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RAF Valley

Aircraft Movements

1954

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Additional Unit movements: 208 AFS

SUMMARY

Fairey Aviation continued with their air-to-air Missile trials.
They were joined by the RAF with 6 JSTU.

Abbreviations

AFS	Advanced Flying School
ANS	Air Navigation School
CF	Communication Flight
CNCS	Central Navigation & Control School
FCCS	Fighter Command Communications Squadron
FTS	Flying Training School
Gp	Group
HQ HCCS	Headquarters Home Command Communications Squadron
JASS	Joint Anti-Submarine School
JSTU	Joint Services Trials Unit
Mid	Midshipman [Royal Navy rank]
NAVEX	Navigation Exercise
OCU	Operational Conversion Unit

ORB	Operations Record Book
RAE	Royal Aircraft Establishment
SF	Station Flight
S/Lt	Sub-Lieutenant [Royal Navy rank]
SoMR	School of Maritime Reconnaissance
U/Y	Upper Yardman [Royal Navy rank]
Wx	Weather

This chart dated 20.4.54 shows the then layout of RAF Valley. Of note are the different approach lighting layouts with 'chevrons' for Runways 20 & 26 and a curved lighting system at Rhoscolyn for Runway 08. Also, Runway 32 has not been extended towards the Rhosneigr end yet.



[Source US DoD – www.mil-airfields.de]

Monday 4th January 1954 [AIR 29/2397]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L C Sugden RAAF flight 228]				
TX238		Anson C.19	19 Gp CF	W/C Deacon
From Roborough to Kinloss.				

Tuesday 5th January 1954 [AIR 29/2144]

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AOC 25 Group, AVM H H Brookes visited by air.				

Thursday 7th January 1954 [AB AMIL85][AIR 29/2144][DH][BT 233/192]

WZ561	O-55	Vampire T.11	202 AFS	'TROJAN82'
Spinning carried out above 15,000ft but unable to recover. Aircraft crashed 1nm SW of Pentraeth at Tanrallt Farm, Anglesey at 16:22. One Pilot [P/O Mitchell] baled out but too low for his parachute to open, the other was found in the wreckage. The wreckage was removed to Valley over 10 days with the salvage team having to demolish walls/hedges to gain access to the wreckage. At the time, the Vampire T.11 aircraft fleet had not been fitted with ejection seats.				
Instr	Sgt	Jack Charles Marshall	Killed [buried Leckhampton]	
Student	P/O	Edwin Dennis Mitchell	Killed [buried London]	



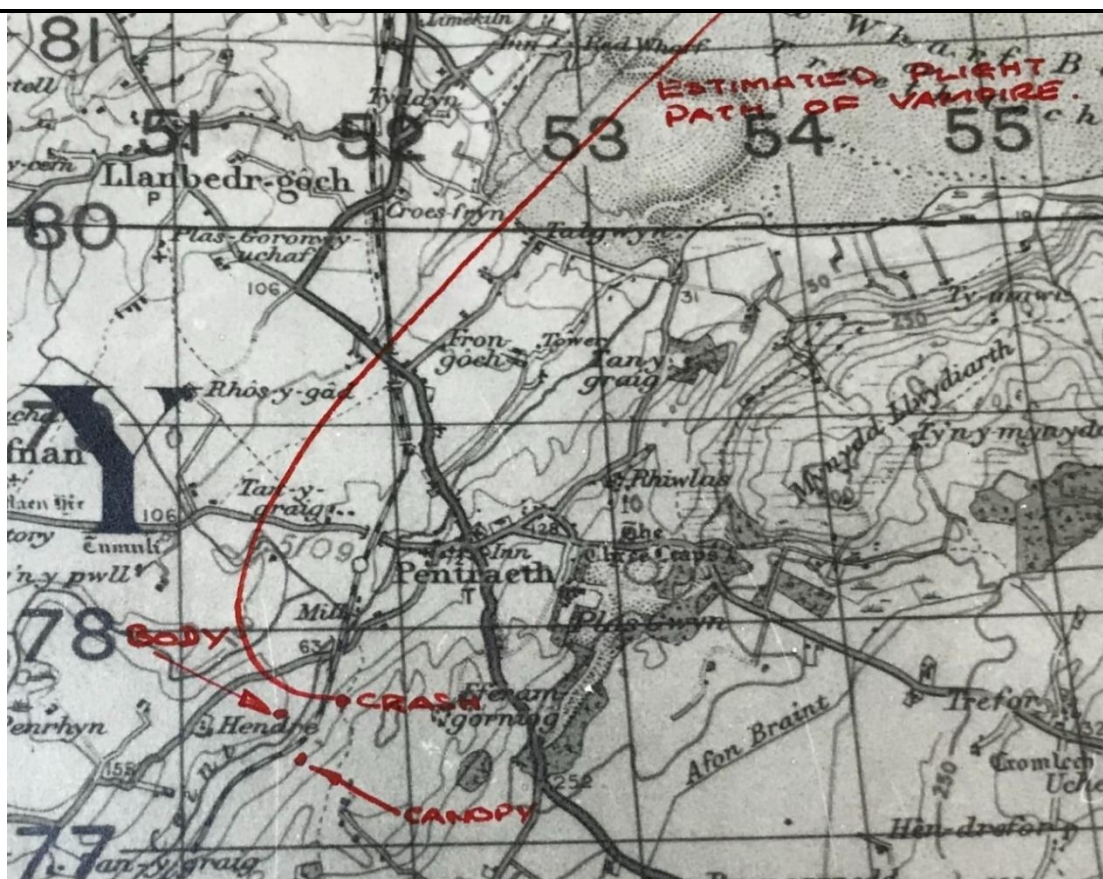


Crash site.



Canopy.





