

Command History 1971
USS PASSUMPSIC (AO-107)
CAPT F. B. BROMLEY, Commanding

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CAPT E. I. MALONE	1963-64
LCDR J. K. BEATES	DEC 64-JUN 65
LCDR J. H. MILLER	JUN 65-NOV 65
CAPT J. A. LOVINGTON	24 NOV 65-2 DEC 66
CAPT R. R. HALE	2 DEC 66-30 AUG 68
CAPT H. P. GLINDEMAN, JR.	30 AUG 68-26 NOV 69
CAPT E. B. ROGERS, JR.	26 NOV 69-6 FEB 71
CAPT F. B. BROMLEY	6 FEB 71-

SHIPS DATA

USS PASSUMPSIC (AO-107)

Length ----- 644 ft
Beam ----- 75 ft
Limiting Draft ----- 35 ft 9 in
Full Load Displacement ----- 34,475 Tons
Propulsion ----- Steam Turbine 13,500 SHP
Ship Control ----- Twin Screws - Twin Rudders
Speed Maximum ----- 18 knots
Sustained ----- 16 knots
Maximum Replenishment ----- 15 knots
(Greater under ideal conditions)
Economical ----- 12-14 knots

Full Load Capacity:

NSFO ----- 110,000 BBLS
JP-5 ----- 50,000 BBLS
AVGAS ----- 8,700 BBLS

Maximum Pumping Rate:

NSFO (Port) ----- 540,000 GPH using 3 pumps
and 3-7" hoses
NSFO (Stbd) ----- 360,000 GPH using 2 pumps
and 2-7" hoses
JP-5 (Port) ----- 360,000 GPH using 2 pumps
and 2-7" hoses
JP-5 (Stbd) ----- 180,000 GPH using 2 pumps
and 2-7" hoses
AVGAS ----- 105,000 GPH using 2 pumps
and 1-7" hose

Personnel:

Officers ----- 16
Enlisted ----- 230

STATISTICS

During 1971, the USS PASSUMPSIC (AO-107) conducted 183 Underway Replenishment Operations with 70 different ships delivering 30,184,098 gallons of NSFO; 16,938,553 gallons of JP-5; and 90,174 gallons of Aviation gasoline for a total underway delivery of over 47 million gallons of petroleum products.

CHRONOLOGY

Captain E. B. ROGERS, Commanding

1-4 JAN 71 Inport Long Beach
 4-5 JAN 71 Underway to San Diego OPAREA
 5-6 JAN 71 Moored to Buoys #27 and #28, San Diego Harbor
 6-14 JAN 71 Underway training in Southern California
 14-15 JAN 71 Underway from San Diego to Long Beach
 15-18 JAN 71 Inport Long Beach
 18 JAN 71 Underway to San Diego OPAREA. UNREP BRINKLEY BASS (DD-887), MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS SHIELDS (DD-596), USS WILSON (DDG-7)
 19-25 JAN 71 Inport Long Beach
 26 JAN 71 Underway from Long Beach to Southern California OPAREA. UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS BAUSELL (DD-845), Held helo operations. CAPT F. B. BROMLEY, PROS CO, ARRIVED BY HELO. UNREP USS DUBUQUE (LPD-8), USS GALLANT (MSO-489), USS EXCELL (MSO-439)
 27 JAN 71 UNREP USS O'CALLAHAN (DE-1051), USS BERKLEY (DDG-15), USS BRADLEY (DE-1041), USS KING (DLG-10), USS ROBISON (DDG-12), USS ROGERS (DD-876), USS GRAY (DE-1054), USS SHELTON (DD-790), Held helo operations. CAPT F. B. BROMLEY departed by helo. UNREP USS EDSON (DD-946)
 28 JAN 71 UNREP USS SAN JOSE (AFS-7). Enroute to Long Beach.
 29 JAN-2 FEB 71 Inport Long Beach
 2 FEB 71 Underway to Southern California OPAREA. Lost steering while leaving port. UNREP USS FORTIFY (MSO-446).
 3-5 FEB 71 Inport Long Beach
 6 FEB 71 CAPT F. B. BROMLEY, USN, relieved CAPT E. B. ROGERS, USN, as Commanding Officer
 7 FEB-3 MAR 71 Inport Long Beach.
 4 MAR 71 Take on fuel at Fuel Pier, San Pedro, California.
 5 MAR 71 Inport Long Beach.
 6-8 MAR 71 Inport Long Beach. Pre-deployment preparations being made.
 9 MAR 71 Underway for Pearl Harbor
 10 MAR 71 Enroute Pearl Harbor
 11 MAR 71 UNREP USS ROWAN (DD-782), USS HAMNER (DD-718).
 12-15 MAR 71 Enroute Pearl Harbor.
 16 MAR 71 Inport Pearl Harbor
 17 MAR 71 Underway to Subic Bay, R. P.
 18-20 MAR 71 Underway to Subic Bay, R. P.
 21 MAR 71 Sustained split rudder casualty.
 22 MAR 71 Underway Subic Bay, R. P.
 23 MAR 71 UNREP USS MEYERKORD (DE-1058), USS TICONDEROGA (CVS-14), USS BRONSTEIN (DE-1037), USS MCCAIN (DDG-36), USS SCHOEFIELD (DEG-3), USS JAMES E. KYES (DD-787).

