

Advanced Landing Ground A-11, Saint Lambert June, 1944

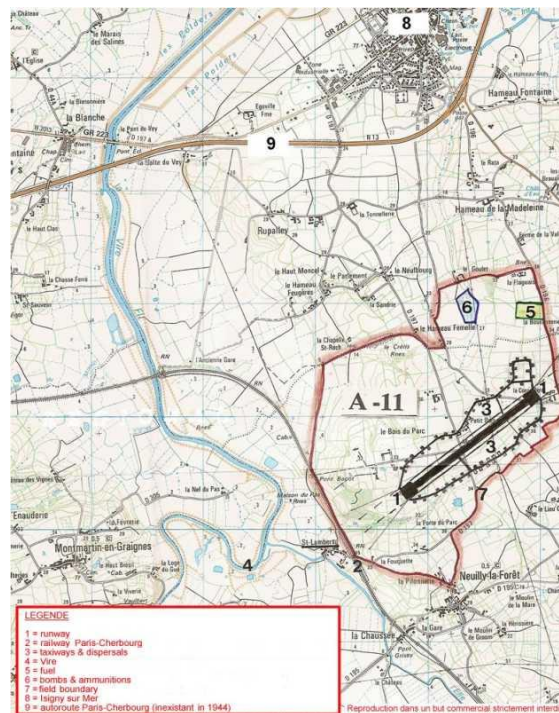
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This freeware scenery package attempts to represent Advanced Landing Ground A-11 of the US 9th AAF. ALG A-11 was one of 29 Advanced Landing Grounds that dotted the Cotentin Peninsula. Known as Advanced Landing Ground "A-11", the airfield consisted of a single 5000' (1500 m) Square-Mesh Track/Compressed Earth runway aligned 05/23. In addition, tents were used for billeting and also for support facilities; an access road was built to the existing road infrastructure; a dump for supplies, ammunition, and gasoline drums, along with a drinkable water and minimal electrical grid for communications and station lighting. [Excerpted from Wikipedia]. Construction was started on July 27th, 1944. The initial operational date was August 6th, 1944 as the airfield was vacated by September 5th, 1944.



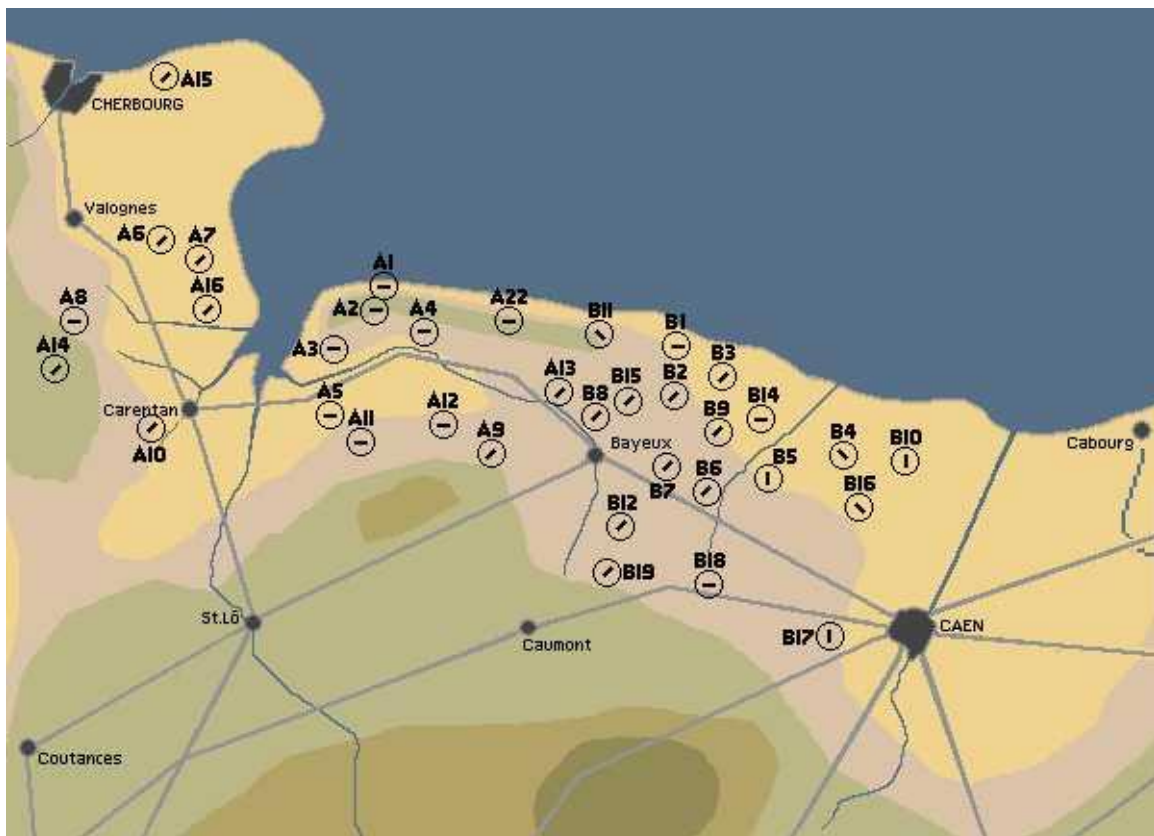
The P-38's of the 474th Fighter Group from Saint-Lambert flew support missions during the Allied invasion of Normandy, patrolling roads in front of the beachhead; strafing German military vehicles and dropping bombs on gun emplacements, anti-aircraft artillery and concentrations of German troops in Normandy and Brittany when spotted. Life at the airfield had

its problems, mainly caused by dust during summer. The dust was everywhere, in tents, clothes, equipment and laundry.

After the Americans and British moved east into Central France with the advancing Allied Armies, the airfield was left un-garrisoned and used for resupply and casualty evacuation. It was closed on 11 September 1944 and the land returned to agricultural use. The French people still honor the sacrifice made by the American troops who lived and flew from ALG-11. A monument is maintained at coordinates 49.28361 -1.09847 . Below, are pictures of this monument.



Below is a diagram of the placement of the 9th USAAF ALG's on the Cotentin Peninsula. ALG A-11 can be seen North East of Saint Lo.



Scenery Notes:

This package contains two (2) scenery folders. One for the airfield (ALG_A-1_X8SP), and one for the objects library, (ALG_LIB). The scenery objects library will be used for subsequent Advanced Landing Grounds to be released. Both scenery areas must be copied to the simulators /Addon Scenery folder and activated within the simulator scenery library.

One scenery object (ATC Caravan) relies on Ian Pearson's Library. So if you wish it to be visible you will need to download his library at [Current version: 20171216](#) .

This package has many audio features. They can be eliminated by moving the following files out of the simulator /effects folder.

Cntrl_Artty_Ambiance.fx

Cntrl_French_Ambiance.fx

Cntrl_Sound_ALG_A-11_Ambiance.fx

Credits:

The ALG_Lib library contains a collection of scenery objects from many authors. Some are anonymous to be as the sources did not always include their names. If you recognize objects that I have not credited and have the authors name, please drop me an email and I will be sure to include them in the credits of future releases of the advanced landing ground sceneries. Many more ALG sceneries are on the drawing board.

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Historic materials by the team at [June 1944](#) , and on [FaceBook](#)

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ModelCoverterX and LibraryCreatorXML – Arno Gerretsen at [Scenerydesign.org](#)

Static Aircraft models by “Fulbert” at SOH

Static Aircraft models by Guy Diotte

MCD collection of WWII objects – Unknown authors

MMST collection of WWII objects – Unknown authors

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