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HAWKER SIDDELEY ANDOVER

31 HAWKER SIDDELEY HS.780 ANDOVER C.1 ordered 14.1.63 under Cont No KU/11/02/CB.31(a) or KU/11/01/EB.31(a) built by Avro-Whitworth Div of Hawker Siddeley Aviation Ltd., Woodford and numbered XSS94 to XS013 and XS037 to XS047. (Two 2,970eshp Rolls-Royce R.Da.12 Dart 201C)

(c'n 1572) FF 9.7.65; Deld A&AEE Boscombe Down 2.12.65 (handling trials); HSAL Woodford 11.2.66; A&AEE Boscombe Down 13.5.66; HSAL Woodford 22.9.66; A&AEE Boscombe Down 17.5.67 (heavy weight trials); HSAL Woodford 9.8.67 (recon); A&AEE Boscombe Down 25.10.69 (air-drop trials); 5 MU Kemble 4.9.69; A&AEE Boscombe Down 25.10.69 (ETPS preview); To MoD Charge 25.11.69; 5 MU Kemble by 3.70 (LTS); 5 MU Apprentice School Kemble by 6.70; 46 Sqn Abingdon 19.70; With 46 Sqn to Thorney 15. 9.70 - 31.10.70; 84 Sqn Muharraq (C') c.7.71; 46 Sqn dett Masirah c.9.71 5 MU Kemble by 25.4.74 (LTS); Fuselage to Otterburn ranges by road (marked "Jim Adairways") 23.282 - 4.86 (ch 1573) FF 6.10.65; A&AEE Boscombe Down 25.1.66 (CA clearance & navigation trials); HSAL Woodford

(Ch. 15/3) FF. 0.105; A&AEE BOSCOMBO DOWN 25.1.00 (CA clearance & navigation trials); HSAL Woodford 11.2.66; Detd Aden 1.3.66 (hot weather trials & dirt strip landings); A&AEE Boscombo Down 20.4.66; HSAL Woodford 2.9.66; Detd (many Abingdon control to Middle East 2.11.67, arr 84 Sqn Sharjah (A) 6.11.67; Mdddle East 2.11.67, arr 8.4 Sqn Sharjah (A) 6.11.67; Water methanol leak from stbd engine, engine shut down, single-engine landing Sharjah 9.10.88 (F/Lt DR Ikin); Fuel leak from stbd engine, single-engine landing Sharjah, 14.10.68 (F/Lt BCK Alcock); Gulf COMSAR Sqn, Muharraq 9.7.69 - 8.9.69; 84 Sqn Muharraq (A) 16.12.70; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 46 Sqn Abingdon (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 46 Sqn Abingdon (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 46 Sqn Abingdon (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 46 Sqn Abingdon (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 46 Sqn Abingdon (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 48 Sqn Muharraq (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.72; 48 Sqn Abingdon (A) by 6.72; 5 MU Kemble by 20.2.83; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.5.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.8.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.8.85 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.885 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.885 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.885 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.885 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.8.85; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.885 - 28.6.86; Wings to St.Mawgan by 7.885; Fuselage extent Brize Norton 15.885 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6.865 - 28.6

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from 3.9.92); Moved to scrapping area, QinetiQ Boscombe Down 19.12.11 (cn. 1575) FF 4.2.66; A&AEE Boscombe Down 1.4.66 (CA Release trials); HSAL Woodford 26.5.67 (recon); AWCN 9.3.68; Deld 15 MU Wongshon 26.3.68; 5 MU Kemble 30.1.69; 46 Sqn Abingdon 5.70; With 46 Sqn to Thorney Is. 19.70 - 9.4.72; 18.22 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 11.10.73; 32 Sqn Northolt 611.73; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 19.10.75; Use to see Welled on To from Maastricht, landed on foam-carpeted runway, Wildemrath 11.7.75; ROS; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. by 28.8.75; 5 MU Kemble by 16.10.75 (refinish); 32 Sqn Northolt 71.10.75; 32 Sqn detd Benson 8.77; Nose utc. leg collapsed at end of landing run, nose & propellers damaged, Benson, Cat. 3, 3.10.77 (MALM injured); ROS; Windscreen cracked in flight, landed Bardufoss, Norway 31.1.80; A&AEE Boscombe Down by 8.4.80; 32 Sqn Benson cl.14.80; 115 Sqn Brize Norton 12.11.80; 32 Sqn Northolt 17.2.81; Stod mainwheel seized 30 yds after touch down, tyres burst, Northolt 10.6.82; ASF Benson 11.7.84 (MD); 32 Sqn Northolt 12.81; Stod mainwheel seized 17.0.85 (MD); 32 Sqn Northolt 13.11.85; Lovaux, Hum 20.1.86 (refinish); 32 Sqn Northolt 11.4.86; WSF Benson 15.1.87 (MD); 115 Sqn Benson 20.2.87; 60 Sqn Wildemrath 4.3.87; Port brake inadvertently left on during landing, both port mainwheel tyres burst, Wildemrath 19.9.87; ASF Down 19.12.11

Benson 11.7.88; 60 Sqn Wildenrath 9.8.88 - 12.88; ASF
Benson 1.90 (recon); 60 Sqn Wildenrath 19.4.90 - 8.8.90;
Lovaux Ltd, Hum

E (refinish); 60 Sqn Wildenrath
16.10.90; ASF Shawbury 25.3.92 (LTS); Sold at Phillips
auction 8.7.93; British World Airways, Southend 11.11.93;
To Democratic Republic of Congo as 90-CMJ