[All: National Archives]

Friday 8th January 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 33] Meteor T.7 WA738 [F/L C Sugden RAAF flight 205] Meteor T.7 WA738 photochase [flight 206] WF781 Meteor T.7 [target]				

Monday 11th January 1954 [AIR 27/2888]

		?	HQ HCCS	M/P Bryant & F/S Lovatt
4 pax from White Waltham.				

Friday 15th January 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L C J Sugden flight 34] Meteor T.7 [flight 230]				

Saturday 16th January 1954 [AIR 27/2620/67]

WJ575	-	Canberra B.2	57 Sqn	F/S J Banbury
From and to Coningsby.				

Friday 22nd January 1954 [AIR 27/2644/74][AIR 27/2649/74]

RE357		Lincoln B.2	148 Sqn	F/O R Verdon-Roe
Routed: Upwood-Leconfield-Stretton-Valley.				
HN202		Oxford I	115 Sqn	F/L P A Daniell
Routed: Hucknall-Valley arrived 12:42 and departed 16:04.				

Monday 25th January 1954 [AIR 27/2649/74]

RE357		Lincoln B.2	148 Sqn	To Upwood, see 22.1
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Wednesday 27th January 1954 [AIR 27/2759/37][AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 35] Meteor T.7 WA738 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 209]				
VM363		Anson C.19	116 Sqn	F/S Souter calibrate BABS

Thursday 28th January 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WA738 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 210] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 36] Meteor T.7 WA738 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 211]				

Saturday 30th January 1954 [AIR 27/2676/5]

		?x Vampire FB.5	613 Sqn	From Manchester Ringway
Air-to-air firing, also 31.1, 12 sorties flown.				

Thursday 4th February 1954 [AVIA 1/30]

FX365		Harvard IIB	RAE	From & to Farnborough
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Sunday 14th February 1954 [AIR 4/99]

	E	Vampire	502 Sqn	Townsend from [Aldergrove ?]
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Monday 15th February 1954 [AIR 4/99]

	E	Vampire	502 Sqn	Townsend to Aldergrove
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Tuesday 16th February 1954 [BJ]

G-AIYV	-	Piper L-4H Cub	Private	To Speke.
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Wednesday 17th February 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 27/2609/60][AIR 27/2649/76][AIR 29/2324]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 38] Meteor T.7 WA738 photochase [flight219]				
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Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 39] Meteor T.7 WA738 photochase [flight 220]				
WF567		Washington B.1	35 Sqn	Wx Diversion F/L Stafford
WF572		Washington B.1	35 Sqn	Wx Diversion F/L Ramsey
SX987		Lincoln B.2	148 Sqn	Wx Diversion F/O E G Dougan
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	Wx Diversion Sgt Sayer

Thursday 18th February 1954 [AIR 27/2609/60][AIR 29/2324]

WF567		Washington B.1	35 Sqn	To Marham, see 17.2
WF572		Washington B.1	35 Sqn	To Marham, see 17.2
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	To St Mawgan, see 17.2

Friday 19th February 1954 [AIR 27/2649/76][AIR 27/2639/4]

SX987		Lincoln B.2	148 Sqn	To Upwood, see 17.2
RF414	X	Lincoln B.2	97 Sqn	Diversion, F/L B F Ryan 17:20

Saturday 20th February 1954 [AIR 27/2676/5][AIR 27/2639/4]

		?x Vampire FB.5	613 Sqn	From Manchester, Ringway
Air-to-air firing, also 21.2, no sorties carried out as both Meteor T.7's used for target towing were unserviceable. This was 613 Sqn's last air-to-air firing at Valley, in the future it would be carried out directly from Ringway.				
RF414	X	Lincoln B.2	97 Sqn	To Hemswell, see 19.2

Tuesday 23rd February 1954 [AIR 29/2146/1][AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 40] Meteor T.7 WA738 photochase [flight 221] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 41] Meteor T.7 VW414 photochase [flight 365]				
		?x Vampire T.11	206 AFS	From Oakington.
Detached to Valley whilst runway repairs were carried out at their home base at Oakington.				

Friday 26th February 1954 [AB AMIL85][AIR 29/2144]

VZ206	N-20	Vampire FB.5	202 AFS	
Wheels up landing following an engine flame out at Valley. Aircraft damaged beyond repair. Also quoted as 27.2 in 202 AFS ORB.				
Pilot	P/O	P E Corfield	Broken ankle, 67 Course.	

Monday 1st March 1954 [AIR 27/2608/80]

TX160	CB-	Anson C.19	31 Sqn	M/P Hirst W Waltham-Hendon
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Wednesday 3rd March 1954 [MB]

Based noted:				

Vampire T.11 XD596 from 4 FTS to 202 AFS becoming '66' with 7 FTS from 1.6.54

Saturday 6th March 1954 [AIR 27/2644/78]

V3404		Oxford I	115 Sqn	F/L P A Daniell
Routed: Hooton Park-Valley arrived 12:09 and departed 14:45.				

Wednesday 10th March 1954 [AIR 27/2613/42][MB]

WG555	A-G	Shackleton MR.2	42 Sqn	Diversion, F/L Balderston
Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ570:N-50 repairs complete back to 202 AFS, see 28.9.53				

Thursday 11th March 1954 [AIR 27/2608/80][AIR 27/2613/42]

VP510	CB-N	Anson C.19	31 Sqn	Air Cdre Mead from & to Hendon
WG555	A-G	Shackleton MR.2	42 Sqn	To St Eval, see 10.3

Monday 15th March 1954 [AIR 27/2620/71][AIR 27/2448/90]

WH859	-	Canberra B.2	57 Sqn	Diversion, F/L I L McCombie
WH860	-	Canberra B.2	57 Sqn	Diversion, F/L J D Beech
WJ623	-	Canberra B.2	101 Sqn	Diversion, F/O B W Scott

