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One page synopsis on thirty (30) journals which contain articles on maritime and/or joint strategic planning. Each entry was prepared by students taking NS3252 Joint and Maritime Strategic Planning at the Naval Postgraduate School in the Summer of 1989. Entries include the journal's name, publisher, frequency of publication, length of each issue, illustrations/photographs, number of articles/topics, special sections, book reviews, noteworthy features, journal quality and subscription information.
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Journal Name: Air Force Magazine
Publisher: Air Force Association

Frequency of Publication: Monthly with 3 special issues in March (Soviet Aerospace Almanac), May (USAF Almanac), and September (anniversary issue).

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 120 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 14 articles per issue. Each issue has a special section with four or five articles on a common topic of interest to the Air Force and Aerospace Industry, e.g., training, international security, airlift and airpower. There are typically eight or nine feature articles on a mix of topics. The feature articles usually fall under one of the categories of new technology, current events, historical stories, or commentary on professional issues.

Special Sections: "Washington Watch" and "Capitol Hill" consist of news and commentary on recent government reports and legislation affecting airpower. "Airmail" consists of letters from readers. Global current events are covered in extract form in "Aerospace World."

Book Reviews: Two or three full book reviews and several brief reviews are covered under "Airman's Bookshelf."

Noteworthy Features: This magazine is a vehicle for keeping Air Force Association members informed of current events and providing light, informational features on topical issues.

Journal Quality: Articles are written principally by editors and contributing editors. The stated objective of the Air Force Association is to ensure "adequate aerospace power for national security and world peace." The magazine, though, is not a forum for discussion of professional issues as might be expected from its title and the objectives of the publishing association. There is much advertising by the defense industry.

Subscription Information: $21/year; $48/3 years for membership; $2.00/cover price; $5.00/special issues. To receive magazine without becoming a member, one can become a patron at the same cost.

Address: Air Force Association
1501 Lee Highway
Arlington, VA 22209-1198
(703) 247-5800
Journal Name: Armed Forces Journal International (AFJI)

Publisher: Armed Forces Journal International (Recently purchased by liberal British Communications Mogul Robert Maxwell of Maxwell Communication Corp.) Published in Washington, DC.

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 80-90 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Major articles are enhanced with accompanying illustrations and photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 10 articles. Topics cover the military, political and industrial arenas.

Special Sections: "Situation Reports" has articles on developments in specific topics including congress/administration, pentagon/services, weapons/research, international military orientated events, soviet military developments, and electronics. "Features" consists of eight to ten major articles and interviews covering significant current developments and events, including arms control initiative, budgetary realities, and maritime strategy. "Standing Features" includes an editorial-reader response column, book reviews and red hot news (excerpts from soviet media).

Book Reviews: Books reviews are included in the "Standing Features" section.

Noteworthy Features: AFJI puts a wealth of diversified current readings on international military affairs at one's finger tips. It represents an exceptional complement to a maritime orientated publication.

Journal Quality: Articles are relatively short, concise and extremely readable, suitable for the layman or veteran warrior. Articles frequently include an author's biography.

Subscription Information: $19.00/one year; $34.00/two years.

Address: Armed Forces Journal International 2000 L Street, NW, Suite 520 Washington, DC 20036
Journal Name: Arms Control Today

Publisher: Arms Control Association

Frequency of Publication: Monthly except for two bimonthly issues (Jan/Feb and Jul/Aug).

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 40 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Each issue is illustrated with black and white photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Generally 10 major articles dealing with such areas of arms control as nuclear non-proliferation, nuclear strategy in the face of the INF treaty limitations, and new initiatives in the area of arms control. All articles are slanted towards the perspective that seeks to promote nuclear arms reduction in the areas of development, production, and deployment. Non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and criticism of the "broad" interpretation the Reagan/Bush administrations have taken of the anti-ballistic missile treaty seem to be constant threads that run through a majority of the articles contained in the journal.

Special Sections: Contains sections for arms control news. Letters to the editor are welcome.

Book Reviews: The journal does contain a section for book reviews.

Noteworthy Features: Contains an extensive reading list called "Arms Control in Print." It is an exhaustive listing of sources, mostly newspaper and magazine articles, that could be used for research in many aspects of arms control.

Journal Quality: While the journal has a definite slant in its articles towards arms reduction as opposed to arms buildup, the articles are well written and thought provoking. The news section is excellent, containing timely articles, e.g., President Bush's administration's policy on arms control and the progress of on-going nuclear arms reduction talks.

Subscription Information: $3.00/issue. Subscription is provided to members. Dues are: $12.50/year (students); $25.00/year (non-students).

Address: Arms Control Association
11 Du Point Circle
Washington, DC 20036
Journal Name: Army

Publisher: The Association of the U.S. Army. (Private Organization)

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: 80 - 90 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: 30% photographs/70% illustrations

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 8 feature articles per issue. Topics generally Army-specific or Army interest. Themes include leadership, tradition, technology, and professionalism.

