44th Naval Construction Regiment

Historical Information

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"We Build, We Fight"

NAVAL HISTORY & HERITAGE COMMAND

44th Reg.

LOCATION - ~~Guadalcanal~~ Okinawa

12-29-44 - The 10th and 11th Brigades and Regs. 42 thru 48th are established. No firm assignments are to be made as yet. Will be established on direction of Cincpoa. The 4th Brigade consisting of the 2nd, 5th and 18th Regs. will be dissolved by CNO effectiv date to be specified by Cincpoa. Staff personnel will form the organization of the new Brigades and Regiments listed above.(CNO Sec. ltr Op30-2CK12-UOT over (SC)P16-5 over Ser. 01429730 to Cincpoa dtd 19 Dec'44).

1-29-45 -*The 44th Reg. activated 6 Dec'44 consisting of the 58th, 71st, 130th and the 145th CB's.(CG 3rd Phib Corps to Cincpoa, CNO & 10th Army 090556Z dtd 18 Jan'45)

1-29-45 -*The 44th Reg. activated 6 Jan'45 instead of 6 Dec'44 - modifying 090556Z.(ComGen 3rd Phib Corp to Cincpoa, CNO & 10th Army 200419 dtd 20 Jan'45).

1-29-45 - The 44th Reg. was activated 6 Jan'45 by Comsopac as directed by Cincpoa 240131 of Dec'44 and Cincpoa Ser. 00056 dtd 12 Jan'45 - you are directed to report to CNB Guadalcanal for duty and further directed to report to ComGen 3rd PhibCorp for Temp. add. duty. By copy of this disp ComGen 3rd Phib Corps is requested to cancell his disp 090556Z.(Comsopac Sec. disp to ComGenGuadalcanal Is. Com 250055 dtd 25 Jan'45).

2- 8-45 - CNO requests that Bupers assign individuals to billets in the 10th and 11th Brgs. and Regs 42 thru 48. (CNO conf restr ltr Op30-2CK14-UOT/rc over (SC)P16-5 over Ser 49830 dtd 30 Jan'45 to Bupers)

2- 8-45 - The 47th Reg. hereby activated. Transfer enl. personnel, material, and equip. from the 23rd Reg. staff to 47th Reg. Officers to be ordered from the 23rd Reg. to the 44th Regiment. (Comseronsopac Sec Disp to CNB Russells 260522 Jan dtd 3 Feb'45)

2-15-45 - Comsopac Sec. disp to CNB Russells and CNB Guadalcanal 012142 dtd 14 Feb'45 - modifies 250055 Jan'45 - direct the 58th, 71st, 145th and 11th (Sp) to report to the OinC 44th Reg. for duty.

Location - ~~Guadalcanal~~ Okinawa 44th Reg.

2-28-45 - 1 Feb'45 report of the Det. 1008 - 10 men from this unit transferred to the 44th Reg. staff.

3- 6-45 - Comsopac orders 44th Reg. detached from duty CNB Guadalcanal to report to Comgen 3rd PhibCorps for temp duty. Upon completion temp duty and when directed by Comgen 10th Army, 44th Reg. will report to IsCom furas by CTU99.3.5. (Sec Disp 030450 from Comsopac to CNB Guadalcanal)

3-8-45 -- According to Dirpacdocks San Fran 15 Feb'45 report the 11th (Sp) is not listed under the 44th Reg. The 130th CB is listed.

3-29-45 - 1 Mar'45 report of the 44th Reg. - located at Guadalcanal preparing for forwd mov

4-16-45 - 44th Reg. ordered to Cenpac area. (Comseronsopac Sec Rep dtd 1 Apr'45)

5- 1-45 - Dirpacdocks P Sec Rep of 1 Apr'45 shows the 44th Reg. at Okinawa.

5- 8-45 - Dirpacdocks S.F. Sec Rep of 15 Apr'45 shows the 44th Reg. located with 3rd Amph Force temp duty. Assigned Okinawa.

5-21-45 - 1 May'45 report of the 10th Brig - The 44th Reg. reported to the 10th Brig for duty on 14 Apr'45 at Okinawa.

