

## DH.90 DRAGONFLY

- 7500 (Gipsy Major #8222/8223) First flown 12.8.35 at Hatfield as **E.2**. Regd **G-ADNA** [CofR 6135] 15.8.35 to The de Havilland Aircraft Co Ltd, Hatfield [*Note: - entered into Kings Cup Air Race 9.35 by DH but withdrawn since not ready*]. CofA 5305 issued 17.1.36. CofA lapsed 16.1.37, but visited Farnborough 9.37, (so probably operated by DH under manufacturer's permit). Regd [CofR 8313] 22.1.38 to Albert Batchelor, Broadstairs; probably operated by Thanet Aero Club Ltd, Ramsgate. CofA renewed 14.3.38. Cld 20.1.39 & regd 27.1.39 to Southern Airways Ltd, Ramsgate and operated by [associate] Western Airways Ltd, Weston-super-Mare. Regn cld 17.4.40 as sold. To 6 AACU Ringway same day. Impressed as **X9452** 10.5.40. To 8 AACU Cardiff 24.8.41. To Air Service Training Ltd CRD 8.6.42. To DH Witney 19.8.42 and soc 30.8.42.
- 7501 (Gipsy Major #8324/8325) Regd **G-AEBU** [CofR 6705] 8.2.36 to The de Havilland Aircraft Co Ltd, Hatfield (as demonstrator); ff 2.36. CofA 5322 issued 15.2.36. Regn cld 5.38 as sold abroad (and CofA renewed 19.5.38). Regd **F-AQEU** 31.3.38 to Auguste A Boyer, Paris. To Societe Francaise de Transports Aeriens 6.38. To **Spanish Republicans** and flown to Barcelona by Andre Boyer. Photos show it as F-AQEU & Spanish military tail markings and with "Viva Franco" under the wings; which would thus suggest an early capture by the **Nationalists**. Reportedly recovered by Nationalists at end of war in 1939 and possibly to Ejercito del Aire as **40-3**.
- 7502 (Gipsy Major #8460/8461) To HM King Ghazi of Iraq with CofA 5469 issued 28.4.36. Regd **YI-HMK** 27.5.36 to King Ghazi of Iraq, Akerkuf; named "The Golden Eagle". Possibly later to Iraqi Air Force.
- 7503 (Gipsy Major #8462/8463) Regd **G-AEDW** [CofR 6784] 10.3.36 to HB Legge & Sons Ltd, Hamsey Green. CofA 5388 issued 9.5.36. Regn cld as sold 2.38 (and CofA renewed 11.3.38). Regd as **VP-YBR** [CofR 51] 11.3.38 to Rhodesia & Nyasaland Airways Ltd, Salisbury. Badly damaged in crash on take-off Gwelo 5.10.38. Also reported as being the aircraft which crashed nr Kasama, N Rhodesia 1.1.39.
- 7504 (Gipsy Major #8464/8465) Regd **G-AECW** [CofR 6747] 29.2.36 to London Aero Club Ltd (The London Aeroplane Club), Hatfield. CofA 5369 issued 28.7.36. Regd [CofR 8393] 9.3.38 to The de Havilland Aircraft Co Ltd, Hatfield. Operated on MAP permit during war and until expiry 10.10.44. To spares and regn cld as pwf 23.11.45 at census.
- 7505 (Gipsy Major #8476/8477) Regd **G-AECX** [CofR 6748] 28.4.36 to Arthur Henry Youngman as nominee for Harry Gordon Selfridge Jnr, Heston. CofA 5462 issued 20.5.36. Operated by Selfridge (pilot son-in-law Viscomte Jacques de Sibour) on clandestine flight to Spanish Nationalists late 7.36 on behalf of Socony-Vacuum Oil Co to arrange oil supplies, with Gordon Selfridge, his wife and Peggy Shannon as 'cover'. Regn cld 3.38 as sold abroad (and CofA renewed 2.3.38). Regd as **VT-AKC** [CofR 348] 30.4.38 to Air Services of India Ltd, Bombay. Flown back to Britain 17.7.39-24.7.39. Regd **G-AECX** 9.8.39 to International Air Freight Ltd; operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. Regd 23.1.40 to The Hon Mrs (Mary Mildred) Victor Bruce, Cardiff; still operated by Air Dispatch Ltd. Regn cld 22.6.40 as sold. Impressed as **AX855** 2.6.40 and to ATA White Waltham. To Hawker Aircraft CRD 26.8.41. To Station Flight Northolt 16.12.41. To DH Witney 29.1.42 and soc 22.2.42.
- 7506 (Gipsy Major #8478/8479) To DH Canada with CofA 5461 issued 28.5.36. Erected and flown Downsview 26.6.36. Regd **CF-AYF** [CofR 1758] 16.7.36 to William M Archibald (Manager of Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co), Creston BC (although at the time it was his personal property). Sold and regd [CofR 1849] 3.11.36 to Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co of Canada Ltd (Cominco), Trail BC. (Gipsy Major #8478 replaced by #80089 6/39; Gipsy Major #8479 replaced by #8739 8/41; Gipsy Major #8739 replaced by #8285 3/44). Badly damaged in heavy landing Kimberley BC 12.10.46; pilot Don Hermon. Donated 12.47 to Trail Flying Club who salvaged the engines, instruments and other parts at Kimberley and removed the airframe to EW Rogers, airport manager for the use of his children off airfield.
- 7507 (Gipsy Major #8505/8565) Regd **G-AEFN** [CofR 6876] 28.4.36 to Walter Guy Robson, Heston. CofA 5460 issued 6.6.36. Cld 15.2.39 & regd 18.2.39 to Air Commerce Ltd, Heston. Regn cld 28.3.40 as sold. To 6 AACU Ringway 28.3.40. Impressed as **X9390** 31.3.40. To 7 AACU Castle Bromwich 3.5.40. To DH Witney for repair 20.9.40. To 7 Ferry Pilots Pool Sherburn 3.2.41. To 9MU Cosford for store 4.4.41. Crashed following engine failure near Cosford Waterworks 10.9.41 and soc 18.9.41.