Special Sections: Letters, News briefs, Comments by readers.

Book Reviews: Army, Military, and Military-Political books are reviewed.

Noteworthy Features: The yearly issue, The Green Book, contains articles by general officers and senior DOD personnel on "status" of various Army/military specialty topics. Presents a "big picture" overview. Includes Command and Staff Directory, Combat Unit locator (map), Weapon-Technology update/summary.

Journal Quality: Technological subjects are reported in a straightforward style. Very little criticism of extant systems/programs. Leadership/history topics almost entirely positive. Tactics/Politics articles are pro-West, pro-Army but generally balanced in as much as they do not claim to advocate either utopia or civilization's collapse.

Subscription Information: $20.00/year, $55/3 years (Association membership), $325.00-maximum (Life membership on graduated rate based upon member's age). $10/year of membership dues are applied to subscription. $20.00/year (magazine subscription rate for non-members).

Address: Association of the U.S. Army
2425 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22201-3385
Journal Name: Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

Publisher: Educational Foundation for Nuclear Science, Inc.

Frequency of Publication: Monthly with the exception of February and August.

Length of Each Issue: 50-55 pages including illustrations and photographs.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains illustrations and photographs. Illustrations are generally satirical cartoons.

Number of Articles/Topics: Eight to ten articles generally dealing with arms type topics.

Special Sections: "Perspective" - one to two articles from publishers perspective. Letters - Reader letters on past issues and current topics.

Book Reviews: Reviews a number of current books and articles dealing with nuclear issues.

Noteworthy Features: "Notebook" section: eight to ten short items of interest on current events.

Journal Quality: This publication is written primarily for those individuals in the Atomic field. It is like a trade journal for nuclear scientists. The publishers seem to present both sides of the issues equally. The writing is nontechnical in nature and is for the most part understandable to the layman. Recommended to any one seeking to find more about nuclear issues on a national as well as an international basis.

Subscription Information: $3.00/per issue. There is no membership program; only way to receive journal is by subscription.

Address: Educational Foundation for Nuclear Science
6042 S. Kimbark Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60637
Journal Name: Canadian Defence Quarterly

Publisher: Defence Publications

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly (four regular issues and one special issue in February)

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 85 pages; February issue is approximately 110 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Articles are accompanied by descriptive illustrations and photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 7 articles. Each issue is concerned with a wide variety of topics in Canadian defense. Each edition usually contains articles addressing the subjects of deterrence and strategy, ground forces, naval forces, NATO and history. The special issue is concerned with NATO and contains an average of ten articles.

Special Sections: Special sections include editorials, reports on meetings concerning defense issues, descriptions of Canadian orders and medals, comments by the public on various issues and a section containing highlights of defense events that have occurred in other countries.

Book Reviews: Each edition reviews an average of five books and contains titles of new defense related books.

Noteworthy Features: NATO articles are often written by either military officers or civilian officials high in the NATO command structure. While primarily an English publication, some articles are printed in both English and French and some in French only.

Journal Quality: Periodical is professionally written and presented. It shows a great deal of insight into Canadian defense issues and would be very informative for someone interested in topics of that nature. The articles concerning NATO are especially informative because of the items they address and their authors.

Subscription Information: $7.00/issue (Canadian).
Subscriptions: $25.00/year; $45.00/3 years; $75.00/5 years.

Address: Defence Publications
310 Dupont Street
Toronto, Canada M5R 1V9
Tel: (416) 968-7252; Fax: (416) 968-2377;
Telex: 065-28085
Journal Name: Défense Nationale
Publisher: Comité d'Etudes de Défense Nationale
Frequency of Publication: 11 issues per year.
Length of Each Issue: 200 pages
Illustrations/Photographs: Contains illustrations; no photographs.
Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 12 major per issue. About half are concerned with European security issues.
Special Sections: There are 11 regular departments, including columns on maritime affairs, aviation, new technology, and letters from readers.
Book Reviews: Contains a book review section.
Noteworthy Features: The open and free debate in this publication makes it highly recommended reading not only for someone concerned with the French or European perspective but also for the unbiased insights it may provide into American defense issues.
Journal Quality: This excellent French-language journal is a forum for the discussion of political, economic, scientific, and military problems related to the security concerns of France, her European neighbors, and the world.
Subscription Information: 520 francs (foreign rate)
Address: Comité d'Études de Défense Nationale
1, Place Joffre
75700 Paris, France
Journal Name: International Defense Review

Publisher: Jane's Information Group

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 175 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Many illustrations and photos; almost one per page.

Number of Articles/Topics: Twelve to fifteen major articles per issue. Topics include: descriptions of weapons systems and third world as well as major defense issues such as budgets, arms productions, arms transfers, and perceived threats.