5-24-45 - 1 May'45 report of the 44th Reg. - Activation of the Reg., comprising the 58th, 71st, 130th, and 145th CBs was requested on the 26th of Nov'44 by CincPOA and approved by CNO on 8 Dec'44. The Reg. was to be activated upon the reporting of the OinC to the Co Gen of the III Amph Corps for temp duty, which took place on 6 Jan'45. Subsequently, the 11th CB (sp) with attached base Cos 26 and 32 reported to the 44th Reg for duty. Initially the Reg. and sub units were attached for temp addtl duty as follows:

Unit	Attached To	Location
1/2 11th (Sp) Plus Base Co. 26	6th MarDiv	Guadalcanal

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5-24-45 - 1 May'45 report cont.-

Unit	Attached To	Location
1/2 11th (Sp)		
Plus Base Co. 32	1st MarDiv	Russells
58th CB	6th MarDiv	Guadalcanal
71st CB	III Amph Corps	Guadalcanal
130th CB	2nd MarDiv	Saipan
145th CB	1st MarDiv	Russells
44th Reg Staff	III Amph Corps	Guadalcanal

All units reported to the respective CNB for duties in connection with staging and outfitting. The units continued with the above attachemnts during the period of staging, Jan and Feb. On 5 Mar'45 duty with NBs was terminated and units reported for temp duty with resp units for the period of transp to target-March, and the initial assault landings in early April. On 6 Apr'45 the temp duty of the 58th, 71st and 145th CBs with their resp divisions and Corps was terminated and the operational control of these units passed to the 44th Reg. Temp duty with the III Amph Corps of the 58th, 145th CBs and the staff of the 44th Reg was terminated on 14 Apr'45 and these units reported to the Comdr Const Troops, APO 331 and were further assigned to the 10th Brg for duty. The 130th CB's temp duty orders with the 2nd MarDiv were terminated on 13 Apr'45 and they reported for duty with the 44th Reg on 16 Apr'45. As of 30 Apr'45, the 58th, 130th, and 145th CBs were on duty with the 44th Reg. at Okinawa. The 71st CB and 11th (Sp) with attached Base Cos are still on temp duty with the III Amph Corps.

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Location - Okinawa 44th Regiment

5-24-45 - 1 May'45 report of the 44th Reg. (Cont.) -
Movement of the 44th Reg. Staff
5 Mar'45 - 7 off. and 30 men departed Guadalcanal.
4 Apr'45 - 3 off. arrived Okinawa
6 Apr'45 - 8 men arrived Okinawa
7 Apr'45 - Balance of personnel arrived Okinawa.
8 Apr '45 - All personnel moved to Onna Village, Okinawa.
15 Apr'45 - All personnel moved to Hiza Village, Okinawa.

5-29-45 - 1 Apr'45 report of the 44th Reg - enroute to Okinawa as of 1 Apr.

6-21-45 - 1 Jun'45 report of the 44th Reg. - located at Okinawa. The detachment of the 11th (SP) with attached Base Cos Nos 26 and 32 on 17 May by CCT ltr ser 119 dtd 15 May on authority of CNO ser 01429730 of 19 Dec'44 constitutes the only change within the Reg. As of 31 May, the 58th, 130th, and 145th CBs were on duty with the 44th Reg. The 71st CB administratively attached to the Reg is still on temp duty with the III Amph Corps. Report via 10th Brg.

7-10-45 - The 145th CB detached from the 44th Reg 26 June. Ordered to proceed immediately and report to the OinC 8th Brg. (10th Brg sec orders ser 00115 dtd 26 June to OinC 145th CB)

7-14-45 - 40th CB detached 1 July from the 42nd Reg. Ordered to proceed immediately and report to OinC 44th Reg for duty. (10th Brg sec orders ser 00134 dtd 1 July to OinC 40th CB)

7-14-45 - 58th CB detached 1 July from the 44th Reg. Ordered to proceed immediately and report to OinC 43rd Reg for duty. (10th Brg sec orders ser 00132 dtd 1 July to OinC 58th CB)

7-14445 - 130th CB detached 1 July from the 44th Reg. Ordered to proceed immediately and report to the OinC 43rd Reg for duty. (10th Brg sec orders ser 00133 dtd 1 July to OinC ~~43rd~~ 130th CB)

Location - Okinawa 44th Regiment

7-19-45 - 1 Jul'45 report of the 44th Reg - located at Okinawa. 7 off. and 29 men on bd. Report via 10th Brg.

7-23-45 - Effective 10 July, CB units assigned to the 44th Reg and 10th Brg are as follows: 14th CB, 17th CB, 27th CB, 34th CB, 40th CB, 126th CB. (CCT APO 331 sec report on assignment of CB units ser 897 dtd 10 July to all CB activities assigned CCT APO 331)

7-26-45 - The 40th CB reported to the 44th Reg on 1 Jul'45. (44th Reg Sec end dtd 1 Jul'45 to OinC 40th CB).

7-26-45 - The 17th CB reported to the 10th Brig on 3 Jul'45. Ordered to further report to the 44th Reg for duty. (OinC 10th Brg Sec end Ser 00195 dtd 3 Jul'45 to 17th CB)

7-26-45 - The 34th CB reported to the 10th Brg on 3 Jul'45. Ordered to further report to the 44th Reg for duty. (OinC 10th Brg Sec. End Ser 00218 dtd 3 Jul'45 to 34th CB)

8- 2-45 - The 17th CB reported to the 44th Reg on 4 July. (44th Reg sec end dtd 4 July to OinC 17th CB)

8-21-45 - 1 Aug'45 report of the 44th Reg - located at Okinawa. Report via 10th Brg.

