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Proceedings 1 – 1987

20 October 1986 – Inaugural Meeting – THE INTELLIGENCE WAR AND THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by Prof R V Jones

Proceedings 2 – 1987

16 March 1987 – WORLD WAR II – THE BALANCE SHEET by John Terraine

1 June 1987 – MINUTES OF THE 1st AGM, HELD AT 4 HAMILTON PLACE (consideration of a draft Constitution)

THE WORK OF THE AIR HISTORICAL BRANCH by guest speaker, Air Cdre H A Probert

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE MUSEUM by AGM guest speaker, Dr John Tanner

The address given by MRAF Sir Michael Beetham at the Memorial Service for Air Chf Mshl Sir Augustus Walker on 30 January 1987

Proceedings 3 – 1988

26 October 1987 – AIR ASPECTS OF THE SUEZ CAMPAIGN – a seminar held at the Royal United Services Institute, London

Chairman: Keith Kyle

SETTING THE SCENE by Keith Kyle

THE VIEW FROM WHITEHALL by Air Chf Mshl Sir David Lee

THE SCENE AT THE AIR MINISTRY by Sir Frank Cooper

THE PLANNERS' PERSPECTIVE by Air Chf Mshl Sir Denis Smallwood

COMMAND OF THE OPERATION by Air Chf Mshl Sir Thomas Prickett

A SQUADRON COMMANDER'S VIEWPOINT by AVM Paul Mallorie

AN APPRAISAL OF THE AIR CAMPAIGN by Air Chf Mshl Sir David Lee

Proceedings 4 – 1988

14 March 1988 – MINUTES OF THE 2nd AGM, HELD AT 4 HAMILTON PLACE (adoption of Constitution)

THE IMPACT OF THE SANDYS DEFENCE POLICY ON THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by AGM guest speaker, T C G James

20 June 1988 – THE POLICY, COMMAND AND DIRECTION OF THE LUFTWAFFE IN WORLD WAR II by Dr Horst Boog

Proceedings 5 – 1989

31 October 1988 – THE ROYAL AIR FORCE AND CLANDESTINE OPERATIONS IN NORTH-WEST EUROPE – a seminar held at 4 Hamilton Place

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Frederick Sowrey

SETTING THE SCENE by Prof Michael Foot

THE BUILD-UP OF RAF OPERATIONS by Wg Cdr Ron Hockey

PARACHUTE OPERATIONS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Lewis Hodges

PICK-UP OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Hugh Verity

THE VIEW FROM THE FIELD by Tony Brooks

Address by Wg Cdr P B Lucas delivered at the Service of Thanksgiving for The Rt Hon The Lord Balfour of Inchrye at St Clement Danes, 30 Nov 88

Proceedings 6 – 1989**13 March 1989 – PORTAL, HARRIS AND THE BOMBER OFFENSIVE**

THE TWO COMMANDERS AND THEIR VIEWS ON THE OFFENSIVE by guest speaker (at the 3rd AGM – see Proceedings 7), Denis Richards

THE MAIN CONTROVERSIES by guest speaker (at the 3rd AGM – see Proceedings 7), Air Cdre Henry Probert

14 June 1989 – THE BERLIN AIRLIFT 1948-49 – a seminar held at 4 Hamilton Place

Chairman: John Tusa

THE BERLIN BLOCKADE by John Tusa

THE DIPLOMATIC BACKGROUND by Sir Frank Roberts

OUTLINE OF THE OPERATION by Paul Wood

A BAFO (BRITISH AIR FORCES OF OCCUPATION) PERSPECTIVE by Air Chf Mshl Sir Kenneth Cross

THE VIEW FROM THE AIR MINISTRY by Air Cdre F F Rainsford

THE AIRCREW VIEWPOINT by AVM Sir Brian Stanbridge, Gp Capt Jack Holt and Wg Cdr John Dowling

Tribute by Gp Capt Leonard Cheshire delivered at the Memorial Service for Air Mshl Sir Harold Martin held at St Clement Danes, 4 Jan 89

Proceedings 7 – 1990

13 March 1989 – MINUTES OF THE 3rd AGM, HELD AT 4 HAMILTON PLACE (for guest speakers see Proceedings 6)

23 October 1989 – THE ORIGINS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE BRITISH STRATEGIC NUCLEAR DETERRENT FORCES 1945-1960 – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: MRAF Sir Michael Beetham

THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND by Humphrey Wynn

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ATOMIC BOMB by Air Mshl Sir John Rowlands

THE GRAPPLE WEAPON TRIALS by AVM W E Oulton

AIR STAFF POLICY by Sir Frank Cooper

THE DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF THE V-FORCE by Air Chf Mshl Sir Kenneth Cross

A STATION COMMANDER'S VIEW by Air Cdre C B Brown

CONCLUDING REVIEW – THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE V-FORCE by Prof Lawrence Freedman

Stand-alone paper:

RAF HISTORICAL RESEARCH by Air Commodore Henry Probert

Proceedings 8 – 1990

5 March 1990 – EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 4th AGM, HELD AT 4 HAMILTON PLACE THE RAF AND AIR CONTROL BETWEEN THE WARS by AGM guest speaker, Dr Philip Towle

27 June 1990 – CONINGHAM: A BIOGRAPHER'S LAMENT AND DECLARATION by Dr Vincent Orange

Proceedings 9 – 1991

29 October 1990 – ROYAL AIR FORCE/UNITED STATES AIR FORCE CO-OPERATION – a seminar held jointly with the USAF Historical Foundation at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Mr Michael Charlton

HIGHER COMMAND STRUCTURE AND RELATIONSHIPS, US PERSPECTIVE by Dr Richard Davis

HIGHER COMMAND STRUCTURE AND RELATIONSHIPS, UK PERSPECTIVE by Air Cdre Henry Probert

THE STRATEGIC AIR OFFENSIVE IN EUROPE, US PERSPECTIVE by Dr Alfred Goldberg

THE STRATEGIC AIR OFFENSIVE IN EUROPE, UK PERSPECTIVE by Dr Richard Overy

LAND/AIR OPERATIONS IN MEDITERRANEAN AND NORTH WEST EUROPE, US PERSPECTIVE by Prof I B Holley

LAND/AIR OPERATIONS IN MEDITERRANEAN AND NORTH WEST EUROPE, UK PERSPECTIVE Mr John Terraine

11 March 1991 – MINUTES OF THE 5th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB ON

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE AND THE BATTLE OF MALTA by AGM guest speaker, Wg Cdr P B 'Laddie' Lucas CBE DSO DFC

Proceedings 10 – 1991

10 June 1991 – PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE IN WORLD WAR II – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Professor R V Jones

THE EARLY PR OPERATIONS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Neil Wheeler

SPITFIRE OPERATIONS by Air Mshl Sir Alfred Ball

MOSQUITO OPERATIONS by AVM Frank Dodd

THE CAMERAS by Flt Lt George Parry

PROCESSING AND PRINTING by Mr Ray Dando

THE EARLY DAYS OF INTERPRETING by Mr Douglas Kendall

THE CENTRAL INTERPRETATION UNIT by Wg Cdr Alfred Stephenson

THE WORK OF THE INTERPRETER by Mrs Diana Cussons

THE ROLE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER by Wg Cdr John Weaver

Stand-alone paper:

DOCUMENTING THE RAF – A PROBLEM IN NEED OF SOLUTION, a stand-alone paper by Prof Robin Higham

Proceedings 11 – 1993**22 June 1992 – MINUTES OF THE 6th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

THE DIRECTION OF THE AIR POLICY IN THE 1950s AND 1960s by AGM guest speaker, Sir Frank Cooper

5 October 1992 – FLYING TRAINING IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN WAR AND PEACE – a seminar held at RAF Brampton

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir John Gingell

FLYING TRAINING IN THE RFC 1912-1915 by Dr M Paris

CFS AND FLYING TRAINING 1915-35 by Mr J Taylor

WG CDR ALLEN AND FLYING TRAINING IN NORTH AMERICA 1917-18 by Gp Capt H Neubroch

PILOT ENTRY PORTALS IN THE RAF EXPANSION 1934-39 by Dr A Mansell

OVERSEAS FLYING TRAINING – WORLD WAR 2 by Mr E Spridgeon

FLYING TRAINING IN INDIA by AVM A D Dick

WORLD WAR 2 OPERATIONAL TRAINING by Flt Lt P Jacobs

HEAVY CONVERSION TRAINING by Sqn Ldr J Currie

FRONT LINE OTU IN EGYPT by Air Mshl Sir Patrick Dunn

PILOT TRAINING 1945-92 by Sqn Ldr M Wylie

Supplementary paper:

THE TRAINING OF A BOMBER PILOT 1943 by John Chatterton

Proceedings 12 – 1994**21 June 1993 – MINUTES OF THE 7th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

WORLD WAR I AND THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by AGM guest speaker, Mr John Terraine

Stand-alone papers:

REFLECTIONS ON THE JOINT USAF HISTORICAL FOUNDATION/RAF HISTORICAL SOCIETY AIR POWER HISTORY SYMPOSIUM held in Washington, DC 9/10 September 1993 by Cecil James

A MONOGRAPH by Sqn Ldr Philip H Saxon. (A personal reflection on the RAF's failure to apply the lessons of WW I prior to WW II)

THE OTHER STORY OF THE RAF 'Y' SERVICE by Sidney Goldberg

Address at the thanksgiving service for the life of Marshal of the RAF Sir Dermot Boyle given by Marshal of the RAF Sir Denis Spotswood at St Clement Dane's Church on 23 June 1993

Proceedings 13 – 1994**25 October 1993 – INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Christopher Foxley-Norris

POLITICAL OVERVIEW by Dr Philip Towle

THE BORNEO REBELLION & INDONESIAN MILITARY CONFRONTATION AGAINST MALAYSIA
by Brigadier A E D Smith

THE RAF CONTRIBUTION by Air Chf Mshl Sir David Lee

THE SINGAPORE BASE by Mr Cecil James

RAF OPERATIONS IN BORNEO by AVM G C Lamb

A STATION COMMANDER'S VIEW by Air Chf Mshl Sir Robert Freer

HELICOPTER SUPPORT by AVM J W Price

AIR DEFENCE AND OFFENSIVE SUPPORT by AVM D E Hawkins

DETERRENCE: THE BOMBER CONTRIBUTION by Mr Humphrey Wynn

Journal 14 – 1995

4 July 1994 – MINUTES OF THE 8th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

ETHICS, DETERRENCE AND STRATEGIC BOMBING by AGM guest speaker, Mr John Terraine

The address given by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Graydon at the Memorial Service for Air Chf Mshl Sir John Thomson

Journal 15 – 1995

7 November 1994 – THE ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Frederick Sowrey

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT; THE FORMATIVE YEARS TO 1946 by AVM D A Pocock

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE'S LOCALLY-RAISED GROUND FORCES, 1922-1960 by Gp Capt K M Oliver

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT 1947-1967 by Gp Capt M K Batt

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE REGIMENT 1967 TO THE PRESENT by Air Cdre M S Witherow

12 June 1995 – MINUTES OF THE 9th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

THE WRITING OF AIR FORCE HISTORY by AGM guest speaker, Denis Richards

The address given by Air Chf Mshl Sir Frederick Rosier at the Memorial Service for Air Chf Mshl Sir Edmund Hudleston

Journal 16 – 1996

20 October 1995 – AIR LEADERSHIP IN WAR – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

The Higher Direction of War:

WORLD WAR II – ALLIED AND NATIONAL COMMAND by Dr G V Orange

THE FALKLANDS – NATIONAL COMMAND by AVM G A Chesworth

THE GULF WAR – COALITION COMMAND by Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

Tactical Command – Theatre/Wing:

INDONESIAN CONFRONTATION by AVM G C Lamb

THE GULF WAR by Air Mshl I D MacFadyen

Tactical Command – Squadron:

WORLD WAR II by Wg Cdr R P Beamont

THE FALKLANDS by AVM P T Squire

THE GULF WAR by Gp Capt G L Torpy

Stand-alone papers:

AIRMAN'S CROSS by AVM B H Newton (regarding the memorial near Stonehenge)

THE UNSUNG TUNG SONG by Ron Lovell and Hugh Campbell. (An account of the movements of the RAFA *Tung Song*, Dec 41-Mar 42)

FERRY COMMAND IN HISTORY by Carl A Christie

Journal 16A – 1996

24 October 1995 – DEFENDING NORTHERN SKIES, 1915-1995 – a seminar held at, and in conjunction with, the University of Newcastle

Chairman: AVM A F C 'Sandy' Hunter

THE ZEPPELIN MENACE – PERCEPTIONS & RESPONSES 1907-16 by Prof Max Hammerton

AIR DEFENCE AGAINST THE ZEPPELIN 1915-17 by Robert Jackson

AIR DEFENCE IN THE NORTH – THE AIR DEFENCE SYSTEM by Derek Wood

ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENCES OF THE NORTH by Philip Annis

DEFENCE AGAINST THE INTRUDERS 1940-45 by Robert Jackson

A BROAD MARGIN – THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN NORTH OF WATFORD by Dr Vincent Orange

FROM SPITFIRE & MOSQUITO TO HUNTER & JAVELIN by Air Mshl Sir Peter Bairsto

UK C&R SYSTEM FROM WWII TO ROTOR AND BEYOND by Air Mshl Sir Alec Morris

FROM LIGHTNING TO F-4 by Air Cdre Ian McBride

TORNADO F3 AND BEYOND by Air Cdre Martin Widdowson

Journal 17 – 1996

10 June 1996 – MINUTES OF THE 10th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT AND EXPERIENCE OF OFFICIAL MILITARY HISTORY by AGM guest speaker, Dr Noble Frankland

