

**DATA SHEET**  
**380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT**

No. 013

SERIAL NO.:	<u>42-40496</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME:	<u>"JUAREZ WHISTLE"</u>
MODEL:	<u>B-24D-65-CO</u>	MFR:	<u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
		CONTRACTOR'S NO.:	<u>1573</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE:	<u>02/27/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE:	<u>03/11/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE:	<u>03/15/1943</u>	MOD CENTER DATE:	<u>03/20/1943</u>
		MOD CENTER PLACE:	<u>Tucson</u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE:	<u>03/16/1943</u>		
TO STAGING AREA DATE:	<u>04/07/1943</u>	STAGING PLACE:	<u>Topeka</u>
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE:	<u>04/17/1943</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE:	<u>Hamilton Field, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE:	<u>04/24/1943</u>	DESTINATION:	<u>Amberly Field, Brisbane, AUS</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS:	<u>Nose turret</u>	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE:	<u>Townsville</u>
ASSIGNMENT:	<u>380/528/530</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE:	<u>Initial Deployment, To 530 07/05/1943</u>
STATION:	<u>Fenton</u>		
FIRST MISSION:	<u>05/30/1943</u>	WHERE (1 <sup>ST</sup> MISSION):	<u>Surabaya, Java</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS:	<u>27 AU</u>	TERMINATION DATE:	<u>02/01/1944</u>
WHY TERMINATED:	<u>Crash Landing</u>		
WHERE TERMINATED:	<u>Fenton, NT, Australia</u>		
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE:	<u>12/31/1945</u>	WHERE REMOVED:	<u>OSSO</u>

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# AIRCRAFT RECORD CARD

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MODEL <u>B-24D</u>		SERIAL NUMBER <u>42-40496</u>	
TYPE <u>P-1</u>	GROUP NO. <u>W535-ac-24620</u>	COST <u>\$ 297,627.00</u>	DATE RECEIVED <u>3-16-43</u>
STATUS <u>S</u>	DATE DROPPED	MANUFACTURER <u>Consolidated</u>	

LOCATION	DATE	AGE	FLYING TIME			TRANSFERRED		REMARKS
			TIME	NUMBER	COMMENTS	TO	DATE	
								Tucson (By Air) 3-20-43
								Center
								Topeka 4-7-43
								Hamilton 4-15-43
								Left A 4-17-43 4-24-43
								LEFT 4-26-43
								LEFT 5-01-43 05-01-43
								EXC INV LST 0550 123145 21046

## MAINTENANCE CREW

**Serial No.:** 42-40496

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**Model:** B-24D-65-CO

	<b>SSN</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>Crew Chief(s):</b>	36302130	M/Sgt	Sydney E. Allen

	<b>SSN</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>Mechanic(s):</b>	37273235	S/Sgt	Morris G. Michaelson
	35380650	Sgt	William L. Miller
	34268866	Cpl	James R. Morris

**Notes:**

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*Possible Nose Turret Installation July-August 1943*

*Right Side Only*

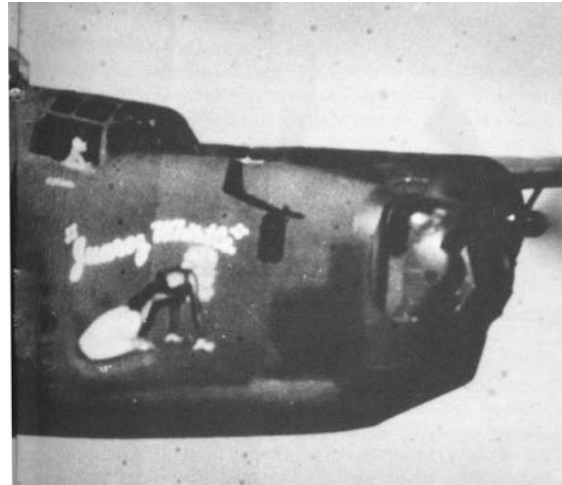


John Dennis Crew

Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*, p. 66; Livingstone, *Under the Southern Cross*, p. 71.



Source: Horton/Horton, *King of the Heavies*, p. 147.



Source: Horton/Horton, *King of the Heavies*, p. 27.



Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*, p. 40.



Source: Janet L. Moore Collection.



