

81 EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

81 Maintenance Squadron
Redesignated 81 Field Maintenance Squadron
Redesignated 81 Equipment Maintenance Squadron

STATIONS

Kirtland AFB, NM, 5 Jun 1949-1 May 1950
Larson AFB, WA
RAF Bentwaters, England, 1 Jul 1964
Bentwaters RAF Station (later RAF Bentwaters), England, 5 Sep 1951-14 May 1962

ASSIGNMENTS

81 Maintenance and Supply Group

COMMANDER



Maj Robert B. Ladd (USAF photo)

Maj Robert B. Ladd, #1959

Maj Mary C. Garcia

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

ONE of the most important units in the team which makes up the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing is the 81st Field Maintenance Squadron under the command of Major Robert B. Ladd.

The primary mission of the squadron is two-fold. First, it has the task of providing for field maintenance on wing-assigned aircraft, transient aircraft and allied aircraft equipment. Secondly, it must provide for engine buildup of all wing-assigned aircraft.

A secondary phase of the 81st Maintenance Squadron's key role is to provide, maintain and operate manufacturing facilities for repairing of fabricating supplies and material.

The squadron can, in many ways, be likened to a normal industrial organization with its many repair and manufacturing centers. A sheet metal shop manufactures and produces metal aircraft panels and items of all shapes and sizes. The electrical shop; its load tester, wiring devices, electricians. The carpenter's shop, the engine buildup shop, all are parts of a highly industrialized 81st Field Maintenance Squadron.

Because of the very diversified nature of the job of the squadron, teamwork plays an important part; and at Bentwaters, there's no better team than the 81st Field Maintenance Squadron.

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