

114th FIGHTER SQUADRON



LINEAGE

439th Bombardment Squadron (Medium) constituted, 19 Jun 1942
Activated, 26 Jun 1942
Redesignated 439th Bombardment Squadron (Light), 3 Feb 1945
Inactivated, 4 Jan 1946
Redesignated 114th Bombardment Squadron (Light) and allotted to ANG, 24 May 1946
114th Bombardment Squadron (Light) extended federal recognition 17 Jun 1947
Redesignated 114th Bombardment Squadron (Medium), May 1951
Redesignated 114th Bombardment Squadron (Light), 1 Dec 1952
Redesignated 114th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Jun 1957
Inactivated 14 September 1958
114th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron extended federal recognition, 1 Feb 1984
Redesignated 114th Fighter Squadron 15 March 1992

STATIONS

Barksdale Field, LA, 26 Jun 1942
Harding Field, LA, 8-27 Aug 1942
Shipdham, England, 12 Sep 1942
Horsham St Faith, England, 4-22 Oct 1942
St-Leu, Algeria, 10 Nov 1942
Tafaraoui, Algeria, 18 Nov 1942
Maison Blanche, Algeria, 24 Nov 1942
Telergma, Algeria, 14 Dec 1942
Oujda, French Morocco, 3 Mar 1943
Rabat/Sale, French Morocco, 25 Apr 1943
Sedrata, Algeria, 1 Jun 1943
Djedeida, Tunisia, 26 Jun 1943
Decimomannu, Sardinia, 1 Nov 1943
Serragia, Corsica, 21 Sep 1944-9 Jan 1945
Bradley Field, CT, 25 Jan 1945
Columbia AAB, SC, 28 Feb-28 Apr 1945

Kadena, Okinawa, 2 Jul 1945
Machinato, Okinawa, 21 Jul-8 Dec 1945
Ft Lawton, WA, 2-4 Jan 1946
Floyd Bennett Field (NAS Brooklyn), NY
March AFB, CA.
Floyd Bennett Field, NY
Klamath Falls, OR

ASSIGNMENTS

319th Bombardment Group, 26 Jun 1942
VII Bomber Command, 18Dec 1945-4 Jan 1946.

WEAPON SYSTEMS

Mission Aircraft

B-26, 1942
B-25, 1944
A-26B, 1945
A-26C
B-29A
B-26B
B-26C
F-94B, 1957
F-4C
F-16A
F-16B
F-15B, 1998
F-15C
F-15D

Support Aircraft

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS

F-94A
XX0835

F-4C

63-7412	63-7529	63-7622	64-0838
63-7460	63-7537	63-7633	64-0899
63-7482	63-7581	63-7662	64-0905
63-7490	63-7584	64-0754	64-0911

F-16

82042	80622	81759	81699
80604	81673	81693	

F-16A

80-0581	81-0771	81-0809	82-0913	82-1014
81-0691	81-0786	81-0811	82-0942	
81-0770	81-0801	82-0910	82-0955	
F-16B				
82-1041	81-0812	82-1030	82-1034	82-1039
80-0637	82-1027	82-1031	82-1039	82-1046
F-15B				
75-0086	76-0128	76-0139		
76-0127	76-0129	77-0165		
F-15C				
78-0468	79-0022	80-0021	81-0044	83-0016
84-0486	79-0079	80-0047	81-0053	83-0043
F-15D				
78-0563				
78-0569				

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT TAIL/BASE CODES

UNIT COLORS

Subdued eagle and "Oregon" logo
Black hawk

Diving black eagle with a white head and outstretched talons, as if about to catch its prey

COMMANDERS

Col Steven V. Harper, #1991

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

Algeria-French Morocco, with Arrowhead

Tunisia

Sicily

Naples-Foggia

Anzio

Rome-Arno

Southern France

North Apennines

Air Combat, EAME Theater

Air Offensive, Japan

Ryukyus
China Offensive

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations
Rome, Italy, 3 Mar 1944
Florence, Italy, 11 Mar 1944