Tuesday 16th March 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 27/2614/72][AIR 27/2620/71][AIR 27/2658/10]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 44] Meteor T.7 VW414 photochase [flight 371] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 45] Meteor T.7 VW414 photochase [flight 372] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 46] Meteor T.7 VW414 photochase [flight 373]				
WH717	-	Canberra B.2*	44 Sqn	F/O Davis from Coningsby
WJ566	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	F/O Sewell from & to Coningsby
WH707	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	F/L Young from & to Coningsby
*Would appear to have been a technical diversion as the other two 44 Sqn aircraft picked up the crew for return to Coningsby, see also 17/18.3.				
WH859	-	Canberra B.2	57 Sqn	To Coningsby, see 15.3
WH860	-	Canberra B.2	57 Sqn	To Coningsby, see 15.3
WJ623	-	Canberra B.2	101 Sqn	To Binbrook, see 15.3
MP424		Oxford I	204 Sqn	Sgt Tattan
From Ballykelly to St Mawgan.				
[WS]690		Meteor NF.12	Handling Sqn	Coe

Wednesday 17th March 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 27/2614/72]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 47] Meteor T.7 VW414 photochase [flight 374]				
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Meteor T.7 WF781 [target]				
WH707	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	F/O L J Roberts
From and to Coningsby.				
WH717	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	F/O L J Roberts local air test

Thursday 18th March 1954 [AIR 27/2614/72][IBCCA]

WH707	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	F/S Lamont from & to Coningsby
WH717	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	To Coningsby, see 16.3
WJ894	[Q]	Varsity T.1	1 ANS	Diversion, F/L E Stewart

Friday 19th March 1954 [IBCCA]

WJ894	[Q]	Varsity T.1	1 ANS	To Hullavington, see 18.3
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Monday 22nd March 1954 [AIR 27/2665/61]

WB837	T-S	Shackleton MR.1	220 Sqn	Diversion F/L Wills
Diversion whilst on a NAVEX.				

Tuesday 23rd March 1954 [AIR 27/2665/61][MB]

WB837	T-S	Shackleton MR.1	220 Sqn	To St Eval, see 22.3
Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD427 delivered to 202 AFS. Vampire T.11 XD431 delivered from 10 MU to 202 AFS				

Friday 26th March 1954 [AIR 27/2608/80][AIR 29/2144]

TX165	CB-W	Anson C.19	31 Sqn	F/S Wall Wroughton-Hendon
AOC 25 Group, AVM H H Brookes.				

Tuesday 30th March 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 49] Meteor T.7 VW414 photochase [flight 379] Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 252]				

Wednesday 1st April 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 50] Meteor T.7 VW414 target [flight 253] Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 382]				

Tuesday 6th April 1954 [AB AMIL85][AIR 29/2147]

WG797		Vampire FB.5	202 AFS	
Engine failure on take-off from RAF Merryfield, Somerset. Crash landed at Staples Farm,				

Staple Fitzpaine, Somerset. Fuel tanks were jettisoned over the village of Ashill. Aircraft damaged beyond repair.				
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Pilot	P/O	E Dyer	Ok
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Thursday 8th April 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ510 to Marshalls for canopy modifications then to CFS. Vampire T.11 WZ558:N-39 202 AFS to Marshalls for modifications then 4 FTS.				

Friday 9th April 1954 [IBCCA]

	G	Anson	CNCS	Sgt Cooper from & to Shawbury
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Saturday 10th April 1954 [AIR 29/2147]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ572:O-58 delivered from 8 FTS. [this is not recorded on WZ572's F78 card]				

Monday 12th April 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 53] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L I R Ryall flight 53]				

Tuesday 13th April 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 54] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 52] Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 55] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 53]				

Wednesday 14th April 1954 [AIR 27/2759/43]

WL690		Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	Sgt Nicholls calibrate BABS
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Wednesday 21st April 1954 [AIR 27/2608/82][AIR 27/2759/43]

WZ864	[CB-J]	Chipmunk T.10	31 Sqn	S/L McNabb from & to Hendon
WL692	[P]	Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	F/L Baker calibrate BABS

Friday 23rd April 1954 [AB AMIL85][AVIA 54/659][MB]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 56] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 54]				

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WZ563	O-44	Vampire T.11	202 AFS	
Wheels up landing at RAF Valley due to failure of the undercarriage to lower, damaged beyond repair and struck off charge 3.6.54				
Instr	F/L	Whyte	Ok	
Student	P/O	Draper	Ok	

Monday 26th April 1954

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 258]				

Tuesday 27th April 1954 [AB AMIL85][AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 57] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 55]				
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WZ499	N-47	Vampire T.11	202 AFS	
Wheels up landing at RAF Valley, unable to lower the undercarriage. Damaged beyond repair.				
Instr	F/O	Lewis	Ok	
Student	P/O	Armitage	Ok	

Wednesday 28th April 1954 [AB AMIL85][AVIA 54/659][MB]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 58] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 56] Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 59] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 57]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ506:O-58 202 AFS assessed as CAT.3R, repaired on site by 34 MU from 29.4				

Thursday 29th April 1954 [AB AMIL85][AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 60] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 58]				

Friday 30th April 1954 [AVIA 54/659][MB]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 61] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 59]				
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Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ446:O-44 202 AFS delivered on loan to CS[A] then to the RAE 18.5.54				

Thursday 6th May 1954 [IBCCA][AB]

WH278		Meteor F.8	616 Sqn	F/L Harold Blow [BT233/211]
Routed: Leuchars-Valley-Finningley. Sadly, the same pilot was killed in the same aircraft 22.5.54, 2nms NNW of Sandtoft, Lincs.				

Friday 7th May 1954 [AIR 27/2888]

			HQ HCCS	M/P Buse & F/S Hatch
2 pax from White Waltham.				

