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RAF Valley

Aircraft Movements

1976

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UPDATE V2

Additional 4 FTS movements.
Additional Sqn movements: 24/47/70 Sqn.
Additional Gnat details by Mike Bursell.

SUMMARY

The hot Summer of 1976 was highlighted by the visit for their Missile Practice Camp [MPC] of the two Lightning Squadrons, 19 & 92 from RAF Germany. The end of the Year [4.11.76] saw the first deliveries of the Hawk T.1, both arrived in the pouring rain!
Sadly 4 Aircrew lost their lives in a mid-air collision on 30.4.76
2 further Aircrew lost their lives 8.10.76

Abbreviations

Abbreviations	
AAC	Army Air Corps
A&AEE	Aeroplane & Armament Experimental Establishment
AEF	Air Experience Flight
AFWF	Advanced Fixed Wing Flight
AKG	AufklarungsGruppe [W German AF Reconnaissance Unit]

ANS	Air Navigation School
ARWF	Advanced Rotary Wing Flight
[F]BW	[Fighter] Bomber Wing [USAF]
CAACU	Civilian Anti-Aircraft Co-operation Unit
CAFU	Civil Aviation Flying Unit
CASEVAC	Casualty Evacuation
CATCS	Central Air Traffic Control School
CAW	College of Air Warfare
CCCF	Coastal Command Communications Flight
CFS	Central Flying School
CN&CS	Central Navigation & Control School
ECM	Electronic Counter Measures
ETPS	Empire Test Pilots School
FCCS	Fighter Command Communications Squadron
FCTU	Fighter Command Trials Unit
FTCCS	Flying Training Command Communications Squadron
FTS	Flying Training School
GCA	Ground Controlled Approach
HQ CCCF	Headquarters Coastal Command Communications Flight
HQ FC	Headquarters Fighter Command
JSTU	Joint Services Trials Unit
MCS	Metropolitan Communications Squadron
MCU	Marine Craft Unit
MoA	Ministry of Aviation
MOTU	Maritime Operational Training Unit
MPC	Missile Practice Camp
MU	Maintenance Unit
NAS	Naval Air Squadron
NAVEX	Navigation Exercise
NCS	Northern Communications Squadron
N/stop	Night stop
OCU	Operational Conversion Unit
ORB	Operations Record Book
PD	Practice Diversion
QRA	Quick Reaction Alert [aircraft scramble]
RAFC	Royal Air Force College
RAFFC	Royal Air Force Flying College
SCS	Southern Communications Squadron
RRE	Radar Research Establishment
Sqn	Squadron
STCAAME	Strike Command Air-to-Air Establishment
TFS/TFW	Tactical Fighter Squadron/Wing
TRS/TRW	Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron/Wing [USAF]

TTF	Tanker Training Flight
UAS	University Air Squadron
VIP	Very Important Person
W/e stop	Weekend stop
WGAF	West German Air Force

Valley based at the beginning of 1976: Gnat T.1 4 FTS *CFS badge XR538:01 XP502:02 XP503:03 XP504:04 XR535:05 XP506:06 XP537:07 XR569:08 XM709:09 XM705:10 XP511:11 XM706:12 XP513:13 XP514:14 XP534:15 XP516:16 XR980:17 XM708:18 XS110:20 XR571:23 XR574:24 XR951:26 XP536:27 XR953:29 XR954:30 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XS106:36 XR537:37 XP538:38 XP540:40 XP541:41 XP542:42 XS104:44 XR977:46 XR998:47 XR948:48 XP500:50 XR982:51 XR984:52 XR983:53 XP535:54 XS100:57 XS102:58 XP515:59* XR544:60* XR541:61 XP534:62* XS109:63 XP530:64 XR534:65 XR996:66 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XF527:70 XG274:71 XF383:72 XF509:73 XG185:74 XF386:75 XF526:78 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 XL621:81 XL591:82 XL600:83 XL567:84 WV372:85 XL566:86 XL597:87 XL601:88 XL613:91 XL573:97 Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP361 XP395 Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment as allocated by CFS at Ternhill.	
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January 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 74 movements including 4 VIP's.

Thursday 1st January 1976 [MC 10/76]

XP150	401:KE	Wessex HAS.3	829 NAS	HMS Kent
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Friday 2nd January 1976 [CW]

	-	Victor K.		
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Monday 5th January 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][MB]

68-0019	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
XJ686	83	Hunter FGA.9	58 Sqn	
XW208	CE	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP516:16 4 FTS transferred to CFS.				

Tuesday 6th January 1976 [MAS][MB]

68-0054	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
		Nimrod MR.1		
G-ATMT	-	PA-30 Comanche	Private	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XS110:20 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble for modifications.				

Wednesday 7th January 1976 [Ian Hartley logbook*][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

	AR	2x RF-4C	/10 TRW	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
MEDEVAC girl with head and chest injuries from Bangor Hospital to Walton, Liverpool.				
Based noted: *Gnat T.1 XP505 4 FTS conducted a handling trial.				

Friday 9th January 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

		HS.125		
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XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Search for missing climbers on Rhinog Fach, later checked in safe and well.				
XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Hunter engine vibrations, landed safely.				

Monday 12th January 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

29 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Coningsby at 09:30 for their MPC. 29 Sqn MPC 12-14.1 PM 15:00 all 4 aircraft flew a practice range sortie.				
XV418	C	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV442	[F]	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
		?x Wessex HC.2*	72 Sqn	
*Mountain Flying Detachment until 19.1				
	-	Vulcan B.2		

Tuesday 13th January 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275][MB]

29 Sqn MPC AM 10:20, 1 aircraft local flying. AM 1 AIM-7 Sparrow missile fired which destroyed Jindivik 103BL A92-612. PM 2 AIM-9 Sidewinder missiles fired. PM 15:45, 1 aircraft local flying.				
XV422	C	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	STCAAME
Arrived with spares from Coningsby, landed 11:25 and departed 17:40.				
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
		Canberra		
Based noted:				

Gnat T.1 XS102:58 returned from Kemble, arrival date ?

Wednesday 14th January 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

29 Sqn MPC				
AM 09:45, 3 aircraft carried out local flying.				
PM 15:00, 2 aircraft returned to Coningsby after their range sortie [XV418/482]				
XV418	C	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC to Coningsby
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC to Coningsby
XV442	[F]	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC to Coningsby 15:00
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	-	Victor K.2		

Thursday 15th January 1976 [CW]

XX148	M	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX755	08	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
		Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
	-	Victor K.2		
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XF526:78 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Friday 16th January 1976 [AIR 24/3275]

XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC to Coningsby 09:00
XX755	08	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	To Lossiemouth, see 15.1

Saturday 17th January 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][HO]

XR370	370	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	'Ajax'
G-AZAJ	-	PA-28R Cherokee	Private	

Sunday 18th January 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for boat between Llandudno & Point of Ayr.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Man overboard from a dinghy in Holyhead Harbour taken to Valley SSQ.				

Monday 19th January 1976 [CW]

XR511	AL	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Puma HC.1		
		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	-	Victor K.2		
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	STCAAME
Delivered 4 AIM-7 Sparrow & 4 AIM-9 Sidewinder missiles for 111 Sqn forthcoming MPC.				

Wednesday 21st January 1976 [BAR 76/03]

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR984:52 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Thursday 22nd January 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

G-BATC	-	Bo.105D	Trinity House	
XR511	AL	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
	AR	2x RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Friday 23rd January 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Victor K.2		
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XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
First light search for missing party on Snowdon, party reported safe and well.				
XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Hunter precautionary, undercarriage malfunction, landed safely.				

Saturday 24th January 1976 [MC 10/76][HO]

[65-0697]	LN	F-4D	/48 TFW	[not an LN aircraft serial ?]
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Monday 26th January 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275][MB]

111 Sqn [3 aircraft] arrived from Leuchars at 09:50 for their MPC. 111 Sqn MPC 26.1-3.2 PM no range slots due to low cloud at Llanbedr. PM 15:00, all 3 aircraft local flying.				
XV436	B	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV428	H	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XT892	K	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR998:47 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble. Hunter T.7 WV372:85 4 FTS visited Kemble, taxi for S/L MacIntosh see also 28.1.				

Tuesday 27th January 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

111 Sqn MPC AM no range slots available, all 3 aircraft carried out local flying. PM 1x AIM-9 fired.				
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XV410	E	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC from Leuchars at 20:00
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, flame out, landed safely.				
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 SARTS Used as a photoshop for a formation of Gnat/Hunter over the Menai Suspension Bridge. This was the 150 th Anniversary Year of the opening of the Bridge.				

Wednesday 28th January 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422][**MB**]

11 Sqn MPC no range targets all day due to strong winds at Llanbedr. AM range practice sortie flown. PM 16:00 4 aircraft flown locally.				
F-BRSM	-	Cessna 402B	Private	
WD790	[-]	Meteor NF.11	RAE	
XV410	E	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
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XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Dawn search on Cader Idris, nothing found.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL597:87 4 FTS visited Kemble, taxi for S/L MacIntosh see 26.1				

Thursday 29th January 1976 [AIR 24/3275]

111 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to high winds at Llanbedr. AM 11:00, 3 aircraft local flying. PM 14:45, 4 aircraft carried out local flying.				
XT892	K	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC diverted to Leuchars
Diverted with an electrical failure whilst on a range sortie.				
XV406	D	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	STCAAME
From Leuchars at 12:10 delivering spares, departed back to Leuchars at 15:10.				
XV409	J	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC from Leuchars 19:00.

Friday 30th January 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

111 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM 10:30, 4 aircraft local flying. PM 14:30, 3 aircraft local flying.				
G-AZUY	-	Cessna 310L	Private	
		Wessex HU.5		
		Puma HC.1		
XT892	K	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	From Leuchars 17:05, see 29.1
XV410	E	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	To Leuchars 15:20

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XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Phantom precautionary, not required.				
XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Began
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted:				
Whirlwind HAR.10 22 Sqn				
Flew over the Menai Suspension Bridge to commemorate the 150 th Anniversary [30.1.1826]				

Saturday 31st January 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

F-BRSM	-	Cessna 402B	Private	
XM871	400:GL	Wessex HAS.3	829 NAS	HMS Glasgow

February 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 133 movements including 1 VIP.				
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Sunday 1st February 1976 [MAS]

G-ATMT	-	PA-30 Comanche	Private	
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Monday 2nd February 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275]

111 Sqn MPC				
AM 1x AIM-9 fired.				
PM 2x AIM-7 fired.				
		F-4D		PD

Tuesday 3rd February 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 24/3275]

111 Sqn departed [4 aircraft] back to Leuchars at 11:20 post their MPC.				
XT892	K	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV409	J	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV436	B	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV428	H	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
G-BCUL	-	Rallye 100ST	Private	

Wednesday 4th February 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

XV354	035:R	Buccaneer S.2D	809 NAS	
XT283	023:R	Buccaneer S.2A	809 NAS	
G-AVRG	-	HS.125-3B	Private	

Thursday 5th February 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][BARG 5/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

G-AVRG	-	HS.125-3B	Private	
		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
XL450	042:R	Gannet AEW.3*	849 NAS	Technical diversion
*Enroute Lossiemouth to Culdrose and then onto HMS Ark Royal.				
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	'RESCUE22' F/L Lanigan
Stood by a fishing boat with 2 onboard which had lost its rudder until the boat was taken in tow by Holyhead Lifeboat. 'RESCUE23' XP351 [F/L Beglan] relieved 'RESCUE22.'				

Friday 6th February 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

68-0069	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
		Devon C.2/2		Or a Sea Devon 781 NAS ?
	-	Vulcan B.2		

Saturday 7th February 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Fallen climber flown from Llanbedr to Bangor Hospital.				

Tuesday 10th February 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 27/3445][CW][AIR 24/3275][MB]

2 Sqn [3 aircraft] arrived from Laarbruch at 10:15 for their MPC.				
2 Sqn MPC 10-18.2				
PM no range slots due to other users.				
XV413	E	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC
XV488	I	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC
XV468	N	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC
XR362	362	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	'RRR3249' F/L Oliver
Routed: Wildenrath-Valley-Brize Norton, 2 Sqn MPC support, arrived 12:35 & departed PM.				
		Canberra T.22	[FRADU]	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR535:05 4 FTS to 5 MU for modifications. Gnat T.1 XS110:20 returned from Kemble, see 6.1.76				

Wednesday 11th February 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

2 Sqn MPC				
AM no range slots.				
PM 1x AIM-7 fired against a Rushton [Canberra] target.				
XP583	12	JP T.4	Ex. CAW	[8400M]
68-0002	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0063	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
		Hunter T.7	229 OCU	
		HS.125		
El-AWY	-	Mitsubishi MU-2	Private	
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 XN127:W 2[A]FTS detachment				

Thursday 12th February 1976 [AIR 24/3275]

2 Sqn MPC no range sorties due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				

Friday 13th February 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][HO][AIR 24/3275]

2 Sqn MPC no sorties due to Russian Trawler activity in Cardigan Bay. AM 2 Sqn local flying 11:05 [XV488 & XV468] PM 2 Sqn local flying 15:00 [XV488 & XV413]				
XL514	042:R	Gannet AEW.3	B Flt/849 NAS	Departed on Runway 02
XL449	762:LM	Gannet AEW.3	B Flt/849 NAS	Departed on Runway 02
XL494	-	Gannet AEW.3	B Flt/849 NAS	Departed on Runway 02
	-	Vulcan B.2		PD Runway 02
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
204	[V]	SP-2H Neptune*	Dutch Navy	
*Diversion from St.Athan or St Mawgan ? Departed 07:40 on Runway 32.				

Saturday 14th February 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76]

XX626	46	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	
XX628	48	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	

Monday 16th February 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

2 Sqn MPC AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM 1x AIM-7 fired against a Rushton target.				
XV413	E	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC
XV488	I	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC
XV468	N	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC
XV480	480	Phantom FGR.2	31 Sqn	
XJ322	-	Sea Devon C.20	781 NAS	'NAVAIR317'
XV664	142:TG	Sea King HAS.1*	826 NAS	HMS Tiger
XV665	143:TG	Sea King HAS.1*	826 NAS	HMS Tiger
XV673	144:TG	Sea King HAS.1*	826 NAS	HMS Tiger
*Mountain Flying Detachment with SARTS until 20.2.76				
XX628	48	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	
XV107	107	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	'James Nicholson'
XL392	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	N/stop
XP413	413	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	'Neptune'
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 XP361 22 Sqn Whirlwind HAR.10 XR485:Q 2[A]FTS Detachment [in hangar]				

Tuesday 17th February 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

2 Sqn MPC				
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AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM 2x AIM-9 fired.				
XZ105	PS.7	Jaguar GR.1	BAC Warton	PD 'COMBINE23' primer
XV208	208	Hercules W.2	Met Flight	PD
68-0005	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0053	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0077	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
XL392	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	Departed, see 16.2
XM475	40	JP T.3	[1 FTS]	
XW530	P	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW545	V	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XX889	Z	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XR808	808	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	'Kenneth Cambell'
XP439	439	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	'Theseus'
XT422	465	Wasp HAS.1	829 NAS	HMS Juno, from Isle of Man
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XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for a girl reported missing at Pentrefoelas, aircraft n/stopped there, girl found safe.				