Stand-alone papers:

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE FLYING CLUB by Gp Capt R E G Brittain

LAWRENCE OF ARABIA: ROSS AND SHAW OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by L S Rivett

ANGELS AND THE AOC by Prof Max Hammerton. (A reflection on Dowding's conduct of the Battle of Britain and on his book *Twelve Legions of Angels*)

THE KILLING OF ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO by A E F Richardson

Journal 17A – 1997

21 October 1996 – A HISTORY OF NAVIGATION IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE – a seminar held, in conjunction with the Royal Institute of Navigation, at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss

THE EARLY YEARS by Mr David Page

BETWEEN THE WARS by Flt Lt Alec Ayliffe

THE EPIC FLIGHTS by Wg Cdr C G 'Jeff' Jefford

THE SECOND WORLD WAR by Sqn Ldr Philip Saxon

THE ARIES FLIGHTS by Gp Capt David Broughton

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE EARLY 1950s by AVM Jack Furner

FROM THE '60s TO THE '80s by Air Cdre Norman Bonnor

THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE by Air Cdre Bill Tyack

DICKIE' RICHARDSON'S CONTRIBUTION TO RAF NAVIGATION by Humphrey Wynn

Journal 17B - 1998**24 April 1997 – TSR2 WITH HINDSIGHT – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton**

Chairman: MRAF Sir Michael Beetham

SETTING THE SCENE by Wg Cdr R P Beamont

THE HISTORY OF THE PROJECT AND THE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENT by Gp Capt W A Mears

A SYSTEM STUDY OF TSR2 by Wg Cdr G B Wilson

TSR2 AND WHITEHALL by Rt Hon Sir Frank Cooper

POLITICS *OVER* STRATEGY – Australia's Rejection of TSR2 by Phil Strickland

A PROJECT OVERVIEW by Sir Frederick Page

DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE TSR2 AIRFRAME by B O Heath

TSR2 – A WORM'S EYE VIEW OF EVENTS by A T F Simmons

THE ENGINE FOR TSR2 by J D Wragg

AVIONIC SYSTEMS FOR TSR2 by C M Stewart

FERRANTI AND TSR2 by Sir Donald McCallum

THE COMPUTER SYSTEM by Peter Hearne

AUTOMATIC FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM by Douglas Gemmell

FLYING TSR2 by Wg Cdr J L Dell

HAD TSR2 SURVIVED by Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

ENVOI by Sir George Edwards and Dr Norman Barfield

Journal 18 - 1998**10 June 1997 – MINUTES OF THE 11th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

SOME REFLECTIONS by AGM guest speaker, Rt Hon Lord Merlyn-Rees

9 September 1997 – SOUTH ARABIA AND THE WITHDRAWAL FROM ADEN – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: MRAF Sir Michael Beetham

THE POLITICAL IMPERATIVES by the late Donal McCarthy (read by AVM Nigel Baldwin)
THE UNIFIED COMMAND IN ADEN by Air Chf Mshl Sir David Lee
THE RADFAN CAMPAIGNS AND INTERNAL SECURITY IN ADEN by Lt-Col Sir Julian Paget
AIR – THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENT by Air Mshl Sir John Kemball
STRIKE/AIR DEFENCE/RECCE AND MARITIME by Gp Capt J T Jennings
HELICOPTER OPERATIONS by Gp Capt C A E Simons
THEATRE TRANSPORT by Wg Cdr S Hitchen
THE TECHNICIANS' BURDEN by Sqn Ldr M Murden
PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING THE WITHDRAWAL by Air Mshl Sir Frederick Sowrey
THE NAVY'S CONTRIBUTION – TASK FORCE 318 by RAdm R I T Hogg

Supplementary Paper

THE LAST YEAR IN ADEN – THE ROYAL NAVY by VAdm Sir John Martin

The address given by Air Chf Mshl Sir Thomas Prickett at the Memorial Service for Air Chf Mshl Sir Denis Smallwood

Journal 19 – 1999

23 June 1998 – THE 12th AGM, HELD AT THE RAF CLUB (the Minutes were not published in the Journal)

ADDRESS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns, Chief of the Air Staff, as the AGM guest speaker

28 October 1997 – LOGISTICS SUPPORT – a seminar held at HQ Support Command, RAF Brampton-

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Alcock

THE ROYAL FLYING CORPS LOGISTIC ORGANISATION by Gp Capt Peter Dye

RAF LOGISTICS PLANNING IN THE INTER-WAR YEARS: AN INTRODUCTION by Prof Robin Higham

THE LOGISTICS OF SUPPORT FOR THE SECOND WORLD WAR LAND-AIR CAMPAIGN by Humphrey Wynn

THE DECLINE OF MOBILITY: THE RAF AND DEPLOYED OPERATIONS SINCE 1945 by Dr Sebastian Ritchie

DEPLOYED OPERATIONS IN THE COLD WAR by Gp Capt David Packman

LOGISTICS SUPPORT IN THE GULF WAR by Air Cdre Paul Crotty

LOGISTICS IN THE POST COLD WAR ERA by Gp Capt Robin Springett

LOGISTICS LESSONS FROM THE PAST DEPLOYED OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Peter Dye

11 February 1998 – 1998 Slessor Air Power Lecture delivered at Chatham House:

SIR JOHN SLESSOR AND THE PREVENTION OF WAR by Prof Sir Michael Howard

Notice:

PRESENTATION, ON 11 FEBRUARY 1998, BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE AIR LEAGUE, LORD TEBBIT, OF A GOLD MEDAL TO THE RAF HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO MARK 'THE LATTER'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE AIMS OF THE LEAGUE'

Journal 20 – 1999

26 March 1998 – TRAINING IN PEACE FOR WAR – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Andrew Wilson

TRAINING THE BOMBER FORCE FOR WWII by AVM Michael Robinson

TAKING THE ‘BATTLE’ INTO BATTLE by Rupert Parkhouse

TRAINING THE V-FORCE FOR ITS PRIMARY AND SECONDARY ROLES – LOW LEVEL TACTICS AGAINST THE SOVIET BLOC by AVM Nigel Baldwin

VULCAN OPERATIONS IN THE FALKLANDS CAMPAIGN by Wg Cdr C G ‘Jeff’ Jefford

BATTLE MANAGEMENT IN OPERATIONAL TRAINING by Gp Capt Nigel Walpole

LOW-LEVEL OPERATIONAL TRAINING – THE IMPACT OF THE RED FLAG EXERCISES by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

TORNADO GR 1 – THE GULF – TRAINING AND TACTICS by Gp Capt Jeremy Witts

HARRIER – CONTEMPORARY AIR POWER by Wg Cdr Andy Golledge

Stand-alone paper:

THE WORKING-UP TRIP by Joe Owen-King (An account of a familiarisation trip in a submarine by a Liberator crew.)

The address given by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Graydon at the Memorial Service for Air Chf Mshl Sir Frederick Rosier on 14 November 1998

Journal 20A – 1999

9 December 1998 – THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN GERMANY, 1945-1993 – a seminar held jointly with Defence Studies (RAF) at The Joint Services Command and Staff College, Bracknell

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Andrew Wilson

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND by Gp Capt W J Taylor

A CONTINENTAL COMMITMENT by Gp Capt S W Peach

THE PRINCIPLES OF AIR DEFENCE by Air Chf Mshl Sir Roger Palin

DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS by Air Mshl I D Macfadyen

GROUND BASED AIR DEFENCE by Wg Cdr J G Evans

AN OPERATIONS OVERVIEW by Sir Andrew Wilson

STRIKE OPERATIONS by Air Cdre P J Wilkinson

ATTACK OPERATIONS by Air Cdre M G F White

RECONNAISSANCE by Air Cdre G R Pitchfork

INTELLIGENCE by Gp Capt M R Killick

THE EARLY YEARS IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT by Dr Christina Goulter

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE by Sebastian Cox

Journal 21 – 2000

30 March 1999 – RAF OPERATIONS 1948-1961: MALAYA – KOREA – KUWAIT – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Knight

MALAYA:

THE ORIGINS OF THE MALAYAN EMERGENCY by Gp Capt Ian Madelin
MALAYA – THE START OF THE EMERGENCY by Air Cdre Henry Probert
THE GROUND WAR IN MALAYA 1948-60 by Gp Capt Kingsley Oliver
OFFENSIVE AIR OPERATIONS BEAUFIGHTER/BRIGAND by AVM Michael Robinson
LINCOLNs – 100 SQUADRON MALAYA 1950 by J R Burgess
VENOMS AND CANBERRAS by Air Cdre G S Cooper
SUNDERLANDS – FAR EAST FLYING BOAT WING by Gp Capt G H Gilbert
RECONNAISSANCE by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Knight
AIR TRANSPORT OPERATIONS – VALETTAS by Flt Lt Maurice Rogers
HELICOPTER OPERATIONS IN MALAYA 1950-1960 by Sqn Ldr H H J Browning

KOREA:

ROYAL AIR FORCE AND THE KOREAN WAR by Air Cdre Henry Probert
WITH THE RAAF IN KOREA by AVM John Price
FIGHTER OPERATIONS WITH THE USAF by Gp Capt R J F Dickinson
SUNDERLAND OPERATIONS IN KOREA by AVM G A Chesworth
CASUALTY EVACUATION BY AIR by AVM W J Herrington

KUWAIT:

OPERATION VANTAGE – KUWAIT 1961 by AVM John Herrington
MOUNTING THE RESPONSE by AVM L W G Gill
EXPERIENCES OF A SQUADRON ENGINEER by Sqn Ldr M Murden
THE NAVAL DIMENSION by David Brown
CANBERRAS – A NAVIGATOR's VIEW by Wg Cdr T F Hayward
THE ARMY's PART IN OPERATION VANTAGE by Miss Alex Ward
PROBLEMS AND REQUIREMENTS OF A MOBILE HUNTER SQUADRON IN MIDDLE EAST COMMAND by Sqn Ldr M J Goodfellow

Stand-alone paper:

IN THE 'WHIRLIGIG OF WHITEHALL': MRAF LORD TEDDER OF GLENGUIN AS 'CHIEF AUNT SALLY' IN 'THE HOUSE OF SHAME', 1946-1949 by Dr Vincent Orange, the guest speaker at the 12th AGM held on 22 June 1999 (the minutes of which were not published in the Journal)

Journal 22 – 2000**5 October 1999 – THE EVOLUTION OF AIR TRANSPORT – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss
NEVER PEACEFUL – THE MILITARY AIRLIFT ROLE by Gp Capt Richard Bates
THE BOMBER TRANSPORT AND THE BAGHDAD AIR MAIL by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford
FERIO FERENDO – THE ARRIVAL OF TRANSPORTCOMMAND by Gp Capt Tony Stephens
AIR TRANSPORT AND SUPPLY IN THE BURMA WAR by Air Cdre Henry Probert
THE BERLIN AIRLIFT by Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss
TACTICAL AIRLIFT: BATTLEFIELD AND HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS by Wg Cdr Willie Dobson
VIP OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Marcus Wills

HERCULES – THIRTY-THREE YEARS OF RAF SERVICE by Wg Cdr Paul Oborn

Supplementary paper:

THE FAR EAST TRANSPORT WING IN THE EARLY 1950s by Flt Lt Maurice Rogers

Stand-alone papers:

THE MARCH RETREAT OF 1918 – THE LAST BATTLE OF THE ROYAL FLYING CORPS by Wg Cdr P J Daybell – 1998 Two Air Forces Award paper

DOWDING AND HIS MANPOWER. THE CASE OF HURRICANE AND SPITFIRE PILOTS OF THE RAF AND ITS RESERVES IN 11 GROUP by Dr Tony Mansell

AIR OBSERVER TRAINING, 1939-40 by Air Cdre J L Mitchell

Journal 23 – 2001

18 April 2000 – COLD WAR INTELLIGENCE GATHERING – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Armitage

BRIXMIS – HISTORY AND ROLES by Gp Capt Richard Bates

RAF ELEMENT, BRIXMIS, 1956-59 – ORGANISATION AND OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Hans Neubroch

BRIXMIS – OPERATIONAL PLANNING AND TOURING IN THE 1970s AND 1980s by Gp Capt S A Wrigley

BRIXMIS – THE VIEW FROM WHITEHALL by John N L Morrison

AIRBORNE ELECTRONIC RECONNAISSANCE, 1948 TO 1989 by Wg Cdr David Paton, assisted by Macr Derek Oliver

PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Philip Rodgers

AIRBORNE SENSORS AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN IMAGERY ANALYSIS by Gp Capt Geoffrey Oxlee and Wg Cdr David Oxlee

Supplementary papers:

CHURCHILL'S BOMB PLOT by Wg Cdr J H Dyer

RAF ELEMENT BRIXMIS: FURTHER RECOLLECTIONS OF OPERATIONAL EXPERIENCES (1957-59) by Gp Capt Hans Neubroch

Stand-alone papers:

IF IT AIN'T BROKE, DON'T FIX IT. DON'T EVEN LOOK AT IT! by Wg Cdr George Wilson. (The RFC's pre-war introduction of a system of maintaining records of aircraft repairs and routine servicing)

BIGGLES – THE LAST ACE OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR? by Air Cdre Peter Dye

Journal 24 – 2001

28 June 2000 – MINUTES OF THE 14th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN TRANSITION, 1962-1965 by AGM guest speaker, Sir Michael Quinlan

Stand-alone papers:

BOSNIA 1992-1995 – A CASE STUDY IN THE DENIAL OF THE ADVANTAGE CONFERRED BY AIR SUPERIORITY by Sqn Ldr S Harpum – 1999 Two Air Forces Award paper

THE INFLUENCE OF SPACE POWER ON HISTORY (1944-1998) by Capt John Shaw – 1998 USAF Two Air Forces Award paper

THE DE HAVILLAND VENOM WITH No 8 SQN IN THE MIDDLE EAST by Air Vice-Marshals L W Phipps

SQN LDR G D GRAHAM DSO MBE by Frank Card. (The career of a pioneer in the field of mountain rescue)

THE RAF HERALDRY TRUST

WITHOUT COMMENT – Extracts from two reports on recent accidents (*Printed by order of the Chief of the Air Staff – June 1941*).

