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Serial Type (other identity) [code] AJ841 CCF T-6J Texan (MM53795/G-BJST/KF729) KF729 CCF T-6J Texan (G-BJST) PR422 VS377 Seafire F XV (UB415/G-TGVP) WB584 DHC1 Chipmunk T10 (comp WG303/7706M) WD363 DHC1 Chipmunk T10 (G-BCIH) [5] XA634 Gloster Javelin FAW4 (7641M) XE665 Hawker Hunter T8C (G-BWGM) XN459 Hunting Jet Provost T3A (G-BWOT) XR501 WS58 Wessex HC2 XS885 WS58 Wessex HAS1 [512/DD] XT864 McD F-4K Phantom FG1 (8998M/XT684) [BJ] XV259 BAe Nimrod AEW3 <ff> XV654 WS61 Sea King HAS6 [05/DD] (wreck) XV697 WS61 Sea King ASaC7 [181] XV714 WS61 Sea King ASaC7 [188] XW212 WS Puma HC2 XW416 BAC Jet Provost T5A (9191M) [84,MS] XW432 BAC Jet Provost T5A (9127M) [76,MX] XX638 SA Bulldog T1 (G-DOGG) WS Lynx AH7 [T] XZ196 XZ250 WS Lynx HAS3S [426/PO] \$ XZ349 WS Gazelle AH1 [G] XZ587 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [C] XZ592 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [H] XZ593 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [I] XZ595 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [K] XZ596 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [L] XZ597 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [M] XZ612 WS Lynx AH7 XZ641 WS Lynx AH7 [A] XZ692 WS Lynx HMA8SRU [641]\$ ZA293 WS61 Sea King HC4 [A] ZA298 WS61 Sea King HC4 (G-BJNM) [Y] ZA310 WS61 Sea King HC4 [B] ZA370 Panavia Tornado GR4A [004] ZA373 Panavia Tornado GR4A [007] ZA405 Panavia Tornado GR4A [014] ZA461 Panavia Tornado GR4 [026] ZA469 Panavia Tornado GR4 [029] \$ ZA557 Panavia Tornado GR4 [048] ZA559 Panavia Tornado GR4 [049] ZA609 Panavia Tornado GR4 [072] ZA614 Panavia Tornado GR4 [EB-Z] \$ ZA674 B-V Chinook HC4 (N37019) ZA705 B-V Chinook HC4 (N37035) [AN] ZA708 B-V Chinook HC4 (N37042) [AP] WS Lynx HMA8SRU [365] 7D258 ZD284 WS Lynx AH7 [K] BAe Harrier GR9 [55] ZD465 ZD476 WS61 Sea King HC4 [WZ] ZD716 Panavia Tornado GR4 [084] ZD739 Panavia Tornado GR4 [087] ZD747 Panavia Tornado GR4 [095] ZD748 Panavia Tornado GR4 [096] \$ ZD842 Panavia Tornado GR4 [105] ZD843 Panavia Tornado GR4 [106] ZD848 Panavia Tornado GR4 [109] ZE114 Panavia Tornado IDS (RSAF 703) ZE116 Panavia Tornado GR4A [116] ZE369 WS61 Sea King HAR3 [S]

Owner/operator, location or fate Privately owned, Duxford Repainted as AJ841, 2014 Privately owned Solway Aviation Society, Carlisle Privately owned, Netheravon RAF Leeming (for the Jet Age Museum, Gloucester) Midair Squadron, Cotswold Airport Kennet Aviation, North Weald Sold to France, 2014 SFDO, RNAS Culdrose RAF Leuchars (for Ulster Aviation Society) Privately owned, Wales RN, Predannack Fire School RN No 849 NAS, Culdrose RN No 849 NAS, Culdrose RAF No 33 Sqn/No 230 Sqn, Benson Privately owned, Bentwaters Privately owned, Bentwaters Privately owned, Thruxton Privately owned, Sproughton RN, Yeovilton (for display at Portland) QinetiQ, Boscombe Down, spares use RAF No 202 Sqn, E Flt, Leconfield RAF No 22 Sqn, C Flt, Valley Privately owned, Sproughton Privately owned, Bentwaters AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop DSMarE, stored HMS Sultan, Gosport RN No 845 NAS, Yeovilton Privately owned, Hitchin, Herts (for scrapping) RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham RAF No 9 Sqn, Marham RAF Marham Wing RAF No 15(R) Sqn, Lossiemouth RAF CMU, Marham RAF Marham Wing RAF Marham Wing RAF No 15(R) Sqn, Lossiemouth RAF CMU, Marham MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands (conversion) RAF Odiham Wing RAF Odiham Wing Privately owned, Bentwaters Privately owned, Corley Moor, Warks DSMarE AESS, HMS Sultan, Gosport DSMarE, stored HMS Sultan, Gosport RAF CMU, Marham RAF TEF, Lossiemouth RAF CMU, stored Marham RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham RAF CMU, Marham RAF TEF, Lossiemouth RAF CMU, Marham BAE Systems, Warton RAF Marham Wing RAF No 22 Sqn, C Flt, Valley