(bn 5) A&AEE Boscombe Down

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(bn 6) Figure problems on TO, aborted & overshot

riv. Abingdon, Cat.5, 5.7.67; Remains chumped Abingdon

by 10.67; Fuselage to AMS Brize Norton by 3.76; Fuselage

to Fire & Emergency Training Centre, Moreton-in-the

Marsh c.3.94-2.97

(bn 6) FF 11.5.66; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon

(A) 1.7.66; ATS Thorney Is. (A) 18.66 (Martin 24)

Long Cinc Affect Recomposition 11.76; Lat. 10.76;

Cinc AFINE Ioan c. 10.71; 242 OCU

Inothey Is. by 9.4.72; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 12.12.74

Intervention 11.27, Intervention 16.3.77 as NZ7620;
To New Zealand 20.3.77, Whemiapai 2.4.77; 1 Sqn

Whemiapai 18.4.77; 42 Sqn Ohakea 12.24; Sold to Eureka

Aviation 28.11.96 as 90-CVIG & via Ardmore 30.1.97 and

Brisbane 7.2.97 to Zaire; Sold to Jesus Alive Ministries 7.98 as

3C-LUX; Sold to Equitorial Guinea as 517-57E; Sold to 748

Air Services (Kenya) c.03; Landed with uk still retracted,

then struck by landing Transafrik C-130 59-8.45,

Lokichoggio Airport, Kenya 10.605 (3 crew OK);

Wreckage extant 4.08

(bin 7) FF 8.665; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon (B)

15.7.66; ATS Thomey Is. (B) 18.66 (antible 46 Sqn Abingdon (B) by 9.69; 242 OCU Thorney Is. 111.70; 5

MU Kemble c.4.70 (refinish), ATS Thomey Is. 111.70; 5

MU Kemble c.4.70 (refinish) ATS Thomey Is. (B)

19.2.75; 5 MU Kemble 11.4.75 (LTS); Sold to RNZAF as

NOTA21; Brize Norton 27.4.77; To New Zealand 4.5.77, ar

1 Sqn Whemiapai 2.1.778; 42 Sqn Ohakea 10.2.78; 1 Sqn

Whemiapai 10.1.78; 42 Sqn Ohakea 10.

Brize Norton 7.76; A&AEE Boscombe Down 5.8.77 (CA Release trials for SFS.6 and SEP.2C autopilot); Brize Norton 8.12.77; 115 Sqn Brize Norton 16.12.77; Std

engine lost oil pressure, single engine landing St Mawgan engine lost oil pressure, single engine landing St.Mawgan 8.1.79 (F.L. Osborn); EWAU Wyton 25.6.79 (E.L. Osborn); EWAU Wyton 25.6.79 (brought up to E.3 production standard); 115 Sqn Brize-Norton 19.11.79; 19 MU St.Athan 24.30 (refinish in red'white/grey scheme); 115 Sqn Brize Norton (named "Guy Devas" 5.82 (Scheme); 115 Sqn Brize Norton (named Benson 7.18.3; BAE Woodford 17.10.84 (mods); 115 Sqn Denson 26.4.85; ASF Benson 18.11.85 (AID); 115 Sqn Denson 26.4.85; ASF Benson 26.485; ASF Ben Benson 26.4.85; ASF Benson 18.11.85 (MI); 115 Sqn Benson 6.2.86; ASF Benson 1.11.88 (MI); 115 Sqn Benson 6.12.88; ASF Benson 1.11.80 (refinish); 115 Sqn Benson 4.12.90; WFU 1.10.93; Hunting plc, East Midlands Airport (later named "Guy Devas" 19.10.93; For sale by tender 23.8.96; WFU 9.10.96; Sold & to Charleroi 26.10.96 as P4-PVS, later EL-WCP

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(bin 11) FF 22.8.66; Deld 46 Sqn Abingdon 30.9.66

Later 19.5.69; Retd UK 30.5.69; 46 Sqn dett Coolidge,
Antigua 12.70, arr 42.70; Retd UK 23.3.70, arr 25.3.70;
With 46 Sqn to Thorney Is. 89.70; 5 MU Kemble 23.4.75
(LTS); Sold to New Zealand as NZ7623; Brize Norton
26.1.77; To New Zealand 26.1.77, arr Whenuspai 10.2.77;
42 Sqn Ohakea 11.2.77; 1 Sqn Whenuspai 26.1.79; 42 Sqn
Ohakea 93.79; 1 Sqn Whenuspai 26.1.79; 42 Sqn
Ohakea 31.2.97; as memory of the state of the 7.2.97 to Zaire; Stored Duerne, Belgium 1.98; BU & fuselage to Emblem, 15km SE of Antwerp 14.9.06 (CRT)

hiselage to Emblem. 18km SE of Antwerp 14.9.06 (CRT)