Special Sections: Limited "Letters to Editor" section, approximately one every three months.

Book Reviews: Very brief book review section; appears approximately once every three months.

Noteworthy Features: Articles are placed into the following sections: Editorial, International defense digest, Soviet Bloc affairs, Current conflicts, Strategic and Security issues, and Main features.

Journal Quality: Very informative; technical format such that the military professional will not be bored.

Subscription Information: $90.00/annual subscription (includes airmail service from Switzerland)

Address: Publications Expediting, Inc.
200 Meacham Avenue
Elmont, NY 11003
(516) 352-7300
Journal Name: International Security

Publisher: MIT Press for the Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University.

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 200 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: No photographs; some charts, graphs, or drawings.

Number of Articles/Topics: Five to eight articles an issue, occasionally focusing on one or two specific subjects. Topics include the defense budget, conventional forces balance and soviet defense budget. "Security Affairs" covers economic, political and military areas.

Special Sections: Contains letters in response to previous articles.

Book Reviews: Book reviews occur in about half the issues.

Noteworthy Features: Editor introduction discusses the issue's contents. An index is included for each volume in the last quarter and a listing of books received by the Center.

Journal Quality: Journal appears well-balanced in its effort to cover all aspects of security affairs. Contributors come from a spectrum of political views. It looks not only at the present but the past.

Subscription Information: $20.00/student; $23.00/individual

Address: MIT Press
55 Hayward Street
Cambridge, MA 02142-9949
Journal Name: JANE'S Defence Weekly

Publisher: JANE'S Information Group, Member of Thomson Corp.

Frequency of Publication: Weekly

Length of Each Issue: Between 30-50 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Numerous photographs. One good photograph or illustration per article.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 20 articles. Topics cover entire range of military topics, e.g., "Soviets Resume Cambodia Arms Supplies," "Exhibition Report: Paris Air Show," "France Signs Mistral," Frigates Deal with Saudis," "Japan to Develop FS-X Software." Most articles are directed toward the equipment and capability developments within the various forces of the world, with only a few articles on policy dilemmas or strategic application.

Special Sections: This publication does not contain letters to the editor or any open reader discussions.

Book Reviews: None.

Noteworthy Features: Journal is published in two editions: International edition and the Pacific Rim edition. Reports on the military events occurring within the various countries of the world.

Journal Quality: Journal is a comprehensive military newspaper that is an outstanding supplement to the yearly publication. Most articles are directed toward the equipment and capability developments within the various forces of the world, with only a few articles on policy dilemmas or strategic application. Highly recommended for keeping track of equipment capabilities of various nations. Weak on policy developments.

Subscription Information: $115.00/per year

Address: Subscription Department
JANE'S Information Group
Braddock Place
P. O. Box 1436
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-2036
(703) 683-3700
Journal Name: Journal of the Australian Naval Institute

Publisher: Australian Naval Institute, Inc.

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: An average of 64 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains very few photographs. Typically there are only two to three pages of black and white photographs or line drawings in each issue. The cover features a color photograph.

Number of Articles/Topics: Contains at least two lengthy (6 or more pages) articles and several smaller articles covering a wide gamut of topics, but primarily focused on the Australian Naval Forces. Other topics include historical events, management techniques and strategic concepts relating to the use of Australia's naval forces.

Special Sections: "Letters to the Editor" appears in each issue. Letters are normally very brief and address issues relating more to the Institute than any article appearing in the journal.

Book Reviews: The book reviews are generally short providing a brief summary of the book being reviewed. There is very little in-depth analysis by the reviewer.

Noteworthy Features: Introductory letters from the president of the organization and the journal's editor are included in each issue. "Washington Notes" features writings by Mr. Tom Friedman. This column features Mr. Friedman's opinion on the current Washington DC "hot topic" and is normally military related.

Journal Quality: This journal is plagued by minor typographical errors that leave the reader with a poor impression. The quality of the articles is generally good. Recommend journal to someone doing research on the Indian Ocean, the ANZUS treaty, or non-nuclear maritime theory.

Subscription Information: $25.00 (AUS)/Membership plus a one year subscription. $27.00 (AUS)/Library subscription. Subscription is available without membership at a higher price. Payment can be made by VISA or MASTERCARD.

Address: The Australian Naval Institute
P. O. Box 80
Campbell ACT 2601
Australia
Journal Name: The Journal of Strategic Studies

Publisher: Frank Cass and Company, LTD

Frequency of Publication: Four times a year (March, June, September, and December).

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 130 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: No photographs included; few illustrations.

Number of Articles/Topics: Four to six articles dealing with strategy. Specific topics cover a wide spectrum of strategic issues.

Special Sections: "Review Articles" in which authors write a short piece covering a topic discussed in several book reviews.