French Croix de Guerre with Palm
Apr, May, and Jun 1944

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

Eager Beavers

OPERATIONS

Ground echelon in assault landing at Arzeu, Algeria, 8 Nov 1942. Combat in MTO, 28 Nov 1942-13 Feb 1943; withdrawn for reorganization and re-equipment, 27 Feb-31 May 1943; combat in MTO, 6 Jun 1943-30 Dec 1944; returned to the United States for reorganization and re-equipment, 25 Jan-28 Apr 1945; combat in Western Pacific, 16 Jul-12 Aug 1945.

The 114th FIS had been based at NAS Floyd Bennett and had been equipped with Invader in the post Korean War era. They too were designated as a FIS in June 1957, received four F-94Bs that summer, and then transferred them to the 102nd FIS in December. The 114th FIS was officially inactivated on September 14, 1958 after being dormant for several months.

1982: the Air Force announced a proposal to establish an air defense "schoolhouse" for F-4 Phantoms at Kingsley Field to be run by the Oregon Air National Guard. The new unit, the 8123rd Fighter Interceptor Training Squadron (FITS), was activated on January 1, 1983. The first class began during February 1983. The 8123rd was inactivated and the 114th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron was activated on February 1, 1984. When in 1983 the Oregon ANG was authorized to organize a replacement training unit to train pilots and WSO (Weapon Systems Officers), for the guards' Fighter Interceptor Squadrons, the new squadron was given the numerical designation of the 114th FIS which had been inactivated as a New York ANG unit on 14 September 1958.

The Air Force decided in 1987 to add the F-16A nations air defense arsenal. Kingsley field was selected to receive the first of 270 F-16s to be modified for air defense role. 18 of the newly designated ADF F-16 A's and B's will be assigned to Kingsley to replace the F-4C.

In mid-November 1988, the last F-4 class graduated. The first F-16 aircraft arrived at Kingsley Field in August 1988. The first Air Defense Fighter modified F-16 aircraft arrived 1 March 1989,

followed by the first F-16 student class on 13 July 1989.

The 114 FS added a new medical training program to its curriculum in January 1990, with the F-16 Flight Surgeon Training Course (also known as "Top Knife") being the first of its kind in the nation. "Top Eye" for optometrists joined the program in January 1994, followed by "Top Drill" for dentists in April 1994. The courses help orient military doctors to the rigors of high performance flight. Governor John A. Kitzhaber, a surgeon and former peacetime Commander-in-Chief of the Oregon National Guard, flew three sorties with the 173 FW in a modified Top Knife course on 21-22 March 1995.

420903	B-26B	41-17613	439B	319BG	Harding Field, Baton Rouge, LA	TOA	Darrow, Robert M	Harding Field, LA
440407	B-26B		439BS	319BG		LAC	Larkin, Jack A	Elmas AF
450409	A-26B	41-39439	439BS	319BG	Columbia AAF, SC	MACB	Miller, John C	10M N Mcbee, SC
450412	A-26B	44-34209	439BS	319BG	Columbia AAF, SC	CLEF	Hicks, Donald J	8M SW Columbia, SC
420726	B-26B	41-17738	439BS	319BG	Barksdale Field, LA	TOAEF	Gibbs, Edward H.	Columbia AAB, SC
420821	B-26B	41-17739	439BS	319BG	Harding Field, Baton Rouge, LA	KMAC	Dover, William J	Harding Field, LA
420821	B-26B	41-17736	439BS	319BG	Harding Field, Baton Rouge, LA	KMAC	Zahn, Marvin A	Harding Field, LA
421208	B-26	41-17780	439BS	319BG	In route to United Kingdom	KMIS	Danison, Homer R Jr	Missing at sea, ATL





Air Force Order of Battle

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