WAS THIS THE FIRST EVER PILOT JOKE?

Journal 25 – 2001

18 October 2000 – HELICOPTERS IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Timothy Garden

SETTING THE SCENE by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS OF TEST FLYING AND RAF HELICOPTER OPERATIONS, 1954-79 by Gp Capt John L Price

LATER SUPPORT HELICOPTER OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Peter Wilson

ASPECTS OF SUPPORT HELICOPTER OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG by Wg Cdr Fred Hoskins

SUPPORT HELICOPTER OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN IRELAND, SEP 71-DEC 73 by Sqn Ldr Tom Porteous

AIR MANOEUVRE DEVELOPMENT by AVM David Niven

SEARCH AND RESCUE IN THE RAF by Gp Capt Ian McLuskie

TRAINING by Gp Capt Simon Coy

THE PROCUREMENT OF HELICOPTERS AND THE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS BACKGROUND TO THE RAF'S SEARCH AND RESCUE SEA KING by Wg Cdr Fred Hoskins

HELICOPTER VIBRATION ENGINEERING IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE 1963-92 by Wg Cdr Noel Trigg

Journal 26 – 2002

11 April 2001 – THE RAF AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS, 1960-1998 – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir John Willis

SUMMARY OF THE PREVIOUS RAFHS SEMINAR ON THE ORIGIN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE BRITISH NUCLEAR DETERRENT 1945-60 by AVM Michael Robinson (see Proceedings 7)

A VIEW FROM WHITEHALL by Peter Hudson

THOR by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

BOMBER COMMAND AND THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS by Dr Len Scott

V-FORCE OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT AND READINESS by Wg Cdr Andrew Brookes

THE ROYAL OBSERVER CORPS IN THE NUCLEAR AGE by Stephen Rickitt

NUCLEAR WEAPONS TRAINING – GROUNDCREW by Sqn Ldr Michael Hely

NUCLEAR WEAPONS TRAINING – AIRCREW by Sqn Ldr Ralph Devereux

ENGINEERING ON A NUCLEAR STRIKE SQUADRON by Gp Capt W J Taylor

FINAL SURVEY by Prof Lawrence Freedman

Supplementary papers:

AFTERTHOUGHTS – various contributors

THE RAF NUCLEAR DECADES by Humphrey Wynn

RECOLLECTIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND No 94 MU, RAF BARNHAM by Air Cdre M J Allisstone

NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN CYPRUS IN 1962 by Gp Capt Hugh Verity

BOMBER COMMAND AIRCRAFT STRUCTURAL DEFECTS AND THE USE OF NDT IN THE EARLY 1960s by Sqn Ldr Michael Murden

Journal 27 – 2002

5 June 2001 – MINUTES OF THE 15th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

BOMBER HARRIS – A NEW LOOK by AGM guest speaker, Air Cdre Henry Probert

Stand-alone papers:

BALLOONS: WHAT HAVE THEY EVER DONE FOR US? by Sqn Ldr A Riches – 2000 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

FLYING FIRST GENERATION JET FIGHTERS IN THE RAF by AVM Ron Dick

A CAT AMONG THE PIGEONS: THE RAFVR, FLYING CLUBS AND THE CIVIL AIR GUARD by Dr Tony Mansell

THE GREAT CARRIER CONTROVERSY 1964-65 – A DEFENCE PLANNER'S RECOLLECTIONS by Gp Capt Hans Neubroch

CONSOLIDATED CONTENTS LIST, VOLS 1-25 plus BRACKNELL PAPERS and SUNDY STAND ALONE PUBLICATIONS

CONSOLIDATED LIST OF BOOKS REVIEWED, VOLS 1-25

In Memoriam – Air Mshl Sir Kenneth Hayr by Gp Capt Ian Madelin

Journal 27A – 2002

24 October 2001 – THE BIRTH OF TORNADO – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Anthony Skingsley

ERODING THE REQUIREMENT by Gp Capt John Heron

AIR STAFF STUDIES AND POLITICAL BACKGROUND by Anthony S Bennell

EVOLUTION OF THE TORNADO PROJECT by Dr William Stewart

TORNADO/MRCA – ESTABLISHING COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS AND AIRFRAME TECHNOLOGY by Gerrie Willox

RB 199 – THE ENGINE FOR TORNADO by Dr Gordon Lewis

TORNADO IDS AVIONIC SYSTEM by Peter Hearne

THE MUNICH SCENE by Alan Thornber

DEVELOPMENT FLYING by Paul Millett

INTO SERVICE – TRAINING & OPERATIONS by AVM R P O'Brien

CONCLUSIONS – INDUSTRY by John Wragg

CONCLUSIONS – PROCUREMENT ORGANISATION by Dr William Stewart

CONCLUSIONS – AN RAF VIEWPOINT by AVM R P O'Brien

Supplementary Papers:

A FOOTNOTE – COULD A DEVELOPED BUCCANEER HAVE FILLED THE BILL? by Peter Hearne

OBSERVATIONS FROM THE OR COALFACE by Gp Capt John Heron

AIR DENSITY MEASUREMENT TRANSDUCERS FOR TORNADO by Talbot K Green

CALIBRATION OF PRESSURE SENSORS by Robin J Baker

Journal 28 – 2003

10 April 2002 – ELECTRONIC WARFARE – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Frederick Sowrey

A NEW LOOK AT ‘THE WIZARD WAR’ by Dr Alfred Price

100 GROUP – ‘CONFFOUND AND . . .’ by AVM Jack Furner

100 GROUP – FIGHTER OPERATIONS by Martin Streetly

D-DAY AND AFTER by Dr Alfred Price

EW IN THE EARLY POST-WAR YEARS – LINCOLNS TO VALIANTS by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

EW DURING THE V-FORCE ERA by Wg Cdr Rod Powell

RAF EW TRAINING 1945-1966 by Martin Streetly

RAF EW TRAINING 1966-94 by Wg Cdr Dick Turpin

SOME THOUGHTS ON PLATFORM PROTECTION SINCE THE GULF WAR by Flt Lt Larry Williams

Supplementary paper:

SERGEANTS THREE – RECOLLECTIONS OF No 199 Sqn, 1952-53 by the Editor

Journal 29 – 2003

12 June 2002 – MINUTES OF THE 16th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

BATTLE OF BRITAIN DAY by AGM guest speaker, Dr Alfred Price

Stand-alone papers:

WHAT WAS THE IMPACT OF THE LUFTWAFFE’S ‘TIP AND RUN’ BOMBING ATTACKS, MARCH 1942-JUNE 1943? by Sqn Ldr Chris Goss – 2001 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

ON THE GROUND BUT ON THE AIR by Charles Mitchell. (A personal account of early involvement with the introduction of CH and CHL radar)

ST-OMER APPEAL UPDATE by Air Cdre Peter Dye

LIFE IN THE SHADOWS by Sqn Ldr Stanley Booker. (A personal account of service on secondment to the SIS in the field in Germany, 1951-57)

THE MUNICIPAL LIAISON SCHEME by Wg Cdr C G Jefford

Journal 29A – 2003

23 October 2002 – ROYAL AIR FORCE RESERVE AND AUXILIARY FORCES – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: AVM Barry Newton

AIR FORCE RESERVES AND AUXILIARIES, 1912 TO MUNICH by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE, 1936-39 by Dr Tony Mansell

THE AUXILIARY AIR FORCE IN WW II by Christopher Shores

THE UNIVERSITY AIR SQUADRONS IN WW II by Wg Cdr Gerry Margiotta

POST-WAR RAF RESERVES TO 1960 by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

THE RAuxAF TO 1960 by Sqn Ldr Tony Freeman

RECOLLECTIONS OF A REGULAR WITH A POST-WAR RAuxAF FIGHTER SQUADRON by Air Cdre Ian Atkinson

THE RAuxAF REGIMENT by Flt Lt Shane Guy

MEDICS AND MOVERS IN THE GULF WAR by Sqn Ldr Jon Pote

Supplementary papers:

THE DEMISE OF THE AUXILIARY FIGHTER SQUADRONS REVISITED by the Editor

MARITIME HEADQUARTERS UNITS OF THE ROYAL AUXILIARY AIR FORCE by Sqn Ldr Bruce Blanche

FORTY YEARS IN VOLUNTEER SERVICE by Gp Capt Peter Harris

THE ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE by AVM Geoffrey Cairns

RECOLLECTIONS OF CAMBRIDGE UAS AND GLIDING IN THE ATC by Gp Capt Hans Neubroch

RESERVE SCHOOL RECOLLECTIONS by C Nepean Bishop

Journal 30 – 2004

8 April 2003 – THE RAF IN THE FALKLANDS CAMPAIGN – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss

THE VIEW FROM THE MOD by Air Cdre Henry Probert

THE ALERT MEASURES COMMITTEE by AVM John Price

A VIEW FROM THE HQ AT NORTHWOOD I by Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss

A VIEW FROM THE HQ AT NORTHWOOD II by AVM George Chesworth

THE VIEW FROM BDLS WASHINGTON by AVM Ron Dick

ASCENSION ISLAND – GATEWAY TO THE FALKLANDS by Gp Capt Jeremy Price

RAF LYNEHAM AND THE AIR BRIDGE by AVM Clive Evans

NIMROD OPERATIONS AT ASCENSION ISLAND by Gp Capt David Pierce

VULCAN OPERATIONS by Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss

CHINOOK OPERATIONS – RAF ODIHAM by AVM Sandy Hunter

CHINOOK OPERATIONS – No 18 Sqn by AVM Tony Stables

MARITIME OPERATIONS FROM ASCENSION by Wg Cdr Derek Straw

RAF REGIMENT PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION CORPORATE by Gp Capt Kingsley Oliver

LOGISTICS AND THE FALKLANDS CAMPAIGN by Air Cdre Peter Dye

HARRIER OPERATIONS – RAF GÜTERSLOH by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

HARRIER OPERATIONS – No 1 Sqn by Air Chf Mshl Sir Peter Squire

CLOSING REMARKS by MRAF Sir Michael Beetham

Journal 31 – 2004

10 June 2003 – MINUTES OF THE 17th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

RECOLLECTIONS OF A SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEFENCE by AGM guest speaker, The Rt Hon The Lord Healey

Stand-alone paper:

HOW DECISIVE WAS THE ROLE OF ALLIED AIR POWER IN THE WAR IN THE PACIFIC, 1941-1945? by Sqn Ldr S I Richards – 2002 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

Derek Wood – An Obituary

12 October 2002 – Proceedings of THE BOMBER COMMAND ASSOCIATION 60TH ANNIVERSARY SYMPOSIUM held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss

INTRODUCTION by MRAF Sir Michael Beetham

SETTING THE SCENE, 1917-42 by Air Cdre Andrew Lambert

HARRIS AND HIS MEN by Air Cdre Henry Probert

THE YEARS OF DEVELOPMENT by J Sebastian Cox

SURPRISES by Air Cdre Henry Probert

AUTUMN 1944-MAY 1945 by J Sebastian Cox

PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS by:

Wg Cdr Russ Jeffs

Sqn Ldr Tony Iveson

AVM Jack Furner

THE BOMBING OF GERMANY IN WORLD WAR II – A REAPPRAISAL by Prof Richard Overy

Journal 32 – 2004

21 October 2003 – AIR POWER – ANGLO-AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES – a seminar held jointly with the USAF Historical Foundation at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairmen: Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns and General W Y Smith

THE TAIL TO TOOTH RATIO – ROYAL FLYING CORPS AND AIR SERVICE CO-OPERATION IN MAINTENANCE TRAINING DURING WW I by Dr Roger G. Miller

THE RAF AND THE US ARMY AIR CORPS BETWEEN THE WARS by Air Cdre Henry Probert

RAF-USAAF CO-OPERATION IN AIR SUPPORT IN NORTH AFRICA DURING WW II by Dr Daniel Mortensen

RISING FROM THE ASHES: ALLIED AIR POWER AND AIR SUPPORT FOR THE 14th ARMY IN BURMA, 1943-1945 by Dr Sebastian Ritchie

THE THOR IRBM by Dr Jacob Neufeld

RAF-USAF AIR POWER IN GERMANY DURING THE COLD WAR by AVM Stuart Peach

RAF-USAF CO-ORDINATION FOR COMMAND AND CONTROL IN THE 1990-91 PERSIAN GULF WAR by Dr Mark D Mandel

AN RAF COMMANDER'S VIEW OF CO-OPERATION IN THE 1990-91 GULF WAR by Air Chf Mshl Sir William Wratten

Supplementary papers:

THE JOINT COMMANDER'S OVERVIEW OF RAF/USAF OPERATIONS IN THE 1991 GULF WAR by Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

ON EXCHANGE WITH THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE – A 1970's PERSPECTIVE by Gp Capt Richard Bates