- 7508 (Gipsy Major #8507/8543) Regd **G-AEDT** [CofR 6777] 9.5.36 to The Rt Hon Sir Philip Albert Gustave David Sassoon MP, Hendon [reg reserved 2.36]. CofA 5490 issued 19.6.36. Cld/sold 1Q.38 but not regd. Regn cld 7.38 as sold abroad (via WS Shackleton Ltd). Regd in Australia as **VH-AAD** [CofR 697] 25.3.38 to Aadastra Airways Pty Ltd, Mascot. Starboard tailplane severed when swung on landing Bankstown 2.2.48; repaired. Regd 14.6.51 to Bush Pilots Airways Pty Ltd, Cairns. Leased to Queensland Ambulance Transport Brigade, Cairns 11.51-11.52 [to replace lost DH.89 VH-CFA], and again 10.53-11.54 [to replace second lost VH-CFA!]. Regd 25.11.54 to Kingsford-Smith Aviation Service Pty Ltd, Bankstown. Regd 8.6.56 to Griffith Aero Club, Griffith, NSW. Sold 8.63 to Charles Masefield & Lord Trefgarne. Regn cld 2.9.63. Regd **G-AEDT** (CofR R7990) 3.10.63 to David Garro Trefgarne, Lord Trefgarne, Chobham, Surrey; named "Endeavour". CofA renewed 21.11.63 (for 3 months). Flown back to UK by Masefield/Trefgarne, departing Bankstown 1.12.63 and arriving Gatwick 23.(or 24).12.63. To Shoreham for overhaul and CofA renewed 30.7.64. Flown by Masefield/Trefgarne to New York via Iceland & Greenland departing Gatwick 31.7.64 and Prestwick 1.8.64. Sold 30.4.66 to Rosen-Novak Auto Co (on behalf of Tallmantz Museum, Santa Ana, California?). Regn cld 2.5.66 as sold in USA. Regd **N2034** 12.7.66 to Rosen-Novak Auto Co, Omaha, Nebraska (delivered 1.67). Sold 29.5.68 and regd 18.7.68 to Joe L Terteling, Boise, Idaho; deld 4.69. No CofA issued & US regn probably not used and to store. Auctioned 20.9.86 and sold to Wessex Aviation & Transport Co Ltd (Brian Woodford) for \$41,000. Regn cld 24.4.87. Returned to UK .87 for rebuild by Ron Souch of The Aeroplane Co, Sarisbury Green. Regd **G-AEDT** 27.4.87 to Wessex Aviation & Transport Ltd [Brian Woodford], Henstridge. Reflown Lee-on-Solent 15.7.88 and CofA renewed 19.7.88. CofA lapsed 18.7.91; renewed 25.5.93. Sold 9.96 to Colin Smith, Mandeville, New Zealand; shipped out 8.97. Regd 12.9.97 to Barry K Donovan, c/o Cathay Pacific Airways, Kai Tak, Hong Kong. Regn cld as sold New Zealand 23.3.98. Regd **ZK-AYR** 1.4.98 to Croydon Aircraft Co Ltd [Colin Smith], Mandeville [as nominee for Barry Donovan]; assembled and reflown 7.4.98. For sale .03 [at £160,000]; sale withdrawn & used for local joyflights etc. Currently regd.
- 7509 (Gipsy Major #8519/8520) Regn **G-AEDU** (CofR 6778) reserved 2.36 but not taken up. Regd **G-ADXM** [CofR 6480] 9.5.36 to William Lindsay Everard MP, Ratcliffe; named "The Leicestershire Vixen III" [a regn originally reserved 11.35]. CofA 5488 issued 20.6.36; dd 27.6.36. CofA lapsed 20.3.40. Regn cld 4.40 as sold. To 110 (AAC) Wing, Ringway 3.40. Impressed as **X9327** 31.3.40. To 6 AACU Ringway 21.5.40. To 8 AACU Cardiff 24.8.41 and later used by Cardiff Communications Flight. To 2 TAF Communications Flight White Waltham 21.6.43. Soc as scrap 22.7.44.
- 7510 (Gipsy Major #8508/8518) Regd **G-AEDH** [CofR 6766] 7.36 to Samuel Harris, Redhill and operated by Croydon Airways Ltd, Croydon

- [also t/a Croydon Flying Club]. CofA 5489 issued 2.7.36. Receiver appointed to Croydon Airways Ltd 16.3.37 and aircraft for sale by Personal Airways Ltd but later advertised [9.37] by Harris & Gillow. Regd [CofR 8119] 25.9.37 to Plymouth Airport Ltd, Rotherborough. Cld 9.2.39 & regd 15.2.39 to [associate] Western Airways Ltd, Weston-super-Mare. Regn cld 8.3.40 as sold. Impressed as **AV987** 12.5.40. Operated by 110 (AAC) Wing, Ringway 10.5.40. To 6 AACU Ringway 16.5.40. To Station Flight Ringway 5.12.40. Soc 1.1.41.
- 7511 (Gipsy Major #8712/8713) Regd **G-AEDI** [CofR 6767] 14.5.36 [reserved 2.36] to British Continental Airways Ltd, Croydon but not delivered. CofA 5513 issued 13.10.36. Regn cld 10.36 as sold abroad. Delivered by air (as VR-SAX) to Singapore by Shell Singapore aviation manager, Peter Vines, departing Croydon 27.12.36; delayed as result of damage when ground-looped on landing at Ghermines, Libya 30.12.36 (to Misr Airwork, Cairo for repairs), eventually arriving Penang 26.1.37. Regd as **VR-SAX** [CofR 17] 4.2.37 to Asiatic Petroleum Co [SS] Ltd, Singapore. Damaged when swung on landing Tourane, Indo-China 20.11.37; rebuilt in situ over three months, departing 27.2.38 only to have undercarriage collapse on landing Vientiane (both caused by ground-loops and flown by Vines). Rebuilt again and flown out 31.5.38 and returned to Singapore. Badly damaged again on landing Alor Star 1.12.38 en route to UK (another Vines' ground-loop!). Shipped to Penang and sold for rebuild. Regd [6.39] to Wearne's Air Services Ltd, Singapore. Impressed into 'B' Flight MVAf as "17" 1.12.41. Destroyed in air raid Kallang 20.1.42.