Wednesday 18th February 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

2 Sqn departed back to Laarbruch at 10:00 post their MPC.				
XV413	E	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC to Laarbruch
XV468	N	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC to Laarbruch
XV488	I	Phantom FGR.2	2 Sqn	MPC to Laarbruch
WP309	570:CU	Sea Prince T.1	750 NAS	
WF371	S	Varsity T.1	6 FTS	Dep 19.2
VP978	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XX517	42	Bulldog T.1	CFS	
XF967	-	Hunter T.8	237 OCU	
G-BCOT	-	Enstrom F-28A	Private	
G-BATC	-	Bo.105D	Trinity House	
XM475	40	JP T.3	[1 FTS]	Departed, see 17.2
XW409	78	JP T.5	1 FTS	Dep 19.2
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	Dep 19.2
68-0005	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0030	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0053	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0067	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0070	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0083	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
XL443	-	Vulcan B.2	[35 Sqn]	N/stop
XW530	P	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW545	V	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	

XP439	439	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Scrambled to a canoeist in difficulties in the Menai Straits, he made it ashore by himself.				

Thursday 19th February 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][HO][AIR 27/3445]

WE121	[-]	Canberra TT.18	RAE Llanbedr	N/stop
XP534	E	Gnat T.1	CFS	
XL391	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	N/stop
XL443	-	Vulcan B.2	[35 Sqn]	Departed, see 18.2
VP978	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
68-0030	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0067	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0070	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
XF967	-	Hunter T.8	237 OCU	
XR371	371	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	'RRR3334' F/L Oliver
Routed: Brize Norton-Valley-Laarbruch-Brize Norton. Return of 2 Sqn MPC support. Arrived at 08:40 and departed 11:20.				

Friday 20th February 1976 [MAS][CW]

WF371	S	Varsity T.1	6 FTS	
G-BCRM	-	Citation 500	Private	
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	
WE121		Canberra TT.18	RAE Llanbedr	
XL391	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	

Saturday 21st February 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422][AIR 27/3440]

XV295	295	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XV182	182	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	F/L Guest
Routed: Nassau-Valley[09:15/10:15]-Nassau or Lyneham.				
XR517	AN	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Puma HC.1		
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search near Bethesda following report of flares, nothing found.				

Monday 23rd February 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

	-	?x Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
Mountain Flying Detachment until 26.2.76				
		?x Sea King HAS.1	819 NAS	
Mountain Flying Detachment until 25.2.76				

Tuesday 24th February 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3422]

G-ASHW	-	DH.104 Dove 8	HSA Ltd	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
		JP T.4		
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Whirlwind precautionary with a hydraulic failure, not required.				

Wednesday 25th February 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275][MB]

*QRA scramble from Leuchars to Aberporth Range. *1 AIM-9 Sidewinder fired, landed at Valley 16:20. *Departed back to Leuchars at 17:40. *[quoted as XV596] this is not an F-4 serial				
[XV596]		Phantom FG.1*	43 Sqn	[Possibly XV586:J ?]
		Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL621:81 4 FTS visited 4 Sqn at Kemble.				

Thursday 26th February 1976 [CW][AIR 27/3422]

	-	Vulcan B.2		
XF511	S	Hunter FGA.9	79 Sqn/TWU	
XG151	H	Hunter FGA.9	79 Sqn/TWU	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Friday 27th February 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

64-1039	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW	
66-0421	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW	
66-0469	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW	
68-0009	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
		JP T.4		

Sunday 29th February 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

G-AVSH	-	PA-28 Cherokee	Private	
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XP351	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search on Moel Siabod for missing walkers, found safe in Beddgelert by Police.				

March 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 164 movements including 4 VIP.				
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Monday 1st March 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

G-BBRA	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
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XR806	806	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	'George Thomson'
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	

Tuesday 2nd March 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 24/3275][MB]

*Battle Flight scramble from Gutersloh to Aberporth Range. *2x Firestreak missiles failed to fire. *Landed at Valley 10:45 and departed back to Gutersloh at 13:55.				
		Lightning F.2A*	92 Sqn	
XR808	808	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	'Kenneth Cambell'
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XF509:73 4 FTS birdstrike assessed as CAT.3R repaired.				

Wednesday 3rd March 1976 [MC][BARG][CW][MB]

		Hunter GA.11	FRADU	
G-BLOI	-	HS.125-600	Private	
VP978	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XP693	-	Lightning F.6*	RAE Bedford	STCAAME
*Possibly testing of the MRCA/Tornado 27mm Mauser cannon?				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XP504:04 XP506:06 XM709:09 XM705:10 XM708:18 XR574:24 XP536:27 XP533:33 XS105:55 XP538:38 XP541:41 XR977:46 XP500:50 XR984:52 XR983:53 XP535:54 XS100:57 XS102:58 XS109:63 XR534:65 XR996:66 Gnat T.1 XP532:32 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble for modifications. Hunter F.6 4 FTS XG209:69 XF386:75 XF526:78 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 XL621:81 XL600:83 XL567:84 WV372:85 XL566:86 XL565:89 XL573:97 Alongside the Hunter hangar was Jet Provost T.4 XP583:12 being used for winch training. Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XJ429 XP395 Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XP300:S XN127:W				

Thursday 4th March 1976 [MAS][CW]

68-0006	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0077	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
G-BBRA	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
		Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	
		Devon C.2/2		
		Devon C.2/2		

Monday 8th March 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

*QRA scramble from Binbrook to Aberporth Range.				
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*1 Red Top missile fired. Landed at Valley 11:47 but night stopped after repairs due to weather at Binbrook.				
XS925	L	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
*The aircraft was unserviceable on arrival due to a hydraulic leak, a ground engineer plus spares was flown in with the T.5 below.				
XV328	T	Lightning T.5	5 Sqn	From Binbrook 17:20
68-0072	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0073	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
PH-BAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
	AR	2x RF-4C	/10 TRW	

Tuesday 9th March 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

XS925	L	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Binbrook 11:05, see 8.3
XV328	T	Lightning T.5	5 Sqn	To Binbrook 11:05, see 8.3
XX719		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	
XX722		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	
		Varsity T.1		
		Devon C.2/2		
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
	AR	3x RF-4C	/10 TRW	

Wednesday 10th March 1976 [CW]

		Devon C.2/2		
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Thursday 11th March 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

G-ASAZ	-	Hiller UH-12E	Private	
		Devon C.2/2		

Friday 12th March 1976 [CW]

		Devon C.2/2		
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	

Saturday 13th March 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search in the Wrexham Minera area for a missing vicar, nothing found.				

Monday 15th March 1976 [CW][MB]

		Devon C.2/2		
	-	Victor K.1	214 Sqn	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR535:05 4 FTS returned from 5 MU, see 10.2.76 Gnat T.1 XR954:30 4 FTS to 5 MU for modifications.				

Tuesday 16th March 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW]

[XT794]	325:HE	Wasp HAS.1	829 NAS	HMS Herald
		Devon C.2/2		
		Devon C.2/2		
G-ASAZ	-	Hiller UH-12E	Private	
		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
MEDEVAC of a seriously ill pregnant woman from Bangor to St Barts, London.				

Wednesday 17th March 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3422]

XL318	-	Vulcan B.2	230 OCU	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Thursday 18th March 1976 [MAS][CW]

68-0072	UH[b]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
		Phantom		
G-BATC	-	Bo.105D	Trinity House	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		

Friday 19th March 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW]

		Jaguar GR.1		
G-BATC	-	Bo.105D	Trinity House	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Fallen climber on the Miner's Track taken to Bangor Hospital.				

Saturday 20th March 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Boat aground in the Menai Straits, no assistance required.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Investigated a boat believed to be in difficulties, found to be aground in the Straits, no assistance required.				

Monday 22nd March 1976 [MAS][MB]

		Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
		Canberra		

Based noted:
 Gnat T.1 XR977:46 transferred to CFS/Red Arrows.
 [XR977 after service was allocated 8640M 5.9.79 and flown to Cosford 5.10.79 for instructional use with 2 SoTT. Preserved at the Cosford Air Museum from 1982 [replaced XP514] and still present 2025]

Tuesday 23rd March 1976 [MAS][CW][AIR 27/3422]

	-	F-104		WGAF
	-	F-104		WGAF
	-	G.91		WGAF
	-	G.91		WGAF
	-	RF-4E		WGAF
80+94	-	H-34G	MFG 5	WGN
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Policeman with a heart attack on hills north of Bolton, found dead on arrival.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Investigation SARBE signal 340deg from Valley.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 24th March 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275]

*QRA scramble from Coningsby to Aberporth Range.				
*1 AIM-9 missile fired.				
*Landed at Valley 10:40, departed back to Coningsby at 12:00.				
XV438	A	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	STCAAME
		G.91R		WGAF
		G.91R		WGAF

Thursday 25th March 1976 [CW][MB]

		Canberra		
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL613:91 repairs & overhaul complete, returned from 5 MU, see 17.11.75				

Friday 26th March 1976 [CW]

	-	Vulcan B.2		
		Hunter FGA.9		

Saturday 27th March 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 27/3422]

130318	318	CC-130E	435 Sqn	CAF
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Injured walker flown from Llyn Ffynnon-y-Glas to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 29th March 1976 [MAS][AIR 27/3417][CW][MB]

*Battle Flight scramble from Gutersloh to Aberporth Range. *1x Firestreak missile fired. *Landed at Valley 10:40 and departed back to Gutersloh 12:30.				
XN789	J	Lightning F.2A*	19 Sqn	STCAAME
XX768	-	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
	-	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
		Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
XM419	47	JP T.3A	RAFC	
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL601:88 4 FTS visited Kemble, collected passenger.				

Tuesday 30th March 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275][MB]

		Lightning F.6*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
		Lightning F.6*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
*They delivered 4 Red Top missiles from Wattisham for the Sqn's forthcoming MPC. They both arrived at midday and departed back in the afternoon.				
XM419	47	JP T.3A	RAFC	
		JP T.4		
		Varsity T.1		
		Chipmunk T.10		
		Canberra		
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP532:32 4 FTS returned from 5 MU Kemble, see 3.3.76 Gnat T.1 XP539:L delivered from 5 MU to 4 FTS.				

Wednesday 31st March 1976 [CW]

		Nimrod MR.1		
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April 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 1215 movements including 1 VIP. High volume mainly due to the Chipmunks giving air experience flights from Station Flight.				
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Thursday 1st April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3422][MB]

XH560	-	Vulcan SR.2	27 Sqn	
XP563	71	JP T.4	3 FTS	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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	-		22 Sqn	
Exercised with the new 'Atlantic 21' lifeboat at Beaumaris.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Hunter & Gnat precautions, not required.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL566:86 4 FTS visited Kemble then Little Rissington.				

Friday 2nd April 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	
Exercised with the new 'Atlantic 21' lifeboat at Beaumaris.				

Sunday 4th April 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Search for 2 criminals near Dolgellau.				

Monday 5th April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275][SB][GP]

56 Sqn [5 aircraft] arrived from Wattisham at 11:10 for their MPC. 56 Sqn MPC 5-7.4 56 Sqn's last Lightning MPC. PM 2x Red Top fired. [XS901 firer Macleod]				
XS928	E	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC [Murdo Macleod]
XS922	P	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XS933	K	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XS901	T	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XS932	R	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XX765	27	Jaguar GR.1*	226 OCU	STCAAME
*From Lossiemouth to conduct chaff trials in Aberporth range, based at STCAAME.				
		Wessex HC.2		
		Alouette AH.[1]	/AAC	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS all visited Coltishall. XP511:11 XM706:12 XR984:52 XS100:57				

Tuesday 6th April 1976 [MAS][AIR 24/3275][SB]

56 Sqn MPC AM 2x Red Top fired. [XS901 chase Macleod] PM 1x Red Top fired.				
XS932	R	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XS922	P	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	To Wattisham 15:55.
XS459	X	Lightning T.5*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
*Delivered 2 missiles for their MPC from Wattisham, landed 10:55 departed 15:20.				
XP564	[04]	JP T.4	FAC/TWU	Forward Air Control, camo
XW410	[14]	JP T.5	[RAFC]	
XW362	[17]	JP T.5	[RAFC]	

XR749	[Q]	Lightning F.3	[5 Sqn]	
WB530	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	From Shawbury
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	
G-AYWG	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	From Hawarden
G-BAGJ	-	SA.341G Gazelle	Private	
XX765	27	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	STCAAME, see 5.4

Wednesday 7th April 1976 [MC 10/76][BARG][KC][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422][SB]

56 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Wattisham at 10:30 post their MPC.				
XS932	R	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XS928	E	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC [Murdo Macleod]
XS901	T	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XS933	K	Lightning F.6	56 Sqn	MPC
XH134	-	Canberra PR.9	39 Sqn	
XW358	18	JP T.5	RAFC	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: ATC Summer Camp air experience flying. Chipmunk T.10 10 AEF WP896:11 WP900:13 Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR538:01 XP502:02 XP503:03 XP504:04 XR535:05 XP506:06 XP537:07 XR569:08 XM709:09 XM705:10 XP511:11 XM706:12 XP514:14 XP516:16 XM708:18 XS110:20 XR571:23 XR574:24 XR951:26 XP536:27 XR953:29 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP538:38 XP540:40 XP541:41 XP542:42 XR984:52 XR983:53 XP535:54 XS100:57 XS102:58 XS103:59 [dismantled, ex. 'D' CFS] XS109:63 XP530:64 XR534:65 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XG209:69 XF527:70 XF383:72 XG185:74 XF386:75 XF526:78 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 XL621:81 XL591:82 XL600:83 XL567:84 WV372:85 XL566:86 XL597:87 XL601:88 XL565:89 XL613:91 XL573:97 Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP361 XP395 Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XP394:C XP405:D JP T.4 XP583:12 now has its serial blacked out.				

Thursday 8th April 1976 [KC][CW][AIR 27/3422][MB]

		Dominie T.1		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
68-0036	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XN494	43	JP T.3	1 FTS	
WJ943	R	Varsity T.1*	6 FTS	
*Arrived for the Fire Dump, scrapped in 1979.				
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL621:81 4 FTS visited Kemble, collected spares.				

