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Subject: 413 FG aerial victory credits

Mr Tyler,

I apologize for the errors on the list of aerial victory credits (AVC) I sent you. I have been researching this all morning. I see where the error was made. The information I sent previously came from Study 85, that lists AVC by individual names and then by groups or squadrons. We depend on Study 85 for AVC information. However, as I started searching the individual names in cards HRA maintains on individual AVC, I saw where the book had individuals listed as belonging to the 21 Fighter Squadron but they were actually from the 21 Pursuit Squadron. Same thing from the 34 Fighter Sq, the individuals were members of the 34 Pursuit Squadron.

Another dependable source of AVC information is Frank Olynyk's books and he had the 21 Fighter Sq and 21 Pursuit Sq; 34 Fighter Sq and 34 Pursuit Sq listed separately. I also searched in the 301 Fighter Wing history to which the 413 FG and its squadrons were assigned. In the history, I came across that "Score card" that you sent. On the attachment I am including, the three squadrons of the 413 FG have a total of 17 enemy aircraft destroyed in the air. HRA does not track the other areas mentioned there (destroyed/damaged on ground). In the AVC reference book that that we use, the 413 FG does not have a separate listing but can only claim the ones awarded to its squadrons.

So sorry for the error.

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413 Fighter Group Aerial Victory Credits (AVC) during WWII

1 Fighter Squadron

NAME	DATE CREDIT(s) EARNED	
Capt Robert H Allard	22 Jun 1945	2
1 Lt Alfred V. Danielson	22 Jun 1945	1
1 Lt Frank R. Haggerty	22 Jun 1945	1
1 Lt Dean C. Murphy	22 Jun 1945	1
1 Lt Leo B. Redd	22 Jun 1945	1.50
2 Lt Richard P. Shaw	22 Jun 1945	1.50
Capt Robert H. Allard	1 Jul 1945	1
1 Lt Edward V. Hollis	8 Aug 1945	1
1 Lt Leo B. Redd	8 Aug 1945	1
1 Lt Jack W. Sanford	8 Aug 1945	1
1 Lt Richard P. Shaw	14 Aug 1945	1
21 Fighter Squadron		
Maj George D. Vigue	1 Jul 1945	1
34 Fighter Squadron		
Lt Col Carl W. Payne	8 Aug 1945	1
2 Lt Archibald C. Gratz	8 Aug 1945	1
2 Lt Carl T. Kidd	8 Aug 1945	1

Sources: USAF CREDITS FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT, WORLD WAR II: USAF HISTORICAL STUDY NO. 85; USAAF (PACIFIC THEATER) CREDITS FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT IN AIRTO-AIR COMBAT WWII by Frank Olynyk, Oct 1985; 301 Fighter Wing History, 15 Jan-30 May 1945, IRIS number, 108886.

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301 FIGHTER WING

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BOX

TODAY

	318 FIGHTER GROUP	413 FIGHTER GROUP	507 FIGHTER GROUP	WING
ENEMY A/C DESTROYED IN AIR	116	16	38	170
ENEMY A/C PROBABLY DEST IN AIR	6	2	4	12
DAMAGED IN AIR	10	1	0	11
DESTROYED ON GROUND	14	20	5	39
DAMAGED ON GROUND	12	8	2	22

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FIGHTER SWEEP
FLOWN AGAINST
JAP HOMELAND"