- 7512 (Gipsy Major #8660/8661) To Rhodesia & Nyasaland Airways Ltd with CofA 5595 issued 21.7.36. Regd **VP-YAX** 15.8.36 to Rhodesia & Nyasaland Airways Ltd, Salisbury. Crashed near Gwelo 20.12.38; no casualties.
- 7513 (Gipsy Major #8544/8545) To Qantas Empire Airways with CofA 5615 issued 6.8.36. Regd **VH-UXB** [CofR 612] 26.10.36 to Qantas Empire Airways Ltd, Archerfield. Damaged u/c when swung on take-off Mount Isa, Qld 25.12.38 (pilot Capt EG Donaldson); repaired. Damaged in forced landing Alexandra 19.6.41; repaired. Damaged in forced landing Daly Waters 8.5.43; repaired. Badly damaged when swung on take-off Archerfield 13.7.43 (pilot Sloane); repaired. Undercarriage collapsed on landing Cloncurry 28.1.46 (or 28.1.47) and again on take-off Cloncurry 16.1.47; repaired (entries might refer to same incident quoted in Lloyds as 28.1.47). Regd 25.2.47 to Edward J Connellan t/a Connellan Airways, Alice Springs. Regd 14.3.51 to Connellan Airways Ltd, Alice Springs. Regn cld 17.9.51 as pfwu (but also reported as sold in Queensland in 1950).
- 7514 (Gipsy Major #8546/8547) Regd **G-AEHC** [CofR 6949] 4.36 to The Rt Hon Sir William Maxwell Aitken (Lord Beaverbrook of Daily Express), Croydon. CofA 5516 issued 14.7.36. Regd [CofR 7586] 9.1.37 to The London Express Newspapers Ltd and operated by Personal Airways Ltd, Croydon on behalf of Daily Express on internal route survey following the Maybury Committee Report. Crashed Damaw, Minnigaff Parish, Kircudbrightshire 2.2.37 en route Renfrew-Speke; killing Leslie T Jackson of Personal Airways, Major Harold Pemberton, aviation editor of Daily Express and two other Express staff members. Regn cld 4.37 as crashed.
- 7515 (Gipsy Major #8542/8564) Regd **G-AEDJ** [CofR 6768] 6.36 to The Hon Thomas Loel Evelyn Bulkeley Guinness, London SW1 (based Heston). CofA 5514 issued 3.7.36. Regd [CofR 8227] 17.11.37 to Algernon James Diwand Jameson, London W1 (based Heston). Cld 14.8.39 & regd 11.10.39 to International Air Freight Ltd, Croydon and operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon/Cardiff. Regn cld 22.6.40 as sold. Impressed as **AV992** 2.6.40 and to ATA White Waltham. To Vickers-Armstrong Ltd for communications by 6.41. Soc as scrap 12.2.45.
- 7516 (Gipsy Major #8573/8589) Regd **G-AEDG** [CofR 6764] 29.7.36 [reserved 2.36] to James Valentine Fairbairn, London W1 (based Hatfield); named "Spirit of Flinders". CofA 5606 issued 13.8.36. Departed Lympe 14.9.36 and arrived Darwin 3.10.36, flown by Fairbairn & Owen Francis Youl Thomas (of Hillston, NSW). Regd cld 10.37 as sold abroad. Regd in Australia as **VH-ADG** [CofR 673] 12.10.37 to James Valentine Fairbairn, Derrinallum, Vic; [Fairbairn was Australian Minister for Air but this was his own private aircraft, based on his strip]. Requisitioned by Government and dd 10.39 to Airlines (WA) Ltd to replace DH.84 VH-URY. Regd 5.9.40 to Airlines (WA) Ltd, Maylands; named "Murchison", later "RMA Port Hedland". Damaged on take-off in Western Australia 7.7.45; repaired. Damaged on landing Esperance 27.7.46; repaired. Overturned when wind changed on take-off Guildford Aerodrome, Perth, W Australia 1.12.47. Regn cld 12.1.48.
- 7517 (Gipsy Major #8574/8575) Regd **G-AEDK** [CofR 6769] 3.7.36 to Charles John Donada, Farnham (based Heston). CofA 5569 issued 5.9.36. Cld 23.1.39 & regd 30.1.39 to Mutual Finance Ltd, and operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. Cld 24.2.40 & regd 12.3.40 to [associate] Anglo European Airways Ltd, Cardiff. Regn cld 7.7.40 as sold. Operated by RAF Gosport 2.7.40. Impressed as **AW164** 7.7.40. To 15 Group Communications Flight Hooton Park (later Speke) 21.3.41. SOC by 2 MPRD Eaglescliffe as scrap 17.12.43.
- 7518 (Gipsy Major #8572/8590) Regd **G-AEEK** [CofR 6817] 27.6.36 to Sir William John Firth, London WC2 (based Heston/Brooklands). CofA 5555 issued 11.9.36. Crashed Beeding, near Shoreham, Sussex 17.8.37 when struck power lines; Sir William & pilot unhurt [also reported as crashed following lower wing spar failure]. Wreck to Hatfield 18.8.37 but regn cld 12.37 as pfwu.
- 7519 (Gipsy Major #8506/8521) To Baron L de Armella with CofA 5633 issued 27.8.36. Regd **F-AOZC** [CofR 4870] 23.9.36 to Baron Sternberg de Armella, Paris. Regd 5.38 to Marcel Bleustein, Paris. Returned [1.39] to Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. Regn cld 3.39 as sold abroad. Regd **G-AFRF** (CofR 9042) 9.3.39 to Mutual Finance Ltd, and operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. CofA renewed 7.3.39. Cld 24.2.40 & regd 12.3.40 to [associate] Anglo-European Airways Ltd, Cardiff. Regn cld 22.6.40 as sold. Impressed as **AV993** 2.6.40 and operated by ATA White Waltham. To Vickers-Armstrongs 10.6.41. Damaged at Weybridge 24.6.41, presumed repaired. To DH Witney 27.7.42 and soc 11.8.42.
