

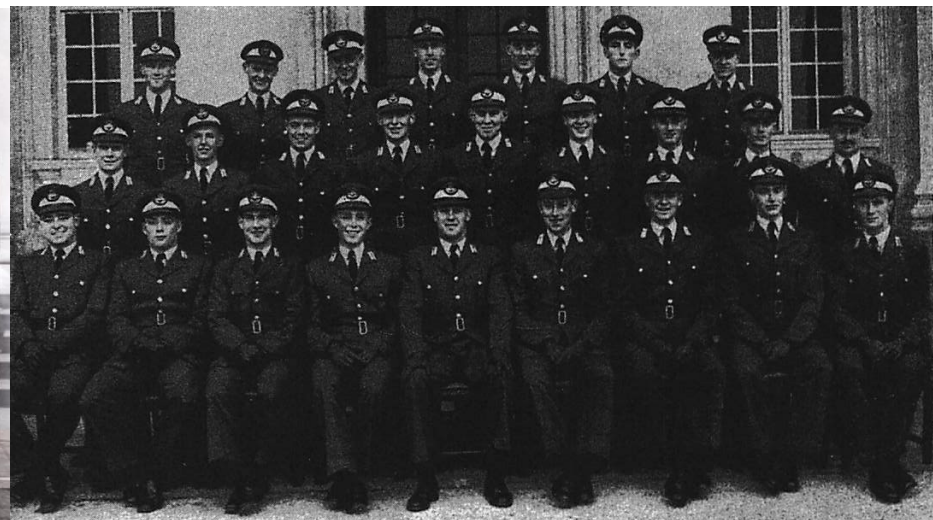


Biographical Notes
SQN LDR ROBERT BARRY NELSON
 Prepared by Tony (Stacey) Cottingham
 71 Entry B Squadron

Start Date	End Date	Posting/Appointment
Jan 55	Dec 57	71 Flight Cadet Entry Cranwell Under Officer flying Piston Provost and Vampire FB9 & T11.
Jan 58	Apr 58	232 OCU Gaydon Victor 2nd Conversion Cse.
Apr 58	Sep 61	10 Sqn Cottesmore Victor co-pilot and 1st pilot.
Sep 61	Oct 61	All Weather Jet Refresher Course (AWJR) Manby/Strubby Meteor.
Dec 61	Apr 62	231 OCU Bassingbourn Canberra.
Apr 62	Oct 64	16 Sqn Laarbruch Canberra (Bi8), QRA during Cuban Crisis Oct 62, Deputy Flt Cdr.
Oct 64	May 65	CFS Cse, Little Rissington, Chipmunk, Winner of the Individual Aerobatic Trophy.
Apr 65	Oct 67	Aberdeen UAS, QFI, CFI.
Oct 67	Dec 68	CFS Little Rissington, Flt Cdr and Leader of the 'Skylarks' Chipmunk Synchronized Aerobatic Team.
Jan 69		Promoted to Sqn Ldr.
Jan 69	Dec 70	School of Education, Upwood, Tutor on the OTIC (Officer Training Instructors Course)
Jan 71	Nov 71	Staff College student at Defence Services Staff College, Wellington, South India.
Jan 72	Mar 72	Jet Refresher Cse Manby, Jet Provost.
Apr 72	May 72	231 OCU refresher, Canberra.
May 72	Apr 74	7 Sqn, St Mawgan Canberra TT18 Flt Cdr, led Canberra detachment in Bombay (Mumbai) and Delhi India Demonstrating the Rushton Target System to the Indian Army and Navy, Dec 73.
Apr 74	Jan 77	Air Secretary's Branch, Adastral Ho, PA3A.
Jan 77	Feb 77	Intelligence Officers' Cse Ashford Kent
Apr 77	May 80	NATO Staff Air Intelligence Officer, HQ BALTAP, (HQ NATO Baltic Approaches) Karup Denmark.
Jul 80	Apr 81	Applied for PVR, Attached to Science 3 at Lacon Ho researching mid-career pilot motivation.
May 73		PVR'd. During retirement flew Bulldogs for Dornier as a contract QFI in the Nigerian Air Force, and Jet Provosts for the Air Traffic School at Shawbury.
Apr 85	Sep 85	Rejoined as Specialist Aircrew Sqn Ldr, CFS Refresher, Scampton, Jet Provost Mk5.
Sep 85	Sep 88	FTS Cranwell, QFI.
Oct 88	Nov 88	CFS Chipmunk Refresher.
Nov 88	Jun 89	Elementary Flying Training School (EFTS) Swinderby, Chipmunk QFI.

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Jul 89	Apr 97	CFI Staff Scampton/Cranwell, Chipmunk and Bulldog QFI.
Apr 97		Retired. "Spent two and a half years sailing to the Med and back with my wife. We went along the Riviera as far as Italy but crossed France in their excellent canal system – a marvellous adventure."

1957 Prizewinners & Senior Term (70/71E)



THE SENIOR ENTRY: DECEMBER 1957

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