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Editorial

We would like to open the Editorial this month by offering our congratulations to B.K.S. on their tenth anniversary of operations from Yeadon.

The highlight of the month at Yeadon was the opening of the new five thousand four hundred foot runway. On the debit side however we have to report on the burning down of the Reception Hall, Customs and Airline offices on the morning of Saturday the third of May.

Movements have certainly undergone a change, and it is no longer unusual to see four engined airliners using the airport. British Midland are operating Canadair C-4's and B.K.S. are chartering Viscounts from B.E.A. for scheduled services. Other "new" airliners operating into Yeadon are Ambassadors of B.K.S. and Autair.

We would also like to extend our thanks to all correspondents as it is only by this correspondence that we are able to cover Yorkshire thoroughly.

SECRETARYS DESK

Since our last issue went to press we have had two very interesting meetings. The first was a tour of the Leeds and Bradford Airport on the eleventh of April and our thanks are extended to all the airport staff who gave us assistance and explanations during our visit. Our second visit was on the twenty fifth of April when we had a very interesting tour of the Royal Observer Corps 18 Group H.Q. Operations Room to see the role that would be played by the "professional aircraft spotters" in the event of a nuclear war.

With our future programme we break into fresh territory but owing to the non-availability of premises at the airport, the place of our monthly meeting on the thirtieth of May has had to be switched to a room at the Yeadon Labour Club, High Street, Yeadon.

A further adventurous step (we hope is in the right direction) is the operating of a publicity stand at the S.S.A.F.A. Display at Church Fenton on Whit Monday. With the stand we hope to explain the Association of Air Britain to the general public and possibly obtain an increase in membership from those whose interest in Aviation coincides with ours.

Credits to this issue:- P.A.Jackson, I.Carling, K.Brownlow, A.M.Alderson, D.R.Hewingway, M.Waudby, J.Fletcher, D.Griffin, T.W.Sykes, Southend Aero News, Yorkshire Post and The Sun.

All extracts from this magazine should be acknowledged to same.

BUCCANEER NEWS

S.A.A.F. Our correspondent states quite emphatically that these aircraft have folding wings and not as stated in other publications. 411, 412 and 413 have now become G-2-1 to 3 respectively. 414 was delivered to Holme-on-Spalding Moor on 27/4/65, and by the 9/5 was flying as G-2-4.

R.N. A new batch has been observed, let no more be said.

BROUGH

Residents are 'MMJ Dove, and 'HAG Dragon Rapide in H.S. colours and it is reported that the Blackburn B-2 'EBJ is under restoration and will follow suit.

Completing the residents are the Chipmunks of Hull U.A.S. :- WD370 "A", WD376 "B", WK518 "C", WF979 "D" and WG460 "E" which has the constructors number CI/9510.

MIDDLETON ST. GEORGE

Residents are:-

G-AOFS	Aiglet Trainer.	G-ASAR	Rallye.
G-AOGV	Alpine.	G-AREH	Tiger Moth.
G-APKM	Alpha.	G-ARTT	Rallye.
G-ASRG	Terrier 2.	G-ASYM	Falco F8L.
G-ASRL	Terrier 2.	G-ATAW	Airedale.
G-ASFR	Bolkow Junior.	G-ASSZ	Riley 65. Undergoing overhaul after crash. Usual base Yeadon.
G-ASUP	Cessna F-172E.		
G-ALAI	Messenger.		

Visitors are:-

20/4	G-ALXK	DC-3	Danair.	
22/4	TX186	Anson	Overfly.	
1/5	G-ATCI	Viola	Airtourer.	
5/5	G-ARFF	Queenair	65.	
	G-ARYM	Dove	8.	
	G-ASHH	Aztec.		
	G-ASWB	Airedale.		
13/5	G-ARDH	Dove.		
	G-APYX	Aztec.		
	G-APNI	Moth	Minor.	
	WF374	Varsity T1	"D"/A.E.S.	Approach.
	WJ897	Varsity T1	"E"/A.E.S.	Approach.
	WJ903	Varsity T1	"F"/A.E.S.	Approach.
	WF418	Varsity T1	"G"/A.E.S.	Approach.
	WJ948	Varsity T1	"J"/A.E.S.	Approach.
	WF333	Varsity T1	"N"/A.E.S.	Approach.
14/5	G-ASIO	Aero Commander	500A.	
19/5	WJ907	Varsity T1	"Q"/A.E.S.	Approach.
	WV704	Pembroke	C1.	Overfly.