Book Reviews: Approximately five books are reviewed under "Book Reviews" and several brief reviews are covered under "Books Received."

Noteworthy Features: The authors include masters and doctoral candidates as well as professors and military historians.

Journal Quality: Well written and particularly relevant to any study of past or present military strategy.

Subscription Information: $55/year; $27/per issue.

Address: Frank Cass and Co., LTD
Gainsborough House, Gainsborough Road
London, El1 1RS
Journal Name: Marine Corps Gazette

Publisher: The Marine Corps Association

Frequency of Publication: Monthly with an annual issue in April and an anniversary issue in November.

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 80 to 88 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Few illustrations; used to support a technical argument or as a line diagram. Pictures are more common, always black and white and are not of high quality.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 14 articles. Topics focus on communications, Marine Corps Reserve, low intensity conflict, aviation asset employment and NCO/SNCO roles in the Corps, and for the advancement of knowledge, interest, and esprit in the Marine Corps.

Special Sections: "Features" highlights the major articles. "Ideas and Issues" includes 6-12 minor articles on hot issues with more than one viewpoint and amplification or commentary on previously published articles or letters. Each issue contains letters from readers (300 word max); sometimes with rebuttals from the writer of the article. "Foundations of Military Thought," appears every few months; as an example, "Maritime Strategy and Sir Julian Corbett" appeared in the December 1988 issue.

Book Reviews: A typical book review is 300-700 words, done by a senior officer, and covers a book relating to the Corps, national politics or history. Occasionally a review covering many books under a given topic or on a major work is presented as a book review essay.

Noteworthy Features: The annual issue contains a copy of the Commandant's report to Congress regarding the state of the Marine Corps. Contains advertising on a personal level (professional books, real estate, credit unions) and Corps-wide (CH-53E, Light-sticks, air defense systems).

Journal Quality: The quality of the articles is in the first hand points of view offered by the writers rather than a strong academic approach. As long as the topic is not too academically demanding, quality is high. Two areas worth recommending in particular are: the book review section and the "Focus Feature of the Month," where multiple articles on the same subject area are presented.

Subscription Information: $15/year; $27/2 years. Subscription can be obtained with or without membership.

Address: The Marine Corps Association
Box 1775
Quantico, VA 22134
Journal Name: Military Review

Publisher: U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 100 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains many photographs and illustrations (at least one photo and/or one illustration on every other page directly supporting the theme of the article).

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 8 to 10 articles per issue centering on a central theme for each issue; e.g., Leadership, logistics, Soviets, Strategy, Low Intensity Conflict, the Human Element in War.

Special Sections: "Insights" centers on comments from distinguished people having specific insight on various matters. "Summaries" consists of condensed versions of various articles from other journals and text versions of speeches by important people. "Letters" are comments from readers concerning the Military Review. "From My Bookshelf" consists of recommended reading from distinguished people.

Book Reviews: There are approximately 8 to 10 book reviews per issue.

Noteworthy Features: The "Military Review" is a very visual journal. Photographs and illustrations directly support the theme of the article. There is no advertisement.

Journal Quality: A high quality journal with numerous articles dealing with serious subject matter. Most of the authors seem to have the credentials to write the articles. (No freelancing!) The Military Review is slightly biased towards the Army and the Army perspective, which is to be expected since Military Review is sanctioned by the Army. Military Review should be required reading for Army Officers or Navy Officers serving at a Joint Command.

Subscription Information: $20.00/year; ($15.00/year for USMA/ROTC Cadets and OCS Candidates).

Address: Military Review
US Army Command and General Staff College
Fort Leavenworth, KS  66027-6910
Office: Commercial: (913) 684-5642; Autovon: 552-5642
Subscription: (913) 684-5130
Journal Name: National Defense

Publisher: American Defence Preparedness Association (ADPA)

Frequency of Publication: Monthly, with combined issues for the months of May/June and July/August.

Length of Each Issue: 62 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Articles include applicable illustrations and photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Seven to eight articles. Topics include Mobilization, Naval Warfare-ASW, Research and High Technology, and Manufacturing Technology and Defense Industry Trends.

Special Sections: Contains sections for comment and discussion of letters from readers. Other sections include 'Missiles and Aviation,' 'Sea Services,' 'On the Firing Line' (devoted to hand held weapons), 'Vertical Lift' (helicopters), and 'The Command Defense' (monthly newsletter devoted to U.S. National Security and Peace). Also included are sections on 'New Developments' and 'ADPA's Technology and Management Advisory Service' (a calendar of events designed to promote two-way communications between government agencies and the industrial/scientific communities. The ADPA "housekeeping" sections concern regional and chapter activities.


Noteworthy Features: Authorship of the major articles originate from military and private communities, with a national and international realm of coverage.

