

# **3525 COMBAT CREW TRAINING SQUADRON**

## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

3525 Combat Crew Training Squadron

## **STATIONS**

Las Vegas (later Nellis) AFB, NV

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

A new split course was implemented, starting with Class 56-H in April, and replaced the 110 hour course that had been used by the F-86H exclusively. The new split course called for 10 hours in the T-33 (as in the old split course). 70 hours in the F-86H and 30 hours in the F-100. A significant change in the course outline came, too, in that emphasis shifted away from a minimum amount of total flying time to a minimum number of effective training sorties. Also, in April the 3525th CCTS converted to the F-86H with the responsibility of training fighter weapons instructors and conducting field officer courses.

Another change in the course came in June as a result of non-availability of 20mm ammunition. Air-to-air sorties were reduced from 14 to 10 per student and camera gunnery was substituted for actual live firing of the guns. Continued problems supporting the F-86H would cause Classes 56-H and 56-I to graduate with approximately 85 hours of combined T-33 and F-86H time and no F-100 time at all.

The Fighter Weapons Squadron, 3525th CCTS, suffered as well from problems with the F-86H. Having converted to the plane in April 1956, the fighter weapons classes began to feel the impact of the maintenance problems the other squadrons endured. Flying schedules couldn't be met and the impact was first seen when Fighter Weapons Instructor Class 56-BG graduated in late June with each student having flown 18 hours less than the course outline called for.

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