Friday 9th April 1976 [KC]

64-0541	-	C-130E*	61 TAS/314 TAW	
*From Upper Heyford with spares for F-111				

Saturday 10th April 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

130333	333	CC-130H	435 Sqn	Canadian AF
63-7765	-	C-130E	61 TAS/314 TAW	
68-0082	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Sunday 11th April 1976 [AIR 27/3424]

		Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR4661' F/L Bailey
Routed: Gutersloh-Valley[12:20/13:20]-Lyneham.				

Monday 12th April 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][KC][CW][MB]

73-1648	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XS516	W-V:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
WB530	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XX765	27	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	'KDP03' STCAAME, see 5.4
68-0070	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0071	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	From Rotterdam
XL584	874:VL	Hunter T.8	FRADU	'NAVJET68'
XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE Bedford	
XP515	A	Gnat T.1*	CFS	Coded '59' by 7.76
XR544	B	Gnat T.1*	CFS	Coded '60' by 6.76
XR541	C	Gnat T.1*	CFS	Coded '61' by 6.76
XR540	2	Gnat T.1	CFS	Red Arrows
XR991	5	Gnat T.1	CFS	Red Arrows

*Transfer of CFS Gnats from Kemble to Valley callsign 'PELICAN BLUE' Arrived with 4 FTS Gnat resident XR951:26.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP539:L 4 FTS delivered to CFS/Red Arrows, see 30.3.76 Gnat T.1 XR951:26 returned from CFS, see 23.9.75				

Tuesday 13th April 1976 [MC 10/76][KC][AIR 27/3422][MB]

G-AXIV	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
68-0044	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	PD
XT154	K	Sioux AH.1*	ARWF/AAC	
XT165	N	Sioux AH.1*	ARWF/AAC	
XT211	P	Sioux AH.1*	ARWF/AAC	
*The 3 Sioux came in from Llanbedr.				
WH803	[856]	Canberra T.22	FRADU	PD 'AKD34'
XV726	AJ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	'KCG88' from Aldergrove
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for rubber dinghy off Abersoch, nothing seen.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP511:11 4 FTS 'ADA'				

Wednesday 14th April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3422]

XX819	819	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX962	962	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX765	27	Jaguar GR.1*	226 OCU	STCAAME
*Departed back to Lossiemouth post the chaff trials, see 5.4.76 It flew 9 sorties whilst at Valley.				
68-0057	UH[r]	F-111E	77 FTS/20 TFW	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for missing walkers between Rhyd Ddu and Dolwyddelan, nothing seen.				

Thursday 15th April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

68-0004	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0027	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0076	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0084	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
XS177	67	JP T.4	3 FTS	
[65-0719]	LN	F-4D	48 TFW	Or '718 ?
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	
		Buccaneer S.2		

Friday 16th April 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
2 boys airlifted off the Little Orme and returned to the Police.				

Sunday 18th April 1976 [MC 10/76]

G-AZAV	-	Cessna 337	Private	
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Monday 19th April 1976 [CW]

		HH-53C	67 ARRS	
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Tuesday 20th April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][MB]

PH-NAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
68-0044	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
G-ARFL	-	Cessna 175B	Private	
XT597	-	Phantom FG.1	A&AEE	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP516:16 returned from CFS, see 5.1.76				

Wednesday 21st April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][MB][DS]

68-0054	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0071	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XX962	962	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX965	965	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XW372	63	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XP564	04	JP T.4	TWU	
XX533	16	Bulldog T.1	2 FTS	
XM595	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	
		Twin Commanche*	Civil	

*Crosswind landing, 7 bent/damaged prop blades.

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM706:12 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble for modifications. Gnat T.1 XP516:16 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble. Gnat T.1 XR954:30 returned from Kemble, see 15.3.76 Gnat T.1 XR980 delivered from CFS becoming '17' with 4 FTS [previously '48']				
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XG185	74	Hunter F.6	4 FTS	

Fire in the port wing root, crashed in shallow water Malltraeth Sands [OS SH4036366945]
Wreckage seen at Valley 23.4.76, sold as scrap to Staravia of Ascot which was owned by Danny Goldstein. Goldstein had several scrap dumps & specialized in aircraft salvage recovery and scrapping. The Pilot was picked up by Whirlwind HAR.10 XP395 22 Sqn [F/O Easthope] after 2 mins in the water near Newborough, he spent the night in the RAF Valley

Station Medical Centre.

Damian Smyth takes up the story 'Late in the afternoon at approximately 17:00 the flying activities of the day were concluding when the pilot of XG185 requested to start up and taxi to the holding point of Runway 14. A group of us were preparing to pack up after a day spent observing the flying activities at the Base and head home. At this point, XG185 had reached the end of the main Runway and with the brakes released and full power selected the aircraft slowly accelerated only to come to a halt as the engine emitted an unusual change in pitch! However, everything seemed to be functioning normally for the time being! The Hunter then proceeded down the Runway and took off on its mission. Some members of our group chose to linger anticipating the return of XG185 within the next hour or so. It then came to our attention that a 22 Sqn Whirlwind XP395 piloted by F/O Easthope was observed rapidly departing towards the East of Anglesey, could this be related to the now overdue Hunter? Our suspicions were confirmed. By this time, XG185 had crashed near Newborough Forrest into the shallow waters at Malltraeth Sands'

The wreckage of the Hunter was initially recovered and 2 days later the remains of the aircraft were transported back to Valley on a 'Queen Mary' low loader. At Valley it was delivered to the Hunter Hangars located on the Southside of the Airfield for the subsequent Board of Inquiry.



XG185:74 heads the 3 Sqn/4 FTS Hunter flightline at Valley.

The other aircraft present are:

XG274:71 XF383:72 XF509:73 XG185:74 XF526:78 XL609:80 XL567:84 XL597:87 XL596:90

[the photograph predates 2.11.73 which is when XL596:90 was lost]

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Pilot	F/L	W R Lewis	Ejected ok
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Thursday 22nd April 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

XP557	65	JP T.4	1 FTS	
XS218	72	JP T.4	1 FTS	
XW421	90	JP T.5[A]	CFS	
XW434	92	JP T.5[A]	CFS	
XR520	AB	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XS678	AE	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

XL188	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
		Phantom		
		Phantom		

Friday 23rd April 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422][MB]

		Bulldog T.1		
	UH	3x F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Jaguar GR.1		

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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10*	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope

*Stood by at Llanbedr whilst a Meteor U.16 drone [WH320:N flown by R Gaskell] made a partial wheels-up landing. Also quoted as 24.4, the pilot was picked up and flown to the Llanbedr Operations building.



[Tudor Rowlands Collection]

Based noted:

Gnat T.1 XR537:37 returned to Valley from Kemble, when did it arrive ?

Saturday 24th April 1976 [CW]

XW223	DG	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XW201	DL	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	

Sunday 25th April 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Climber with head injuries from Dinas Mot, Llanberis Pass to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 26th April 1976 [MC 7/76][AIR 27/3417][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3451]

19 Sqn [5 F.2A & 1 T.4] arrived from Gutersloh at 10:35 for their MPC.				
19 Sqn MPC 26.4-4.5, 10 missiles to be fired.				
XN771	P	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC
XN733	Y	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC
XN776	C	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC
XN735	A	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC
XN789	J	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC
XM973	V	Lightning T.4	19 Sqn	MPC

XH651	-	Victor K.1A	57 Sqn	
65-0944	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW	
68-0045	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
XV183	183	Hercules C.1*	70 Sqn	'RRR4642' F/L Wilson
Routed: Lyneham-Gutersloh-Valley[12:55/14:00]-Lyneham.				
XV221	221	Hercules C.1*	LTW	
*One arrived 14:00 and departed 14:45, the other arrived 18:20 and departed 19:00. 19 Sqn MPC support.				
69-5795	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
		Nimrod MR.1		
XW412	15	JP T.5	RAFC	
XW411	16	JP T.5	RAFC	
XW358	18	JP T.5	RAFC	
XV485	K	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
Based noted: Chipmunk T.10 WP896:11 10 AEF ATC Summer Camp flying.				

Tuesday 27th April 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 27/3417][CW][AIR 24/3275]

19 Sqn MPC AM 2x Firestreaks fired. PM 1x Firestreak fired and one misfire [XN735 with chase XM973]				
XN771	P	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC to Gutersloh 17:12
XN786	M	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC from Gutersloh 18:08
68-0012	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
		Jaguar GR.1		
		Devon C.2/2		

Wednesday 28th April 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422][MB]

19 Sqn MPC AM 2x Firestreak fired. PM 1x Firestreak fired, and a misfire.				
XM973	V	Lightning T.4	19 Sqn	MPC
Departed to Gutersloh 08:30 and returned to Valley at 13:27.				
WH972	2	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
130333	333	CC-130H	[435 Sqn]	Canadian AF
WJ943	R	Varsity T.1	6 FTS	For the Fire Dump?
G-BAAJ	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
G-AZVJ	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
G-AZLM	-	Cessna F172L	Private	

68-0059	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
		JP T.5		
		Devon C.2/2		
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	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	
Under Secretary of State for Wales was given a short flight to view a full scale oil-pollution exercise off the North coast of Anglesey.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XS104:44 returned from CFS, see 14.7.75				

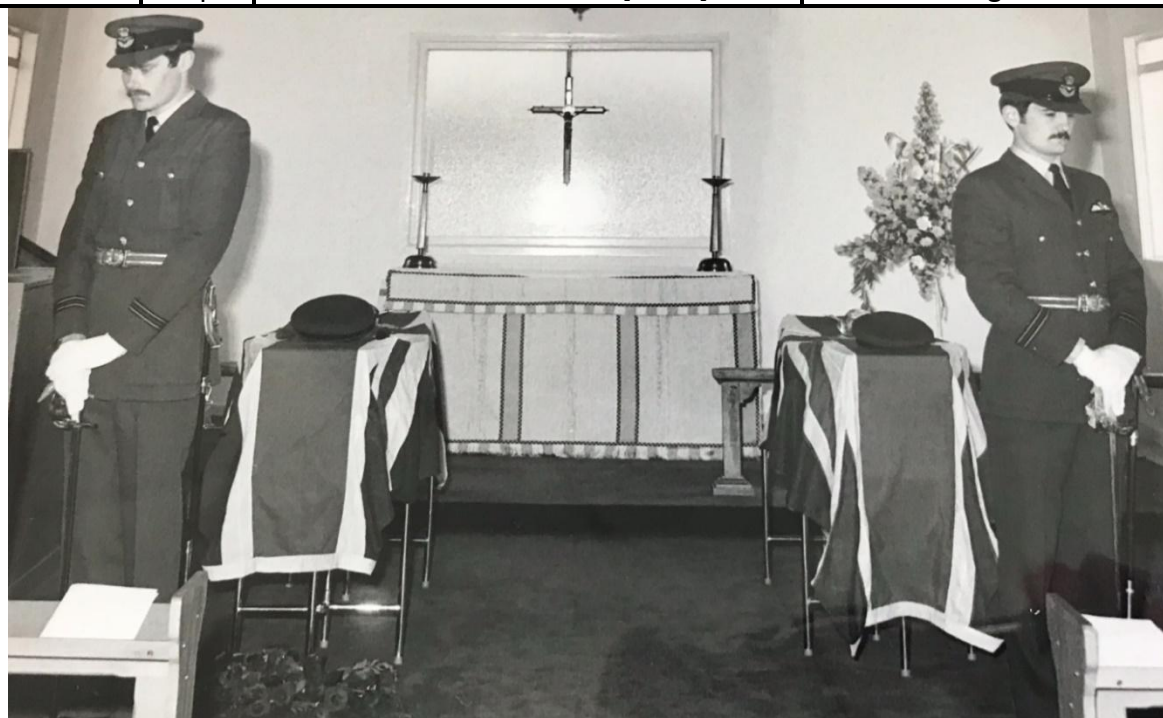
Thursday 29th April 1976 [MC 10/76][Pprune YellowSun logbook*][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

19 Sqn MPC AM 2x Firestreaks fired. PM no range slots due to other users.				
XW352	[R]	JP T.5A	[6 FTS]	
XW410	[14]	JP T.5*	RAFC	NAVEX N/stop
		JP T.4		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Friday 30th April 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3417][CW][AIR 24/3275]

19 Sqn MPC, 8 missiles fired by 30.4. AM range slot aborted due to shipping in the Range. PM 1x Firestreak fired.				
XM973	V	Lightning T.4	19 Sqn	MPC
Flew an Airman to Gutersloh whose wife was critically ill, aircraft later returned to Valley. Departed 11:15 and returned at 14:10.				
27+20	-	TF-104G	JBG-36	WGAF N/stop
XW410	[14]	JP T.5	RAFC	To Cranwell
		JP T.5		
	UH	6x F-111E	/20 TFW	
		CC-130	435 Sqn	Canadian AF
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP536	27	Gnat T.1*	4 FTS	
XR983	53	Gnat T.1**	4 FTS	
Mid-air collision over Brithdir, 5nms East of Dolgellau close to the A470. Whirlwind HAR.10 XP361 22 Sqn attended the scene initially with [F/L Lanigan] and later [F/L Garnons-Williams] the same aircraft flew the bodies to Bangor Hospital. This was a 3-ship formation, and all the deceased were QFI's. One of the crews reported a Phantom aircraft close by & whilst manoeuvring struck the underside of the other Gnat.				

	F/L	Kenneth Graham Ivell*	Killed
	F/L	David James Mather*	Killed
	F/L	Ian James Sanford**	Killed
	Capt	David John Keiffer** [USAF]	Killed Exchange Officer



The coffins of F/L Ivell & F/L Mather at the Chapel of Rest. [National Archives]

May 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 184 movements including 2 VIP.
Canberra E.15 WH972 flew numerous flights from the Station Flight calibrating the AR.15 surveillance radar.

Saturday 1st May 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XW791	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
WH972	2	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Exposure case on Snowdon, unable to reach due to weather.				

Sunday 2nd May 1976 [AIR 27/3440]

XV188	188	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR5062' F/L King
Routed: Gutersloh-Aldergrove-Valley[15:50/16:00]-Lyneham.				

Monday 3rd May 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422][**MB**]

19 Sqn MPC no sorties due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
XN735	A	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC to Gutersloh 11:30
XN789	J	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	MPC to Gutersloh 11:30

	UH	4x F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Gnat precautionary with fuel leak, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP540:40 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R, returned to 4 FTS 27.7.76				

Tuesday 4th May 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

19 Sqn MPC AM 1x Firestreak fired. Remaining 19 Sqn aircraft departed to Gutersloh at 15:30 post their MPC.				
XN786	M	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XN733	Y	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XN776	C	Lightning F.2A	19 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XM973	V	Lightning T.4	19 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XH171	-	Canberra PR.9	39 Sqn	
WH972	2	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Scrambled to a Hunter crash near Aberystwyth but the helicopter was recalled to Valley. This was Hunter FGA.9 XJ635:I TWU, loss of control in cloud and crashed near Devils Bridge, 12nms East of Aberystwyth. The pilot, F/O Winton Gilbert Irvine was killed. A Whirlwind from D Flight/22 Sqn at Brawdy attended.				

