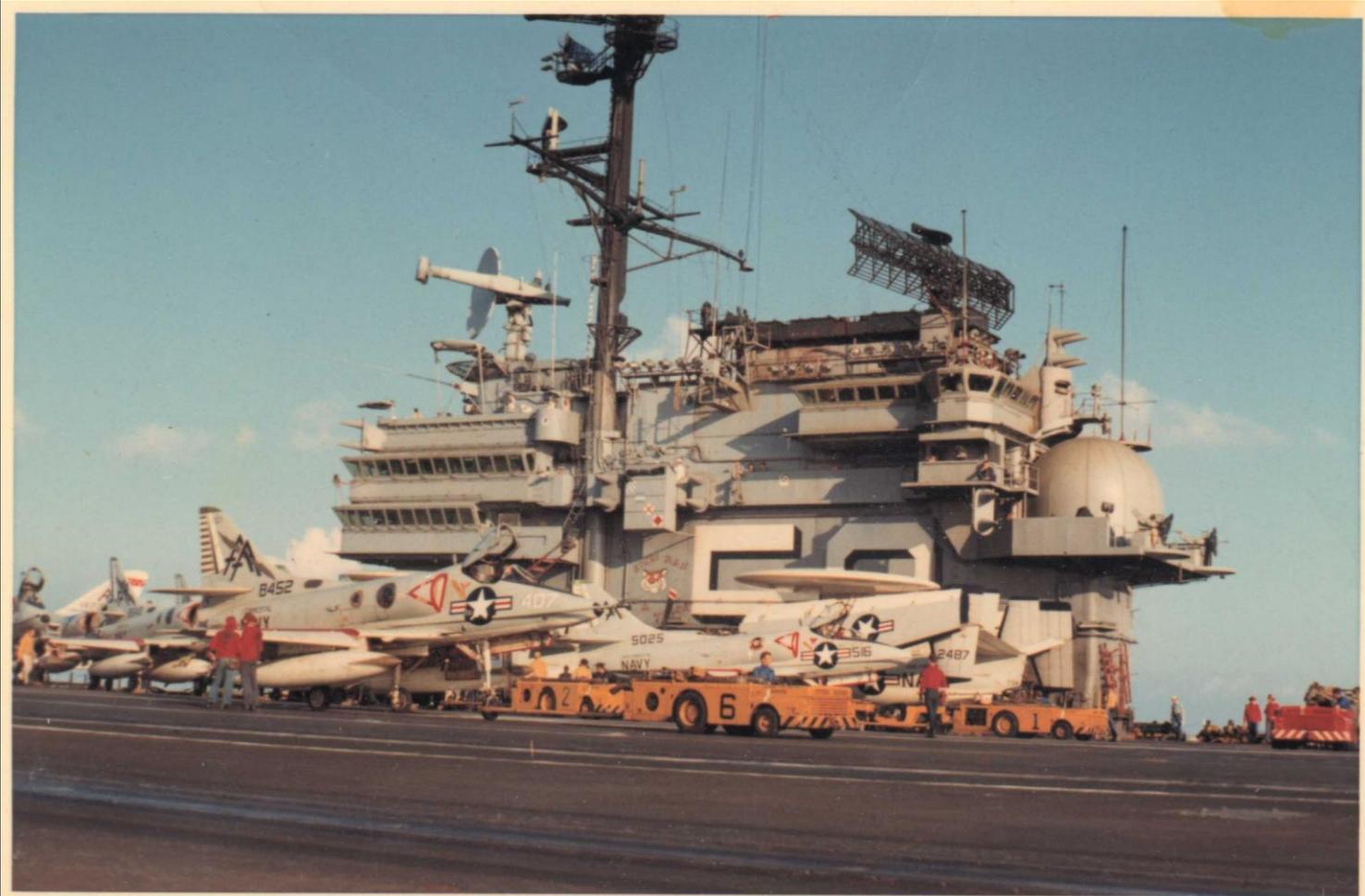
Sixth Fleet Cruise
1968-1969

Operations





Spotting for Launch





Pre-flight checks





Manning up





F4's on the Angle







A-5 Launch off #2





In Flight





Air Wing Fly By





Rigging the Barricade Exercise





A-5 in flight





A-5 over mountains (possibly Appenines)