- 7520 (Gipsy Major #8522/8523) To London & Rhodesian Mining & Land Co Ltd with CofA 5575 issued 8.7.36. Regd **VP-YBB** 7.36 to The London & Rhodesian Mining & Land Co Ltd, Salisbury. Crashed in fog Donga, 13 mls from Selukwe 20.10.38, whilst operated by Flights Ltd; 5 killed including pilot Danby Gray & AR Metterkamp, Chairman of Southern Rhodesia Electricity Supply Commission.
- 7521 (Gipsy Major #8696/8697) To Baron Jules de Koenigswarter with CofA 5655 issued 14.9.36. Regd **F-AOYK** 23.9.36 to Baron Jules de Koenigswarter, Paris. To Roger Seligman 1.38. Regd **G-AFVJ** (CofR 9143) 12.6.39 to Airwork Ltd, Heston. CofA renewed 11.7.39. Cld/sold 13.7.39, but not regd, to Allflights Ltd, Heston. Impressed as **X9337** 31.3.40 and to 110 (AAC) Wing Ringway. To 7 AACU Castle Bromwich 3.5.40. Suffered some damage 24.9.40 when struck by a number of bullets whilst target towing. To 8 AACU Cardiff 11.12.40. Undercarriage collapsed on take off Old Sarum 24.6.41. To DH Witney & soc 2.7.41.
- 7522 (Gipsy Major #8698/8699) To DH Canada without CofA. Regd **CF-BBD** [CofR 1836] 24.10.36 to DH Aircraft of Canada Ltd, Toronto). Flown to RCAF Rockcliffe 26.10.36 for RCAF demonstration and tests. Dd 12.6.37 to RCMP (fitted with Gipsy Major #8373 in place of

- #8698) & regd **CF-MPC** [CofR 2019/A31] 15.7.37 to Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ottawa; named "Crocus". Transferred to RCAF as **7628** and toc 23.7.40 at RCAF Rockcliffe. Soc 12.6.41 as returned to RCMP as **CF-MPC**. Sold from Ottawa (by War Assets) 6.1.45 to Paul Sigurdson of Johannesson Flying Service, Winnipeg. Regd **CF-BXU** (CofR 3147/A698) 30.5.45 to Johannesson Flying Service, St James, Winnipeg. Sold 29.10.45 (for \$4,950) & regd (CofR 3263) 30.10.45 to Alphonse Joseph Danes & Francis Bruce Wilson, t/a Charter Airways, Yellowknife NWT. Badly damaged in forced landing following port engine failure Thorhild, Alberta 23.12.45 (55 ml NE of Edmonton); pilot RP Corry; en route Edmonton to Yellowknife. Regn cld 15.3.46.
- 7523 (Gipsy Major #8700/8701) To Vacuum Oil Co Ltd, South Africa with CofA 5653 issued 12.9.36; flown out late 9.36 by Capt Walters. Regd **ZS-AHV** 9.2.37 to The Vacuum Oil Co of South Africa Ltd. Impressed as **SAAF 1403** 3.40. Crashed.
- 7524 (Gipsy Major #8706/8707) Regd **G-AEDV** (CofR 6779) 5.36 to The Hon Charles John Winn, London W1 (based Croydon). CofA 5580 issued 8.10.36. Regd [CofR 7940] 16.6.37 to Birkett Air Service Ltd, Heston. Regn cld 27.3.40 as sold. To 110 (AAC) Wing, Ringway same day. Impressed as **X9389** 31.3.40. To 7 AACU Castle Bromwich 3.5.40. To 8 AACU Cardiff 25.8.41. Crashed after take-off in fog in Polden Hills at Chedzoy, near Weston Zoyland 3.9.41; Flt Lt JRM Sales & Sgt HW Bellingham killed.
- 7525 (Gipsy Major #8665/8666) To Director of Railways, Iraq with CofA 5663 issued 17.9.36. Regd **YI-OSD**. Possibly to Iraqi Air Force.
- 7526 (Gipsy Major #8723/8724) To The Railway Administration of Portuguese East Africa with CofA 5689 issued 14.10.36. Regd **CR-AAB** and operated by Divisao de Exploracao dos Transportes Aereos (DETA), Lourenco Marques. To South Africa and regd **ZS-CTR** 27.9.61 to AG Mechin, Johannesburg. Sold 26.11.70 by Nanley Van Niekerk (Pty) Ltd to Wayne H Kerr, Stockton, CA & US regn appln made 21.4.71 but not progressed (although **N1037N** allocated). Wfu Baragwanath 8.74 & stored. US reservation cld 23.4.79. Sold 4.79 (by Kerr) & shipped to UK 6.79. Regd **G-AEDU** 4.6.79 to Anthony Haig-Thomas, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex & Martin Campbell Barraclough, London SW6; initially deld 5.11.79 to Wellesbourne Mountford; then briefly stored Hatfield until rebuilt by Cliff Lovell at Walkeridge Farm and reflight 1.7.81. CofA renewed 10.7.81 and based Duxford, later Old Warden. Sold at Christies auction Duxford 14.4.83 for £35,000. Regn cld 2.6.83 as sold to USA. Regd **N190DH** 5.6.83 to Charles A Osborn Jnr, Louisville, Kentucky. Flown to USA, departing UK 13.6.83 and arriving Clark County Airport, Indiana 15.7.83. CofA issued 4.1.84. Badly damaged in take-off crash Clark County Airport, Sellersburg, Indiana 22.9.87. US regn cld 2.3.89 as destroyed. Wreck bought by Torquil Norman and returned to UK for rebuilt by Cliff Lovell at Coombe Bissett [7.88], later Lower Upham. Regd **G-AEDU** 28.4.92 to Torquil Patrick Alexander Norman, London NW1 (based Rendcomb). Rebuilt and reflight Old Sarum 4.8.92 [7.8.92?]. CofA renewed 2.12.92. Flown to USA; dep UK 11.7.95, arr Portland, Maine 16.7.95 for visit to Oshkosh; returned to UK, arr 12.8.96. Regd 8.7.97 to Alexander Jesse Norman, trustee Norman Aeroplane Trust, Rendcomb; to Langham [98]. Nominal change of regn 19.9.13 to Casey William Norman, trustee Norman Aeroplane Trust. Regd 22.10.14 to Peter Joseph Greenyer, Bexleyheath (based Biggin Hill). Regd 8.7.16 to GAEDU Ltd (Peter Greenyer), Biggin Hill. Currently regd.
