

BULLWHIP SQUADRON ASSOCIATION

1 August, 1999

Greetings to all Air Cavalry Troopers.

As many of you know, the Bullwhip 6 call sign was that of COL John B. Stockton, Commander of the 3rd/17th Air Cav Squadron, 11th Air Assault Division, Fort Benning, GA and later of the 1st/9th Air Cav Squadron, 1st Cav Division in Vietnam. The Air Cav Squadron during this period, was called the Bullwhip Squadron. As Commander of the Bullwhip Squadron, COL Stockton designed and perfected those Air Cav tactics necessary to support the Division with the “eyes and ears” intelligence required to find and fix the enemy and at the same time providing the greatest safety to our own troopers.

COL Stockton has been respectfully called the Father of modern Air Cavalry operations.

The Bullwhip Squadron Association was formed around those troopers that were in the above units during COL Stockton’s command, and in 1994 our first Bullwhip Squadron Association reunion was held.

Many Troopers came after the Bullwhip group and was assigned to the 1st/9th in Vietnam. You proudly carried on the tradition of true Air Cav operations, close ties, belief in God and fellowship. Above all, you maintained the spirit of professionalism and the pride of the 1st/9th Cav Squadron.

Many of you Troopers who served in the 1st/9th Air Cav Squadron in Vietnam, and later in E Troop and F Troop, Vietnam, have expressed a desire to join the Bullwhip Squadron Association in support of Army Air Cav.

It is my pleasure to announce that membership in the Bullwhip Squadron Association is open to all members who served in the 1st/9th and E and F Troop, and associated, attached units to the 1st/9th in Vietnam.

It is the Association’s hope that you favorably consider joining the Bullwhip Squadron Association. The membership cost is only \$15 per year or \$100 for a lifetime membership. Annual dues are from January to December. Association News Letters are mailed to all members 3 to 4 times a year, filled with a lot of nice to know, important to know, stories of troopers experience, and letters to the editor. Additionally, the Association maintains a list of all known troopers and their addresses. The Squadron also holds a reunion every two years, at a site picked by trooper ballot. Our next reunion will be at Fort Rucker, AL in October, 2000. The newsletter will give particulars.

Well Troopers, now is decision time. You are part of us and our heritage as an Air Cav Squadron. We look forward to you joining our organization. Please take time to read the attached “Invitation to Join”, fill out the form, and mail it to the Bullwhip Squadron Association, care of: Loel Ewart.

The Association will be holding another reunion in 2000. More news of this will be forthcoming in the Associations November 99 and March 2000 Newsletter.

If you have any questions, you can contact either;

Loel Ewart
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Ozark, AL 36360,
Ph # (334) 774-0328

or,

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1145 Holland Rd.
Newton, AL 36352
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We are looking for many lost Cav Troopers to present this invitation to. If you know of any Troopers who were in the above units in Vietnam during the stated timeframe that have not received this invitation, feel free to reproduce both the letter and Official Invitation To Join, and send to those Troopers.

At present, we have approximately 320 troopers that have paid dues for 1998. Our 1999 dues are coming in daily, with many from new members. We are here for you, and you are part of an elite group. So become part of us, support your Squadron and join!!!

I remain,

David J. Allen
BG (Ret)
Commander, Bullwhip Squadron Association

OFFICIAL INVITATION TO JOIN

BULLWHIP SQUADRON ASSOCIATION

August 1, 1999

I hereby submit my request to join the Bullwhip Squadron Association. I am a veteran in good standing, of Vietnam duty, with either the 1st/9th Air Cav Squadron or E Troop or F Troop.

Enclosed is my \$15 check made out to the Bullwhip Squadron Association. _____

OR

Enclosed is my lifetime dues of \$100 _____

Name: _____
(Print) First MI Last

Spouses Name: _____

Address: _____

Complete mailing address with zip code

Phone Number: () -

E-mail Address: _____

Dates Served in Vietnam: From: _____ To: _____

Unit: _____

Call Sign: _____

Other Information As You Desire:

Signature

Mail to; BWS Association, c/o Loel Ewart, Rt. 2 Box 158, Ozark, AL 36360