(bin 12) AWCN 13.10.66; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon 14.10.66; A&A-AEE Boscombe Down 2.11.66 (STOL trials at fwd Cof6); Andover OCU, Abingdon 18.11.66; 46 Sqn Abingdon 1.12.66; 46 Sqn dett Antigua 17.0 UK 75.69, arr Abingdon 10.5.69; With 46 Sqn to Thorney Is. 19.70 - 31.10.70; 242 OCU Thorney Is. 4.10.71; 46 Sqn dett Coolidge, Antigua 18. Reid UK 27.2.71; 5 MU Kemble 5.71 (MI); 46 Sqn dett Masirah 19.3.72; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 15.12.71; Detd Masirah by 3.72; To UK c.9.72; Detd Masirah 11.11.72 - 4.73; Rate Thorney Is. by 6.75 - 29.8.75; 5 MU Kemble 25.9.75; Fairford 17.12.75 (LTS); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 24.477; 115 Sqn Brize Norton 18.7.77 (corv E.3 30.12.77, FF as such 8.12.78); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 19.79.79; Fuel bowser drove into wing flag on ground, Brize Norton, Cat.2, 30.11.79; Stbd overwing escape hatch detached on TO, Greenham Common 2.6.80; With 115 Sqn to Benson 7.1.83; 19 MU StAABas 9.2.83 (special fit & refinish); 115 Sqn Benson 24.3.83; Bae Woodford 31.1.84 (TI of mode); A&AEE Boscombe Down 19.5 Sqn Benson 19.11.84; 115 Sqn Benson 17.11.84; 1 Woodford 31.1.84 (TI of mods); A&AEE Boscombe Down [115 Sqn Benson by 7.11.84; ASF Benson 17.11.84; 115 Sqn Benson 22.11.84; ASF Benson 12.485; 115 Sqn Benson 2.1.84; ASF Benson 14.8.86 (MI); 115 Sqn Benson 17.10.86; McAlpine Aviation, Luton 17.11.86 (refinish); 115 Sqn Benson 25.3.88; Following overshoot stod w/c failed to lock up, then failed to lower, stod engine shut down, port engine shut down on landing, stod wingtip hit riw & a/c slewed to right, Lossiemouth, Cat.3, 48.88 (crew OK); Northolt 12.193 (maintenance); 115 Sqn Benson 9.2.93 (later with 75th anniversary markings); WFU 1.10.93; Hunting plc, East Midlands Airport 19.10.93; Dumped Northolt by 242.295

East Midlands Airport 19.10.93; Dumped Northolt by 24.2.95
(bin 13) A&AEE Boscombe Down 2.1.66; Deld 52 Sqn Abingdon 1.12.66; With 52 Sqn to Seletar 22.12.66; Retd Abingdon 1.70; 46 Sqn Abingdon by 4.70; With 46 Sqn to Thorney Is. 19.70 - 31.10.70; 5 MU Kemble by 4.9.71; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. by 2.71; 5 MU Kemble by 9.9.71; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. by 10.71; RAE Farnborough 2.8.72 (refinished in RAE scheme by 4.4.73); ETPS Boscombe Down 24.9.75 -9.80; Monarch, Luton 10.184 (refinish); ETPS Boscombe Down 2.84; Struck by lightning, loud bang and flash in cockpit, yaw vane detached from nose probe, port propeller damaged, 3 m SE Brize Norton, landed OK, Boscombe Down 14.3.85 - 30.1.86; RAE West Freugh Aviation, Luton 25.11.86 (refinish); RAE West Freugh 313.87; ETPS Boscombe Down by 20.5.87; Loud bang and fire in port uic bay, Boscombe Down, Cat. 3, 25.5.90; Swung to stbd on landing, port mainwheel tyres burst,

Boscombe Down 28.6.91; During single engine full power Boscombe Down 28.6.91; During single engine full power ground run atc jumped chocks, No.1 propeller struck & severed ground power cable, Boscombe Down 16.2.06; Whilst taxying clear of r/w stbd u/c oleo collapsed, stbd propeller struck ground, Boscombe Down 6.2.08; WFU 31.8.12

31.8.12 (bin 14) Deld Abingdon by 11.66; 52 Sqn Abingdon 1.12.66; With 52 Sqn to Seletar 22.12.66; 5 MU Kemble by 4.70 (LTS & Major); 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 14.471; Te Fit A&AEE Boscombe Down by 1.72; HSAL Woodford loan, regd 23.7.76 as G-BEBT (sales tour of India 8.76); Regn canx 6.9.76; RAE Famborough 24.4.77 - 12.77; RAE West Freugh by 5.78; Dan-Air, Manchester 28.7.78 (refinish in traspberry ripple' scheme); RAE West Freugh by 4.80; RAE XS608

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uc collapsed, Pariford 303.08; Rest UK 305.69; With 46 Sqn to Thorney Is. 1.9.70; Lost power on TO, yawed to right, stbd wingtip struck runway, cartwheeled, fitselage split in two & caught fire, Ampugnano, ar Siema, Italy, Cat.5, 84.72 (4 crew & 14 Falcon Parachute Team passengers OK, SLLaft FW Last, Sgt RC Bullen & 2 other passengers willed)
(bu 17) AWCN 20.1.67; Deld 46 Sqn Abingdon 23.1.67;
(bu 18) AWCN 20.1.67; Deld 46 Sqn Abingdon 25.4.69; With 46 Sqn Abingdon 12.6.67; Damaged, Cat.3, 28.1.69; ROS by 71 MU; 46 Sqn Abingdon 25.4.69; With 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 19.70 - 9.4.72; Damaged, Cat.3, 14.8.72; Bossil 46 Sqn dett Masirah 4.9.72; Retd Abingdon 13.2.75; 242 OCU Thorney Is. 12.12.74; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 15.75 - 29.8.75; 5 MU Kemble 11.9.75 (LTS & recon); 241 OCU Brize Norton 17.2.77 (conv E.3 6.5.77); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 20.1.78; Inadvertently taxied off taxiway during snow conditions, Leeming 13.2.78; 19 MU St.Athan 29.10.79 (refinishly, Struck by lightning, radome damaged, 2m SSW of Cottesmore 20.5.79; 115 Sqn Berize Norton 11.12.79; With 115 Sqn Benson 17.1.83; ASF Benson 17.85; 115 Sqn Benson 17.2.86; ASF Benson 17.85; 115 Sqn Benson 17.2.86; ASF Benson 17.88; Collaboration 17.88; Damaged Squ Benson 17.88; Damaged Squ Benson 17.88; Damaged Squ Benson 17.89; 115 Sqn Benson 17.89; ASF Benson 17.89; 115 Sqn Benson 17.98; ASF Benson 17.89; 115 Sqn Benson 17.98; Multing plc, East Midlands Airport 16.12.93; For sale by tender 23.896; WFU 9.10.96; Sold & to Charlerot 26.10.99 a Benson 17.79; Northolt 12.93 (maintenance); Hunting plc, East Midlands Airport 16.12.93; For sale by tender 23.896; WFU 9.10.96; Sold & to Charlerot 26.10.96 as 74.81L, later 90-CVX (b'n 18) FF 23.12.66; Deld 46 Sqn Abingdon 2.2.67; 21 Sqn Khornaksar 15.2.68; Stod engine caught fire on climb out, fire extinguished & landed safely, Sharjah 24.68 (Ft. RT Hubharraq by 2.1.2.68; Stod engine caught fire on climb out, fire extinguished & landed safely, Sharjah 24.68 (Ft. RT Hubharraq 43.68; Port engine overheat on start-up, Abu Dhabi 25.7.68;