Monday 10th May 1954

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [F/L C H Sloan flight 261]				

Tuesday 11th May 1954

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [F/L C H Sloan flight 262]				

Wednesday 12th May 1954 [AIR 27/2857]

VM367	[60]	Anson C.19	FCCS	From & to Bovington
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Friday 14th May 1954 [AIR 27/2657/82]

WX525	Q	Neptune MR.1	203 Sqn	F/L Houtheusen
Diverted in at 00:15 whilst on a Royal Yacht Special Escort sortie [HM Queen onboard] Departed back to RAF Topcliffe at 10:05.				

Monday 17th May 1954 [MB]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [I R Ryall flight 264]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD519 delivered from 22 MU to 202 AFS.				

Tuesday 18th May 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD379 delivered from 27 MU to 202 AFS. Vampire T.11 XD425 delivered from 48 MU to 202 AFS.				

Wednesday 19th May 1954

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [I R Ryall flight 265]				

Friday 21st May 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD443 from 10 MU to 202 AFS.				

Tuesday 25th May 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD533 from 27 MU to 202 AFS				

Thursday 27th May 1954 [AVIA 54/659][MB]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [J O Mathews flight 64]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD461 from 48 MU to 202 AFS becoming '51' with 7 FTS, see 1.6.54				

Friday 28th May 1954 [AIR 27/2741/18]

WJ983	-	Canberra B.2	21 Sqn	Diversion, F/O R A Mann
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Sunday 30th May 1954 [IBCCA]

WL414	[51]	Meteor T.7	211 AFS	F/L St Pierre from Worksop
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Monday 31st May 1954 [AIR 27/2741/18][AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 65] Meteor T.7 VW414 firer [flight 388] Meteor T.7 WF781 photochase [J O Mathews flight 267]				
WD955	-	Canberra B.2	21 Sqn	From & to Scampton twice

Tuesday 1st June 1954 [AIR 27/2741/20][AVIA 54/659]

202 AFS redesignated 7 FTS as part of 23 Group. 202 AFS had trained 511 pilots before becoming 7 FTS.				
Aircraft known to have served with 7 FTS: Bold are logbook extracts. Vampire FB.5 VV446 VV466 VV530 VV554 VV556 VV561 VV601 VV628 VV659 VX979 VX987 VZ125 VZ128 VZ231 VZ283 VZ351 VZ356 VZ808 VZ836 VZ849 WA194 WA224 WA285 WA307 WA333 WA336 WA337 WA364 WA415 WA417 WG796 WG798 WG799 WG803 WG806				

WG837:10 VZ833:11 **WE833:15 VZ185:16 WA259:17 WG795:17** WA301:18 **VZ874:19**
VZ308:20 WA207:20 WA436:20 WA347:21 **VZ113:22** WA394:22 **VZ222:23 WG845:23**
VZ273:24 **WA271:24** WG835:24 WA257:25 **WG843:26 VZ119:27 VZ866:27 WA413:28**
WA346:29 VV627:32 **WA369:32 VZ851:33 WA332:35 VZ210:37 VZ347:41**

Vampire FB.9

WG889 WX215 WG928:11 WX230:12 WR154:15 WX214:16 WR266:17 WR194:19 WR240:19
WL559:21 **WL495:24** WR268:24 WR139:25 WP993:26 WR137:26 WP998:28



Vampire FB.9 WX214:16 outside the 2 Sqn/7 FTS hangar.



Vampire FB.9 WR268:24



Vampire FB.9 WP993:26 heads the flighline.



?:43 7 FTS undated. [Dick Thomas collection]



WA413:28 7 FTS undated. [Dick Thomas collection]

Vampire T.11

WZ457 WZ493 **WZ494 WZ496** WZ503 WZ506 WZ510 WZ546 WZ548 WZ554 WZ565 WZ566
WZ569 WZ572 WZ592 WZ607 **XD399** XD403 XD424 **XD425 XD426 XD430 XD434** XD435
XD437:49 XD443 XD447 XD450 XD455 **XD519 XD524** XD535 XD553 XD601 **XD606** XD620
XD624 XE828 XE848 **XE849** XE850 **XE855** XE863 XE873 **XE874** XE875 XE882 XE887 XE890
XE932 **XH319 XH362 XK599 XK620**
XD519:35 WZ553:40 XD454:40 **XD534:41 XD526:42 XE884:43** XE926:43 **XE851:43 XK624:44**

XK590:45 WZ558:46 XD427:46 XD429:46 XD589:46 XK588:46 XE885:47 XE836:47 XH314:47
 XD625:48 XK625:48 XD458:49 XE857:49 XD622:50 XE827:50 XD461:51 XE872:51 XK589:51
 XD404:52 XH368:52 XD397:53 XH303:53 WZ612:54 XK636:54 XD379:55 XD614:55
 XD427:56 XE862:56 XK637:56 XD379:57 XD429:57 XD440:57 XD525:57 XE852:58 XE853:59
 XD463:59 WZ515:60 XD456:60 XD457:61 XE851:61 XD431:62 XD619:62 XE829:62
 WZ512:63 XD533:63 XD597:64 XD591:65 XD452:66 XD596:66 XK584:66 XD595:68 :70
 WZ504:73 XD395:78



XD463:59 7 FTS undated. [Dick Thomas collection]



WZ504:73 7 FTS undated. [Dick Thomas collection]

Vampire T.11 XD437 delivered from 22 MU to 202 AFS which became 7 FTS same day.

Anson C.19

TX209:K-S possible other codes K-I/K-S/K-J/K-P ?

