

Summary of Traendly Crew Mission

Information from historical microfilms indicate that the crew arrived at Morotai about 1 April 1945. I found the following Missions:

- 12 May 1945 Primary: Shipping Secondary: Samarinda Shipyards, Borneo
Aircraft # 843 took 16 photos.
- 18 May 1945 Hill 105, Tarakan Island – Results Excellent
Aircraft # 941 (The Swoose) took 5 photos.
- 23 May 1945 Primary: Enemy positions Tarakan Is. Alternate: Djoeata Village Tarakan,
Borneo Last Resort: Personnel Area Sidate, Celebes
Aircraft # 535 (Rodger the Lodger)
- 27 May 1945 Primary: Defense Position Tarakan, Borneo Secondary: Warehouse Area
Tawao, Borneo
Aircraft # 1854 took 6 photos.
- 2 June 1945 Target: Tarakan
Aircraft # 854
- 5 June 1945 Primary: Native Village Labuan Is. Secondary: Muara Is. Tertiary: Jesselton
Supply and Bivauac area Last Resort: Sidate Personnel area.
Aircraft # 843
- 8 June 1945 Heavy Gun Positions, Balikpapan, Borneo – Intense, heavy and accurate AA fire
Aircraft # 1838 (Umbriago!) took 12 photos - threw out ammunition because it
was unable to transfer gas from wing tanks.
- 11 June 1945 Tarakan Is.
Aircraft # 1843 took 4 photos
- 18 June 1945 Balikpapan
Aircraft # 838 (Umbriago!) took 5 photos
- 21 June 1945 Primary: AA guns, Target 15C, Balikpapan Alternate Primary: Target 73
Aircraft # 700 (Who Dat?) took 5 photos.
- 24 June 1945 Beach Defenses Balikpapan
Aircraft # 838 (Umbriago!)
- 27 June 1945 Klandasan beach defenses Balikpapan - AA fire Slight, medium inaccurate
Aircraft # 0941 (The Swoose)

- 1 July 1945 AA positions and Ammo Dump Balikpapan
Aircraft # 1627
- 4 July 1945 Defense positions Balikpapan
Aircraft # 838 (Umbriago!) took 8 photos
- 7 July 1945 Defense positions Balikpapan AA fire slit, medium inaccurate
Aircraft # 941 (The Swoose) jettisoned its bombs about three-minutes after takeoff. The #3 Super charger was torching and a gas leak in the bomb bay led to the release of the bombs. According to Sam Britt's book the bombs fell on a "twenty-four holer of the 93rd Infantry Division". (page 246)
- 14 July 1945 Limboeng R/W #2, Southwest Celebes
Aircraft # 838 (Umbriago!)
- 24 July 1945 Primary: Fighter strip at Oelin A/D Borneo Last resort: Sidate R/W Northeast Celebes
Aircraft # 621 took 7 photos
- 1 August 1945 Two barracks and personnel areas Makassar Town Celebes AA fire Heavy, slight to moderate and inaccurate.
Aircraft # 749 (The Jeannie – V) pilot Lt. Traendly last heard from as reporting his position 60 miles South of Sidate and that the crew was bailing out.
- 7 August 1945 Annex to 307-615C of 1 August 1945 describing the fate of Aircraft # 749