

DATA SHEET
380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT

No. 076

SERIAL NO.: <u>42-72942</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME: <u>PUSS & BOOTS</u>
MODEL: <u>B-24D-170-CO</u>	MFR: <u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
	CONTRACTOR'S NO.: <u>2512</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE: <u>08/08/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE: <u>08/16/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE: <u>08/20/1943</u>	MOD CENTER DATE: <u>08/23/1943</u>
	MOD CENTER PLACE: <u>Tucson</u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE: <u>08/21/1943</u>	
TO STAGING AREA DATE: _____	STAGING PLACE: _____
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE: <u>09/19/1943</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE: <u>Fairfield, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE: _____	DESTINATION: <u>Townsville</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS: _____	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE: _____
ASSIGNMENT: <u>380/528</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE: <u>11/1943</u>
STATION: <u>Fenton</u>	
FIRST MISSION: <u>12/07/1943</u>	WHERE (1 ST MISSION): <u>Pelaw Village, Haroekoe Is.</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS: <u>47 AU/NG + 19 PH = 66</u>	TERMINATION DATE: <u>06/22/1945</u>
WHY TERMINATED: <u>Salvaged</u>	
WHERE TERMINATED: <u>Biak Island, New Guinea</u>	
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE: <u>06/05/1945</u>	WHERE REMOVED: <u>UCIP</u>

NOTES: Fitted with Trimetrogon Cameras

MAINTENANCE CREW

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Nose Art: PUSS & BOOTS

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	SSN	Rank	Name
Crew Chief(s):	34135387	M/Sgt	William M. Wren

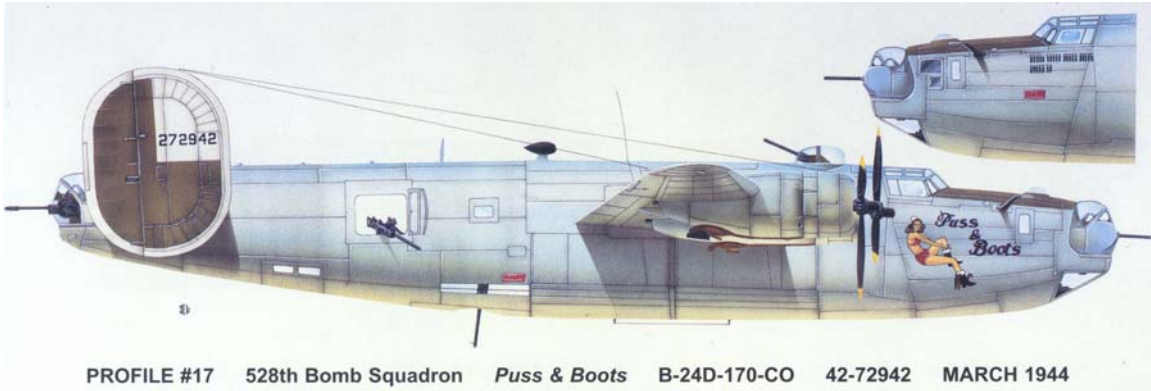
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Mechanic(s):			Not Available in Current Records

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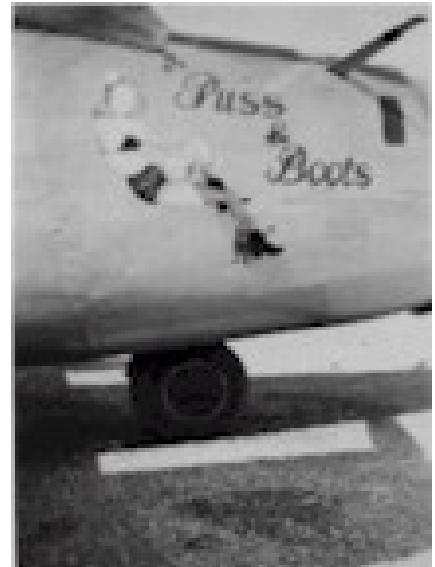


Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*.