Wednesday 5th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3451]

G-APSO	-	DH.104 Dove 5	Private	
WH972	2	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	AR.15 calibration
XH171	-	Canberra PR.9	13 Sqn	
WH670	[B]	Canberra B.2	100 Sqn	
XR673	68	JP T.4	3 FTS	
XW437	91	JP T.5	[CFS]	Or '1' RAFC ?
XV193	193	Hercules C.1	70 Sqn	'RRR5000' F/L Dixon
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[15:00/15:40]-Lyneham.				
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	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	
Capsized boat reported in Irish Sea, not required.				

Thursday 6th May 1976 [MAS][CW][AIR 24/3275]

		Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	STCAAME
*From Leconfield, stayed overnight due to bad weather at Leconfield.				
XS770	-	Basset CC.1	A&AEE	Ex. 5 MU
XS566	505	Wasp HAS.1	703 NAS	
XT780	636	Wasp HAS.1	703 NAS	

XL623	88	Hunter T.7	TWTU	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XV396	A	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	
XR365	365	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	'RRR3396' F/L Rankin
From Luqa to Brize Norton, diversion?				
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

Friday 7th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 27/3417][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3440]

		Lightning F.3	11 Sqn	To Leconfield, see 6.5
XS735	[-]	Dominie T.1	RAFC	Dep 8.5
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XV203	203	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR4861' F/L Thomas
XV204	204	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR4860' S/L Phillips
'RRR4861' routed: Lyneham-Valley[09:50/11:25]-Gutersloh-Lyneham. 'RRR4860' routed: Lyneham-Valley[06:15/07:55]-Gutersloh-Lyneham. Return of 19 Sqn MPC support.				
		Hunter T.7		

Saturday 8th May 1976 [CW]

G-BSBH	-	Shorts SD.330	Private	
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Sunday 9th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76]

VP955	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
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Monday 10th May 1976 [MC 10/76][Pprune YellowSun logbook*][MB]

XX122	10	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX728	18	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
XW416	[30]	JP T.5*	RAFC	NAVEX
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP534 delivered from CFS to 4 FTS becoming '62'				

Tuesday 11th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76]

WH972	2	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
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Wednesday 12th May 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][DS]

XV106	106	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
		JP T.4		
XS566	505	Wasp HAS.1	703 NAS	
XT780	636	Wasp HAS.1	703 NAS	
XP534	E	Gnat T.1	CFS	Delivery to 4 FTS

Thursday 13th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3422][MB]

68-0006	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
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	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XV298	298	Hercules C.1	LTW	Or XV295 ?
		Devon C.2/2		
XW303	64	JP T.5	1 FTS	
XW370	72	JP T.5	1 FTS	
XW374	73	JP T.5	1 FTS	
		Canberra		
		Phantom FGR.2		
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
XS566	505	Wasp HAS.1	703 NAS	
XT780	636	Wasp HAS.1	703 NAS	
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Capsized boat in the Irish Sea but no action required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM706:12 4 FTS returned from 5 MU Kemble, see 21.4.76 Gnat T.1 XP515:59 4 FTS to 5 MU, Kemble for modifications. Gnat T.1 XS104:44 4 FTS birdstrike CAT.3R				

Saturday 15th May 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
18 canoes in difficulty in the Menai Straits, all found safe.				

Monday 17th May 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

		Phantom FGR.2*	23 Sqn	STCAAME
*Delivered missiles for 23 Sqn's forthcoming MPC.				
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XP361	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Easthope
Search for boy on Little Orme, body recovered by inshore lifeboat.				

Tuesday 18th May 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 19th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3422]

G-BCBE	-	B206 Jetranger	Private	
XE531	-	Hunter T.12	RAE	Farnborough
XH614	-	Victor K.1A	55 Sqn	
XH648	-	Victor K.1A	57 Sqn	
G-AWUU	-	Cessna F150J	Private	
G-AYKU	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Boat checked after being reported in difficulties, not required.				

Thursday 20th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76]

WH972	2	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
XN855	855	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
XS889	523:CU	Wessex HAS.1	771 NAS	
XS873	525:CU	Wessex HAS.1	771 NAS	
XS7--	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
XM574	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	

Monday 24th May 1976*[MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

23 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Wattisham at 09:40 for their MPC.				
23 Sqn MPC 24-27.5				
PM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
PM 15:15, practice range sortie against a Meteor [XV472 & XV435]				
XV396	A	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV435	M	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV421	B	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV472	L	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XR366	366	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for 14yr old boy at Aberglaslyn, later found safe.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Tuesday 25th May 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

23 Sqn MPC				
AM no range slots due to other users.				
PM 1x AIM-7 fired [XV472] damage caused to its pylon and the left outboard leading edge.				
XT912	K	Phantom FGR.2*	23 Sqn	MPC from Wattisham 19:40
*Replacement aircraft for XV472, see above.				
XH560	-	Vulcan SR.2**	27 Sqn	See below
VP977	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XR413	413	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
	-	Victor K.2		
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Gnat precautionary with hydraulic problem, not required.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
**Vulcan with a fuel leak, not required, possibly XH560 above ?				

Wednesday 26th May 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

23 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. PM 1x AIM-9 fired.				
XR143	143	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
WF382	[Q]	Varsity T.1	23 MU	STCAAME MU hack
Returned the crew of Phantom XT912:K back to Wattisham, see 25.5				
G-AWIY	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Buccaneer S.2		
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Thursday 27th May 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

23 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-9 fired. 23 Sqn [5 aircraft] departed to Wattisham post their MPC.				
XV396	A	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC departed 15:20
XV435	M	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC departed 15:20
XV421	B	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC departed 15:20
XT912	K	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC departed 15:20
XV472	L	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC departed 16:00
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Phantom		
		Phantom		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat birdstrike, not required.				

Friday 28th May 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422][MB]

	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
		2x Phantom		
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Exhausted boy soldier lifted from Ogwen Valley and taken to Bangor Hospital.				
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XG274:71 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 17.11.75				

Saturday 29th May 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for missing fisherman off Fleetwood at night, later found safe.				

XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
3 children in difficulties at Red Wharf Bay, found safe and well with an adult.				

Sunday 30th May 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
7 canoeists lifted from the sea at Trearddur Bay.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Man injured in cliff fall at Penrhyn Mawr flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 31st May 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for missing 10ft boat off Moelfre, came ashore unaided.				

June 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 195 movements including 8 VIP.				
Based noted:				
				
Hunter T.7 XL565:89 4 FTS seen here visiting Leconfield. [Derek Hemingway via Damian Smyth]				

Tuesday 1st June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

EI-AUI	-	Alouette II	Private	
XW209	CF	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
G-ANNO	-	DH.114 Heron 1B	Private	
	-	Victor K.1		

Wednesday 2nd June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][BAR 76/08][MB]

G-ANNO	-	DH.114 Heron 1B	Private	
68-0016	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
WA662	-	Meteor T.7	RAE Llanbedr	
XX122	10	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX741	13	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	

XX746	16	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX728	18	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX750	22	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX767	25	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX760	26	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX140	D	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX146	J	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX828	P	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX839	Y	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP532:32 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Hunter T.7 XL573:97 4 FTS visited Kemble, crew taxi for XL597:87 back to Valley.				

Thursday 3rd June 1976*[MAS]MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422][MB]

XX122	10	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX741	13	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX746	16	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX728	18	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX750	22	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX767	25	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX760	26	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX140	D	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX146	J	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX828	P	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX839	Y	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XT668	AS	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT672	AZ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
G-AZTO	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
PH-JDJ	-	?	Private	
68-0011	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0051	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Boy lifted to the top of cliff at Dinas Dinlle, Llandwrog.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR998:47 returned from Kemble, see 26.1.76				

Friday 4th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

68-0001	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0051	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
XT672	AZ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

XW412	15	JP T.5A	RAFC	
EI-AWS	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
G-ASFD	-	LET L-200A Morava	Private	
XH558	-	Vulcan SR.2	27 Sqn	
		Hunter T.7		
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Boys reported in difficulties in Llyn Traffwll near the AMQ but found safe. Fallen walker flown from Snowdon Horseshoe to Bangor Hospital with back injuries.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Fallen climber on Snowdon horseshoe with back injuries flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Saturday 5th June 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Fallen climber flown from Milestone Buttress to Bangor Hospital with a broken ankle.				

Tuesday 8th June 1976 [MAS][MC 7/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

XV258	58	Nimrod MR.1	42 Sqn	
XR366	366	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	[Hawk Simulator delivery ?]
One Belfast XR366 had been kept in service specifically to deliver the Hawk Simulator to Valley.				
68-0050	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XR704	-	JP T.4	St Athan hack	
PH-BAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
G-AZTO	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
WJ943	R	Varsity T.1*	Ex. 6 FTS	
*Started up & taxied from the Apron to the Fire Dump area for eventual burning.				
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Boy soldier suffering from hypothermia flown from Ogwen to Bangor Hospital.				

Wednesday 9th June 1976* [MAS][MC 7/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

DO-6	-	C-47A	Finnish AF	N/stop, dep 10.6
10 Finnish Officers led by Col Veli Y Pernaa, exchange visit with CFS.				
G-ATRI	-	Bolkow Junior	Private	
68-0066	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
		Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Precautionary alert for a Hunter, not required.				

Thursday 10th June 1976* [MAS][MC 7/76][CW]

XT668	AS	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT672	AZ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW210	CG	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
68-0070	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Devon C.2/2		
G-BATC	-	Bo.105C	Trinity House	

Friday 11th June 1976 [MC 10/76]

68-0003	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0014	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0070	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
VP976	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	

Saturday 12th June 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Fallen boy on Great Orme, head, and pelvic injuries flown to Llandudno Hospital.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Collapsed walker near Lake Bala airlifted to nearest village and left with a Doctor.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Collapsed walker on Cader Idris, unable to reach due to weather and low cloud base.				

Sunday 13th June 1976

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
1 sub-aqua diver picked up from an isolated rock and landed at Penrhyn Mawr.				

Monday 14th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76]

XV472	L	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	
XV105	105	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	

Tuesday 15th June 1976* [CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

*Launched to fire a missile from Coningsby, the target a Chukar drone crashed on take-off though. Post landing at Valley the Phantom was found to have a hydraulic leak and stayed overnight.				
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	STCAAME
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Search for a missing boy at Cemaes Bay, found by police elsewhere.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
RN diver missing in Douglas Bay, found by Navy on a cliff.				
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 XP333:G 2[A]FTS detachment.				

Wednesday 16th June 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

*Direct from Coningsby to Aberporth Range. 1x AIM-7 fired destroying the Chukar target. Landed at Valley AM and departed back to Coningsby PM.				
XV418	C	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	STCAAME
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby, see 15.6
WT537	[-]	Canberra PR.7	13 Sqn	N/stop
XV105	105	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	'Albert Ball'

Thursday 17th June 1976 [AIR 24/3275]

WT537	[-]	Canberra PR.7	13 Sqn	Departed, see 16.6
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Friday 18th June 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

G/C D L F Thornton assumes command of the Station.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Exhausted seaman lifted off a small yacht off Malltraeth.				

Monday 21st June 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][MB]

XT776	W-M:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
XS509	W-P:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
XT467	W-Y:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
*Mountain Flying Detachment until 25.6				
XS937	K	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	camo
XS921	L	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP515:59 returned from 5 MU to 4 FTS, see 13.5.76				

Tuesday 22nd June 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76]

XW227	CL	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2	207 Sqn	
	-	Do.28D-	[MFG]	[German Navy]
Or possibly the WGAF example 58+48 which visited Brize Norton 21.6 ?				
53096	314-WC	T-33A	GE.314	French AF
14153	314-WD	T-33A	GE.314	French AF
17522	314-WH	T-33A	GE.314	French AF
41576	314-WK	T-33A	GE.314	French AF
From Tours, support was supplied by the Hastings below. They also operated out of Cranwell, departed Valley 24.6				
TG511	-	Hastings T.5	230 OCU	N/stop, French AF support.

Wednesday 23rd June 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

376	-	F-5A	/RNoAF	PD [64-13376] [or 374 ?]
135	-	F-5B	/RNoAF	PD [69-7135]

		Buccaneer S.2	208 Sqn	
		Buccaneer S.2	208 Sqn	
G-BBJF	-	Beech 58 Baron	Private	
XS509	W-P:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	Departed 24.6
XS515	W-U:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	Departed 24.6
XT476	W-Y:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XW372	63	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XX382	M	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
G-ANXB	-	DH Heron Srs.1	Peters Aviation	

Thursday 24th June 1976 [MAS][CW][AIR 27/3422][MB]

XX382	M	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XS509	W-P:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XS515	W-U:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Injured walker with a broken ankle on the Watkin path flown to Bangor Hospital.				
Based noted: Vampire T.11 XE874 noted. Gnat T.1 XP502:02 4 FTS returned from 5 MU Kemble after surface finishing. [it's arrival date at Kemble is unknown]				

Friday 25th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW]

XP805	-	Beaver AL.1	[667 Sqn]/AAC	
68-0038	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
G-AVRX	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
		2x Phantom		

Saturday 26th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76]

G-BARX	-	B206B Jetranger	Private	
VP962	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	N/stop

Sunday 27th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 27/3422]

G-AVEX	-	Rollason Condor	Private	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Fallen climber at Dinas Cromlech, Llanberis Pass flown to Bangor Hospital.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for people calling for help off Trearddur Bay, not required.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search along Barmouth shore for lost boy, found safe by police.				

Monday 28th June 1976 [MAS][MC 8/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

11 Sqn [6 aircraft] arrived from Leconfield at 09:20 for their MPC.

11 Sqn MPC 28-30.6, 5 missiles fired [3 on 28.6/2 on 29.6]

MPC finished after 2 days! [allocated 28.6-10.7]

PM 1x Red Top fired.

PM 2x Red Top fired.

XR756	J	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR757	D	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC camo



[Dennis Pritchard]

XR727	F	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC camo
XS937	K	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC camo
XR765	C	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC camo
XS931	G	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC natural metal
XW415	53	JP T.5A	[3 FTS]	N/stop
XR137	137	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
XS734	-	Dominie T.1	RAFC	
XT459	V-J:B	Wessex HU.5*	848 NAS	
XT481	V-Q:B	Wessex HU.5*	848 NAS	
XT485	V-T:B	Wessex HU.5*	848 NAS	

*Mountain Flying Detachment until ?

