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RAF Valley

Aircraft Movements

1977

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UPDATE V2

Airshow Flying Programme front cover.
Additional 4 FTS movements.
Additional Unit movements: 24/30/47 Queens Flt.
Additional Gnat details by Mike Bursell.
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SUMMARY

The Hawk was introduced for Advanced Flying Training.
Currently 145hrs JP then 70hrs Gnat followed by 70hrs Hunter Weapons training.
New course would be 145hrs JP 80hrs Hawk at Valley then 50hrs Hawk Weapons training.
Hawk display pilot: F/L Derek Fitzsimmon CFS.

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 Aircraft at the beginning of 1977: Hawk T.1 4 FTS/CFS XX161 XX162 XX163 XX164 XX165 XX166 Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR538:01 XP503:03 XP504:04 XR535:05 XR569:08 XM709:09 XM705:10 XP511:11 XM706:12 XP516:16 XM708:18 XS110:20 XR574:24 XR951:26 XR953:29 XR954:30 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP541:41 XP542:42 XR998:47 XP500:50 XR984:52 XS100:57 XS102:58 XP515:59 XR544:60 XP534:62 XS109:63 XP530:64 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XG209:69 XF527:70 XG274:71 XF383:72 XF509:73 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 Wessex HC.2 XR497 XT604 XS675 noted operating from Valley 17-25.2.77 [Dave Morgan's logbook] Whirlwind HAR.10 C Flt/22 Sqn XP361 XP395 Whirlwind HAR.10 2[A]FTS Detachment as allocated. [A]Advanced

January 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 98 movements including 2 VIP. 1 Diversion F-111 with engine failure.
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Sunday 2nd January 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Hypothermic case flown from Crib Goch, Snowdon to Bangor Hospital.				

Wednesday 5th January 1977 [HO][CW][MB]

[XH562]	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
XR720	M	Lightning F.3	11 Sqn	
XS711	L	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP541:41 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R, repaired and back to 4 FTS 11.3.77

Thursday 6th January 1977 [MC 2/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3276]

STCAAME

*From Binbrook to Aberporth Range. 2x Firestreak misfires, see also 17.1. Both landed at Valley before departing PM.				
XR720	M	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	F/L Fidler
XP753	Q	Lightning F.3*	5 Sqn	
XV402	T	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	STCAAME liaison visit
XW358	18	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW425	36	JP T.5A	RAFC	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Assisted Llanberis MRT in rescue of injured climber at Clogwyn Station, Snowdon.				
Based noted: Whirlwind HAR.10 2[A]FTS Detachment: XP333:G XR485:Q XN126:S XN127:W				

Friday 7th January 1977 [CW]

XV101	101	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
		Canberra T.17	360 Sqn	
	-	Victor K.2		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS all visited Lossiemouth. XP511:11 XM706:12 XR953:29 XP538:38 XR998:47 XR541:61				

Sunday 9th January 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Beglan
Injured climber flown from Nameless Cwm to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 10th January 1977 [CW]

	-	Vulcan B.2		
		Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR569:08 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 11th January 1977 [CW][SB]

	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
WL745	45	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	[Ed Featherstone]

Wednesday 12th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3422]

WL745	45	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Thursday 13th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO]

XW207	CD	Puma HC.1*	33 Sqn	
XW236	CQ	Puma HC.1*	33 Sqn	
*Mountain Flying Detachment 10-14.1.77				
XW790	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
XX508	-	HS.125 CC.2	32 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XL319	-	Vulcan B.2	230 OCU	
XL425	-	Vulcan B.2	617 Sqn	
XH562	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XM609	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XM646	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Scrambled by ATC for a HS.125 with no ASI [Airspeed Indicator] landed safely.				

Friday 14th January 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
3 people rescued from deep snow in the Horseshoe Pass and taken to Wrexham Hospital.				

Saturday 15th January 1977 [CW]

XX508	-	HS-125 CC.2	32 Sqn	
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Monday 17th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3276][CW]

STCAAME				
*Scrambled from Binbrook to Aberporth Range.				
*1x Firestreak missile firing, missile failed to fire, landed at Valley 11:11.				
*Departed back to Binbrook 13:10.				
XR756	J	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	F/L Fidler STCAAME
XP693	-	Lightning F.6	RAE	Aberporth Range sortie
XV298	298	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XV[220]	[220]	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XV491	O	Phantom FGR.2**	111 Sqn	STCAAME
XV401	U	Phantom FGR.2**	111 Sqn	STCAAME
**The 111 Sqn jets delivered missiles for their forthcoming MPC.				
Based noted:				
Gnat T.1 XP515:59 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 18th January 1977 [AIR 27/3422][CW]

	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 19th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

67-0119	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0066	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0061	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
XX526	C	Bulldog T.1	Oxford UAS	
XT672	AZ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XX892	R	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
MEDEVAC Cpl RAF Policeman with a broken leg flown from Valley to Shawbury.				

Thursday 20th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][CW]

XP966	-	Alouette AH.2	14 Flt/AAC	
XX919	-	BAC1-11-402	RAE	Out of Llanbedr
XR523	AM	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT672	AZ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XP535	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	Ex. '54' 4 FTS
XZ115	C	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
		4x Jaguar GR.1		
		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Victor K.2		
XR724	K	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	

Friday 21st January 1977 [BARG][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

STCAAME				
*Scrambled from Binbrook to Aberporth Range.				
*1x Red Top misfire, landed at Valley 15:45.				
*Departed back to Binbrook 17:15.				
XR724	K	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	F/L Thomas
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Scrambled by ATC for the Lightning misfire above , no assistance required.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX169 4 FTS delivery.				

Monday 24th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

111 Sqn [3 aircraft*] arrived from Leuchars at 09:35 for their MPC.				
111 Sqn MPC 24-27.1.77				
PM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
PM range practice sortie flown [XV410/419/500/424]				
XV410	E	Phantom FGR.2*	111 Sqn	MPC
XV419	J	Phantom FGR.2*	111 Sqn	MPC
XV500	M	Phantom FGR.2*	111 Sqn	MPC

XV424	B	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC arrived 10:05
XS793	-	Andover CC.2	Queens Flt	
WD790	-	Meteor NF.11	RSRE Pershore	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP503:03 noted as being back with 4 FTS, see 2.7.76				

Tuesday 25th January 1977 [AIR 24/3276][CW]

111 Sqn MPC no range slots due to high winds at Llanbedr & Aberporth. Intercept sorties flown with Ulster Radar.				
		Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
	-	HS.125 CC.	32 Sqn	
		Puma HC.1		

Wednesday 26th January 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276]

111 Sqn MPC PM 4x AIM-9 fired				
XV428	[H]	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	STCAAME
Arrived 15:55 from Leuchars and departed back to Leuchars at 16:40.				
XT675	AR	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

Thursday 27th January 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW]

111 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Leuchars at 13:05 post their MPC.				
XV424	B	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV410	E	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV419	J	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XV500	M	Phantom FGR.2	111 Sqn	MPC
XT270	-	Buccaneer S.2B	237 OCU	
XV342	-	Buccaneer S.2B	237 OCU	
XW361	21	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW421	35	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW425	36	JP T.5A	RAFC	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	

Friday 28th January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][CW]

68-0067	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	
130324	324	CC-130E	[435 Sqn]	Canadian Air Force
		Jaguar T.2		

Saturday 29th January 1977 [CW]

64-1010	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
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Sunday 30th January 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Climber with a fractured skull flown from Craig-yr-Ysfa to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 31st January 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][CW]

		3x Jaguar GR.1		
XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XT486	W-W:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XS481	W-Z:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XR540	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
2 separate Gnat precautionaries, not required.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX167 4 FTS delivery.				

February 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 131 movements including 2 VIP. 12 Diversions including first visit of a MRCA Tornado.				
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Tuesday 1st February 1977 [CW]

		Phantom FGR.2		
	-	Victor K.2		

Wednesday 2nd February 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Aeromedical case with head/spinal injuries flown from Bangor Hospital to Oswestry.				

Thursday 3rd February 1977 [MC 4/77][HO][CW]

194	-	DH.104 Dove 7	Irish Air Corps	
35+35	-	RF-4E	AKG-51	WGAF also visited Alconbury
	UH	5x F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Victor K.2		

Friday 4th February 1977 [AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

STCAAME *From Binbrook to Aberporth Range. *1x Firestreak and 1x Red Top fired [XR773 chased by XS904] *XR773 landed at Valley 11:25 and XS904 at 11:34. *Both departed back to Binbrook at 13:50.				
XR773	[D]	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	F/L Thomas
XS904	[A]	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	F/O Cliffe
		F-4D	/TFW	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler

Gnat precautionary, not required.

Saturday 5th February 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Requested by Colwyn Bay Police HQ to rescue a fallen climber on Y Garn, found dead on arrival. 2 of his companions suffering from shock were flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 6th February 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Turner
Assisted 2 climbers in the Ogwen Pass, had to make a precautionary landing though, climbers were rescued by MRT.				

Monday 7th February 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][CW]

41 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Coningsby at 11:25 & 13:30 for their MPC. 41 Sqn MPC 7-14.2 PM no range slots due to crosswind at Llanbedr. PM all 4 aircraft flew practice range sorties.				
XV442	R	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC arrived 11:25
XV462	T	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC arrived 11:25
XV478	O	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC arrived 13:30
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2	[29 Sqn]	MPC arrived 13:30
XL427	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
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XS675	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Searched for missing soldier on Cader Idris, soldier found by Aberdovey MRT who had been airlifted in by Wessex helicopter.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL573:97 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 8th February 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276]

41 Sqn MPC PM 1x AIM-7 fired.				
XR806	806	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
69-5797	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	

Wednesday 9th February 1977 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

41 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to low cloud at Llanbedr & Aberporth. AM practice range sortie [XV442 XV462 XV478]				
XX615	2	Bulldog T.1	MUAS	Manchester UAS
XX616	3	Bulldog T.1	MUAS	
69-5797	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Turner

Scrambled by Coastguard to airlift a seaman from the trawler 'Rose Var' which was 24nms NW of Holyhead. Flown to Bangor Hospital.

Thursday 10th February 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

41 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to low cloud at Llanbedr & Aberporth.				
XV478	O	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC to Coningsby 13:30

Friday 11th February 1977 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

41 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-9 & 1x AIM-7 fired. PM 1x AIM-7 fired. The 41 Sqn jets departed back to Coningsby at 17:00 for the weekend.				
XV442	R	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	To Coningsby
XV462	T	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	To Coningsby
XV482	L	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	To Coningsby
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Hunter
Hunter with control restriction, not required.				
Based noted: [Gnat/Hunter] 4 FTS liaison visit to RAF Gutersloh, returned 14.2.77				

Sunday 13th February 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Turner
17yr old boy suffering from exposure flown from Foel Grach to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 14th February 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422][CW][AIR 27/3440]

The 41 Sqn [3 aircraft] arrived back from Coningsby at 08:40. PM 1x AIM-9 fired. 41 Sqn [3 aircraft] departed back to Coningsby at 17:30 on completion of their MPC.				
XV495	1	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC
				
[MAS Collection]				
XV478	O	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC
XV442	R	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	MPC



[MAS Collection]

XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
	C	Gnat T.1	[CFS]	
XV215	215	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR5114' F/L King
Routed: Lyneham-Marham-Valley[22:55]				
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
2 separate Hunter precautions: brake & control restriction, not required.				

Tuesday 15th February 1977 [HE][MAS][MC 4/77][HO][CW][AIR 27/3440]

XV708	410:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	HMS Blake
XV714	413:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	HMS Blake
XW431	59	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	'DBD34'
XP448	448	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	'RRR6509'
XS639	639	Andover E.3	115 Sqn	'RRR6504'
XS770	-	Basset CC.1	A&AEE	'EVERGREEN52'
XS732	B	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	'DZY41'
XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	'DZY42'
XS739	F	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	'DZY43'
XS731	J	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	'DZY44'
XS711	L	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	'DZY45'
XS734	N	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	'DZY46'
WA662	-	Meteor T.7	RAE Llanbedr	'NUGGET70'
XV215	215	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR5114' F/L King
Routed: Valley[13:50]-Lyneham.				
XR701	-	JP T.4	St Athan SF	Station Flight

Wednesday 16th February 1977 [MC 4/77][MAS][HO][CW][MB]

XP547	03	JP T.4	TWTU	
WP515	[D]	Canberra B.2	100 Sqn	
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XL160	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	
68-0029	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	

68-0043	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	
XW370	72	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW371	76	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW541	Q	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	'MUQBA'
XX892	R	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	'MUQBB'
XW526	U	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	'MUQBC' or XW549?
XW543	W	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	'MUQBD'
XX723		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	'A63'
XX741		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	'A53'
XX737		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	'A??'
XX119		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	'A59'
XP539	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	
XW421	59	JP T.5A	[RAFC]	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR980:17 4 FTS delivery from 5 MU, Kemble. Hunter T.7 XL597:87 returned from 5 MU Kemble, see 2.7.76 Hunter T.7 XL601:88 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble.				

Thursday 17th February 1977 [MC 4/77][HO][AIR 27/3422][CW]

68-0012	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	
XS925	L	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	N/stop
XX119		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	
XX737		Jaguar GR.1	54 Sqn	
XV352		Buccaneer S.2B	208 Sqn	
XV354		Buccaneer S.2A	208 Sqn	
XV357		Buccaneer S.2A	208 Sqn	
XS639	639	Andover E.3	115 Sqn	
	-	Sea Devon C.20	781 NAS	
XV495	1	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Hunter control restriction, not required.				

Friday 18th February 1977 [HE][MAS][MC 4/77][HO][MB]

66-0449	AR	RF-4C	10 TRW	'STEAD11'
66-0469	AR	RF-4C	10 TRW	
XX946	-	Tornado PO.2*	BAC/Panavia	Diversion 'TARNISH11'
*Landed 16:15 and departed 17:30 to Warton, 1 st visit of type [Dave Eagles/Ray Woolit]				
XW202	CW	Puma HC.1	240 OCU	
XW866	E	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XW405	61	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW424	62	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW419	65	JP T.5A	1 FTS	

XS925	L	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR980:17 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3R repaired.				

Sunday 20th February 1977 [CW]

	-	Beaver AL.1	6A Flt/AAC	
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Monday 21st February 1977 [BARG][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

STCAAME 56 Sqn [2 aircraft] arrived from Wattisham at 10:21 to fire the Sqn's last missiles. PM range slot aborted due to clutter on Llanbedr's radar.				
XV415	A	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV475	H	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
68-0553	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
69-0367	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR538:01 XP503:03 XP504:04 XR535:05 XP506:06 XP537:07 XR569:08 XM709:09 XM705:10 XP511:11 XM706:12 XP516:16 XR980:17 XM708:18 XS110:20 XR574:24 XR951:26 XR954:30 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP538:38 XP540:40 XP541:41 XP542:42 XS104:44 XR998:47 XR984:52 XR544:60 XR541:61 XS109:63 XP530:64 Hawk T.1 4 FTS/CFS XX161 XX163 XX164 XX165 XX167 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XF527:70 XG274:71 XF383:72 XF509:73 XF526:78 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 XL621:81 XL591:82 XL600:83 WV372:85 XL566:86 XL565:89 XL573:97 Wessex HC.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XR497 XS675 XT604 Whirlwind HAR.10 XD163:X 2[A]FTS detachment.				

Tuesday 22nd February 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW]

56 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. *Scrambled from Binbrook to Aberporth Range *1x Red Top fired [XS928 chased by XV475 56 Sqn airborne from Valley 13:51] *Both landed at Valley 14:30.				
XV415	A	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wattisham 12:30
XV475	H	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wattisham 15:40
XS928	[K]	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	STCAAME to Binbrook 16:00
XW200	CX	Puma HC.1	240 OCU	
XW430	58	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XW432	60	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XV202	202	Hercules C.1	LTW	

XV301	301	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XM569	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XV696	411:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	HMS Blake
XR639	[-]	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
WP320	573:CU	Sea Prince T.1	750 NAS	
D-8089	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	KLu/Dutch AF
D-8098	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	KLu/Dutch AF
		Canberra T.19	100 Sqn	
		Harrier GR.3	1 Sqn	

Wednesday 23rd February 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 27/3422][MB]

VP976	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	B Flt/22 Sqn	
XS765	-	Basset CC.1	A&AEE	
WP320	573:CU	Sea Prince T.1	750 NAS	
20+56	-	F-104G	JBG-31	WGAF
22+66	-	F-104G	JBG-31	WGAF
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat with electrical failure, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR951:26 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 9.11.76				

Thursday 24th February 1977 [MAS][MB]

VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
74-01544	44	F-5E	527 TFTAS	N/stop
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR544:60 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 2.12.76				

Friday 25th February 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422][CW]

68-0035	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	
68-0066	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	
XV708	410:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
XV696	411:BL	Sea King HAS.1	820 NAS	
74-01544	44	F-5E	527 TFTAS	See 24.2
		2x Lightning F.6		
XW217	DA	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XT601	AH	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, loose article, not required.				
Based noted:				

[Gnat/Hunter] 4 FTS liaison visit to Wildenrath RAFG, returned 28.2.77
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Saturday 26th February 1977 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

XW217	DA	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XT601	AH	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Assisted 2 climbers caught in an avalanche on Ysgolion Duon, 1 climber found dead on arrival, the other with extensive injuries was flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 28th February 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW]

STCAAME				
*From Binbrook to Aberporth Range.				
1x Firestreak fired which destroyed the Rushton target towed behind a Canberra.				
XP741	N	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	S/L Bostock
XR751	R	Lightning F.3*	5 Sqn	
XS177	[-]	JP T.4	TWTU	
XP547	03	JP T.4	TWTU	
XS726	-	Dominie T.1	RAFFC	
	-	Victor K.2		
		Phantom FGR.2		
Based noted: Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XR497 XS675 [XT604 departed 28.2 to Finningley]				

March 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with

Tuesday 1st March 1977 [MC 4/77]

G-AYZN	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	From & to Staverton
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Wednesday 2nd March 1977 [MAS]

XA880	-	Devon C.2	RAE Llanbedr	
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Thursday 3rd March 1977 [MAS][CW]

XX757	12	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XS416	T	Lightning T.5	11 Sqn	
XX900		Buccaneer S.2	208 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		PD
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX170 4 FTS delivery.				