24-26 MAR 71	Enroute Subic Bay, R. P.
27 MAR 71	Chop to COMSEVENTHFLT
28 MAR 71	Sustained split rudder casualty.
29 MAR 71	UNREP USS TICONDEROGA (CVS-14), USS JAMES E. KYES (DD-787), USS MEYERKORD (DE-1058), USS MCCAIN (DDG-36), USS BRONSTEIN (DE-1037), USS SCHOEFIELD (DEG-3).
30 MAR-2 APR 71	Operating in Subic Bay OPAREA.
3 APR 71	UNREP USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2), USS PARKS (DD-884), USS BUCKLEY (DD-808), USS TULARE (LKA-112), USS CLEVELAND (LPD-7). Arrive Subic Bay.
3 APR-9 APR 71	Inport Subic Bay, R. P.
10-11 APR 71	Underway for Yankee Station.
12 APR 71	On Yankee Station. Consol and VERTREP with USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1). UNREP USS TOWERS (DDG-9), UNREP USS STANDLEY (DLG-32), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS GRIDLEY (DLG-21), USS HEPBURN (DE-1055).
13 APR 71	UNREP USS STANDLEY (DLG-32), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS GRIDLEY (DLG-21), USS HEPBURN (DE-1055).
14 APR 71	Consol with USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1). Enroute Subic Bay.
15 APR 71	Enroute Subic Bay.
16-19 APR 71	Inport Subic Bay.
20 APR 71	Underway for Yankee Station and South China Sea OPAREA.
21 APR 71	UNREP USS LARSON (DD-830).
22 APR 71	UNREP USS CHANDLER (DD-717), USS HANCOCK (CVA-19), USS JAMES E. KYES (DD-787), USS LARSON (DD-830).
23 APR 71	UNREP USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63), USS BUCKLEY (DD-808), USS BERKLEY (DDG-15), USS HANCOCK (CVA-19), USS TOWERS (DDG-9), USS HEPBURN (DE-1055).
24 APR 71	UNREP USS STANDLEY (DLG-32), USS ROARK (DE-1058), USS ANCHORAGE (LSD-36), USS CLEVELAND (LPD-7), USS PARKS (DD-884).
25 APR 71	UNREP USS BUCKLEY (DD-808), USS BERKLEY (DDG-15), USS HANCOCK (CVA-19), USS JAMES E. KYES (DD-787), USS LARSON (DD-830).
26 APR 71	UNREP USS SOMERS (DDG-34), USS TURNER JOY (DD-951), USS BRADLEY (DE-1041).
27 APR 71	Enroute Subic Bay.
28 APR-1 MAY 71	Inport Subic Bay.
2-2 MAY 71	Enroute for Yankee Station. UNREP USS EVERSOLE (DD-789)
3 MAY 71	Enroute Yankee Station.
4 MAY 71	VERTREP and Consol USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1). UNREP USS PARKS (DD-884).
5 MAY 71	UNREP USS DUBUQUE (LPD-8).
6 MAY 71	VERTREP and Consol USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1).
7 MAY 71	UNREP USS RATHBORNE (DE-1057), USS TOWERS (DDG-9), USS GRAY (DE-1054). Underway for Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