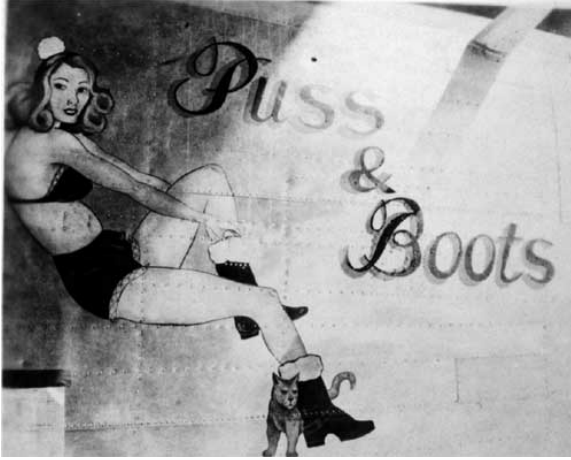
Right Side



Source: Horton/Horton, *King of the Heavies*, p. 135.



<http://www.b24bestweb.com/pussandboots1.htm>



<http://www.b24bestweb.com/pussandboots2.htm>



Source: Joe Dally Collection.



Source: Pete Burris Collection.



Source: Unknown

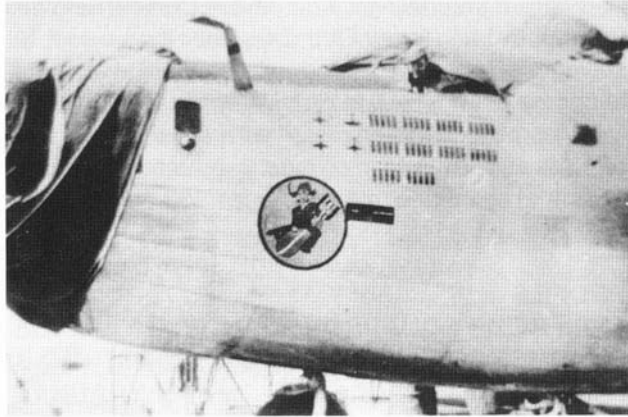


#942 *Puss & Boots* had a Hawaiian Air Depot modification kit added to its nose. Note the construction.

Joe Dally Collection

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 478.

Left Side



The scoreboard on the left side of *Puss & Boots* showing 50 missions and 4 fighter kills.

James Murtaugh Collection

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 478.

MISSION RECORD

SN 42-72942 **NOSE ART** PUSS & BOOTS **MODEL** D-170-CO
SQDN ASSGD 528 **MFR** Consolidated-San Diego **M#** 942

LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: Missions 6-9: New Guinea Deployment III

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
1	12/07/1943	FEN III-35	Strike	Pelauw Village, Haroekoe Island	2	Parker	528	First Mission for this Crew
2	12/10/1943	FEN III-36	Strike	Balikpapan	2	Parker	528	
3	12/15/1943	FEN III-38	Strike	Balikpapan	10	Dunseth	528	
4	12/21/1943	FEN III-40	Strike	Amahai, Ceram Island	3	Calhoun	528	
5	12/27/1943	FEN III-42	Strike	Shipping, Pomelaa	6	Bousfield	528	First Mission for this Crew
6	12/31/1943	364CC	Strike	Alexishafen	25	Connery	530	
7	01/01/1944	1AA	Strike	Saidor	25	Connery	530	
8	01/02/1944	2A-1	Strike	Saidor	25	Connery	530	
9	01/04/1944	4I-1	Recce	Bismarck Sea	25	Connery	530	
10	01/08/1944	FEN II-61	Search	Search for Missing B-24	10	Dunseth	528	Special Missions-Australia
11	01/12/1944	FEN IV-3	Strike	Balikpapan	2	Parker	528	
12	02/07/1944	FEN IV-26	Strike	Ambon	7	Raggio	528	First Mission for this Crew

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NOTES: Missions 13-15: New Guinea Deployment IV