Friday 4th March 1977 [MAS]

69-5797	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
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WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	
XV729	AE	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR499	AW	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW233	CP	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XR653	H	JP T.4	CATCS	
Based noted: Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XV720 arrived 4.3 as a replacement for XT604, see 28.2.77				

Sunday 6th March 1977 [MAS]

WK122	22	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
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Monday 7th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 27/3419][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3429]

19 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Wildenrath at 09:10 for their MPC [Exercise Fall High] 19 Sqn MPC 7-18.3, 4 missiles fired. PM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM 3 aircraft flew a practice range sortie [XV439 XV468 XV469]				
XV439	A	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	'MBZKA' [Walton/Blackford]
XV467	C	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	'MBZKB' [Rees/Parker]
XV468	D	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	'MBZKC' [Pyper/Smith]
XV469	E	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	'MBZKD' [Rance/Sabin]
XP439	439	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
XV213	213	Hercules C.1*	30 Sqn	'RRR5357' S/L Healey
XV217	217	Hercules C.1*	30 Sqn	'RRR5358' F/L Marshall
'RRR5357' routed: Lyneham-Wildenrath-Valley[10:15/11:15]-Lyneham, MPC support. 'RRR5358' routed: Lyneham-Wildenrath-Valley[12:05/13:25]-Lyneham, MPC support.				
XW411	16	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XE608	12	Hunter F.6A	TWTU	
XF439	17	Hunter F.6A	TWTU	
XG158	21	Hunter F.6A	TWTU	
XE651	W	Hunter FGA.9	TWTU	
XL569	85	Hunter T.7	TWTU	
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL621:81 & XL573:97 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Gnat T.1 XR535:05 & XM709:09 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 8th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW]

19 Sqn MPC AM 1x aborted AIM-9. PM no range slots due to other users.				
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	
XW316	33	JP T.5A	CFS	
		2x Jaguar GR.1		

Wednesday 9th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW]

19 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to high winds at Llanbedr. AM local flying 10:00 [XV468 XV439 XV467] & 11:50 [XV467 XV469 XV468]				
XW298	O	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
XW296	Q	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
XW922	49	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
		Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	

Thursday 10th March 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

19 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to gale force winds at Llanbedr.				

Friday 11th March 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276]

19 Sqn MPC AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM 1x AIM-7 firing.				
XW223	DG	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XN471	[L]	JP T.3A	Wyton SF	Station Flight
XR511	AL	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
Based noted: Chipmunk T.10 [10 AEF] Flown from Woodvale to Valley by S/L M Wraight & F/L E Coulter from STCAAME.				

Saturday 12th March 1977 [MAS]

XX625	45	Bulldog T.1*	Wales UAS	
XX626	46	Bulldog T.1*	Wales UAS	
XX627	47	Bulldog T.1*	Wales UAS	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Unconscious walker flown from Crib Goch to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 14th March 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

19 Sqn MPC no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM local flying 11:00 [XV439 & XV468] PM local flying 14:30 [XV439 & XV469] & 16:00 [XV439 & XV468]				
VP978	-	Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	
XJ350	-	Sea Devon C.20	781 NAS	
XW208	CE	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
		Wessex HU.5	NAS	
		Wessex HU.5	NAS	

Tuesday 15th March 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

19 Sqn MPC no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
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AM local flying 10:00 [XV439 XV468 XV467 XV469]				
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Scrambled to a Phantom [19 Sqn ?] with engine vibration, aircraft landed safely.				

Wednesday 16th March 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

19 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. PM 3x aborted AIM-9 firings.				
XV469	E	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	MPC
Departed to Coningsby at 15:35, returning at 18:30.				
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Injured seaman airlifted off fishing boat in Red Wharf Bay.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Scrambled to a Hawk with a rough running engine, aircraft landed safely at Llanbedr.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP511:11 XM708:18 XP538:38 XP540:40 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Thursday 17th March 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

19 Sqn MPC no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM local flying 10:30 [XV439 XV468 XV469 XV467]				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM706:12 XP533:33 XP540:40 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Friday 18th March 1977 [AIR 27/3419][AIR 24/3276][CW][AIR 27/3424]

19 Sqn MPC AM 2x AIM-9 fired. 19 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Wildenrath at 13:52 post their MPC.				
XV439	A	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	To Wildenrath
XV467	C	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	To Wildenrath
XV468	D	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	To Wildenrath
XV469	E	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	To Wildenrath
XV184	184	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5359' F/L Harris
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[11:50/14:45]-Wildenrath-Lyneham, 19 Sqn post MPC support.				
XV238	38	Nimrod MR.1	Kinloss Wg	

Monday 21st March 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

228 OCU [4 aircraft] arrived from Coningsby at 11:10 for their MPC. 228 OCU MPC 21.3-1.4 PM 3 [XT894 XT905 XV404] flew a practice low-speed AIM-7 profile which was filmed.				
XT894		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XT905		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC

XV404		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XV436		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
		4x Jaguar		

Tuesday 22nd March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][CW][AIR 29/4693][MB]

228 OCU MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. PM 3x aborted AIM-7 firings.				
XR639	-	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	To & from IoM
XS734	N	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XZ358	L	Jaguar GR.1**	41 Sqn	N/stop [birdstrike ?]
XX842	T	Jaguar T.2	41 Sqn	N/stop
XR137	137	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
XT430	501	Wasp HAS.1*	703 NAS	Until 25.3
XS531	504	Wasp HAS.1*	703 NAS	Until 25.3
*Mountain flying training with SARTS 21-25.3, from RNAS Portland.				
XJ758	Z	Whirlwind HAR.10	2[A]FTS	
XW852	A	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	Until 25.3
XW858	C	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	Until 25.3
XW862	D	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	Until 25.3
XW898	G	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	Until 25.3
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	Until 25.3
WH670	B	Canberra B.2	100 Sqn	N/stop
WK106	O	Canberra T.19	100 Sqn	Serial ? [scrapped 2.77?]
WH903	P	Canberra B.2	100 Sqn	
WJ975	X	Canberra T.19	100 Sqn	
	-	Victor K.2		
XV733	-	Wessex HCC.4	Queens Flt	'RRR1236' S/L Millar
Arrived from Benson at 19:30.				
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Scrambled to a Jaguar** with a birdstrike, landed safely. Gnat with a nosewheel red, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP537:07 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3 and fitted with the rear fuselage of XR980. [XP537 was subsequently roaded to Sennybridge Training Area and struck off charge on 15.5.78]				

Wednesday 23rd March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][AIR 29/4693]

228 OCU MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
68-0009	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	PD
68-0020	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	PD
XV733	-	Wessex HCC.4	Queens Flt	'RRR1236'

Routed: Valley[07:05]-Aldergrove with Princess Anne.				
XT469	514:PO	Wessex HU.5	772 NAS	
XN855	855	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	
XF967		Hunter T.8B	237 OCU	
WV322		Hunter T.8C	237 OCU	
XW431	69	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW330	23	JP T.5A	RAFC	
[XT874]	J	Phantom FG.1	43 Sqn	
	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
		Lightning F.6		

Thursday 24th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW]

228 OCU MPC AM 2x aborted AIM-7 firings. PM no range slots due to poor visibility at Llanbedr.				
[XT901]		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XT914		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC from Coningsby 10:45
XT894		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC to Coningsby 13:30
MPC 6 Phantom FGR.2 present in total, the other 4 could be the ones on 21.3				
XS728	E	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
	LN	F-4D	/48 TFW	
	-	Victor K.2		
XT284	-	Buccaneer S.2A	15 Sqn	
XZ358	L	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XX842	T	Jaguar T.2	41 Sqn	
WH964	W	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
WH794	[-]	Canberra PR.7	13 Sqn	
	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Scrambled to a Phantom with an engine fire warning, landed safely.				

Friday 25th March 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

228 OCU MPC PM 1x AIM-7 fired.				
WF382	[Q]	Varsity T.1	23 MU	23 MU Sticker
SE-GRR	-	B200 King Air	IAC	On lease to Irish Air Corps
		F-4C/D	/TFW	
		F-27	[KLu]	Dutch AF
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL567:84 returned from Kemble, see 23.7 & 8.9.76				

Saturday 26th March 1977 [MC 6/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Capsized lifeboat, 2 crew members taken to Valley SMC.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Boy lost at sea off Trearddur Bay, nothing seen.				
Freedom of Bangor Flypast: Hawk T.1 4 FTS XX162:162 Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR574:24 XR951:26 XP533:33 XP530:64 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XG274:71 XF509:73 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL587:87 XL565:89 Wessex HAR.2 Whirlwind HAR.10 SARTS F/L R F King.				

Sunday 27th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

WK118	18	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WK122	22	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Report of a capsized boat in the Menai Straits, false alarm.				

Monday 28th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

228 OCU MPC AM 1x AIM-9 fired. PM 1x AIM-7 fired.				
XV393		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XV404		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XT905		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XT914		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC
XV436		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC to Coningsby 15:05
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	Until 31.3
XS517	W-V:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	Until 31.3
XS481	W-Z:VL	Wessex HU.5*	707 NAS	Until 31.3
*Mountain Flying Detachment from Yeovilton 28-31.3				
XT668	AS	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
G-ASMG	-	DH.104 Dove 8	HSA	
XF967		Hunter T.8B	237 OCU	
XF995		Hunter T.8B	237 OCU	
XV345	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	

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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Tuesday 29th March 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276]

228 OCU MPC AM no range slots due to other users. PM 1x AIM-9 fired.				
XT894		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	MPC from Coningsby 09:15
69-5785	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
WK639	10	Chipmunk T.10	10 AEF	
WK642	12	Chipmunk T.10	10 AEF	

Wednesday 30th March 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276]

228 OCU MPC AM 3x aborted AIM-7 firings. PM no range slots due to crosswinds at Valley.				
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	
XR517	AN	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT668	AS	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW405	61	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
[XV761]	B	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	

Thursday 31st March 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

228 OCU MPC no range slots due to gale force winds at Llanbedr & Valley.				
XV726	AJ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR506	AV	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW231	CO	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW405	61	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
CASEVAC cardiac case from Bangor to Heath Hospital, Cardiff. Night stopped at Brawdy.				

April 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 292 movements including 5 VIP. 3 diversions: Hunter birdstrike/2 Phantoms weather				
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Friday 1st April 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276]

228 OCU MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. 228 OCU [4 aircraft] departed back to Coningsby PM post their MPC.				
XT914		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	To Coningsby 14:45
XT894		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	To Coningsby 14:45
XT905		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	To Coningsby 12:12

XV404		Phantom FGR.2	228 OCU	To Coningsby 17:10
XV436		Phantom FGR.2*	228 OCU	STCAAME
*Arrived from Coningsby at 14:20 and departed back at 14:45.				
WF382	[Q]	Varsity T.1	23 MU	
XW231	CO	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XM401	17	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XM403	22	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XN505	25	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XM414	37	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XN497	52	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
[XN584]	57	JP T.3A	[CFS or 1 FTS]	
XR379	-	Alouette AH.2	6 Flt/AAC	'AAC379' from Birmingham

Monday 4th April 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XT479	W-X:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
22+13	-	F-104G	MFG-1/WGN	Both visited Lakenheath
22+89	-	F-104G	MFG-1/WGN	
WH948	U	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
66-0478	AR[bk]	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for 5 missing walkers N of Capel Curig, all found safe and well. 2 separate sorties flown with same aircraft, second one by F/L Chandler.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX168 & XX171 4 FTS delivery.				

Tuesday 5th April 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

STCAAME				
*3 aircraft scrambled from Coningsby to Aberporth Range. The chase aircraft [XV482] returned to Coningsby shortly after take-off with an emergency. 1x AIM-9 fired [XV400 chased by XT906]				
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	STCAAME
XT906	T	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	STCAAME
XP439	439	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
31+44	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-43	WGAF
32+55	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-43	WGAF
		Buccaneer S.2		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP540:40 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3S, repaired and back to 4 FTS 24.6.77				

Wednesday 6th April 1977 [CW]

		Meteor		
68-0040	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XW420	5	JP T.5A	RAFC	Poachers scheme
		JP T.5A		

Friday 8th April 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
3 children taken off a small boat stranded on mud flats near Runcorn Bridge, Widnes.				

Sunday 10th April 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
2 people airlifted from a capsized boat off Rhoscolyn, one dead on arrival at RAF Valley SMC.				

Monday 11th April 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Report of divers missing off Douglas, IoM, found safe.				

Tuesday 12th April 1977 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][MB]

XV422	C	Phantom FGR.2*	23 Sqn	STCAAME
*Delivered missiles for the Sqn's forthcoming MPC				
		2x Buccaneer S.2		
XW216	CN	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Motor boat adrift off Rhos-on-Sea, 1 person airlifted off and taken to the beach. The other person was taken off by the Llandudno lifeboat.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR534:65 4 FTS assessed as CAT.5[C]				

Wednesday 13th April 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XV721	AK	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR511	AL	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XX406	P	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
WV383	-	Hunter T.7	RAE	
68-0039	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0005	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
2 climbers recovered from Snowdonia. 2 people taken from cliffs near Abersoch to Bangor Hospital.				

Thursday 14th April 1977 [MAS][MC 6/77][HO][CW]

XS904	A	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	
XR759	H	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	
XW367	26	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XR523	AM	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT672	AZ	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XL389	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	
G-..EC	-	Bo.105	Private	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XP502:02 XP503:03 XP504:04 XR569:08 XM705:10 XM706:12 XP516:16 XS110:20 XR574:24 XR951:26 XR953:29 XR954:30 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP541:41 XP542:42 XR998:47 XS100:57 XP515:59 XP530:64 XS109:63 Hawk T.1 4 FTS/CFS XX161 XX163 XX165 XX167 XX169 XX170 Hunter F.6 4 FTS XF527:70 XF383:72 XF509:73 XF386:75 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 XL600:83 WV372:85 XL597:87 XL565:89 Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XV720 [arrived 4.3] Whirlwind HAR.10 CFS Detachment XN127:W Vampire T.11 XE874 Gate Guard Varsity T.1 WJ943:R Fire Dump				

Friday 15th April 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 28/2309][CW]

23 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Wattisham for their MPC. 23 Sqn MPC 18-29.4.77 *Scrambled from Binbrook to Aberporth Range. *1x Red Top fired [XR759 chased by XV497:Q 23 Sqn, airborne from Valley 15:15] *Both landed at Valley 16:02. *The Lightning departed back to Binbrook at 17:00.				
XV497	Q	Phantom FGR.2*	23 Sqn	MPC arrived 08:45
[XV422]	A	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC arrived 09:27
[XV435]	M	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC arrived 09:27
XV483	O	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC arrived 09:27
XR759	H	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	STCAAME
71+18	-	UH-1D		WGAF
XV258	58	Nimrod MR.1	Kinloss Wg	
73-1648	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
68-0005	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
XS791	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
XW790	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	

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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Saturday 16th April 1977 [MAS][HO]

XW229	DB	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XW226	DK	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
WK124	24	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WK127	[27]	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
XV109	109	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
65-0667	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
68-0606	ZR	RF-4C	/26 TRW	Until 18.4
XW789	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	

Monday 18th April 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

23 Sqn MPC				
AM 3 aircraft flew practice range sortie [XV435 XV497 XV483]				
XR758	J	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	No unit markings
	-	Vulcan B.2		
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		3x Phantom FGR.2	[23 Sqn]	[MPC]
Based noted:				
Gnat T.1 XR998:47 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 19th April 1977 [AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

23 Sqn MPC no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				
XV476	[S]	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
From Wethersfield at 15:20.				
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Man winched off boat off Caernarfon, boat taken under tow by a fishing boat.				

