



4th Battalion, 1st Air Defense Artillery

Neubrück, Germany (1987-93)



General

4-1 ADA was reflagged from 3-59 ADA in 1987 when all remaining Army HAWK battalions were affiliated to the 1st and 52d ADA regiments. Although the battalion was active as 4-1 ADA for only seven years, it had a long history in Germany, first as 6-59 Arty in the Hanau area from 1960-72 and then as 3-59 ADA which moved from Hanau to Neubruck in 1982.

Mission

4-1 ADA was positioned to defend air bases and other critical rear area installations. It was assigned to 94th ADA Brigade (except from October 1991 to February 1992 when the battalion was temporarily assigned to 108th ADA Bde while 94th ADA Bde deployed to Southwest Asia).

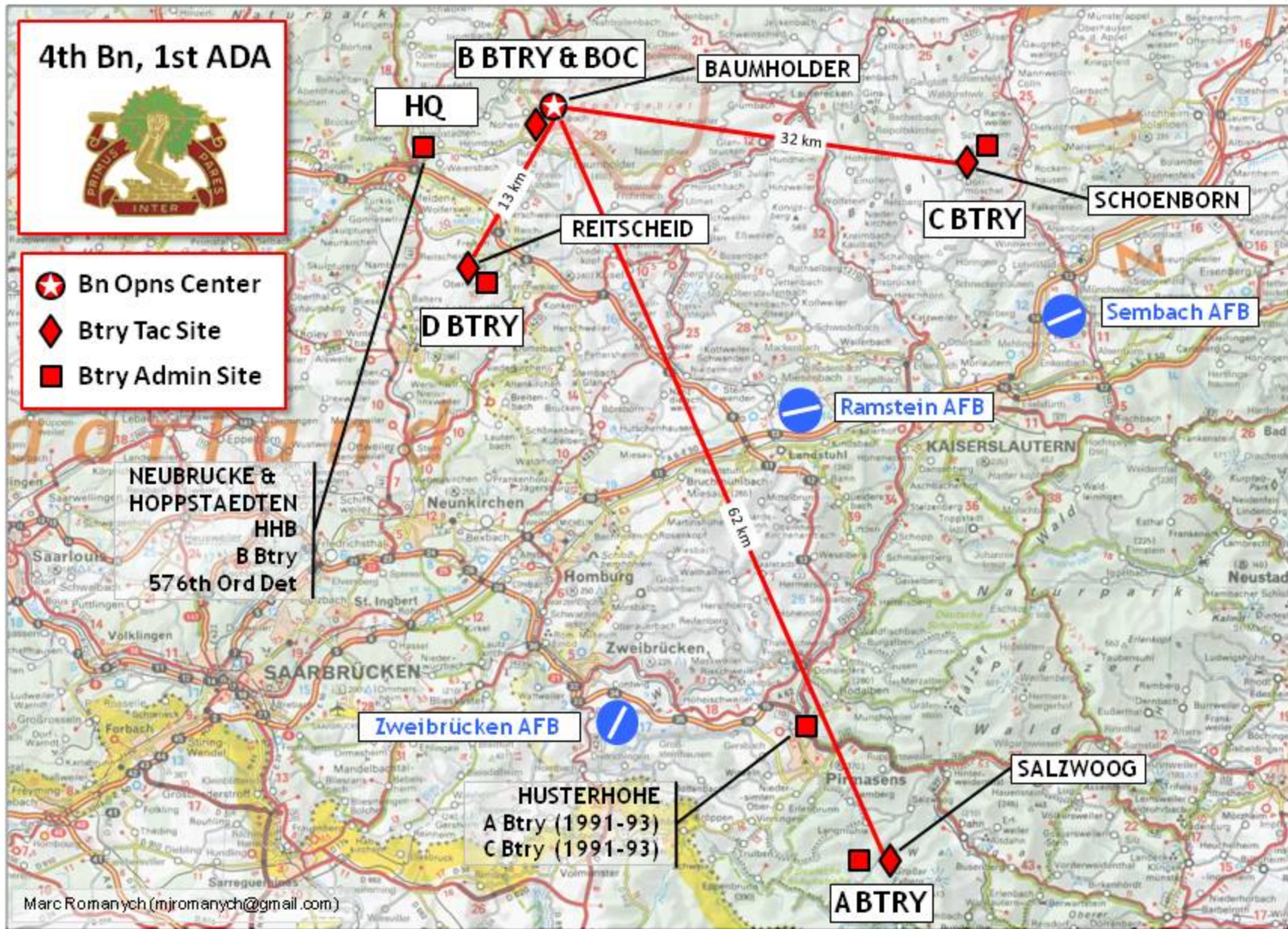
Tactical Sites

The Battalion Operations Center (BOC) and firing battery tactical sites were located on former Nike Hercules missile sites. Batteries A, C, and D occupied remote sites. Battery B was located near the BOC on the Baumholder training area. The battalion's four firing batteries provided air defense coverage over approximately 11,000 km² (4,200 mi²).

