764 RADAR SQUADRON (SAGE)



MISSION

LINEAGE

764 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron Redesignated 764 Radar Squadron (SAGE)

STATIONS

St Albans, VT

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

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OPERATIONS

The 764th AC&W Squadron began operating a pair of AN/CPS-6B radars at this site in September 1951 and assumed coverage provided by L-3 at Fort Ethan Allen. One of these radars remained in service until 1962. The other was retired from service in 1958 with the arrival of an AN/FPS-6. A second AN/FPS-6 unit arrived during 1959. This was the year Belleview Hill joined the SAGE system. Beginning in 1962, this site operated with an AN/FPS-7C search radar. An AN/FPS-26A arrived in 1963 to replace one of the AN/FPS-6 height-finder radars. The 764th was deactivated in June 1979.

764 Saint Albans AFS, VT CPS-6B (2); FPS-7C; FPS-6 (2); FPS-26A FPS-7C; FPS-26A Sep-51 01-Apr-79 BUIC-II. Site is located at top of Bellevue Hill. FPS-7C later became FPS-107. FAA site now (with an AN/FPS-67B search radar).

History of Saint Albans AFS, VT

The 764th AC&W Squadron began operating an AN/CPS-6B radar at this site in September 1951, and assumed coverage provided by L-3 at Fort Ethan Allen. The search portion of this radar remained in service until 1962. The height-finder portion was retired from service in 1958 with the arrival of an AN/FPS-6. A second AN/FPS-6 unit arrived during 1959. This was the year St. Albans joined the SAGE system. Beginning in 1962, this site operated with an AN/FPS-7C search radar. An AN/FPS-26A arrived in 1963 to replace one of the AN/FPS-6 height-finder radars. The other AN/FPS-6 was retired in 1968. The AN/FPS-7C was later upgraded to an AN/FPS-107. The 764th Radar Squadron (SAGE) was deactivated 1 April 1979. The FAA assumed control of the site, and continue to operate an AN/FPS-67B search radar there today (in the former AN/FPS-107 radar tower).

764th Radar Sq (SAGE): assigned 1 Jan 51 at Bellevue Hill, VT, assigned to 540th AcEog Gp; transferred to 32nd AD 6 Feb 52; transferred to .4711th Def Wg 16 Feb 53; site redesignated to St. Albans AFS, VT 1 Dec 53; transferred t.o 32nd AD 1 Mar 56; transferred to Bangor ADS 15 Aug 58; redesignated from AC&W Sq to 764th Radar Sq (SAGE) 1 Oct 59; transferred to Boston ADS 1 Aug 62; transferred to 35th AD 1 Apr 66; reassigned to 21st AD 19 Nov 69; reassigned to 21st AD 19 Nov 69; redesignated 764 Radar Sq 1 Feb 74; inactivated 29 Jun 79.

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