OPERATION TORCH – A SPECIFIC INSTANCE OF RAF/USAAF CO-OPERATION condensed from the memoirs of AVM Sir Laurence Sinclair by the Editor

John Terraine – An Obituary

Journal 33 – 2005**7 April 2004 – MARITIME OPERATIONS – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Stear

THE EVOLUTION OF BRITISH MARITIME AIR POWER DURING WW I by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

COASTAL COMMAND'S ANTI-SHIPPING OPERATIONS IN NORTH-WEST EUROPE, 1940-1945 by Dr Christina Goulter

BLENHEIMS AND BEAUFORTS by Flt Lt Roy Nesbit

THE STRIKE WINGS OF RAF COASTAL COMMAND by Sqn Ldr Pat Fry

MET RECCE by Wg Cdr Bryn Lewis

A NAVAL VIEW OF MARITIME AIR POWER by Cdre Toby Elliott

MARITIME PATROL IN THE PISTON ENGINE ERA by Air Cdre Bill Tyack

NIMROD by Sqn Ldr Ian Coleman

MARITIME STRIKE/ATTACK OPERATIONS by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

LAND-BASED AIR DEFENCE OF THE FLEET by Air Cdre Ian McBride

Journal 34 – 2005**30 June 2004 – MINUTES OF THE 18th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

THE SECRET STATE: OLD AND NEW by AGM guest speaker, Prof Peter Hennessy

Stand-alone papers:

THE DAM BUSTERS RAID – SUCCESS OR SIDESHOW? by Wg Cdr T M Webster – 2003 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

AN AIRMAN AT ARNHEM by Wg Cdr Geoffrey Richards. (A personal account of being dropped at Arnhem with the intention of providing an on-site GCI facility; this plan was not realised and he was among those fortunate enough to be evacuated)

THE FLIGHT TO THE NORTH – NO 2 SQN'S MOVE FROM FARNBOROUGH TO MONTROSE IN 1913 by Wg Cdr George Wilson

THE MALTA AVIATION MUSEUM by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Armitage

POST WAR AIR SEA RESCUE – THE BELL ROCK INCIDENTS by Donald Smith

FRATRICIDE – AN OVERVIEW OF FRIENDLY FIRE INCIDENTS IN THE 20TH CENTURY by Wg Cdr C G Jefford

Roy Walker – An Obituary

Journal 35 – 2005**30 October 2004 – SUPPLY – AN AIR POWER ENABLER – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

THE EARLY DAYS by Wg Cdr Larry O'Hara

SUPPLY COMES OF AGE by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

SUPPLY: TWO WARTIME EXAMPLES by Air Cdre Henry Probert

EXPLOSIVES by Wg Cdr Mike Wooldridge

NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND No 94 MU, RAF BARNHAM by Air Cdre Mike Allisstone

THE CLOSURE OF No 11 MU, RAF CHILMARK by Wg Cdr Mike Wooldridge

FUELS by Air Cdre Andy Spinks

THE SUPPLY BRANCH AND MOBILITY by Wg Cdr David Powell

MOVEMENTS AND THE SUPPLY BRANCH by Gp Capt Duncan Grant

POST-WW II IMPERATIVES FOR SUPPLY by Air Cdre Mike Allisstone

THE ELECTRONIC ERA by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

SUPPORT FOR THE RAF IN THE 21ST CENTURY by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Alcock

FULL CIRCLE by Air Cdre Nick Morris

SUPPORT FOR THE RAF IN THE 21st CENTURY – A REBUTTAL by Air Cdre M J Allisstone

AIR MOBILITY – A game for 500 or more players

Journal 35A – 2005**22 March 2005 – THE RAF HARRIER STORY – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton**

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

EARLY HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES AND EMERGING STAFF TARGETS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

JET LIFT by Prof John F Coplin

EVOLUTION OF THE PEGASUS VECTORED THRUST ENGINE by Dr Gordon Lewis

THE ORIGINS OF JET-LIFT AT KINGSTON by Ralph Hooper

FLYING THE OPTIONS – THE SC1 AND P1127 by John Farley

THE KESTREL EVALUATION SQUADRON by Air Cdre D M Scrimgeour

CONVERTING THE RAF TO THE HARRIER by AVM Peter Dodworth

THE COLD WAR CONCEPTS OF OPERATION FOR THE RAF HARRIER FORCE by Gp Capt Jock Heron

LOGISTICS SUPPORT by AVM Pat O'Reilly

SHAPING LATER MOD POLICY by Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine

OPERATIONS – GR3 by Air Chf Mshl Sir Peter Squire

OPERATIONS IN THE HARRIER GR7 by Gp Capt Andy Golledge

THE JOINT FORCE HARRIER CONCEPT by Cdre Bill Covington

Supplementary papers:

THE HARRIER AND THE MINISTRY OF TECHNOLOGY, 1967-1969 by AM Sir Reginald Harland

A V/STOL FLIGHT CONTROL JOURNEY ENABLED BY RAE SCIENTISTS by John Farley

Journal 36 – 2006

8 June 2005 – MINUTES OF THE 19th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

GERMAN AVIATION TECHNOLOGY IN WW II by AGM guest speaker, Capt Eric Brown

Stand-alone papers:

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM – COALITION OPERATIONS by Sqn Ldr Sophy Gardner – 2004 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

THE POLISH APPRENTICES AT HALTON by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Armitage

THE ORIGINS OF FIGHTER SQUADRON HERALDRY by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

THE ORIGINS OF AIRCREW WHO FOUGHT IN THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN by Dr Tony Mansell

BOMBS ON VENICE by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork (the March 1945 precision fighter-bomber strike on shipping docked in the Venice lagoon)

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN NORTH RUSSIA – 1941 by Air Cdre Phil Wilkinson

Journal 37 – 2006

15 October 2005 – FLIGHT SAFETY – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Cdre Richie Profit

ACCIDENTS – INVESTIGATION, INSTITUTIONS AND ATTITUDES 1910-1918 by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

THE EVOLUTION OF PARACHUTES FOR AIRCREW by AVM Alan Johnson

ACCIDENTS – INVESTIGATION, INSTITUTIONS AND ATTITUDES 1919-1945 by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

A BRIEF HISTORY OF FLIGHT SAFETY LITERATURE by Stuart Hadaway

POST-WAR FLIGHT SAFETY by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

AIRCREW SAFETY – MARTIN-BAKER AND THE RAF by Brian Miller

THE POST-WAR CENTRAL FLYING SCHOOL AND FLIGHT SAFETY by AVM Paul Robinson

ATTITUDES TOWARDS SAFETY 1950-1980 – A PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE by AVM George Black

RAF BOARDS OF INQUIRY – A CASE HISTORY by Wg Cdr Andrew Brookes

Journal 38 – 2007

12 April 2006 – THE RAF IN THE MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE POST-WW II – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Knight

THE POST-WAR RAF IN THE MEDITERRANEAN – AN OVERVIEW by Air Cdre Henry Probert

THE RAF IN PALESTINE 1948-49 – THE WRONG PLACE, AT THE WRONG TIME by Sqn Ldr Bruce Williamson

THEATRE AIR TRANSPORT OPERATIONS IN THE MID-1950s by Flt Lt Denis Burles

OPERATION MUSKETEER – A PERSONAL VIEW by AVM George Black

THE RAF REGIMENT by Air Cdre Micky Witherow
MALTA by Air Cdre J C 'Ian' Atkinson
GIBRALTAR 1945-82 by Air Cdre Henry Probert
OPERATING FROM 'THE ROCK' by Wg Cdr Clive Blount
CYPRUS AND CENTO by AVM Nigel Baldwin
CYPRUS – CANBERRAS by Wg Cdr Barry Dove
CYPRUS AIR DEFENCE- SOME REFLECTIONS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Graydon
CYPRUS AND THE VULCAN by AVM Nigel Baldwin
Op PULSATOR – BUCCANEERS OVER BEIRUT by Air Cdre Ben Laite

Supplementary papers:

THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN AS A TRAINING ARENA by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

Stand-alone paper:

OPERATION SHALLOW – KINESHMA; 57°40'N, 42°20'E by Wg Cdr Geoffrey Richards; edited by Gp Capt Ian Madelin. (A personal account of the erection and testing of aircraft – Hurricanes and Airacobras – supplied to the Russians, Oct 41-Feb 42)

Journal 39 – 2007**21 June 2006 – MINUTES OF THE 20th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

THE EARLY DEVELOPMENT OF THE TURBOJET by AGM guest speaker, Ian Whittle

Stand-alone papers:

ARE THE EXPERIENCES OF THE RAF SERVICING COMMANDOS DURING WORLD WAR TWO RELEVANT TO THE SUPPORT OF CURRENT RAF EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS? by Wg Cdr S D Ellard – 2005 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

THE AIR ASPECTS OF THE SUEZ CAMPAIGN OF 1956 – a reprint of the content of Proceedings 3 (which, in hard copy, had used an unsatisfactory font and lacked photographs) to fill an obvious, but intentional, gap in the content of Journal 38

Chairman: Keith Kyle

SETTING THE SCENE by Keith Kyle

THE VIEW FROM WHITEHALL by Air Chf Mshl Sir David Lee

THE SCENE AT THE AIR MINISTRY by Sir Frank Cooper

THE PLANNERS' PERSPECTIVE by Air Chf Mshl Sir Denis Smallwood

COMMAND OF THE OPERATION by Air Chf Mshl Sir Thomas Prickett

A SQUADRON COMMANDER'S VIEWPOINT by AVM Paul Mallorie

AN APPRAISAL OF THE AIR CAMPAIGN by Air Chf Mshl Sir David Lee

Journal 40 – 2007**11 October 2006 – SEARCH AND RESCUE – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir John Curtiss

THE EVOLUTION OF THE AIR/SEA RESCUE ORGANISATION by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

SAILORS IN LIGHT BLUE by Gp Capt J Stephen Fosh

THE ASR AIR ORBAT IN WW II by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

TRAINING AND SURVIVAL AIDS by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

RECOLLECTIONS OF SERVICE WITH ASR SQUADRONS by Flt Lt Tony Richardson

MOUNTAIN RESCUE by Frank Card

DESERT SURVIVAL TRAINING 1958-60 by Air Cdre Mickey Witherow

JUNGLE SURVIVAL TRAINING 1964-65 by Flt Lt Roger Annett

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SEARCH AND RESCUE HELICOPTER by Wg Cdr Peter Chadwick

Supplementary paper:

THE RAF MOUNT BATTEN EXPERIENCE by Flt Lt Philip Mill

Journal 41 – 2008

According to the routine publication schedule, Journal 41 should have reported the proceedings of the spring 2007 seminar. However, there was no spring seminar in 2007, the Committee opting instead for a field visit to the recently opened National Cold War Exhibition at the RAF Museum's Cosford site. While this was interesting, it did not produce any material for the Journal. Rather than skip an edition it was decided to recycle some notable papers from early publications that were no longer available from stock. They were:

20 October 1986. THE INTELLIGENCE WAR AND THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by Prof R V Jones

16 March 1987. WORLD WAR II – THE BALANCE SHEET by John Terraine

14 March 1988. THE IMPACT OF THE SANDYS DEFENCE POLICY ON THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by T C G James

29 June 1988. THE POLICY, COMMAND AND DIRECTION OF THE LUFTWAFFE IN WORLD WAR II by Dr Horst Boog

31 October 1988. THE ROYAL AIR FORCE AND CLANDESTINE OPERATIONS IN NORTH-WEST EUROPE

Journal 42 – 2008

27 June 2007 – MINUTES OF THE 21st AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

THE IMPORTANT OMISSIONS OF A ‘SERVICE’ BIOGRAPHY by AGM guest speaker, Anthony Furse (Afterthoughts and amplifications related to the MAP and Air Chf Mshl Sir Wilfrid Freeman by the latter’s nephew and biographer.)