In Flight Refueling Demo

(though A-4's can't transfer fuel fast enough for real ops)





French F-8

Encountered during combined exercise south of Marseilles





Collapsed Landing Gear (1)





Collapsed Landing Gear (2)

(Bend pitot tube was due to a basket strike during IFR)





A-3 ALSO with Collapsed RLG





Cruiser USS Albany (?)

(photo from gig heading to USS JFK anchorage)



Night Ops





A-5 Twilight Takeoff





Launch off #2





F-4 Launch off #1



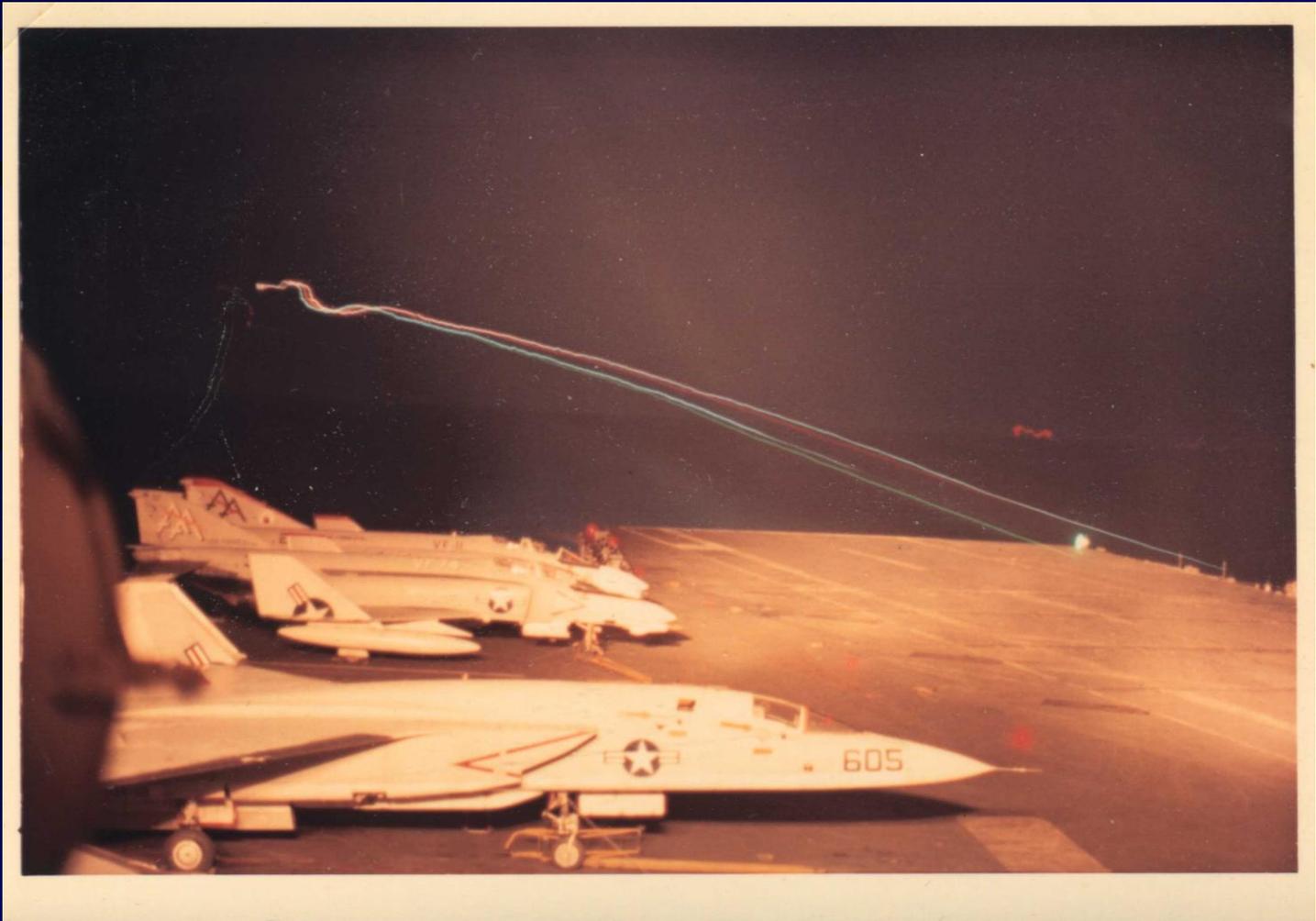


“Pinkie” Case 3 recovery





Night Landing





Night Bolter

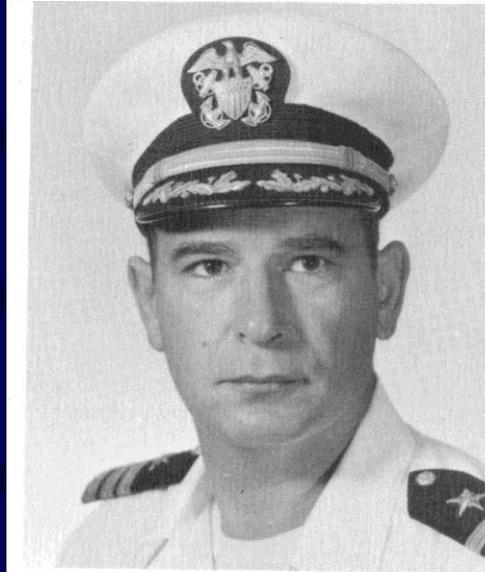


Squadronmates





Newby Kelt, RVAH-12 CO



CDR W.N. Kelt

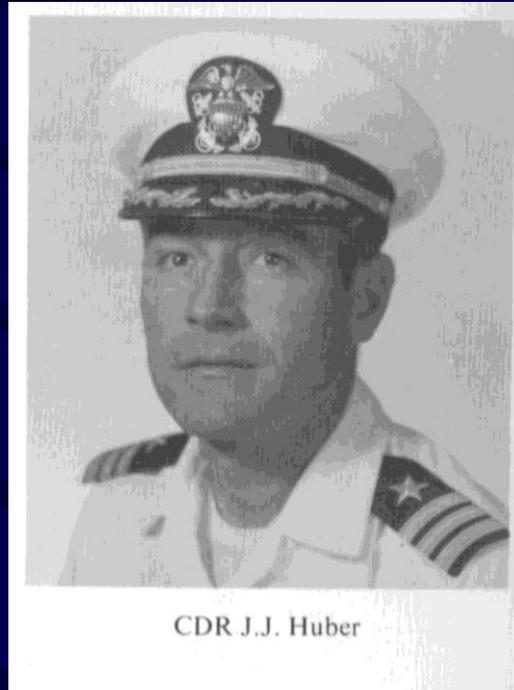


CDR Kelt Assuming Command (CAG Ferguson on Kelt's right, Bill Turley to his left)





John Huber, RVAH-12 XO



John was killed a few months after the end of this cruise
in a inflight fire just after takeoff from NAS Albany



LT Bob Hunter (MCO) Observing a Launch





RVAH-12 Maintenance





LTJG Joe Crow





LT Fred Litvin (SDO)





LTJG Rod Anderson





LCDR John McFadden





John McFaddan and WO John Wiggins



Shore Leave





Going ashore





Forrester at Twilight





New Years 1969, Golfe Juan, France





LT Al Adams (post - SP duty)





Hank Thorne, Bill Clerihan, Vince McManamon
(background)





John Huber and Wyatt Foard, recovering





Ray Barnum and NAA Tech Rep





Tom Whittaker and Friends





Buttoned up for the TransLant Home





Back at Norfolk



Note Old/new Khaki, Going Home pennant





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