Wednesday 20th April 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

23 Sqn MPC no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				

Thursday 21st April 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

23 Sqn MPC no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				

Friday 22nd April 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

23 Sqn MPC no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr. PM local flying 12:05 [XV422 & XV497]				
XV483	O	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC to Wethersfield 10:15
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP503:03 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Saturday 23rd April 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
2 climbers recovered from Crib Goch and flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 24th April 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Oil slick seen off Point Lynas, Coastguard informed.				

Monday 25th April 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

23 Sqn MPC no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				

Tuesday 26th April 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

23 Sqn MPC AM 2x aborts.				
XV483	O	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
From Wethersfield at 08:20.				
XV476	S	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XW320	50	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XW353	51	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XW427	56	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Scrambled to a Phantom RHAG engagement, not required.				

Wednesday 27th April 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422][CW]

23 Sqn MPC no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM local flying 10:45 [XV435 XV483 XV422 XV497]				
XV435	[M]	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV483	O	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV422	C	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV497	Q	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC
XV476	S	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	MPC to Wethersfield 09:45
XV415	A	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	
XT891	Z	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	
XW315	32	JP T.5A	CFS	
XW862	D	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	

XL614		Hunter T.7	237 OCU	N/stop ?
XM654	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX161 XX162 XX163 XX164 XX165 XX167 XX169 XX170 4 FTS visited Leeming. Gnat T.1 XR998:47 4 FTS visited Leeming. Hunter F.6 XF509:73 & XF526:78 4 FTS visited Leeming. The Leeming aircraft were involved in the Queen's Review. Whirlwind HAR.10 XR485:Q 2[A]FTS detachment.				

Thursday 28th April 1977 [MAS][HO][*Pprune Dominator2 logbook][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

23 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired, high speed firing [XV435*] PM 2x AIM-9 fired.				
XW320	50	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XW433	61	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XW436	62	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XT280	032:R	Buccaneer S.2	809 NAS	N/stop?
XM603	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Gnat birdstrike precautionary, not required. Gnat engine vibration precautionary, not required.				

Friday 29th April 1977 [AIR 24/3276][CW]

23 Sqn MPC PM 1x AIM-7 fired. 23 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed to Wethersfield [bolthole base] at 17:30 post their MPC.				
[XV422]	A	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	To Wethersfield
XV435	M	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	To Wethersfield
XV483	O	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	To Wethersfield
XV497	Q	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	To Wethersfield
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX172 4 FTS delivery. Hunter T.7 XL573:97 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Saturday 30th April 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

G-BAFG	-	DH.82A Tiger Moth	Private	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler

2 persons believed missing in the Dee Estuary, nothing seen.

May 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 274 movements including 3 VIP.
Mona Flying Club operated from Valley for 2 weekends whilst painting continues at Mona.
2 Diversions: Robin & a Shackleton
16 Hawks present by the end of the month.

Sunday 1st May 1977 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	'FVU92' Speke-Finningley
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Williams
Report of a woman struck by lightning on Moel Siabod, found unhurt.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
Search of the Dee Estuary, 2 bodies found, see 30.4				

Monday 2nd May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309]

XN473	58	JP T.3A	3 FTS/CFS	
XS881	046:R	Wessex HAS.3	SAR	HMS Ark Royal
XS882	047:R	Wessex HAS.3	SAR	HMS Ark Royal
66-0433	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Injured climber flown from Lliwedd to Bangor Hospital, climber died in the ambulance.				

Tuesday 3rd May 1977

XR386	[-]	Alouette AH.2	6 Flt/AAC	
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX173 4 FTS delivery.				

Wednesday 4th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][MB]

XR386	-	Alouette AH.2	6 Flt/AAC	
XT773	510:PO	Wessex HU.5	772 NAS	
XT649	514:PO	Wessex HU.5	772 NAS	
XT486	437:RS	Wessex HU.5	829 NAS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR980:17 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 18.2.77 Hunter T.7 XL621:81 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Thursday 5th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS]

XW421	35	JP T.5A	CFS	
XP547	03	JP T.4	TWU	
XM465	16	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XW906	J	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	

XH133	-	Canberra PR.9	39 Sqn	
XW216	CN	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS all visited Lossiemouth. XP504:04 XR535:05 XR569:08 XM705:10 XP532:32 XP541:41 XS100:57 Wessex HAR.2 XR501 22 Sqn				

Friday 6th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS]

XM465	16	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XN643	26	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
XN497	52	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
SE-GRR	-	B200 King Air	Irish Air Corps	'IRISH ARMY232', on loan
XN552	59	JP T.3A	CFS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR535:05 XR953:29 XP532:32 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Monday 9th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 27/3406]

11 Sqn [6 aircraft] arrived at 09:40 from Binbrook for their MPC. 11 Sqn MPC 9-20.7, 2 missiles fired. PM no range slot due to bad weather at Llanbedr. PM 4 aircraft flew a practice range sortie [XR727 XR759 XR765 XS936]				
XR727	F	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR759	H	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR765	C	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS904	A	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS922	L	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS936	G	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR639	-	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
XT626	T	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
XW615	-	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
XT514	N	Sioux AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
XT111	Q	Sioux AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
XT206	-	Sioux AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS all visited Lossiemouth. XM705:10 XP533:33 XP541:41 XP530:64				

Tuesday 10th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

11 Sqn MPC AM 1x Red Top fired. PM no range slots due to other users.				
XW353	51	JP T.3A	3 FTS	
VP968	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	

XS528	423	Wasp HAS.1	829 NAS	HMS Diomedes
XT670	AU	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR499	AW	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		HS.125		

Wednesday 11th May 1977 [AIR 24/3276]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots due to low stratus at Llanbedr & Aberporth. PM local flying 14:45 [XR727/XS904]				

Thursday 12th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

11 Sqn MPC AM 1x Red Top fired. PM 2x Red Top aborts. *2 aircraft from 228 OCU at Coningsby arrived at 10:13 for a firing against a SARD target. *PM aborted due to the failure of the SARD target to operate. *Departed back to Coningsby at 16:50				
XV495	1	Phantom FGR.2*	[41 Sqn]	STCAAME
XV436	-	Phantom FGR.2*	228 OCU	STCAAME or XV438:A 29 Sqn
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Friday 13th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots due to computer maintenance at Aberporth. AM local flying 09:20 [XR765 & XS904] & 11:30 [XR765 & XS904]				
WV322		Hunter T.8C	237 OCU	
73-1647	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR574:24 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3S Gnat T.1 XS109:63 4 FTS repairs ?				

Saturday 14th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots due to computer maintenance at Aberporth.				
XR383	-	Alouette AH.2	6 Flt/AAC	
XX626	46	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	
XX628	48	Bulldog T.1	Wales UAS	
		Hercules C.1	LTW	
		Hercules C.1	LTW	

Sunday 15th May 1977 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots due to computer maintenance at Aberporth.				
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Williams
Search for 3 scuba divers reported missing off Bardsey Island, found safe and well and flown				

to the Coastguard Station.

Monday 16th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots due to computer maintenance at Aberporth.

AM local flying 10:15 [XS936/XR765]

PM local flying 15:15 [XS936 & XR759] & 16:20 [XS936 & XR759]

XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XH537	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	

Tuesday 17th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots due to computer maintenance at Aberporth.

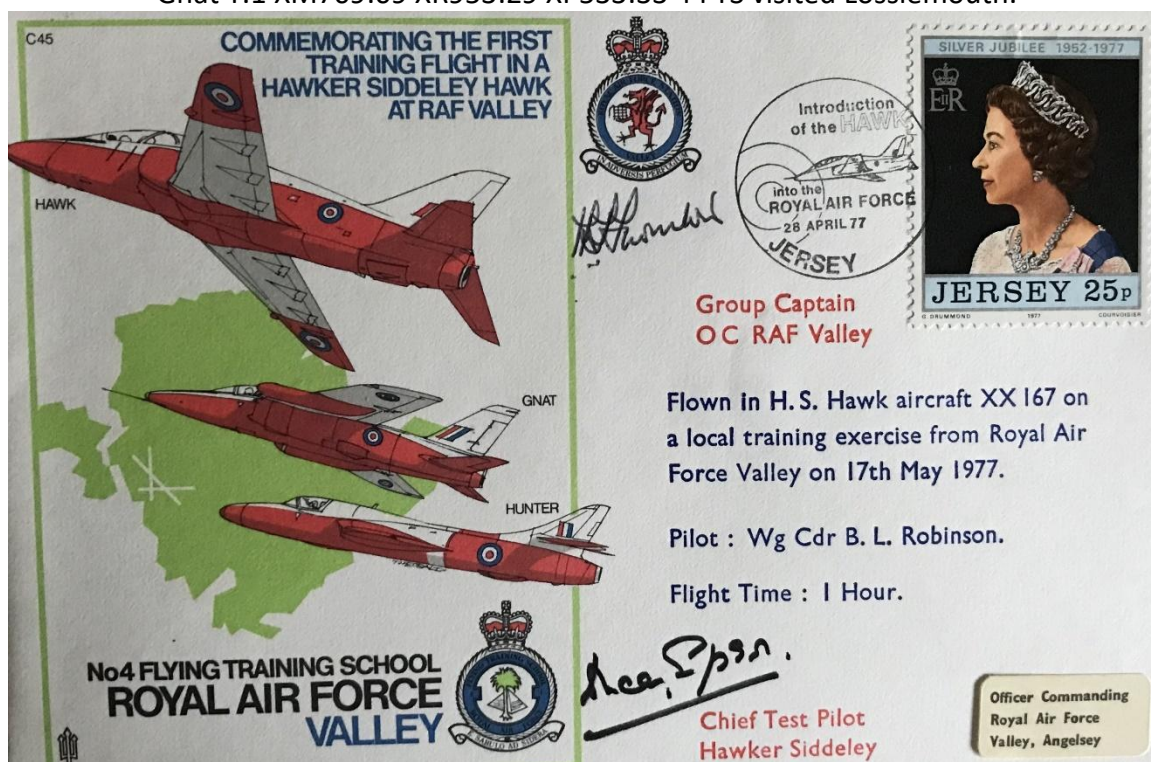
AM local flying 09:50 [XS936 & XR759] & 10:45 [XS936 & XR759]

PM local flying 14:45 [XS922 XS936 XR727 XR765]

WB534	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XS791	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
WA662	-	Meteor T.7	RAE Llanbedr	
68-0002	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Canberra		
		Lightning F.6		

Based noted:

Gnat T.1 XM709:09 XR953:29 XP533:33 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.



First Day Cover flown on this date.

[Dick Thomas Collection]

Wednesday 18th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

11 Sqn MPC

AM 1x Red Top misfire. PM range slot aborted after Jindivik became unserviceable whilst airborne.				
		5x Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS416	T	Lightning T.5	11 Sqn	STCAAME/MPC
From Binbrook at 13:45 then departed back to Binbrook at 16:28, returning to Valley 18:25.				
69-5797	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
XX497	74	Jetstream T.1	METS	
XZ106	E	Jaguar GR.1	2 Sqn	
XZ112	G	Jaguar GR.1	2 Sqn	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR538:01 XR984:52 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Gnat T.1 XP506:06 4 FTS suffered a ground accident, assessed as CAT.5[C] - not repaired. Gnat T.1 XP538:38 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3S back to 4 FTS by 13.8.77				

Thursday 19th May 1977 [MAS][MC 6/77 & 8/77][AIR 24/3276]

11 Sqn MPC AM 2x aborts. PM no range slots due to other users.				
XS416	T	Lightning T.5	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 09:15
66-0418	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
G-DJBB	-	Citation CVT	Private	From Staverton to BHX
XX498	[75]	Jetstream T.1	METS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM705:10 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Hunter T.7 XL600:83 WV372:85 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Friday 20th May 1977 [AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. 11 Sqn [6 aircraft] departed back to Binbrook at 15:38 post their MPC.				
XR727	F	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR759	H	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR765	C	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS904	A	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS922	L	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS936	G	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat engine vibration precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX171:171 4 FTS PD Coningsby. Hawk T.1 XX161:161 XX166:166 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. [Gnat/Hawk/Hunter] 4 FTS liaison visit to Wildenrath, returned 23.5				

Saturday 21st May 1977 [MC 6/77][AIR 28/2309]

XR639	-	Scout AH.1	663 Sqn/AAC	To Staverton
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XT640	-	Scout AH.1	Netheravon	To Staverton
		Scout AH.1		
		Sioux AH.1		
		Sioux AH.1		
[XZ576]	[411:BL]	Sea King HAS.1	[820 NAS]	
This Sea King routed: Culdrose-Prestwick on loan to 819 NAS on this date.				
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
4 people [2 adults & 2 children] airlifted from a drifting boat off Penrhyn Mawr.				

Sunday 22nd May 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Chandler
1 person airlifted from Lake outside the Officer's Mess, Valley and take to the SMC.				

Monday 23rd May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 27/3422]

XR807	807	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat with fuel asymmetry, not required.				

Tuesday 24th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][CW]

31+77	-	G.91R-3	WS-10	WGAF
32+25	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-43	WGAF
32+66	-	G.91R-3	WS-10	WGAF
32+90	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-43	WGAF
		Meteor T.7		
XX660	[A]	Bulldog T.1	[Oxford UAS]	
		Scout AH.1		
[Scouts XP857 XP899 XR600 were all on detachment at Llanbedr, one of those?]				
XS452	T	Lightning T.5	[11 Sqn]	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XS104:44 4 FTS visited Cranwell. Hawk T.1 XX166 XX168 XX171 4 FTS visited Cranwell. Hawk T.1 XX169:169 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Hunter T.7 XL597:87 4 FTS visited Cranwell.				

Wednesday 25th May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 27/3422][CW]

WL790	90	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	
68-0038	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0076	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0061	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XH560	-	Vulcan SR.2	27 Sqn	

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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Scrambled to a G.91 hydraulic precautionary, aircraft landed safely.				

Thursday 26th May 1977 [MC 7/77 & 8/77][MAS][CW]

XL361	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	
XM646	-	Vulcan B.2	[9 Sqn]	
68-0002	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0020	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XW790	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
XR600	-	Scout AH.1	664 Sqn/AAC	To Staverton
XT621	-	Scout AH.1	664 Sqn/AAC	To Staverton
XT642	-	Scout AH.1	664 Sqn/AAC	To Staverton
		Jaguar GR.1		

Friday 27th May 1977 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

		Devon		
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Report of a man overboard off Llandudno, false alarm.				

Sunday 29th May 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
3 children rescued from Little Orme's Head.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Dinghy with 4 occupants drifting off Newborough.				

Monday 30th May 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422][CW]

1 st Hawk Student Course begins.				
XJ784	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XM649	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XG274:71 XF383:72 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Hunter T.7 XL609:80 WV372:85 XL597:87 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Tuesday 31st May 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 27/3406]

STCAAME *From Binbrook to Aberporth Range 'Omega Minor' firings. 2x Firestreak fired. Both landed at Valley.				
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XR720	[M]	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	STCAAME F/O Manning
XP764	O	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	STCAAME S/L Brindle
68-0007	UH	F-111E	/20TFW	
68-0027	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0031	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0051	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
XL232	-	Victor K.2	232 OCU	
		Harrier T.4		
		Devon		

June 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 327 movements including 6 VIP.
ATC Summer Camp Chipmunks started operating during the last week of June.
They are operating on weekends and after 4 FTS day flying has finished.

Wednesday 1st June 1977 [MC 7/77 & 8/77][Pprune snakecharmer Father's logbook*][MAS][CW][AIR 29/4693]

WH983	[Z]	Canberra E.15*	100 Sqn	AR.15 Radar calibration
*The AR.15 was the main surveillance radar. The Canberra night stopped.				
		Canberra		
		Canberra PR.9		
XS793	-	Andover CC.2	Queens Flt	'RRR1341' S/L Williams
Routed: Benson-Northolt-Valley[10:10/15:40]-Northolt-Benson. VIP Mr Wellbeloved MP.				
XT671	AD	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XS675	AR	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
G-ASOF	-	Beagle B206C	Private	From Tollerton
		Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	

Thursday 2nd June 1977 [MC 8/77][Pprune snakecharmer Father's logbook*][MAS]

XZ113	A	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ358	M	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XR728	H	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	
XV328	T	Lightning T.5	5 Sqn	
WH983	[Z]	Canberra E.15*	100 Sqn	AR.15 Radar calibration

Friday 3rd June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309]

XP439	439	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	From Lyneham
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
2 boys airlifted off Little Orme and handed over to the Police.				

Saturday 4th June 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
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Report of a fallen climber on Tryfan, not required.

Sunday 5th June 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Boy with a broken leg flown from Abersoch to Bangor Hospital.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Man with a heart attack on Crib-y-Ddisgyl found dead on arrival. MRT & Police flown in.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
German ship 'Bijou' sank 5nms off Point Lynas 040/13nms. 3 crew picked up by passing ship, crewman sank the dinghy.				

Monday 6th June 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

		F-111		
Precautionary landing due to a cockpit fire, Wessex HAR.2 XV720 22 Sqn [F/L Garnons-Williams] was scrambled but not required.				

Tuesday 7th June 1977 [MAS][AIR 28/2309]

	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Hypothermic case flown from Pen-yr-Ole-Wen to Bangor Hospital.				