Gulf COMSAR Sqn. Muharraq 31.7.69; 84 Sqn Sharjah (A) 1.69 Std EF on TO. EL Muharraq, 31.10.69 (FLt XC Fittus); With 84 Sqn to Muharraq 16.12.70; 46 Sqn dett Masimal 29.9.71; Retd Abingdon 15.12.71; 5 MU Kemble by 2.72 (Major); 46 Sqn Thorney Is. by 9.4.72; 5 MU Kemble 29.6.73; AAAEE Boscombe Down on MoD(PE) charge 18.10.73 (supply dropping trials); RAE Farnborough 43.74 (ferry duties). A&AEE Boscombe Down 16.4.74; RAE Farnborough by 14.5 Sqn Thorney Is. 272.75; 5 MU Kemble 19.3.75 (LTS); To RNZAF as NZ7625; Brize Norton 16.3.77; To New Zealand 19.3.77, arr Whemispal 24.77; 1 Sqn Whemispal 18.4.77; 42 Sqn Ohakea 318.77; 1 Sqn Whemispal 18.4.77; 42 Sqn Ohakea 25.1.79; WFU Whemispal by 1.97 (LTS); Sold to Thameside Aero Services c.798 as 3C-KKC Brisbane 21.9.98, arr Southend 28.9.98; Sold to 748 Air Services (Kenya) 9.98; Extant Nairobi 11.3.00 (bn 19) Ff 13.1.67; Deld 46 Sqn Abingdon 1.12.66 (sqn Thorney Is. 29.6.73; 5 MU Kemble 7.7.70 (LTS); 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 29.6.73; 5 MU Kemble 17.7.70 (LTS); 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 29.6.73; 5 MU Kemble 18.4.75; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 29.6.73; 5 MU Kemble 18.4.75 (Major & LTS); Sold to RNZAF as NZ7626; Brize Norton 26.1.77 (c) To Far East C.15.3.67, arr 52 Sqn Seletar 29.3.67; To New Zealand arr Whenuspai 8.2.77; 1 Sqn Whemispai 11.2.77; 42 Sqn Whemispai 12.84; Sold to Eureka Aviation 28.11.96 as 9Q-C/R & via Ardmore & Brisbane 17.4.97 to Wevelgem 24.497; Regd by 30.5.97 as EL-AFT; To Eastern Congo Airlines by 8.97; To SAFT 98; Sold to Gabon Express 26.10.98 as 3C-C/PX; Regd Strand 17.4.97 to Wevelgem 24.497; Regd by 30.5.97 as EL-AFT; To Eastern Congo Airlines by 8.97; To SAFT 98; Sold to Gabon Express 26.10.98 as 3C-C/PX; Regd Strand 18.293.71 [Saft Strand 18.1.70] (mods for CincAFNE); Snr Fit Thorney Is. 19.70; Thorney Is. 19.71; To New Zealand, arr Whenuspai 9.2.77; 1 To New Zealand, arr Whenuspai 9.2.77; 1 To New Zealand, arr Whenuspai 19.74 (C) (CinCAFNE) Snr Fit Thorney Is. 19.70; CinCAFNE Abingdon 15.70; To New Wenther 19.97; CinCAFNE Benson 9.8.83; Ground power unit driven a

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12.84; WFU Ardmore 12.96 - 2.97 (LTS); Sold to Eureka Aviation

as 9Q-CTB; Via Blenheim 2.97 & Brisbene 18.4.97 to ITAB Cargo; Extant 6.05 (bin 23) AWCN 28.467; Deld 46 Son Abingdon 1.5.67; 60 MU Leconfield 1.11.68 (mods); 46 Son Abingdon 6.2.69; 46 Son dett Coolidge, Antigua 10.3.69, arr 18.3.69; Retd UK 3.4.69; With 46 Son to Thorney Is. 1.9.70; 46 Son dett Masirah 4.2.73; Retd Abingdon 7.73; 32 Son Northolt 4.9.75; Fariford on 5 MU Kemble charge 17.12.75; 115 Son Brize Norton 27.9.76; Struck by lightning, wing dented, 21m W of Gardermoen, Norway 26.6.79; 5 MU Kemble 29.6.79 (repair & refinish red/white/grey scheme); 115 Son Brize Norton by 14.8.79; EWAU Wyton 17.4.80 (conv E.3.A); 115 Son Brize Norton 24.10.80; With 115 Son to Benson 41.83; ASF Benson 31.8.83; 115 Son Benson 1.7.86; ASF Benson 2.6.86 (MI); 115 Son Benson 1.7.85, ASF Benson 2.8.87 (MI); 115 Son Benson 11.9.87; ASF Benson 29.11.88 (MI); 32 Son Northolt 4.3.92 - 6.92 (RAF Falcons display team support); To 1 Soft Cosford 13.7.94 as Gf 924IM; RAFM Cosford 3.8.98; Extant 3 8 08 Evtant

