

## 94 SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON



### MISSION

94 Security Forces Squadron maintains law and order and security for military and civilians and strategic, mission-essential aircraft. Manages base personnel, information, and industrial security programs; controls installation pass and registration. Conducts firearms training; trains/equips defense forces/military working dog teams. Provides Raven fly-away aircraft security and deploys forces in support of worldwide national security objectives.

### LINEAGE

94 Air Police Squadron constituted and allotted to the Air Force Reserve, 8 Sep 1950

Activated, 22 Oct 1950

Discontinued and inactivated, 11 Feb 1963

94 Weapons System Security Flight constituted, 18 Jun 1976

Activated, 1 Jul 1976

94 Air Police Squadron and 94 Weapon Systems Security Flight consolidated and designated 94 Weapon Systems Security Flight, 12 Oct 1984

Redesignated 94 Security Police Flight, 15 Aug 1988

Redesignated 94 Security Forces Squadron

### STATIONS

Dobbins AFB, GA, 22 Oct 1950-18 May 1955

Scott AFB, IL, 18 May 1955-16 Nov 1957

Hanscom, MA, 16 Nov 1957-11 Feb 1963

Dobbins AFB, GA

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

94 Air Base Group

94 Combat Support Group

94 Mission Support Group

## **COMMANDERS**

Capt Harry L. Skinner

Capt Greg Lynn

Maj Fredrick B. Kuhlman, 4 Mar 1989

Maj Paul J. Markley, 1 Jul 1995

Maj James B. Hurley, 25 Mar 1997

Maj Paul J. Markley, 4 Feb 1998

Maj William Forshey, Jr., 6 Feb 1999

Maj Jeffrey J. Tousignant, Feb 2001

Capt Charles S. Wertheim, 1 Nov 2003

Maj Charles Baker, 22 Mar 2004

Maj Kent D. Hansen, 3 Jun 2006

Maj Gloria A. Moran, 5 Dec 2016

Maj Timothy Martz, 3 Feb 2008

Capt Robert L. Mayes, 1 Apr 2011 (Interim)

Maj Gloria Moran

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

As constituted, the unit is authorized 3 officers and 70 enlisted men.

10 Mar 1951, Ordered into active military service for a period of 21 consecutive months.

Inactivated, 20 Mar 1951.

Attached to 2589 AFRTC for logistical support, administration and base services, 10 Mar 1951.

The 94 CES completed annual tours at Langley AFB, Virginia, in three increments, from 14-28 Jun 86, 28 Jun-12 Jul 86 and 17 Jul - 2 Aug 86. Unit members worked on renovations on the hospital, installation of emergency lights, renovation of the office space and various other projects around the base. Training was also received at home on different projects. Routine training was also conducted with 26 people completing M-16 training and 17 people completing chemical warfare defense training during the period. From 1 Oct to 31 Dec 86, 19 people completed M-16 training and 57 completed TQT, with nine completing CWD training. During October, training was received from the 94th Weapon Systems Security Flight (WSSF) in perimeter defense and attack response. Training was also received in tent erection with no annual tours being conducted during the period.

The 94 WSSF continued to provide security at Dobbins AFB during UTAs, augmenting the permanent DOD police personnel, and conducted realistic training for unit personnel. Training consisted of flightline duty, air base ground defense, physical fitness and small arms training. The unit also assisted the 94th Civil Engineering Squadron in an overnight bivouac in the North Georgia mountains .

The 94th Weapon Systems Security Flight was selected the "Best in Air Force Reserve", for 1978. It has the direct unit responsibility, in the event of mobilization, to be fully trained and ready to provide effective security for all assigned weapons systems, command facilities, and any other support elements as directed by higher command.

The 94th WSSF continued striving for perfection in all areas of readiness throughout 1978, setting up mock drills and security exercises to give unit members realistic field training conditions. One such exercise was staged to test the unit's capability to deal with terrorist aggression involving a hostage situation. The quick-nature response of the 94th WSSF was again demonstrated during the 94th TA W Operational Readiness Inspection, on July 7-9. The unit was praised by the MAC IG and received the highest overall rating possible.

The units outstanding performance during these and many other exercises is indicative of the leadership skills of the commander and senior NCO's who have led their unit through many months of training and preparation to attain such high standards of perfection and excellence. The 94th WSSF remained at or above 100 percent manning for 1978. This achievement is attributed to the participation of all unit personnel in the retention and recruiting effort.

The 94th Weapon Systems Security Flight personnel are responsive to and fully support public relations and humanitarian functions. Unit personnel have organized an honor guard that regularly participates in public events. Through these efforts they have gained public awareness and appreciation for their unit in particular and, the Air Force in general. Many of these efforts are accomplished on the unit members own time.

Col. John H. Smith, base commander said, "I continually receive positive and complimentary feedback from the gaining air command units, regarding the outstanding performance of the personnel assigned to this unit. I personally feel that the 94th WSSF has earned the title of the Best Reserve Forces Security Unit."

Members of the 94th WSSF got a realistic taste of combat in early April when they practiced offensive and defensive tactics at Ft. Benning, Georgia. Thirty-five men from the 94th traveled to Columbus to participate in the ground base defense exercises which emphasized squad tactics. The exercises were the first time for most of the unit to use the Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System (MILES). The MILES apparatus consists of a harness worn by a participant and a laser transmitter affixed to his weapon. The laser transmitter is activated by firing a blank round.