Wednesday 8th June 1977 [MC 8/77][AIR 28/2309][CW]

70-2362	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	
70-2366	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	
70-2389	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
71-0889	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
71-0887	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
68-0001	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD pairs approach
68-0032	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD pairs approach
XH559	-	Vulcan B.2	230 OCU	
XM569	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XV238	38	Nimrod MR.1	Kinloss Wg	
XZ112	A	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XW288	66	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
	-	Pembroke C.1	60 Sqn	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Man overboard from a small boat off Beaumaris, picked up by a passing boat.				

Thursday 9th June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW]

XT671	AD	Wessex HC.2*	72 Sqn	
XR523	AM	Wessex HC.2*	72 Sqn	

XT606	AO	Wessex HC.2*	72 Sqn	
XT670	AU	Wessex HC.2*	72 Sqn	
XR498	AX	Wessex HC.2*	72 Sqn	
XR499	AW	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
*The Wessex are also quoted as AD/AU/AM/AK/AW				
XX979	[-]	Jaguar GR.1	A&AEE	
70-2386	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
		4x F-111		
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
[XM838]	405:LN	Wessex HAS.3	737 NAS	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Report of capsized dinghy off Colwyn Bay, nothing found.				

Friday 10th June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW][MB]

XG160	22	Hunter FGA.9	79 Sqn/TWU	
XG196	25	Hunter FGA.9	TWU	
XJ634	29	Hunter FGA.9	TWU	
XG254	K	Hunter FGA.9	63 Sqn/TWU	
XX159	[-]	Hawk T.1	A&AEE	
65-0772	WR	F-4D	78 TFS/81 TFW	
375	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
XL511	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	
XW373	6	JP T.5A	RAFC	
70-2362	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	
70-2394	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Capsized boat off Abersoch, crew picked up by lifeboat.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
3 men adrift in a boat off Llandudno, picked up by lifeboat.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR538:01 4 FTS				



Approaching the holding point for Runway 19.

[Tudor Rowlands]

XP504:04 XR535:05 XR569:08 XM709:09 XP511:11 XM706:12 XP516:16 XR980:17 XM708:18
XS110:20 XP532:32 XP533:33 XS105:35 XS104:44 XR998:47 XR984:52

XP539:L [ex. Red Arrows, [see below](#)]

Gnat T.1 XP539:L 4 FTS delivered to CFS/Red Arrows]

[XP539 subsequently crashed at Leeming due to a fuel blockage on 22.5.79, then to the Leeming fire dump the pilots ejected safely: W/C Ernie Jones & F/L Mike Underdown. F/L Underdown sustained a back injury]

Hunter F.6 4 FTS

XG274:71 XF383:72 XF386:75 XF526:78

Hunter T.7 4FTS

XL621:81 XL600:83 XL567:84 WV372:85 XL566:86 XL597:87 XL565:89 XL573:97

Hawk T.1 4 FTS/CFS

XX161 XX162 XX168 XX170 XX172

Wessex HC.2 C Flt/22 Sqn

XR497 XV720

Whirlwind HAR.10 2[A]FTS

XP394:C XN127:W

Saturday 11th June 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276]

STCAAME				
Arrived from Binbrook pre-positioned for their MPC.				
XR747	E	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XR723	D	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC

Sunday 12th June 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Heart attack case flown from 7nms SW of Llangollen to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 13th June 1977 [HO][AIR 28/2309]

5 Sqn [6 aircraft, 2 arrived 11.6] arrived from Binbrook at 09:40 for their MPC.				
5 Sqn MPC 13-17.6.77				
PM no range slots due to other users.				

XR753	A	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XS935	B	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XS919	C	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XS899	L	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
		Jaguar GR.1	2 Sqn	'MTC'
XX147	II	Jaguar T.2	2 Sqn	'IMC'
70-2403	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	PD 'TEST51' Serial ?
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD 17:30
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
		4x F-111		
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Electrocuted sailor flown from Liverpool Pilot boat in the Mersey to Broad Green Hospital.				

Tuesday 14th June 1977 [AIR 24/3276][CW]

5 Sqn MPC AM 1x Red Top fired. PM 1x Red Top fired.				
		HS.125		

Wednesday 15th June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

5 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to bad weather on the range.				
XV328	T	Lightning T.5	5 Sqn	MPC from Binbrook 15:45
130323	323	CC-130E	/CAF	
		4x Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	

Thursday 16th June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276]

5 Sqn MPC AM 2x Red Top fired.				
XR753	A	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XS935	B	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XS919	C	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 16:19
XR723	D	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XR747	E	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 15:25
XS899	L	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	MPC
XV328	T	Lightning T.5	5 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 15:25
70-2362	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	
70-2394	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
68-0047	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
I-IVAN	-	MB.326	Aeritalia	

XR525	AG	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
[XR517]	AN	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR499	AW	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW367	Z	JP T.5B	6 FTS	
		JP T.5B	[6 FTS]	
XH669	-	Victor K.2	57 Sqn	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Seaman with a heart attack flown from MV 'Petingo' to Broad Green Hospital, Liverpool.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Search a missing elderly hill walker near Dolgellau, found safe and well.				

Friday 17th June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276]

5 Sqn MPC AM 1x Red Top fired. 5 Sqn [3 aircraft*] departed back to Binbrook at 14:30 post their MPC.				
XR753	A	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	To Binbrook
XS935	B	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	To Binbrook
XS899	L	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	To Binbrook
N12-153598	841	S-2E	816 NAS	R Australian Navy



Seen here at Greenham Common a week later on 25.6 [Tudor Rowlands]

XV251	51	Nimrod MR.1	St Mawgan Wg	
	AR	3x RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Child reported drifting in a rubber dinghy off Llanbedr, rescued by lifeboat.				
XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Boy with head injuries lifted from Cwm Idwal to Bangor Hospital.				

Saturday 18th June 1977 [MC 8/77][HO][MAS]

G-ARMP	-	Cessna F172B	Private	
69-0360	ZR	RF-4C	/26 TRW	'PIROL61 FLIGHT'
69-0365	ZR	RF-4C	/26 TRW	'PIROL61 FLIGHT'
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX167:167 4 FTS Dunsfold Families Day.				

Monday 20th June 1977 [MAS][AIR 24/3276]

STCAAME *Delivered missiles for their forthcoming MPC.				
		Lightning F.3*	LTF	STCAAME
		Lightning T.5*	LTF	STCAAME
XV105	105	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	LN	3x F-111F	/48 TFW	
	-	Vulcan B.2		
		Puma HC.1		

Tuesday 21st June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW]

STCAAME *Delivered missiles for their forthcoming MPC.				
		Lightning F.3*	LTF	STCAAME
		Lightning F.3*	LTF	STCAAME
XN855	855	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
	LN	2x F-111F	/48 TFW	
		HS.125		

Wednesday 22nd June 1977 [AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422][CW]

STCAAME/MPC *228 OCU [2 aircraft] arrived at 09:45 for further firings on the SARD target. PM 1x AIM-7 fired. They both returned to Coningsby at 16:30.				
XV495		Phantom FGR.2*	228 OCU	MPC
XV492		Phantom FGR.2*	228 OCU	MPC
XT483	477	Wasp HAS.1	829 NAS	
		Canberra TT.18		
		Jaguar GR.1		
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Thursday 23rd June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][CW][MB]

58+84	-	Do.28D-2	LeKG-43	WGAF
		Lightning F.6		
Based noted:				

Gnat T.1 XR574:24 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 13.5.77

Friday 24th June 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Saturday 25th June 1977 [MC 8/77][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3422]

[XW635]	-	Scout AH.1	/AAC	To Halfpenny Green
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Canoeist reported in difficulties off Penrhyn Mawr, no assistance required.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Rescued 3 fishermen in a drifting boat with engine failure off Rhosneigr.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX164:164 4 FTS Greenham Common Airshow.				

Monday 27th June 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW][AIR 29/4693]

LTF [3x F.3 & 2x T.5] arrived from Binbrook for their MPC. LTF MPC 27.6-8.7 PM no range slot due to low stratus at Llanbedr.				
XP750	B	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC arrived 09:36
XR718	C	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC arrived 09:36
XR716	D	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC arrived 09:36
XS420	V	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC arrived 09:46
XS456	T	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC arrived 09:46
G-AYZN	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
XW789	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
		Puma HC.1		
XV733		Wessex HCC.4	Queens Flt	'RRR1379' F/L Hurley
Routed: Benson-Hawarden-Wrexham-Valley[13:35/14:45]-Llanddwyn-Benson. HRH Prince of Wales, was also supposed to visit Cwm Idwal but unable due to weather.				

Wednesday 29th June 1977 [MAS][CW]

LTF MPC AM 1x Firestreak misfire. PM no range slots due to other users.				
XP750	B	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XR716	D	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XS456	T	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XS454	Y	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XS458	Z	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
68-0025	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
G-BBAX	-	Robin DR.400	Private	
		Puma HC.1		

Thursday 30th June 1977 [MC 8/77][HO][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

LTF MPC no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM practice range sortie [XS420 XS456 XP750]				
XT193	-	Sioux AH.1	AAC Netheravon	'AAC365' to Staverton
68-0017	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Garnons-Williams
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

July 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 571 movements including 3 VIP. 5 diversions: Beaver/Canberra/Devon/Hercules/Vulcan.				
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Friday 1st July 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276]

LTF MPC AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. LTF [5 aircraft] departed back to Binbrook at 10:50 for the weekend.				
XR716	D	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XP750	B	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XR718	C	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XS456	T	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XS420	V	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
Gnat T.1 - CFS/Red Arrows 2 turnrounds at STCAAME before and after the display at Aberystwyth. XP514 XR540 XR991 XR995 plus 5				
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
2 boys cut off by the tide airlifted from Starvation Island.				

Sunday 3rd July 1977 [MC 8/77]

G-ATUL	-	PA-28 Cherokee 180	Private	
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Monday 4th July 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

LTF [5 aircraft] arrived back from Binbrook to continue their MPC. AM no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr. PM 4x aborted firings. PM 13:50 [XR716] airborne as chase for a 29 Sqn firing.				
XR716	D	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XP750	B	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XR718	C	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XS420	V	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC

XS458	Z	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XV230	30	Nimrod MR.1	St Mawgan Wg	
XS539	434:E	Wasp HAS.1*	829 NAS	HMS Endurance, dep 9.7
XS527	435:E	Wasp HAS.1*	829 NAS	HMS Endurance, dep 9.7
*Mountain Flying Detachment.				
		Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Jaguar GR.1		
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL597:87 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3S repaired at Valley ?				

Tuesday 5th July 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][CW]

LTF MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. AM practice range sortie [XS420 & XS458]				
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XX971	DE	Jaguar GR.1	31 Sqn	
XZ360	[Y]	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XM597	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
XL321	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	
XS712	A	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS727	D	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XG164	36	Hunter F.6	TWTU	
XW372	63	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
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XR497	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Man airlifted from Great Orme to Bangor Hospital.				

Wednesday 6th July 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276][CW]

LTF MPC AM 2x Firestreaks fired. PM 1x Firestreak misfire.				
XL321	-	Vulcan B.2	230 OCU	
WT488		Canberra T.4		
XP753	[S]	Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	
XS712	A	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS727	D	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
G-BAOZ	-	Cessna 414	Private	
G-BAEG	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
G-AWWW	-	Cessna 401	Private	
XV568	002:R	Phantom FG.1	892 NAS	N/stop
		7x Puma HC.1		
		Sioux AH.1		
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XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
ATC cadet suffering from exhaustion flown from Newborough Forest to Valley SMC.				

Thursday 7th July 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][HO][AIR 24/3276]

LTF MPC AM 1x Firestreak misfire. PM no range slots due to other users. *Delivered missiles from Binbrook, arrived 13:20 and departed back at 16:00.				
XS417	W	Lightning T.5*	LTF	STCAAME
XL450	042:R	Gannet AEW.3	849 NAS	
XV568	002:R	Phantom FG.1	892 NAS	
XW220	DD	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
		Gazelle AH.1	/AAC	'AAC306'
		Gazelle AH.1	/AAC	'AAC247'
		Sioux AH.1	/AAC	'AAC365'
XZ117	E	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XZ118	F	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	

Friday 8th July 1977 [MC 8/77][MAS][AIR 28/2309][AIR 24/3276]

LTF MPC AM 1x misfire. PM ground abort due to low cloud at Llanbedr. LTF [5 aircraft] departed to Binbrook at 16:30 post their MPC.				
XP750	B	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XS458	Z	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XS420	V	Lightning T.5	LTF	MPC
XR716	D	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
XR718	C	Lightning F.3	LTF	MPC
G-BBRA	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Private	
G-BCCJ	-	AA-5 Traveller	Private	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Headmaster & pupil found drowned off Aberdaron.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP511:11 XM705:10 4 FTS visited Wildenrath, RAFG W/e stop.				

Saturday 9th July 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Injured climber flown from Clogwyn Dwr to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 10th July 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Diver with the 'bends' flown from Rhyl to Portadown, N Ireland.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan

Report of a child being swept out to sea at Dinas Dinlle.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Search for missing swimmer off Blackpool.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Search for missing swimmer off Blackpool.				

Monday 11th July 1977 [AIR 28/2309][CW}

		3x F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
2 children stranded in a rubber boat rescued from rocks off Rhosneigr.				

Tuesday 12th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 27/3424]

XS713	C	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS729	G	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XS711	Z	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XV193	193	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5059' F/L Joyner
Routed: Lyneham-Benson-Valley[08:55/09:20]-Linton on Ouse.				
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	PD
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	PD
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
B-80	-	Bo.105CB*	Sqn/KLu	N/stop Dutch AF
B-88	-	Bo.105CB*	Sqn/Klu	N/stop Dutch AF
*Both Bo.105's departed to Yeovilton 13.7				

Wednesday 13th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][AIR 28/2309][AIR 27/3424]

XH171	-	Canberra PR.9	[39 Sqn]	
XV193	193	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5059' F/L Joyner
Routed: Linton on Ouse-Valley[07:15/07:35]-St Mawgan-Benson-Lyneham.				
XV187	187	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XV300	300	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR4998' F/L Davis n/stop
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[06:10]				
XL389	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XS177		JP T.4	[TWU]	
G-BCVJ	-	Cessna F172M	Private	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Attended a Whirlwind aircraft which had made a forced landing near Brawdy.				

Thursday 14th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77]

XW866	E	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XV107	107	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
XX826	AD	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XZ376	AE	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XZ372	AQ	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XV300	300	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR4998' F/L Davis
Routed: Valley[13:00]-Lyneham.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX175:175 4 FTS St Mawgan Airshow.				

Friday 15th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][AIR 24/3276][CW][AIR 27/3440]

STCAAME *BAC Warton [3 Tornados] arrived to use the STCAAME facilities. Warton's runway was being resurfaced 15.7-3.8.77				
XX948	-	Tornado PO.6*	BAC	
XX950	-	Tornado PO.8*	BAC	
XZ630	233	Tornado P[S].12*	BAC	'233' Paris Airshow code.
XW236	CQ	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XV302	302	Hercules C.1	LTW	
XV197	197	Hercules C.1	47 Sqn	'RRR5618' F/L Kingsford
Routed: Lyneham-Kinloss-Valley[10:45/11:50]-Lyneham.				
68-0005	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Saturday 16th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][AIR 28/2309]

		Lynx HAS.2	700[L]NAS	
		Lynx HAS.2	700[L]NAS	
		Canberra		
		Hercules C.1	LTW	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Fallen climber flown from Glyder Fawr to Bangor Hospital.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Fallen climber flown from Crib Goch to Bangor Hospital.				
XV720	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Climber with broken ankle flown from Glyder Fach to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 17th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77]

WH734	-	Canberra B[TT].2	RAE Llanbedr	
XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XT771	W-R:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XT476	W-S:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	

XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE	
XV211	211	Hercules C.1	LTW	
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
XR755	P	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	
XW224	CU	Puma HC.1	240 OCU	

Monday 18th July 1977 [CW]

XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2	RAE	
XV211	211	Hercules C.1	LTW	
68-0052	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	

Tuesday 19th July 1977 [MAS][AIR 28/2309][CW]

		Alouette AH.2	/AAC	
XM383	45	JP T.3	1 FTS	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
XR755	F	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	
XX950	-	Tornado PO.8	BAC	
XW224	CF	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Assisted 2 swimmers in difficulty off Criccieth.				

Wednesday 20th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO]

17+02	-	VFW-614	FBSS	WGAF from Koln/Bonn
	-	Victor K.2	55 Sqn	
XV103	103	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
XW200	CX	Puma HC.1	240 OCU	

Thursday 21st July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][AIR 28/2309][CW]

66-7676	WR	F-4D	/81 TFW	
		Alouette AH.2	/AAC	
68-0022	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
73-0712	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	PD
		Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
		Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Climber with head injuries flown from Crib Goch to Bangor Hospital.				