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
13	03/01/1944	61-F	Strike	Awar Plantation, Hansa Bay, NG	10	Dunseth	528	
14	03/02/1944	62-F	Strike	Nubia A/D, Hansa Bay, NG	10	Dunseth	528	
15	03/03/1944	64-C	Strike	Hollandia	9	Dally	528	First Mission for this Crew
16	03/14/1944	FEN V-20	Recce	Shipping, Timor Sea	2	R. Parker	528	
17	03/18/1944	FEN V-35	Recce	Shipping, Timor Sea	5	Sheehan	528	
18	03/23/1944	FEN VI-1	Recce	Tri-Met, SW New Guinea	7	Hahn	528	Raggio Crew; Abort, Oxygen
19	03/25/1944	FEN VI-5	Recce	Tri-Met, Tanimbar Island	15	Benbow	528	Abort, Weather
20	04/05/1944	FEN VI-12	Recce	Tri-Met, SW New Guinea	87	G. Smith	531	Baptist Crew
21	04/07/1944	FEN VI-17	Recce	Tri-Met, Tanimbar Island	2	R. Parker	528	
22	04/20/1944	FEN VI-27	Strike	Noemfoor Island	14	Russell	528	
23	04/21/1944	FEN VI-30	Strike	Noemfoor Island	10	Dunseth	528	

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NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
24	04/23/1944	FEN VI-34	Strike	Noemfoor Island	10	Dunseth	528	
25	05/28/1944	FEN VII-25	Strike	Jefman	10	Dunseth	528	
26	06/27/1944	FEN VII-42	Tri-Met	Tanimbar Island	10	Dunseth	528	
27	07/03/1944	FEN VIII-4	Tri-Met	Tanimbar Island	6	Bousfield	528	
28	07/22/1944	FEN III-55	Search	Search for Missing Catalina	3	Stovell	528	Special Missions-Australia
29	08/14/1944	FEN IX-32	Tri-Met	Tanimbar Island	14	McLain	528	
30	10/14/1944	DAR I-36A	Search H-2	Molucca Sea	6	Hartley	528	Landed Morotai
31	10/15/1944	DAR I-36B	Return	Ceram and Banda Seas	6	Hartley	528	Returned Darwin
32	10/25/1944	DAR II-22	Strike	Ambesia	12	Barrett (RAAF)	528	
33	10/29/1944	DAR II-31	Search G-1-Red	Banda Sea	16	Spencer	528	

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34	11/02/1944	DAR II-46	Strike	Macassar	16	Spencer	528	
35	11/08/1944	DAR III-9	Search I-1-Red	Banda and Molucca Seas	9	Tate	528	
36	11/11/1944	DAR II-19	Search H-2-Green	Banda Sea	12	Barrett (RAAF)	528	
37	11/22/1944	DAR IV-1	Strike	Maniang Island	21	Wilkins (RAAF)	528	First Mission for this Crew
38	11/28/1944	DAR IV-15	Search G-2-Green	Flores Sea	9	Tate	528	
39	12/02/1944	DAR IV-25	Strike	Boro Boro	21	Wilkins (RAAF)	528	
40	12/06/1944	DAR IV-43	Strike	Kendari and Boro Boro	9	Tate	528	
41	12/12/1944	DAR V-16	Strike	Kendari	21	Wilkins (RAAF)	528	

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42	12/23/1944	DAR V-29	Search G-1-Red	Flores Sea	9	Tate	528	
43	12/31/1944	DAR VI-15	Strike	Ambesia	9	Tate	528	
44	01/05/1945	DAR VI-31	Strike	Pomelaa	9	Tate	528	
45	01/07/1945	DAR VI-36	Search H-2-Green	Banda Sea	21	Wilkins (RAAF)	528	
46	01/09/1945	DAR VI-43	Search H-2-Green	Banda Sea	21	Wilkins (RAAF)	528	
47	01/12/1945	DAR VII-1	Strike	Lembar, Soemba	9	Dyson	528	Tate Crew
								Transferred to Mindoro, The Philippines