

7330 PILOT TRAINING SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

7330 Pilot Training Squadron

STATIONS

Furstenfeldbruck AB, Germany

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Maj Smolen, #1956

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

The 7330th Pilot Training Squadron has a big mission to fulfill within the framework of the N.A.T.O. concept. That mission is to train M.D.A.P. students in the many phases of actually flying jet aircraft. Many jet flying courses are offered here at Fursty which include:

Jet Instrument Training

Jet Transition Training, and

Jet Instructor Courses.

Among pilots trained here in the squadron are students from Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Iran, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Portugal, Spain, Turkey, the United Kingdom, United States, and Yugoslavia.

Training is directed toward the goal of standardization of techniques and flying procedures that will unify and closely integrate the air power of M.D.A.P. Nations. The school aims to teach students to evaluate training methods in order that they may contribute to the elevation of training standards when they begin to teach pilots in their home countries.

The squadron also has flight instructor personnel from countries other than the United States. Instructors from the United Kingdom, Spain, Portugal, and Turkey have done an excellent job while instructing in the squadron.

The Personal Equipment Section of the squadron is "ram-rodged" by M/Sgt. Deward A. Place. The duties of this section are many. Besides fitting parachutes, helmets, oxygen masks, and issuing other personal equipment; this section provides survival training and equipment for the flying personnel in the squadron.

Future T-33 deliveries to the USAFE would continue for the next decade, to meet the demand for jet training aircraft within various USAF units and for use in the other sundry roles that the T-Bird had found itself so versatile. For a short period even the previously disbanded Acrojets were reborn in September 1954 at Furstenfeldbruck by Major Michael Stolen, commanding officer of the 7330th Pilot Training Squadron. Stolen had been a member of the original Acrojets, and the PTS was charged with training foreign pilots under Mutual Defense Aid Pact requirements.

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