Friday 22nd July 1977 [MAS]

[XV789]	F	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
[XW272]	Z	Harrier T.4	4 Sqn	
		Harrier	4 Sqn	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

Saturday 23rd July 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
7 seasick persons picked up from motor cruiser 20nms N of Point Lynas.				

Sunday 24th July 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

XP354	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Calvert
Investigation of calls for help near Blaenau Ffestiniog, nothing found.				

Monday 25th July 1977 [BARG][MAS][MC 10/77][HO]

XP354	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	D Flt, Brawdy
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	
22+88	-	F-104G	MFG-2	'DCN5821' WGN
22+95	-	F-104G	MFG-2	'DCN5821' WGN
68-0061	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
73-0714	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
[XV789]	F	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
XW272	Z	Harrier T.4	4 Sqn	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Capsized dinghy at 4-mile Bridge, not required.				
Based noted: ATC Summer Camp flying: Chipmunk T.10 WK572:[X] [3 AEF] & WP837:[L] [5 AEF]				

Tuesday 26th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HE][HO]

XT859	006:R	Phantom FG.1	892 NAS	'ML72'
XV498	V	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	'FWR05'
XX948	-	Tornado P0.6	BAC	'TARNISH1' STCAAME
XX950	-	Tornado P0.8	BAC	STCAAME
XZ630	233	Tornado P[S].12	BAC	'TARNISH11' STCAAME
XH557	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	
XH559	-	Vulcan B.2	44 Sqn	'FNG62'
WH775	-	Canberra PR.7	13 Sqn	'NTZ45'
68-0069	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	'TREST41'
70-2369	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	'RATCH42'
70-2375	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	

70-2376	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
72-1441	LN[r]	F-111F	494 TFS/48 TFW	
Based noted: Deployed to Leeming from 23.7 for the Jubilee celebrations at Finningley were the following 4 FTS aircraft, they returned 30/31.7. [MC 8/77] *Static display aircraft at Finningley. **Flypast aircraft. Gnat T.1 XR538:01** XR574:24** XP540:40 XP541:41* XS104:44** XR984:52 XR541:61** Hunter F.6 XF527:70** XG274:71 XF383:72** XF509:73 Hunter T.7  [Fergal Goodman] XL621:81** XL591:82* XL566:86** XL565:89 Hawk T.1 XX172 [solo aircraft flown by F/L Derek Fitzsimmons] XX164* XX166** XX167** XX168** XX169 XX170 XX172 XX173** XX175				

Wednesday 27th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 24/3276][SB][MB]

STCAAME *From Leuchars to Aberporth Range. *1x AIM-7 fired [XT863 Macleod], landed at Valley 10:33. *PM 1x AIM-7 fired [XT859 with chase XT863] XT863 continued to Leuchars, XT859 landed back at Valley 14:20 for a de-brief. XT859 then departed back to Leuchars at 15:51.				
XT859	006:R	Phantom FG.1*	892 NAS	STCAAME
XT863	014:R	Phantom FG.1*	892 NAS	STCAAME [Murdo Macleod]
VP955	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
99+34	-	Canberra B.2	EST-61	WGAF
XV211	211	Hercules C.1	LTW	
73-0715	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
71-0885	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	

Based noted:
Hunter F.6 XF386:75 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[Serv] repaired on site.

Thursday 28th July 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][MG][HO][AIR 27/3422][MB]

XL387	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
99+34	-	Canberra B.2	EST-61	WGAF
XZ630	233	Tornado P[S].12*	BAC	To RAF Finningley, static
*For the Queen's Jubilee Air Show.				
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XP354	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Whitehead
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XS100:57 4 FTS suffered a birdstrike to the port intake, see above & 14.11.77				

Friday 29th July 1977 [MAS][MC 9/77][HO][AIR 28/2309][MB]

70-2374	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
65-0935	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW	
XW916	W	Harrier GR.1	20 Sqn	
XW205	CB	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	To Staverton
WA662	-	Meteor T.7	RAE Llanbedr	
WK800	Z	Meteor D.16	RAE Llanbedr	
G-AWWW	-	Cessna 401	Private	
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XP354	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Whitehead
Climber rescued from Gogarth cliffs.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP500:50 4 FTS allocated 8667M.				

Saturday 30th July 1977 [ABN1977]

Based noted: The following attended the Queens Silver Jubilee Review at Finningley. Gnat T.1 XP541:41 4 FTS static. Flypast: Gnat T.1 XR574:24 XP540:40 XR541:61 XR984:52 4 FTS. Hawk T.1 XX166:166 XX167:167 XX168:168 XX173:173 CFS/4 FTS. Hunter F.6 XF527:70 XF383:72 4 FTS. Hunter T.7 XL566:86 XL621:81 4 FTS. Hawk T.1 XX172:172 CFS/4 FTS solo display.				

Sunday 31st July 1977 [MC 9/77][AIR 28/2309]

G-BAMU	-	Robin DR.400	Private	To Halfpenny Green
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XP354	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	F/L Calvert
Search for 2 divers missing off Llyn Peninsula, found safely ashore.				

August 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 544 movements including 6 VIP. No diversions.				
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Monday 1st August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][CW]

XR520	AB	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT671	AD	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
74-0182	LN[b]	F-111F	492 TFS/48 TFW	
68-0049	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0068	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	

Tuesday 2nd August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77]

XX370	-	Gazelle AH.1	2 Flt/AAC	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XN509	50	JP T.3A	CFS	

Wednesday 3rd August 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422]

		Nimrod MR.1		
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Hunter precautionary, not required.				
XR588	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
2 persons overboard in the Menai Straits, 1 rescued & 1 swam ashore.				
XR588	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for 2 missing children on Moel Hebog, found safe outside the search area.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Search for missing boy on the Watkin Path on Snowdon, later found safe.				

Thursday 4th August 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422]

		Puma HC.1		
		Puma HC.1		
	-	Alouette AH.2	/AAC	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Red flares seen off Cemaes Bay, boat running out of fuel, taken under tow by another boat.				

Friday 5th August 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422]

		Harrier T.4	233 OCU	
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	-	Vulcan B.2		
		F-111	TFW	
		F-111	TFW	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Girl with head injuries flown from Snowdon to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 8th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77]

[XW268]	U	Harrier T.4	233 OCU	
XW271	17	Harrier T.4	1 Sqn	
XV725	AC	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT668	AS	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

Tuesday 9th August 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM705:10 XP542:42 XS104:44 XR541:61 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth.				

Wednesday 10th August 1977 [AIR 28/2309][IBCCA][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422][MB]

STCAAME				
*Collected and returned 2 Firestreak missiles to Binbrook				
		Lightning T.5*	LTF	
XS791	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	S/L Adams
Chief of the Air Staff, ACM Sir M J Beetham visited and flew in Hawk T.1 XX174:174 with S/L Gamblin. From and to Northolt same day.				
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat precautionary, not required.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XS109:63 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 13.5.77 Gnat T.1 XP504:04 XP540:40 4 FTS visited Lossiemouth. Hunter T.7 XL600:83 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble.				

Thursday 11th August 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR588	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Boy stuck on cliff at Llanbedrog, rescued and taken to Abersoch Coastguard.				

Friday 12th August 1977 [AIR 27/3429]

XV187	187	Hercules C.1	30 Sqn	'RRR5301' F/L Harris
Routed: Lyneham-Kemble-Valley[14:20] Red Arrows support.				

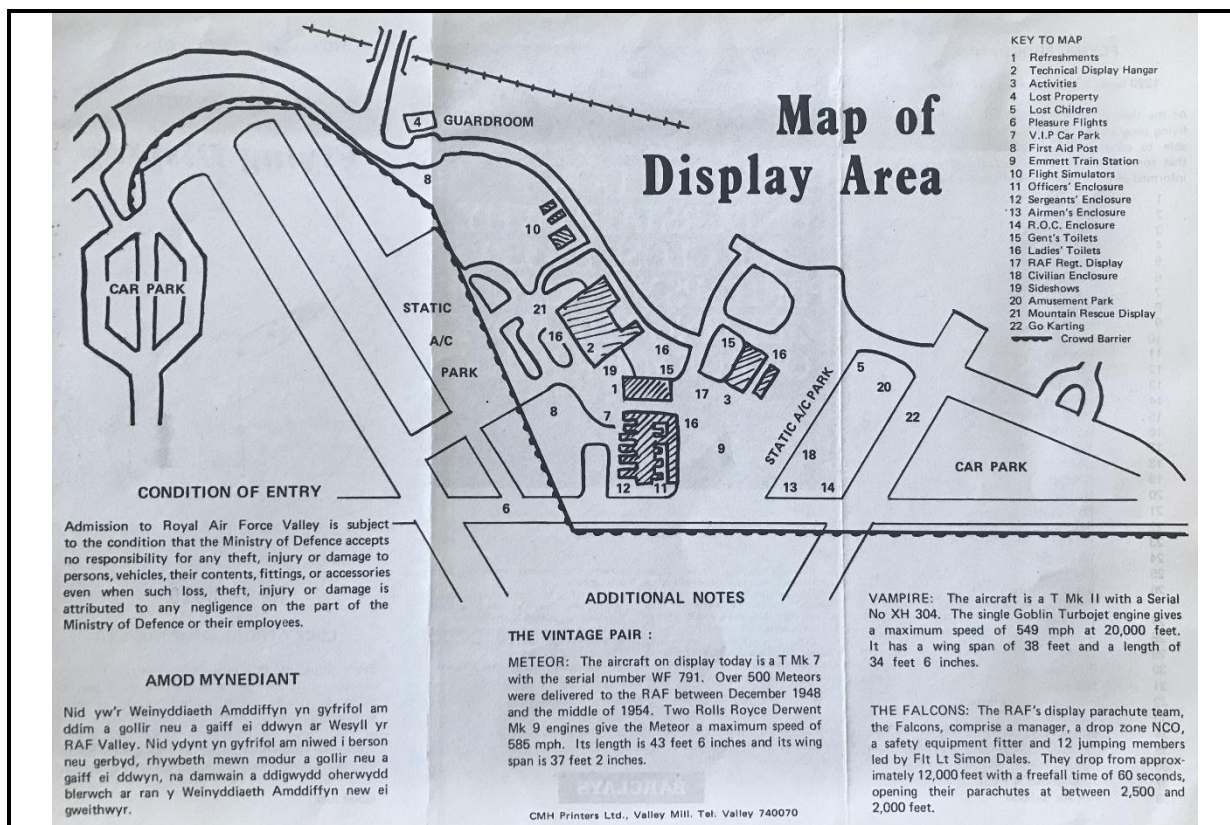
Saturday 13th August 1977 [MC 9/77][MAS][HO]

RAF Valley Open Day.
Flying display 13:20-17:40.
Approx. 35,000 attended.

RAF VALLEY OPEN DAY 1977



[Steve Kelly]



[Both: Dick Thomas Collection]

Static: *Hangar Display

WE113	H	Canberra B.2	100 Sqn	
WP837	L	Chipmunk T.10	5 AEF	
XS709	M	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XW862	D	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	

Based noted: * in hangar.

Gnat T.1 4 FTS

XP506:06* XP537:07 XM709:09* XM706:12* XP516:16 XS110:20* XR953:29* XR954:30*
XP532:32* XR538:38* XR998:47* XP500:50* XP534:62* XS109:63* XR534:64

Hawk T.1 4 FTS

XX177 XX163* XX171* XX176*

Hunter F.6 4 FTS

XF526:78

Hunter T.7 4 FTS

XL567:84 XL591:82*

Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn

XR588

XW926	X	Harrier T.4	233 OCU	
XX756	05	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	



[Tudor Rowlands]

XX492	70	Jetstream T.1	3 FTS	Leeming
A92-999	-	Jindivik	RAE Llanbedr	Composite aircraft



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VZ467	01	Meteor F(TT).8	TWU	Brawdy
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[Tudor Rowlands]

WK800	Z	Meteor U.16	RAE Llanbedr	
XE874		Vampire T.11*	Gate Guard	
XP405	D	Whirlwind HAR.10	2 FTS	
74-01556	56	F-5E	527 TFTAS	



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65-0908	AR	RF-4C	1 TRS/10 TRW
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[Tudor Rowlands]

Flightlines: *Flying only

XV357	-	Buccaneer S.2A*	237 OCU	
XX520	2	Bulldog T.1*	3 FTS	
XX516	10	Bulldog T.1*	3 FTS	
XH174	-	Canberra PR.9	39 Sqn	



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VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	BBMF support
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Based noted:

Gnat T.1 4 FTS *flew in the 12-ship finale.

XR538:01 XP502:02* XP503:03* XP504:04 XR535:05* XR569:08 XM705:10 XP511:11
 XR980:17* XM708:18 XR574:24 XR951:25 XP533:33 XS105:35 XP540:40 XP542:42 XS104:44
 XR984:52 XS102:58 XR544:60 XR541:61 XP530:64

Hawk T.1 4 FTS *flew in the 12-ship finale.

XX161 XX162 XX164 XX165* XX166* XX167 XX168 XX169 XX170 XX173* XX174 XX175

Hunter F.6 4 FTS *flew in 12 ship finale.
 XF527:70 XG271:71 XF380:72* XF509:73*
 Hunter T.7 4 FTS *flew in 12 ship finale.
 XL621:81* XL600:83 XL566:86*
 Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn
 XR518 XT602 XV720

Gnat T.1 CFS/Red Arrows
 XP514 XP535 XR540 XR572 XR955 XR977 XR981 XR987 XR991 XS107

XV187	187	Hercules C.1	30 Sqn	'RRR5301' F/L Harris
Routed: Valley[14:00]-Lossiemouth-Leuchars, Red Arrows support.				
XV217	217	Hercules C.1*	LTW	Falcons support
XV804	J	Harrier GR.3	233 OCU	
PZ865	DT-A	Hurricane IIC	BBMF	
XX750	22	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
PA474	KM-B	Lancaster B.I	BBMF	



[Dick Thomas Collection]

XP741	N	Lightning F.3	11 Sqn	
XP764	O	Lightning F.3	11 Sqn	
WF791	-	Meteor T.7	CFS	Vintage Pair



Approaching the holding point for Runway 32.

[Box Brownie]

XV232	32	Nimrod MR.1*	St Mawgan Wg	
 [John Martin Davies]				
XV571	A	Phantom FG.1	43 Sqn	
 [Mark Taylor Collection]				
XV575	C	Phantom FG.1	43 Sqn	
 [Dick Thomas Collection]				
PM631	AD-C	Spitfire PR.XIX	BBMF	



[Dick Thomas Collection]

WL757	57	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	
XX950	-	Tornado PO.8*	BAC Warton	
XH304	-	Vampire T.11*	CFS	Vintage Pair



[Dick Thomas Collection]

XH554	-	Vulcan B.2*	617 Sqn	
XP331	T	Whirlwind HAR.10	2 FTS	
74-01550	50	F-5E*	527 TFTAS	
76-0020	BT	F-15A	36 TFW	



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70-2376	LN[y]	F-111F*	493 TFS/48 TFW	
68-0553	AR	RF-4C*	/10 TRW	
TF956	123:T	Sea Fury FB.11	FAAHAF	



[Both: Dick Thomas Collection]

G-BBGG	-	Grumman Traveller	Private	
G-AXXH	-	BN2A Islander	NEA	Pleasure flights
G-AVVC	-	Cessna F172H	Private	
G-AWXU	-	Cessna F150J	Private	
G-BAEO	-	Cessna F172M	Private	
G-AVCV	-	Cessna 182J	Private	
EI-BCL	-	Cessna 182 ?	Private	
N90WT	-	Cessna 210	Private	
EI-ATC	-	Cessna 310	Private	
G-ANTE	-	DH.82A Tiger Moth	Private	
G-AXOT	-	MS.893A Rallye 180	Private	
G-ATBG	-	Nord N.1002	L Walton	Painted as Me.109
G-BBNT	-	PA-31 Navajo	NEA	
G-BBOH	-	Pitts S-1S	Private	
G-AYFW	-	Andreasson BA.4B	Private	
G-BANS	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
G-BBRV	-	Chipmunk 22	Private	
WJ943		Varsity T.1	Fire Dump	
XP583	12	JP T.4	Fire Dump	

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP541:41 4 FTS Lossiemouth Open Day. Hawk T.1 XX172:172 4 FTS Lossiemouth Open Day.				
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Sunday 14th August 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Boat with engine failure off Rhosneigr at night, taken under tow by second boat. Helicopter illuminated the rocks and sea channel.				

Monday 15th August 1977 [BARG][MAS][MC 10/77][HO][MB]

[XP749]	[-]	Lightning F.3*	[LTF]	
*Departed with the 2 Lightnings from the Air Show				
WL741	41	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	
70-2381	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
XL563	-	Hunter T.7	[RAE]	
68-0064	UH	F-111E	20 TFW	
WH964	[W]	Canberra E.15	100 Sqn	
WE113	H	Canberra B.2	100 Sqn	
XA880	-	Devon C.2	RAE Llanbedr	
XP448	448	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
G-BDAV	-	PA-23 Aztec 250C	Private	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP515:59 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[flyable] Gnat T.1 XP530:64 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[flyable] Gnat T.1 XP540:40 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[flyable] Gnat T.1 XP541:41 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[flyable] Gnat T.1 XP542:42 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[flyable] Gnat T.1 XR953:29 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3[deferred/flyable]				

Tuesday 16th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 27/3422]

31+40	-	G.91R-3	WS-10	WGAF
32+04	-	G.91R-3	WS-10	WGAF
XW330	65	JP T.5A	[1 FTS]	
XW363	[68]	JP T.5A	[1 FTS]	
XW369	9	JP T.5A	RAFC	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
2 incidents of dinghies in distress, both rescued by rescue boats.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for boat off Barmouth, nothing seen.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for dinghy off Portmeirion, occupants sawm ashore.				