G-AYWG	-	PA-23 Aztec	Private	
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Police cadet with back injuries flown from Cwm cneifio near Nant Perris to Bangor Hospital				

Tuesday 29th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

11 Sqn MPC

AM range slot cancelled due to telemetry problems.

PM 2x Red Top fired.

XR763	B	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	MPC from Leconfield 13:00
Returned to Leconfield 16:10 and then back to Valley at 18:00 with spares.				
*Replacement aircraft for XR765 as a result of it being overstressed 28.6.				

XR765	C	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC to Leconfield 14:20
XW411	16	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW355	20	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW368	31	JP T.5A	RAFC	NAVEX
XW415	53	JP T.5A	[3 FTS]	Dep 30.6
XR701	63	JP T.4	3 FTS	
XP547	03	JP T.4	TWU	
XX374	L	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	Dep 1.7
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	From Luxembourg
PH-BAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	From Rotterdam
PH-NAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	From Rotterdam
G-BARX	-	B.206B Jetranger	Private	
	-	B.206 Jetranger	Private	Red colour scheme
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Drowned man in the Menai Straits flown to Bangor Hospital, dead on arrival.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Gnat precautionary after canopy lost, landed safely.				

Wednesday 30th June 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

11 Sqn departed back to Leconfield at 11:15 post their MPC, see 28.6				
XR763	B	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR757	D	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR727	F	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS937	K	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS931	G	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR756	J	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
70+58	-	UH-1D*	HTG-64	WGAF
70+69	-	UH-1D*	HTG-64	WGAF
*Visited SARTS from Ternhill.				
XV148		Nimrod MR.1	RRE	
XR143	143	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
G-ASSB	-	PA-30 Commanche	Private	
G-BBOM	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
XX374	L	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Well intentioned false alarm off Llanfairfechan.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Children winched from a capsized boat in Cymyran Bay flown to Valley SMC.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for missing man on the Carneddau nothing seen.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams

Search continued for the missing man on the Carneddau, nothing seen.

July 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 532 movements including 4 VIP.

Thursday 1st July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422][**MB**]

XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE Farnborough	STCAAME
Turnaround at STCAAME following a gun firing sortie in Aberporth range.				
XR517	AN	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XS675	AR	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
	05	Bulldog T.1		
XP771	-	Beaver AL.1	AAC	
XW298	O	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
68-0014	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0061	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
XM845	530:CU	Wessex HAS.1	771 NAS	'Rescue' markings
XT481	V-Q:B	Wessex HU.5	846 NAS	
XV240	40	Nimrod MR.1	Kinloss Wg	
XW205	CB	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XS792	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Search for missing man on the Carneddau, believed to be in woods or river near Bethesda.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
People cut off at Red Wharf Bay, not required.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Swimmer in difficulties at Penmon, not required though.				
XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS Gnat T.1 XR951:26 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3 then CAT.2 and back to 4 FTS 19.7 XS103:D & XS106:36 seen in the scrap compound by MT/Railway line. Tail of XP500:50 was also there, but this aircraft is still flying! [XP500 was used for spares recovery from 20.7.76] Gnat T.1 XS104:44 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 13.5.76 Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP299 XP395 Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XP394:C XP405:D XD163:X ATC Summer Camp flying: Chipmunk T.10 WD373:A [2 AEF] WK562:X WP974:N [3 AEF]				

Friday 2nd July 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][**MB**]

XW416	30	JP T.5A	RAFC	
G-AVIC	-	Cessna F172H	Private	
XV148	[-]	Nimrod MR.1	RRE	
G-BBOM	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
XS866	527:CU	Wessex HAS.1	771 NAS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP503:03 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R [no other information see 24.1.77] Gnat T.1 XR571:23 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble by road for surface finishing for gate duties. Hunter T.7 XL597:87 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble.				

Saturday 3rd July 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XV240	40	Nimrod MR.1	Kinloss Wg	
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XP347	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for a missing man in the Carneddau Range.				

Sunday 4th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Picked up 2 girls suffering from hypothermia at Bethesda.				

Monday 5th July 1976 [MC 10/76]

XT459	V-J:B	Wessex HU.5	846 NAS	
XT481	V-Q:B	Wessex HU.5	846 NAS	
XT485	V-T:B	Wessex HU.5	846 NAS	

Tuesday 6th July 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275]

XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE	STCAAME
Turnaround at STCAAME following a gun firing sortie in Aberporth range, from Farnborough.				
XR713	S	Lightning F.3*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
		Lightning*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
		Lightning*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
		Lightning*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
The 4 aircraft delivered Red Top missiles for the Sqn's forthcoming MPC. After shutdown, a fire was discovered in the lower jet pipe of one of the aircraft and extinguished. The other 3 aircraft departed back to Leconfield whilst the T.5 below arrived from Leconfield with an Engineering Officer onboard. It was later decided that the damaged aircraft was fit to fly, and both departed back to Leconfield.				
XV328	T	Lightning T.5	5 Sqn	STCAAME
XM845	530:CU	Wessex HAS.1	771 NAS	

Wednesday 7th July 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 27/3417][CW][AIR 24/3275]

*TACEVAL firing from Gutersloh to Aberporth Range, but unable to fire a missile. Landed at Valley and stayed overnight.				
XN731	Z	Lightning F.2A*	19 Sqn	STCAAME

251	V	Atlantic	321 Sqn	Dutch Navy
[XV647]	412:[BL]	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
[XV654]	593:CU	Sea King HAS.1	706 NAS	
	527	Wasp HAS.1	[703 NAS]	
'527' is quoted as Wessex HAS.1 XS886 771 NAS in 1976.				
		Jaguar GR.1		

Thursday 8th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

*No range slots all day due to bad weather, the Lightning departed back to Gutersloh.				
XN731	Z	Lightning F.2A*	19 Sqn	To Gutersloh, see 7.7
XV422	C	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	
XV101	101	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
VP955	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XN501	28	JP T.3	[1 FTS]	
XM458	51	JP T.3	[1 FTS]	
		Jaguar GR.1		
G-BATC	-	Bo.105D	Trinity House	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Girl with arthritis flown from Pen-yr-Ole-Wen to Bangor Hospital.				
XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
2 fallen climbers at Carreg Wasted, Llanberis, pronounced dead on arrival.				

Friday 9th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422][MB]

XR726	N	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	STCAAME/MPC silver scheme
From Leconfield 12:15, pre-positioned for their forthcoming MPC, see 12.7				
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Search for missing fishing boat, survivors picked up by Oil tanker 20nms SE of Isle of Man.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR537:37 delivered to CFS Detachment. [XR537 subsequently served with the Red Arrows, it was allocated 8642M 28.9.79 and taken to 2 SoTT Cosford at some stage coded 'T' [total hrs 2935] Then sold at auction 9.3.90 to Sark International Airways [Hurn] and registered as G-NATY to Jet Heritage Ltd [Bournemouth] on 19.6.90 It then went to Frank Hackett-Jones [Guernsey] 14.1.91 and displayed at the Bournemouth Aviation Museum. The registration was cancelled 8.5.99 but re-registered 28.5.99. It then went to Julian Jones/De Havilland Aviation/Drilling Systems Ltd [Bournemouth] 2.9.05. A Permit to Fly was issued 13.6.07 and the aircraft flew as G-NATY on 9.8.07 from Hurn. It then went to Julian Jones/DS Aviation [UK] Ltd/Aero [UK] Holdings Ltd [Christchurch] on 8.7.13 The registration was cancelled 4.4.18 and the aircraft taken by road to North Weald. It was moved to St Athan 12.24 where it remains in 2025]				

Saturday 10th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
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Man with heart attack flown from Ogwen Cottage to Bangor Hospital.				
XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
2 exhausted sailors rescued airlifted from rocks off Trearddur Bay to shore.				

Sunday 11th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76]

WJ629	[29]	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WK124	24	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	

Monday 12th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 24/3275]

*TACEVAL missile firing from Wattisham to Aberporth Range. 1x AIM-9 fired, the Lightning chase was the same aircraft as 9.7				
		Phantom FGR.2*	23 Sqn	STCAAME, departed PM
XR726	N	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	Chase for Phantom firing
5 Sqn [6 aircraft] arrived from Leconfield at 09:50 for their MPC. 5 Sqn MPC 12-16.7, 5 missiles fired. PM 1x Red Top fired. PM 2x Red Top fired.				
XR752	H	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC silver
XS903	A	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC camo
XR723	D	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC silver
XR725	J	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XR772	E	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC silver
XP753	[Q]	Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	MPC silver
XR726	N	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC already at Valley, see 9.7
	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	'AAC340'
G-AZRD	-	Cessna 401B	Private	
XV708	410:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XV713	413:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	

Tuesday 13th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

5 Sqn MPC no sorties due to strong winds at Llanbedr and a damaged Jindivik.				
XP753	[Q]	Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	To Leconfield 15:15
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Capsized canoe at Port Dinorwic, no assistance required.				

Wednesday 14th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

5 Sqn MPC AM 1x Red Top fired. PM range slot cancelled as the Jindivik target was unserviceable.				
XS903	A	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Leconfield 18:30
XR726	N	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Leconfield 18:30
34+18	-	G.91T-1	WS-50	WGAF Departed 16.7

34+36	-	G.91T-1	WS-50	WGAF Departed 16.7
		Puma HC.1		
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Fallen boy with head injuries flown from Snowdon to Bangor Hospital.				

Thursday 15th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 27/3445][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3424]

5 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to bad weather on the range.				
XV303	303	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5330' F/L Roman
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[08:20/10:40]-Gibraltar-Lyneham.				
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
	-	Pembroke C.1		
XR369	369	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	'RRR3494' S/L Campbell
Routed: Brize Norton-Valley-Gibraltar.				

Friday 16th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

5 Sqn MPC				
AM 1x Red Top fired.				
5 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Leconfield at 14:45 post their MPC.				
XR752	H	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Leconfield
XR723	D	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Leconfield
XR725	J	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Leconfield
XR772	E	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Leconfield
68-0058	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	[Not a 20 TFW serial though]
G-AVGK	-	PA-28 Cherokee	Private	
XW209	CF	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Heart attack case on Snowdon, walked off, not required.				

Saturday 17th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Fallen climber with back injuries flown from Pony y Cromlech to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 18th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Injured walker on Snowdon, unable to assist due to bad weather.				

Monday 19th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

LTF [2x F.3 & 1x T.5] arrived from Coningsby at 14:25 for their MPC. LTF MPC 19-23.7, 2 missiles fired.				
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PM no range slots due to other users.				
XP702	U	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XP750	[B]	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XS452	[Z]	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XP751	[C]	Lightning F.3*	LTF	STCAAME
*Arrived at 18:30 from Coningsby, spares delivery.				
G-BAXN	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
XM471	10	JP T.3	1 FTS	
XN494	43	JP T.3	1 FTS	
XV664	142:TG	Sea King HAS.1	824 NAS	HMS Tiger
XV665	143:TG	Sea King HAS.1	824 NAS	HMS Tiger
XV673	144:TG	Sea King HAS.1	824 NAS	HMS Tiger
XX618	7	Bulldog T.1	[YUAS]	Yorkshire UAS
XX619	9	Bulldog T.1	[YUAS]	

Tuesday 20th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

LTF MPC no range slots due to other users.				
XM595	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	
XL321	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XP751	[C]	Lightning F.3	LTF	To Coningsby 09:30, see 19.7
XW209	CF	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW237	CR	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW236	CQ	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XN772	E	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	
XN727	W	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XN127:W XD163:X				

Wednesday 21st July 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 24/3275]

LTF MPC no range slots all day due to other users.				
XP702	U	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
To Coningsby 15:40, returned to Valley at 17:00.				
XM471	10	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XM458	51	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XN494	53	JP T.3A	[1 FTS]	
XR653	H	JP T.4	CATCS	
XW438	2	JP T.5A	RAFC	Poachers scheme
XW363	63	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XL360	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	

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LTF MPC AM range slot cancelled due to a problem at Aberporth. PM 2x Red Top fired.				
XT606	AO	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XV723	AQ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XM479	54	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
D-8082	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	Klu/Dutch Air Force
D-8293	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	Klu/Dutch Air Force
XV234	34	Nimrod MR.1		
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Swimmer in difficulties off Rhoscolyn, not required in the end.				

Friday 23rd July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

LTF [3 aircraft] departed back to Coningsby at 09:30 post their MPC.				
XP702	U	Lightning F.3	LTF	To Coningsby
XS452	[Z]	Lightning T.5	LTF	To Coningsby
XP750	[B]	Lightning F.3	LTF	To Coningsby
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	
XN547	48	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XM479	54	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
69-5820	-	HC-130N	67 ARRS	
69-5795	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
XV708	410:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XV714	413:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XW291	Z	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
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XL567	84	Hunter T.7	4 FTS	See also 6.9.76
Barrier engagement. Whirlwind HAR.10 XP395 22 Sqn [F/L Beglan] scrambled but not required. [XL567 assessed as CAT.3R and taken to 5 MU Kemble by road 8.9, see also 6.9]				
Based noted: [Gnat/Hunter] 4 FTS to Wildenrath, back 26.7				

Sunday 25th July 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
2 divers missing off Aberdaron airlifted off cliffs.				
XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
3 people uplifted from a boat off Ty Croes.				

Monday 26th July 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW]

68-0007	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
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68-0034	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0056	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
	WR	2x F-4D	/81 TFW	
XN386	31:ED	Whirlwind HAR.9	829 NAS	HMS Endurance
XN359	34:ED	Whirlwind HAR.9	829 NAS	HMS Endurance
Mountain Flying Detachment as part of their Antarctic season work up.				

Tuesday 27th July 1976 [CW][MB]

XM595	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP538:38 4 FTS delivered to the Red Arrows at Kemble. Gnat T.1 XR538:01 4 FTS crew taxi for XP538 above.				

Wednesday 28th July 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XX549	5	Bulldog T.1	MUAS	Manchester UAS
XL586	90	Hunter T.7	TWU	
XL583	91	Hunter T.7	TWU	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP395	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Boy drowned at Red Wharf Bay; body found by Lifeboat.				