Journal Quality: Presents articles from a moderately conservative frame of reference. The authors are military and civilian experts in their fields of endeavor. Provides an ideal forum to present ideas and discussions of issues very pertinent to formulation of U.S. foreign policy, military doctrine and military strategies. Strongly recommended for those who will have to deal with problems concerning joint and maritime strategies.

Subscription Information $30.00/year (subscription) and $25.00/membership. Subscription can be obtained by being a member of ADPA at $30/year.

Address: ADPA
1700 North Moore Street, Suite 900
Arlington, VA 22209
Journal Name: NATO Review

Publisher: The Atlantic Council of the United States with the cooperation of the Department of State

Frequency of Publication: Bimonthly

Length of Each Issue: 33 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Approximately 20 black and white photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Six articles per issue. Topics include the nature of the Soviet threat to Europe, arms control, force structure and burden sharing.

Special Sections: "Documentation" - includes a synopsis of recent meetings and events that impact the NATO Alliance, and excerpts from treaties and communiques summarizing discussions at Alliance conferences.

Book Reviews: Does not have book reviews; contains a list of recent books of interest.

Noteworthy Features: Can be used as a source in obtaining text of official documents and treaties.

Journal Quality: Serves as a means of publicizing and promoting the NATO Alliance. At first glance its utility might be considered limited due to its narrow viewpoint; however, it will enhance the student's knowledge of a broad range of issues facing NATO. Its value lies in the presentation of the official position of the Alliance and of the U.S. allies in terms of political, military, and some economic issues. This journal should probably be used in conjunction with other journals relating to the topic of international affairs and foreign policy to gain a fuller appreciation of the larger context of how NATO fits into U.S. national security policy.

Subscription Information: Available free of charge.

Address: Bureau of Public Affairs (PA/OAP)
U. S. Department of State
Room 5815A
Washington, DC 20520
(202) 647-9859
Journal Name: NATO's Sixteen Nations: Independent Review of Economic, Political and Military Power

Publisher: Mönch Publishing Group

Frequency of Publication: Eight issues per year.

Length of Each Issue: 100 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains illustrations and photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 18 articles. Examples of articles include: "View from Bonn," "View from Oslo," "View from Paris," "The Air Battle-The First Hours," and "NATO ID System."

Special Sections: Contains letters and an editorial section.

Book Reviews: Each issue contains a section on book reviews.

Noteworthy Features: Detailed world-national articles concerning force missions, organization, personnel, systems, procurement decisions by NATO forces, multinational editorial board. Extensive color feature with photographs and pictures.

Journal Quality: High quality.

Subscription Information: $60.00/year

Address: Mönch Media, Inc.
Headquarters
1701 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006
Journal Name: Naval Engineers Journal (formerly American Society of Naval Engineers Journal, prior to 1962)

Publisher: American Society of Naval Engineers, Inc.

Frequency of Publication: Bimonthly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 100 pages, except for special expanded issues.

Illustrations/Photographs: Includes graphs, tables, charts and diagrams to compliment the reports.

Number of Articles/Topics: Three or four current technical papers from members' research are published. Topics include design innovation, new technologies and the theoretical ideal shipyard.

Special Sections: "Editor's Clipboard" publishes remarks, technical comments, and professional functions anecdotes. "President's Message" addresses current concerns to the professional community. "Secretary's Notes" concerns new membership rosters, fund raisers, contributions and awards and regional chapter activities.

Book Reviews: Three to five reviews generally technical in nature. A list of books needing reviews is also presented.

Noteworthy Features: Keeps ASNE membership abreast of new research and books in the field. Included in each issue is a schedule of ASNE meetings for the next six months. Also presented are two or three keynote addresses from recent annual symposiums, luncheons, lecture series of other meetings of interest to ASNE members.

Journal Quality: Although journal is highly technical, most reports are readable and understandable to a non-professional naval engineer. The print is limited to black and white. Recommended for the professional naval engineer, but not for the naval unrestricted line officer. Approximately 15% of each issues' pages are devoted to commercial advertising.

Subscription Information: $48.00/year (over age 30); $24.00/year (under age 30); $12.00/year (student); $450.00/lifetime member; $48.00/year (non-members). Subscription is included in ASNE membership. Membership is open to any person engaged in or retired from the practice of naval engineering with the recommendation from a current member.

Address: American Society of Naval Engineers, Inc. 1452 Duke Street Alexandria, VA 22314 (703) 836-6727
Journal Name: Naval Forces (International Forum for Maritime Power)

Publisher: N&A Military Publishing Services, Inc.

Frequency of Publication: 6 issues per year.

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 100 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains photographs and drawings.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 15 major topics. Journal is generally structured with articles in the following categories: Editorial, Strategy and Policy, Weapons and Equipment, Dossier/News Brief, Warship/Documentation, and Interviews.

Special Sections: The "Editorial" is written by Admiral Sir James Eberle of Great Britain's Royal Navy. He is the chairman of the editorial advisory board and presents his viewpoint on major maritime issues.

