



Service History of
681803 SAA HARVEY F G (George)

7th May 1956 to 1967

1956 - 1959	RAF Halton	Technical Training Command	Apprentice Training (Engine Fitter)
1959	RAF Kinloss	Coastal Command	Not known
1959	RAF South Cerney	Training Command	Aircrew Officer Training Course
1959 - 1960	RAF Syerston	Training Command No: 2 (Basic) Flying Training School	Pilot training on Hunting Jet Provost T Mk 3
1960 - 1961	RAF Swinderby	Training Command No: 8 (Advanced) Flying Training School	Flight training on Hunting Jet Provost T Mk 3 and DH Vampire T Mk 11
1961	RAF Gaydon	Bomber Command No: 232 OCU	Conversion training to Vickers Valiant B Mk 1
1961 – 1964	RAF Marham	Bomber Command Nos: 49, 148, 207 & 214	Pilot on Vickers Valiant B Mk 1 – squadron unknown
1964 – 1965	RAF Little Rissington	Training Command Central Flying School	Flying Instructor Training – Folland Gnat T Mk 1
1965 – 1967	RAF Valley	Training Command No: 4 FTS	Flight Instructional Duties - Folland Gnat T Mk 1



RANK ON COMPLETION OF SERVICE

Unknown

AWARDS

Unknown



POST HALTON CAREER

In 1968, George left the RAF and joined British European Airways (BEA) flying Vickers Viscount 500s and Hawker Siddeley Trident 3Bs. Other aircraft flown by George included BAC 1-11 and HS148. George was working for BEA in March 1974 when it merged with BOAC to become British Airways. In the 1980's when the Boeing 757 was introduced by British Airways, George converted to type and was later appointed Senior Training Captain operating out of London Heathrow (LHR); a position he held until his demise on 6th April 1992.

During the period 1975 – 76 George spent time with the British Antarctic Survey (BAS) at Rothera, the largest BAS Research Station in Antarctica. He formed the air back-up for BAS flying deHavilland Canada DHC-6 Twin Otters; landing and taking off of ski-ways, a flat area of snow or ice!

From 1981 to 1989 George was also kept busy giving Air Force cadets air experience flying out of RAF Turnhouse. It appears this was not enough to satisfy George's urge to fly because between 1988 and 1990 he also flew as the display pilot in a Miles M18 Mk 2 twin-seat trainer (G-AHKY) for the Scottish Aircraft Trust. This aircraft is now housed in the Museum of Flight at East Fortune, Berwick, East Lothian in Scotland.

A TRIBUTE TO GEORGE

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