Stand-alone papers:

STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND’S B-29s DURING THE BERLIN AIRLIFT by Brig-Gen Brian S Gunderson

RAF BOMBER COMMAND AND THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, OCTOBER 1962 by Clive Richards

THE THOR IRBM – THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS AND THE SUBSEQUENT RUN-DOWN OF THE THOR FORCE by John Boyes

AIRCRAFT STATUS IN THE 1940s by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

THE CREATION OF BRITISH AIRBORNE FORCES AND THE BATTLE OF ARNHEM by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

THE ROYAL, DOMINION AND ALLIED AIR FORCES MISSING RESEARCH AND ENQUIRY SERVICE, 1944-1952 by Stuart Hadaway

Air Cdre Henry Probert 1926-2007 – a Eulogy delivered by Sebastian Cox at Kingsdown Crematorium, Swindon on 8 January 2008

Journal 43 – 2008**24 October 2007 – AVIATION MEDICINE – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: AVM Alan Johnson

THE GENESIS OF MEDICAL SELECTION TESTS FOR AIRCREW IN THE UNITED KINGDOM by Air Cdre T M Gibson

THE RAF INSTITUTE OF AVIATION MEDICINE, 1945-1994 – CONTRIBUTIONS TO AVIATION AND FLIGHT SAFETY by AVM John Ernsting

DEVELOPMENT OF BREATHING SYSTEMS – CONTRIBUTIONS OF FLIGHT RESEARCH AND FLIGHT TRIALS by Dr Alistair J F Macmillan

THE FIGHT AGAINST G by Wg Cdr N D C Green

A SHORT HISTORY OF AEROMEDICAL EVACUATION by Wg Cdr M J Ruth

RECOLLECTIONS OF AEROMEDICAL FLYING TRIALS by Surg Cdr Herbert Ellis

OPERATION HOTBOX by Air Mshl Sir Geoffrey Dhenin

Supplementary paper:

CASUALTY EVACUATION 1923 – KOICOL TO BAGHDAD by Wg Cdr C G Jefford

Journal 43A – 2009**8 April 2008 – THE CANBERRA IN THE RAF – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton**

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Knight

ORIGINS OF THE PROJECT by Bob Fairclough

THE EARLY DAYS by AVM John Brownlow

ARIES FLIGHTS TO THE NORTH POLE AND OTHER LONG DISTANCE FLIGHTS by Wg Cdr Terry Hayward

DEVELOPMENTS FOR THE RAF by Bob Fairclough

RECCE CANBERRAS – SOME UNTOLD STORIES by Chris Pocock

THE CANBERRA IN FEAFF by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

SECOND LINE ACTIVITIES by Wg Cdr Andrew Brookes

THE CANBERRA PR9 by Gp Capt Vernon Harding

Reprints of Canberra-related material from earlier publications:

RAF GERMANY – OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS – STRIKE by Air Cdre Phil Wilkinson (Journal 20A)

RAF EW TRAINING 1966-94 by Wg Cdr Dick Turpin (Journal 28)

CYPRUS – CANBERRAS by Wg Cdr Barry Dove (Journal 38)

SUEZ – A SQUADRON COMMANDER'S VIEWPOINT by AVM Paul Mallorie (Journal 39)

Journal 44 – 2009**25 June 2008 – MINUTES OF THE 22nd AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

REFLECTIONS ON HIS TIME AS CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF, 1992-97 by AGM guest speaker, Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Graydon

Stand-alone papers:

FROM CONINGHAM TO PROJECT CONINGHAM-KEYES: DID BRITISH FORCES RELEARN HISTORICAL AIR-LAND CO-OPERATION LESSONS DURING OPERATION TELIC? by Wg Cdr H Smyth – 2007 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

A LETTER FROM ‘BOMBER’ HARRIS

TIGER FORCE AND FLIGHT REFUELLED by Brian Gardner

Journal 45 – 2009

22 October 2008 – UNGUIDED WEAPONS – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir John Kembell

RFC BOMBS AND BOMBING 1912-1918 by AVM Peter Dye

THE DEVELOPMENT OF RAF BOMBS, 1919-1939 by Stuart Hadaway

RAF BOMBS AND BOMBING 1939-1945 by Nina Burls

THE DEVELOPMENT OF RAF GUNS AND AMMUNITION FROM WORLD WAR 1 TO THE PRESENT DAY by Anthony G Williams

DEFENSIVE GUN ARMAMENT – TURRETS by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

A HISTORY OF AIR-TO-SURFACE ROCKET SYSTEMS by Wg Cdr David Herriot

THE ROCKET-FIRING TYPHOONS IN NORMANDY by Dr Alfred Price

BRITISH AIR-DROPPED DEPTH CHARGES AND ANTI-SHIP TORPEDOES by Roger Hayward

AIRBORNE SEA-MINING OPERATIONS IN WORLD WAR TWO by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

THE SCI (Smoke Curtain Installation) by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

THE MEMORIAL AT NOYERS BOCAGE

Tony Richardson – An Obituary

Journal 46 – 2010

8 April 2009 – THE SOFT UNDERBELLY (THE NORTHERN MEDITERRANEAN 1943-45) – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir David Cousins

THE NORTHERN MEDITERRANEAN 1943-1945 by Wg Cdr Andrew Brookes

AIRBORNE FORCES IN THE NORTH MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

DID ALLIED AIR INTERDICTION LIVE UP TO EXPECTATIONS IN THE ITALIAN CAMPAIGN, 1943-1944? by Wg Cdr ‘Archie’ Spence

THE BALKAN AIR FORCE by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

AIR POWER AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS: THE RAF AND SPECIAL DUTIES IN YUGOSLAVIA, 1941-1945 by Dr Sebastian Ritchie

THE RAF IN COUNTER-INSURGENCY WARFARE: BRITISH INTERVENTION IN GREECE, 1944-45 by Sqn Ldr Alexander Zervoudakis and Dr Christina Goulter

RAF REGIMENT NORTH MEDITERRANEAN OPERATIONS 1943-1945 by Air Cdre M S Witherow

SPECIAL DUTIES OPERATIONS – THE POLISH DIMENSION by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

THE AEGEAN CAMPAIGN – A PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE by Tony Ross

Journal 47 – 2010

17 June 2009 – MINUTES OF THE 23rd AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

SIR ARTHUR HARRIS AND SOME MYTHS AND CONTROVERSIES OF THE BOMBER OFFENSIVE
by AGM guest speaker, Sebastian Cox

Stand-alone papers:

AIR POWER AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE OPERATIONS – MALAYA 1948-1960 by Wg Cdr B J Hunt – 2008 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

THE GREMLIN TASK FORCE (in French Indo-China, 1945) by Air Chf Mshl Sir Walter Cheshire

FLYING FOR THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN SOUTH EAST ASIA COMMAND: LEGACIES AND REALITIES by Prof Robin Higham

THE FLIGHT ENGINEER IN WW II by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

Journal 48 – 2010

21 October 2009 – FROM PALESTINE TO PESHAWAR, 1915 TO DATE – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

ONLY A SIDESHOW? THE RFC AND RAF IN MESOPOTAMIA, 1914-1918 by Guy Warner

THE RAF ARMOURED CAR COMPANIES IN IRAQ (MOSTLY), 1921-1947 by Dr Christopher Morris

No 4 SFTS AND RASCHID ALI’S WAR – IRAQ 1941 by Wg Cdr Mike Dudgeon

SUBSTITUTION OR SUBORDINATION? THE EMPLOYMENT OF AIR POWER OVER AFGHANISTAN AND THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER, 1910-1939 by Clive Richards

THE JEBEL AKHDAR WAR (THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN OMAN 1952-1959) by AVM Peter Dye

THE RAF AND ADEN, 1928-1967 by Dr Sebastian Ritchie

UTILISING JOINT FORCE HARRIER IN AFGHANISTAN’S COUNTER INSURGENCY CAMPAIGN
by Wg Cdr Harvey Smyth

Supplementary paper:

SHAIBAH THEN AND NOW – a photographic essay by Gp Capt Clive Montellier

Journal 49 – 2011

7 April 2010 – THE ROYAL AIR FORCE – AN INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: AVM George Black

THE PRE-WAR DEVELOPMENT OF DOMINION AIR FORCES by Sebastian Cox

ANSWERING THE ‘OLD COUNTRY’S’ CALL by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

‘REPEAT, PLEASE!’ POLES AND CZECHOSLOVAKS IN THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN by Peter Devitt

ALLIES AT WAR: THE RAF AND THE WESTERN EUROPEAN AIR FORCES, 1940-45 by Stuart Hadaway

INTERNATIONAL FLYING TRAINING by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

CFS EXAMINING WING AND ITS WORK OVERSEAS, 1987-89 by Gp Capt Tom Eeles

LOAN SERVICE WITH THE SULTAN OF OMAN’S AIR FORCE by Gp Capt Geoff Brindle

A PERSONAL ACCOUNT OF SERVICE WITH SOAF IN THE DHOFAR WAR by Wg Cdr Denis Grey

RAF ASSOCIATED OVERSEAS GROUND FORCES by Air Cdre Mickey Witherow

Journal 50 – 2011**16 June 2010 – MINUTES OF THE 24th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN – 70 YEARS ON by AGM guest speaker, Dr Michael Fopp

Stand-alone papers:

'EXECUTIVE FULLER!' – THE ROYAL AIR FORCE AND THE CHANNEL DASH by Gp Capt Alistair Byford – 2009 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

THE RIGHT OF THE LINE by JOHN TERRAINE – A RE-ASSESSMENT 25 YEARS ON by Dr John Peaty

ARTHUR TEDDER – AIR POWER MAESTRO by Gp Capt Andrew Thomas

THE WIRELESS OPERATOR IN WW II by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

THE 'HAND AND THUNDERBOLT' BADGE by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

Journal 50A – 2011**21 October 2010 – THE BRISTOL CONNECTION – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton**

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Peter Squire

THE BEGINNING – THE WHITE FAMILY by Sir George White

BEFORE AND DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR by Prof Duncan Greenman

THE BRISTOL FLYING SCHOOLS by Bill Morgan

BRISTOL'S PISTON ENGINES AND THE RAF – AN OVERVIEW by Patrick Hassell

AIRFRAME DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION 1919-45 by Peter Coombs

BRISTOL AIRCRAFT IN WW II by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

FOCUS ON A BLENHEIM SQUADRON by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

BRISTOL AND THE RAF IN THE COLD WAR – THE CINDERELLA YEARS, 1946-60 by Prof Duncan Greenman

BRISTOL TO ROLLS-ROYCE – THE GAS TURBINE STORY by Gp Capt Jock Heron

THE LAST OF THE LINE – THE RAF BRITANNIA by Sqn Ldr David Berry

COLD WAR PROJECTS by Tony Buttler

FIFTY YEARS OF THE PEGASUS by Andrew Dow

*In Memoriam – Gordon Lewis by Andrew Dow***Journal 51 – 2012****20 April 2011 – SUPPORT OF AIR OPERATIONS – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Alcock

AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, 1939 TO 1966 by AVM John Browne

5357 FIELD FORCE WING by John Marsh

SHIELD FORCE: 5358 WING AND THE LIBERATION OF HONG KONG by Brian Corbett (presented by Wg Cdr Dick Turpin)

COLD WAR – WARM CLIMES by Sqn Ldr John Fox

RAF REGIMENT ANTI-AIRCRAFT (AA) DEFENCE, WW II TO BELIZE by Air Cdre Mickey Witherow

THE RAF SERVICING COMMANDOS, 1942-46 by Wg Cdr Tim Newstead

ROYAL AIR FORCE REPAIR AND SALVAGE, 1939-1945 by AVM Peter Dye

MOBILE FIELD PHOTOGRAPHIC UNITS. Jointly drafted by Gp Capt Geoffrey Oxlee and Wg Cdr Mike Mockford (presented by the latter)

Supplementary paper:

AN OVERVIEW OF AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION PRIOR TO AND DURING WW II by Sebastian Cox

Journal 52 – 2012

15 June 2011 – MINUTES OF THE 25th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

AIR POWER IN THE 2003 IRAQ WAR by AGM guest speaker, Air Chf Mshl Sir Brian Burridge

Stand-alone papers:

‘PINK’S WAR’ – APPLYING THE PRINCIPLES OF AIR CONTROL TO WAZIRISTAN, 9 MARCH TO 1 MAY 1925 by Lt-Col A M Roe – 2010 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

TRAFFORD LEIGH-MALLORY – COMMANDER OF CONTROVERSY by Gp Capt Andrew Thompson
A POLISH EPIC by Dr J T Cliffe

THE INVENTION OF THE JET ENGINE by Alec Collins

THE LAW, AND LORE, OF RAF FLYING BADGES by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

Journal 53 – 2012

19 October 2011 – THE RAF IN THE EARLY YEARS OF THE JET ERA – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

THE WORLD’S FIRST JET ENGINES: THE SERIOUS PURSUIT OF INNOVATION IN MILITARY AVIATION, 1936-1945 by Dr Hermione Giffard

BRITAIN’S EARLY JET AIRCRAFT by Captain Eric Brown

THE JET INTO RAF SQUADRON SERVICE by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

FIT FOR SERVICE – THE ROLE OF SERVICE TEST PILOTS by AVM Alan Merriman

THE AVRO VULCAN – MAKING IT WORK by Tony Blackman

THE COMET IN TRANSPORT COMMAND by Wg Cdr Basil D’Oliveira

THE INTRODUCTION OF RAF JET AIRCRAFT – ENGINEERING AND SUPPLY ISSUES by AVM Graham Skinner

Supplementary papers:

THE LINCOLN THESEUS EXPERIMENTAL UNIT by Gp Capt J D ‘Jock’ Heron

HIGH DUTY ALLOYS AND THE JET ENGINE by Tony Buttler

Journal 54 – 2013

4 April 2012 – THE RAF AND THE ARMY CO-OPERATION ROLES INHERITED FROM THE EARLY RFC – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

CORPS RECONNAISSANCE 1914-18 by Wg Cdr ‘Jeff’ Jefford

ALL UNDILUTED NONSENSE? – THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN THE ARMY CO-OPERATION ROLE, 1919-1940 by Clive Richards

FROM ARMY CO-OPERATION TO FIGHTER RECONNAISSANCE – DEVELOPMENTS 1939-1945 by Peter Elliott

THE ORIGIN, DEVELOPMENT AND WARTIME SERVICE OF THE AUSTER AIRCRAFT by Hugh Thomas

FIRST IN THE FIELD – 651 SQUADRON, 1941-45 by Guy Warner

AIR OP AND THE ARMY AIR CORPS, POST-WW II by Col Michael Hickey

Supplementary papers:

SOLDIER PILOTS IN THE RAF 1920-41 by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

FLYING BADGES FOR ARMY PILOTS 1921-58 by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

Journal 55 – 2013

20 June 2012 – MINUTES OF THE 26th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

BOMBER COMMAND AND THE LESSONS OF THE BLITZ 1940-1941 by AGM guest speaker, Prof Richard Overy

Stand-alone papers:

AIR POWER IN THE MAU MAU CONFLICT: THE GOVERNMENT'S CHIEF WEAPON by Wg Cdr Steve Chappell – 2011 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