Thursday 29th July 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][MB]

68-0011	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0013	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
XX617	4	Bulldog T.1	MUAS	Manchester UAS
XG290	[-]	Hunter F.6	RAE	
XG151	H	Hunter FGA.9	TWU	
XV583	G	Phantom FG.1	43 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP535:54 4 FTS delivered to CFS/Red Arrows. [XP535 was subsequently flown from the Red Arrows to the School of Aircraft Handling [SAH] at Culdrose on 21.9.79 and allocated A2679 and the code '1'. It then went by road to Leavesden 11.87 and was registered G-BOXP 3.8.88 to Arnold Glass/Rusnil Investments [Jersey] It was first flown as G-BOXP on 5.8.88 and subsequently cancelled 15.8.89. It was shipped to the USA via Felixstowe 5.8.89 and registered as N1CW on 25.9.89 to Morgan Merrill/Jet 1 Inc. [Alexandria, VA] It crashed at Mojave 29.9.90 during the filming of the movie 'Hot Shots' it had carried out numerous low passes but on the last a slow roll was attempted, the aircraft crashed from the inverted position]				

Friday 30th July 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][MB]

XP903	G	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	'AAC366'
XW798	H	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	'AAC372'

XT639	P	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	'AAC377'
XP805	-	Beaver AL.1	6 Flt/AAC	'YET01'
Routed: St Athan-Kemble-Valley.				
73-1647	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	

Based noted:



[George Woods]

Hunter F.6 XG274:71 4 FTS



[George Woods]

Hunter T.7 XL613:91 4 FTS

Both attended the static display at IAT, Greenham Common.

Saturday 31st July 1976 [MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW]

		2x Puma HC.1		
G-AYFT	-	Twin Comanche	Private	
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Overturned boat at Abergele, body found on beach by Civil Police.				

August 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 487 movements including 3 VIP. Chipmunk T.10 ATC Summer Camp aircraft continued to operate.				

Sunday 1st August 1976 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

G-BBDH	-	Cessna F172M	Private	
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Search for scuba divers off Aberdaron which had been washed overboard, found safe.				

Monday 2nd August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][BARG][MB]

WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XM572	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	
G-AYZN	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
G-BEAG	-	PA-34 Seneca 200T	Private	
68-0002	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0042	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0079	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
XV712	270:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
XV672	271:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
XV677	273:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
XV711	274:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
XV659	-	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	'NAVY272' uncoded
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR538:01 XP502:02 XP503:03 XP504:04 XP506:06 XP537:07 XR569:08 XM709:09 XM705:10 XR980:17 XM708:18 XS110:20 XR574:24 XR951:26 XR953:29 XR954:30 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP541:41 XP542:42 XS104:44 XR998:47 XR984:52 XS100:57 XS102:58 XP515:59 XR544:60 XR541:61 XP534:62 XS109:63 XP530:64 XR534:65 XR996:66 Gnat T.1 XR996:66 returned from Kemble, no indication on its arrival date there though. Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP299 XP350 XP395 Wessex HC.2 XT604 being used for the conversion of Whirlwind pilots. Whirlwind HAR.10 2[A]FTS XP394:C XP405:D XP333:G				

Tuesday 3rd August 1976 [MAS][CW]

G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	
G-BBIM	-	Cessna 310Q	Private	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	

Wednesday 4th August 1976 [MC 10/76][MAS][BAR 76/10]

XR524	AF	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XX396	N	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
68-0023	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0042	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0047	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	

68-0082	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
XV438	A	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
G-BAKJ	-	PA-30 Commanche	Private	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP535:[ex. 54 4 FTS] noted at Kemble.				

Thursday 5th August 1976*[MC 10/76]

XV753	31	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
XV762	44	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
67-0122	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0023	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0039	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0059	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0063	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
XW309	68	JP T.5	[1 FTS]	
[XW351]	74	JP T.5	[1 FTS]	
Based noted: Wessex HAR.2 XT604 C Flt/22 Sqn XT604 arrived today for SAR duties.				

Friday 6th August 1976 [MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW][MB]

XV165	-	Buccaneer S.2B	12 Sqn	
XV348	-	Buccaneer S.2B	12 Sqn	
68-0052	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
G-APVW	-	B35 Bonanza	Private	
G-ATUD	-	PA-28 Cherokee	Private	
G-AVOA	-	Jodel Ambassadeur	Private	
G-AWYJ	-	Beagle B121 Pup	Private	
G-AZTK	-	Cessna F172F	Private	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
14year old boy picked up from a cliff near Moelfre and flown to Bangor Hospital.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP502:02 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Gnat T.1 XP530:64 4 FTS visited Kemble, dropped off crew.				

Saturday 7th August 1976 [MAS]

EI-AWY	-	Mitsubishi MU-2B	Private	
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Monday 9th August 1976 [MC 10/76][CW]

XW372	63	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW403	67	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS218	04	JP T.4	1 FTS	

68-0046	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL591:82 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 10th August 1976 [MC 10/76][MAS][CW]

PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
G-AVLV	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
G-BAKF	-	B206B Jetranger	Private	
G-BADF	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
68-0001	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0054	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XN641	47	JP T.4	3 FTS	
XP-64	30	JP T.4	[3 FTS]	
Based noted: ATC Summer Camp flying: Chipmunk T.10 WG482:12 WK572:X WP974:N				

Wednesday 11th August 1976 [MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 27/3422]

68-0045	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XF321	-	Hunter T.7	RAE	
XL192	-	Victor K.1	57 Sqn	PD
XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE Bedford	
XS676	BV	Wessex HC.2	240 OCU	
XL445	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	PD
XV753	31	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Collapsed walker on Cader Idris found dead on arrival. Wife and body flown to Bangor Hospital.				
XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Collapsed walker with possible food poisoning. Flown from Devil's Kitchen to Bangor Hospital.				

Thursday 12th August 1976 [MC 10/76][CW][AIR 27/3440][MB]

XJ782	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	PD
68-0044	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XS676	BV	Wessex HC.2	240 OCU	
XV201	201	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR5546' F/L Thomas
Routed: Lyneham-Kemble-Coningsby-Valley[15:50/17:40]-Kemble-Lyneham. Red Arrows support.				
Gnat T.1 CFS/Red Arrows. En-route from another display to Valley. XP514 XP540 XR537 XR572 XR981 XR987 XR991 XR993 XR995 XS107				
Based noted:				

Gnat T.1 XP511:11 back to 4 FTS, see 13.4.76

Gnat T.1 4 FTS aerobatic display.

Whirlwind HAR.10 22 Sqn SAR demonstration.

Both the above took part in the annual Anglesey Show.

Friday 13th August 1976 [MAS][CW][AIR 24/3275]

68-0022	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0045	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
66-0220	-	HC-130H	67 ARRS	
XN774	F	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
From Gutersloh at 11:15, pre-positioned for forthcoming Sqn MPC, see 16.8				
XP564	04	JP T.4	FAC/TWU	

Saturday 14th August 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW]

		2x Puma HC.1		
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Man with stomach pains flown from Snowdon to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 15th August 1976 [CW]

		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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Monday 16th August 1976* [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3458][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3440]

92 Sqn [4x F.2A] arrived from Gutersloh at 10:15 for their MPC. 92 Sqn MPC 16-26.8, 8 out of 10 missiles fired. Last ever RAFG Lightning MPC. PM no range slot due to problems with Jindivik telemetry. PM practice range sortie.				
XN788	P	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
XN726	N	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
XN727	W	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
XN787	L	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
XM968	Q	Lightning T.4*	92 Sqn	
*Arrived from Gutersloh at 11:40 and departed back to Gutersloh at 12:15 with an Airman whose wife was critically ill.				
XM995	T	Lightning T.4	92 Sqn	From Gutersloh 13:55
XV297	297	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR5484' F/L Wetton
Routed: Coningsby-Bremgarten-Gutersloh-Valley[19:15/21:20]-Lyneham, 92 Sqn MPC support.				
68-0007	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0023	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0034	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0038	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	PD

68-0052	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0059	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0065	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
68-0067	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD
XR511	AL	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR523	AM	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW788	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	'RRR1503'
XM471	10	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for capsized boat off Rhosneigr, nothing seen. The incident was reported by a Hunter aircraft.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP504:04 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP299 XP350 Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XT604 noted flying 15.8. Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XP394:C XP405:D XP333:G Chipmunk T.10 ATC Summer Camp Flying WD373:12 [ex. 2 AEF] WP974:N Resident Civil aircraft: PA-23 Apache 160 G-ARTD PA Twin Commanche G-ATMT/XW938 PA-23 Aztec 250 G-AYWG				

Tuesday 17th August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 24/3275]

92 Sqn MPC				
AM no range slots due to Jindivik telemetry problems.				
PM 1x Firestreak fired.				
XP539	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	
G-AROI	-	DH.104 Dove 5	Private	'FC428'
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	26 Sqn	
XA880	-	Devon C.2	RAE Llanbedr	
68-0009	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
XM478	54	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
PH-BAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Gnat barrier engagement, not required.				
XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope

Gnat precautionary with a hydraulic failure, not required.

Wednesday 18th August 1976 [HE][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

92 Sqn MPC AM 1x Firestreak fired. PM 1x Firestreak fired. PM range slot cancelled due to poor visibility at Llanbedr.				
WK102	A	Canberra T.17	360 Sqn	'NFE49A'
WH646	G	Canberra T.17	360 Sqn	'NFE49B'
WH665	J	Canberra T.17	360 Sqn	'NFE49C'
XL511	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	'LQY47'
XW423	55	JP T.5A	3 FTS	Dep 19.8
XW431	59	JP T.5A	3 FTS	Dep 19.8
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Scrambled twice for 2 Gnat precautionary alerts, see below.				
XM709	09	Gnat T.1	4 FTS	
Barrier engagement, to be re-built locally [MAS] Whirlwind HAR.10 XP350 22 Sqn [F/O Easthope] was scrambled for this but not required.				

Thursday 19th August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][GP/SEAR][CW][AIR 24/3275]

92 Sqn MPC AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM 2x Firestreaks fired.				
XN782	H	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
XN792	M	Lightning F.2A*	92 Sqn	MPC
*From and to Gutersloh, aircrew changeover, both arrived 09:50 and departed 13:15.				
XN773	E	Lightning F.2A*	92 Sqn	MPC from Gutersloh 17:15
XN727	W	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC to Gutersloh 17:00



Landing on Runway 14 in those days.
[Joop de Groot Collection]



F.2A's XN774:F & XN788:P and T.4 XM995:T on the STCAAME/MPC flightline.
[Ian Black Collection]

XX160	[-]	Hawk T.1	[A&AEE]	Red/white scheme
XP769	-	Beaver AL.1	6 Flt/AAC	
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
PH-BAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
[XW214]	CL	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW216	CN	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
G-AVLV	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
		Hunter FGA.9	79 Sqn/TWU	
		Hunter FGA.9	79 Sqn/TWU	

Friday 20th August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3440]

92 Sqn MPC AM 2x Firestreaks fired. PM range slot, 1x misfire.				
XN773	E	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	MPC
XX161	[-]	Hawk T.1	HSA	Pre-delivery visit?
XV191	191	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	F/L Waterfall
Diversion whilst enroute Gander-Lyneham, landed 07:25 and departed 08:40.				
G-AVRX	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
68-0004	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
XL512	-	Victor K.2	57 Sqn	
XR370	370	Belfast C.1	53 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
G-AYUV	-	Cessna F172H	Private	
PH-BAS	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Sea search for missing boat off Bardsey Island, found by Lifeboat.				
XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Saturday 21st August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309]

WK122	22	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	Grey/dayglo
		Canberra	7 Sqn	Camo
G-BEAG	-	PA-34 Seneca 200T	Private	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Search for missing 5yr old boy off Barmouth, found safe be Civil Police. The aircraft refuelled at Llanbedr.				

Sunday 22nd August 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Assisted 2 boys in a rubber dinghy at Dinas Dinlle, boat had no oars. Both winched and landed in a field.				
XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for a capsized dinghy off Church Bay, suspected hoax.				

Monday 23rd August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

92 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
XN728	V	Lightning F.2A*	92 Sqn	MPC
*From Gutersloh at 09:40, departed back to Gutersloh at 15:15.				
XN791	D	Lightning F.2A**	92 Sqn	MPC
**From Gutersloh at 09:40, departed back to Gutersloh at 12:00				
XP769	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
XR520	AB	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR506	AV	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW375	10	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW373	11	JP T.5A	RAFC	Poachers scheme
G-AWPS	-	PA-28 Cherokee	Private	
G-AVEF	-	Jodel Mascaret	Private	
G-AXAX	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Varsity T.1		

Tuesday 24th August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][CW][AIR 24/3275]

92 Sqn MPC AM 1x Firestreak fired. PM range slot cancelled before aircraft airborne due to a fault with the Jindivik.				
G-ANNO	-	DH.114 Heron 1B	Private	
XW375	10	JP T.5A	RAFC	Poachers scheme
XW421	35	JP T.5A	RAFC	
31+23	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-41	WGAF N/stop, dep 26.8?
31+68	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-41	WGAF N/stop, dep 26.8?

G-ATFF	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Wednesday 25th August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

92 Sqn MPC no range sorties due to poor visibility at Llanbedr.				
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	Wyton Det
XN855	855	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
G-AYEF	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
PH-BAB	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Assisted diver in difficulties off Cymyran Narrows, flown to Valley SMC then Bangor Hospital				

Thursday 26th August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3451]

92 Sqn [5x F.2A & 1x T.4] departed back to Gutersloh at 09:30 post their MPC.				
XN788	P	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XN774	F	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XN773	E	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XN787	L	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XN726	N	Lightning F.2A	92 Sqn	To Gutersloh
XM995	T	Lightning T.4	92 Sqn	To Gutersloh dep 09:15
XV297	297	Hercules C.1	70 Sqn	'RRR5485' F/L Snowden
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[10:50/13:20]-Gutersloh, return of 92 Sqn MPC support.				
		Bulldog T.1		
XN500	Q	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
31+23	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-41	WGAF N/stop, dep 26.8?
31+68	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-41	WGAF N/stop, dep 26.8?
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for capsized boat at Dinas Dinlle, boat towed in by another craft.				
XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Man with heart attack flown from Clogwyn Station to Bangor Hospital. The Helicopter then returned to Clogwyn Station to pick up his wife.				

Friday 27th August 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
2 false alarms at Trearddur Bay & Rhosneigr.				

Saturday 28th August 1976 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

G-ATUL	-	PA-28 Cherokee	Private	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope

Search for 4 people off Red Wharf Bay, 1 recovered dead before arrival in helicopter.

Sunday 29th August 1976 [MAS]

	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
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Monday 30th August 1976 [MC 10/76][MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309]

68-0016	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	PD 'LAY16'
68-0061	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	PD 'LAY61'
68-0064	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Fallen climber with head injuries flown from Glyder Fach to Bangor Hospital.				

Tuesday 31st August 1976 [MAS][MC 10/76][AIR 28/2309][CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD 'LAY64 FLIGHT'
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD 'LAY64 FLIGHT'
XR137	137	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
G-AVLV	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
PH-???	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Search for missing person, body found above Idwal Slabs, assistance given to ground party.				

September 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 151 movements including 7 VIP. As an indication Valley had 13,478 movements this month.				
22 Sqn				
This was the last month during which the Whirlwind helicopter was used for operational standby after 21 years of service at Valley.				

