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# F4U-1 Corsairs

Part 2

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LT(jg) James "Big Jim" Streig, VF-17,  
BuNo Unknown, Feb 1944



LT(jg) Ira "Ike" Kepford, VF-17,  
BuNo 17684, 31 Jan 1944



LT(jg) Doris C. "Chico" Freeman, VF-17,  
BuNo Unknown, Mar 1944



RNZAF, No. 21 Squadron, May 1945

The designation F4U-1A was not used in conjunction with the Corsair during wartime service, being adopted postwar to differentiate the differences between sub-variants. Given the popularity of the F4U Corsair, there are a number of nicely detailed kits available in three popular scales that are suitable for these decals.

<b>White 29</b>	<b>BuNo 17684</b>	<b>VF-17</b>	<b>31 Jan 1944</b>
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**Pilot:** Lt.(jg) Ira "Ike" Kepford. This is the second aircraft flown by the 16 victory ace, but the first to be numbered "29". This aircraft was destroyed on landing at Piva Yoke, Bougainville due to damage sustained during air combat.

**Colors:** Upper surfaces: Non-Specular Sea Blue. Fuselage sides, tail and underwing outboard: Non-Specular Intermediate Blue. Undersurfaces of fuselage, horizontal surfaces and inboard wings: White.

**Prop:** DWG No. 6541A-0

**National Markings:** Factory Standard

**Stenciling:** Factory Standard

**References:** VF-17 "Jolly Rogers" Part 2. Early US Navy Corsair Units: VF-17's Second Tour. AJ Press

<b>White 3</b>	<b>BuNo Unknown</b>	<b>VF-17</b>	<b>Feb 1944</b>
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This Corsair was fitted with the early cowl flaps which opened around the entire cowl.

**Pilot:** Lt.(jg) James "Big Jim" Streig. He flew two tours with VF-17 and is credited with 5.5 confirmed victories.

**Colors:** Upper surfaces: Non-Specular Sea Blue. Fuselage sides, tail and underwing outboard: Non-Specular Intermediate Blue. Undersurfaces of fuselage, horizontal surfaces and inboard wings: White. Prop: DWG No. 6541A-0.

**National Markings:** Factory Standard.

**Stenciling:** Factory Standard.

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<b>L.A. City Limits</b>	<b>BuNo Unknown</b>	<b>VF-17</b>	<b>Mar 1944</b>
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**Pilot:** Lt.(jg) Doris C. "Chico" Freeman. He would claim two victories with VF-17 and an additional seven with VF-84. Tragically he was killed during a Kamikaze attack on USS Bunker Hill.

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**Prop:** DWG No. 6541A-0.

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<b>NZ5248</b>	<b>BuNo 56455</b>	<b>No. 21 Squadron RNZAF</b>	<b>May 1945</b>
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**Pilot:** Unknown. This is one of at least three Corsairs marked with the "enraged duck", it saw service with a number of different RNZAF squadrons.

**Colors:** Upper surfaces: Non-Specular Sea Blue. Fuselage sides, tail and underwing outboard: Non-Specular Intermediate Blue. Undersurfaces of fuselage, horizontal surfaces and inboard wings: White.

**National Markings:** New Zealand National Insignia applied over US markings.

**Prop:** Unknown.

**Stenciling:** Factory Standard.

**References:** Classic Warbirds Number 6. Ventura Publications.