8-9 MAY 71	Enroute Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
10-12 MAY 71	Inport Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
13 MAY 71	Underway for Subic Bay. Conducted practice UNREP with Chinese destroyers DD-2 and APB-36).
14-17 MAY 71	Inport Subic Bay.
18-19 MAY 71	Underway to South China Sea OPAREA.
20 MAY 71	UNREP USS MEYERKORD (DE-1058), USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS LANG (DE-1060).
21 MAY 71	UNREP HMAS BRISBANE, USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5), Received stores via UNREP from USS REGULUS (AF-57).
22 MAY 71	UNREP USS MEYERKORD (DE-1058).
23 MAY 71	UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS LANG (DE-1060).
24 MAY 71	Underway
25 MAY 71	UNREP USS BUCKLEY (DD-808)
26 MAY 71	UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS LANG (DE-1060).
27 MAY 71	Enroute Subic Bay.
28-29 MAY 71	Inport Subic Bay.
30-31 MAY 71	Underway enroute to South China Sea OPAREA.
1 JUN 71	UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS TOWERS (DDG-9), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS LANG (DE-1060).
2 JUN 71	UNREP USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5), USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63), USS HANSON (DD-832), HMAS BRISBANE (D-41).
3 JUN 71	UNREP USS STANDLEY (DLG-32), USS GREY (DE-1054), USS COCHRANE (DDG-21).
4 JUN 71	Consol USS TOLOVANA (AO-64), UNREP USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63), USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS LANG (DE-1060).
5 JUN 71	Consol USS HASSAYAMPA (AO-145)
6 JUN 71	UNREP USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5), USS LANG (DE-1060), USS EDSON (DD-946).
7 JUN 71	UNREP USS STANDLEY (DLG-32), USS GRAY (DE-1054), USS COCHRANE (DDG-21).
8 JUN 71	UNREP USS VESUVIUS (AE-15), HMAS BRISBANE (D-41), USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63), USS HANSON (DD-832).
9 JUN 71	UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS EDSON (DD-946), USS LANG (DE-1060)
10 JUN 71	Enroute Subic Bay.
11-13 JUN 71	Inport Subic Bay.
14 JUN 71	Underway enroute to South China Sea OPAREA.
15 JUN 71	Underway.
16 JUN 71	UNREP USS TURNER JOY (DD-951), USS HULL (DD-945), UNREP USS STANDLEY (DLG-32), USS HENDERSON (DD-785), USS ROARK (DE-1053), USS TURNER JOY (DD-951), USS GREY (DE-1060), USS COCHRANE (DDG-21), USS PARKS (DD-884), USS HANSON (DD-832), USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63).
17 JUN 71	
18 JUN 71	Underway.

19-24 JUN 71 Inport Hong Kong, B. C. C.
 25--26 JUN 71 Enroute to South China Sea OPAREA.
 27 JUN 71 UNREP USS BUCKLEY (DD-808)
 28 JUN 71 Inport An Thoi, RVN. VERTREP with USS NIAGRA
 FALLS (AFS-3). UNREP HMAS BRISBANE (D-41).
 29 JUN 71 UNREP USCGC RUSH
 30 JUN 71 UNREP USCGC MORGANTHEAU, USS BUCKLEY (DD-808),
 USS STANDLEY (DLG-32).
 1-2 JUL 71 Underway
 3 JUL 71 Consol with USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1)
 4-5 JUL 71 Underway
 6 JUL 71 UNREP USS EDSON (DD-946). Consol and VERTREP
 with USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1).
 7 JUL 71 Underway, enroute to Subic Bay.
 8-12 JUL 71 Inport Subic Bay.
 13-15 JUL 71 Underway, enroute to South China Sea OPAREA.
 16 JUL 71 UNREP HMAS BRISBANE (D-41), USCGC MORGANTHEAU.
 17 JUL 71 UNREP USS BRINKLEY BASS (DD-887), USS RUPERTUS
 (DD-851)
 18 JUL 71 Underway
 19 JUL 71 UNREP USS TUCKER (DD-875), USS EDSON (DD-946).
 20 JUL 71 UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS O'CALLAHAN
 (DE-1051)
 21 JUL 71 Enroute Subic Bay.
 22-24 JUL 71 Inport Subic Bay.
 25-26 JUL 71 Underway, enroute South China Sea OPAREA.
 27 JUL 71 Consol with USS SACRAMENTO (AOE-1). Sustained
 split rudder casualty.
 28 JUL 71 Underway, enroute Subic Bay.
 29 JUL 71 Conducted gunnery exercises. Inport Subic Bay.
 30 JUL 71 Inport Subic Bay.
 31 JUL-1 AUG 71 Underway, enroute South China Sea OPAREA.
 2 AUG 71 UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS TUCKER (DD-875),
 USS ROBISON (DDG-12).
 3 AUG 71 Underway
 4 AUG 71 UNREP USS ORISKANY (CVA-34), USS BRADLEY (DE-1041),
 USS REEVES (DLG-24), USS DAVIDSON (DE-1045), USS
 SOUTHERLAND (DD-743), USS HORNE (DLG-30).
 5 AUG 71 Underway.
 6 AUG 71 UNREP USS MIDWAY (CVA-41), USS TUCKER (DD-875),
 USS ROBISON (DDG-12), USS ORISKANY (CVA-34),
 USS BRADLEY (DE-1041).
 7 AUG 71 Underway, enroute Sasebo, Japan.
 8 AUG 71 UNREP USS BRADLEY (DE-1041).
 9-10 AUG 71 Enroute Sasebo, Japan.

