



829 NAVAL AIR SQUADRON

MOTTO

'Non Effugient' - 'They Shall Not Escape'

ROLE

Operational Merlin HM Mk 1 flights embarked on Type 23 Frigates

BASE

RNAS Culdrose



SQUADRON HISTORY

829 Squadron has had two previous incarnations but is most closely associated with being at the forefront of frigate and destroyer embarked naval aviation. The Squadron first existed from 1940 to 1944. In this brief but intensive period the Squadron was awarded 5 battle honours that included a successful attack on the battleship Tirpitz in April 1944.

The Squadron began its long association with ships' flights when it was re-commissioned in 1964 embarking Whirlwind, Wessex, Wasp and Lynx helicopters. The Squadron saw service across the globe and served in the Falklands and Kuwait with distinction.

829 Squadron re-commissioned in 2004 and continues the tradition of embarked front-line maritime aviation by providing Merlin flights to Type 23 "Duke Class" frigates as part of the Royal Navy's commitment to a Versatile Maritime Force.

PREVIOUS AIRCRAFT TYPES

Albacore, Swordfish, Barracuda, Whirlwind, Wasp, Wessex, Lynx, Merlin

BATTLE HONOURS

Atlantic 1940, Matapan 1941, Mediterranean 1941, Diego Suarez 1942, Norway 1944, Falklands 1982, Kuwait 1991



AGUSTA WESTLAND MERLIN

HM Mk 1

Primary Role

Anti - Submarine Warfare

Max Speed

150 Knots

Crew

1x Pilot, 1x Observer,
1x Aircrewman

Max Takeoff Weight

14,600 kg

Endurance

4 Hours

Weapons

2 x Window mounted GPMG
Mod.1 Stingray Torpedo
MK11 Anti-Submarine Depth
Charge



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