



Service History of
681957 SAA DAINTY J D G (John)
 7th May 1956 to 1991



1956-1959	RAF Halton	Technical Training Command	No: 1 School of Technical Training. Apprenticeship as Engine Fitter
1959-1961	RAF Kinloss	Coastal Command	Maritime Operational Training Unit – 1 st and 2 nd Line Servicing – Avro Shackleton MR Mk 1, 2 and 3
1961-1962	RAF Masirah	Middle East Air Force	Visiting Aircraft Servicing Flight.
1962-1963	RAF Topcliffe	Flying Training Command	1 st Line Servicing – Vickers Varsity
1963-1964	RAF Jurby	Technical Training Command	Officer Training Unit. Commissioned as Flying Officer into the Equipment Branch.
1964-1965	RAF Kirton Lindsey	Technical Training Command	Professional Training – Equipment
1965-1966	RAF Acklington	Flying Training Command	Flying Officer – O.C. Domestic Supply Flight
1967-1969	RAF Malta	Near East Air Force	O.C. Supply Depot for all RAF Malta bases plus RAF Idris, Libya
1969-1970	RAF Fairford	Transport Command	Flight Lieutenant - O.C. Supply Control and Accounting Flight.
1970-1972	RAF Odiham	Transport Command - 38 Group	O.C. Administration (Military Exercises) and Planning.
1972-1974	RAF West Raynham	Strike Command - HQ No: 46 (Transport) Group	Squadron Leader – O.C. Supply and Movements Squadron.
1974-1976	Harlow Manor, Harrogate	Ministry of Defence	O.C. Aero Engine Management
1976-1979	RAF High Wycombe	Strike Command HQ	O.C. Aircraft on Ground (AOG) spares progression.
1979-1981	Harlow Manor, Harrogate	Ministry of Defence	Wing Commander – O.C. Aero Engine Management.

1982-1985	Dubai	Ministry of Defence – HQ UAE Armed Forces Loan Service	Consultant - Supply and Technical advice
1985-1987	RAF Carlisle	Support Command – No: 14 Maintenance Unit	O.C. Supply (Stock Holding) Wing
1987-1989	St. Georges Road, Harrogate	Ministry of Defence	SM24 - Aero Engines Spare Parts Management.
1989-1991	RAF Brampton	Support Command	O.C. Supply 2, Domestic Supply Progression.



RANK ON COMPLETION OF SERVICE

Wing Commander

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POST RAF SERVICE CAREER

After 35 years RAF service, John took voluntary retirement and almost immediately attached himself to the Army's 5th Division, Shrewsbury which held responsibility for Land Training Areas & Ranges for approximately a quarter of the UK land mass. This position would occupy him for the next 13 years.

In 2006 he was appointed Cadet Adult Instructor and Administrator at Shrewsbury School CCF before finally retiring in 2008.

ADDITIONAL STORIES

John commented: This just goes to show how a Halton technical beginning was not lost to the system despite becoming a 'Blanket Stacker' for some 11 years (1963 - 1974)! I'm sure this was instrumental in getting me into the aero engine management world, which I loved.

Editors' comment: Clearly an excellent example of Halton training directly leading to a widely diverse and satisfying career in the UK Armed Forces.