354th LOGISTICS READINESS SQUADRON



MISSION

Provides supplies, fuels, cryogenics, ground movement, equipment and vehicle management for a fighter wing comprised of F-16s and A/OA-10s, and an air refueling wing with KC-135 and several associate units in support of over 4,200 personnel. Ensure capability to mobilize, provide operational sustainment, and receive equipment and personnel in support of 354 FW and 168 ANG wartime taskings.

LINEAGE

354th Transportation Squadron constituted, 28 Sep 1956 Activated, 19 Nov 1956 Inactivated, 31 Mar 1993 Activated, 20 Aug 1993 Redesignated 354th Logistics Readiness Squadron, 20 Feb 2003

STATIONS

Myrtle Beach AFB, SC, 19 Nov 1956 Kunsan AB, Korea, 1 Aug 1968 Myrtle Beach, SC, 15 Jun 1970-31 Mar 1993 Eielson AFB, AK, 20 Aug 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

354th Maintenance and Supply Group (later Logistics Group), 19 Nov 1956 354th Air Base Group (later Combat Support Group), 18 Sep 1957 113th Tactical Fighter Wing, 22 Apr 1968 354th Combat Support Group, 1 Aug 1968 354th Tactical Fighter Wing, 1 Jan 1975-31 Mar 1993 354th Logistics Group, 20 Aug 1993 354th Mission Support Group, 26 Aug 2002

COMMANDERS

CWO Joseph A. O'Connor, 19 Nov 1956

1Lt Clarence W. Hultman, 28 Nov 1956

Maj Jack H. Bond, 1 Jul 1957

Maj Roy A. Klandrud, 26 Feb 1958

Maj Robert E. Hervey, 3 Nov 1958

Maj Milton H. Hopkins, 1 Sep 1959

Cpt Gilbert R. Capaldo, 14 Dec 1960

Maj John C. Price, 28 Mar 1961

Cpt Gilbert R. Capaldo, 2 Jan 1963

LTC Erceal V. Doty, 28 Jun 1963

2Lt Kip R. Fichter, 12 Mar 1966

Cpt Ernest J. Fulgham, 1 Apr 1967

Cpt Eugene T. Collier, 13 Nov 1967

Unknown, 2 Jul 1968

Cpt Eugene T. Collier, 15 Jun 1970

LTC Carrelton R. Hess, 13 Aug 1970

Maj Hershal E. Blankenship, 26 Oct 1971

Maj Richard G. Lauderdale, 18 Jun 1973

LTC Lewis M. Crutchfield, 4 Sep 1974

Maj Richard G. Lauderdale, 18 Jun 1975

Maj Jerry A. Grant, 25 Jan 1977

Cpt Edgbert Alford, 19 May 1980

Cpt Robert R. Rennell, 9 Jan 1981

Maj Victor E. Ajygin, 10 Dec 1982

Cpt Richard J. Haupt, 18 Jul 1983

Maj Robert E. Edmiston, 8 Jan 1986

Maj Dwight E. Highfill, 17 Jan 1989

Maj Dennis H. Haynes, 9 Sep 1991

Maj Pegi J. Watkinson, 20 Aug 1993

Maj James M. Roy, 18 May 1995

Cpt Doyle T. Walls, 26 Mar 1996

Maj Steven W. Pearson, 30 May 1996

LTC Bevan R. Orme, 30 Jun 1998

LTC Lisa K. Ellard, 15 Jun 2000

Maj Douglas A. Furst, 23 Jul 2002

LTC Cindy K. Sabo, 25 Jun 2004

LTC Michael T. Fitzgerald, 19 Jul 2006

HONORS Service Streamers None

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers None

Decorations

Force Outstanding Unit Awards 1 Oct 1962-31 Dec 1963 15 Jun 1970-31 May 1972 1 May 1974-30 Apr 1976 11 May 1976-31 May 1977 1 Jul 1985-30 Jun 1987 1 May 1990-15 Mar 1992 11 Sep 2000-10 Sep 2002 17 Sep 2003-16 Sep 2005

EMBLEM



354th Logistics Readiness Squadron emblem: On a disc Silver Gray, charged with a globe Proper in fess point, encircled by a contrail Or, surmounted by a Polar Bear Proper detailed Sable positioned at the base of the globe facing dexter side, all within a narrow border Black. Attached below the disc, a Green scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "354TH LOGISTICS READINESS SQ" in Black letters. **SIGNIFICANCE**: Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The bear epitomizes the strength and courage that will lead into the future, while the arrow surrounding the globe represents the unit's ability to maintain a global presence through rapid readi elements combined allude to the future within the unit's reach. (Approved, 7 Sep 2004)

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OPERATIONS



354th Transportation Squadron personnel at Myrtle Beach AFB performs periodic maintenance on the squadron's lubrication truck. (USAF photo)



354th Transportation Squadron personnel at Myrtle Beach AFB washes one of the squadron's trucks. (USAF photo)

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Sources

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