Fairey Aviation Trials:

Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 66]

Meteor T.7 VW414 firer [flight 389]

Meteor T.7 WF781 [J O Mathews flight 268]

Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 67]

Meteor T.7 VW414 firer [flight 390]

Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 272]

WD955	-	Canberra B.2	21 Sqn	F/O Carney from & to Scampton
XD451		Vampire T.11	5 FTS	Jock Miller from Oakington N/stop
XD510		Vampire T.11	5 FTS	From Oakington N/stop

Wednesday 2nd June 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials:

Meteor NF.11 WD743 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 68]

Meteor T.7 VW414 [flight 391]

Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 271]

Meteor NF.11 WD743 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 69]

Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 272] Meteor T.7 VW414				
XD451		Vampire T.11	5 FTS	To Oakington, see 1.6
XD510		Vampire T.11	5 FTS	Jock Miller to Oakington, see 1.6

Thursday 3rd June 1954 [AIR 27/2741/20][IBCCA]

WD955	-	Canberra B.2	21 Sqn	From & to Scampton
WJ983	-	Canberra B.2	21 Sqn	From & to Scampton
		Varsity T.1	[211 AFS]	F/S Walker to Worksop?

Monday 14th June 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD430 from 27 MU to 7 FTS. Vampire T.11 XD455 from 48 MU to 7 FTS.				

Tuesday 15th June 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD463 from 22 MU to 7 FTS. Vampire T.11 XD524 from 22 MU to 7 FTS				

Wednesday 16th June 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [I R Ryall flight 70] *Meteor NF.11 WD743 [I R Ryall flight 71] *Photochase for the Canberra Red Dean missile firing, see below.				
WD956	[-]	Canberra B.2	[Vickers]	'Spud' Murphy
Red Dean missile firing.				

Thursday 17th June 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD440 delivered from 27 MU to 7 FTS.				

Friday 18th June 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2328]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [J O Mathews flight 72] Meteor NF.11 WD743 [J O Mathews flight 73]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ570 7 FTS transferred to CNCS, Shawbury.				

Saturday 19th June 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [J O Mathews flight 74]				

Tuesday 22nd June 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 75] Meteor T.7 WF781 target [F/L C H Sloan flight 277]				

Thursday 24th June 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 76] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 63] Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 77] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 64]				

Monday 28th June 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 78]				

July 1954 [AIR 29/2156]

		Chipmunk T.10		ATC Summer Camp
		Prentice		ATC Summer Camp

Thursday 1st July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 65] Meteor T.7 WF781 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 280]				

Friday 2nd July 1954 [AVIA 54/659][MB]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 66] Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 80]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ506 repairs complete back to 7 FTS, see 28.4.54				

Tuesday 6th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2156]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 67] Meteor NF.11 WD743 target				
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Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 68] Meteor WD743 target Meteor T.7 WF781 photochase [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 281] Meteor T.7 WF781 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 282]				
		?		
AOC 25 Group annual inspection, by air.				

Wednesday 7th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 69] Meteor NF.11 WD743 target Meteor T.7 WF781 photochase [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 283] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 70] Meteor NF.11 WD743 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 84] Meteor T.7 WF781 [F/L C H Sloan flight 284]				

Wednesday 14th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2156][MB]

Due to work in progress on the airfield lighting and runways; 7 FTS detached to Mona for 2 weeks. The MDA commitment was also transferred to Mona.				
Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 71] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 72]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 XD404 transferred from 10 MU to 7 FTS. Vampire T.11 XD429 delivered from 22 MU to 7 FTS. Vampire T.11 XD431 from 10 MU to 7 FTS. Vampire T.11 XD457 delivered from 22 MU to 7 FTS becoming '61' Vampire T.11 XD525 from 10 MU to 7 FTS.				

Thursday 15th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU formed with a detachment at Valley for the Blue Sky/Fireflash Missile trials. Part of 61 Group, Home Command. Previously known as the RAF Blue Sky Guided Weapons Trials Team. OC W/C A C Rawlinson. Both operated from what became the STCAAME/AGWOEU site. Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 73]				

Friday 16th July 1954 [AB AMIL85][AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2156]

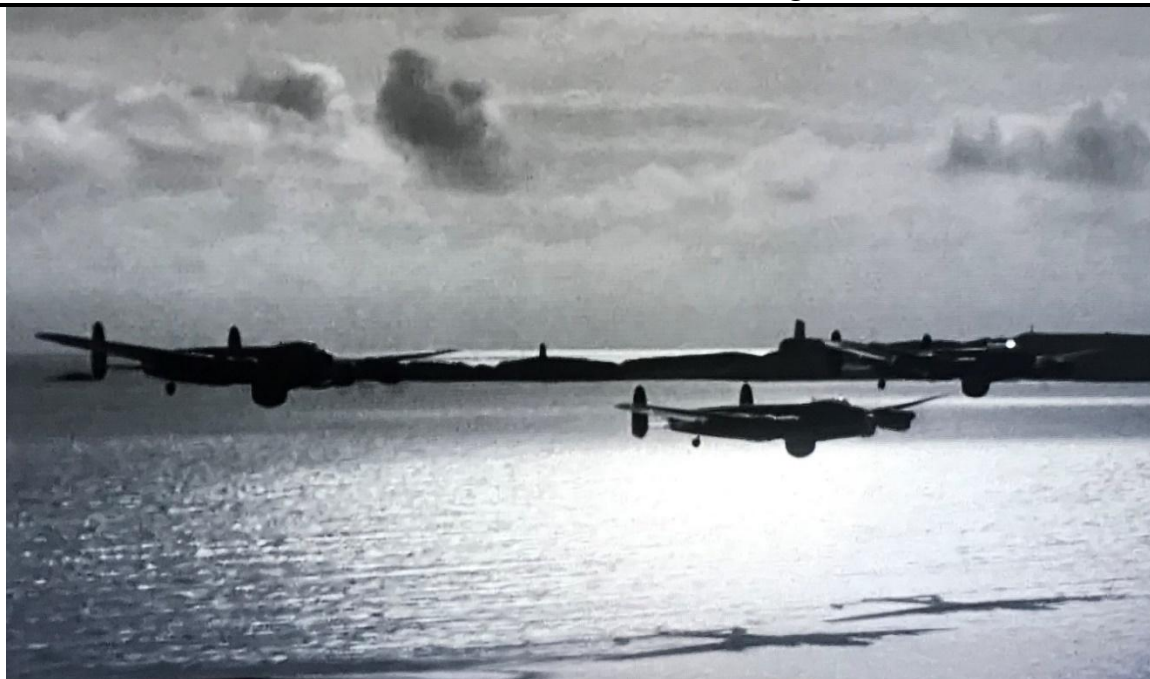
6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 74]				
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WA307		Vampire FB.5	7 FTS	

