

# **162<sup>nd</sup> AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON**

## **LINEAGE**

## **STATIONS**

Tucson, AZ

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

LTC Elson Staugaard

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

The Aircraft Generation Squadron is commanded by Lt Col Elson E. Staugaard Jr. He is assisted by the administration officer, first sergeant, and an administrative staff of four assigned personnel.

The Aircraft Generation Squadron is responsible for the loading, launch, recovery, service, inspection and on-equipment avionics and general maintenance of approximately 70 primary assigned aircraft which support the training of about three hundred international military student pilots per year. The squadron also supports the Air National Guard Air Force Reserve Test Center in its aircraft modification test and evaluation programs. The squadron conducts numerous deployments annually in support of AATC and the 162d Fighter Wing. Major deployments routinely visit Hickam AFB, Hawaii and Nellis AFB, Nevada.

The squadron consists of the 148th, 152nd, and 195th Aircraft Generation Flights. The 148th commander is Captain Greg Bliss, his pro-super is CMSgt Jack Nethery. They oversee 150 personnel in support of 31 assigned aircraft which are A, B, C, and D models flying US, NATO, and test center missions. The 152nd is commanded by Captain Daniel Summers and SMSgt Lonnie Countryman. Together they are responsible for 100 personnel in support of 23 assigned aircraft consisting of block 25 C models and block 42 C/D models. The 195th is under the command of Major Kevin Busniewski and CMSgt Don Shelor. They direct 88 personnel and 23 assigned aircraft consisting of block 10 A/B models supporting international military training. The support flight is run by MSgt William Booth, handling approximately 275 transient aircraft per year and is responsible for the end of runway checks, which are the final check of aircraft systems prior to flight. The weapons release/gun shop and munitions support is run by MSgt Terry Brown, overseeing 15 assigned personnel and hundreds of pieces of aircraft alternate mission equipment vital to the completion of the 162nd test and training mission.

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