11-12 AUG 71	Inport Sasebo, Japan.
13 AUG 71	Underway to Sea of Japan OPAREA.
14 AUG 71	UNREP USS HENRY B. WILSON (DDG-7), USS BROOKE (DEG-1). Enroute Sasebo, Japan.
15-19 AUG 71	Inport Sasebo, Japan.
20 AUG 71	Underway, enroute to Northern Pacific for Surveillance Operations.
21-24 AUG 71	Underway
25 AUG 71	UNREP USS WILSON (DDG-7), USS BROOKE (DEG-1).
26 AUG 71	Underway.
27 AUG 71	UNREP USS WILSON (DDG-7), USS BROOKE (DEG-1).
28 AUG 71	UNREP USS BROOKE (DEG-1).
29 AUG 71	UNREP USS WILSON (DDG-7), USS BROOKE (DEG-1).
30-31 AUG 71	Underway.
1 SEP 71	UNREP HMCS PROVIDER (AOR-508), USS KING (DLG-10)
2 SEP 71	VERTREP with HMCS PROVIDER (AOR-508). Helo 1316 from NAVSTA, Adak, Alaska ran short of fuel and made forced landing on PASSUMPSIC helo deck.
3 SEP 71	Underway.
4 SEP 71	UNREP USS KING (DLG-10).
5 SEP 71	UNREP USS KING (DLG-10).
6-11 SEP 71	Underway, surveillance operations.
12 SEP 71	Helo 1316 from Adak departed for NAS, Alameda, California. Underway for Long Beach.
13 SEP 71	Underway.
14 SEP 71	Inport Long Beach.
15 SEP-17 OCT 71	Inport Long Beach.
18 OCT 71	Moored Anchorage #34, Offloaded ammunition.
19 OCT 71	Underway to Fuel Pier, San Pedro, California.
19-28 OCT 71	At Fuel Pier, San Pedro, offloading fuel and mucking tanks.
29 OCT 71	Inport Long Beach
30-31 OCT 71	Pre-RAV preparations.
1 NOV - 31 DEC 71	Undergoing RAV at Bethlehem Steel Shipyard, San Pedro, California.

SHIPS HISTORY

The USS PASSUMPSIC, named after the Passumpsic River in Vermont, was originally built by the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Company at Chester, Pennsylvania. The name Passumpsic is of Indian origin and means "clear running water". Commissioned 1 April 1946, she was one of the largest oilers in the fleet, with a capacity of more than six million gallons of liquid cargo. After commissioning and a shakedown cruise in the Carribean, PASSUMPSIC was assigned to COMSERVPAC under the operational control of Commander Service Squadron One, with a home port of Long Beach California.

From June 1950, the outbreak of the Korean War, until February of 1954, PASSUMPSIC spent 34 of 44 months outside CONUS. Though never under fire, she won 9 of 10 battle stars awarded to U.S. Naval vessels during that conflict. In addition, PASSUMPSIC was awarded the Battle Efficiency "E" in 1956, 1960, and 1961.

In February 1960, PASSUMPSIC deployed to WESTPAC, arriving in Sasebo, Japan in March. During May, PASSUMPSIC participated in Operation Sea Lion, a SEATO exercise in which she replenished various units of the French, English, Pakistani, and Australian Navies. Winding up her operations in WESTPAC, PASSUMPSIC arrived back in Long Beach on 2 July 1960. Between 1960 and 1964 PASSUMPSIC made three more deployments to the Western Pacific.

After returning to Long Beach in April 1964, preparations were made for a forthcoming jumboization. On 12 October 1964, PASSUMPSIC was underway for Lorain, Ohio, where the ship was delivered on 26 November, to the American Shipbuilding Company. The crew was detached, leaving a nucleus party of 28 men and 4 officers.

For the next year, PASSUMPSIC remained in Lorain, undergoing JUMBO conversion. She was delivered to the Navy on January 1966, at the Boston Naval Shipyard. Her midsection was substantially lengthened and her fuel capacity has been increased by approximately 50 percent.

Since 1966 PASSUMPSIC has made several cruises to WESTPAC. In 1967 during her second deployment since conversion, PASSUMPSIC was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. A total of 367 ships were replenished and nearly 47,000,000 gallons of fuel were transferred during that deployment.

PASSUMPSIC is a twin screw, twin rudder ship with 13,500 horsepower developed by a steam turbine. Maximum designed speed is 18 knots. She is 644 feet long, has a beam of 75 feet, and has a full load displacement of 34,475 tons. A breakdown of total fuel capacity is as follows:

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STATISTICS

On 13 April 1972, USS PASSUMPSIC (AO 107) received orders to make preparations for early deployment. Then, on 17 April 1972 PASSUMPSIC sailed for WESTPAC as ordered. At 31 December 1972 PASSUMPSIC was found providing services for SEVENTH Fleet units operating off the coast of Vietnam.

Since deploying, PASSUMPSIC has pumped 601,814 barrels of NSFO; 477,110 barrels of ND (Naval Distillate); 22,859,276 gallons of JP-5; and 136,542 gallons of AVGAS in 266 Underway Replenishment operations. In addition, PASSUMPSIC transferred 54,584 pounds of Fleet Freight; 350,000 gallons of fresh water; 5,236 movies; and 389 transient passengers to SEVENTH Fleet vessels.