- 7527 (Gipsy Major #8708/8709) Regd **VT-AHW** [CofR 290] 15.7.36 to Raymond Eustace Grant-Govan, Delhi. CofA 5676 issued 29.9.36. Delivered 9.11.36. Regn cld 2.9.41. Impressed as **AX797** .41. Operated by Stn Flt Ratmalana 7.43 until at least 26.11.43. SOC 31.12.43.
- 7528 (Gipsy Major #8663/8664) To Wilson Airways Ltd with CofA 5646 issued 1.9.36. Regd **V-KCA** 30.9.36 to Wilson Airways Ltd, Nairobi. Impressed into **KAUU** 9.39 as either K13 or K14.
- 7529 (Gipsy Major #8710/8711) To Gustave Wolf, Algeria with CofA 5674 issued 29.9.36. Regd **F-APDE** (CofR 4880) 9.10.36 to Gustave Wolf, Constantine, Algeria. Flown 1.38 by Wolf in Rallye du Hoggar, Algeria and damaged when undercarriage collapsed on ground loop El Golea. Regd 3.38 to Georges Prieur, Alger. Regd 10.38 to Societe Francaise de Transports Aeriens, Paris-Le Bourget. To **Spanish Republicans** mid .38 (serial "**706**" or "**756**"?). Flew to Argelia, Oran 24.3.39 but recovered by Nationalists 4.39. To Spanish AF [Ejercito del Aire] as **40-4**. Regd **EC-BAA** 20.3.41 to Iberia. Regd **EC-AAQ** .47 to Iberia; fleet no.39. Regd 2.7.48 to Rodolfo Bay Wright, Tangier. Regn cld 12.3.49. Regd **OO-PET** (CofR 829) 28.9.49 to M Peeternans, Brussels (based Tangier); (acquired in exchange for an Argus OO-PET, which became EC-AEN in 1953). Regn cld 24.2.53 as sold to France. Regd **F-OAMS** 16.7.53 (or 22.7.53) to Irene Daunes, Tangier. Delivered 8.54 Toussus-le-Noble to Jersey. Regn cld 13.1.55 as sold abroad. Regd **G-ANYK** (CofR R4817) 20.1.55 to British European Airways Corporation, Jersey (bought 24.1.55); (initially intended as executive aircraft and with regn G-ABEA?). Stored Jersey dismantled [3.56]. Cld 1.5.56 and regd 25.7.56 to Owen Hill, Winchester; air freighted to Eastleigh by Bristol 170 G-AMWC 1.7.56. Rebuilt and reflight Eastleigh 27.3.59. CofA issued 27.5.59. Cld 5.11.59 & regd 27.11.59 to John Robert Thomas Gibson Jarvie, Warfield, Berks and Bryan Howard Moir Winslett, Horley, Surrey. Cld 1.12.60 & regd 20.12.60 to Metropolitan Air Movements Ltd, Gatwick (based Biggin Hill). Port undercarriage collapsed on landing La Baule, Loire Inferieur, France 23.6.61. Regn cld 2.10.61 as destroyed.
- 7530 [Gipsy Major #8721/8722] To DH Canada without CofA. Regd **CF-MPA** [CofR 1945] 1.5.37 to Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ottawa; named "Anemone"; dd 5.5.37. Transferred to RCAF as **7626** 29.7.40 by 3 Training Command, Trenton. Crashed shortly prior to 1.9.42. Soc 28.1.43.
- 7531 [Gipsy Major #8730/8740] To DH Canada without CofA. Regd **CF-MPB** [CofR 1974] 29.5.37 to Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ottawa; named "Buttercup". Damaged when struck stumps on take-off after forced landing Maple Leaf, nr Papineau Lank, Ont 9.5.39; recovered to Rockcliffe & repaired. Transferred to RCAF as **7627** 23.7.40. Crashed Oshawa 19.6.42; repaired. Sold 11.42 to DH Canada in exchange for c/n 7543 & sold to Clark-Ruse Aircraft (JC Ruse, who operated it under RCAF marks in 5.43). Soc 19.6.44 and sold 21.3.45 to TP Fox; ferry permit Ottawa to Montreal issued 27.3.45. Regd **CF-BZA** (CofR 3158/A709) 1.6.45 to Thomas Payne Fox (Associated Airways), Edmonton. Sold 31.10.45 & regd (CofR 3258) 1.11.45 to Associated Airways Ltd, Edmonton. Fitted with Gipsy Majors #85264/85410 (7/46); #5152/85410 (8/47). Minor damage when broke through ice at Indian Lake, NWT 17.11.48; ferried back to Yellowknife 27.11.48. Regn lapsed 8.10.49. Regn cld 12.6.51 (still with Associated Airways pending sale and rebuild). Rear fuselage/tail on display [04] Alberta Aviation Museum. Edmonton City Airport.
- 7532 (Gipsy Major #8703/8705) To Alberto & Jorge Marquez Vaeza [founders of PLUNA], Uruguay with CofA 5665 issued 18.9.36. Shipped on SS *Avila Star*, arr Montevideo 28.10.36. Regd **CX-AAR** 10.36 to Primeras Lineas Uruguayas de Navegacion Aerea [PLUNA], Montevideo; named "Churrinche". Damaged in violent storm between 18 & 24.1.46. Wfu .49 and to Uruguayan Air Force Museum (Museo Aeronautico), Montevideo (by .79). Dbf at museum 4.12.97.