5.8.9s; Extant
(bin 24) AWCN 28.4.67; Deld 46 Sqn Abingdon 4.5.67;
Special Installation Sqn, 60 MU Leconfield 21.11.67 (Sky
Shout speech broadcast equipment trials); A&AEE
Boscombe Down on MmTech loan by 20.12.67 Shout speech broadcast equipment trials): A&AEE Boscombe Down on MinTech loan by 20.12.67 (Sky Shout trials); 46 Sqn Abingdon 1.4.68; 46 Sqn det Coolidge, Antigua 2.6.69; Retd UK 1.00 (Sqn to Thorney Is. by 16.9.70; With 46 Sqn to Thorney Is. 19.70; Damaged, Cat.3, 20.10.71; ROS by 71 MU; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 43.72; To HSAL charge at Thorney Is. 87.74 (flight trials of Mod 201); 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 21.10.74; 46 Sqn dett Masirah 7.75; Retd Abingdon 13.8.75; 5 MU Kemble 12.975; Fairford 17.12.75 (LTS); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 24.8.76; 5 MU Kemble 1.10.78 (refinish in redwhite/grey scheme); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 11.178; EWAU Wyton 2.12.78 (conv E.3); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 28.6.79; EWAU Wyton 20.8.79 (fit calibration equipment); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 1.15 Sqn Brize Norton 1.1.8; Sqn Brize Norton 11.584 (MT); 115 Sqn Benson 18.7.84; BAe Woodford 21.3.85 (mods); 115 Sqn Benson 24.9.85; ASF Benson 11.6.87 (MT); 115 Sqn Benson 13.7.87 – 19.10.87; 115 Sqn Benson 11.0.88; 115 Sqn Benson 17.10.88; 115 Sqn Benson 17.10.89; 115 Sqn Benson 17.10.88; 115 Sqn Benson 17.10.89; 115

plc, East Midlands Airport 19.10.93; For sale by tender 23.8.96; WFU 9.10.96; Sold & to Charlerol 26.10.96 as P4-TBL 19.10.96; Sold & to Charlerol 26.10.96 as P4-TBL 19.10.96; Deld & to Charlerol 26.10.97; Via Abingdon to Middle East 30.8.67, arr 84 Sqn Sharjah 4.9.67; Gulf COMSAR Sqn, Minharraq (19.10.96; Sqn Sharjah (19.20.10.96); Minharraq (19.10.96; Sqn Sharjah (19.20.10.96); Minharraq (19.10.10.10.11.12.71; Sdn UKemble by 1.72 C.175; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. by 6.72 - 1.74; Collided with fuel bowser, Finningley, Cat.3, 23.9.74; ROS by 71 MU, 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 14.2.75; SMU Kemble 17.9.75; Fairford 17.12.75 (LTS); Sm F1t 19.10.10.96; Mr. 19.10.97; Fairford 17.12.75 (LTS); Sm F1t 19.10.97; Sqn Brize Norton 13.12.78 (E.3A by 12.6.82); Total hydraulic failure, u/c lowered with emergency system, landed OK, Akrotiri 22.11.82; With 115 Sqn Benson 2.8.85; ASF Benson 15.3.95 (Mg); 115 Sqn Benson 19.12.87 (refinished in hemp scheme 16.12.87 but removed 18.1.88); BAE Woodford 17.2.88; 115 Sqn Benson 19.12.87 (refinished in hemp scheme 16.12.87 but removed 18.1.88; BAE Moodford 17.2.88; 115 Sqn Benson 19.12.88 (refinished in hemp scheme 16.12.87 but removed 18.1.88; BAE Moodford 17.2.85; 115 Sqn Benson 19.12.88 (refinished in hemp scheme 16.12.87 but removed 18.1.88;

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(bin 27) AWCN 30.6.67; Deld 15 MU Wroughton 4.7.67;
HQ Air Forces Gulf charge 25.8.67; Via Abingdon to Middle East 1.9.67, arr 84 Sqn Sharjah ('D') 49.67; With 84 Sqn to Muharraq ('D') 16.12.70; 5 MU Kemble 27.9.71 - 8.77 (LTS); 115 Sqn Brize Norton (still "D") 9.2.78; 5 MU Kemble 18.4.78; 115 Sqn Brize Norton (initially still "D") 5.6.78; 241 OCU Brize Norton by 5.79; 5 MU Kemble 17.8.79 (Feffisish red-white/grey scheme); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 10.10.79; EWAU Wyton by 5.9.81 (conv E.3A); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 9.3.82; With 115 Sqn to Benson 7.1.83; Port main uć brakes locked on tyres burst on 115 Sqn Brizze Norton 9.3.82; With 115 Sqn to Benson 7.1.83; Port main uć brakes locked on, tyres burst on landing. PAF Sintra 20.10.84; ASF Benson 29.4.87 (servicing); 115 Sqn Benson by 18.5.87; McAlpine Aviation, Luton 18.5.87 (refinish); 115 Sqn Benson 3.7.87; ASF Benson 25.3.83 (servicing); 115 Sqn Benson 22.6.83; EWAU Wyton 18.83 (remove equipment); 115 Sqn Benson by 4.8.88; Jecco Aviation Services, Hum 20.11.89; 115 Sqn Benson by 1.2.80; Jecco Aviation Services, Hum 20.11.89; Benson by 4.8.88; Jecco Aviation Services, Hum 20.11.89; 115 Sqn Benson by 11.289; Jecco Aviation Services, Hum 6.3.90; 115 Sqn Benson by 27.3.90; 32 Sqn Northolt loan by 12.3.92 (RAF Falcons display team support); RAF Falcons display team support display team