### DENNIS CREW

Crew members of a Consolidated B-24 of the 530th Bomb Squadron, 380th Bomb Group at Fenton Field, Australia who participated in a bombing mission over Balikpapan, Borneo. They are, left to right: T/Sgt. Charles W. Wilbert of Spokane, Washington, radio operator; S/Sgt. Chester W. Ostrowski of Toledo, Ohio, ass't engineer; S/Sgt. Richard Mather of Hamilton Sq., New Jersey, waist gunner and F/Sgt. (RAF) Richard B. Dakeyne of Sydney, Australia, waist gunner. Back row, left to right: Capt. J. S. Dennis of Richmond, Va., pilot; Lt. R. H. Kunz of Minneapolis, Minn., bombardier; 2nd Lt. P. C. Hubner of Warren, Ohio, navigator; T/Sgt. Lyle R. Hastings of Milesburg, Pa., engineer, and S/Sgt. Jesse Estes of Montgomery, Alabama, armorer-gunner. 30 August 1943.

Source: Jim Leddy.

## MISSION RECORD

**SN** 42-40496      **NOSE ART** "JUAREZ WHISTLE"      **MODEL** D-65-CO

**SQDN ASSGD** 530      **MFR** Consolidated-San Diego      **M#** 496

**LOCATION:** Australia

**NOTES:** Nose Turret Apparently Fitted on Arrival in Australia

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
1	05/30/1943		Recce	Surabaya	3	Banks	528	
2	06/11/1943	FEN I-35	Strike	Koepang, Timor	25	Connery	530	
3	06/15/1943	FEN I-37	Strike	Kendari, Celebes	6	Beller	528	
4	06/23/1943	FEN I-42	Strike	Macassar, Celebes	1	Z. Smith	528	Hastings Crew
5	08/13/1943	FEN II-21	Strike	Balikpapan	25	Connery	530	
6	08/17/1943	FEN II-24	Strike	Balikpapan	23	Dennis	530	
7	08/21/1943	FEN II-23	Strike	Pomelaa	25	Connery	530	
8	08/19/1943	FEN II-25	Recce	Nabire, Manokwari	1	Z. Smith	528	Hastings Crew
9	08/22/1943	FEN II-26	Strike	Kendari	23	Dennis	530	Aborted, Weather
10	09/01/1943	FEN II-30	Recce	Lombok Straits, Waingepoe	23	Dennis	530	
11	09/05/1943	FEN II-34	Recce	Nabire, Manokwari, Sorong	23	Dennis	530	

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SN 42-40496 NOSE ART "JUAREZ WHISTLE" MODEL D-65-CO

SQDN ASSGD 530 MFR Consolidated-San Diego M# 496

LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: Mission 19: Second Deployment to New Guinea w/ 43rd BG

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
12	09/11/1943	FEN II-38	Strike	Macassar	21	Bratton	530	
13	09/14/1943	FEN II-39	Strike	Kendari	23	F. Miller	530	
14	09/19/1943	FEN II-42	Strke	Ambon	23	Dennis	530	
15	09/21/1943	FEN II-44	Strike	Langgoer A/D, Kai Island	23	Dennis	530	
16	09/30/1943	FEN II-48	Recce	Boela, Sorong, Kokas	52	Cesario	530	
17	10/04/1943	FEN I-59	Search	Search for Missing Catalina	26	R. Craig	530	Special Missions-Australia
18	10/09/1943	FEN II-2	Strike	Macassar	23	Dennis	530	
19	10/13/1943	285-L	Strike	Rabaul		Craig		Aborted, Weather
20	10/27/1943	FEN III-13	Search	Search for Missing Aircraft, Banda and Arafura Seas	52	Cesario	530	



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SQDN ASSGD 530 MFR Consolidated-San Diego M# 496

LOCATION: Australia

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NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
21	10/29/1943	FEN III-15	Recce	Kokas, Sorong, Boela	38	Harkins	530	
22	11/03/1943	FEN III-19	Recce	Kokas, Boela, Selaru	38	Dennis	530	
23	11/09/1943	FEN III-21	Strike	Sourabaja	57	Ross	530	
24	11/17/1943	FEN III-24	Strike	Tjepoe, Java	23	Dennis	530	
25	11/21/1943	FEN III-28	Strike	Maikoor	52	Cesario	530	
26	11/24/1943	FEN III-30	Strike	Kaoe Bay, Halmahera	23	Dennis	530	
27	12/12/1943	FEN III-37	Recce	Kokas, Boela	25	Connery	530	
								Crash Landing, Feb 1944, Salvaged