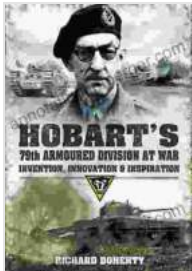


Hobart 79th Armoured Division At War: A Historical Retelling of an Elite Armored Unit



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The Hobart 79th Armoured Division, also known as the "Funnies," was an elite tank force that played a pivotal role in the Allied victory in World War II. Formed in 1943 under the command of Major-General Percy Hobart, the division was equipped with a unique array of specialized armored vehicles that were designed to overcome the challenges of modern warfare.

This comprehensive historical account delves into the remarkable journey of the Hobart 79th Armoured Division, from its inception to its heroic campaigns throughout the war. Through detailed descriptions and firsthand accounts, the book unveils the division's innovative tactics, technological advancements, and unwavering determination.

Formation and Training

The Hobart 79th Armoured Division was formed in response to the increasing need for specialized armored units in World War II. General Hobart, a visionary military strategist, recognized the limitations of traditional tank warfare and sought to develop new methods to overcome enemy defenses.

The division was meticulously trained at a dedicated facility in Dorset, England. The rigorous training exercises tested the abilities of the crews and honed their skills in operating the division's unique vehicles. By the time the division was deployed to France in 1944, it was a highly proficient and cohesive unit.

Specialized Vehicles

One of the defining characteristics of the Hobart 79th Armoured Division was its arsenal of specialized armored vehicles. These vehicles were designed to perform specific tasks on the battlefield, such as breaching anti-tank obstacles, clearing minefields, and supporting infantry assaults.

Some of the most notable vehicles included the Sherman Crab, a tank equipped with a flail to clear mines; the Churchill AVRE, a tank with a powerful 290mm mortar for destroying fortifications; and the Crocodile, a flamethrower tank that could incinerate enemy positions.

D-Day and the Normandy Campaign

The Hobart 79th Armoured Division made its combat debut on D-Day, June 6, 1944. The division was tasked with clearing obstacles and supporting the landings of the Allied forces on Sword Beach. Despite heavy German resistance, the division's specialized vehicles proved their worth, enabling the Allies to establish a foothold on the Normandy coast.

Throughout the Normandy campaign, the Hobart 79th Armoured Division played a vital role in breaking through German defenses and supporting the advance of the Allied armies. The division's tactics and specialized vehicles proved invaluable in overcoming the bocage landscape and the heavily fortified German positions.

Operation Goodwood

In July 1944, the Hobart 79th Armoured Division participated in Operation Goodwood, a major offensive aimed at breaking through the German defenses in Normandy. The division's specialized vehicles were instrumental in clearing obstacles and supporting the advance of the British armored units.

Despite initial successes, Operation Goodwood was ultimately unsuccessful due to strong German resistance and heavy casualties. However, the Hobart 79th Armoured Division's performance demonstrated the effectiveness of its specialized vehicles and tactics.

The Battle of the Bulge

In December 1944, the Hobart 79th Armoured Division was deployed to the Ardennes region to counter the German Ardennes Offensive, also known as the Battle of the Bulge. The division's specialized vehicles played a crucial role in stopping the German advance and supporting the Allied counteroffensive.

During the Battle of the Bulge, the Hobart 79th Armoured Division fought with distinction, earning widespread recognition for its valor and effectiveness. The division's contribution to the Allied victory was immeasurable.

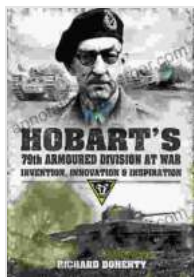
Legacy and Impact

The Hobart 79th Armoured Division disbanded in 1945 at the end of the war. However, the division's legacy and impact on armored warfare continue to this day. The division's innovative tactics and specialized vehicles revolutionized tank warfare and influenced the development of armored units in armies around the world.

The Hobart 79th Armoured Division is a testament to the ingenuity, dedication, and bravery of its personnel. Their contributions to the Allied victory in World War II are immeasurable, and their legacy continues to inspire generations of soldiers and military historians alike.

Hobart 79th Armoured Division At War is a captivating and comprehensive account of an elite armored unit that played a pivotal role in World War II. Through detailed descriptions and firsthand accounts, the book unveils the division's innovative tactics, technological advancements, and unwavering determination.

Whether you are a military history enthusiast, a student of armored warfare, or simply someone fascinated by the stories of courage and sacrifice, this book is a must-read. It is a fitting tribute to the men of the Hobart 79th Armoured Division and their legacy of valor and innovation.



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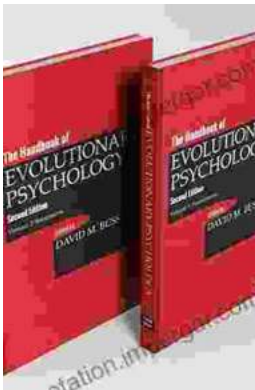
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