Wednesday 1st September 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		2x Jaguar GR.1		
XR704	N	JP T.4	6 FTS	
		Devon C.2/2		
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
		Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
2 sub-aqua divers airlifted, and a missing boat was escorted to Rhosneigr.				

Thursday 2nd September 1976 [MAS][HO][MB]

XJ319	-	Sea Devon C.20	[781 NAS]	
G-BATC	-	Bo.105D	Trinity House	
XR704	[O]	JP T.4	[6 FTS]	
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Search off the Skerries after a MAYDAY call, nothing seen.				
XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Police Cadet flown from Moel Siabod to Bangor Hospital with a knee injury.				
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XF509:73 returned to 4 FTS post repairs, see 2.3.76 Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP299 XP350 Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XT604				

Friday 3rd September 1976 [MAS][Pprune YellowSun logbook*][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XW373	11	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW411	16	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW368	31	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW435	4	JP T.5*	RAFC	NAVEX
G-BDYD	-	Commander 114	Private	
XJ783	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	
XE546	C	Hunter FGA.9	TWU	
XJ683	X	Hunter FGA.9	TWU	
XX845	BY	Jaguar T.2	17 Sqn	
XT480	436	Wessex HU.5	[FRU]	
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary, engine flame out but relit, not required.				
XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Fallen walker flown from Aber Falls to Bangor Hospital.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL613:91 4 FTS visited Blackpool. This is where the aircraft was built, celebrating 25 years of the Hunter.				

Saturday 4th September 1976 [@MAR 04/19]

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR996:66 4 FTS Biggin Hill Airshow, static. Gnat T.1 XM708:18 4 FTS Finningley Airshow, static. Gnat T.1 XM709:09 4 FTS Leuchars Airshow, static. Gnat T.1 XR541:61 4 FTS St Athan Airshow, static. Gnat T.1 XR998:47 4 FTS St Athan Airshow, flying.				

Hunter T.7 XL566:86 4 FTS St Athan Airshow, static.

Sunday 5th September 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Compassionate case flown from Valley to Llandudno.				

Monday 6th September 1976* [MAS][HO][CW]

XV708	410	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XR537	[-]	Gnat T.1	CFS	[Red Arrow]
XW858	C	Gazelle HT.3*	CFS	
XW862	D	Gazelle HT.3*	CFS	
XW902	H	Gazelle HT.3*	CFS	
XW910	K	Gazelle HT.3*	CFS	
XX396	N	Gazelle HT.3*	CFS	
*The CFS Gazelles were present for Mountain Flying training.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL567:84 4 FTS. Noted on a low loader to 5 MU, Kemble by 8.9 having taken the barrier recently.				

Tuesday 7th September 1976 [AIR 28/2309][MB]

[XP351]	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Called out to assist overturned boat off Trearddur Bay, rescued by another boat.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR954:30 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R				

Wednesday 8th September 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Sea search off Holyhead following a sighting of an empty dinghy, nothing found.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL567:84 4 FTS delivered by road to 5 MU, Kemble, see 6.9.				

Friday 10th September 1976 [CastleDon][CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS *CFS badge XR538:01 XR535:05 XP537:07 XR569:08 XM709:09 XM705:10 XM708:18 XS110:20 XR574:24 XR953:29 ?????:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP540:40 XP541:41 XS104:44 XP515:59* XR541:61* XP534:62* XP530:64 XR534:65 XR996:66 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XG209:69 XF509: XF386:75 XE656:76 XF387:77 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 XL621:81 WV372:85 XL566:86 XL601:88 Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP299 XP350				

Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XR457 XP394:C
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Monday 13th September 1976 [CW][MB]

		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP516:16 returned from 5 MU, see 21.4.76				

Tuesday 14th September 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary alert with a fuel imbalance, not required.				

Wednesday 15th September 1976*[MC 12/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	Training
XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
XT771	W-R:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
XT483	W-U:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
XT479	W-X:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
*Mountain Flying Detachment.				
XR807	807	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
		Islander		
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Hunter birdstrike precautionary alert, not required.				

Thursday 16th September 1976 [MC 12/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

XV480	L	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
*Delivered missiles to STCAAME for the Sqn's forthcoming MPC.				
50+69	-	C-160D	[LTG-]	WGAF
		HS.125		
		Canberra		
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XS674	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Mrs Donnelly flown from Valley to Walton Hospital, Liverpool. Is this the first Wessex rescue flight ?				
XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Night search for a reported capsized yacht off Llandudno, nothing seen.				

Friday 17th September 1976 [HO][CW]

65-0688	LN	F-4D	493 TFS/48 TFW	
		Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	

		Canberra		
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Saturday 18th September 1976 [MC 12/76][HO][CW][AIR 27/3433]

XL446	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	Exercise Teamwork
Arrived at 05:05 & departed to Scampton 14:45.				
	-	Victor K.2		
		3x Buccaneer S.2		

Sunday 19th September 1976 [CW]

	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
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Monday 20th September 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Tuesday 21st September 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

114 American ex-servicemen & their wives paid a short visit to Valley. All concerned were ex. 8 th AF/USAAF personnel from WW2.				
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Thursday 23rd September 1976* [MAS][MC 2/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

50+35	-	C-160D	FFS	WGAF from Wunstorf
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
		Hunter T.7		
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XP299	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Friday 24th September 1976* [MAS][MC 2/77][AIR 28/2309]

WJ629	29	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WK127	27	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
XW211	CH	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Day
Gnat precautionary alert, not required.				
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 XP356 22 Sqn				

Sunday 26th September 1976 [MC 12/76][HO]

WJ629	29	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WK124	24	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	

Monday 27th September 1976 [MC 12/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

Whirlwinds of C Flt/22 Sqn replaced by Wessex helicopters.				
68-0077	UH[r]	F-111E	77 TFS/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XR137	137	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Sick sailor with an ulcer flown from a boat 4nms N of Carmel Head to Bangor Hospital.				
XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Man lifted off Tryfan with a broken leg and flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Tuesday 28th September 1976 [MC 12/76][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XX919	-	BAC1-11-402AP	RAE Bedford	
XS791	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
Commander-in-Chief Strike Command, ACM Sir N Maynard visited Valley.				
XR137	137	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Nimrod MR.1		
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XP350	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/O Easthope
Hunter landed with nosewheel retracted, not required.				

Wednesday 29th September 1976* [MC 12/76][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XL388	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XM575	-	Vulcan B.2	101 Sqn	PD
XM573	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	PD
XT271	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
68-0050	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		JP		
		Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
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	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	
Gnat precautionary alert not required.				

Thursday 30th September 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76 & 2/77][CW]

XL388	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	PD
XT271	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XN855	855	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

October 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 117 movements including 1 VIP. 6 Diversions during the month: 2 Buccaneers/2 Victors/Hunter/Gazelle				
22 Sqn's second Wessex was unserviceable for the first 10 days of October due to lack of spares and servicing equipment.				

Friday 1st October 1976 [AIR 27/3422]

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COMSOUMAR, AVM C E Ness visited 22 Sqn, by air ?				

Monday 4th October 1976* [MAS][MC 2/77][Pprune MAINJAVAD][CW][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn [6 aircraft] arrived from Wattisham at 10:05 for their MPC. 56 Sqn MPC 3-5.10, 2 Sidewinder and 1 Sparrow missiles fired. 56 Sqn MPC cut short due to lack of target availability. PM range trial 'NEGRITO 76' [XV480 & XV490] PM range slot, 1x AIM-7 aborted due to lack of telemetry at Aberporth.				
XV480	L	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV470	C	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV420	J	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV490	-	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV409	D	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV460	B	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
		HS.125		
	-	Vulcan B.2		

Tuesday 5th October 1976 [HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC no sorties due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
	-	HS.748/Andover ?	RAE	
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary alert, not required.				

Wednesday 6th October 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC AM no sorties due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM no sorties due to crosswinds at Valley.				
XV460	B	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wattisham 18:30
	-	Victor K.2		
		Hunter		
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler

Scrambled for a possible sunken yacht at Abermenai Point, not required.				
XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Boat in trouble off Amlwch, not required.				

Thursday 7th October 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC AM/PM range slot cancelled due to power lines between Llanbedr and Aberporth down. PM practice range sortie [XV420/409/470] PM 16:50 local flying [XV480/490]				
XV460	B	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	From Wattisham 16:15
	-	Victor K.2		

Friday 8th October 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76 & 2/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC AM range slot cancelled due to power lines between Llanbedr and Aberporth down. PM 1x AIM-7 fired.				
XV490	-	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wattisham 16:30
XV486	E	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC from Wattisham 19:00
67-0119	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0007	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
XV576	D	Phantom FG.1	43 Sqn	
		Islander		
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XR996	66	Gnat T.1	4 FTS	
Crashed on approach to RAF Shawbury.				
Instr	F/L	John Leszek Grzybowski		Killed
Student	F/O	Ashley William Smart		Killed

Seen here in happier times outside Gaydon Hangar at Valley.



[via Vaughan Jones]

Monday 11th October 1976 [Roundel 89-04][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to bad weather at Llanbedr. PM practice range sortie [XV460 XV420 XV409 XV486] PM 16:00 local flying [XV470 & XV480]				
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XS884	522:CU	Wessex HAS.1	771 NAS	
Ditched off the North Cornish Coast whilst en-route from Valley to Culdrose.				
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Hunter precautionary, not required. Gnat precautionary, not required. 2x Phantom [56 Sqn?] precautionary, not required.				

Tuesday 12th October 1976 [HO][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM 10:50 local flying [XV480 & XV460]				
XV420	J	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wattisham 17:30
84+09	-	CH-53G	HFWS	HEER

Wednesday 13th October 1976* [MAS][MC 2/77][HO][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC AM no range slots due to other users. PM range trial 'NEGRITO 76' [XV409] PM 2x AIM-9 fired.				
XV490	-	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC from Wattisham 14:30
*Arrived from Wattisham 14:30 and departed back to Wattisham at 19:00 with XV460.				
XV460	B	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wattisham 19:00
FX-52	-	F-104G	10 Wg	PD runway 14 Belgian AF
FX-98	-	F-104G	10 Wg	PD runway 14 Belgian AF
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XV762	44	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
XV804	45	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
		Harrier	233 OCU	
		Harrier	233 OCU	
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.2	2 FTS	
XW207	CD	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XM652	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XT626	-	Scout AH.1	/AAC	Staverton-Netheravon

Thursday 14th October 1976 [MC 12/76][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

56 Sqn MPC AM no sorties due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr and Aberporth.				
XW236	CQ	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XT480	436:RG	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	HMS Regent Flight
	-	Victor K.2		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler

Fisherman missing off Cemaes Bay, 1 body recovered.

Friday 15th October 1976 [HO][CW][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3424]

56 Sqn MPC				
AM no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				
56 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Wattisham post their MPC.				
XV409	D	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wattisham dep 12:15
XV470	C	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wattisham dep 12:15
XV486	E	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wattisham dep 12:45
XV480	L	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wattisham dep 12:45
XV214	214	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR762' F/L Perrin
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[15:40/17:05]-Wattisham-Lyneham, return of 56 Sqn MPC support.				
XM597	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
		Puma HC.1		

Sunday 17th October 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Search for missing walker near Harlech, search abandoned due to bad weather.				

Monday 18th October 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76][AIR 28/2309]

66-0425	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW	PD
XW422	3	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW336	6	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XX549	5	Bulldog T.1	MUAS	Manchester UAS
XM597	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
XX736	-	Jaguar GR.1	6 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
		Devon C.2	RAE	
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Called to an incident involving a dumper truck on the Miners track, Snowdon. Assisted 3 injured persons who were flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Tuesday 19th October 1976* [MAS][MC 12/76][Pprune MAINJAVAD][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

STCAAME				
*Scrambled from Gutersloh 10:50, aborted as flares failed to ignite.				
**Scrambled from Wattisham 11:15, 1x Red Top fired [XR753 chased by XV480]				
***Scrambled from Wattisham 11:16.				
Both Lightnings had been pre-positioned from Leconfield to Wattisham on 18.10 PM 1x Firestreak fired [XN788] aircraft then flew direct to Gutersloh from the range.				
All 4 aircraft landed at Valley 12:25.				
XN788	P	Lightning F.2A*	92 Sqn	
XR753	A	Lightning F.6**	5 Sqn	To Wattisham 14:35

XS921	L	Lightning F.6**	5 Sqn	To Wattisham 14:35
XV480	L	Phantom FGR.2***	56 Sqn	To Wattisham 14:35
XN795	-	Lightning F.2A	BAC	
XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE	
XS712	A	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
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	-		22 Sqn	
Rescued a BBC Film unit from the 'Jim'll fix it' from the Skerries lighthouse after both SARTS Whirlwinds went u/s.				

Wednesday 20th October 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76][HO][CW]

XT274	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XX379	-	Gazelle AH.1	2 Flt/AAC	
XJ824	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	
XL233	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	
XL512	-	Victor K.2	57 Sqn	

Thursday 21st October 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76][HO]

XP539	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	
XR537	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	
XT607	AP	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT670	AU	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	

Friday 22nd October 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76][HO]

XL511	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	
68-0027	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0047	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	

Saturday 23rd October 1976 [MC 12/76][AIR 28/2309]

XZ370	-	Jaguar GR.1	BAC	In primer
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Boat & yacht off Penmon. Boat safe on beach & yacht under tow by Beaumaris lifeboat.				
XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
3 crew winched off a yacht on a sandbank off Formby, landed at Speke.				

Sunday 24th October 1976 [MC 12/76][AIR 28/2309]

WK118	18	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WK127	27	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Report of a man in trouble above Llydaw, not required.				

Monday 25th October 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76 & 2/77][CW][AIR 24/3275]

29 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Coningsby for their MPC. 29 Sqn MPC 25-28.10 PM 2x AIM-9 fired.				
XV407	X	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC arrived 10:50
XV481	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC arrived 10:50
XV418	C	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC arrived 10:50
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC arrived 12:20
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	Not MPC
XV438	A	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	Not MPC
XV677	270:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
XV712	273:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
XV711	274:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	
	-	Victor K.2		

Tuesday 26th October 1976 [MC 2/77][HO][CW][AIR 24/3275]

29 Sqn MPC AM range practice [XV481 XV400 XV407] PM 2 range slots cancelled due to other users plus Jindivik unserviceable.				
XT277	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XT279	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
	-	Victor K.2		
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XW201	DL	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	

Wednesday 27th October 1976 [MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

29 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. AM range slot cancelled due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM range slot cancelled due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
XT277	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XT279	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XV418	C	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XX114	02	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX140	D	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XW208	CE	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XS732	B	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Neville
Gnat precautionary alert, not required.				