CHRONOLOGY

Captain F. B. BROMLEY, Commanding

1 JAN-21 FEB 72	RAV Bethlehem Steel Shipyard, San Pedro, CA
22 FEB 72	Dock trials Bethlehem Steel Shipyard, San Pedro, CA
23 FEB 72	Sea Trials Long Beach
24-27 FEB 72	Loadout Fuel Piers, San Pedro, CA
28 FEB 72	Enroute to Southern California OPAREA
29 FEB 72	Practice UNREP USS OGDEN (LPD 1)
1 MAR 72	Enroute Long Beach, CA
2-5 MAR 72	Inport Pier "E", Long Beach, CA
6-9 MAR 72	Fuel Piers, San Pedro, CA; Butterworth tanks
10-19 MAR 72	Inport Pier "E" Long Beach, CA; repairing defective cargo valves
20 MAR 72	Underway for Southern California OPAREA
21 MAR 72	Southern California OPAREA
22 MAR 72	Underway for Long Beach, CA
23 MAR 72	Loadout San Pedro, CA; move to Pier "E" Long Beach, CA
24 MAR 72	CDR S. W. MONK, USN, relieved CAPT F. B. BROMLEY, USN as Commanding Officer of USS PASSUMPSIC (AO 107)
25-26 MAR 72	Inport Long Beach, CA
27 MAR 72	Underway for Southern California OPAREA
28 MAR 72	Practice UNREP USS ENHANCE (MSO 437), USS HOEL (DDG 13)
29 MAR 72	Practice UNREP USS OZBOURN (DD 846), USS EVERSOLE (DD 789), USS JOUETT (DLG 29), USS SOMMERS (DDG 34), USS HOLT (DE 1074), USS PROVIDENCE (CLG 6)
30 MAR 72	UNREP USS RAMSEY (DEG 2), USS ENHANCE (MSO 437)
31 MAR-2 APR 72	Inport San Pedro, CA
3 APR 72	Underway for Southern California OPAREA
4 APR 72	UNREP HMCS CANITEAU (DDE 236), HMCS CHAUDIERE (DDE 235), HMCS COLUMBIA (DDE 260), USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3)
5 APR 72	UNREP USS MARS (AFS 1), USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3), USS BAUER (DE 1025), HMCS CANITEAU (DDE 236), HMCS CHAUDIERE (DDE 235), HMCS COLUMBIA (DDE 260)
6 APR 72	UNREP USS ORISKANY (CVA 34); underway Long Beach, CA
7-16 APR 72	Inport Long Beach, CA
17-19 APR 72	Underway for Subic Bay, R.P.
20 APR 72	UNREP USS BIDDLE (DLG 34), USS SANSFIELD (DD 837), USS MULLINIX (DD 944), USS GLENNON (DD 840)
21 APR 72	Underway for Subic Bay, R.P.
22 APR 72	UNREP USS BIDDLE (DLG 34), USS SANSFIELD (DD 837), USS MULLINIX (DD 944), USS GLENNON (DD 840)
23 APR 72	UNREP USS NEWPORT NEWS (CA 148)
24 APR-4 MAY 72	Underway for Subic Bay, R.P.
5 MAY 72	Inchop SEVENTH Fleet
6-10 MAY 72	Underway for Subic Bay, R.P.
11-17 MAY 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
17 MAY 72	UNREP USS FORTIFY (MSO 446)
18-20 MAY 72	Underway for Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA

