

432 MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



MISSION

The 432 Maintenance Squadron performs on and off equipment maintenance and maintenance operations services for remotely piloted aircraft. The squadron also performs operations services for ground control stations supporting worldwide operations and formal training units. Expertise is provided by nine different Air Force specialties, which include education and training, maintenance analysis, scheduling, aerospace ground equipment, fuels systems, aircraft structural maintenance, nondestructive inspection, engines, and munitions systems.

LINEAGE

432 Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron constituted, 16 Jan 1958

Activated, 8 Feb 1958

Inactivated, 18 Jun 1959

432 Field Maintenance Squadron constituted, and activated, 19 Aug 1966

Organized, 18 Sep 1966

Inactivated, 23 Dec 1975

Redesignated 432 Drone Maintenance Squadron, 24 May 1976

Activated, 1 Jul 1976

Redesignated 432 Drone Generation Squadron, 1 Aug 1977

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1979

Redesignated 432 Equipment Maintenance Squadron, 5 Jun 1984

Activated, 1 Oct 1984

432 Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and 432 Equipment Maintenance Squadron consolidated, 22 Oct 1984

Redesignated 432 Maintenance Squadron, 16 Apr 1992

Inactivated, 1 Oct 1994

Redesignated 432 Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron, and converted to provisional status,
16 Jan 2002

Withdrawn from provisional status and redesignated 432 Maintenance Squadron, 17 Feb 2007

Activated, 1 May 2007

STATIONS

Shaw AFB, SC, 8 Feb 1958-18 Jun 1959

Udorn Airfield (later, Udorn Royal Thai AFB), Thailand, 18 Sep 1966-23 Dec 1975

Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ, 1 Jul 1976-1 Apr 1979

Misawa AB, Japan, 1 Oct 1984-1 Oct 1994

Creech AFB, NV, 1 May 2007

ASSIGNMENTS

432 Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, 8 Feb 1958-18 Jun 1959

Pacific Air Forces, 19 Aug 1966

432 Tactical Reconnaissance (later, 432 Tactical Fighter) Wing, 18 Sep 1966-23 Dec 1975

432 Tactical Drone Group, 1 Jul 1976-1 Apr 1979

432 Tactical Fighter Wing, 1 Oct 1984

432 Logistics Group, 31 May 1991-1 Oct 1994

Pacific Air Forces, 16 Jan 2002-16 Feb 2007

432 Maintenance Group, 1 May 2007

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Matt Wynn

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Vietnam

Vietnam Air Offensive

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III

Vietnam Air/Ground

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV

TET 69/Counteroffensive

Vietnam Summer-Fall, 1969

Vietnam Winter-Spring, 1970

Sanctuary Counteroffensive

Southwest Monsoon

Commando Hunt V

Commando Hunt VI

Commando Hunt VII

Vietnam Ceasefire

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citations

Southeast Asia, 19 Sep 1967-1 Nov 1968

1 Nov 1968-31 Oct 1969

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards with Combat "V" Device

[18 Sep 1966]-18 Sep 1967

1 Jan-30 Jun 1967

21 Nov 1969-20 Nov 1970

21 Nov 1970-6 Apr 1971

18 Dec 1972-27 Jan 1973

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jan-31 Dec 1991

1 Oct 1992-30 Sep 1994

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm

18 Sep 1966-28 Jan 1973

EMBLEM



432 Field Maintenance Squadron

432 Maintenance Squadron emblem: On a disc Azure, an eagle Sable fimbriated and detailed Argent, wings displayed, grasping in its beak three lightning bolts Or, perching on a sprocket of the third fimbriated of the second encircling in base a demi-globe Silver Gray gridlined White, all within a narrow border Black. Attached below the disk, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "432 MXS" 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 lightning bolts represent the strike capability of USAF Air Power. The white sprocket is symbolic of the unit's ability to provide quality maintenance worldwide. The eagle, an astute hunter and bird of prey with keen eyesight, represents the Squadron's support of the Air Force global reach mission by maintaining vigilance, as symbolized by its presence over the globe. (Approved, 16 Oct 1968)

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OPERATIONS

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