- 7533 (Gipsy Major #8733/8734) To DH Australia with CofA 5695 issued 21.10.36. Regd **VH-UXA** [CofR 622] 24.1.37 to Fostars Shoes Air

- Transport Pty Ltd, Mascot. Operated by Harry McEvoy of Fostars and flown on Australia-Hong Kong trip by Frank McEvoy & family; dep Mascot 27.5.37, ret Darwin 7.7.37. Flown on Donald Mackay's Central Australian Expedition 19.7.37-21.8.37. Dep Mascot 23.2.39 for UK via China flown by Harry McEvoy. Regn cld 17.4.39. Regd **G-AFTF** (CofR 9092) 15.4.39 to Eric Edward Noddings, Chipstead; director of & operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. CofA renewed 29.4.39. Regn cld 11.8.40 as sold. Impressed as **BD149** 11.8.40 and to 8 AACU Weston Zoyland same day. Later to Old Sarum 10.40 and Cardiff 11.40. Accident 16.5.42. Soc as spares 21.5.42.
- 7534 (Gipsy Major #8702/8704) To Alberto & Jorge Marquez Vaeza [founders of PLUNA], Uruguay with CofA 5668 issued 22.9.36. Shipped on SS *Avila Star*; arr Montevideo 28.10.36; erected & test-flown 4.11.36. Regd **CX-AAS** 10.36 to Primeras Lineas Uruguayas de Navegacion Aerea [PLUNA], Montevideo; named "San Alberto". Regn cld as wfu .46 and scrapped .49 (but still apparently on register .50).
- 7535 (Gipsy Major #8731/8732) To DH South Africa with CofA 5704 issued 4.11.36. Regd **ZS-AIK** 18.12.36 to Witwatersrand Technical College. Impressed as **SAAF 1408** .40. Restored as **ZS-AIK**. Crashed Rustenburg 31.5.51. Also reported as having been owned by Anglo-American Corporation c.37 and loaned to/operated by Rhodesian & Nyasaland Airways.
- 7536 (Gipsy Major #8727/8728) To Jaques Dupuy with CofA 5729 issued 7.12.36. Regd **F-APAX** [CofR 4974] 31.12.36 to Jacques Dupuy, Paris. Regd 7.37 to Edouard Daubree [Daulory?], Tangier. Returned to UK [1.39] and with Air Dispatch. Regn cld 3.39 as sold abroad. Regd **G-AFRI** (CofR 9045) 27.3.39 to The Hon Mrs Mildred Mary Bruce, Chipstead, Surrey; operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. CofA renewed 4.4.39. Cld 16.12.39 & regd 24.1.40 to Anglo-European Airways Ltd, Cardiff. Regn cld 2.6.40 as sold. Impressed as **AV994** 2.6.40 and operated by ATA White Waltham. Struck by Tiger Moth BB687 taxiing Peterborough 4.5.41. To DH Witney 8.5.41 and soc 24.5.41.
- 7537 (Gipsy Major #8725/8726) To Shell Mex Argentina with CofA 5691 issued 16.10.36. Regd **R326** 24.12.36 to Shell Mex Argentina Ltda, Buenos Aires; named "Gavilan de la Selva" ["Jungle Hawk"] [also reported as named "Gavilan de la Pampa [Pampas Hawk]"; but see c/n 7563]. Erected and flown 6.1.37. Regd **LV-RDA** 11.11.37 to same owner. Regn not used since destroyed in hangar fire San Fernando, Buenos Aires 25.11.37.
- 7538 To DH Canada without CofA (& shipped without engines). Regd **CF-MPD** [CofR 2017/A29] 26.6.37 to Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ottawa; named "Dandelion"; fitted with Gipsy Major #80043/80044. Regd [CofR 2312/A29] 2.9.38 to Noorduy Aviation Ltd, St Laurent, PQ (traded in 9.8.38 against Norseman). Regd **CF-BPD** 8.12.38 to same owner. Sold 31.5.39 & regd [CofR 2404/A295] 6.4.39 to Leavens Bros Air Services Ltd, Toronto (based Barker Field). Sold 1.9.41 to Canadian Airways (for \$5,500) and regd (CofR 2873) 1.9.41 to Ginger Coote Airways Ltd, Vancouver. Became Canadian Pacific Air Lines 1.42. Ground-looped on take-off and damaged when port u/c collapsed Edmonton 13.4.43; not repaired and scrapped 6.44. Regn cld 2.5.50.
- 7539 (Gipsy Major #8737/8738) To Royal Dutch Shell, Netherlands with CofA 5705 issued 9.11.36. Regd **PH-KOK** [CofR 236] 11.11.36 to JEF de Kok, Ypenburg (the General Manager/Chief of Royal Dutch Shell). Regd **PH-ATK** [CofR 325] 4.7.38 to same owner. Impressed into LVA 1.9.39 and serialled **962**. Operated as personal aircraft of Commandant Veldleger of I-2 LvR, later V-2 LvR (pilot Kpt. WH Wijnkamp). Flown from Soesterberg to Ypenburg 7.5.40 and captured by Germans at Ypenburg 10.5.40 but with damaged starboard wings and tail; later noted on a barge. Regn cld 4.7.41.
- 7540 (Gipsy Major #8744/8745) To HH Maharaja of Myurbhanj with CofA 5715 issued 20.11.36. Regd **VT-AHY** [CofR 292] 15.1.37 to Maharaja of Myurbhanj, Orissa [based Dum Dum]. Impressed 15.5.40 as **V4734** and used by AHQ India Communications Flight, New Delhi. Operated by Bengal Communications Flight .43. Swung on take-off and crashed into ditch Barrackpore 28.5.43. Soc 1.2.44.
- 7541 (Gipsy Major #8741/8742) To Count Mazzotti Biancinelli, Italy with CofA 5712 issued 17.11.36. Regd **I-DRAG** [CofR 1977] 19.1.37 to Count Franco Mazzotti Biancinelli, Milan. Possibly operated by Ala Littoria. Damaged 2.37 and returned by road to Rollasons at Croydon for repairs. Regd 20.1.39 to Conte Carlo Felice Trossi, Caglianico.
- 7542 (Gipsy Major #8735/8736) To Jean Raty, France with CofA 5735 issued 15.12.36. Regd **F-APFK** 31.12.36 to Jean Raty, Neuilly-sur-Seine. Regn cld after .39.