21 MAY 72	Consol USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3)
22 MAY 72	UNREP USS IMPERVIOUS (MSO 449), USS CAMDEN (AOE 2), USS CHIPOLA (AO 63)
23 MAY 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
24-30 MAY 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
31 MAY 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
1 JUN 72	UNREP USS SARATOGA (CVA 60), USS OUELLET (DE 1077)
2 JUN 72	Yankee Station OPAREA
3 JUN 72	UNREP USS ASHTABULA (AO 51), USS MCMORRIS (DE 1036)
4 JUN 72	UNREP USS LARSON (DD 830)
5 JUN 72	UNREP USS CONSTELLATION (CVA 64), USS HIGBEE (DD 806), USS GLENNON (DD 840)
6 JUN 72	Yankee Station OPAREA
7 JUN 72	UNREP USS CONSTELLATION (CVA 64), USS HIGBEE (DD 806)
8-9 JUN 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
10-14 JUN 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
15-16 JUN 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
17 JUN 72	UNREP USS CAMDEN (AOE 2)
18 JUN 72	UNREP USS BERKLEY (DDG 15), USS PROVIDENCE (CLG 6), USS BUCHANAN (DDG 14), USS ROWAN (DD 782), USS BUCHANAN (DDG 14), USS LARSON (DD 830)
19 JUN 72	UNREP USS MCCAIN (DLG 36), USS WHIPPLE (DE 1062), USS HAMMOND (DE 1067), USS EVERSOLE (DD 789)
20 JUN 72	UNREP USS GURKE (DD 783), USS PROVIDENCE (CLG 6), USS ROWAN (DD 782), USS BERKLEY (DDG 15), USS BUCHANAN (DDG 14), USS MAHAN (DLG 11), USS LARSON (DD 830), USS CHICAGO (CG 14), UNREP USS CAMDEN (AOE 2), USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19)
21 JUN 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
22 JUN 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
23-27 JUN 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
28 JUN 72	UNREP USS TICONDEROGA (CVS 14), USS SHIELDS (DE 1066), USS TICONDEROGA (CVS 14)
29 JUN 72	UNREP USS MOUNT KATMAI (AE 16), USS GURKE (DD 783), USS PERKLEY (DDG 15), USS DENVER (LPD 9), USS LARSON (DD 830), USS DAVIDSON (DE 1045), USS WORDEN (DLG 18)
30 JUN 72	UNREP USS STERETT (DLG 31), USS HOLT (DE 1074), USS J. P. JONES (DDG 32), USS ENGLAND (DLG 22)
1 JUL 72	UNREP USS SAVANNAH (AOR 4)
2 JUL 72	UNREP USS MULLINIX (DD 944), USS HAMNER (DD 718), USS LOCKWOOD (DE 1064), USS BADGER (DE 1071), USS PROVIDENCE (CLG 6), USS WHIPPLE (DD 1062), USS MAHAN (DLG 11)
3 JUL 72	UNREP USS ROBINSON (DDG 22), USS GURKE (DD 783), USS LARSON (DD 830), USS ASHTABULA (AO 51), USS BERKLEY (DDG 14)
4 JUL 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
5-6 JUL 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
7-10 JUL 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
11 JUL 72	UNREP USS SURIBACHI (AE 21)
12 JUL 72	Yankee Station OPAREA
13 JUL 72	

14 JUL 72 UNREP USS CAMDEN (AOE 2), USS GLENNON (DD 840), USS SHELTON (DD 790)
 15 JUL 72 UNREP USS MCMORRIS (DE 1036), USS LONG BEACH (CGN 9), USS ROARK (DE 1053), USS STERETT (DLG 31), USS BIDDLE (DLG 34), USS GRAY (DE 1054), USS HEWES (DE 1078)
 16 JUL 72 UNREP USS DEWEY (DDG 14), USS WORDEN (DLG 18), USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3), USS DENVER (LPD 9)
 17 JUL 72 Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
 18-24 JUL 72 Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
 25-26 JUL 72 Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
 27 JUL 72 UNREP USS HANCOCK (CVA 19), USS OZBOURN (DD 846)
 28 JUL 72 UNREP USS PROVIDENCE (CLG 6), USS R.S. EDWARDS (DD 850), USS DAVIS (DD 938)
 29 JUL 72 UNREP USS OUELLET (DE 1077), USS MOUNT HOOD (AE 29), USS BADGER (DE 1071), USS WHITFIELD COUNTY (LST 1169), USS DAVIDSON (DE 1045), USS SAMPLE (DE 1048)
 30 JUL 72 UNREP USS HANCOCK (CVA 19), USS PARSONS (DDG 33)
 31 JUL-1 AUG 72 Yankee Station OPAREA
 2 AUG 72 UNREP USS MOUNT HOOD (AE 29), USS HANCOCK (CVA 19), USS PARSONS (DDG 33)
 3 AUG 72 UNREP USS LOCKWOOD (DE 1064), USS GLENNON (DD 840), USS TRIPPE (DE 1075)
 4 AUG 72 UNREP USS MULLINIX (DD 944), USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3)
 5 AUG 72 UNREP USS SHELTON (DD 790), USS WILSON (DDG 7), USS HOLLISTER (DD 788), USS CLEVELAND (LPD 7), USS TOWERS (DDG 9), USS HOEL (DDG 13), USS OZBOURN (DD 846), USS PYRO (AE 24)
 6-7 AUG 72 Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
 8-11 AUG 72 Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
 12-13 AUG 72 Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
 14 AUG 72 UNREP USS HANCOCK (CVA 19), USS WORDEN (DLG 16)
 15 AUG 72 UNREP USS BAUSELL (DD 845), USS SURIBACHI (AE 21)
 16 AUG 72 UNREP USS SOMERS (DDG 34), USS MISPELLION (AO 105), USS ORISKANY (CVA 34)
 17-18 AUG 72 Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
 19-20 AUG 72 Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
 21-22 AUG 72 Underway enroute Hong Kong, BCC
 23-28 AUG 72 Inport Hong Kong, B.C.C. for R & R
 29-30 AUG 72 Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
 31 AUG 72 UNREP USS SOMERS (DDG 34), USS HOEL (DDG 13)
 1 SEP 72 UNREP USS MARVIN SHIELDS (DE 1066), USS HEPBURN (DE 1055), USS SANSFIELD (DD 837), USS RATHBURN (DE 1057), USS BADGER (DE 1071), USS ROBISON (DDG 12), USS RUPERTUS (DD 851), USS EDWARDS (DD 950), USS LAWRENCE (DDG 4), USS PREBLE (DLG 15), USS ROWAN (DD 782)
 2-3 SEP 72 Underway conducting typhoon evasion
 4 SEP 72 UNREP USS EDWARDS (DD 950), USS MEYERKORD (DE 1058), USS WILTSIE (DD 716)
 5 SEP 72 UNREP USS HANSON (DD 832), USS EVERSOLE (DD 789), USS ROWAN (DD 782), USS CACAPON (AO 52)

