

81st AIR DEPOT GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

81st Air Depot Group
Inactivated, 25 Mar 1946
Disbanded, 27 Sep 1984

STATIONS

Walla Walla AAF, WA
Brisbane, Australia
Eagle Farms Airdrome, Australia
Finschhafen and
Hollandia, New Guinea
Clark Field, Philippines
Nichols Field, Philippines

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

LTC R. L. Fry, 11 May 1942
Col R. J. Minty, 10 Aug 1943-6 Feb 1944
Col William H. Monay

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron were located in the Ward Motors building at Fortitude Valley.

The 81st Air Depot Group relied on many civilian companies to meet its objectives:

The GMH Allison Overhaul Assembly Plant "Igloos" at Sandgate Road, Albion

The A.N.A. Instrument Shop

Australian National Airways Engine Overhaul shop

Motor Supply Company

De Haviland Propeller Shop

QANTAS

Paul and Gray

Elphinstones

King & Katts

Hudson's

From 11 May 1942 until 11 May 1943, the 81st Air Depot Group in Brisbane carried out the following aircraft component overhauls:

35 tails

46 fins

49 turrets

62 cabins

74 landing gear

102 flaps

117 nose sections

145 stabilizers

152 rudders

172 oxygen tanks

179 ailerons

187 elevators

200 wings

252 doors

349 wheels

400 canopies
402 engine cowlings
489 struts
598 fuel tanks
1058 brakes
1153 tires and tubes
2222 propellers

The 81st Air Depot Group also assembled thirty-one gliders at Eagle Farm airfield.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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