

## Biographical Notes NOEL STEEL Prepared by Tony (Stacey) Cottingham 71 Entry B Squadron

## A short note from Noel Steel

Here are a couple of memorable times at Cranwell and soon after - for better or worse.

You will remember that when we arrived at the College in January 1955 there was deep snow everywhere. Not long after our arrival, the delinquents of 70 Entry, who were introducing us to Cranwell and its procedures, ordered "C" Squadron out onto the Parade ground after lights out, at about eleven pm. We were instructed to parade carrying our rifles and wearing nothing but a helmet, a belt and boots. It was a memorable occasion!

Then at the age of 25, I was (at that time anyway), the youngest person at 25 years to be made a Captain of the Vulcan. The other four members of the Crew were older than me!

On a subsequent flight to Omaha, Nebraska, the crew and I went out on the town where I was refused entry to a Bar by the doorman who wouldn't accept that I was over 21 years old!

## 1957 Prizewinners & Senior Term (70/71E)