6 SEP 72 UNREP USS PARKS (DD 884), USS GLENNON (DD 840), USS BERKLEY (DDG 15)

7-8 SEP 72 Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.

9-12 SEP 72 Inport Subic Bay, R.P.

13 SEP 72 Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA

14 SEP 72 UNREP USS EDWARDS (DD 950)

15 SEP 72 UNREP USS STODDERT (DDG 22), USS HANSON (DD 832)

16 SEP 72 UNREP USS ROAN (DD 853), USS RUSH (DD 714)

17 SEP 72 UNREP USS WICHITA (AOR 1), USS JOUETT (DLG 29), USS WORDEN (DLG 18)

18 SEP 72 UNREP USS WILSON (DDG 7), USS COCHRANE (DDG 21), USS RUPERTUS (DD 851), USS WILTSIE (DD 716), USS EVERSOLE (DD 789), USS DAVIS (DD 937)

19 SEP 72 UNREP USS WICHITA (AOR 1)

20 SEP 72 UNREP USS ROBISON (DDG 12), USS LANG (DE 1060), USS HOEL (DDG 13), USS GRAY (DE 1054), USS DAVIDSON (DE 1045), USS SHELTON (DD 790)

21 SEP 72 UNREP USS SAVANNAH (AOR 4)

22 SEP 72 UNREP USS WILSON (DDG 7), USS DAVIS (DD 937), USS CLEVELAN (LPD 7), USS RUPERTUS (DD 851), USS EVERSOLE (DD 789), USS MCCAIN (DLG 36), USS RAMSEY (DEG 2), USS TUCKER (DD 875), USS OZBOURN (DD 846), USS WILSON (DDG 7)

23 SEP 72 UNREP USS LANG (DE 1060), USS DAVIDSON (DE 1045), USS PROVIDENCE (CLG 6), USS SHELTON (DD 790), USS BUCKLEY (DD 808), USS HOEL (DDG 13), USS MOUNT KATMAI (AE 16), USS SOMERS (DDG 34), USS BAUSELL (DD 845), USS MEYERKORD (DE 1058)

24 SEP 72 UNREP USS BERKLEY (DDG 15), USS HOLT (DE 1074), USS TOWERS (DDG 9)

25 SEP 72 UNREP USS BAUSELL (DD 845), USS SOMERS (DDG 34), USS TUCKER (DD 875), USS SHELTON (DD 790), USS BUCKLEY (DD 808), USS HOEL (DDG 13), USS GRAY (DE 1054), USS DAVIS (DD 937)

26-29 SEP 72 Underway enroute Sasebo, Japan

30 SEP-12 OCT 72 Inport Sasebo, Japan for Upkeep

13-17 OCT 72 Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA

18 OCT 72 UNREP USS MANITOWOC (LST 1180), USS ST. LOUIS (LKA 116), USS PT. DEFIANCE (LSD 31), USS OKINAWA (LPH 3), USS VERNON CTY (LST 1161)

19 OCT 72 UNREP USS SCHOFIELD (DEG 3), USS EVERSOLE (DD 789), USS JOUETT (DLG 29), USS REEVES (DLG 24), USS BAUSELL (DD 845), USS PREBLE (DLG 15)

20 OCT 72 UNREP USS ORISKANY (CVA 34), USS HEWES (DE 1078)

21 OCT 72 UNREP USS DAVIS (DD 937)

22 OCT 72 UNREP USS HOEL (DDG 13), USS COCHRANE (DDG 21), USS KEYES (DD 787)

23 OCT 72 UNREP USS SAVANNAH (AOR 4)

24-25 OCT 72 Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.

26-30 OCT 72 Inport Subic Bay, R.P.

