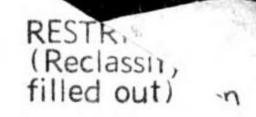
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| .(a) Unit R | eporting | 7-49 | (b) | Based on or | rat_U | 3 SAN | JACINTO | | (c) Rep | ort No. | Mal-No.1 | |
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| (a) TYPE ENEMY A/C | (b) DESTROY | YED OR DAMA | GED BY: | PILOT OR GUNNER | | | GUNS USED WHER | | | | (d) DAMAGE CLAIMED | |
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| IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Che | NONE | MEAGER | MODERATE | INTENSE |
|--|------|--------|----------|---------|
| HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over | | T | | |
| MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm | T | | | |
| IGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm | X | | | |

X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

No enemy aircraft encountered.

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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| | XI. ATTACK ON EN | EMY SHIPS OF | GROU | ND OBJECT | IVES (By Own | n Aircraft Listed | in II Only | | |
| (a) | Target(s) and Location | (FOR SHI | (FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK | | | (b) Time Ove | 1740 (| X)Zone) | |
| (c) | Clouds Over Target | 3500 | (BASE IN FEET, T | | TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER) | | | • | |
| (d) | Visibility of Target | (CLEAR, HA | (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUD | | | | | | |
| (f) | Bombing Tactics: Type | X | (LEVEL. | GLIDE OR DIVE) | | _ Bomb Sight Us | sed | (TYPE) | , |
| | Bombs Dropped per Rur | (NUMBE | ₹) | Spacing | (FEET) | Altitude | of Bomb Rel | ease(FEE | T) |
| (g) | Number of Enemy Airc | craft Hit on Gro | ound: De | estroyed | Prob | ably Destroyed_ | | _ Damaged | - |
| | (h) AIMING POINT | (i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE | (j) NO. A (k) SQUA | /C ATTACKING DRON | BOMBS AND | (I) AMMUNITION CH AIMING POINT | (m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point | DAMAGE (None serious, destroyed | e, slight, or sunk) |
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⁽o) RESULTS: (For all-hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary).

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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely, following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY OWN AIRCRAFT

Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack and
Their Effectiveness
Distance of Opening Fire
Defense Tactics and
Their Effectiveness

ENEMY AIRCRAFT

Method of Locating, Distance Disposition Altitudes Speeds' Approach Tactics Use of Cover, Deception Angles of Attack Distance of Opening Fire Defensive Tactics

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Own Weaknesses
Enemy Weaknesses
Offensive Tactics, Own
"Enemy
Defensive Tactics, Own
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Enemy
"Enemy

Flexible Gunnery, Own Escort Tactics Fighter Direction Use of Radar Night Fighting Recognition, Aircraft

ATTACK OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics Use of Jamming

RECOMMENDATIONS

Bombing Tactics
Torpedo Tactics
Effectiveness of
Bombs, Torpedoes
Selection of Targets
Fuzing
Strafing Tactics
Defensive Tactics
Use of Radar
Reconnaissance
Photography
Briefing

OPERATIONAL

Navigation
Homing
Rendezvous
Recognition, Ships
Communications
Flight Operations
Search and Tracking
Base Operations
Maintenance

Lieut.Comdr. George M. HOUZEE, Commander of Air Group FORTY-HINE, took off at 1506(I) 12 May 1945 with two divisions of FGPS aircraft from the USS SAN JACINTO for Interception Combat Patrol over Eakai Jima and Tokuno Shima.

The flight arrived at Kikai at approximately 1548(I), twice circling the island, in a search for enemy sireraft and installations, and in particular inspecting won and bhit ooke sirficios. The flight then proceeded to Tokano bima where a careful search was also made. The results being negative the flight returned to Kikai. Search was made over Uke Shime and Amami o Shims on the return flight, where, other than two beached ships, nothing of military significance was seen. The two ships observed were apparently merchantmen or whole-factories in Neze Ko on Amemi. On returning to Kikai, a single elose-interval run was made on Wan sirfield, from East to West, the pushover being at 10,000 feet and the pullout at 1000-1600 feet. A single engined plane was reported to have been seen in a revetment on the western side of the field. A vehicle of undetermined type was seen crossing the southern end of the strip. All rockets were expended on the revetment area and in the vicinity of the vehicle. The area was also strafed. Results were not observed. Scattered beevy anti-al reraft bursts were observed just before the push-over and at the commencement of the dive. The bursts, which appeared to be from five inch projectiles, were accurate as to altitude, but very insocurate as to deflection. No subsmatle weapons fire was observed. Return was made to the USS SAN JACINTO at 1815(1).

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary).

ARMAMENT

Guns, Gunsights Turrets Ammunition Bombs, Torpedoes Bomb Sights Bomb Releases

COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar Homing Devices Visual Signals Codes, Ciphers

RECOGNITION

IFF Signals Battle Lights Procedures

PROTECTION

Armor; Points and Angles of Fire Needing Further Protection Leak Proofing

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid

NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses Driftsights Octants Automatic Pilots Charts Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Flight Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

STRUCTURE

Airframe. Control Surfaces Control System Dive Flaps Landing Gear Heating System Flight Characteristics At Various Loadings

POWER PLANT

Engines Engine Accessories Propellers Lubricating System Starters Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

REPORT PREPARED BY:

All equipment functioned entisfactorily, except that the machine guns on one eircraft would not fire and two recents could not be discharged.

APPROVED BY:

SIGNATURE

R. A. SMYTHE, Lt. (jg) USNR ACI Officer RANK AND DUTY

G. M. ROUZEE, Lt. Comdr., USN

Commanding Officer, VF 49

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