



This all grey A-10A Warthog, serial 77-0232, did not carry any unit markings. The Warthogs were pooled within the 81st TFW. Without being hindered by a high fence in front of you, making photos of aircraft on the taxiway was quite easy.

	D-6653 D-6656 D-8049	F-104G F-104G F-104G	322/323sq 322/323sq 322/323sq		tdy tdy tdy
	D-8058 D-8093	F-104G F-104G	322/323sq 322/323sq		tdy tdy
	K-4027	NF-5B	unit nn		lay
	252/V, 254/V	SP-13A	321sq		*
10.	D-8342	F-104G	322/323sq		
3	204/V	SP-2H	320sq		*
	37+63, 38+35	F-4F	JG71		11
	61-0653	CT-39A	58th MAS		
	61-0679	CT-39A	58th MAS		11
	74-1534	F-5E	527th TFTAS		11
	77-0230/WR	A-10A	81st TFW		
	77-0232/WR	A-10A	81st TFW		
	77-0235/WR	A-10A	81st TFW		-
	258/V	SP-13A	321sq		•
	70-1264	C-130E	37th TAS		*
	254/V	SP-13A	321sq		
	74-1532	F-5E	527th TFTAS		19
	74-1534	F-5E	527th TFTAS		18
	74-1548	F-5E	527th TFTAS		19
	D-6667	F-104G	322/323sq		
	D-6683 D-8272	F-104G F-104G	322/323sq 322/323sq		
	D-8288	F-104G F-104G	322/323sq 322/323sq		
	D-8304	F-104G F-104G	322/323sq 322/323sq		
	WV746	Pembroke C1			
	63-7440/SP	F-4C	81st TFS		
	63-7513/SP	F-4C	81st TFS		
	66-7667/SP	F-4D	52nd TFW	unit tbc	19



Jonathan Verschuuren pictured one of the locals at the "Bakermat" on 11 April 1979. This Eagle can still be found at AMARG, where it arrived on 26 September 1994.

,	(Soesterbei	rg, 10 April 1979,	Hans Drost)
19. D-5702	TF-104G	TCA	
D-5813	TF-104G	TCA	
D-6654	F-104G	322/323sq	
D-8091	F-104G	312sq	emergency
D-8342	F-104G	322/323sq	
62-4461	CT-39A	58th MAS	
66-7563/SP	F-4D	480th TFS	
66-7575/SP	F-4D	480th TFS	
69-6606	UH-1N	67th ARRS det.:	
69-6608	UH-1N	67th ARRS det.:	2
71-0879	C-9A	55th AAS	
74-1532	F-5E	527th TFTAS	24
74-1548	F-5E	527th TFTAS	27
74-1559	F-5E	527th TFTAS	24
20. K-4002	NF-5B	313sq	
XW789	HS125 CC1		
66-7563/SP	F-4D	480th TFS	
66-7575/SP	F-4D	480th TFS	
66-8804/SP	F-4D	480th TFS	
23. D-8304	F-104G	322/323sq	
D-8342	F-104G	322/323sq	
251/V	SP-13A	321sq	25
24.61-0653	CT-39A	58th MAS	
74-1550	F-5E	527th TFTAS	27
25. 262/K	UH-14A	7sq	
XV414/P	Phantom FG		
XV470/V	Phantom FG		
26. D-8304	F-104G	322/323sq	
D-8319	F-104G	322/323sq	
K-4015	NF-5B	313sq	*
247	AH-12A	860sq	
251/V	SP-13A	321sq	*
61-0654	CT-39A	58th MAS	
63-7885	C-130E	37th TAS	
68-0567/AR	RF-4C	1st TRS	
27.74-1532	F-5E	527th TFTAS	

During the month of April, Dutch Starfighters were flying from both Soesterberg and Volkel. Due to runway improvements at their home base Leeuwarden, six Starfighters were based at Soesterberg and seventeen at Volkel. During this period, the ones based at Volkel frequently visited their colleagues at Soesterberg. On 10 April 1979, the German Phantoms flew 'against' the local F-15 Eagles, whilst the US aggressors were noted on a frequently doing the same sort of exercise.

The unit inventory of the 32nd TFS in April 1979 consisted of the following F-15A/B Eagles.

F-15A-18-	MC		
77-0074	350/A286	77-0075	351/A287

75-0749	F-16A	6512th TS	,	•
75-0752	F-16B	6512th TS	,	
23. BR14	Mirage 5BR	42sm/2W		
MM6881/53-12	F-104S	21°Gr	24	۲
MM6825/53-20	F-104S	21°Gr	24	۲
MM54251/20-15	TF-104G	20°Gr	24	۲
24. MM6869/4-3	F-104S	9°Gr		
MM6739/4-10	F-104S	9°Gr		
25. 68-0022/UH	F-111E	79th TFS		
26. MM61989/46-03	C-130H	50°Gr		
77-0085/CR	F-15A	32nd TFS		

The Dutch Starfighter contingent was based here for almost a month, due to runway improvements at their home base Leeuwarden. They left Volkel and headed back home somewhere in late April. The Italian Starfighters on 18 April arrived for a squadron exchange with their partners of 312sq. On 19 April, two JBG34 Starfighters arrived for a pre-exchange visit. The squadron exchange itself took place from 22 to 31 May, when five F-104Gs were visiting. Big surprise this month was the flyby of two prototype F-16s from the Air Force Flight Test Center (AFFTC). They were on their way from Skrydstrup to Hahn AFB for a series of test flights. A total of four AFFTC F-16s came to

Europe, conducting a series of test flights for a period of three months

Ypenburg

	April 1979
RF-104G	306sq
SP-13A	321sq
F27-300M	334sq
F27-200	Philippine AF 208th ATS
RF-104G	306sq
NF-5A	316sq
SP-13A	321sq
F27-200	Phil AF / 208ATS arr
F27-100	Lauda Air dep
	SP-13A F27-300M F27-200 RF-104G NF-5A SP-13A F27-200

The Philippine Air Force F27 10210 was seen on a test flight after heavy maintenance and conversion from F27-100 to F27-200 at the Fokker overhaul plant. The 10296 arrived for overhaul. These were two of a contract for eight Philippine F27s which went through Ypenburg in a period of 2 years. The others were 10148, 10246, 10267, 10310, 10327 and 10328, some of which were in such a bad shape that they arrived by boat.



We conclude this month's movements with this fine study of German F-4F 37+63. The Phantom has big, clear markings as we think they should be, and will be in service for thirty years to come. (Soesterberg, April 1979, Henk de Ridder)

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