- 7543 To DH Canada without CofA (and possibly without engines); erected and first flown Downsview 19.7.37. (Original Gipsy Major engines, if fitted, replaced by Srs II #9010/9013). Regd **CF-BFF** [CofR 2040/A45] 20.7.37 to De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Ltd, Toronto and fitted 21.7.37 with Fairchild Edo WA4665 floats. Regd [CofR 2082] 6.8.37 to Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co of Canada Ltd (Cominco), Trail, BC (for trips to Northern Ontario & Halifax). Transferred back to DH 9.37 and reverted to landplane. Leased 4.40 to Canadian Airways Ltd, Montreal for ops between Moncton & Halifax. To RCAF as **7623** and toc 30.7.40 at 1 Training Command, RCAF Trenton. Crashed Toronto Island Airport 23.9.41; repaired. Crashed Toronto Island Airport 4.5.42, repaired; to storage 3.8.42 at 6 Repair Depot, Trenton. Sold 25.11.42 to Clark Ruse Aircraft for \$1,500; sale cancelled & replaced by RCAF 7627. Fitted [11.42] with Gipsy Majors 87249/7424 & 87265/7433. Sold 26.1.43 to De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Ltd for \$1,500; stored until overhauled 12.45. Regd **CF-BFF** (CofR 3305) 14.12.45 to De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Ltd, Toronto. Regd (CofR 3379) 16.2.46 to Lionel A Seguin, Rouyn, Quebec; op by Gold Belt Air Service Ltd (8.46). By 7.47, the original Gipsy Major II engines were refitted. Nominal sale 18.6.48 & regd (CofR 7181) 16.7.48 to Gold Belt Air Service Ltd, Rouyn. Hit soft spot on ice while taxiing after landing Ottawa River 20.12.49; partly submerged and dbr. Regn cld 14.6.50.
- 7544 (Gipsy Major #8807/8808) DH.90A regd **G-AESW** [CofR 7617] 3.2.37 to William Arthur Rollason, Wallington; as nominee on behalf of Count Carlo Trossi of Ferrari, Milan. CofA 5815 issued 4.3.37. Flown by Trossi in Meeting Saharien 18-28.2.38. Cld 1.7.39 & regd 12.7.39 to Nash Aircraft Sales & Hire Ltd, Croydon. Cld 17.7.39 & regd 24.7.39 to Air Taxis Ltd, Croydon. Operated by ATA White Waltham on outbreak of WWII. Regn cld 10.5.40 as sold. Impressed as **AV976** 12.5.40 and to 110 (AAC) Wing, Ringway 13.5.40. Allotted to 7 AACU Castle Bromwich 16.5.40 but possibly not delivered. Used for spares at Ringway and soc 11.11.40.
- 7545 (Gipsy Major #8784/8931) To HH Maharaja of Indore with CofA 5804 issued 27.2.37. Regd **VT-AIE** [CofR 298] 3.10.36 to HH Maharaja of Indore, Indore. Sold 6.5.38 to HEH The Nizam's State Railway Board, t/a The Hyderabad State Aero Club, Begumpet, Hyderabad. Impressed .41 as **HX792**. Soc 4.9.43. Possibly restored to **VT-AIE**. Regn cld 4.1.46.
- 7546 (Gipsy Major #8750/8751) To DH Australia with CofA 5764 issued 19.1.37. Regd **VH-UXS** [CofR 655] 5.8.37 to Southern Airlines & Freighters Ltd, Mascot. Sold 21.7.39 & regd 2.10.39 to TH McDonald, Cairns. Regn cld 16.1.42 as impressed. To RAAF as **A43-1**

11.2.42 at 2 CF Mascot. Damaged on landing Archerfield 10.8.42; to 3 AD Archerfield 17.8.42 and to Aircrafts Pty Ltd 21.8.42 for repair. To 3 AD 23.4.43. To Parachute Training Unit, Laverton 10.6.43. To 3 AD Amberley 6.12.44. Sold 9.3.45 to TH McDonald (for £850); issued 13.3.45. Regd **VH-UXS** 8.8.45 to TH McDonald, Cairns. Regd 12.11.45 to Brown & Dureau Pty Ltd, Melbourne. Regn cld 28.9.49. Regd 28.12.50 to same owner. Regd 21.7.54 to RN Hunt, Conargo, NSW (later Hay, NSW). Regd 21.1.56 to Austral Motorcycles Pty Ltd, Newcastle, NSW. Regd 9.4.56 to DL Hilder, Merewether, NSW. Regd 20.5.65 to LG Randall, Shoal Bay, NSW. Wfu Darwin. Regn cld 17.7.68. Reportedly to Nowra, NSW [90] as a derelict airframe for rebuild.

From here onwards, all were DH.90As

- 7547 (Gipsy Major #80072/80125) To L'Aviation Civile Romaine with CofA 6051 issued 20.9.37. Regd **YR-FLY** 1.10.37 to Liniile Aeriene Romane Exploatate de Stat [LARES]. Scrapped 10.45.
- 7548 (Gipsy Major #80123/80124) To L'Aviation Civile Romaine with CofA 6066 issued 27.9.37. Regd **YR-FLO** 1.10.37 to Liniile Aeriene Romane Exploatate de Stat [LARES]. Wfu 9.44.
- 7549 (Gipsy Major #80071/80126) To L'Aviation Civile Romaine with CofA 6083 issued 14.10.37. Regd **YR-FLU** 23.10.37 to Liniile Aeriene Romane Exploatate de Stat [LARES]. Wfu .40.
- 7550 (Gipsy Major #8809/8810) To Swedish Air Force with CofA 5940 issued 9.6.37. To **Fv906** (as type Trp3; later Tp3) and initially coded 6-3. Later coded 8-99, 8-67, 8-57 & 8-68. Some time operated on skis. Heavy landing 8.6.42 and wfu. Soc 28.5.43.
- 7551 (Gipsy Major #8929/8930) To Haerens Flyvertropper (Danish Army AF) as **S-23** with CofA 5882 issued 24.4.37. Used for blind flying and as navigation trainer. Damaged by Luftwaffe attack on Vaerlose 9.4.40.
- 7552 (Gipsy Major #8805/8806) To Haerens Flyvertropper (Danish Army AF) as **S-24** with CofA 5888 issued 27.4.37. Used for blind flying and as navigation trainer. Believed seized by Germans .40; fate unknown.