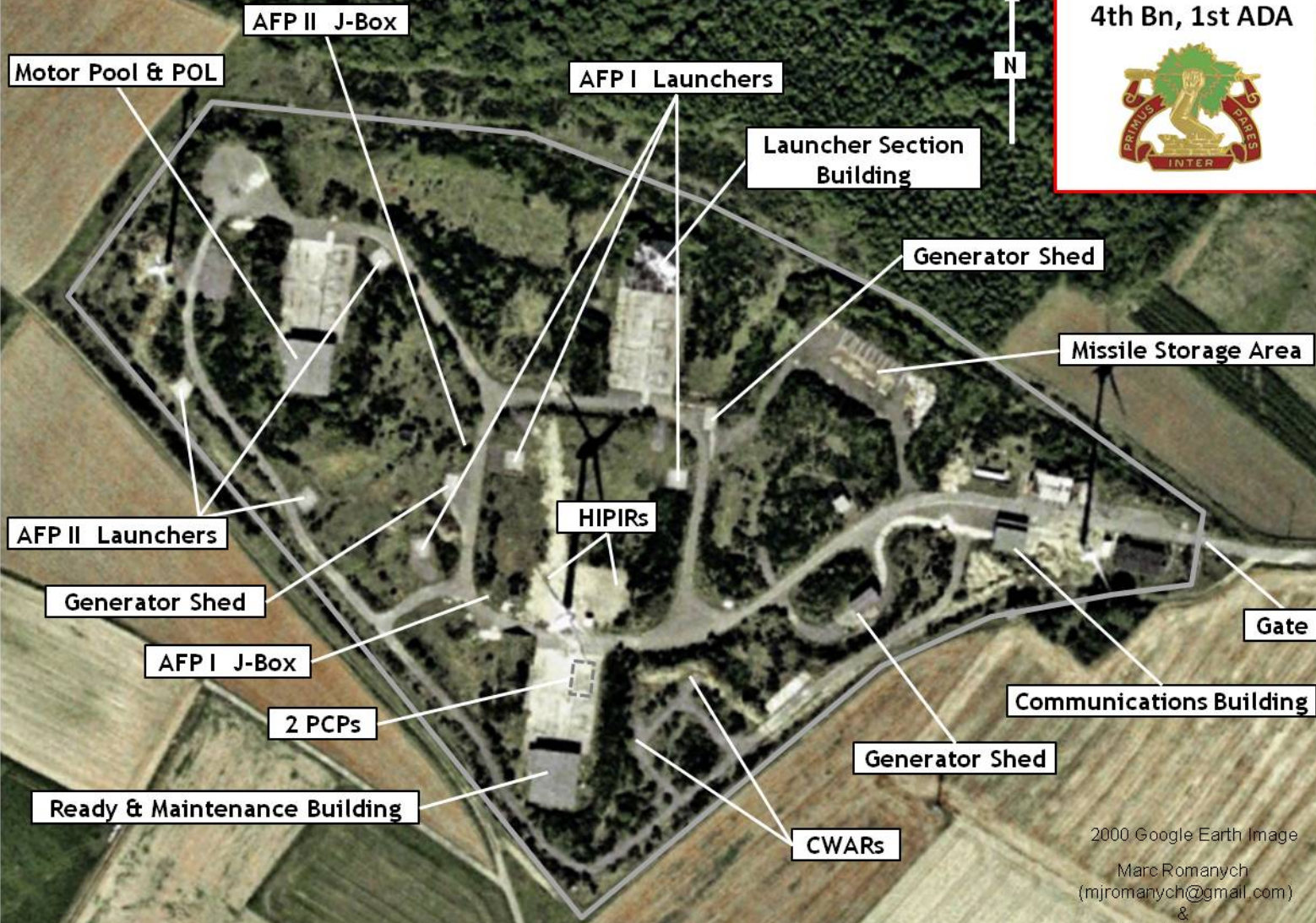
Key Events

- 1988 – C Btry transitioned to from PIP II to PIP III
- 1990 – A Btry moved to Husterhoeh Kaserne in Pirmasens
- June 1990 – 24-hour manning ended when the battalion was released from NATO's air defense mission.
- 1991 – Remainder of battalion transitioned to PIP III, D Btry was inactivated as part of the transition.
- 1992 – C Btry moved to Husterhoeh Kaserne.
- 1993 – 4-1 ADA inactivated.

Battalion Locations



C Btry
4th Bn, 1st ADA



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Headquarters Battery

1. HQ – Hoppstaedten Airfield
(49°36'35.57"N, 7°10'51.40"E)
2. BOC – Baumholder
(49°37'50.55"N, 7°18'35.92"E)
3. Admin Site – Neubrucke Hospital
(49°36'29.3"N 7°10'09.7"E)
4. 576th Ord Det – Neubrucke Hospital
(49°36'29.3"N 7°10'09.7"E)



A Battery

1. Tac Site – Salzwoog
(49° 7'51.80"N, 7°41'28.77"E)

A Btry moved to Husterhoeh Kaserne,
Pirmasens in 1990

2. Admin Site – Salzwoog
(49° 7'40.47"N, 7°40'45.90"E)

(49°13'0.79"N, 7°36'34.92"E)



Husterhoeh Kaserne

On Husterhoeh Kaserne in Pirmasens, A and C Batteries emplaced their HAWK systems without missiles in a fenced HAWK park.



B Battery

1. Tac Site – Baumholder
(49°37'41.20"N, 7°17'28.30"E)
2. Admin Site – Neubrucke Hospital
(49°36'29.3"N, 7°10'09.7"E)



C Battery

1. Tac Site – Schoenborn
(49°37'44.02"N, 7°45'21.05"E)

2. Admin Site – Schoenborn
(49°38'11.68"N, 7°46'14.36"E)

C Btry moved to Husterhoeh Kaserne,
Pirmasens in 1992
(49°13'0.79"N, 7°36'34.92"E)



D Battery

1. Tac Site – Reitshied
(49°31'24.22"N, 7°13'21.70"E)
2. Admin Site – Reitsheid
(49°31'13.70"N, 7°13'48.06"E)