Thursday 28th October 1976* [MC 2/77][HO][AIR 24/3275][AIR 27/3422]

29 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. 29 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Coningsby at 15:00 post their MPC.				
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby
XV407	X	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby
XV418	C	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby
XV481	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby
XL386	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	
68-0023	UH[b]	F-111E	55 TFS/20 TFW	
68-0054	UH[y]	F-111E	79 TFS/20 TFW	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Neville
Injured hill walker flown from Devil's Kitchen to Bangor Hospital.				

Friday 29th October 1976 [CW][AIR 27/3422]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Neville
Party of Schoolchildren & Adults airlifted off Snowdon to Pen-y-Pass car park.				
Based noted: Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XR501 XT602 XT602 flown to SAR HQ Finningley, replaced by XR588.				

Sunday 31st October 1976 [CW]

XR523	AM	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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November 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 210 movements including 2 VIP. 9 Diversions during the month: 5 Vulcans/2 Dominies/HS.125/Phantom or F-4				
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Monday 1st November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 24/3275]

*The 2 Phantoms arrived to fire the last of the Sqn's MPC missiles. No range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
		Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
		Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
XX822	AA	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX824	AB	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX960	AK	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX768	BA	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XW358	18	JP T.5A	RAFC	

Tuesday 2nd November 1976 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

		Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wattisham, see 1.11
		Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wattisham, see 1.11
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 3rd November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][CW]

XW375	10	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW934	06	Harrier GR.3	1 Sqn	
XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE Bedford	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Thursday 4th November 1976 [MAS][MC 12/76 & 4/77][BARG][HO][AIR 27/3275]

[68-0008]	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	Wrong serial w/o 15.5.73
XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE	STCAAME S/L D Gurney
XW225	CN	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
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XX162	-	Hawk T.1	CFS/4 FTS	First Delivery
Duncan Simpson/AM Rex Roe [AOC-in-C Training Command]				
XX163	-	Hawk T.1	CFS/4 FTS	First Delivery



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S/L D C Young/AVM F R L Mellersh [SSO Training Command]

Based noted:

Gnat T.1 4 FTS

XR537:37 & XP538:38 transferred to the Red Arrows.

XP535:54 is now at Kemble where the fuselage will be mated to the wings of XS111.

Hunter F.6 4 FTS

XG158:79 has now returned to Brawdy.

Wessex HC.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XS675 XT604

Friday 5th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 24/3275]

*Another attempt to fire their remaining MPC missiles. No range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. *They returned to Wattisham PM.				
		Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
		Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
XX515	40	Bulldog T.1	CFS	
XX538	45	Bulldog T.1	CFS	
XX539	46	Bulldog T.1	CFS	
50+49	-	C-160D		WGAF
XX625	45	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	
XX626	46	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	
XX628	48	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	

Saturday 6th November 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Search off the Great Orme, red parachute flare reported, false alarm.				

Sunday 7th November 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Climber with a broken ankle flown from Craig-yr-Ysfa to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 8th November 1976 [Pprune MAINJAVAD][AIR 24/3275]

STCAAME *Scrambled from Leuchars 10:33, 1x AIM-7 fired. Lightning was the chase for the firing, both aircraft landed at Valley 11:30				
XV410	[E]	Phantom FG.1*	111 Sqn	To Leuchars 13:51
XR753	[F]	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Binbrook 13:31
XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE Farnborough	STCAAME F/L J Frost
Turnaround at STCAAME				

Tuesday 9th November 1976 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3422][AIR 27/3422][MB]

XV696	411:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	HMS Blake
XV713	412:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	HMS Blake
XV714	413:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	HMS Blake
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR951:26 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R				

Wednesday 10th November 1976 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][CW]

65-0689	LN[y]	F-4D	493 TFS/48 TFW	
XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE	STCAAME
XJ823	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XM605	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
XM611	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XM612	-	Vulcan B.2	101 Sqn	
XM651	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
XM475	50	JP T.3A	RAFC	
XN581	56	JP T.3A	RAFC	

Thursday 11th November 1976 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

Visit by Officers of the Imperial Iranian Air Force [IIAF]				
XT274	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XW543	W	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW544	-	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW545	V	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XX895	-	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XS732	B	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS737	K	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XJ324	-	Sea Devon C.20	781 NAS	
		Nimrod MR.1		
		3x JP T.4	RAFC	
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Precautionary alerts: separate sorties. Hunter; not required. Gnat with brake problems which departed the runway [aircraft left the runway] Buccaneer; not required.				

Friday 12th November 1976 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO]

WA662	-	Meteor T.7	RAE Llanbedr	
VZ467	01	Meteor F[TT].8	TWU	
65-0688	LN[y]	F-4D	493 TFS/48 TFW	
WJ721	[21]	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	

Saturday 13th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO]

68-0490	RS	F-4E	526 TFS/86 TFW	
219	-	CM-170 Magister*	IAC	Irish Air Corps
220	-	CM-170 Magister*	IAC	Irish Air Corps
*Delivery flight. Routed: Cherbourg-Brize Norton-Valley-Baldonnel.				

Sunday 14th November 1976 [HO]

WT532	-	Canberra PR.7	13 Sqn	
XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS727	D	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS729	G	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS730	H	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS731	J	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	

Monday 15th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

1 st sortie flown by a Hawk since arrival, see 4.11.76				
XJ319	-	Sea Devon C.20	781 NAS	
XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
XS498	W-Q:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	
*Mountain Flying Detachment until 19.11				
XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE	Local sortie Aberporth
XP753	Q	Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	
XX826	AD	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX959	AJ	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX965	AM	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
[XX767]	AN	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX969	AP	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
2 climbers stuck on Lliwedd overnight, both and 3 MRT flown to Pen-y-Pass.				

Tuesday 16th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW][AIR 24/3275]

*Flew a local sortie in Aberporth range.				
*Stayed overnight due to bad weather at Farnborough.				
XP693	-	Lightning F.6*	RAE Farnborough	STCAAME, F/L J Frost
XW372	63	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW363	68	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW365	73	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XX825	AC	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX826	AD	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX955	AF	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX836	AZ	Jaguar T.2	14 Sqn	
		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
XW416	30	JP T.5A	CFS	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat fuel precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 17th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE Farnborough	To Farnborough, see 16.11
XZ113	A	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ115	C	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ117	E	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ118	F	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary MAYDAY over Llanbedr with flame out, restarted, not required.				

Friday 19th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 28/2309]

XS480	C:H	Wessex HU.5	845 NAS	
XT765	O:H	Wessex HU.5	845 NAS	
[XT758]	H:H	Wessex HU.5	845 NAS	
XV696	411:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XV713	412:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XV714	413:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XX836	AZ	Jaguar T.2	14 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat fuel precautionary, not required.				

Tuesday 23rd November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XX955	AF	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX959	AJ	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XG154	M	Hunter FGA.9	TWTU	
XE649	P	Hunter FGA.9	TWTU	
XG154	X	Hunter FGA.9	TWTU	
XF418	16	Hunter F.6	TWTU	
XG158	21	Hunter F.6	TWTU	
XG160	22	Hunter F.6	TWTU	
XG172	23	Hunter F.6	TWTU	
		Hunter	58 Sqn	
		Nimrod MR.1		
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary flame out but relit, not required.				

Wednesday 24th November 1976 [CW][MB]

	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted:				

Gnat T.1 XP538:38 delivered back from CFS to 4 FTS, see 27.7.76
Gnat T.1 XP539:L CFS/Red Arrows delivered to 4 FTS.

Thursday 25th November 1976 [CW][AIR 24/3275][MB]

		Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	STCAAME
*Collected a missile which was due servicing at Wattisham.				
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XG209:69 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R repaired on site ?				

Friday 26th November 1976 [AIR 28/2309][MB]

XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Called to assist fallen walkers on Tryfan, unable due to bad weather.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR954:30 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 7.9.76				

Sunday 28th November 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
2 missing soldiers from Capel Curig flown from Tryfan to Bangor Hospital. They had been out in Force 10 winds.				

Monday 29th November 1976 [CW][AIR 27/3422]

		Sea King HAS.1	[NAS]	
XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary alert, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP515:59 CFS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 30th November 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][AIR 27/3422]

XS735	-	Dominie T.1	RAFC	
XS736	-	Dominie T.1	RAFC	
XW788	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
XN629	39	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
VZ467	01	Meteor F[TT].8	TWTU	
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
2 people apparently cut off by the tied at Red Wharf Bay, false alarm.				

December 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 152 movements including 8 VIP. 23 Diversions during the month including: Canberra/Dominie/Phantom/Vulcan				
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Wednesday 1st December 1976 [BARG][MAS]

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Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX164 CFS delivery.				
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Wednesday 1st December 1976 [MAS][HO]

WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XM350	49	JP T.3A	1 FTS	

Thursday 2nd December 1976 [MC 4/77][HO][CW][MB]

XW790	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
XW425	36	JP T.5A	CFS	
	-	Vulcan B.2		

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR544:60 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R				
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Friday 3rd December 1976 [MC 4/77][CW][MB]

65-0975	-	HC-130H	67 ARRS	
65-0962	-	HC-130H	67 ARRS	
XX500	[-]	Jetstream T.1	SAL	Test flight
XN471	N	JP T.3A	26 Sqn	
XW410	14	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW362	17	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XZ115	C	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ116	D	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ118	F	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ355	H	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
		Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP539:L 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R, back to 4 FTS after repairs on 27.1.77				
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Sunday 5th December 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
2 climbers flown from Cwm Glas to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 6th December 1976 [BARG][MC 3/77]

G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	To Staverton
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX165 CFS delivery.				

Tuesday 7th December 1976 [MC 4/77]

XE716	834:VL	Hunter GA.11	FRADU	
66-7485	LN[r]	F-4D	494 TFS/48 TFW	
XR537	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM709:09 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				
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Wednesday 8th December 1976 [MC 4/77]

XL497	041:R	Gannet AEW.3	849 NAS	
Based noted: Wessex HC.2 XR497 C Flt/22 Sqn.				

Thursday 9th December 1976 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Friday 10th December 1976 [AIR 24/3275]

STCAAME AM *Scrambled from Wattisham 11:22 to the range, 1x AIM-9 fired. The 11 Sqn Lightning was the chase for the firing, both landed at Valley 11:20. PM **From Binbrook to Aberporth Range. 2x Firestreaks fired, 1x misfire, both 5 Sqn aircraft landed at Valley. All 4 aircraft departed PM.				
XV490	[-]	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	To Wattisham 13:35
XR756	[J]	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	To Binbrook 14:17
		Lightning F.3**	5 Sqn	STCAAME
		Lightning F.3**	5 Sqn	STCAAME

Saturday 11th December 1976 [AIR 28/2309][CW]

		Puma HC.1		
XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Red flare sighted; boat located off Aberffraw with a broken prop shaft. Survivor flown ashore.				

Sunday 12th December 1976 [CW]

		Puma HC.1		
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Tuesday 14th December 1976 [MAS][CW][AIR 24/3275]

*From Binbrook to Aberporth Range. 1x Firestreak fired, 1x misfire. Landed Valley but unable to depart back to Binbrook due to fog there.				
XP753	Q	Lightning F.3*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
XW298	O	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
XW352	R	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
WT532	-	Canberra PR.7	13 Sqn	
XS732	B	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS727	D	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS729	G	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS730	H	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	

XS731	J	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS737	K	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Nimrod MR.1		

Wednesday 15th December 1976 [MAS][MC 4/77][AIR 24/3275]

XV301	301	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XV302	302	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XP753	Q	Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	To Binbrook, see 14.12
XX968	DB	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
XX970	DD	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
XX971	DE	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
XX972	DF	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
XX975	DJ	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
XX978	DM	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
F-BRNN	-	PA-31 Navajo	Private	From Birmingham

Thursday 16th December 1976 [MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XX508	-	HS.125 CC.2	32 Sqn	
XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XW416	30	JP T.5A	RAF C	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Victor K.		
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Investigated sinking boat off Point Lynas, lifeboat in attendance.				

Monday 20th December 1976* [MC 4/77]

XX508	-	HS.125 CC.2	32 Sqn	
XF799	-	Pembroke C.1	60 Sqn	
XM597	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	Dispersal exercise
XM603	-	Vulcan B.2	[50 Sqn]	Dispersal exercise
XM606	-	Vulcan B.2	[101 Sqn]	Dispersal exercise
XM651	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS728	E	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS729	G	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS731	J	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	

Tuesday 21st December 1976 [MC 4/77][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3440]

194	-	DH.104 Dove 7	Transport Sqn	Irish Air Corps
XV293	293	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	
Routed: Gutersloh-Valley[10:30/18:30]-Lyneham.				

XX830	R	Jaguar T.2*	226 OCU	Single engine landing
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2*	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
*Jaguar single-engine landing, not required, see above.				

Wednesday 22nd December 1976 [BARG][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3275]

STCAAME				
*Scrambled from Leuchars at 13:25 to the range.				
1x AIM-7 fired, destroying Jindivik 103BL A92-662.				
The 29 Sqn aircraft was the chase for the firing, both landed at Valley 14:36.				
XV577	M	Phantom FG.1*	43 Sqn	To Leuchars 16:30
XV423	P	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
XV402	F	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XV442	R	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XV462	T	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XV495	1	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XS727	S	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS728	E	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS729	G	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS711	L	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
WT480		Canberra T.4	231 OCU	
WJ877		Canberra T.4	231 OCU	
XM575	-	Vulcan B.2	101 Sqn	
XM652	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XM654	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Searched for missing child at Red Wharf Bay, found by police.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX165 CFS delivery.				

Thursday 23rd December 1976* [MAS][MC 4/77][CW][AIR 24/3275]

74-01559	59	F-5E	527 TFTAS	
XV423	P	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby, see 22.12
XV402	F	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XV497	P	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XV442	R	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XV462	T	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
XT288		Buccaneer S.2B	237 OCU	N/stop
XV153		Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	N/stop
XV297	297	Hercules C.1	LTW	

Friday 24th December 1976 [MC 4/77]

Carried out a formation flypast from Llanbedr.				
WE121		Canberra TT.18*	RAE Llanbedr	
WA662	-	Meteor T.7*	RAE Llanbedr	
WH320	N	Meteor U.16*	RAE Llanbedr	

Monday 27th December 1976 [CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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Tuesday 28th December 1976 [MC 4/77][AIR 28/2309]

66-7486	WR	F-4D	81 TFW	
69-5797	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	'AAC343'
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Search for 4 missing climbers, found safe in Llanberis Pass.				

Wednesday 29th December 1976 [MC 4/77]

[66-7496]	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
65-0781	WR	F-4D	78 TFS/81 TFW	

Thursday 30th December 1976* [MC 4/77][CW]

65-0638	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
XV241	41	Nimrod MR.1	42 Sqn	PD
XL163	-	Victor K.2		
		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX166 CFS delivery.				

Friday 31st December 1976 [MC 4/77]

G-BCCJ	-	Grumman Traveller	Private	
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