

AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT

2nd April 1974.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

Air Chief Marshal Sir Denis SPOTSWOOD, G.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C., is promoted to the rank of Marshal of the Royal Air Force. 31st March 1974.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Andrew HUMPHREY, G.C.B., O.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C., is appointed Chief of the Air Staff in succession to Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Denis SPOTSWOOD, G.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C. 1st Apr. 1974.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Andrew HUMPHREY, G.C.B., O.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C., is appointed Air Aide-de-Camp to The QUEEN in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Denis SPOTSWOOD, G.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C., on the latter's promotion to Marshal of the Royal Air Force. 31st Mar. 1974.

Air Vice-Marshal R. D. ROE, C.B., A.F.C., is appointed Senior Air Staff Officer, Near East Air Force, in succession to Air Vice-Marshal F. D. HUGHES, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C., A.F.C., M.A. 28th Mar. 1974.

Air Commodore N. E. HOAD, C.V.O., C.B.E., A.F.C., M.B.I.M., is appointed Chief of Staff, No. 46 Group and Commander, United Kingdom Joint Airborne Task Force, with the acting rank of Air Vice-Marshal, in succession to Air Vice-Marshal W. J. STACEY, C.B.E., A.F.R.Ae.S. 3rd Apr. 1974.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Permanent)

As Pilot Officer

Michael Richard CARLETON, B.Sc. (5202949). 24th Feb. 1974 (Seniority 24th Nov. 1971).

As Acting Pilot Officers

Paul Richard NOBLE (5202721). 7th Jan. 1974.
Roderick Edward Vaughan CLARK (2623056). 23rd Jan. 1974.

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant

B. T. DUNN, B.A. (5202415). 2nd Apr. 1974.

Pilot Officer to Flight Lieutenant

30th Mar. 1974 (Seniority 30th Dec. 1973)

D. BURDON, B.Sc. (5202689).
D. COOPER, B.Sc. (5202680).
J. G. JENKINS, B.Sc. (5202691).

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer

30th Mar. 1974 (Seniority 30th June 1972)

P. N. HORNER, B.A. (5202688).
D. R. JOHNSTON, B.Sc. (5202690).

Specialist Aircrew

Flight Lieutenants designated Specialist Aircrew

N. W. BELCHAMBER (2449022). 30th Mar. 1974.
R. F. DUNCAN (3504453). 31st Mar. 1974.

Transfer between Branches

Flight Lieutenants

J. NICOL (3520454) to the Photographic Interpretation Branch in existing rank and seniority. 19th Mar. 1974.

D. HALL (584515) to the General Duties (Ground) Branch in existing rank and seniority. 28th Mar. 1974.

D. J. SAGE, B.A. (5201978) to the Engineer Branch in the rank of Flying Officer 28th Jan 1974, with seniority of 17th Apr. 1971.

Retirement

Group Captains (at own request)

J. W. J. LEGGETT, O.B.E., A.M.B.I.M. 23rd Mar. 1974.

P. T. BAYLEY. 29th Mar. 1974.

M. ADAMS, O.B.E., A.F.C., A.M.B.I.M. 31st Mar. 1974.

Wing Commander C. T. DALZIEL (185792) (at own request). 2nd Apr. 1974.

Squadron Leaders (at own request)

J. R. YOUNG (170296). 31st Mar. 1974.

Flight Lieutenant B. F. A. CLINCH (3517714) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service). 30th Mar. 1974.

Flight Lieutenants (at own request)

31st Mar. 1974

G. W. BRADSHAW (582695).

L. J. GRANT (175755).

C. F. MUGFORD (3514532).

R. W. REEDER (154973).

A. W. G. THOMAS (181444).

H. J. CAPEWELL (3044304). 1st Apr. 1974.

Commission Resigned

Flying Officer M. A. McQUILLEN (8024848). 26th Mar. 1974.

Acting Pilot Officers

P. C. WILLIAMS (2621063). 14th Feb. 1974.

A. J. BROWN (5202103). 20th Feb. 1974.

GENERAL DUTIES (GROUND) BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

S. A. WELSH (2603198). 11th Feb. 1974.

Antedate of Seniority

Flying Officer S. A. WELSH (2603198) is awarded antedate of seniority of 11th Feb. 1968 from 17th Feb. 1969 in the rank of Pilot Officer and of 11th Feb. 1970 from 11th Aug. 1970 in the rank of Flying Officer.

Change of Type of Commission

Flying Officer I. W. PATRICK (4335895) has changed his commission from Short Service to a Permanent Commission. 21st Feb. 1974.

Transfer between Branches

Pilot Officer J. B. BARCLAY (5202684) to the Secretarial Branch in existing rank and seniority. 25 Feb. 1974.

Retirement

Squadron Leader R. BRADBEER (54473). 30th Mar. 1974.

ENGINEER BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Permanent)

As Flying Officer

Frank William BURDEN, B.Sc. (5202952). 24th Feb. 1974 (Seniority 24th Aug. 1971).

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

27th Mar. 1974

D. ASHURST (5201728).

D. M. BUXTON (5201745).

R. E. SEARLE (688627). 29th Mar. 1974.

Transfer between Branches

Flight Lieutenant C. G. LEUCHARS, B.Sc., (609425), to the General Duties Branch in existing rank, 1 Apr. 1974. Seniority adjusted to 26 May 1970.

Retirement

Group Captain H. A. MILLS, B.E.M. (at own request). 2nd Mar. 1974.

Squadron Leader A. G. MOORHOUSE (550352). 27th Mar. 1974.

Squadron Leader J. BROWN (571985) (at own request). 29th Mar. 1974.

Flight Lieutenant K. M. MOORE (4036518). 23rd Mar. 1974.

Commission Terminated

Pilot Officer J. C. BELL, B.Sc. (5201235). 13th Mar. 1974.

SUPPLY BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Short Service)

As Pilot Officer W.R.A.F.

(Five years on the Active List and four years on the Reserve)

Susan Lesley WALKER (9086). 24th Feb. 1974.

Retirement

Squadron Leaders (at own request)

I. C. FRANCIS, A.M.B.I.M., D.Phys.Ed. (2731627). 26th Feb. 1974.

A. C. JONES, M.A. (501494). 31st Mar. 1974.

Flight Lieutenant E. J. CANNING, A.M.B.I.M. (204418). 6th Mar. 1974.