Wednesday 17th August 1977 [AIR 27/3422][CW]

		Phantom FGR.2		
		HS.125-600	HSA	
		Harrier GR.3		
		Harrier GR.3		
		Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Missing children in Lligwy Bay, 1 child taken to Bangor Hospital, other 2 safe.				

Thursday 18th August 1977 [HE][MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 4/248]

XV495	1	Phantom FGR.2	41 Sqn	Sharks mouth on nose
XV465	B	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
XV425	R	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	F/L Fenton to Coningsby
XW544	O	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	Or XW541:Q ?
XX892	R	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW543	W	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW550	X	Buccaneer S.2B	16 Sqn	
68-0002	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0020	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0029	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0069	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
70-2378	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
70-2390	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
XX754	23	Jaguar GR.1	226 OCU	
XX832	S	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XX835	V	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	
XM656	-	Vulcan B.2	101 Sqn	
	-	HS.125 CC.	32 Sqn	

Friday 19th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 27/3422]

	-	Devon		
68-0030	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0039	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
68-0069	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
72-1448	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
73-0713	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Missing climbers on Gogarth, found safe before arrival.				

Saturday 20th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO]

73-0718	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
66-0421	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
66-0423	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
		Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
		Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	

Sunday 21st August 1977 [MAS][MC 9/77]

		Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
		Puma HC.1		
G-AXWE	-	Cessna F150K	Private	From Halfpenny Green

Monday 22nd August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][Henry de Courcier logbook*][AIR 27/3422][**MB**]

XX818	BD	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	Or XX819
XX961	BJ	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XZ388	BK	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX966	BM	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
[XV779]	P	Harrier GR.3	3 Sqn	
XZ132	F	Harrier GR.3	3 Sqn	
XZ139	Z	Harrier GR.3*	3 Sqn	
*Routed: Gutersloh-Valley-Wittering-Valley-Gutersloh.				
XX147	[II]	Jaguar T.2	226 OCU	[2 Sqn aircraft ?]
		Gazelle AH.1	/AAC	
	-	C-130		USAF
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Small boat capsized off Barmouth, 1 man and boy rescued, handed over to the Coastguard.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL600:83 returned from Kemble, see 16.2.77				

Tuesday 23rd August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][Pprune clingon3 logbook*][AIR 27/3422][CW]

XX827	AE	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX960	AK	Jaguar GR.1	14 Sqn	
XX847	AY	Jaguar T.2	14 Sqn	
XX830	AZ	Jaguar T.2	14 Sqn	
		Jaguar		
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XN634	[30]	JP T.3A	1 FTS	To & from Linton-on-Ouse

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Boat injured by motor boat whilst swimming flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Wednesday 24th August 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422][CW]

		4x JP T.5A	RAFC	
		Jaguar GR.1		
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Capsized boat off Rhosneigr, 3 rescued, 1 dead taken to Valley SMC.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Man injured in fall near Capel Curig flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Thursday 25th August 1977 [MAS][HO][CW]

		Hercules C.1	LTW	
	-	Devon		
G-AZAV	-	Cessna 337F	Private	
XL359	-	Vulcan B.2	230 OCU	

Friday 26th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][CW]

WJ731	Y	Canberra B.2	231 OCU	
WK637		Chipmunk T.10		

Saturday 27th August 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Capsized boat reported off Caernarfon, on arrival the boat had been righted.				

Monday 29th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][AIR 27/3422]

XV676	306:PW	Sea King HAS.1	819 NAS	From Prestwick to Hermes
XV707	310:PW	Sea King HAS.1	819 NAS	From Prestwick to Hermes
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
5 canoeists off Porth Towyn, 4 found safe. 5 th found after a lone search and body taken to Bangor Hospital.				

Tuesday 30th August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

56 Sqn [4 aircraft*] arrived from Wethersfield at 16:15 for their MPC. 56 Sqn MPC 30.8-7.9				
XV464	B	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC
[XV490]	E	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC
XV486	F	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC

XV420	J	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC
XV409	D	Phantom FGR.2**	56 Sqn	MPC
**From Wethersfield at 21:30.				
XL361	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	-	Bo.105		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR569:08 4 FTS allocated 8560M. Gnat T.1 XS100:57 4 FTS allocated 8561M. Gnat T.1 XS110:20 4 FTS allocated 8562M.				

Wednesday 31st August 1977 [MAS][MC 10/77][HO][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

56 Sqn MPC				
AM range slot aborted due to the SARD target becoming unserviceable prior to take off.				
PM range slot aborted.				
XV409	D	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV490	G	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wethersfield 14:10
XP448	448	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Fallen climber in Llanberis Pass flown to Bangor Hospital.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Boat drifting off shore near South Stack, 2 rescued by Holyhead lifeboat.				

September 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 139 movements including 4 VIP. 3 diversions: Cherokee [fuel], Bulldog [engine] & F-111 [fire]				
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Thursday 1st September 1977 [HO][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

56 Sqn MPC no range slots due to bad weather.				
	-	Basset CC.1		
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Yacht with a broken mast drifting off Red Wharf Bay, 2 winched to the beach.				

Friday 2nd September 1977 [MAS][AIR 29/2309][AIR 27/3422]

56 Sqn MPC				
AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.				
PM 1x AIM-7 fired.				
		JP T.	3 FTS	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Overturned canoeist at Porthmadog, rescued by Criccieth lifeboat.				
Based noted:				

Hawk T.1 4 FTS visited Bruggen, returning 5.9

Saturday 3rd September 1977 [HO][CW]

WJ784	84	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	Serial ?
		Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX174:174 4 FTS Yeovilton Airshow, static. Gnat T.1 XP541:41 4 FTS Yeovilton Airshow, static.				

Sunday 4th September 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Yacht in difficulties, 1 injured girl flown to Valley SMC. Yacht taken under tow by Holyhead lifeboat.				

Monday 5th September 1977 [HE][MAS][MC 12/77][HO][Pprune MAINJAVAD][AIR 24/3276]

56 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired. PM 1x AIM-7 fired. D/J/H flew as 'KILO COMBINE'				
XV464	B	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV409	D	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV475	H	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
From Wethersfield at 09:05.				
XV420	J	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC
XV486	F	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	MPC to Wethersfield 17:15
XW207	CD	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW224	DH	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XZ232	333:BM	Lynx HAS.2	700[L]NAS	HMS Birmingham
XV258	58	Nimrod MR.1	Kinloss Wg	'F69'
D-8297	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	KLu 'MISSION2908A-D'
D-8311	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	KLu Dutch AF
D-8331	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	KLu
D-8342	-	F-104G	322/323 Sqn	KLu
G-BEAG	-	PA-34 Seneca 200	Private	
G-ATSE	-	PA-23 Apache 250	Private	
	-	PA-28 Cherokee	Private	
G-AZAV	-	Cessna 337F	Private	
		Chipmunk T.10		
		Bulldog T.1		

Tuesday 6th September 1977 [HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

56 Sqn no range slots all day due to bad weather. PM local flying 15:45 [XV420 & XV464]				
		Jaguar GR.1		

	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	PD
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	PD
XV468	D	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	
XV474	F	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL597:87 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 4.7.77				

Wednesday 7th September 1977 [HO][AIR 24/3276][CW][MB]

56 Sqn MPC PM 1x AIM-7 fired. 56 Sqn [4 aircraft*] departed back to Wethersfield at 17:30 post their MPC. Departed as a 'Diamond' formation. **Scrambled from Coningsby to Aberporth Range. **Firing attempt aborted, target becoming unserviceable [chased by XV420 56 Sqn]				
XV415	[A]	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC
From Wethersfield at 09:10.				
XV409	D	Phantom FGR.2	56 Sqn	To Wethersfield 11:30
XV420	J	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC
XV464	B	Phantom FGR.2*	56 Sqn	MPC
XV475	H	Phantom FGR.2**	29 Sqn	STCAAME
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
		JP T.4		
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL573:97 4 FTS to RAE Farnborough on loan, also quoted as 8.9				

Thursday 8th September 1977 [MC 12/77][HO][MAS][CW]

XT661	-	Viscount	RSRE	
		Jaguar		
		Jaguar		
		Dominie T.1	[6 FTS]	
		Puma HC.1		
		Puma HC.1		
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL573:97 4 FTS delivered to RAE Farnborough.				

Friday 9th September 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 29/2309]

XL359	-	Vulcan B.2	230 OCU	
Based noted: All the 4 FTS aircraft below were on static display at the St Athan Airshow, returning 12.9. Hawk T.1 XX175:175 Hunter F.6 XF526:78 Gnat T.1 XP541:41				

Saturday 10th September 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Search for yacht 7nms NW of Liverpool Bar. Yacht found & taken under to by Hoylake lifeboat.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Capsized boat off Llandudno, 1 picked up by lifeboat, no sign of the other person.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP534:62 4 FTS Leuchars Airshow, static. Hawk T.1 XX162:162 4 FTS Leuchars Airshow, static. Hawk T.1 XX172:172 4 FTS Leuchars Airshow, flying. Hunter F.6 XF527:70 4 FTS Leuchars Airshow, static.				

Sunday 11th September 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Capsized boat off Moelfre, 3 picked up from the lifeboat and flown to Bangor Hospital.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Flares reported near Bethesda, no action required.				

Monday 12th September 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3458][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3429][[AIR 4/229](#)]

92 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Wildenrath at 11:05 for their MPC. 92 Sqn MPC 12-15.9, 4 missiles fired [2 AIM-7/2 AIM-9]				
XV402	Q	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV412	W	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV466	U	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC [Rounce]
XV501	X	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
[XV439]	A	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	
[XV468]	D	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	
[XV474]	F	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	
XV499	R	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	
71-0891	LN[g]	F-111F*	495 TFS/48 TFW	Departed 15.9
*Emergency landing due to engine problems. Parts of the engine cover panels were believed to have dropped off over Denbighshire. Aircraft was stuck at the end of the runway from 13:30 until 19:30. Housed in the STCAAME hangar for repairs. Wessex HAR.2 XT602 22 Sqn [F/L Martin] was scrambled for this but not required.				
74-2134	-	C-130H	/463 TAW	Spares for F-111F
XR749	Q	Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	
XS736	-	Dominie T.1	RAFC	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XW226	DK	Puma HC.1	230 Sqn	
XV199	199	Hercules C.1	30 Sqn	'RRR5611' F/L McAreavey
XV217	217	Hercules C.1	30 Sqn	'RRR5612' S/L Healey
'RRR5611' routed: Lyneham-Vaerlose-Wildenrath-Valley[17:10/18:15]-Lyneham. 'RRR5612' routed: Lyneham-Wildenrath-Valley[14:20/15:35]-Lyneham. Both were 92 Sqn MPC support.				

XW270	V	Harrier T.4	233 OCU	
		Harrier	233 OCU	
		Harrier	233 OCU	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Dinghy drifting onto rocks off Rhoscolyn, taken under tow by another boat.				

Tuesday 13th September 1977 [MC 12/77][HO][Pprune MAINJAVAD][MAS][AIR 24/3276][CW][AIR 4/229]

92 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-7 fired [XV466 Rounce] PM 1x AIM-9 fired. XV412 carried out an air test [Rounce]				
XV402	Q	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV466	U	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV412	W	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV501	X	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
[XV468]	D	Phantom FGR.2	19 Sqn	MPC
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
	-	HS.125	32 Sqn	
XV199	199	Hercules C.1	LTW	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	

Wednesday 14th September 1977 [MC 10/77][HO][CW][AIR 4/229]

92 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-9 fired. PM 1x AIM-9 fired. [XV501 carried out a photochase for one of the firings, Rounce]				
64-2134	-	C-130E	317 TAW	Spares for F-111 '891
F-111F 71-0891 carried out engine runs, see 12.9				
XV402	Q	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV466	U	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV412	W	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV501	X	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XX549	5	Bulldog T.1	MUAS	'A08' Manchester UAS
XW408	24	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XM569	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	PD

Thursday 15th September 1977 [HO][Pprune MAINJAVAD][AIR 27/3458][AIR 4/229]

*Scrambled from Leuchars to Aberporth Range. *1x AIM-9 fired [XV582 with XV402:Q 92 Sqn aircraft as chase, airborne from Valley 11:03] *Both landed at Valley 11:50. 92 Sqn departed to Wildenrath at 14:20 post their MPC.				
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XV582	[F]	Phantom FG.1*	43 Sqn	STCAAME to Leuchars 13:50
XV402	Q	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV412	W	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV466	U	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC
XV501	X	Phantom FGR.2	92 Sqn	MPC [Rounce]
		C-130/Hercules		
71-0891	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	Departed, see 12.9

Friday 16th September 1977 [AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3424]

XV304	304	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5610' F/L Brown
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[07:25/08:55]-Wildenrath-Hohn-Lyneham, 92 Sqn post MPC support.				

Saturday 17th September 1977 [MC 10/77][HO][MAS]

G-BBRH	-	Bell 47G	Private	To Halfpenny Green
G-ALWW	-	DH.82A Tiger Moth	Private	From & to Halfpenny Green
	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	See 18.9

Sunday 18th September 1977 [MC 12/77][HE][HO][MAS]

69-5820	-	HC-130N	67 ARRS	
73-1647	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP506:06 XR537:07 XR534:65 4 FTS Seen outside the CFS Hangar covered in tarpaulins.				

Monday 19th September 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3422]

		Jaguar		
		Hawk T.1	RAE	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Swimmer in difficulties off Barmouth, rescued before arrival.				
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XP540	40	Gnat T.1	4 FTS	
Engine failure: forced landing carried out at Llanbedr. Wessex HAR.2 XT602 22 Sqn [F/L Stirling] scrambled and returned the crew to Valley.				



The Wessex can be seen on the right of the photograph. [Valley Aviation Society]

	[S/L]	Roy Gamblin	Ok
	F/L	M Hulyer	Ok

Tuesday 20th September 1977 [MC 12/77][HO][MAS][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422][AIR 27/3424]

STCAAME				
*From Binbrook to Aberporth Range as part of 'Omega Minor.'				
1x Firestreak fired.				
		Lightning F.3*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
70-2415	LN[r]	F-111F	494 TFS/48 TFW	
XV205	205	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5640' F/L Rhodes
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[09:25/11:00]-Wildenrath-Gutersloh-Lyneham, 92 Sqn MPC support.				
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 21st September 1977 [MAS][HO][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3276][CW]

STCAAME				
*From Binbrook to Aberporth Range as part of 'Omega Minor.'				
*1x Firestreak fired and 1x misfire.				
XR720	[M]	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	STCAAME F/L Hall
XP741	[N]	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	STCAAME F/L Harries
XS792	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
[XW903]	E	Gazelle AH.1	[ARWF]	
[XZ290]	J	Gazelle AH.1	[ARWF]	
[XZ319]	S	Gazelle AH.1	[ARWF]	
[XZ320]	T	Gazelle AH.1	[ARWF]	
	-	Victor K.2		
		Hunter T.8		

		2x Jaguar		See 22.9 ?
		Jetstream T.1	METS	

Thursday 22nd September 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3406][AIR 24/3276][CW]

STCAAME				
*From Binbrook to Aberporth Range as part of 'Omega Minor.'				
*2x Firestreaks fired.				
XP764	O	Lightning F.3*	11 Sqn	STCAAME F/L Berrington
		Lightning F.3	5 Sqn	
71-0887	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	PD 11:15
71-0891	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
	-	Victor K.2		PD
	-	Devon C.2	RAE	
XZ371	[BP]	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XZ377	[CF]	Jaguar GR.1	[20] Sqn	
XS792	-	Andover CC.2	32 Sqn	
		Harrier GR.3		

Friday 23rd September 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422]

68-0071	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for swimmer off Abersoch, nothing seen.				

Sunday 25th September 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
2 men missing on Snowdon, found safe by Llanberis Police.				

