

## 334. INFANTERIE-DIVISION - UNIT HISTORY

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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1942/11/09	Nuernberg, Wehrkreis XIII	Callup of Stammeinheiten by Stellv. Gen.Kdo. XIII for the formation of the 334.ID	Subordinate to: OKH/Chef d HRuest u Bfh d Ersatzheeres, 1942/11/09-1942/12/25
1942/11/13	Truppenuebungplatz Grafenwoehr	Activation of the 334.ID (18.Welle)	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Friedrich Weber, 1942/11/13-1943/05/28
1942/11/17	Grafenwoehr	Reorganization as a mobilized division, equipping, training	
1942/12/08-1943/01/10	Bizerte, Tunis, La Goulette, Tunisia via Naples and Sicily, Italy	Transfer	Subordinate to: PzAOK 5, 1942/12/26-1943/01/03
1943/01/03	Sidi-Athman, west of Tunis, Pont-du-Fahs, Chaouat, Tebourba	Assembly, defensive and offensive operations	10.PzD (Korpsgruppe Fischer), 1943/01/04-1943/02/01
1943/01/15	Kebir Pass, Nebana, Oued-Zarga, Djebel-Dabouss, Sbikha, Goerrat-el-Toubia	Formation and offensive engagements by Kampfgruppe Weber (Korpsgruppe, 2 Feb 1943)	
1943/02/02	Pont-du-Fahs, Chaouat, Tebourba	Defensive operations	PzAOK 5, 1943/02/02-1943/04/04

Records of the 334.ID are reproduced on rolls 2084-2086 of NARS Microfilm Publication T315 and are described following the unit history.

Although no records of this division dated later than 1943/04/04 were available in the National Archives, situation maps of Lage Nordafrika, West, and Italien as of 1 Aug 1944, the general officer personnel files, and manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series show:

1943/04/05	Pont-du-Fahs, Chaouat, Tebourba	Defensive operations	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Fritz Krause, 1943/04/26-?
1943/05/05	Medjerda Mountains	Breakthrough by enemy forces	
1943/05/06	North of the Medjerda Mountains	Withdrawal	
1943/05/08	Mateur	Encirclement (probably captured)	
1943/06/05	Libourne, France	Reconstitution of the 334.ID, formation, training	Gen.Lt. Heinz Ziegler, 1943/06/05-1943/10/20

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1943/10/18	Libourne, Mimizan	Operational readiness, occupation duty	
1943/11/01	Libourne	Transfer of a Kampfstaffel of the 334.ID to Heeresgruppe B	
1943/11/10ca.	Italy	Transfer	
			Obst. Martin Schmidt, mstFb., 1944/01/18-1944/02/02 Gen.Lt. Hellmuth Boehlke, 1944/02/01-1945/04/16
1944/05/23- 1944/07/28	Pontecorvo	(Source: records of OKH/Chef d NS-Fuehrungs- stabes des Heeres, H 42/5 & 6 (T78, roll 136, Guide 29, p. 36, newspaper of the 334.ID, Jul-Oct 1944))	
1944/08/01	Reggello, Pelago, Borgo San Lorenzo, Castiglione dei Pepoli, Castel del Rio, Casal Fiumanese	Disengagement movements	
1944/10/05	Casal Fiumanese, Dozza	Defensive operations	
1945/03/09ca.	Piumazzo, Castelfranco di Sopra	Withdrawal, defensive operations	
1945/04/10	Missano	Reorganization as 334. Volksgren-Div, movement, defensive operations	
1945/04/19	Guiglia	Withdrawal, defensive operations	

Manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series, prepared by former German officers for the Historical Division, Headquarters U.S. Army, Europe, between 1945 and 1959, contain references to the 334.ID as follows:

Tunisia:

MS D-146 (Die letzten Kaempfe der 334.ID in Tunis vom 26. April bis 9. Mai 1943), by Gen.Maj. Fritz Krause

MS D-215 (Battles of the 334.ID and of Group Weber from the end of December 1942 to May 1943) and

MS P-149/31 (Gegenangriff einer gemischten Kampfgruppe mit begrenztem Ziel (Kampfgruppe Weber suedw. Tunis 15.-22.1.1943)),  
by Gen.Lt. Friedrich Weber.