WHAT'S IN A NAME? RDF, RADAR AND RADIOLOCATION by Clive Richards

JAMES TEMPLER AND THE BIRTH OF BRITISH MILITARY AVIATION by Michael J Dunn

THE AIR GUNNER by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

THE MOSS ON THE ROLLING STONE OF HISTORY by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

Journal 56 – 2013

24 October 2012 – SHOT DOWN BEHIND ENEMY LINES – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Roger Austin

THE ORGANISATION OF ESCAPE AND EVASION by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

MAPS (AND MORE) FOR THE CHAPS – ESCAPE AIDS AND TRAINING by Peter Elliott

AIR FORCE PRISONER-OF-WAR CAMPS IN THE THIRD REICH by Charles Rollings

THE ESCAPE LINES OF NORTH-WEST EUROPE IN WW II by Roger Stanton

OPERATIONS TO RECOVER RELEASED PRISONERS OF WAR by Sebastian Cox

A BAGHDAD PRISONER by Sqn Ldr Bob Ankerson

Supplementary papers:

THE INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANISATION OF ESCAPE ATTEMPTS WITHIN AIR FORCE PRISONER-OF-WAR CAMPS IN THE THIRD REICH, 1939-45 by Charles Rollings

Journal 57 – 2014

13 March 2013 – OPERATION GRANBY – THE RAF IN GULF WAR I, 1990-91 – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine
JOINT COMMANDER'S OVERVIEW by Air Chf Mshl Sir Patrick Hine
COMMAND AND CONTROL IN THE UK by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns
DEVELOPING THE HEADQUARTERS IN KINGDOM by Air Mshl Ian Macfadyen
LOGISTICS SUPPORT by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Alcock
NEW JETS FOR OLD – A CASE STUDY by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings (concerns the Jaguar)
AIR TRANSPORT OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Jerry King
THE AIR CAMPAIGN PLAN AND AIR TASKING ORDERS by Air Chf Mshl Sir William Wratten
OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS TORNADO by Air Cdre Jeremy Witts
BUCCANEER OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS by Wg Cdr Ewan Fraser
TANKER SUPPORT TO ALLIED OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS by Air Cdre Geoff Simpson
SUPPORT HELICOPTERS AND THE GROUND WAR by Gp Capt Mike Trace

Journal 58 – 2014

25 June 2013 – MINUTES OF THE 27th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

BOMBER COMMAND IN POPULAR LITERATURE AND PERCEPTION by AGM guest speaker, Prof Richard Morris

Stand-alone papers:

RPAS AND THE ETHICAL LANDSCAPE OF CONTEM-PORARY CONFLICT by Wg Cdr Nicholas Tucker-Lowe – 2012 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

BRUNEI – 1963 by AVM Alan Johnson. (A personal account of accessing the site of a crashed Twin Pioneer)

THE BLUE STREAK UNDERGROUND LAUNCHERS by John Boyes

JOINT SERVICES SCHOOLS FOR LINGUISTS 1951-60 by Dennis Mills

MANNA FROM HEAVEN by Gerald A White Jr. (The development of air re-supply in India/Burma 1943-43)

In Memoriam – Jack Dunham

Journal 58A – 2014

22 October 2013 – THE VULCAN – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Knight

REQUIREMENTS AND CONCEPTS; DELTAS, CRESCENTS AND OTHER OPTIONS by Tony Buttler

THE VULCAN'S ENGINE by Gp Capt Jock Heron

THE VULCAN AS AN ENGINE TEST BED by Patrick Hassell

V-FORCE DEVELOPMENT – SIMULTANEOUS ENGINE STARTING by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Alcock

THE VIEW FROM THE BACK – THE VULCAN NAV/ATTACK SYSTEM by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

THE POST-QRA ERA, 1969-1984 by AVM Nigel Baldwin

THE SIXTH SEAT: A VULCAN CREW CHIEF'S STORY by Tony Regan

THE WARMER SIDE OF THE COLD WAR by Wg Cdr Adrian Sumner

THE VULCAN BOMBER IN ACTION – Operation BLACK BUCK by Sqn Ldr Martin Withers

VULCAN: HONOURING THE PAST, INSPIRING THE FUTURE by Dr Robert Pleming

Supplementary papers:

THE REAR CREW ESCAPE SAGA by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

GUNS FOR V-BOMBERS? By Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

Journal 59 – 2015

9 April 2014 – THE RAF AND AIRBORNE FORCES – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: General Sir Rupert Smith

ORIGINS AND INFANCY OF THE CENTRAL LANDING SCHOOL, RINGWAY, AND THE TRAGINO AQUeduct RAID by Nicolas Livingstone

THE PARACHUTE TRAINING OF BRITISH AIRBORNE FORCES by Gp Capt Peter Hearn

GLIDERS, TUGS AND EARLY OPERATIONS by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

MOVEMENT AND RESUPPLY OF GROUND FORCES IN BURMA, 1942-45 by Roger Annett

AIRBORNE OPERATIONS: FROM NORMANDY TO VARSITY by Dr Sebastian Ritchie

RAF REGIMENT PARACHUTE UNITS, 1942-1950 by Graeme Deeley

AIRBORNE DELIVERY WING – CURRENT PARACHUTING CAPABILITIES by Wg Cdr Wayne Loxton

Journal 60 – 2015

18 June 2014 – MINUTES OF THE 28th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

COMMEMORATING THE FIRST WAR IN THE AIR by AGM guest speaker, Air Vice-Marshal Dr Peter Dye

Stand-alone papers:

RISE OF THE ROBOTS? WESTERN UNMANNED AIR OPERATIONS IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN, 2001 TO 2010 by Sqn Ldr Joe Doyle – 2013 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

POST-WAR FIGHTER SQUADRON MARKINGS. (Note amplifying the coloured representations of fighter 'bar' markings, by Alan Carlaw, provided as a separate insert with this edition)

TO THE VICTOR, THE SPOILS: THE RAF'S TOXIC LEGACY FROM THE DISSOLUTION OF THE LUFTWAFFE IN 1945 by Wing Commander Trevor Stone. (The disposal of German chemical weapons, 1946-56)

BEAVERBROOK'S AMERICAN MERLINS by George Galaska

GUNS IN THE SUN AND SNOW by Air Commodore Phil Wilkinson. (The RAF in Southern Russia 1918-1920)

OVERSEAS GEE CHAINS 1945-46 by Walter Blanchard

Journal 61 – 2015

22 October 2014 – ASPECTS OF THE RAF IN THE FAR EAST – POST-WWII – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Ian Macfadyen

THE RAF IN INDO CHINA, 1945-46 by Stuart Hadaway

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN KOREA by Ewan Burnet

BRUNEI 1962-63 by Sebastian Cox

AIR REINFORCEMENT OF THE FAR EAST SINCE 1948 by Wg Cdr 'Jeff' Jefford

HELICOPTERS IN FEA – SYCAMORES TO BELVEDERES by Gp Capt Paul Gray

RAF FIGHTER ACTIVITIES IN FEA – 1961 TO 1970 by Gp Capt 'Jock' Heron

LIGHTNING DEPLOYMENTS AND EMPLOYMENT by Air Cdre Ian McBride

Journal 62 – 2016

1 April 2015 – GUIDED WEAPONS – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Roger Austin

THE NUCLEAR DIMENSION – THE DEVELOPMENT OF WARHEADS FOR THE ROYAL AIR FORCE 'SPECIAL WEAPONS' by Katherine Pyne

BLUE STEEL – THE V-FORCE'S STAND-OFF BOMB by Air Cdre Norman Bonnor

BLOODHOUND by Richard Vernon

SHORT RANGE AIR DEFENCE – TIGERCAT by Wg Cdr Martin Hooker

SHORT RANGE AIR DEFENCE – RAPIER by Wg Cdr Simon Openshaw

MARTEL & SEA EAGLE by Air Cdre David Wilby

THOR – POLITICS AND OPERATIONS by Maj John Boyes

AIR-TO-AIR MISSILES – THE FIRST 30 YEARS by Wg Cdr Andrew Lister-Tomlinson

Journal 63 – 2016

1 July 2015 – MINUTES OF THE 29th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

BUILDING AND DEPLOYING BLUE DANUBE – BRITAIN'S FIRST NUCLEAR WEAPON by AGM guest speaker, Jonathan Aylen

Stand-alone papers:

THE V-WEAPONS OFFENSIVE: ITS IMPACT UPON THE ALLIED WAR EFFORT AND SOME REFLECTIONS UPON THE CONTEMPORARY IMPLICATIONS OF WEAPONS OF MASS EFFECT by Gp Capt M R Johnson – 2014 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

FLYING ROLES FOR WOMEN IN THE RAF by Gp Capt Dr Kathleen Sherit

FIDO AND EMERGENCY RUNWAYS – A HAVEN FOR THE BOMBER STREAM by Adam Sutch

GUNS IN THE SUN AND SNOW (RATHER MORE SNOW) – THE RAF IN NORTHERN RUSSIA 1918-19 by Air Cdre Phil Wilkinson

MY FATHER'S 'PILOTS FLYING LOG BOOK' CRANWELL AND INDIA 1920-26 by AVM David Brook

Obituary: Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Michael Beetham by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

Journal 64 – 2016

21 October 2015 – ASPECTS OF RAF MARITIME AIR SINCE WW II – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: AVM Andrew Roberts

RAF MARITIME AIR – THE FIRST POST-WAR DECADE by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

MARITIME AIRCRAFT WEAPONS 1946 TO 2000+ by Sqn Ldr Andrew Lovett

ACQUIRING THE POST-WAR AEROPLANES by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

THE SHACKLETON FROM A NAVIGATOR'S VIEWPOINT by Air Cdre Bill Tyack

FROM DEEP by Cdre Toby Elliott

VIEWS FROM THE COCKPIT by Wg Cdr Mike Cockrill

A REFLECTION ON THE NIMROD MR2, THE MARITIME FORCE AND ITS INHERENT ADAPTABILITY by Air Cdre Robbie Noel and Gp Capt J J Johnston

Journal 65 – 2017**23 March 2016 – TRENCHARD'S THREE PILLARS – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon**

Chairman: AVM George Black

THE RAF HALTON AIRCRAFT APPRENTICE SCHEME by Gp Capt Min Larkin

TRADE TRAINING IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN THE POST-APPRENTICE ERA by Wg Cdr Christopher Jones

THE FLIGHT CADET ERA by Gp Capt Christopher Finn

OFFICER TRAINING IN THE 21ST CENTURY; TRAINING GENERATION Z by Air Cdre C J Luck

'A DISSEMINATING STATION FOR APPROVED DOCTRINE'? THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE RAF STAFF COLLEGES, 1922-1997 by Dr Ross Mahoney

STAFF TRAINING TODAY by Air Cdre A J Byford

RAF APPRENTICE TRAINING SCHEMES by Sqn Ldr Bryan Clark

Journal 66 – 2017**22 June 2016 – MINUTES OF THE 30th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB**

POWER IN THE 1990s AGM guest speaker, Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

Stand-alone papers:

NORTH AFRICA AND NORMANDY IN WWII: PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS AMONGST BRITISH SENIOR COMMANDERS by Wg Cdr Paul Rait – 2015 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

COMMAND AND STAFF TRAINING FOR JUNIOR OFFICERS IN DAYS OF YORE by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

CHAOS AT COLINDALE (A Personal Reflection of the Last Days of RAF Hendon) by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

25 April 1945: THE OPERATION TO DESTROY THE FÜHRER'S MOUNTAIN RETREAT by John Boyes

THE RAF AND THE BAGHDAD AIR MAIL, 1921-27 – FORGING THE FIRST LINK IN AN IMPERIAL CHAIN by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

Journal 66A – 2017

18 October 2016 – COLD WAR AIR SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT – a seminar held at the Bristol Aerospace Welfare Association (BAWA) conference facility, Filton

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Peter Norriss

BRITISH DEFENCE POLICY IN THE COLD WAR ERA, 1945-91 by Dr Alastair Noble

AIR SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT THROUGH THE AGES by Sir Donald Spiers

AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT UNDER LABOUR 1964-70: SOME MYTHS by Dr Richard Moore

PROCUREMENT by Air Mshl Sir Roger Austin

SOME PERSONAL VIEWS by Air Mshl Sir Peter Norriss

THE IMPACT OF AIR DEFENCE PROCUREMENT DECISIONS ON OUR UK AEROSPACE INDUSTRIAL CAPABILITY 1965–95 by Prof Iain Gray

SUPPORT MATTERS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Alcock

ACQUISITION EXPERIENCES FROM THE PAST – AND LESSONS LEARNED by AVM Graham Williams

Supplementary papers:

PROCUREMENT by James Hamilton-Paterson

Journal 67 – 2018

12 April 2017 – THE RAF REGIMENT – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

THE RAF ARMOURED CAR COMPANIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST 1921-1939 AND THE RAF SCHEME OF AIR CONTROL by Dr Nigel Warwick

THE RAF REGIMENT AT THE BATTLE OF MEIKTILA by Fg Off Miles Whitehead

THE RAF REGIMENT AND THE WITHDRAWAL FROM EMPIRE by Air Cdre Scott Miller

THE RAF REGIMENT CONTRIBUTION TO THE RAF GERMANY HARRIER FORCE by Wg Cdr David Caddick