Practising aerobatics for the Open day but failed to pull out of a loop and crashed into a hut at RAF Mona [S/L N Dunningham, 202 AFS instructor recollection]			
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Pilot	F/O	Henryk Bieniek [Polish]	Killed [buried Caernarfon]
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Monday 19th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 75]
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[Studio Canal screenshot]

During April-August 1954 filming of the 'Dambusters' film took place around the UK. One of the locations used was Llanddwyn Island with its distinctive 2 lighthouses and cross near Newborough, this depicted 3 aircraft crossing the 'enemy coast'. 4 Lancaster B.VII were taken out of storage at 20 MU, Aston Down, these were NX673 NX679 NX782 & RT686. They were flown by crews from 83 & 97 Sqns. The aircraft were painted to represent 617 Sqn aircraft with [NX679 becoming ED932:AJ-G] [NX673 becoming ED909:EJ-P] [NX782 becoming :ZN-G] The 3 here are NX673, NX679 & RT686. On 19.7.54 Wellington X MF628 [the RAF Museum example] was involved in filming the above scene, flying for 3:05hrs with F/L K Souter as the Captain.

Wednesday 21st July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 76] Meteor T.7 WF781 photochase [I R Ryall flight 288]
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Thursday 22nd July 1954 [AVIA 54/659][MB]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WM372 [F/L C H Sloan flight 6] Meteor T.7 WF781 [I R Ryall flight 289]
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Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ493:[N-45] 7 FTS delivered to Marshalls for modifications then 27 MU. Vampire T.11 WZ503 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications. Vampire T.11 WZ504 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications. Vampire T.11 WZ550:[N-30] 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications then 27 MU. Vampire T.11 WZ553:[N-48] 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications then 48 MU.				

Tuesday 26th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 77]				

Thursday 28th July 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 78]				

Wednesday 4th August 1954 [AIR 29/2144]

1st Naval Course commences with 7 FTS. 24-week Course on the Vampire. Previously carried out a 30-week Course on the Provost T.1 at RAF Syerston.				

Thursday 5th August 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 79]				

Saturday 10th August 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2156]

1st Naval Flying Course, No.40 arrives for a 24-week course, also quoted as 4.8.				
6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 81] Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 291] Both Meteors landed at Cranfield. Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 292]				

Sunday 11th August 1954 [AIR 4/180]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 293] Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 294]				
VV249	[FAG-D]	Anson T.21	RAFC	F/L J Austin
From & to Cranwell.				

Monday 12th August 1954

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 295]				

Thursday 15th August 1954 [IBCC]

NX679		Lancaster B.7		F/L Souter
F/L Ken Souter's logbook has an entry for low flying over Anglesey on this date. This was filming for the Dambusters film, see also 19.7, did NOT land at Valley.				

Saturday 17th August 1954 [AIR 29/2156]

74 Jet Acclimatisation Course arrives having undergone training in Canada.				

Thursday 19th August 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 86] Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 298]				

Sunday 22nd August 1954 [AIR 29/2156]

		Meteor*		'ILLUSION BLUE2'
		Meteor		
*PAN call at 12:34Z due to engine flame-out, one of a section of 2 aircraft which both landed at Valley safely having relit the engine.				

Monday 23rd August 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 87] Meteor T.7 WA738 [flight 240] Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 299]				

Wednesday 25th August 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 88] Meteor T.7 WA738 [flight 242]				

Thursday 26th August 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2324]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 89] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 90] Meteor T.7 WA738 firer [flight 243]				
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	F/L Cullum

		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	F/S McKenaie
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	Sgt Sayer
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	M/P Leskiewicz
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	Sgt Robinson
The Lancasters were weather diversions due to sea fog. From the School of Maritime Reconnaissance, St Mawgan.				

Friday 27th August 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2324]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 91]				
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	
		Lancaster GR.3	SoMR	
All the Lancasters returned to St Mawgan, see 26.8				

Saturday 28th August 1954 [AIR 27/2656/85]

TG567		Hastings Met.1	202 Sqn	F/O Ridley
Routed: 27.8 Aldergrove-Bovingdon-Gibraltar-28.8 Lyneham-Bovingdon-Valley-Aldergrove.				

Monday 30th August 1954 [AIR 27/2759/51][MB]

WL636	[D]	Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	F/O Steed calibrate BABS
Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ506 7 FTS departed to Marshalls for modifications then 27 MU.				

Tuesday 31st August 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ548 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications then 27 MU. Vampire T.11 WZ572 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications then 10 MU. Vampire T.11 WZ607 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications then 48 MU.				

September 1954 [AIR 27/2653/1]

TX225		Anson C.19	187 Sqn	
187 Sqn was a UK home-based aircraft delivery/ferry unit based at RAF Aston Down. Their ORB mentions a cylinder head change carried out at Valley by a working party, no specific date in September though.				

September 1954 [AIR 29/2356]

VZ790		Wyvern S.5	A&AEE	
This aircraft was detached to Valley for armament trials with the Red Angel weapon. Handling Trials were started at Boscombe Down between 31.5-19.11.54 with the firing trials taking place at Llyn Alwen in 1954. Red Angel was a 3.28m/478kgs rocket designed to pierce				

the deck armour of the Soviet Cruisers such as the Sverdlov Class. The AIR 29/2356 file although not giving specific dates narrow it down to September 1954.