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Ia, KTB 1. War journal concerning callup of Stammeinheiten (parent units) for the formation of the 334.ID by Stellv.Gen.Kdo. XIII in Nuernberg, 9 Nov 1942; activation at Truppeneubungsplatz Grafenwoehr, 13 Nov 1942; reorganization as a mobilized division, 17 Nov; formation, equipping, training, and preparations for transfer to Italy, 18 Nov-7 Dec; transfer to Naples and Sicily and then to Bizerte and El-Acuina, Tunisia, by air, and to La Goulette and Tunis by ship, 8 Dec 1942-10 Jan 1943; assembly in the Sidi-Athman area, 3 Jan; defensive operations in the Font-du-Fahs, Chaouat, and Tebourba areas west of Tunis, 4 Jan-4 Apr 1943; and offensive engagements by Geb.Jaeg.Rgt. 756/Kampfgruppe Weber (Korpsgruppe Weber as of 2 Feb 1943) to take the Kebir Pass and the Nebana defile, attack on Oued-Zarga, and the recapture of Djebel-Dabouss, 15-22 Jan, and fighting in the Sbikha and Goerrat-el-Toubia areas, 29-31 Jan 1943.	1942/11/09-1943/04/04	334.ID 28880/1	2084	1
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Daily reports, orders, tables, and sketches pertaining to formation of the 334.ID and transfer to and combat operations in Tunisia, 13 Nov 1942-15 Jan 1943; operational readiness, 10 Jan 1943; and formation of Kampfgruppe Weber for preparations for and execution of Unternehmen Olivenernte (offensive engagements in the Oued-Zarga and Medjez-el-Bab areas), 9-15 Jan 1943. Order-of-battle charts; strength reports; notes on command conferences; special supply directives; data relating to enemy operations; and a chronological report in English regarding the formation of the 334.ID at Truppeneubungsplatz Grafenwoehr and the transfer to and combat operations in Tunisia, 13 Nov 1942-15 Jan 1943.	1942/11/14-1943/01/15	334.ID 28880/2	2084	148
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Daily reports and messages, orders, and directives pertaining to defensive operations and reorganization to increase mobility and	1943/01/15-1943/02/11	334.ID 28880/3	2084	374

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for defense, 15 Jan-11 Feb 1943, and execution of Unternehmen Kuckucksei (attack in the Sbikha area, 30-31 Jan) by Kampfgruppe Weber. Status and strength reports, a list of officers duty assignments, data relating to enemy operations, and an intelligence bulletin.				
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Daily reports and messages, orders, and overlays pertaining to defensive operations and construction of positions in the area west of Tunis, 11-27 Feb 1943; advance on Beja and TebourSouk, 22 Feb; and execution of Unternehmen Ochsenkopf (attack toward Beja to breakthrough the enemy east front, 26-27 Feb). A table showing organization of Korpsgruppe Weber, strength reports, special directives concerning signal communications and increasing artillery effectiveness, and data relating to enemy operations.	1943/02/11-1943/02/27	334.ID 28880/4	2085	1
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Daily reports and messages and orders pertaining to defensive operations in the area west of Tunis, 27 Feb-1 Mar 1943. A map showing the tactical disposition of Korpsgruppe Weber, as of 28 Feb, and data relating to enemy operations.	1943/02/27-1943/03/01	334.ID 28880/5	2085	322
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Daily reports and messages and orders pertaining to defensive operations in the area west of Tunis, 1-5 Mar 1943, and the continuation of Unternehmen Ochsenkopf, 1-3 Mar 1943. An order-of-battle chart; casualty and status reports; special directives concerning battle conduct; maps showing the tactical disposition of Korpsgruppe Weber, 1 and 5 Mar; and data relating to enemy operations and losses.	1943/03/01-1943/03/05	334.ID 28880/6	2085	574
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 1. Daily messages and reports and orders pertaining to defensive and reconnaissance operations of Korpsgruppe Weber in the area west of Tunis, 6-22 Mar 1943. An order-of-battle chart of Korpsgruppe Weber; strength reports; instruction	1943/03/06-1943/03/22	334.ID 28880/7	2085	858

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pamphlets concerning march and traffic control, military security, commitment of tanks, and peculiarities of British combat methods employed in North Africa; a report regarding personnel matters; and data relating to enemy operations.				
Ia, Anlagen zum KTE 1. Afteraction report and critique, orders, and daily reports and messages pertaining to execution of Unternehmen Eilbote I (attack from the area southeast of Pont-du-Fahs toward Oued-Zarqa and to take the Kebir Pass and Nebana defile and to recapture Djebel-Dabouss) by Kampfgruppe Weber.	1943/01/13-1943/01/25	334.ID 28880/8	2086	1
Ia, Anlagen zum KTE 1. Daily messages and orders pertaining to Unternehmen Eilbote I, 16-25 Jan 1943, and a war journal of Kampfgruppe Weber, 13-20 Jan 1943.	1943/01/16-1943/01/25	334.ID 28880/9	2086	54
Ia, Anlagen zum KTF 1. Daily messages, reports, orders, an afteraction critique, and sketches pertaining to assembly for and execution of Unternehmen Eilbote II (attack from the area around Dra-el-Maamir, along the El Hamra-Robaa road, to Sbikha); and data relating to enemy operations.	1943/01/28-1943/02/01	334.ID 28880/10	2086	276