ZE422 WS61 Sea King ASaC7 [192] ZE708 BAe 146 C3 (OO-TAY) ZF120 WS61 Sea King HC4 [Z] ZF123 WS61 Sea King HC4 [WW] ZF537 WS Lynx AH9A ZF538 WS Lynx AH9A 7F563 WS Lynx HMA8SRU [453/DM] ZG705 Panavia Tornado GR4A [118] ZG714 Panavia Tornado GR4A [124] ZG750 Panavia Tornado GR4 [128] ZG752 Panavia Tornado GR4 [129] WS61 Sea King HC4 [I] ZG820 ZG889 WS Lynx AH9A ZG921 WS Lynx AH9A ZH543 WS61 Sea King HAR3A [X] ZH544 WS61 Sea King HAR3A ZH545 WS61 Sea King HAR3A [Z] ZH843 EHI-101 Merlin HM2 ZH851 EHI-101 Merlin HM2 ZH852 EHI-101 Merlin HM1(mod) ZH866 Lockheed C-130J-30 Hercules C6 (N130JE) [866] Lockheed C-130J Hercules C5 (N4187W) [887] ZH887 ZH889 Lockheed C-130J Hercules C5 (N4099R) [889] ZH894 B-V Chinook HC4 (N2026E) [HI] ZH898 B-V Chinook HC5 (N2057Q) BAe Hawk 102D ZJ100 ZJ121 EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [E] ZJ125 EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [J] ZJ138 EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [X] ZJ171 WAH-64 Apache AH1 (N3266T) ZJ194 WAH-64 Apache AH1 ZJ235 Bell 412EP Griffin HT1 (G-BXBF) [I] ZJ917 Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [QO-G] ZJ929 Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [DL] ZJ939 Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [DXI] EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-506) [AD] ZJ995 EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-511) [AF] ZK001 ZK113 Panavia Tornado IDS (RSAF 6606) Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [BU] ZK307 ZK313 Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [W] ZK351 Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 ZK368 Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 ZK394 Eurofighter Typhoon ZK398 Eurofighter Typhoon T ZK399 Eurofighter Typhoon T ZK533 BAe Hawk T53 (LL-5317) ZK535 BAe Hawk T53 (LL-5320) ZR354 AgustaWestland AW101 Mk.611 [15-03] ZZ336 Airbus A330 Voyager KC3 (EC-333/G-VYGG) ZZ340 Airbus A330 Voyager KC2 (MRTT026/EC-330/F-WWTR) MoD/Airbus, Getafe, Spain AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2 ZZ396 ZZ512 AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1

RN No 849 NAS, Culdrose RAF No 32(The Royal) Sqn, Northolt DSMarE, stored HMS Sultan, Gosport Privately owned, Hitchin, Herts (for scrapping) MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands MoD/Vector Aerospace, stored Fleetlands MoD/Vector Aerospace, stored Fleetlands RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham RAF Marham Wing RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham RAF Marham Wing Privately owned, Hitchin, Herts (for scrapping) AAC No 667 Sqn/7 Regt, Middle Wallop MoD/Vector Aerospace stored, Fleetlands RAF No 22 Sgn, B Flt, Wattisham RAF No 22 Sqn, A Flt, Chivenor RMB RAF Valley (on repair) MoD/AFD/QinetiQ, Boscombe Down MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil MoD/AFD/QinetiQ, Boscombe Down RAF No 1312 Flt, Mount Pleasant, FI RAF No 24 Sqn/No 30 Sqn/No 47 Sqn, Brize Norton RAF Odiham Wing RAF Odiham Wing BAE Systems National Training Academy, Humberside RAF No 28 Sqn/RN No 846 NAS, Benson RAF No 28 Sqn/RN No 846 NAS, Benson MoD, stored Boscombe Down (wreck) AAC No 3 Regt, Wattisham AAC No 3 Regt, Wattisham DHFS No 60(R) Sqn/SARTU, RAF Valley RAF No 3 Sqn, Coningsby RAF No 11 Sqn, Coningsby RAF No 11 Sqn, Coningsby RN MDMF, Culdrose RN MDMF, Culdrose To R Saudi AF as 6606, 15 December 2014 RAF No 6 Sqn, Lossiemouth RAF No 2 Sqn, Lossiemouth RAF TMF, Coningsby MoD/BAE Systems, Warton To R Saudi AF as 1023, 8 December 2014 To R Saudi AF as 1020, 21 December 2014 To R Saudi AF as 1021, 8 December 2014 BAE Systems National Training Academy, Humberside BAE Systems National Training Academy, Humberside AgustaWestland, Yeovil, for Italy MoD/Airbus, Getafe, Spain (conversion) MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil

Notes:

- 1. This update coincides with the completion and updating of the first draft of 'Military Aircraft Markings 2015'; it is not yet listed on Amazon etc. but as soon as details are forthcoming and I have an ISBN, I will inform people via the usual means.
- 2. Two recent disposals to museums have been Javelin FAW4 XA634 to the Jet Age Museum and Phantom XT864 for the Ulster Aviation Society.
- 3. It is believed that 203(R) Squadron quietly disbanded at Valley in September 2014.
- 4. 854 NAS was absorbed into 849 NAS during December 2014. 857 NAS will decommission during 2015 leaving 849 NAS as the sole Sea King ASaC7 operator.
- 5. The final Chinook HC2s for conversion to HC4 status have gone to Fleetlands. It is believed that HC2A ZH894 has been converted to HC4 status and that HC3 ZH898 is the first HC5.

- 6. Merlin ZH852 has recently appeared with a Searchwater radar fit on its port side, for trials with regard to the Sea King ASaC7 replacement.
- 7. No 12 Squadron should stand up on 9 January 2015, effectively replacing No 2 Squadron, which is converting to the Typhoon.
- 8. The first Typhoons are beginning to appear in the colours of 2 Squadron, which will be based at Lossiemouth. ZK344/II was the first machine painted up but the remainder of the fleet should take single letter codes, as was the norm when the squadron flew Jaguars etc.
- 9. With the delivery of G-VYGJ (ZZ339), A330 G-VYGG has returned to Spain for conversion to a 3-point tanker and should duly return as Voyager KC3 ZZ336 now that G-VYGJ has replaced it. Voyager ZZ340 first flew on 17 July 2014 and is currently at Manchester being painted.

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