When a laser beam strikes the harness an alarm is activated and can only be turned off by deactivating the weapon of the person in the harness. Unit Commander Capt. Gregory Lynn said the use of the MILES equipment eliminated the usual confusion associated with such tactics by leaving no doubt as to whether or not a participant had been "shot." Lynn said the men of the 94th had high praise for the practice. "Even the rain didn't dampen our spirits," said Lynn of the monsoon ridden weekend.

The 94th will be deployed to Little Rock AFB in June for two weeks of tactics training and the trip to Ft. Benning was a small scale preview of that trip, Lynn said. The field tactics were deployed on Saturday of the two-day trip, and on Sunday the men were introduced to the Army's Confidence Course which is made up of 24 progressive obstacles geared to test strength and confidence in team work.

Unit members attacked the course in teams of four men. The course was made even more difficult and realistic according to Moody, since as much as one half of the course was under one to two feet of water. "Many of the men expressed doubt when they first saw the course," Moody said, "but they found hidden strengths as well as located their weaknesses." "The whole purpose of the exercise was to emphasize team work," Moody said, "and I believe we accomplished our mission."

The 94 Weapons System Security Flight held routine training and qualification tests during the first half of calendar year 1987. Instruction was received in handcuffing and search procedures. On 13 June 1987 annual tour was held, with the unit deploying to Hurlburt Field Florida where training was received in airbase ground defense. This training included recon, raids and defensive positions. The last week of training was used to provide in-depth flight-line and base patrol operations.

Thirty-six members of the 94th Security Police Flight were treated recently to an all-expenses paid trip to Las Vegas, Nev. Their little vacation was not entirely free, however, because our valiant security policemen paid dearly in sweat and misery, and the only bright lights they saw were forty miles away, on the barest edge of civilization. Silver Flag Alpha is an Air Force instruction and evaluation course for security police units and is designed to both train and teach from the moment a unit arrives. The subject is ground tactics in a desert environment. The 94th SPF from Dobbins AFB was the first MAC-gained Reserve unit to be invited to participate.

"It's tough training," said Capt. Mike Casey, commander of Silver Flag. "They hit the ground fighting. We give them realistic combat training from the moment they arrive." Realistic training included land navigation, weapons skills, tactics and survival. None of it was easy, but the entire 94th SPF contingent finished together and are proud of their performance. They each gained hands-on experience with the M203 grenade launcher, LAW anti-tank rocket, and participated in a day and night combat rifle course using live ammunition while maneuvering as a team. The final

phase of the two-week course involve having to move tactically to a barren patch of desert and set up housekeeping for four days. "Home" for ninety-six hours was a hole dug into the desert floor and shared by two team members and whatever else happened to crawl, wander or slither by. Now called Defensive Fighting Positions, these fox-holes had to be defended 'round the clock against any eventuality. Col. Jack W. Blair Jr., commander, 94th Tactical Airlift Wing, visited the unit in the field during its training. "You have to admire these guys," he said.

The 94th Security Police Flight, too, accomplished its assigned mission in an exemplary fashion and this was proven by the Excellent rating received during the UEI in 1988. The 94th SPF distinguished themselves by being selected to deploy to Rhein Main, Germany, in 1988, in support of the 435th Security Police Squadron during the Soviet inspection of our ground launched cruise missile sites. The 94th SPF attended Silver Flag Alpha in 1989, becoming the first MAC gained security police flight to ever attend TAC's Desert Warfare Training Center

In Jun 2004, Staff Sgt. Darrien Thornton, 94th Security Forces Squadron security specialist competed in a military police competition in the United Kingdom. Thornton and seven others of the Air Force's best security forces members were chosen by the British to compete in the Strickland competition because of their outstanding performance in Defender Challenge last October at the Army's Camp Bullis training site near Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

The Strickland competition lasted for two days at the Stanford Training Area, a British Army training facility near the Royal Air Force, Honington, England, and is held each year to test the skills and strengths of RAF units against each other. "I knew that the event was going to be tough and that the United Kingdom teams were well trained and very competitive," said Thornton. "I felt that we had a great team, and I knew we were going to do well because of my teammates' skills and the determination we had to win." To prepare for the competition, Thornton's team trained for two weeks with the 2625 Regiment that introduced them to the M81A-1 automatic weapon used by the RAF military police. Regiment members also provided guidance on the technical aspects of the various events.

The competition of five events included a nuclear, biological and chemical drill, first aid, a section battle drill, stalking and observation drills. In the NBC event, teams were required to wear their NBC gear while engaged in a firefight, and they needed to determine what type of gas was being used. Thornton's team placed third in the event. In the first-aid event, teams were tasked to raid and secure a village and treat and evacuate the wounded.

Without breaks the teams moved from event to event. During the section battle drill, teams were required to overtake a position, evacuate injured and take prisoners of war. Thornton's team placed first in the battle-drill event and they quickly moved into an hour-and-a-half-long stalking event. In this event, teams crept up on an enemy position, gathered intelligence and reported it back to headquarters. Thornton's team placed fourth. In the observation event, teams had to observe an enemy camp, memorize everything in the camp and come back to a different location and write it all down. Thornton's team placed third in the observation event.

After working with their British counterparts, Thornton and the other U.S. Airmen stressed how serious the British are about their training and history'. They were also appreciative for the hospitality and kindness they received visiting the UK. It was a great honor to be chosen to participate in such a great competition," said Thornton. "I learned about their history, was

introduced to the way they operate, and was able to experience working together with them which is very important because some day we may have to work together in. a wartime situation."

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