by 25.2.05 – 10.08 (bin 28) AWCN 10.8.67; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon (B) 15.8.67; Redes ATS Abingdon 1.11.67; 46 Sqn Abingdon by 9.69; 5 MU Kemble c.4.70 (refinish); ATS Thorney B. 1.8.70; Redes 242 OCU Thorney B. 111.70; 5 Abingdon by 9.99, 5 MU Kemble C.4.70 (refinish); ATS Thomey Is. 1.8.70; Redes 242 OCU Thorney Is. 11.170; 5 MU Kemble 17.6.74 (refinish grey/green); 242 OCU Thorney Is. 23.7.74; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 15.75 - 31.8.75; EWAU Wyton 15.10.75; TVAS Wyton 17.1.77; A&AEE Boscombe Down 17.2.77 (hight trials of SRIM 3730); HSAL Chester 26.4.77 (tail buffeting investigation); A&AEE Boscombe Down 18.5.77; EWAU Wyton 30.5.77 - 7.78 [EWAUU Stone) by 2.79 - 8.80]; 115 Sqn Brize Norton 10.6.81; 19 MU St.Athan 7.10.81 (special fit); 115 Sqn Brize Norton 10.1.81; With 115 Sqn to Benson 7.1.83; EWAU Wyton 18.2.83 (conv. E.4A); A&AEE Boscombe Down 23.3.83 (E.3A C(A) trials); 115 Sqn Benson 8.11.83; ASF Benson 5.10.84 (MD); 115 Sqn Benson 8.11.83; ASF Benson 5.10.84 (MD); 115 Sqn Benson 4.3.86; HDB Aviation, Luton 9.3.87 (refinish); 115 Sqn Benson 10.6.87; ASF Benson 25.7.88 (servicing); ASF Benson 25.8.88 (servicing); ASF Benson 25.8.88 (servicing); ASF Benson 25.88 (servicing); A

(CRT); Cockpit section in Hanningfield Metals yard, Stock

(E) 3.3.68; Co-pilot from A&AEE became incapacitated by sudden onset of gastroenteritis, EL Dibba, 14.7.70 (FLt DH Eastmond); Stöd overwing escape hatch detached on TO, 14.9.70 (F/Lt PA Cox); With 84 Sqn to Muharraq (E) 16.12.70; Sm Fit Thorney Is. 5.11.71; 5 MU Kemble by 1.72; 242 OCU Thorney Is. 272; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. 5.72; 5 MU Kemble 19.6.74 (STS); Sold to RNZAF as NZ7029; Brize Norton 13.4.77 (conversion training); To New Zealand 4.10.77; arr Whemuapai 15.10.77; 1 Sqn Whemuapai 18.2.79; 42 Sqn Ohakea 15.79; 1 Sqn Whemuapai 31.7.79; 42 Sqn Whemuapai 12.84; WFU Whemuapai 31.7.79; 42 Sqn Whemuapai 12.84; WFU Whemuapai 91.97 (LTS); Sold to Thameside Aero Services 30.6.98 as 3C-KKT. To Ardmore by 18.10.98 Services 30.6.98 as 3C-KKT: To Ardmore by 18.10.98 (LTS); To Southend 4.4.99; Sold to Air Katanga (names "Fatima") 8.4.99 as 9Q-CVC & to Africa 6.99

COMSAR Sqn, Muharraq loan 15.669; 84 Sqn Sharjah 5.7.69; Gulf COMSAR Sqn, Muharraq loan 23.70; 84 Sqn Sharjah 13.3.70; 5 MU Kemble 22.12.70; 46 Sqn Thorney Is. (C) by 2.71; 5 MU Kemble by 6.73 - 6.80 (LTS); Benson by road by 6.81 - 11.81 (CRT); [BUT Benson by 7.81 ourst on mining, camoriage 17.100, stood overwing escape hatch detached during TO run, Boscombe Down 17.1.05 (bin 31) A&AEE Boscombe Down 22.3.68 (MEXE sirfield matting trials; extended fivd CoffG trials from 8.8.68); 5 MU Kemble 27.1.69 – 6.80 (LTS); BAe Woodford by road 3.81 - 11.86 (BAe ATP mock-up; swapped for fuselage of G-ARRV q.v)

> 6 HAWKER SIDDELEY HS.748 SRS 206 ANDOVER CC.2 ordered 27.9.63 under Cont No KU/11/015/CB.31(a), built by Avro-Whitworth Div of Hawker Siddeley Aviation Ltd., Woodford and numbered XS789 to XS794. (Two 2,105eshp Rolls-

(c/n 1561) FF 15.5.64 AAAEE Boscombe Down 4.6.64 (CA Release trials); HSAL Woodford 24.6.64; Deld Queen's Flt, Benson 7.8.64; HSAL Woodford 20.8.64 (mods); Queen's Flt, Benson 39.64; MU Kemble 2.70 (refinish); Queen's Flt, Benson by 2.78; 5 MU Kemble 6.11.79 (refinish); Queen's Flt, Benson by 2.78; 5 MU Kemble 6.11.79 (refinish); Queen's Flt, Benson by 2.78; 5 MU Kemble 2.3.11.81 (special fit); Queen's Flt, Benson 5.1.82; 19 MU StAthan 24.2.86 (special fit); Queen's Flt, Benson 5.1.82; 19 MU StAthan 24.2.86 (special fit); Queen's Flt, Benson 7.3.86; 32 Sgn Northolt 23.6.86 (prep for MD; ASF Benson 11.7.86 (MD; McAlptine Aviation, Lution 25.9.86 (refinish); 32 Sgn Northolt 12.11.86; Jecco Aviation Services, Hum 17.7.89; 33 Sgn Northolt Daviation Services, Hum 17.7.89; 33 Sgn Northolt Daviation Services, Hum 17.7.89; 33 Sgn Northolt Daviation Services Hum 17.7.89; 34 Sgn Northolt Daviation Services Hum 17.7.89; 35 Sgn Northolt Dav