AIR DEFENCE IN THE RAF REGIMENT by Wg Cdr Lee Taylor

CLOSE AIR SUPPORT IN CONTEMPORARY OPERATIONS by Flt Lt Wayne Lovejoy

OPERATION MEDUSA AND THE LOSS OF XV230 Air Cdre Frank Clifford

Journal 68 – 2018

14 June 2017 – MINUTES OF THE 31st AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

ON THE ETHICS OF BOMBING: COMPARING RAF AREA BOMBING IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR WITH 21ST CENTURY REAPER OPERATIONS by AGM guest speaker, Dr Peter Lee

Stand-alone papers:

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE AND THE IRISH WAR OF INDEPENDENCE 1918-1922 by Rev Dr (Sqn Ldr) David Richardson – 2016 RAF Two Air Forces Award paper

LIFE ON A DESERT ISLAND by Gp Capt David Packman

‘THE AMERICANS, WITH MORE AND LARGER AIRCRAFT, CARRIED THE MAJOR PART OF THE TONNAGE THROUGH THE AIR’: RAF PERFORMANCE DURING THE BERLIN AIRLIFT by Richard Keen

HOW MANY U-BOATS WERE SUNK FROM THE AIR BY BRITISH FORCES IN WW I? by Gp Capt Mike Peaker

HERALDRY AT CRANWELL by Gp Capt Phil Rodgers

THE ADOPTION OF A MOTTO FOR THE RFC by the Editor

THE CREATION OF THE RNAS AND ITS CONSTITUTIONAL STATUS COMPARED TO THAT OF THE RFC by the Editor

THE 'HAND AND THUNDERBOLT' BADGE – REVISITED by the Editor

THE HENRY PROBERT BURSARY 'The Territorial Air Force 1925-1957 – Officer Class and Recruitment' by Louise Wilkinson

Journal 69 – 2018

11 October 2017 – WOMEN IN THE RAF – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir David Cousins

WOMEN OF THE AIR FORCE: PIONEERS IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR by Nina Hadaway

CREATING A MILITARY IDENTITY? THE WAAF IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR by Dr Tessa Stone

EARNING THEIR WINGS – FLYING IN THE ATA AND WRAFVR by Peter Elliott

REGULAR SERVICEWOMEN: THE PATH TO COMBATANT STATUS by Gp Capt Kathleen Sherit

MY TIME IN THE RAF by Air Cdre Cynthia Fowler

A PILOT'S STORY by Julie Gibson

REFLECTIONS ON COMMAND by Gp Capt Sara Mackmin

Supplementary papers:

DAME HELEN GWYNNE-VAUGHAN: HER VISION FOR THE ROLE OF SERVICEWOMEN by Gp Capt Kathleen Sherit

THE RAF'S FIRST WOMAN PILOT? by Peter Elliott

PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE – THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS by Mary Mackie

THE EULOGY FOR AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR PETER SQUIRE

THE SOCIETY'S POLICY IN THE CONTEXT OF THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR)

Journal 70 – 2019

20 March 2018 – THE FIRST 100 YEARS – SELECTED MILESTONES – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

THE CREATION OF THE RAF by Gp Capt Jim Beldon

THE EVOLUTION OF FLYING TRAINING IN WW I by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

WAZIRISTAN, 1936-39 AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR STRATEGIC BOMBING POLICY by Wg Cdr Andrew Walters

EXTENDING THE OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY – FURTHER, HIGHER AND FASTER by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

RAF AID TO RUSSIA, 1941 by Air Cdre Phil Wilkinson

THE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPLOITATION OF ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT IN THE RAF by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

A HISTORY OF AIR-TO-AIR REFUELING by Sqn Ldr Bob Tuxford

Supplementary papers:

IN THE BEGINNING . . . by Air Mshl Sir Freddie Sowrey

Journal 71 – 2019

13 June 2018 – MINUTES OF THE 32nd AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

DEFENCE – MONEY, POLITICS AND TECHNOLOGY by AGM guest speaker, Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

Stand-alone papers:

‘WE NEVER TALK ABOUT THAT NOW’: AIR-LAND INTEGRATION IN THE WESTERN DESERT 1940-42 by Wg Cdr Dave Smathers

THE HENRY PROBERT BURSARY – BOMBER COMMAND’S ELECTRONIC WARFARE POLICY AND SUPPRESSION OF ENEMY AIR DEFENCE POSTURE DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR by Dr Thomas Withington

EYEBALLING RATKO by Air Chf Mshl Sir William Wratten

FIGHTER COMMAND AAR EVALUATION TRIALS 1949-52 by Brian Gardner

‘MUTTON’, ‘ALBINO’ AND ‘TURBINLITE’: MISDIRECTION IN FIGHTER COMMAND NIGHT AIR DEFENCE POLICY, 1940-1942 by Stephen Moore

THE RAF AND THE CHANAK CRISIS OF 1922-23 by Tim Mason

No 350 SQN AND No 6350 SERVICING ECHELON – AN ACCOUNT OF CONDITIONS WHEN MOBILE AND THE EVENTUAL CHANGE TO BEING STATIC

WHO WAS THE YOUNGEST PILOT IN THE BATTLE? by Geoff Simpson

THE FAKE 28 SQUADRON STANDARD by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

THE VICTORY FLYPAST OF THE DESERT AIR FORCE by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

Journal 72 – 2019

3 October 2018 – THE ENGLISH ELECTRIC LIGHTNING – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: AVM George Black

LIGHTNING GENESIS by Tony Wilson

THE AIR FIGHTING DEVELOPMENT SQUADRON by Air Cdre John Mitchell

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE LIGHTNING INTO SERVICE by Sqn Ldr Tim Nelson

ENTRY INTO SERVICE AND MAINTAINING THE MATURE PLATFORM by Wg Cdr Gareth Cunningham

LIGHTNING QRA – ALWAYS RUNNING HOT! by Captain Ian Black

LIGHTNING DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND PROPOSALS by Tony Wilson

LIGHTNING OPERATIONS IN THE KUWAIT AIR FORCE by Sqn Ldr Clive Brimson

LIGHTNING OPERATIONS IN THE ROYAL SAUDI AIR FORCE (RSAF) by Gp Capt Andy Williams

LIGHTNINGS IN RAF GERMANY by Air Cdre Rick Peacock-Edwards

LIGHTNINGS OVER CYPRUS by Gp Capt Geoff Brindle and Wg Cdr John Ward

LIGHTNING OPS IN THE FAR EAST by Air Cdre Dennis Caldwell

Supplementary Paper

THE INADVERTENT FLIGHT OF LIGHTNING XM135 – SOME BACKGROUND CONSIDERATIONS
by Wg Cdr W V Holden

Journal 73 – 2020

17 April 2019 – THE US/UK EXCHANGE PROGRAMME – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon

Chairman: Air Mshl Sir Rob Wright

OVERVIEW OF THE HISTORY OF RAF/US EXCHANGE PROGRAMME by Air Mshl Sir Rob Wright

F-105 – FROM COLD WAR DETERRENT TO VIETNAM WARRIOR by Gp Capt Jock Heron

F-117A – THE NIGHTHAWK – *Knights, Nights, Fighter Pilots and Families* by Air Cdre Lincoln Taylor

USMC HARRIER EXCHANGE 1976-78 by Gp Capt Bob Iveson

SLUF – SHORT LITTLE UGLY FELLOW OR 600 HOURS ON THE A-7D CORSAIR II by Air Cdre John Lumsden

MEET ME IN ST LOUIS – AN EXCHANGE TOUR AT HQ MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND 1983-86
by Gp Capt Sid Adcock

A NAVY YANK IN THE RAF by Capt Don Fennessey USN

THE RAF REGIMENT – USAF SECURITY POLICE FORCES EXCHANGE PROGRAMME by Wg Cdr Martin Hooker, Lt Col Greg DeGruchy USAF and Wg Cdr Mike Fonfe

COASTAL IN AMERICA by Sqn Ldr Bob Hall

SUPER JOLLY GREEN GIANT TRAINING SCHOOL by Wg Cdr Bob Turner

USAF T-38A TALON PILOT INSTRUCTOR TRAINING, RANDOLPH AFB by Sqn Ldr Stu Reid

TANKING WITH THE 904th AREFS AT MATHER AFB by Sqn Ldr Bob Tuxford

Supplementary Papers

MEDICAL BRANCH EXCHANGES by Air Cdre Mike Gibson

FLYING THE McDONNELL DOUGLAS YAV-8B PROTOTYPE by Gp Capt Bob Iveson

AN OBITUARY: AIR MARSHAL SIR FREDDIE SOWREY KCB CBE AFC by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

Journal 74 – 2020

12 June 2019 – MINUTES OF THE 33rd AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

T E LAWRENCE: HIS SERVICE IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE by AGM guest speaker, Air Cdre Peter Gray

Stand-alone papers:

THE RAF'S EXPERIENCE OF COMMAND AND CONTROL IN OPERATION TELIC, THE SECOND GULF WAR, 2003 by Dr Sebastian Ritchie

AN INTERVIEW WITH 'BOMBER' HARRIS by Wg Cdr Andrew Brookes

THE MOSQUITO AND ITS STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS IN THE FAR EAST by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

SOME RECOLLECTIONS OF THE EARLY FLYING BOATS by Air Mshl Sir Edward Chilton

WHY NO BATTLE OF BRITAIN SQUARE? by Mark Russell

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR DAVID HENDERSON: THE FORGOTTEN ‘MAKER OF THE RAF’? by Clive Richards

RESERVE SQUADRONS by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

Journal 74A– 2020

8 October 2019 – THE HERCULES IN THE RAF – a seminar held at the BAWA, FILTON

Chairman: Air Chf Mshl Sir John Cheshire

INTRODUCTION AND PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS by Air Chf Mshl Sir John Cheshire

REQUIREMENT, HISTORY AND INITIAL DEPLOYMENT by Air Cdre Brian Poulton

THE 1970S. TACTICAL AND SPECIAL FORCES ROLES AND OPERATION AGILA by Wg Cdr Tony Webb

SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFLICT – RAF HERCULES WING’S ROLES by Wg Cdr Paul Shepherd

MARSHALL OF CAMBRIDGE – THE ‘ACCIDENTAL’ C-130 SERVICE CENTRE by Alan Paul

INTRODUCTION TO THE AFTERNOON SESSION by Air Chf Mshl Sir John Cheshire

Op GRANBY (GULF WAR I) – IN-THEATRE OPERATIONS by Gp Capt Peter Bedford

HERCULES REPLACEMENT DELIBERATIONS 1991-92 by Wg Cdr Peter Harborne

Op CHESHIRE (SARAJEVO – 1992-96) AND Op BARASS (SIERRA LEONE – 2000) by Gp Capt Martin Cunningham

SUMMARY by Air Chf Mshl Sir John Cheshire

CLOSING REMARKS by the Society’s President, Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

Supplementary Papers

THE RAF HERCULES C-130K Mk 1/3 REPLACEMENT – A ‘POLITICAL HOT POTATO’ by Wg Cdr Paul Shepherd

REFLECTIONS ON AIR DESPATCH FROM THE HERCULES by Lt Col Chris Stuart

A FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT OF THE GLIDER SNATCH TECHNIQUE by Wg Cdr Howard Murley

Journal 75– 2021

Mid-2020. In normal times, this edition would have reflected the proceedings of the April 2020 seminar (Cold War Intelligence was the planned topic). COVID-19 intervened, however, so Journal 75 is a selection of stand-alone papers.

THE AIR COMPONENT OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OCCUPATION FORCE, JAPAN, 1945-48 by Andrew Thomas

FLYING FOR KING AND COUNTRY? BRITISH UNIVERSITIES AND THE RAF DURING THE INTER-WAR PERIOD by Clive Richards

ULSTER’S FIRST SUPPORT HELICOPTERS – THE SYCAMORES OF Nos 275, 118 and 225 Sqns by Guy Warner

HONOURS FOR DISTINGUISHED FLYING by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

AN ACCOUNT BY THE LATE AIR CDRE F J MANNING CB CBE OF HIS LINKS WITH T E LAWRENCE (aka AC1 T E SHAW) IN 1934-35

FIVE EXPLANATIONS AS TO WHO NAMED MALTA’S GLOSTER GLADIATORS ‘FAITH, HOPE AND CHARITY’ IN 1940-41 by Richard Raskin

THE BIRTH OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE MUSEUM by Peter Elliott
THUNDERHEADS AND BRIGANDS by Tony Fairbairn and
A No 45 Sqn PERSPECTIVE by the Editor
FOR AIR POWER READ ELECTRIC POWER

Journal 76– 2021

Mid-2020. The core of this edition would normally publish the minutes of the 2020 AGM (the 34th) and the Guest Speaker's address. But COVID-19 intervened – again – so Journal 76 is another selection of stand-alone papers.

AN EFFORT OF BIBLICAL PROPORTIONS – THE BERLIN AIRLIFT 1948-1949 by Mr Sebastian Cox
LOST IN SPACE: THE DEFEAT OF THE V-2 AND POST-WAR BRITISH EXPLOITATION OF GERMAN LONG RANGE ROCKET TECHNOLOGY by Wg Cdr Bryan Hunt
THIRD TACTICAL AIR FORCE by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork
'THE CHURCHILL WING' by Andrew Thomas
RNAS + RFC = RAF – HARMONISATION OF THE DISPARATE AIRCREW STRUCTURES by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford
THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AIR CADET MOVEMENT by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings
ERRATUM

Journal 77– 2021

Mid-2020. In normal times, this Journal would have reflected the proceedings of an October 2020 seminar devoted to Cold War Intelligence (postponed from the previous April). COVID intervened yet again, however, so, rather than postpone again, it was decided simply to publish the papers in this themed edition.