31 OCT-2 NOV 72 Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA

3 NOV 72 UNREP USS INFLICT (MSO 456), USS KING (DLG 10), USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DDG 20), USS BAUSELL (DD 845), USS COCHRANE (DDG 845), USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1)

4 NOV 72	UNREP USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3), USS TOLOVANA (AO 64)
5 NOV 72	UNREP USS PREBLE (DDG 15), USS WILSON (DDG 7), USS LANG (DE 1060), USS ENGLAND (DLG 22), USS REEVES (DLG 24), USS KING (DLG 10), USS JOUETT (DLG 29), USS INFLICT MSO 456), USS HEPBURN (DE 1055)
6 NOV 72	UNREP USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DDG 20), USS BAUSELL (DD 845), USS RUPERTUS (DD 851), USS KING (DLG 10), USS WILSON (DDG 7), USS NEWPORT NEWS (CA 148), USS CLEVELAND (LPD 7) Underway in the South China Sea on typhoon evasion
7-9 NOV 72	UNREP USS WACCAMAW (AO 109)
10 NOV 72	UNREP USS ENGLAND (DLG 22), USS HEPBURN (DE 1055), USS USS SCHOFIELD (DEG 3), USS JOUETT (DLG 20), USS ROBISON (DDG 12)
11 NOV 72	Underway Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
12 NOV 72	UNREP USS WICHITA (AOR 1)
13 NOV 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
14 NOV 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
15-23 NOV 72	Underway for Gulf of Tonkin; suffered main feed pump casua
24 NOV 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
25 NOV 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P. for repairs to main feed pumps
26 NOV-1 DEC 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P. for repairs to main feed pumps
2-3 DEC 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
4 DEC 72	UNREP USS MILWAUKEE (AOR 2), USS RATHBURN (DE 1057)
5 DEC 72	UNREP USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1)
6 DEC 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
7-10 DEC 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
11-13 DEC 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
14 DEC 72	UNREP USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DDG 20), USS WICHITA (AOR 1)
15 DEC 72	UNREP USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DDG 20), USS HOEL (DDG 13), USS SHELTON (DD 790), USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8), USS HASSAYAMPA (AO 145)
16-17 DEC 72	Underway enroute Subic Bay, R.P.
18 DEC 72	Inport Subic Bay, R.P.
19-21 DEC 72	Underway enroute Sattahip, Thailand
22 DEC 72	UNREP USS EPPERSON (DD 719)
23-28 DEC 72	Inport Sattahip, Thailand for R & R
29 DEC 72	Underway enroute Gulf of Tonkin OPAREA
30 DEC 72	UNREP USS EPPERSON (DD 719)
31 DEC 72	UNREP USS KRAUS (DD 849)

SHIPS HISTORY

The USS PASSUMPSIC, named after the Passumpsic River in Vermont, was originally built by the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Company at Chester, Pennsylvania. The name Passumpsic is of Indian origin and means "clear running water". Commissioned 1 April 1946, she was one of the largest oilers in the fleet, with a capacity of more than six million gallons of liquid cargo. After commissioning and a shakedown cruise in the Carribean, PASSUMPSIC was assigned to COMSERVPAC under the operational control of Commander Service Squadron One, with a home port of Long Beach California.

From June 1950, the outbreak of the Korean War, until February of 1954, PASSUMPSIC spent 34 of 44 months outside CONUS. Though never under fire, she won 9 of 10 battle stars awarded to U.S. Naval vessels during that conflict. In addition, PASSUMPSIC was awarded the Battle Efficiency "E" in 1956, 1960, and 1961.

In February 1960, PASSUMPSIC deployed to WESTPAC, arriving in Sasebo, Japan in March. During May, PASSUMPSIC participated in Operation Sea Lion, a SEATO exercise in which she replenished various units of the French, English, Pakistani, and Australian Navies. Winding up her operations in WESTPAC, PASSUMPSIC arrived back in Long Beach on 2 July 1960. Between 1960 and 1964 PASSUMPSIC made three more deployments to the Western Pacific.

After returning to Long Beach in April 1964, preparations were made for a forthcoming jumboization. On 12 October 1964, PASSUMPSIC was underway for Lorain, Ohio, where the ship was delivered on 26 November, to the American Shipbuilding Company. The crew was detached, leaving a nucleus party of 28 men and 4 officers.

For the next year, PASSUMPSIC remained in Lorain, undergoing JUMBO conversion. She was delivered to the Navy on January 1966, at the Boston Naval Shipyard. Her midsection was substantially lengthened and her fuel capacity has been increased by approximately 50 percent.

Since 1966 PASSUMPSIC has made several cruises to WESTPAC. In 1967 during her second deployment since conversion, PASSUMPSIC was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. A total of 367 ships were replenished and nearly 47,000,000 gallons of fuel were transferred during that deployment.

During the 1972 WESTPAC cruise (17 April - 31 December) PASSUMPSIC pumped over 68,000,000 gallons of petroleum products to 266 ships.

PASSUMPSIC is a twin screw, twin rudder ship with 13,500 horsepower developed by a steam turbine. Maximum designed speed is 18 knots. She is 644 feet long, has a beam of 75 feet, and has a full load displacement of 34,475 tons. A breakdown of total fuel capacity is as follows:

Black Oil	110,000 barrels
Jet Fuel	50,000 barrels
Aviation Gasoline	8,700 barrels