Luton 25.9.86 (refinish); 32 Sqn Northolt 12.11.86; Jecco Aviation Services, Hurn 17.7.89; 32 Sqn Northolt by 21.9.89; Jecco Aviation Services, Hurn 16.10.89; 32 Sqn Northolt 23.11.89; Lovaux Ltd, Hurn 16.10.89; 32 Sqn Northolt 23.11.89; Lovaux Ltd, Hurn 16.10.10; (refinish in grey scheme); 32 Sqn Northolt 18.2.93; WFU 31.3.95; Sold & to Southend 21.4.95, becoming 9Q-CLL (chr 1562) FF 26.6.64; Deld Queen's Fit, Benson 10.7.64; HSAL Woodford 20.8.64 (mods.); Queen's Fit, Benson 3.9.64; 5 MU Kemble 2.69 (refinish); Queen's Fit, Benson by 1.6.72 – 8.75; 5 MU Kemble 16.72 (refinish); Queen's Fit, Benson 10.3.76; 5 MU Kemble 16.72 (refinish); Queen's Fit, Benson 2.78; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit) Queen's Fit, Benson 3.3.81; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit) Queen's Fit, Benson 3.3.81; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit) Queen's Fit, Benson 3.3.81; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit) Queen's Fit, Benson 3.3.81; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit) Queen's Fit, Benson 3.3.81; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit) Queen's Fit, Benson 21.88; 19 MU St Athan 30.9.85 Queen's Fit, Benson 3.3.81; 5 MU Kemble 10.1.83 (special fit); Queen's Fit, Benson 21.2.83; 19 MU St.Athan 30.9.85 (refinish); Queen's Fit, Benson 7.11.85 – 19.2.88; 19 MU St.Athan in the present of the property of the pro

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(ch 1563) FF 18.11.64
(ch 1643) FF 18.11.64
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(minor); 32 Sqn Northolt 9.4.86; ASF Benson 4.8.87

(minor); 32 Sqn Northolt 9.4.86; ASF Benson 4.8.87 (servicing); 32 Sqn Northolt 20.8.87; Lovaux Ltd, Hurn 11.7.88 (refinish); 32 Sqn Northolt 12.9.83; WFU by 12.93; St. Athan 1.94; For sale c.10.94; Sold to Phoenix Aviation & to Bruntingthorpe by road 22.3.95; Fuselage in Hammingfield Metals yard, Stock by 25.2.05 – 3.05 (ch. 1564) FF 14.1.65; AWCN 8.2.65; Deld Standard Abingdon 8.2.65; To FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover Fit (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover FIT (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover FIT (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover FIT (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover FIT (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover FIT (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Andover FIT (15.64) FF 14.1.69; FEAF Charge 31.36; FEAF Ch

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147.89; Queen's Fit, Benson loan c.8.89; 60 Sqn Wildenrash 27.11.89 (received 75th anniversary marks 19.4.91); Stn Fit Bruggen 27.3.92 (for CinC RAF Germany); Northolt by 8.9.92 (WFU due to corrosion in wing box structure); 2 SoTT Cosford (marked "Y") 23.4.93 as Gl 9178M; Sold to Andila Aviation 8.5.97 & to Eureka Aviation, becoming EL-AIF (cin 1566) Ff 65.65; HSAL Woodford on MoA charge 31.5.65; A&AEE Boscombe Down 9.7.65 (EMI checks & clearance of tropical equipment cooling); HSAL Woodford 19.8.65; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon 11.9.65 (Cearance of tropical equipment cooling); HSAL Woodford 19.8.65; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon 11.9.65 (Cearance of tropical equipment cooling); HSAL Woodford 19.8.65; Deld Andover OCU, Abingdon 15.11.66; Queen's Fit Ioan, Benson 26.6.67; MCS Northolt 24.7.67; 60 MU Leconfield 6.8.68 (mods); Sm Fit Abingdon 27.8.68; MCS Northolt 1.1.69; Redes 32 Sqn Northolt 24.7.67; 60 MU Leconfield 6.8.68 (mods); Sm Fit Abingdon 27.8.68; MCS Northolt 1.1.69; Redes 32 Sqn Northolt 24.7.67; 60 MU Leconfield 6.8.68 (mods); Sm Fit Abingdon 27.8.68; MCS Northolt 1.1.69; Redes 32 Sqn Northolt 32.69; 5 MU Kemble 4.70 (refinish); 32 Sqn Northolt 32.59; Deld Thomey Is. 9.71; Retd Northolt c.10.72; Accident 30.12.71; ROS by 71 MU; 32 Sqn Northolt 16.5.78; Sruck by lightning, landed Kleine Brogel 28.3.80; MC Remble 3.5.83; 32 Sqn Northolt 29.6.83; ASF Benson 3.2.84 (MI); 32 Sqn Northolt 11.7.85; ASF Benson 3.1.87 (servicing); 32 Sqn Northolt 11.88; Lecco Aviation Aviation 41.86; ASF Benson 3.2.84 (MI); 32 Sqn Northolt 11.88; Lecco Aviation 41.86; ASF Benson 3.2.84 (MI); Sqn Northolt 18.12.87; Lovaux Ltd, Hum 12.9.88 (refinish); 32 Sqn Northolt 11.11.88; Jecco Aviation Services, Hum 18.9.89; 32 Sqn Northolt by 28.2.90; WFU

by 11.93; SOC 31.3.95; WFU 31.3.95; Sold & to Southend

1 HAWKER-SIDDELEY HS.748 SERIES 107 ordered 13.1.70 against Cont No Kl0A/18 numbered XW750. (Two 1,740eshp Rolls-Royce R.Da.6 Dart 514)

