

Tactical Air Force, in succession to Air Marshal Sir Harold MARTIN, K.C.B., D.S.O., D.F.C., A.F.C. 4th Apr. 1973.

Air Vice-Marshal H. A. C. BIRD-WILSON, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.F.C., A.F.C., is appointed Commander, Southern Maritime Air Region, in succession to Air Vice-Marshal E. PLUMTREE, O.B.E., D.F.C. 31st Mar. 1973.

Air Vice-Marshal C. N. S. PRINGLE, C.B.E., M.A., C.Eng., F.R.Ae.S., is appointed Director General of Engineering (R.A.F.), with the Acting Rank of Air Marshal, in succession to Air Marshal Sir John HUNTER-TOD, K.B.E., C.B., M.A., D.C.Ae., C.Eng., F.I.E.E., F.R.Ae.S. 31st Mar. 1973.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Appointment to Commission (Permanent)

As Pilot Officers :

Simon Anthony WILLBOURN, B.A. (2623976). 14th Feb. 1973 (Seniority 14th Nov. 1971).

David Sumner DAVENALL, B.Sc. (5202593). 18th Feb. 1973 (Seniority 18th May 1971).

19th Feb. 1973 (Seniority 19th May 1970)

David MAYNERD, B.Sc. (5202595).

Brian David Anderson MITCHELL, B.Sc. (5202578).

David John POAD, B.Sc. (5202581).

Stephen Bryan SCHOFIELD, B.Sc. (5202589).

Douglas Graham STEIN, B.Sc. (5202586).

Andrew Frank STOPP, B.Sc. (5202587).

Robert Jonathan TRIPP, B.Sc. (5202585).

Alan OXLEY, B.Sc. (5202543). 19th Feb. 1973 (Seniority 19th Nov. 1970).

19th Feb. 1973 (Seniority 19th May 1971)

Michael Patrick Jonathan BUTLER, B.Sc. (5202591).

Alan Bryan CHUBB, B.Sc. (5202573).

Paul Jonathan Arwyn HOPKINS, B.A. (5202572).

Leslie MYATT, B.Sc. (5202542).

Barrington Phillip SIMMONDS, B.Sc. (5202588).

Richard Philip WOOD, B.A. (5202590).

Michael George Lestocq WOOLDRIDGE, B.A. (5202592).

19th Feb. 1973 (Seniority 19th Nov. 1971)

Anthony Nigel CLEMENTS, B.Sc. (5202571).

Roderick McIntyre KERR, B.Sc. (5202577).

Afred James MONTEFORTE, M.A. (2622372).

Ian MORTIMER, B.Sc. (5202579).

David PICKAVANCE, B.Sc. (5202580).

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

R. L. HAWKINS (4233241). 13th Jul. 1972.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :

1st Apr. 1973

D. H. BENDALL (8025536).

G. F. BURNS (8025549).

M. R. ELLIOTT (8025621).

C. A. HALL (8025655).

S. G. MANDER (8025654).

C. H. NICHOLLS (8025637).

R. C. ROSE (8025647).

P. H. ROSENTALL (8025553).

D. W. TANNER (8025641).

D. A. THEOBALD (8025503).

P. J. J. YOUNG (8025610).

K. R. TROWBRIDGE, B.Sc. (2623309). 3rd Apr. 1973 (Seniority 3rd Jul. 1971).

Specialist Aircrew

Flight Lieutenants designated Specialist Aircrew :

J. S. HOGG (4032543). 26th Mar. 1973.

J. B. STEPHENSON (2552454). 1st Apr. 1973.

Transfer between Branches

Flying Officer R. J. WOZENCROFT (4220361) has transferred to the General Duties (Ground) Branch, 1st Jan. 1973, in his existing rank (seniority adjusted to 10th Nov. 1969).

Retirement

Wing Commander J. E. POLLINGTON (1398448) (at own request). 31st Mar. 1973.

Squadron Leader E. C. WATERER, A.M.B.I.M. (195272). 22nd Mar. 1973.

Squadron Leaders (at own request) :

1st Apr. 1973

R. S. J. BETTERIDGE (5755598).

D. A. HANKIN, M.B.E. (58307).

J. D. ROWELL (2324762).

R. T. HOLLOWAY, M.B.E. (701642).

Flight Lieutenant J. A. SWAIN (586185). 27th Feb. 1973.

Flight Lieutenant A. DIXON (2517058) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service). 30th Mar. 1973.

Flight Lieutenants (at own request) :

G. PITCHER (682220). 28th Feb. 1973.

A. J. GOWING (608168). 1st Mar. 1973.

J. H. HANSON (3515474). 8th Mar. 1973.

D. G. GILLATT (1579821). 1st Apr. 1973.

GENERAL DUTIES (GROUND) BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

D. R. SMITH (683776) 1st Apr. 1973.

Retirement

Wing Commander J. A. WILKINSON (179613) 17th Mar. 1973.

ENGINEER BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

R. M. BELLAMY, B.Tech. (5201617) 30th Mar. 1973.

R. M. H. KNOTTS (682170) 1st Apr. 1973.

Transfer to the Reserve

Flight Lieutenant A. FORRESTER, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E. (508148), 28th Mar. 1973.

Retirement

Squadron Leader F. J. HOBLYN (131494) 29th Mar. 1973.

Squadron Leader R. HOWES, C.Eng., M.I.E.R.E., (51916) (at own request) 1st Apr. 1973.

Flight Lieutenant R. F. CORNISH (4038077) (at own request) 3rd Mar. 1973.

SUPPLY BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

R. A. COBLEY (2579190) 1st Apr. 1973.

Regrading

Acting Pilot Officer to Pilot Officer :

Notification Amended.

London Gazette dated 26th Dec. 1972, concerning P. F. R. BURCH (8022991), amend date 28th Oct. 1972 to 6th Oct. 1972.

Transfer to Reserve

Flying Officer D. L. BATES (2797521) W.R.A.F., 3rd Mar. 1973.

Retirement

Squadron Leader R. D. FEEK (59087) 22nd Mar. 1973.

SECRETARIAL BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :

J. C. MATON (1942470) 1st Apr. 1973.

Transfer between Branches

Acting Pilot Officer S. D. OTTRIDGE (8021114) has transferred to the Engineer Branch, 30th Nov. 1972, in existing rank and seniority.

Transfer to the Reserve

Flying Officer S. E. VAUGHAN (8031483) W.R.A.F., 3rd Mar. 1973.

Retirement

Squadron Leader J. J. MICHAEL (59055) (at own request) 28th Feb. 1973.

Flight Lieutenant E. H. BLENCOWE (505203) 25th Mar. 1973.