AIRBORNE ELECTRONIC RECONNAISSANCE – FROM COLD WAR TO GULF WAR by Gp Capt Barry Smith
REFLECTIONS ON No 51 SQUADRON OPERATIONS IN THE 1980s by Air Cdre Bill Tyack
60 SQUADRON AND OPERATION HALLMARK by AVM Mike Jackson
26 SU – WINNING THE COLD WAR (Reflections from the last Commanding Officer) by Air Cdre Bruce Benstead
THE JOINT AIR RECONNAISSANCE INTELLIGENCE CENTRE IN THE COLD WAR 1959-84 – THE FILM RETURN SATELLITE ERA by Gp Capt Paul Stewart
TONKA RECCE (Tornado Reconnaissance) by Peter Durke
RAF REAPER – THE VANGUARD YEARS by Wg Cdr Andy Jeffrey
PROJECT OLDSTER – THE RAF AND THE U-2 1958-60 by Chris Pocock
THE U-2 – THE FINAL YEARS OF JACKSON by Air Cdre Ian McBride
Supplementary Paper
THE SELECTION AND PRESERVATION OF SQUADRON NUMBERS 1918-2018 – PART I by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

Journal 78 – 2022

Mid-2020. In normal times, this Journal would have reflected the proceedings of an April 2021 seminar devoted to ‘something’. But COVID intervened yet again resulting in yet another selection of stand-alone papers.

A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC – OR HOW THE RAF INVENTED *SCHRÄGE MUSIK* by Mark Russell

RAF FAULD AND THE RAF MUNITIONS SUPPLY NETWORK by Stuart Hadaway

THE HERCULES – AS A SEA-MINE LAYER? by AVM Graham Skinner

A WASTING ASSET? THE RAF’S MEDIUM BOMBER FORCE IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE NASSAU AGREEMENT, 1962-1982 by Clive Richards

THE LINCOLN ON OPERATIONS by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

THE RAF AND THE RAIL STRIKE OF 1919 AND THE GENERAL STRIKE OF 1926 by Vic Flintham

OPERATION THWART by Andrew Thomas

CLASH OF THE INFANTS: BOMBING THE BOLSHEVIKS IN THE BALTIC, 1919 by Alastair Noble

THE SELECTION AND PRESERVATION OF SQUADRON NUMBERS 1918-2018 – PART II by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

AN INCIDENT ON No 45 SQN IN 1917 by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

Journal 79 – 2022

8 September 2021 – MINUTES OF THE 35th AGM HELD AT THE RAF CLUB

THE RAF AND THE U-2 – PROJECT OLDSTER FROM THE INSIDE by AGM guest speaker Chris Pocock

Stand-alone papers:

THE WORSTED MANUFACTURER, RODERICK HILL AND ‘THE MOST COURAGEOUS DECISION OF THE WAR’: THE DECISION TO REORGANISE BRITAIN’S AIR DEFENCE TO COUNTER THE V-1 FLYING BOMB by Gp Capt J Alexander

AUXILIARY AIR FORCE MANNING IN THE RUN-UP TO WAR by Wg Cdr Jeff Jefford

THE THIRD AFGHAN WAR by Dr Harry Raffal

SEARCH, SHADOW AND STRIKE THE *BISMARCK* by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

CATAFIGHTERS by Andrew Thomas

WHAT WAS THE POINT OF POTSDAM? THE RAF AND THE POTSDAM RAID, 14-15 APRIL 1945 by Dr Alastair Noble

SANDYS OF TIME – THE 1957 DEFENCE STATEMENT by Wg Cdr Andrew Brookes

THE EVOLUTION OF EUROFIGHTER TYPHOON by Gp Capt Chris Granville-White

THE ALPHABET SOUP OF MILITARY AVIATION by the Editor

Journal 79A – 2022

13 October 2021 – THE BUCCANEER IN RAF SERVICE – a seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon.

Chairman: Air Marshal Sir Peter Norriss

CHAIRMAN’S INTRODUCTION AND PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS by Air Mshl Sir Peter Norriss

SPECIFICATION, DEVELOPMENT AND ADVANCED VERSIONS by Tony Buttler

THE BUCCANEER IN RAF SERVICE – AN OVERVIEW by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

AIRCREW TRAINING AND NO 237 OCU'S WAR ROLE by Gp Capt Tom Eeles
THE BUCCANEER IN RAF GERMANY by Sqn Ldr Vic Blackwood
INTRODUCTION TO THE MARITIME ROLE by Air Mshl Sir Peter Norriss
MARITIME OPERATIONS – THE EARLY YEARS by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork
RAF LOSSIEMOUTH AND THE MARITIME BUCCANEER WING by Gp Capt Christopher Finn
THE BUCCANEERS' SHORT NOTICE INVOLVEMENT IN OPERATION GRANBY by Air Cdre Jon Ford
PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS OF BUCCANEER INVOLVEMENT IN OPERATION GRANBY – FROM THE HEADQUARTERS' PERSPECTIVES by Gp Capt Christopher Finn
CLOSING REMARKS by Air Mshl Sir Peter Norriss

Supplementary Papers

BUCCANEER OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS by Wg Cdr Ewan Fraser
BUCCANEERS OVER BEIRUT by Air Cdre Ben Laite

Journal 80 – 2023

20 April 2022 – THE 1990s – A DECADE OF CHANGE – seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon.
Chairman – Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns
CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns
THE END OF THE COLD WAR – GEOSTRATEGIC OVERVIEW AND NATIONAL POLITICAL REACTION by Sir Roderic Lyne.
THE PEACE DIVIDEND – OPTIONS FOR CHANGE AND FRONT LINE FIRST by Air Chf Mshl Sir Michael Graydon
OPERATIONS – THE BALKANS AND NORTHERN WATCH by Air Mshl Sir Stuart Atha
OPERATIONS – SOUTHERN WATCH by Air Mshl Greg Bagwell
OPERATIONS – KOSOVO by Air Mshl Iain McNicoll
SDR 97/98 – THE CONDUCT OF THE REVIEW AND CONSEQUENCES FOR THE RAF by AVM Steven Nicholl
WHERE AND WHY DID IT ALL GO WRONG? by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns
CLOSING REMARKS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

Supplementary Papers

'THEN IT WAS OVER' (Tornado Operations in Kosovo) by Wg Cdr Ewan Fraser
THE 'PARADE OF SQUADRONS' AT MILDENHALL by the Editor
THE AIR HISTORICAL BRANCH NARRATIVES
Obituary – Wg Cdr Kevan Dearman

JOURNAL 81 – 2023

19 October 2022 - ROTARY – FIRMLY ON THE CRITICAL PATH – seminar held at the RAF Museum, Hendon
WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE SOCIETY'S CHAIRMAN by AVM Nigel Baldwin
CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION by AVM David Niven
REPRISE (OF THIS SOCIETY'S 2000 SEMINAR) AND PROCUREMENT by Wg Cdr Colin Cummings

FORMATION OF JOINT HELICOPTER COMMAND – THE BACKGROUND by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

FORMATION OF THE JOINT HELICOPTER COMMAND by AVM David Niven

RAF HELICOPTER TRAINING 1961 TO 2019 by Gp Capt Simon Coy

‘GO OUT STRUTTING’ – THE FINAL YEARS OF RAF SAR by Wg Cdr Jon Heald

Morning Q&A

CHINOOK – THE FIRST THREE YEARS OF SERVICE by AVM Tony Stables

OPERATIONALISING MERLIN by Air Mshl Andrew Turner

Op BARWOOD – Mozambique 2000 by Air Mshl Sir Baz North

SH FORCE GENERATION – Supporting Operations in Iraq and Afghanistan in the early days of JHC by AVM Paul Luker

Afternoon Q&A

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE RAF MUSEUM, HENDON ON 19 OCTOBER 2022

JOURNAL 82 – 2023

18 October 2023 - BOMBER COMMAND 1943 – seminar held at the RAF Museum Hendon

WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE SOCIETY’S CHAIRMAN by Gp Capt Jock Heron

CHAIRMAN’S INTRODUCTION by Dr Harry Raffal

ON THE CUSP – BOMBER COMMAND, JANUARY 1943 by Alastair Noble

ENDS AND MEANS – SHAPING AND IMPLEMENTING BRITISH BOMBING POLICY AND STRATEGY IN 1943 by Clive Richards

AREA BOMBING 1943 – FROM THE RUHR TO BERLIN by Sebastian Cox

THE DAMS RAID REVISITED by Paul Beaver

MORNING DISCUSSION PERIOD

TARGETING THE REGIME by Andrew Thomas

SUPPORTING OPERATIONS: BOMBER COMMAND IN 1943 by Nina Hadaway

TURNING POINT FOR THE USAAF by Stuart Hadaway

BEYOND LIVING MEMORY: CHANGING TIMES IN MEMORIALISATION by Dr Sophy Antrobus

BLETCHLEY AND THE BOMBER OFFENSIVE by John Stubbington

AFTERNOON DISCUSSION PERIOD

Chairman’s Closing Remarks by Dr Harry Raffal

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES ON THE THIRTY SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE ROYAL AIR FORCE CLUB ON 14 JUNE 2023

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JOURNAL 83 – 2024

10 April 2024 - THE 1990s – A DECADE OF CHANGE – COMBAT SUPPORT - seminar held at the RAF Museum Hendon

WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE SOCIETY’S CHAIRMAN by AVM Steve Chisnall

SEMINAR CHAIRMAN’S INTRODUCTION by Air Chf Mshl Sir Richard Johns

AWACS OPERATIONS by Air Commodore Dai Whittingham.

Tanker OPERATIONS by Air Commodore Dan James

MARITIME PATROL OPERATIONS by Air Chf Mshl Sir Brian Burridge

AIR TRANSPORT OPERATIONS by AVM Malcolm Brecht

RAF REGIMENT OPERATIONS by Air Commodore Scott Miller

ENGINEERING AND LOGISTICS by Air Chf Mshl SIR Michael Alcock

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JOURNAL 84 – 2024

18 September 2024 - D-DAY AND NORMANDY AIR OPERATIONS - seminar held at THE RAF Museum Hendon

SOCIETY'S CHAIR SEMINAR INTRODUCTION by AVM Steve Chisnall

PLANNING AND PREPARATORY OPERATIONS by Seb Cox

BUILD-UP AIR OPERATIONS TO D-DAY by Andy Thomas

THE ASSAULT OF NORMANDY — AIR OPERATIONS by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

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RAF GROUND SUPPORT OPERATIONS IN NORMANDY by Stuart Haddaway

THE NORMANDY BREAKOUT: 8 JUNE – 25 AUGUST 1944 by Michael Napier

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AND IF DETERRENCE FAILS? THE CASE FOR QUALITATIVE EDGE AND COMBAT MASS IN A TWENTY- FIRST CENTURY AIR FORCE by Wg Cdr Ben Durham

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JOURNAL 85 – 2025

9 April 2025 – THE RAF AND ITS CULTURE - seminar held at THE RAF Museum Hendon

GUEST EDITOR INTRODUCTION by Sophy Higgins

SOCIETY CHAIR'S SEMINAR INTRODUCTION by AVM Steve Chisnall

SEMINAR CHAIR'S INTRODUCTION by ACM Sir Mike Graydon

MILITARY CULTURE AND FIGHTING POWER by AVM Fin Monahan

FIGHTER PILOTS, SMALL GROUP CULTURE AND THE FIRST WORLD WAR by Mike Terry

‘A SPIRIT OF PRIDE IN THEIR SERVICE AND ITS EFFICIENCY PERMEATES ALL RANKS’ by John Alexander

ORGANISATIONAL CULTURE AT THE START AND THE END by Wing Commander Dheeraj Bhasin

AN OUTSIDER VIEW OF THE RAF by Colonel Matt Brown

MORNING DISCUSSION

REAPER FORCE CULTURE by Professor Peter Lee

THE RAF MERITOCRACY PARADOX: THE IMPACT OF DIVERSITY INITIATIVES ON RAF ORGANISATIONAL CULTURE by Amy Hill

RAF FLIGHT SAFETY CULTURE by Dr Sophy Antrobus

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SEMINAR CHAIR'S REFLECTIONS by ACM Sir Michael Graydon

PRESIDENT'S CLOSING REMARKS by ACM Sir Richard Johns

CLOSE AIR SUPPORT IN AFGHANISTAN — AN RAF TORNADO PERSPECTIVE by Gus Macdonald

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15 October 2025 – THE RAF IN OMAN - seminar held at THE RAF Museum Hendon

SOCIETY CHAIR'S SEMINAR INTRODUCTION by AVM Steve Chisnall

SEMINAR CHAIR'S INTRODUCTION by ACM Sir Glenn Torpy

RAF IN OMAN – THE EARLY DAYS by Air Cdre Graham Pitchfork

DHOFAR AIR WAR by Mike Napier

DHOFAR WAR – GROUND by Wg Cdrs Martin Hooker, Tim Jones and Jim Murphy. RAF Regiment

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HELICOPTERS OVER OMAN by Group Captain Dick Allen

THE RAF AND OMAN FROM 1979 by Dr Seb Ritchie

REFLECTIONS OF AN EXCHANGE OFFICER by Sqdn Ldr Alaister Nurse

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SEMINAR CHAIR'S REFLECTIONS by ACM Sir Glenn Torpy

SOCIETY CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS by AVM Steve Chisnall

A TWO WAY STREET: THE ORGIN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE AIR INTELLIGENCE LIASION SECTIONS by Clive Richards

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GEOPOLITICAL RISK- WHAT IT MEANS FOR AIR POWER AND AIR WARFARE - Post AGM
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