Book Reviews: Book reviews are not included in the periodical layout.

Noteworthy Features: Articles are characterized by a short synopsis featuring central points providing motivation to continue with the details of the article. In addition, articles have a short conclusion summarizing the authors main points.

Journal Quality: Journal is well-balanced with detailed photographs and drawings of world naval armament. Provides an excellent opportunity to gain an insight to naval policies and technologies as well as the power that a naval force sustains throughout the world.

Subscription Information: $40.00/year (Available to qualified circles within government, military related organizations and industries.)

Address: N&A Military Publishing Services Inc.
101 West Read Street, Suite 314
Baltimore, MD 21201
Journal Name: Navy International

Publisher: Maritime World Limited, United Kingdom

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 50 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Major articles are supported by photographs and illustrations.

Number of Articles/Topics: Five to seven major articles covering a broad range of naval topics dealing mainly with equipment and technology. Some articles present strategic and tactical opinions, but generally relate to newly developed systems or technologies.

Special Sections: "Maritime Round-up," "Maritime Air Round-up" and "Construction" sections appear on an irregular basis. The "Round-up" and "Construction" sections offer news shorts covering new developments and acquisitions. Each issue opens with a one page editorial dealing with topics such as strategy, systems acquisition, and the importance of damage control.

Book Reviews: Book reviews cover titles of naval, maritime, and general military interest.

Noteworthy Features: Journal provides an equipment oriented, decidedly European point of view on current naval developments. Articles give the reader a good overview of ships, aircraft, and related systems. Some articles cover a specific system or ship class, while others present a survey comparing related systems on ship types of different nations. The "Round-up" section provides typical periodical style intelligence updates with little detail.

Journal Quality: "Navy International" is a short publication containing pertinent, well thought-out articles and features, which serve as an excellent source for military, government, or industry, to stay apprised of current trends and capabilities of naval equipment and systems. The articles are relatively short, but still have a good amount of technical detail.

Subscription Information: $79.00/one year (mailed outside the UK); $7.00 (individual back issues).

Address: Maritime World Ltd.
114 South Street
Dorking, Surrey, Rh4 2EZ
Journal Name: Naval War College Review

Publisher: Naval War College

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: 160 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Few maps and illustrations.

Number of Articles/Topics: Six to eight articles on topics such as: Naval history, leadership, arms control, strategic planning.

Special Sections: "In My View" consisting of reviews by individuals.

Book Reviews: "Naval Books and Reprints in Naval History" written by a history professor at the War College. Each issue averages 15-20 short reviews plus 15 short notes about "Other Recent Books."

Noteworthy Features: Established in 1948 by the Chief of Naval Personnel in order that officers of the Navy and Marine Corps might receive some of the educational benefits made available to resident students at the Naval War College.

Journal Quality: An excellent professional journal. Contributing authors are not always instructors or staff at the War College. Recent issues carried articles by the CNO, SECNAV, and military officers in foreign services.

Subscription Information: Free to commands and activities of the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard; Regular and reserve officers of the USN, USMC, and USCG and military officers of other U.S. services; foreign officers and civilians having a present or previous affiliation with the Naval War College; selected U.S. Government officials and agencies; and selected U.S. and international libraries, research centers, publications, and educational institutions.

Address: Naval War College
Newport, RI 02841-5010
Commercial: (401) 841-2236; Autovon: 948-2236
Journal Name: ORBIS: A Journal of World Affairs

Publisher: Foreign Policy Research Institute

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: 150 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Maps, charts, etc., appropriate to text of the article


Special Sections: Initial investigations, analysis review of special topics, data clarification, and letters to the editor are considered under 'Review Essays,' 'Documentation,' and 'Correspondence.'


Noteworthy Features: Occasionally presents Special Reports, Forums and Policy Briefs to provide in-depth analysis of history, current events, or domestic policies.

Journal Quality: Exceptional. In a day that shows the growing trend of newspapers to a U.S.A. Today format and the dependence by the majority of Americans to network TV news, it is refreshing to know that a journal like ORBIS exists. ORBIS presents current international issues and affairs with clarity and high scholarship without the usual popular periodicals "liberal" twist of the truth.

Subscription Information: $25/year (Individual rate). Subscription included with membership to FPRI.

Address: ORBIS/FPRI
3615 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104
Journal Name: Parameters

Publisher: U.S. Government Printing Office for the Department of the Army

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: Average volume length is 135 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Approximately 7 photographs and/or charts.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 13 articles ranging from military strategy to the alleviation of drug use in the military.

Special Sections: "Commentary and Reply" section allows for rebuttals of the reader to past articles and additional support from the article's original author.

Book Reviews: Includes an average of nine reviews of recently printed books dealing primarily with military matters.