RUFFORTH

18/5 G-ASTE Aztec C.
19/5 G-ASYO 'SON 'SMR Twin Comanches.
G-ASIO Aero Commander 500A.

HUDDESFIELD (CROSLAND MOOR).

Residents are:- G-ARDH Dove 8 Owner David Brown Industries. This aircraft was originally the De Havilland demonstrator and also the prototype Mk8. It is equipped with full airline radio and a Decca Navigator/Flighlog. The Riley conversion for this aircraft was reported as imminent during the middle of April, but at the time of going to press it had not departed for modification. The only other resident is G-AROF, a Meta Sokol, and is normally picketed on the grass outside the hangar in which 'RDH is kept. It is owned by Brook Electric Motors Ltd., of Huddersfield, and is flown by Mr. Brook. A regular visitor during April was 'RNE Colt 108, which was used to give instruction to Mr. Brook.

Crosland Moor at an elevation of 870ft is the highest operational airfield in Britain. The main runway is 2800ft long and is tarmac and grass.

NETHERTHORPE AIR DAY EASTER MONDAY 19/4/65 By M. Powell.

On Easter Monday last I made my way by devious means to the extreme South of the country, to the small airfield of Netherthorpe, where the proprietors Wallace and Jones Aviation, had organised an Air Day. On arrival at the airfield I was charged five shillings for the privilege of wading in a muddy field and purchasing refreshments in the erection politely known as the hangar.

The display commenced with demonstrations by a Cessna 150, and the Dornier DO28. This was followed with aerobatic displays by a Tiger Moth and a Comper Swift. In the meantime a Ghnome-Whirlwind from Leconfield had turned up and together with the local T.A. unit gave us a demonstration of casualty evacuation. After this the rain managed to get the better of me and I made tracks for home.

Aircraft present were:-

G-ABUS	Comper Swift.	G-ARWC	Cessna 150.
G-AFNI	Moth Minor.	G-ARWH	Cessna 172C.
G-AGYK	Autocrat.	G-ASUR	Dornier Do28.
G-ANEJ	Tiger Moth.	G-ASOJ	Cessna F1 72E.
G-ANMZ	Tiger Moth.	G-ASSO	Cessna 150D.
G-APYW	Tri-Pacer.	XD1 65	Whirlwind HAR 10.

ELVINGTON 13/4/65

G-AOGZ DC-3. Fr East Midland.
G-ALHS Canadair C-4.
G-ALHY Canadair C-4. To Exeter. (LBA Time 1750).
G-ALHG Canadair C-4. (LBA Time 0942).

CATTFOSS 16/4/65

BGA950 Skylark 3F. Competition No 95.
G-ASAJ Terrier 2. Fr. Sutton Bank to collect '950.

HOLME ON SPALDING MOOR 23/4/65

G-2-2 Buccaneer S50. S.A.A.F. Grey topsides, light blue undersurfaces.
XK532 Buccaneer S1. Grey and white, no unit markings.

LINDHOLME 23/4/65

TG518, 521, 529, Hastings T5 B.C.B.S. FRB +1.
WL624 "U", 638 "V" Varsities T1 B.C.B.S. FRS +2.

+1 Fluorescent red markings in block form.

+2 Fluorescent red markings in strip form.

The Varsities were painted with white tops, silver undersurfaces and had blue cheat line.

LECONFIELD 202 SQN

No Whirlwinds are actually based here. Aircraft "stop" for a while and then go on to Manston, Coltishall or Leuchars.

XJ144 should read XJ414 (See Vol 1 No 2).

Residents for considerable periods last year included XJ723, XP403 and XP404.

SUTTON BANK

Additions to Vol 1 No 2.

Other residents are:-

BGA1009 T49 No 491 named "Falcon".
BGA1165 Swallow.
BGA950 Skylark 3F No 95 (See Cattfoss 16/4/65).
BGA1019 Skylark 4 No 98.
BGA1054 Olympia.

The unmarked Eagle has now taken up the markings BGA824 and has the No 247. Another resident is an unmarked Dart.

G-ASAJ Terrier 2. has replaced Tiger Moth 'PCU for towing.