Monday 26th September 1977 [MC 12/77][HO][MAS]

XT483	W-U:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	N/stop
XT479	W-X:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	N/stop
XS481	W-Z:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	N/stop
XZ371	[BP]	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XZ377	[CF]	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
		F-111		PD
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX165 XX172 4 FTS visited Wildenrath. Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XR518 XT602				

Tuesday 27th September 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HO]

XT607	AP	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Devon C.2/2	[207 Sqn]	

	-	Bo.105	Private	To Amlwch ?
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Wednesday 28th September 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3422]

		Puma HC.1		
XT483	W-U:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	See 26.9
XT479	W-X:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	See 26.9
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Search for a man who jumped off the Menai Bridge, nothing seen.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Thursday 29th September 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HO]

XW268	U	Harrier T.4	233 OCU	
XW270	V	Harrier T.4	233 OCU	
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
		RF-4C	/TRW	

Friday 30th September 1977 [HO][MAS][CW][MB]

		JP T.		
[XW266]	S	Harrier [T.2]	233 OCU	
[XW267]	T	Harrier [T.2]	233 OCU	
[XW268]	U	Harrier [T.2]	233 OCU	
	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
	-	Basset CC.1		
		Gazelle/Scout	/AAC	
		Sea King HAS.1	NAS	
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XG209:69 repairs complete back to 4 FTS, see 25.11.76				

October 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 222 movements including 1 VIP. 6 diversions: 4 JP[weather], Sea Prince [fuel] & F-111 [fire]				
STCAAME 111 Sqn carried out their MPC direct from Leuchars to the Hebrides Range.				

Saturday 1st October 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Yacht with a broken mast drifting off Point of Ayr, 2 winched onto the beach.				

Monday 3rd October 1977 [GP]

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR538:01 & XR954:30 4 FTS visited Coltishall.				

Wednesday 5th October 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HO][AIR 27/3422][CW]

	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	19:30-20:00
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	19:30-20:00
		Dominie T.1	[6 FTS]	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
RAF MCU Airman with a severely injured arm flown from Holyhead to Bangor Hospital.				

Thursday 6th October 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][Pprune PE_3721 logbook*]

70-2386	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
70-2404	LN[y]	F-111F	493 TFS/48 TFW	
XH560	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
		RF-4C		07:20
XN653	-	Sea Vixen FAW.2*	RAE	Trial 1756

Friday 7th October 1977 [MAS]

		Devon		
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Britannia ?		

Saturday 8th October 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3422]

		DH.82A Tiger Moth		
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Search for a man overboard in Conwy Bay, nothing seen.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
16yr old girl with head injuries flown from Tryfan to Bangor Hospital.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
2 climbers lifted off Lliwedd, 1 injured flown to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 10th October 1977 [BARG][MAS][MC 12/77][HE][HO][GP][AIR 27/3422]

G-AVFK	FK	Trident 2	British Airways	Landed 10:00
Flown in for an Anglesey Aluminium visit, the CRO organised a Station visit for the crew.				
XW221	DE	Puma HC.1**	230 Sqn	
XW231	CO	Puma HC.1**	33 Sqn	
XW236	CQ	Puma HC.1**	33 Sqn	
**Mountain flying detachment.				
XX434	-	Gazelle AH.1*	3 Flt/AAC	
XZ323	-	Gazelle AH.1*	3 Flt/AAC	'AAC313'

XZ325	-	Gazelle AH.1*	3 Flt/AAC	
*Delivery to 3 Flight based at Omagh, N Ireland.				
XS485	A	Wessex HU.5	2 FTS	Ex RN
XS492	B	Wessex HU.5	2 FTS	Ex RN
XS495	C	Wessex HU.5	2 FTS	Ex RN
XS511	D	Wessex HU.5	2 FTS	Ex RN
XH557	-	Vulcan B.2	[9 Sqn]	Waddington Wg
XS727	D	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XV107	107	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
XM370	32	JP T.3A	1 FTS	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Collapsed boy soldier on Glyder Fawr flown to Bangor Hospital.				
Based noted: Hawk T.1 CFS XX161 Hawk T.1 4 FTS XX166 XX167 XX168 XX169 XX172 XX174 XX175 XX178 XX181 Hunter T.7 4 FTS XL609:80 WV372:85 XL597:87 XL601:88 XL613:91 Hunter T.7 WV372:85 XL597:87 4 FTS visited Leuchars. Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XR518 XT602 Whirlwind HAR.10 2[A]FTS XD163:X				

Tuesday 11th October 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HO]

WL751	51	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	Stayed for 30 mins.
WT806	838	Hunter GA.11	FRADU	

Wednesday 12th October 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3422][MB]

		Canberra T.17	360 Sqn	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
MEDEVAC of injured airman from Bangor to Wroughton.				

Thursday 13th October 1977 [HE][MAS][MB]

XR137	137	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
67-0121	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Devon		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR569:08 to Abingdon by air then by road to Halton. Total time: 3033hrs [also quoted as 12.10.77 It was subsequently roaded to Halton 10.83 for ground instruction.				

It was then sold at auction and to Bruntingthorpe for storage by 1995. It then went to USA 16.12.01]

XP500:50 to St Athan by road then to Sennybridge 23.3.78 as a target/underslung load.
[Also quoted as struck off charge at St Athan on 24.8.77]

Friday 14th October 1977 [HE][MAS][MB]

XR143	143	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
		Sea Prince T.1	750 NAS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR998:47 4 FTS assessed as CAT.3S				

Saturday 15th October 1977 [MAS]

XP771	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	'AAC346' To & from Speke
	AR	RF-4C	/10 TRW	

Monday 17th October 1977 [MC 12/77][HE][HO][MAS][AIR 24/3277]

11 Sqn [5 aircraft] arrived from Binbrook at 16:15. This was for further missile firings to their May 1977 MPC. They were due to leave Binbrook at 09:00 but this was delayed due to fog there. AM range slot cancelled due to fog at Binbrook. PM range slot cancelled due to industrial dispute at Llanbedr.				
XR727	F	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XR754	A	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC 'J—33'
XS897	H	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC No Sqn markings
XS901	G	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS920	E	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC
XS903	C	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
XR725	J	Lightning F.6*	5 Sqn	STCAAME
*The 5 Sqn jets were a on normal turnaround at STCAAME, not MPC related.				
WH856	56	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	'J91'
WJ680	80	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	'J90'
XP564	04	JP T.4	FAC/TWTU	'K10'
XW788	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	'RRR747'
XT671	AD	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT607	AP	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR499	AW	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XX893	V	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	'MQD'
68-0064	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
68-0065	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
XH563	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	Detached to Valley
XJ782	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	Detached to Valley
G-BBYK	-	PA-23 Aztec 250	Civil	Bristol Air Taxi.

Tuesday 18th October 1977 [MC 12/77][HE][HO][MAS][AIR 24/3277]

11 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM 12:00 local flying [XR754 XS897 XS901] PM 14:45 local flying [XS897 & XS901] PM 15:40 local flying [XR727 & XP741]				
XP741	N	Lightning F.3	11 Sqn	MPC 'C46'
From Binbrook at 13:40.				
		Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Binbrook PM, see 17.10
XR725	J	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	Unserviceable, see 17.10
XV421	B	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	
XV435	M	Phantom FGR.2	23 Sqn	
XW544	Q	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	'MZA'
XX889	T	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW550	X	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XR520	AB	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT671	AD	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	'RRR1867'
73-1647	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	'JOLLY55'
XW870	F	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XW898	G	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XW910	K	Gazelle HT.3	CFS	
XH673	-	Victor K.2	57 Sqn	
XW375	5	JP T.5A	RAFC	'C24' Poachers n/stop
XW410	14	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW433	61	JP T.5A	1 FTS	N/stop
XH563	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
XJ782	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	'L36'

Wednesday 19th October 1977 [MC 12/77][HE][HO][MAS][AIR 24/3276][AIR 24/3277]

11 Sqn MPC AM 2x Red Top fired. PM 1x Red Top fired. The 5 and 11 Sqn aircraft departed back to Binbrook.				
XP741	N	Lightning F.3	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 11:30
XS901	G	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 17:10
XS920	E	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 17:10
XR727	F	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 18:00
XR754	A	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 18:00
XS897	H	Lightning F.6	11 Sqn	MPC to Binbrook 19:00
XS606	[606]	Andover C.1	ETPS	
XS641	641	Andover E.3	115 Sqn	
XM654	-	Vulcan B.2	50 Sqn	'MISSION703'
XH563	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
XR991	-	Gnat T.1	Red Arrows	

VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	'RRR1859'
G-BATT	-	Hughes 269C	Civil	United Marine
XW433	61	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW372	63	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW357	5	JP T.5A	RAFC	
XW410	14	JP T.5A	RAFC	

Thursday 20th October 1977 [MC 12/77][HE][HO][MAS]

68-0018	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD 'YANKEE15 FLIGHT'
68-0048	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD 'YANKEE15 FLIGHT'
XW370	72	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XV104	104	VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	'RRR941'
XH560	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
XR725	J	Lightning F.6	5 Sqn	To Binbrook, see 18.10
Based noted: Hunter F.6 XF386:75 4 FTS fuselage seen on a low loader to Abingdon.				

Friday 21st October 1977 [MC 12/77][HE][HO][AIR 27/3433]

XH538	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	From Scampton 04:50
XM570	-	Vulcan B.2[MRR]*	35 Sqn	'JF' from Scampton 15:25
XH560	-	Vulcan B.2[MRR]*	27 Sqn	
The Vulcans flew 6 hour long Maritime Reconnaissance Sorties as part of 'Ocean Safari'				
68-0026	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD 'LAY30'
XT472	M	Wessex HU.5	845 NAS	'NAVY YM'
XW426	60	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW433	61	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW351	74	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW404	77	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW409	78	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
G-AWMS	-	HS.125-3B	RTZ	

Saturday 22nd October 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3433]

XH538	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	To Scampton 05:05
XM570	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	To Scampton 10:15
XH537	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
		Bulldog T.1	[Wales UAS]	
		Bulldog T.1	[Wales UAS]	

Sunday 23rd October 1977 [MAS][AIR 27/3422]

XH537	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
		Bulldog T.1	[Wales UAS]	
		Bulldog T.1	[Wales UAS]	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Suspected light aircraft crash in Colwyn Bay, false alarm.				

Monday 24th October 1977 [MAS][HO]

XJ825	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	17:40
		JP T.5A		12:30
		JP T.5A		12:30
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	PD 18:20

Tuesday 25th October 1977 [MC 12/77][MAS][HE][CW]

XJ825	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
XX817	BB	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX961	BJ	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
[XZ373]	BQ	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XZ371	BP	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
		F-111		14:30
		Dominie T.1	[6 FTS]	

Wednesday 26th October 1977 [HO]

		Devon		10:30
		Jaguar T.2	[226 OCU]	
		Jaguar		

Thursday 27th October 1977 [HO][Pprune Beagle*]

XX817	BB	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX961	BJ	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
[XZ373]	BQ	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XZ371	BP	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XL361	-	Vulcan B.2*	35 Sqn	PD

Friday 28th October 1977 [HO][HE][MB]

	-	Vulcan B.2		
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		Wessex HC.2		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XP503:03 to Abingdon by air then to 1 SoTT, Halton by road. Total time: 2352hrs. [XP503 was allocated 8568M same day, it was struck off charge 31.10.77 and allocated the code '73' whilst at Halton. It subsequently went by road to Phoenix Aviation at Bruntingthorpe 18.1.92 and then onwards to the USA in 2000. It was registered as N503KC to Randal Fields [Palo Alto, Ca] on 15.8.01. This expired 30.6.12 and cancelled 22.6.17] Gnat T.1 XR535:05 4 FTS allocated 8569M. ? 4 FTS visited Laarbruch, returned 31.10. Hunter F.6 XF527:70 Hunter T.7 XL597:87 4 FTS visited *Wildenrath, returned 31.10.				

*The Wildenrath visit provided aircraft for static display for 92 Sqn's 60th Anniversary.

Saturday 29th October 1977 [MAS]

XV665	301:PW	Sea King HAS.1	819 NAS	
XV676	306:PW	Sea King HAS.1	819 NAS	

Sunday 30th October 1977 [HO][HE][MB]

[G-AZAV]	-	Cessna 337F	Private	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XS110:20 to Halton by road. Total time: 2707hrs, also quoted as 31.10 [to be used for ground instruction at Halton] [XS110 was subsequently sold at auction 9.3.90 and shipped to the USA. It was registered as N7152Z 7.90 to Jim Cullen/Westair International [Broomfield CO] then to International Jet Centre [Miami FL] Registered N110XS 9.90 for Duncan Young Partnership [Miami FL] then to International Jet Centre [Miami FL] 10.11.93 To N117SH 24.1.96 for Larry Shory [Birmingham AL] Registration cancelled 9.4.08				

Monday 31st October 1977 [MC 12/77][AIR 29/2309][AIR 24/3276][CW]

73-0713	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	STCAAME
STCAAME ORB mentions an F-111 diverting in with an engine explosion and fire. The aircraft was hanged at STCAAME with a Lakenheath crew arriving that evening. Wessex HAR.2 XT602 22 Sqn [F/L Lanigan] was scrambled for this but not required.				
		Jaguar		
		Tornado	BAC	
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XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Scrambled to the crash of F-111E 68-0070:UH 55 TFS/20 TFW at Pentre Bach Farm, Foel near Welshpool during the late evening whilst low flying. Sadly, both crew, Capt John James Sweeney, Pilot & Capt William Weston Smart, WSO were both killed.				
Based noted: Hunter T.7 XL573:97 noted back at Valley after loan to RAE Farnborough, see 8.9.77. Hunter T.7 XL591:82 4 FTS delivered to RAE Farnborough.				

November 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Windiest month on record since 1941! 12 days of gale force winds including 65kt gusts on 11.11 Station Flight dealt with 308 movements. 6 diversions: 4 JP[weather], Sea Prince [fuel] & F-111 [fire] This month the Hawks took over the flight line by the main gate [Goshawk line] whilst the Gnats were accommodated on the flight line behind the Tower [which became Sparrowhawk] with the Hunters [which became Seahawk] on the far side by the beach.				
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Tuesday 1st November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 29/2309][AIR 27/3422]

104636	636	CF-104D	1 CAG	CAF
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104826	826	CF-104G	1 CAG	CAF
104843	843	CF-104G	1 CAG	CAF
All 3 CF-104's were present at Alconbury on 2.11 plus 2 others.				
[62-4474]	-	T-39A	[HQUSAFE]	
XX823	BG	Jaguar GR.1	17 Sqn	
XX836	BZ	Jaguar T.2	17 Sqn	
XV740	A	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
XV761	B	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
XV782	C	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
XZ130	N	Harrier GR.3	4 Sqn	
XW763	K	Harrier GR.3	3 Sqn	
		Harrier	4 Sqn	
		Devon		
	LN	F-111F	/48 TFW	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
5 crew picked up from a Puma which had forced landed 9nms south of Llanbedr.				

Wednesday 2nd November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 27/3422]

D-8134	-	F-104G	311/2 Sqn	Klu Dutch AF
D-8143	-	F-104G	311/2 Sqn	Klu
D-8237	-	F-104G	311/2 Sqn	Klu [or '8257 ?]
D-8266	-	F-104G	311/2 Sqn	KLu
32+24	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-43	WGAF
32+94	-	G.91R-3	LeKG-43	WGAF
		Jaguar		11:20
		Jaguar		11:20
		Jaguar		11:20
		Buccaneer/Phantom		17:10
		Buccaneer/Phantom		17:10
68-0065	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Hunter T.7 with engine problems landed at Llanbedr. 2 crew returned to Valley.				

Thursday 3rd November 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][AIR 29/2309]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	PD
		Jaguar		
		Wessex		
		3x HS.125		
	LN	3x F-111F	/48 TFW	

		Phantom FGR.2		
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Friday 4th November 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3276][MB]

73-0713	LN[g]	F-111F	495 TFS/48 TFW	
Departed back to Lakenheath from STCAAME, see 31.10				
		C-130		USAF
		Andover		
		Vulcan B.2		
		Devon		
	UH	5 x F-111E	/20 TFW	PD's 18:00-19:30
	-	G.91R-3		WGAF
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XR954:30 4 FTS allocated 8570M. Gnat T.1 XR984:52 4 FTS allocated 8571M.				

Saturday 5th November 1977 [MAS/CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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Sunday 6th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW]

XT669	AT	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
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Monday 7th November 1977 [MC 2/78][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3276]

29 Sqn [4 aircraft] arrived from Coningsby at 12:30 for their MPC. 29 Sqn MPC 7-22.11 PM no range slots due to crosswind at Llanbedr.				
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV433	[X]	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV487	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XT912	F	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XS735	R	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XW352	R	JP T.5A	6 FTS	
WA669	02	Meteor T.7	TWU	

Tuesday 8th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC AM no range slots due to Aberporth computer unserviceable. PM range practice [XV433 XV487 XT912]				
XV436	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC from Coningsby 17:20
XS726	T	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	N/stop
		Jaguars		
		Phantoms		
		F-104		

Wednesday 9th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to Aberporth computer plus bad weather.				
66-0220	-	HC-130P	67 ARRS	
		Devon		
		2x Jaguars		
		Andover		
XT595	A	Phantom FG.1	PTF	

Thursday 10th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3277][MB]

29 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				
XV433	[X]	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC to Coningsby 10:17
XV438	A	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV492	Q	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XS770	-	Basset CC.1	ETPS	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM706:12 4 FTS allocated 8572M, see 2.12.77 Gnat T.1 XM708:18 4 FTS allocated 8573M, see 2.12.77				

Friday 11th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3277]

1 st Hawk Student Course graduates.				
29 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to bad weather at Valley, Llanbedr, and the Range.				
		T-33[AN]	[1 CAG]	10:00 CAF
		Devon		11:05
		Andover		11:05
XP547	03	JP T.4	TWU	
Based noted: ? 4 FTS visited Laarbruch, returning 14.11				

Sunday 13th November 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Search the summit of Snowdon for a missing man.				

