

# Shipyard

September 2004 to October 2005

Following a two-month Summer Surge which took the ship to England and the northern Atlantic, Enterprise docked at Northrop Grumman Newport News in Virginia on Sept. 3, 2004 for an extended shipyard availability. Northrop Grumman is the nation's sole designer, builder and refueler of nuclear-powered aircraft carriers. With Newport News as their temporary home, Big E Sailors got to work rehabilitating their ship.

Air Department gave the flight deck a fresh face. They replaced over half of the flight deck non-skid, while also conducting general maintenance and upkeep of the flight deck and catwalks. Work on the hangar deck included upgrading damage control equipment, the reconditioning of 30 divisional spaces, painting over 100,000 square feet of bulkhead and lagging over 8,000 square feet of the hangar deck overhead.