9- 4-45 - 58th CB was detached from the 44th Reg. on 1 July'45 & reported to the 43rd Reg. on orders of CCT, APO 331. 71st CB was detached from the 44th Reg. by order of the CCT, APO 331 & reported to the 43rd Reg on 1 July'45. Their rear echelon consisting of 1 off & 47 men departed from the rear area on 19 May'45 & arrived this base on 12 July'45. The rear echelon of the 130th CB officially reported aboard that unit on 6 July'45 while previously on 1 July'45 this battalion was transferred from the 44th Reg by an order of CCT, APO 331. (43rd Reg sec monthly report for July'45, supplement to).

Location - Okinawa 44th Reg.

9-24-45 - 1 Sept'45 report of 44th Reg. Located at Okinawa. Report via 10th Brig.

10-2-45 - CBMU 534 reported 4 Sept'45 to 44th Reg. (OinC, 44th Reg. sec end ser 753 dtd 4 Sept'45 to OinC, CBMU 534).

11-1-45 - CNOB, Okinawa requests authority to inactivate 44th Reg. (CNOB, Okinawa conf disp 261516 Oct'45 to Comservpac).

11-8-45 - 1 Oct'45 report of 44th Reg. - located at Okinawa. Report via 10th Brig.

11-19-45 - Comservpac approves inactivation of 44th Reg. Advise Comservpac when inactivation is completed. (Comservpac ltr ser 5722 dtd 5 Nov'45 to CNOB, Okinawa).

1-31-46 - Adm. Cotter's corrected locator shows the 44th Reg. was inactivated on 26 Nov'45. (Dirwespacdocks conf rpt. dtd 10 Jan'46).

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Reg. "C" (44 Reg ?)

1-3-45 - Regiment "C" comprised of the 58th, 71st, 130th and 145th CB's assigned Temp duty with MarCorps and the 11th (Sp) plus 2 base companies. This regiment will be activated upon reporting of the new regimental OinC to ComGen3rdPhibCorps for temp add duty. When assualt phase ends and when directed by ComGen 10th Army "C" Reg. will report to IsCom for further assignment to CTU 99.3.5.(Cincpoa Sec. disp to Comsopac 240131 dtd 24 Dec'44).

1-12-45 -Comserforpacflt Sec. ltr Ser. 90PGP/wh over A16-3(20)/NB/2) over Ser. 001475 dtd 26 Dec'44 to CNO -Subj: Advance Base - BIVE - Construction Reg. "C" - Personnel and material for ----Naval Const. Office, 10th Army Hdqtrs top sec. ltr 00055 to Comsec pac dtd 20 Dec'44 requested that one of the 9 Regs. be referred to as "C" Reg. to be activated and designated by Bupers with a Sopac mounting point in lieu of the West Coast. Recommended that all outfitting of this group be done by Comsopac. This Reg will include the 50th, 71st, and 145th CB's from Sopac and the 130th CB from HAB.

ON BOARD

DATE	OFF.	MEN	AUTHORITY
1 Mar'45	7	30	MoR
1 May'45	7	30	MoR
1 Jun'45	6	29	BNP625 & MoR
1 Jul'45	7	29	BNP625 & R
1 Aug'45		47	BNP625 & R
1 Sept'45		32	BNP625
1 Oct'45	5	34	
		9 Transients	BNP625 & R
1 Nov'45	5	47	BNP625 & R

44th Const. Regiment (INACTIVATED)

"C" Const. Regiment

ON BOARD

DATE	OFF.	MEN	TOTAL

"C" Regiment(tentative designation) is assumed to have been later designated as the 44th Reg.

"C" Const. Regiment

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Date	Organization	Location	Reference	Notes
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H.4th Regiment

Date	Organization	Location	Reference	Notes
1/18	—	111th Phib Corps.	CG 111th Phib Corps Sec disp 0905562.	activated 6 dec. Consist of 58, 71, 130, 145
1/22	—	"	Com Gen 3rd Phib corps sec disp 200419 Jan	Modify 0905562. activated 6 Jan 1945.
1/26	—	"	Com Sopac sec 250055 Jan.	directed to report CNB Guadal & further directed to report Com Gen 3rd Phib Corps for temp add'l duty. (requested to cancel 0905562)
1/29	—	"	Com Gen 3rd Phib Corps - sec. 2723172 Jan.	activated 6 Jan by 250055. — Cancel 0905562 and 2004192
3/10	—	"	Com Sopac sec, disp. 030450 Mar.	detach from Guadal & report Com Gen 3rd Phib Corps temp dy.

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