Monday 14th November 1977 [HO][HE][AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to bad weather at Valley, Llanbedr, and the Range.				
		Hercules/C-130		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XS100:57 tail swapped with XP532, left by road today to Halton. [XS100 was subsequently sold to Everett Aero at Sproughton in 1995, to Source Aviation 24.7.96 then the front fuselage was sold to Andrew Martin [London] It was later stored in the Wimbledon area. Noseless fuselage stored at Fyfield [Essex] later to the Gnat Display Team at North Weald]				



XS100 is seen here at Halton 6.84 [Fergal Goodman]

Tuesday 15th November 1977 [AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC no range slots all day due to Aberporth tracking radars unserviceable.

AM practice range sortie [XV400 XV436 XV487 XT912]

PM practice range sortie [XV400 XV436 XV487 XT912]

Wednesday 16th November 1977 [AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC

AM no range slots due to crosswinds at Llanbedr.

PM no range slot due to storms at Llanbedr.

XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	MPC
XV436	E	Phantom FGR.2*	29 Sqn	MPC Fenton/McNamara

*Departed to St Mawgan at 10:30, returning to Valley at 13:40, they carried out a flypast at Yeovilton before returning to Valley.

Thursday 17th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][HE][AIR 29/2309][AIR 24/3277][MB]

29 Sqn MPC

AM no range slots due to bad weather at Llanbedr and the Range.

PM 1x AIM-7 fired.

XV436	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XT912	F	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV487	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
		Buccaneer S.2	15 Sqn	
		Buccaneer S.2	15 Sqn	
		Buccaneer S.2	15 Sqn	
		Buccaneer S.2	15 Sqn	
		Jaguar GR.1		Emergency landing

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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Hawk precautionary, not required.				
XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Search for fishing vessel, nothing seen.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Search for a fishing vessel after a MAYDAY call, nothing seen.				
XT602	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Scrambled to a Jaguar precautionary, aircraft landed safely.				
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS Gnat T.1 XM705:10 4 FTS allocated 8574M, flown to RAF Bruggen 22.12.77 Gnat T.1 XP542:42 4 FTS allocated 8575M. Gnat T.1 XR535:05 4 FTS to Abingdon by air then by road to 1 SoTT Halton. [XR535 was subsequently sold 13.4.87 to Doug Arnold/Fairoaks Aviation Services [Bitteswell] It was then registered N8130N with Robert F Yancey [Klamath Falls OR] It was then sold to John Dilley/Fort Wayne Air Service [Fort Wayne IN] 2.91 & flown again 2.92 from California City, then to Dean Cutshall/American Horizons Ltd [Fort Wayne IN] 10.92 It then went to RZ Blue [Cypress TX] 21.3.03 then to Fast Jets LLC [Tallahassee FL] 15.6.05 It then went to Avelan Enterprises Inc [Shreveport LA] 14.12.13 where it still resides in 2025]				

Friday 18th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][HE][AIR 29/2309][AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC AM 2x AIM-9 fired [XV487 & ?] PM range slot, 4 aborted firings. 29 Sqn [4 aircraft] departed back to Coningsby post their MPC.				
XV400	I	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby 12:10
XV436	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby 18:00
XV487	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby 18:00
XT912	F	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby 18:00
XV492	Q	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	
XX744	744	Jaguar GR.1	6 Sqn	
XZ117	E	Jaguar GR.1	41 Sqn	
XW417	64	JP T.5A	3 FTS/CFS	
XS177	[-]	JP T.4	TWU	
XX324	G	Gazelle AH.1	ARWS	
XZ306	S	Gazelle AH.1	ARWS	
XZ302	X	Gazelle AH.1	ARWS	
		Devon		
		T-39A		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XR954:30 to Abingdon by air then by road to Halton [also quoted as 17.11] [XR954 then went to 1 SoTT Halton 7.12.78. To Source Classic Jet Flight at Bournemouth as a				

spares source for G-NATY in 2003, hulk departed 2008]

? 4 FTS visited Wildenrath, returning 21.11.

Sunday 20th November 1977 [MC 2/78][HE][HO][MAS/CW]

XR525	AG	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT669	AT	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XT670	AU	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
G-ARKJ	-	Beech Bonanza	Civil	

Monday 21st November 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3276][AIR 24/3277][AIR 4/248]

29 Sqn [3 aircraft] arrived from Coningsby at 10:30 to finish their MPC. AM no range slot due to crosswinds at Llanbedr. PM no range slot due to bad weather at Llanbedr.				
XV436	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XV487	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC Fenton/McNamara
XT912	F	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	MPC
XR525	AG	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XP547	03	JP T.4	TWU	Camo scheme
XS177	[-]	JP T.4	TWU	
XW330	65	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
	85	JP T.5A	7 FTS	Or a T.3A ?
	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
		Buccaneer S.2		
	-	G.91R-3		WGAF
	-	G.91R-3		WGAF
68-0027	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted: Hawk T.1 XX164 XX174 4 FTS/CFS visited Wildenrath.				

Tuesday 22nd November 1977 [AIR 24/3277]

29 Sqn MPC AM 1x AIM-9 fired. 29 Sqn [3 aircraft] departed back to Coningsby at 14:40 post their MPC				
XV436	E	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby
XV487	L	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby Fenton
XT912	F	Phantom FGR.2	29 Sqn	To Coningsby

Wednesday 23rd November 1977 [MB]

Based noted: Gnat T.1 XP502:02 4 FTS allocated 8576M Gnat T.1 XP532:32 4 FTS allocated 8577M in error as it was then cancelled.				
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Friday 25th November 1977 [MC 2/78][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3276]

STCAAME *Battle Flight scramble from Wildenrath to Aberporth Range. *1x AIM-9 fired, landed at Valley 11:50. *This was the first Battle Flight firing by an RAFG Air Defence Phantom unit. *Departed back to Wildenrath at 14:16.				
XT901	[B]	Phantom FGR.2*	19 Sqn	STCAAME
Based noted: Gnat T.1 ex. 4 FTS stripped for disposal. XP506:06 XR980:17 XR534:65 XP500:50 appeared on the St Athan dump by mid-December. Wessex HAR.2 C Flt/22 Sqn XR518 XT604 [green intake panel]				

Saturday 26th November 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Search for missing girl at Llanbedrog, nothing seen.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Fallen female climber flown from Llyn Ogwen to Bangor Hospital.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Fallen female climber flown from Snowdon to Bangor Hospital.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Boy & girl flown from Pen-yr-Ole-Wen to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 27th November 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Fallen climber flown from Crib-y-Ddisgyl to Nant Peris.				
XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Search in the Glyders, nothing seen.				

Monday 28th November 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][AIR 29/2309][AIR 27/3422][SB]

		Jaguar		
		Tornado		
		Lightning[s]		
69-5797	-	HH-53C	67 ARRS	
XM837	407:NF	Wessex HAS.3	737 NAS	HMS Norfolk refuel
XS177	[-]	JP T.4	TWU	
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XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Tuesday 29th November 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3422][AIR 27/3424]

Detachment of Red Arrow Pilots present at Valley to determine the suitability of the Hawk				
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for future use with the Reds, returned 2.12				
XV675	266:H	Sea King HAS.1	814 NAS	From Prestwick
XV656	302:PW	Sea King HAS.1	819 NAS	From Prestwick
XM837	407:NF	Wessex HAS.3	737 NAS	Scott Wilson refuel
		?x Buccaneer[s]		
		Britannia		
XV196	196	Hercules C.1	24 Sqn	'RRR5837' F/L Davis
Routed: Lyneham-Valley[07:35/10:05]-Aldergrove-Gutersloh-Lyneham.				
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Stirling
Gnat precautionary, not required.				

Wednesday 30th November 1977 [HO][MAS/CW]

		F-111		
		F-111		
		Scout AH.1	/AAC	

December 1977 [AIR 28/2309]

Station Flight dealt with 156 movements including 1 VIP. Diversions: 5 Vulcans [weather], Canberra [weather] & Cessna 172 [fuel]				
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Thursday 1st December 1977 [HO][MAS/CW]

		Phantom		
		Jaguar		
		Canberra		

Friday 2nd December 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][HE][MB]

VP975	M	Devon C.2	RAE	Farnborough
VP957	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
	-	Devon C.2/2		
		Jaguar GR.1		
XV721	AK	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
		Harrier		
		Phantom		
XW354	7	JP T.5A	RAFC	
Based noted: Gnat T.1 4 FTS XM706:12 to Benson by air then by road to Halton. [Eventually ended up on the Swinderby Fire Dump 8.11.89, scrapped 10.93] XM708:18 to Benson by air then by road to 1 SoTT, Halton. [Eventually to Locking 5.8.86 for display in Red Arrow colours. Sold 23.8.95 to Trout Lake, King's Langley then to Helical Technology, Lytham St Annes 14.11.2002 still present 2025] - Gnat T.1 XR534:65 4 FTS struck off charge and allocated 8578M.				

[XR534 was subsequently put on display outside the Officers Mess at Valley, it was then put on the Valley Gate as a gate guardian [usually put in a hangar over winter] In 2000 it was moved to the Newark Air Museum where it still resides in 2025]



XR534 seen here at Newark Air Museum 2018. [Hywel Evans]

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XR984:52 to Benson by air then by road to 1 SoTT Halton.

[XR984 was then sold at auction 9.3.90 to Cranfield, it was then offered in the Christies Historic Aircraft Auction at Wroughton. Then to San Diego Flight Museum [Brown Field CA] then to Finch Aerospace Corp. [San Diego CA] in 2005. Registered as N316RF 9.1.06 for San Diego Flight Museum. Then to Easy MiG Aviation LLC [San Diego CA] 6.10.10 at Brown Field. Then to Easy MiG Aviation LLC [Coronado CA] 8.3.18 Then to California Flight Museum [Coronado CA] 6.8.24]



XR984 seen here at Cranfield 4.91 [Hywel Evans]

Hunter T.7 XL573:97 4 FTS to 5 MU Kemble.

Hunter T.7 XL600:83 returned from 5 MU Kemble, see 10.8.77

Saturday 3rd December 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][AIR 27/3422]

		RF-4C		
		Bulldog T.1		
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Man with a dislocated shoulder flown from Craig Lligwy to Bangor Hospital.				

Sunday 4th December 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Injured man flown from Plas-y-Brenin to Bangor Hospital.				

Monday 5th December 1977 [HO][MAS/CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
	-	Vulcan B.2		

Tuesday 6th December 1977 [HO]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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Wednesday 7th December 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][AIR 27/3515]

		Jaguars		
		Hunter	TWU	
XM605	-	Vulcan B.2	101 Sqn	
Diversion routing Goose Bay-Waddington, landed 23:24.				
	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Buccaneer S.2		

Thursday 8th December 1977 [HO][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3515]

		Phantom FG.1*	43 Sqn	Pre MPC visit, STCAAME
*Arrived from Leuchars AM and departed back PM.				
XM605	-	Vulcan B.2	101 Sqn	To Waddington 10:58
	-	Vulcan B.2		
EI-AWY	-	Mitsubishi MU-2	Civil	
		Sea Prince T.1	[750 NAS]	

Friday 9th December 1977 [MC 2/78][HE][MAS/CW][AIR 24/3276][AIR 27/3422]

STCAAME				
*56 Sqn scrambled from Wattisham at 09:30 to Aberporth Range.				
*AIM-9 firing was aborted due to exceedance of flare time.				
*The Lightning chase flew direct to the range from Binbrook.				
*The Phantom [XV469:A] returned direct to Wattisham.				
*The Lightning landed at Valley 10:37.				
**Scrambled from Leuchars at 13:50 to Aberporth Range.				
**1x AIM-7 fired.				
**The same Lightning [XR758] flew as chase for this firing too from Valley.				
**Both landed at Valley 15:20.				
XR758	J	Lightning F.6*	11 Sqn	To the Range 14:20
XV424	B	Phantom FGR.2**	111 Sqn	To Leuchars 16:45
XR758	J	Lightning F.6**	11 Sqn	To Binbrook 16:00

XT475	W-N:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XS486	W-W:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XT479	W-X:VL	Wessex HU.5	707 NAS	
XR517	AN	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XH173	-	Canberra PR.9	39 Sqn	
68-0046	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
		Harrier GR.3		
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Russian sailor with head injuries flown from a Russian Coaster to Bangor Hospital.				

Saturday 10th December 1977 [MAS/CW]

XP885		Scout AH.1	7 Rgt/AAC	
XW798		Scout AH.1	7 Rgt/AAC	

Monday 12th December 1977 [MAS/CW]

		Hunter FGA.9	TWU	
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Tuesday 13th December 1977 [MC 2/78][HO][MAS/CW]

WR965	65	Shackleton AEW.2	8 Sqn	'N63'
XW208	CE	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW231	CO	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XV721	AK	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR498	AX	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
	-	Victor K.2	57 Sqn	
XW288	66	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
XW533	Z	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	

Wednesday 14th December 1977 [MC 2/78][HE][HO][MAS/CW]

	-	Victor K.2	57 Sqn	
XV721	AK	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XR498	AX	Wessex HC.2	72 Sqn	
XW208	CE	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW231	CO	Puma HC.1	33 Sqn	
XW533	Z	Buccaneer S.2	16 Sqn	
XW288	66	JP T.5A	1 FTS	
G-BAKS	-	B206B Jetranger	Private	
	-	2x Vulcan B.2		
	UH	2x F-111E	/20 TFW	
Based noted:				



Gnat T.1 XS102:58 4 FTS taxiing out to Runway 19 on 14.12.77. [Hywel Evans]

Thursday 15th December 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3422]

XR143	143	Argosy E.1	115 Sqn	
		Devon		
[XV675]	[304:H]	Sea King [HAS.1]	[819 NAS]	
[New delivery for 819 NAS, still wearing 814 NAS markings, see also 29.11]				
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L McGuire
Hunter precautionary, not required.				

Friday 16th December 1977 [AIR 29/2309][AIR 27/3433]

XJ783	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	Landed 17:20
Diversion routing Goose Bay-Waddington.				
Based noted: ? 4 FTS visited Gutersloh, RAFG returned 19.12.77				

Saturday 17th December 1977 [HO][AIR 27/3433]

		VC-10 C.1	10 Sqn	
XJ783	-	Vulcan B.2	35 Sqn	To Waddington 19:25

Monday 19th December 1977 [MC 2/78][HE][HO]

XR457	-	Whirlwind HAR.10	22 Sqn	Noted
WK122	22	Canberra TT.18	7 Sqn	
WH646	G	Canberra T.17	360 Sqn	
XX507	-	HS.125 CC.1	32 Sqn	
AOC 18 Group, AM Freer visited 22 Sqn.				

Tuesday 20th December 1977 [MC 2/78]

XM223	J	Devon C.2	RAE	
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		F-5*		
		F-5*		
*Possibly the same 2 that visited Lakenheath 21.12 NF-5A K-3003 & K-3005 315 Sqn/Klu.				
		Jaguar/Tornado ?		

Wednesday 21st December 1977 [MC 2/78][HE][HO][AIR 27/3422]

XT271	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
XV355	-	Buccaneer S.2	237 OCU	
VP958	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
WB533	-	Devon C.2/2	207 Sqn	
XS735	R	Dominie T.1	6 FTS	
XT481	E	Wessex HU.5	845 NAS	
XJ823	-	Vulcan B.2	27 Sqn	
XM569	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	N/stop
XM647	-	Vulcan B.2	9 Sqn	N/stop
		Phantom		
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XT604	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Lanigan
Man with a heart attack flown from a ship 15nms N of the Skerries.				

Thursday 22nd December 1977 [HO][MB]

		DC-3/Dakota		
Based noted: Gnat T.1 XM705:10 4 FTS delivered to 431 MU, Bruggen for battle damage repair. [Eventually returned to St Athan 11.8.85 & sold to G Thompson, St Cloud, Florida 25.11.86. Registered as N705XM 4.2.87 to James E Thompson but cancelled 29.10.14. The rear fuselage was donated for the rebuild of XP514 at Long Beach, California 10.97] Gnat T.1 XP538:38 4 FTS crew ferry for XM705 above.				

Friday 23rd December 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Search carried out 4nms SW of Woodford for a suspected aircraft crash, nothing seen.				

Saturday 24th December 1977 [AIR 27/3422]

XR518	-	Wessex HAR.2	22 Sqn	F/L Martin
Search for missing climber on Tryfan, false alarm.				

Thursday 29th December 1977 [MC 2/78]

XS499	T	Wessex HU.5	846 NAS	From Birmingham
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Friday 30th December 1977 [CW]

	UH	F-111E	/20 TFW	
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Saturday 31st December 1977 [CW]

	-	Beaver AL.1	/AAC	
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