Noteworthy Features: Each volume is color coded for easy identification; blue, green, red, and brown coincide with the first through the fourth volumes for the year. Manuscripts are submitted from the civilian and military sectors and published at the disposal of the journal.

Journal Quality: Written primarily with the Army officer in mind, but some articles are applicable to all services.

Subscription Information: $7.00/year

Address: Parameters
Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, DC 20402

Checks should be made payable to the Superintendent of Documents. Credit card subscribers call: 202-783-3238.
Journal Name: The RUSI Journal

Publisher: The Royal United Services Institute for Defense Studies

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 90 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Limited to occasional photos, maps and charts.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately 13 articles covering defense topics such as technology and procurement, military science, military history, international security, and lectures presented at the institute by international political and military leaders.

Special Sections: The journal publishes a section on comment and discussion from readers on an occasional basis.

Book Reviews: Every issue contains a book review section containing a major review article followed by a number of shorter reviews.

Noteworthy Features: Each issue usually contains a Past Debates section in which debates of distant and not so distant past are reprinted. These debates range from enlightening to the comical when viewed from a modern perspective.

Journal Quality: The journal presents an excellent, high-quality, balanced forum for the exposition and review of current defense issues. The issues covered are drawn from all of the defense related services; including air, sea, and land as well as diplomatic. The contributors are similarly wide-ranging and diverse in their backgrounds and in articulating their views. An excellent addition to any professional military library.

Subscription Information: £27.00/$45.00 (US). Subscription is included with membership in the Royal United Services Institute.

Address: The Royal United Services Institute for Defense Studies
Whitehall, London SW1A 2ET
United Kingdom
Journal Name: Sea Power

Publisher: Official publication of the Navy League of the United States

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: 70 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Extensive use of photographs and illustrations effectively supplement articles.

Number of Articles/Topics: Approximately six feature articles and eight regular "department" articles per issue.

Special Sections: "Mail Call" section for readers to respond to the journal's articles and book reviews.

Book Reviews: "Book Shelf": book reviews provide balanced, articulate reviews of current military literature.

Noteworthy Features: Contains an excellent "Weapons and Technology" section which provides timely information on technological advances in the fleet.

Journal Quality: An informative magazine on par with the Naval Institute "Proceedings." Does not cover national/international subjects as extensively as "Proceedings"; however, it provides a thorough review of fleet developments in addition to interviews with key naval players and other useful features. It is well-researched, current and its material is presented in an unbiased and readable manner.

Subscription Information: $25.00/year; $10.00/year (League members, schools, etc.)

Address: Navy League of the United States
2300 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22201-3308
(703) 528-1775
Journal Name: Soviet Naval Digest: Selected Translations from MORSKOV SBORNIK

Publisher: Naval Technical Intelligence Center, Washington, DC

Frequency of Publication: Monthly

Length of Each Issue: 115 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains photographs (including a color section), illustrations, charts and graphics, some of which the NTIC translation reproduces, excluding color photographs.

Number of Articles/Topics: Contains about 40 articles. Articles generally fall within several categories: Problems of Naval Theory, Training, Party-Political Work and Military Indoctrination, the Memory Watch, Ordnance and Engineering, Foreign Navies, Foreign Personnel, Fleet Chronicle and Reports and Facts (foreign navies).

Special Sections: "Opinions About the Journal" addresses individual opinions about journal topics and raises issues that readers feel require resolution. It is written by the journal staff after discussions with readers.

Book Reviews: Each issue contains a short list of new books; thus, indicating to western officers several topics that Soviet naval leaders feel are relevant to their personnel.

Noteworthy Features: Contents aim at political-military indoctrination of the naval cadre. Numerous articles addressing restructuring (Perestroika) have appeared in the last year. "Fleet Chronicle" reports on political activities in all branches of the naval service. Some articles are strictly professional in nature, dealing with topics such as station-keeping in formation, calculating the parameters of acoustic beams, foreign platform capabilities and orders of battle, and ordnance and engineering. Many articles contain technical information on a more detailed level such as programs for personal computers.

Journal Quality: Worth reading. Gives American naval officers an insight into the professional environment in which their most likely adversaries are developing.

Subscription Information: Available to Navy activities from the Navy Publications and Forms Center; or by writing to:

Address: Commanding Officer
Naval Intelligence Support Center
4301 Suitland Road
Washington, DC 20395-5020
Commercial: (301) 763-3141; Autovon: 293-3141
Journal Name: Strategic Review

Publisher: United States Strategic Institute

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 90-100 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains few if any photographs or illustrations and only in support of the articles presented.

Number of Articles/Topics: Contains 5 articles on current policy questions and their strategic implications, e.g., Contras, Star Wars, and effects of the INF treaty. Other articles contain insights into current interests not directly involving U.S. policy. Examples: European unity discussions and the inner workings of the NSC.

