

pany, 3rd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 4th Motorcycle Infantry Machine Gun Company, and 5th Company (heavy). 1942–43—Headquarters, 1st Armored Scout Company, 2nd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 3rd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 4th Motorcycle Infantry Company, and 5th Company (heavy)

Commanders: *Oberstleutnant* Dietlen (October 1940–November 1941); *Major* Schulze (acting) (17 November 1941–14 January 1942); *Oberleutnant* Baar (acting) (14 January 1942); *Major/Oberstleutnant* Moeller (14 January–3 December 1942); *Oberleutnant* Seidel (acting) (3–30 December 1942); *Hauptmann* Schleipen (30 December 1942–March 1943)

Notes: The division was demotorized in March 1943 and reverted to a standard infantry division.

Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14 (mot)

Activated: 15 October 1940

Antecedent Formations: Formed by the reorganization of 2./(*Radfahr*)/*Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14*, the reassignment of 1. (*Pz.Späh*)/*Aufklärungs-Abteilung 88* of 18. *Panzer-Division*, and the activation of a heavy company

Replacement Detachment: Unknown

Deactivation/Redesignation: *Kradschützen-Bataillon 54*

Organization: 1941—Headquarters, 1st Armored Scout Company, 2nd Motorcycle Infantry Company, and 3rd Company (heavy)

Commanders: *Oberstleutnant/Oberst* von Wagner (December 1940–March 1942)

Notes: The division was demotorized in March 1943 and reverted to a standard infantry division.

Awards: Knight's Cross—*Oberstleutnant* Dietlen, *Kradschützen-Bataillon 54*. German Cross in Gold—*Feldwebel* Auert, 4./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (26 May 1943); *Oberleutnant* Baar, *Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14 (mot)* (25 May 1942); *Oberfeldwebel* Gläser, 2./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (2 April 1943); *Oberfeldwebel* Haake, 2./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (2 April 1943); *Oberleutnant* Hoy, 3./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (14 February 1943); *Leutnant* Käther, 2./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (8 June 1942); *Feldwebel* Martin, 4./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (26 May 1943); *Oberleutnant* von Oehmichen, 4./*Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (30 July 1942); *Oberleutnant* Seidel, *Kradschützen-Bataillon 54* (20 November

1942); *Oberst* von Wagner, *Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14 (mot)* (19 April 1942).

14. PANZER-DIVISION

Campaigns: Balkans, Soviet Union

Reconnaissance Formations:

Kradschützen-Bataillon 64

Activated: 16 August 1940

Antecedent Formations: Formed from personnel levies against 1. and 2./*MB-Bataillon 7*, 3./*Infanterie-Regiment 10*, 3./*Infanterie-Regiment 5*, and 5. and 9./*Infanterie-Regiment 103*

Replacement Detachment: *Kradschützen-Ersatz-Bataillon 55*

Deactivation/Redesignation: *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 43* in February 1943

Organization: 1940–41—Headquarters, 1st Motorcycle Infantry Company, 2nd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 3rd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 4th Motorcycle Infantry Machine Gun Company, and 5th Company (heavy). April 1942—Headquarters, 1st Armored Scout Company, 2nd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 3rd Motorcycle Infantry Company, 4th Motorcycle Infantry Company, and 5th Company (heavy)

Commanders: *Oberstleutnant* Tröger (October 1940–17 July 1941); *Hauptmann* Berndt (acting) (17–27 July 1941); *Oberstleutnant* Tröger (27 July–20 December 1941); *Hauptmann* Berndt (acting) (20 December 1941–?); *Major* Grams (April–10 December 1942); *Hauptmann* Weller (acting) (10 December 1942–10 January 1943)

Notes: Apparently, the 2nd Company was equipped with half-tracks in the summer of 1942.

Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 40

Activated: 15 August 1940

Antecedent Formations: Formed through the reorganization and redesignation of *Divisions-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 4*, the reassignment of 1. (*PzSpäh*)/*Aufklärungs-Abteilung 8*,²⁰ and personnel levies against *Aufklärungs-Abteilung 7*

Replacement Detachment: Unknown

Deactivation/Redesignation: Consolidated with *Kradschützen-Bataillon 40* on 15 April 1942

Organization: 1940–41—Headquarters, 1st Armored Scout Company, 2nd Motorcycle Infantry Company, and 3rd Company (heavy)

Commanders: *Major* Uber (15 August 1940–6 November 1941); *Rittmeister* Grams

(7 November 1941–22 January 1942); *Hauptmann* Strathmann (acting) (22 January–20 February 1942); *Major* Grams (20 February–15 April 1942)

Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 64

Activated: 3 March 1943

Antecedent Formations: *Kradschützen-Bataillon 64*

Replacement Detachment: Unknown

Deactivation/Redesignation: *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* on 21 May 1943

Organization: 1943—Headquarters, 1st Armored Scout Company, 2nd Light Armored Reconnaissance Company, 3rd Armored Reconnaissance Company, 4th Armored Reconnaissance Company, and 5th Heavy Armored Reconnaissance Company

Commanders: *Major* Rehm (April–21 May 1943)

Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14

Activated: 21 May 1943

Antecedent Formations: *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 64*

Replacement Detachment: Unknown

Deactivation: 8 May 1945

Organization: 1943—Headquarters, 1st Armored Scout Company with heavy armored scout platoon (*Sd.Kfz. 233*), 2nd Armored Scout Company (half-track), 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Company (half-track), 4th Light Armored Reconnaissance Company (half-track), and 5th Heavy Armored Reconnaissance Company (half-track). 1944–45—Headquarters with armored scout sections, 1st Armored Scout Company (half-track), 2nd Armored Light Reconnaissance Company (half-track), 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Company (half-track), and 4th Heavy Armored Reconnaissance Company (half-track)

Commanders: *Major* Rehm (21 May–December 1943); *Oberstleutnant* Hansen (acting) (December 1944); *Major* Rehm (February–May 1944); *Hauptmann* Schammler (September 1944–January 1945); *Hauptmann/Major Graf* von Rittberg (February–March 1945)

Notes: In December 1943, *Oberstleutnant* Hansen was the commander of *Panzergrenadier-Regiment 103* at the same time as his acting command of the battalion while the wounded *Major* Rehm was convalescing. When reorganized in August 1944, the headquarters company had a mix of light and heavy armored car sections. In March 1945, the battalion was detached from the division in order to become part of *Panzer-Brigade “Kurland.”*

Awards: Knight’s Cross—*Oberleutnant* Feßmann, *1./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (4 January 1943) (Oak Leaves); *Oberfeldwebel* Lutze, *1./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (2 October 1942); *Oberfeldwebel* Petermann, *4./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (17 August 1942); *Oberfeldwebel* Przyklenk, *1./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 40* (1 August 1940); *Major* Rehm, *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (16 November 1943); *Hauptmann* Stoewaß, *2./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (14 April 1945); *Leutnant* Velten, *3./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (4 October 1944). Honor Roll (Clasp)—*Leutnant* Engel, *3./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (17 July 1944); *Leutnant* Flister, *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (7 February 1944); *Oberleutnant* Hollenweger, *4./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (14 December 1942); *Leutnant* Jasmund, *5./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (15 May 1944); *Oberleutnant* Krause, Headquarters, *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (15 May 1944); *Oberstleutnant* Uber, *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 40* (8 January 1942); *Leutnant* von Zeddelmann, *2./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (7 November 1944). Close Combat Clasp in Gold: *Fahnenjunker-Unteroffizier* Hofmeier, *4./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (30 April 1944). German Cross in Gold—*Unteroffizier* Esser, *3./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (18 June 1943); *Feldwebel* Fritzsche, *3./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (11 February 1945); *Oberleutnant* Gersch, *2./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (21 August 1942); *Major* Grams, *Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (24 November 1942); *Oberleutnant* Hackenschmidt, *1./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (5 November 1942); *Oberleutnant* Hötzel, *2./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (9 October 1942); *Oberfähnrich* Kloes, *4./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 14* (27 January 1945); *Oberleutnant* Kretschmer, *4./Kradschützen-Bataillon 64* (18 June 1943); *Oberfeldwebel* Lutze, *1./Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 40* (28 February 1942); *Ober-*