Wednesday 1st September 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2307]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 92] Meteor T.7 WA738 [flight 244] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 93] Meteor T.7 WA738 [flight 245]				
WB850	G-X	Shackleton MR.1A	JASS	F/L Earle
From Ballykelly, flew a local sortie with 6 ATC Cadets. Intercepted the MV 'Blenheim' before returning to Valley and departing back to Ballykelly.				

Thursday 2nd September 1954 [AIR 27/2448/102]

WD936	-	Canberra B.2	101 Sqn	F/O B W Scott from & to Binbrook
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Monday 6th September 1954 [AIR 27/2702/50][AIR 27/2597/64]

WH654	-	Canberra B.2	50 Sqn	Diversion F/O C Kinder, arr 15:45
WJ728	-	Canberra B.2	9 Sqn	Diversion F/O T Hillard

Tuesday 7th September 1954 [AIR 27/2702/50]

WH654	-	Canberra B.2	50 Sqn	F/O C Kinder dep 09:30
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Tuesday 14th September 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ554:[40] 7 FTS to Marshalls for modifications then 48 MU.				

Saturday 18th September 1954 [DW]

RAF Valley Battle of Britain Open Day				
		4x Vampire	7 FTS	Aerobatic Team
		4x Vampire	7 FTS	Aerobatic Team

Monday 20th September 1954 [AVIA 54/659][IBCCA]

6 JSTU Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 94]				
[HN]119		Oxford I	[120 Sqn]	Liaison with Ty Croes

Tuesday 21st September 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2156][MB]

41 Naval Course arrives.				
6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 95] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 96]				

Based noted:
Vampire T.11 WZ569 7 FTS to Marshalls for canopy modifications then 12 MU.

Wednesday 22nd September 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 97]				

Thursday 23rd September 1954 [AIR 27/2759/53]

		Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	Sgt Nicholls calibrate BABS
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Monday 27th September 1954 [AIR 27/2759/53]

		Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	Sgt Hessey calibrate BABS HF/DF
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Tuesday 28th September 1954 [AIR 27/2759/53][AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 98] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 99]				
		Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	Sgt Hessey calibrate BABS HF/DF

Wednesday 29th September 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 100]				

Thursday 30th September 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 101] Meteor NF.11 WD744 target				

Wednesday 6th October 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [W/C A C Rawlinson flight 88] Meteor NF.11 WD744 target				

Monday 11th October 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD744 [F/L C H Sloan flight 36]				

Thursday 14th October 1954

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials:				
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Meteor T.7 WA738 [J O Mathews flight 257]				

Wednesday 20th October 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 93] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 103] Meteor T.7 WA738 target [S/L B J Spragg flight 258]				

Thursday 21st October 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 27/2441/154]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 104] Meteor T.7 WA738 [F/L C H Sloan flight 262]				
WJ993	-	Canberra B.2	90 Sqn	PD F/O Southey

Saturday 23rd October 1954 [AIR 29/2156]

		Sabre F.[4]	[229 OCU]	Diversion
		Sabre F.[4]	[229 OCU]	Diversion
These were 2 from a 4-ship where one aircraft 'WESTWIND BLUE4' was lost without trace, this was most probably Sabre F.4 XB711:S 229 OCU from Chivenor [F/O Brian John Longworth killed] See also 24/25.10				

Sunday 24th October 1954 [AIR 27/2656/89][AIR 29/2156]

		*Anson	Valley SF	
TG622	[A]	*Hastings Met.1	202 Sqn	F/L Ignatowski
*Both aircraft carried out a search in the vicinity of Anglesey for a missing Sabre aircraft. Oil patches sighted but were discharges from passing ships, no trace of the aircraft, see 23.10				

Monday 25th October 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 29/2156]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [I R Ryall flight 96]				
		*Prentice		
*Carried out 2 flights searching for the missing Sabre, see 23/24.10				

Tuesday 26th October 1954 [AIR 27/2441/154]

WJ993	-	Canberra B.2	90 Sqn	F/O P J Goodall from & to Marham
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Thursday 28th October 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 97] Meteor T.7 WF781 [I R Ryall flight 304] Meteor T.7 WF781 [I R Ryall flight 305] Meteor T.7 WA738 target				
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Friday 29th October 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [F/L C H Sloan flight 99] Meteor T.7 WA738 [F/L C H Sloan flight 264] Meteor T.7 WA738 [I R Ryall flight 265]				

November 1954 [AB Digest 9/54]

Article on Royal Navy, Fleet Air Arm training at Valley. The Pilots arrived from Syerston following a 30 week/120hr course on the Provost T.1. At Valley they attended a 24 week/110hr course on the Vampire split half/half solo & dual. After Valley they would go to either Lossiemouth [Seahawk] or Eglinton [Firefly 5/6 and in the future Gannet]				
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Tuesday 2nd November 1954 [AIR 27/2854/58]

WL686		Varsity T.1	527 Sqn	F/S Melville
HF & DF Calibration, from and to Watton.				

Monday 8th November 1954 [AIR 27/2600/57]

WH850	-	Canberra B.2	15 Sqn	F/L Mather
From and to Cottesmore with BCLD Trials at Valley. [BCLD ?]				

Tuesday 9th November 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 107] Meteor T.7 WF781 target				

Friday 12th November 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [I R Ryall flight 109] Meteor T.7 WF781 [F/L C H Sloan flight 311]				

Monday 15th November 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 110]				

Tuesday 16th November 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AIR 27/2614/88][AIR 29/2156]

WH856	-	Canberra B.2	44 Sqn	Diversion, F/O J Sewell
From and to Cottesmore 13:26/16:00.				