XW750 (c/n 1559, ex-G-4S/T) Deld Radio Flt, RAE Farnborough 13.1.70, regd 20.1.70 as XW750; BLEU RAE Bedford 6.12.71; Flight Systems Div, RAE Bedford by 3.79 [refinished in 'raspberry ripple' finish by 1.83] - 9.86; Redes DRA Bedford 1.4.91; RAE Farnborough 24.3.94; DRA DRA Bedford 1.4.91; RAE Famborough 24.3.94; DRA Boscombe Down 1.6.94; Redes DERA Boscombe Down 1.4.97; Redes QueetiQ Boscombe Down 2.7.01; WFU 31.1.105; Sold to Clewer Aviation Ltd 11.06, regd 9.1.07 as G-4.53T

1 HAWKER-SIDDELEY HS.748MF registered G-ARRV. (Two 2,970eshp Rolls-Royce R.Da.12 Dart Mk.201C)

G-ARRV (c/n 1548, ex-G-APZV) A&AEE Boscombe Down 20.2.65 (parachute streaming trials); HSAL Woodford 5.3.65; To India 8.4.65 (demonstration tour); HSAL Woodford 7.5.65; WFU 6.6.65; HSAL Woodford Apprentic School 12.1.68 as GI; Regn camx 3.4.69; Refinished in Soviet AF marks as "57" c.mid.80 (for TV film "Invasion"); To Benson by road 28.1.81 as GI 8669M (CRT, exchanged for XS647); Burnt by 2.5.86: SS to RJ Coley 4.90. BU on site 5.90 & sections to Egham by road c.9.90; Remains extant 15.9.91 [TFH 401 001

With disbanding of 84 Sqn at Muharraq 46 Sqn operated a detachment of 2 Andovers at Masirah 9.71, known as "Yimkins Airways"

XS645 242 OCU Thorney Is, by 9.4.62 uncoded but first in matt

XS644 refinished in low-vis matt dark green/matt dark sea grey with matt light grey undersides, tac roundels at 5 MU Kemble, returning to 242 OCU by 6.8:74. Made the last operational sortie of 46 Sqn - an aeromedical trip from Gutersloh to Wildenrath and then to Northolt on 31.8:75.

XS610 E.3 fourth and last IRFIS conv at Woodford by 11.12.85.

115 Sqn disbanded 1.10.93

242 OCU: yellow disc with green/blue motif on fin.

CinCAFNE (XS637): red square with white stars on fuselage

84 Sqn: black scorpion on white-outlined blue disc on tail. Yellow spinners. Aircraft nicknamed "Psychedelic Banana"

E.3A variant was full flight checking fit less ILS calibration

115 Son flight checker paint scheme to make them more conspicuous

E.3 conversion order: XS603, XS610, XS605, XS640

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Corrections

XS794. After delivery to Abingdon in Sep 1965 the aircraft was used by the Andover Conversion Flight to train the crew (I was the copilot) which was to operate the a/c on VIP duties. My first flight in the a/c was on 22 Sep 65, and my first training exercise was flown on 27 Sep 65. Crew conversion training was completed on 30 Nov 65, and with effect from 1 Dec 65 the a/c and crew were assigned to 'E' Flight Metropolitan Communications Squadron, although the aircraft continued to be based at Abingdon for ease of servicing. The next flight was an operational VIP flight to the Middle East which departed from Abingdon on 4 Dec 65. I was the co-pilot on XS794 when it suffered the accident on landing at Northolt in 1966. According to my logbook the accident happened on 30 Sep 1966 (perhaps the date shown in your record is that on which the damage was assessed as Cat 3?). The repair work was carried-out at Kemble, and was completed in mid-Nov 65 when the crew of which I was member carried out an airtest on 14 Nov 64. We ferried the a/c back to Abingdon on 21 Nov 65.

NOTES.

XS645. Date '9.4.62' must be wrong. Aircraft didn't enter service until 1967.

- XS644. The date for its return to 242 OCU from Kemble isn't correct. I flew the aircraft from Kemble to Thorney Island on 23 July 1974. I was OC Andover Training Squadron from March 1973 to April 1975. During that time the ATS had 3 dedicated a/c: XS599, XS600 and XS644.
- 242 OCU. The Andovers of the Andover Training Squadron of 242 OCU at Thorney Island had a disc painted on the tail fin consisting of a black cat on a yellow background. The 3 aircraft which belonged to the ATS were XS599, XS600 and XS644.

Chris Carrington

Andover Hot Weather Trials. Aden. February 1966

















Chris Alcock writes: Andover XS595 was detached to RAF Khormaksar Aden on 11 Feb 1966 to 1 Mar 1966 for hot weather trails & dirt strip landings.

I was at Aden on 21 Sqn flying Twin Pioneers at the time. I was detailed to go in the Andover to make sure they did not stray into the Yemen as the strip Wadi Ain which was very near the border. The test pilot John Harrison was flying it. Wow!! I never ever again saw an Andover flown like that! The strip was up against a mountain so it was land into the mountain and turn around and take off in the opposite direction away from the mountain! I was in the cockpit for half of the exercise and I remember the stall warning going continuously on the approach. As any Andover pilot knows that is not necessary as an Andover can be landed and stopped within a set of runway lights without a murmur from the stall warner. Once in their haste I think they forgot the













Pictures taken by Chris Alcock while serving with No 84 Squadron.

