

415 SQUADRON VIGNETTES #1

In 1961 the 415 Argus era commenced. Squadron Leader W.M Hauser was appointed acting commanding officer and the first Argus (10720) arrived on 08 June 1961. Soon thereafter, Crew 1, captained by Flight Lieutenant Bill Misener, flew the first operational mission by the Squadron. 415 started operations with slightly more than 30 members of the established 150 positions. Squadron Leader Hauser would become Summerside Base Operations Officer, when Wing Commander S.S Mitchell assumed command on 30 October 1961.



First Squadron picture - Crew 1 and other squadron members with Argus 10720

To the far left are S/L Bill Clark and Acting CO S/L Slim Houser.

The front row from L to R: F/L Al Wolfenden, F/L Bill Misener, Sgt Ralph Doucette, Sgt Buzz Bezanson. The fifth person in this row is unknown.

The back row from L to R: F/O Doug Doncaster, F/O Ken Woodman, F/O Doug Moore, F/O Jean Guy Beaudoin, F/O Serge Dechamp, F/O Bob Gordon, F/O Gary Forner, F/O Dave Conrad, F/O Pete Gilchrist. The tenth person in this row is unknown.