WD745	-	Meteor NF.11	Fairey Avn	Flight 111, J O Mathews
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[XD429]		Vampire [T.11]	7 FTS	[Standardisation Flight]
Undercarriage would not lower, successful wheels up landing carried out. [T.11 XD429 was assessed as CAT.3R on this date] [if this was XD429 it was repaired on site by 34 MU from 18.11]				
	F/S	Craven	Ok	
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VV659		Vampire FB.5	7 FTS	BT 233/249
Crashed 2.5nms W of Valley [280degs/2.5nms] after entering a spin whilst carrying out practice stall turns. Pilot baled out and landed in the sea approx. 1nm offshore, he was rescued by a DUKW amphibious vehicle from RAF Valley. 7 FTS ORB & 'AVIA' file note that it crashed into a marsh/bog area 0.5nm inland and was not completely salvaged by 34 MU due to the boggy conditions. The salvage operation was cancelled after 10 days.				
Pilot	S/Lt	H J Foulds [RN]	Baled out ok.	

Friday 19th November 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 112] Meteor T.7 WF781 [F/L C H Sloan flight 312] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 113]				

Saturday 20th November 1954 [AIR 29/2397]

TX222		Anson C.19	19 Gp CF	F/L May
Routed: Roborough-Ballykelly-Valley-Roborough.				

Tuesday 23rd November 1954 [AIR 27/2888]

		?	HQ HCCS	F/S Obolewicz & Fisher
1 pax from White Waltham.				

Thursday 25th November 1954 [AVIA 54/659][MB]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 114] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 115] Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 116] Meteor T.7 WA738 [F/L 'Dickinson' flight 274] Meteor T.7 WA738 [F/L B A W Stobart flight 275]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 WZ566 delivered from Marshalls to 7 FTS.				

Saturday 27th November 1954 [AIR 29/2156]

		Dakota	Private	
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Flew the survivors from the vessel 'World Concord' tanker to London. The tanker had broken in two off the Welsh Coast during a storm.				
		Anson	63 Gp	ATC Experience flying weekend

Wednesday 1st December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU Team 'B' arrived at Valley for 6 months. 6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [J O Mathews flight 118] Meteor T.7 WA738 [F/L B A W Stobart flight 279]				
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WA224		Vampire FB.5	7 FTS	
Overshot on landing at Valley and raised undercarriage to stop. Returned to service.				
Pilot	S/Lt	D W Lewis [RNVR]		Ok

Friday 3rd December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L C H Sloan flight 119] Meteor T.7 WA738 target [I R Ryall flight 280]				
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VZ128		Vampire FB.5	7 FTS	
Engine flamed out on final approach to Valley. Control lost at low altitude and aircraft crashed. [7 FTS ORB states he had a flame-out at 16,000ft, glided 20nms and made a wheels up landing.				
Pilot	U/Y	P W Allkins [RN] 42 Course		Ok

Monday 6th December 1954 [AIR 27/2759/59][AVIA 54/659][AIR 27/2647/3][AIR 29/2156]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [S/L B J Spragg flight 120] Meteor T.7 WF781 target [flight 314]				
WL692		Varsity T.1	116 Sqn	Sgt Selth calibrate BABS
XE850		Vampire T.11	147 Sqn	F/S Meechan
XE851		Vampire T.11	147 Sqn	F/L Riches
147 Sqn was a home-based ferry unit, both aircraft delivered to Valley from Silloth.				

Tuesday 7th December 1954 [AVIA 54/659][MB]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [S/L B J Spragg flight 105]				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 XE850 & XE851 from 4 FTS to 7 FTS, see 6.12.54				

Wednesday 8th December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L R J F Dickinson flight 121] Meteor T.7 WF781 [flight 315]				

Thursday 9th December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L R J F Dickinson flight 122]				

Friday 10th December 1954 [AIR 27/2888][AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L B A W Stobart flight 123] Meteor T.7 WF781 [S/L B J Spragg flight 317] Meteor T.7 WF781 [F/L B A W Stobart flight 318]				
			HQ HCCS	M/P Dorey & F/S Blythe
1 pax from White Waltham.				

Saturday 11th December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L B A W Stobart flight 124]				

Monday 13th December 1954 [Roundel 89/3]

Based noted: Vampire FB.5 VZ224 [7 FTS] delivery from 208 AFS.				

Tuesday 14th December 1954 [AIR 29/2156]

43 Naval Course arrived.				

Wednesday 15th December 1954 [AVIA 54/659][AVIA 65/342][AIR 4/180]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD743 [J O Mathews flight 106] Meteor T.7 WA738 [S/L B J Spragg flight 282]				
VV247	[FAG-F]	Anson 21	RAFC	F/L J Austin
From & to Cranwell.				
WK204	[-]	Swift F.1	[A&AEE]	
Document AVIA 65/342 states that a Blue Jay dummy missile round was fired from a Swift aircraft on the ground at Valley out to sea to test the installation.				

Thursday 16th December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials:				
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Meteor NF.11 WD743 [J O Mathews flight 107] Meteor T.7 WA738 [S/L B J Spragg flight 283]				

Tuesday 21st December 1954 [MB]

Based noted: Vampire T.11 XE884 from 10 MU to 7 FTS, then transferred same day to 25 Gp Comm Flt.				

Wednesday 22nd December 1954 [AVIA 54/659]

6 JSTU/Fairey Aviation Trials: Meteor NF.11 WD745 [F/L B A W Stobart flight 125] Meteor T.7 WA738 photochase [flight 284]				

Thursday 23rd December 1954 [AIR 27/2656/93][AIR 27/2708/12]

TG504		Hastings Met.1	202 Sqn	F/L Pleckney from & to Aldergrove
WR958	L-N	Shackleton MR.2	228 Sqn	F/L Pretty
Routed: St Eval-Turnhouse-Aldergrove-Valley-St Eval. Most probably a round robin flight for personnel to be dropped off for Christmas.				

Thursday 30th December 1954 [AIR 27/2854/59]

WJ947		Varsity T.1	527 Sqn	F/S Melville
CHF/DF calibration, from and to Watton.				

Friday 31st December 1954 [AIR 27/2854/59]

WL691		Varsity T.1	527 Sqn	F/S Melville
CHF/DF calibration, from and to Watton.				