Special Sections: Generally no minor articles or letters to the editor. Editorial style letters sometimes appear in the beginning of each issue.

Book Reviews: Contains 5 to 7 book reviews. These reviews are of current books on history, military power, and strategy. Reviews are detailed and good sources of concise information on a given book or author.

Noteworthy Features: A compilation of current Soviet writings from the military and diplomatic sectors, with extracts for quoting, is published in a regular article, the "Soviet Strategic Review."

Journal Quality: Subjects covered are interesting, informative, and detailed. All articles have a decidedly conservative tone.

Subscription Information: $25.00/annual membership fee. The only way to get a subscription is to become a member of the Institute.

Address: United States Strategic Institute
          1625 I Street, NW Suite 1011
          Washington, DC 20006
          (202) 331-1776
Journal Name: The Submarine Review

Publisher: Naval Submarine League

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly

Length of Each Issue: Approximately 100 pages.

Illustrations/Photographs: Contains a few illustrations (figures and charts) that go along with the articles and discussions. Illustrations are very basic and not overly interesting.

Number of Articles/Topics: Six to eight major articles concerning a broad range of information about submarines and their environment. Topics include: Technical/Engineering developments, Historical information, ASW, Strategies.

Special Sections: Contains sections for discussions and letters.

Book Reviews: Contains a section for book reviews.

Noteworthy Features: "In the News" - Highlights of submarine/subsurface articles from other journals and newspapers.

Journal Quality: An excellent journal! Interesting and informative, with short, easy to read articles. Articles range from technical torpedo propulsion and wing keel design to Midget Subs and ASW history and tactics. The discussion and letters section contain opinions with an occasional response/rebuttal tone. The book review section is also very informative. A negative feature of the journal is the lack of interesting photos and illustrations.

Subscription Information: $15.00 to $1200/Membership prices vary from corporate type rates to individual, yearly, and life memberships. Subscriptions are available only with membership.

Address: Naval Submarine League
Box 1146
Annandale, VA 22003
(703) 256-0891
Journal Name: Survival
Publisher: International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)
Frequency of Publication: Bimonthly
Length of Each Issue: Approximately 120 pages.
Illustrations/Photographs: Illustrations and photos are few.
Number of Articles/Topics: Six to eight articles. "START," "The Gorbachev Challenge," "Controlling Nuclear SLCMs," "European Security Issues" are typical topics. Although the thrust of the material presented is primarily strategic and concerned with nuclear issues, the magazine has kept current by also including new topic matter about conventional arms discussions.
Special Sections: "Documentation" features out-takes from recent speeches and other presentations on materials that are cutting edge and too new to be fully developed into manuscripts.
Book Reviews: Reviews eight to ten new books per issue.
Noteworthy Features: Provides a forum for the international constituency concerned with security, military and political conflict and arms control. Keeps current by including new topic matter about conventional arms discussions.
Journal Quality: Authors are sharp and to the point and offer their readers the benefit of many, varied backgrounds and national vantage points. Articles are of high quality covering a variety of topics.
Subscription Information: $10.00/cover price per issue. $38.00/year (includes postage fees). Subscription can also be obtained by being a member of IISS for $140 U.S. dollars.
Address: Pergamon-Brassey's
Maxwell House
Elmsford, NY 10523
Journal Name: Wings of Gold

Publisher: Association of Naval Aviation

Frequency of Publication: Quarterly with special issues.

Length of Each Issue: 70 pages

Illustrations/Photographs: Mainly photos.

Number of Articles/Topics: Ten feature articles primarily concentrating on aviation related topics ranging from safety to the role of air power in naval strategy.

Special Sections: Contains two main sections: "Features" and "Department." The "Department" section contains minor articles, letters, situation reports, and other miscellaneous items.

Book Reviews: One or two books are reviewed under "Ready Room Reading."

Noteworthy Features: Occasionally, the journal will carry a "Special Reports" section, normally in the Summer edition. This section tends to focus on "big picture" items, such as future U.S. military strategy or future challenges to Naval Aviation. The articles' authors tend to be highly regarded officers in the aviation community.

Journal Quality: The focus of the journal is very narrow, concentrating almost exclusively on the role of Naval Aviation in U.S. strategy. "Wings of Gold" does offer some valuable insights from highly regarded Naval Aviators, many of whom are Flag Officers who wield much influence in policy decisions. There are also several articles dealing with the role of aviation in the future, both from a technological as well as a "roles and missions" outlook. These articles are usually concentrated in the special issue, or scattered unevenly throughout the year. Contains numerous articles dealing with aviation pipelines, profiles of naval aviators, and plain old aviation "sea stories" that will not be of much interest to the non-aviator.

Subscription Information: $20/year; 50/3 years (This price is actually for membership in the Association of Naval Aviation, which includes the subscription. Subscriptions are not available to non-members.)

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