- 7553 (Gipsy Major #8928/8935) To Misr Airwork with CofA 5981 issued 22.7.37. Regd **SU-ABW** to Misr Airwork Ltd. Flown back to UK by Geoffrey Alington, arr Lympne 18.11.46; to Gatwick 21.11.46 for overhaul. Regd in UK as **G-AIJJ** (CofR 11078) 5.12.46 to Cyril Geoffrey Alington, Birmingham [based Gatwick and used as ferry aircraft on behalf of Air Transport SA, Brussels]. CofA renewed 18.2.47. CofA lapsed 17.2.48. Cld 16.2.48 & regd 2.3.48 to Southern Aircraft (Gatwick) Ltd, Gatwick. Sold 7.3.49 and regn cld 14.3.49 as pfwu.
- 7554 (Gipsy Major #8932/8933) Regd **G-AEXI** [CofR 7825] 20.5.37 to Lt Col Edward Townley Peel, Alexandria, Egypt. CofA 5929 issued 27.5.37. Regn cld 11.38 as pfwu. Regd in Kenya as **VP-KCS** .38 to Wilson Airways Ltd. To **KAU** 9.39 (as either K13 or K14).
- 7555 (Gipsy Major #8789/8790) Regd **G-AEWZ** [CofR 7805] 10.4.37 to Air Service Training Ltd, Hamble. CofA 5971 issued 9.7.37. Operated by 3 ERFTS and (wef 11.39) 11 AONS Hamble (later Watchfield). Regn cld by Secretary of State 10.1.41. Impressed as **DJ716** 10.1.41 and remained operated by 11 AONS (fitted with GM #8789/A305329 & #8790/A305328). To 10 MU 19.3.41. Crashed 8.7.41; repaired and to 39 MU 29.8.41; (now fitted with GM #8675/A215614 & #8565/A194515). Issued 30.11.41 to Short Bros Ltd, Rochester; deld Colerne to Boscombe Down 30.11.41; on to Rochester 11.12.41. Sold 5.46 to Short Bros (R&B) Ltd. Regd **G-AEWZ** 30.5.46 to Short Bros (Rochester & Bedford) Ltd and operated by Rochester Air Charter Service, Rochester. CofA renewed 23.8.46. Cld 1.1.48 & regd 12.1.48 to Short Bros & Harland Ltd, operated by Rochester Air Charter Service, Rochester. Damaged on landing Liege 9.2.48; repaired. Cld 16.12.48 & regd 20.12.48 to Frederick Thomas Bingham; operated by Southampton Flying Services Ltd/Hampshire School of Flying, Eastleigh. (By 2.49; fitted with GM #8565 & 8787). Cld 14.6.49 & regd 23.6.49 to Vivian Hampson Bellamy, t/a Flightways, Eastleigh. Cld & regd 19.7.50 to Silver City Airways Ltd, Eastleigh/Blackbushe. Cld 26.5.60 & regd 9.6.60 (back) to Vivian Hampson Bellamy, Eastleigh. Cld 4.10.60 & regd 7.10.60 to Ronald Malam Wilson, Coventry, operated by Devonair Ltd/Coventry Flying & Country Club, Baginton. Ground-looped on take-off Elmdon 3.3.61. Wreck of Baginton but repairs abandoned. Regn cld 30.7.64 as pfwu (but wef 3.61).
- 7556 (Gipsy Major #8076/8077) Regd **G-AFAN** [CofR 8105] 21.7.37 to The de Havilland Aircraft Co Ltd, Hatfield. CofA 6008 issued 5.8.37. Regn cld 9.37 as sold abroad. Regd in Turkey as **TC-IDE** 8.37 to Devlet Hava Yollari. Reportedly to Hurkus Hav Yollari .54.
- 7557 (Gipsy Major #80119/80120) To DH Canada without CofA. Stored until RCAF Acceptance flight 27.7.40; issued to RCAF as **7624** 1.8.40 at 4 Training Command, Regina. To RCAF Brantford. Soc 8.1.45 as sold 27.12.44 to Johannesson Flying Service. Regd **CF-BXV** (CofR 3124/A622) 22.2.45 to Johannesson Flying Service Ltd, Winnipeg (jointly owned with Paul Sigurdson). Ground-looped on landing Stevenson Airport, Winnipeg 3.4.45 and w/off. Airframe burnt shortly prior to 9.2.46.
- 7558 (Gipsy Major #80121/80122) To DH Canada without CofA. Stored until issued to RCAF as **7625** 1.8.40 at 4 Training Command, Regina. Crashed Claresholm. Alta 6.5.42. Soc 8.3.43.
- 7559 (Gipsy Major #8785/8786) Regd **G-AEXN** [CofR 7838] 30.4.37 to The de Havilland Aircraft Co Ltd, Hatfield (demonstrator). CofA 5892 issued 16.6.37. Regd [CofR 8008] 19.7.37 to Edward Devereux Spratt, London W1 (based Hatfield). Possibly regd [37/38] to Maj George William Graham Allen, Iffley, Clifton Hampden. Regd [CofR 8392] 8.3.38 to The Hon John William Maxwell Aitken & Brian Sheridan Thynne, London W1 (based Hendon). Cld 19.1.39 & regd 30.1.39 to Mutual Finance Ltd; operated by Air Dispatch Ltd, Croydon. Crashed Hampden Woods, nr High Wycombe 21.7.39. Regn cld 29.3.40 as wfu.
- 7560 (Gipsy Major #80074/80075) CofA 5989 issued 22.7.37 to Air Travel (NZ) Ltd. Regd **ZK-AFB** [CofR 98/CofA 195] 23.9.37 to Air Travel (NZ) Ltd, Hokitika. Regd 4.12.46 to Canterbury Aero Club, Christchurch. Damaged in ground-loop Harewood Airport, Christchurch 27.9.47; repaired. U/c damaged in ground-loop Clarence 15.1.48; repaired. Slightly damaged Harewood 3.3.52; repaired. Regd 1.8.56 to Aircraft Engineering Co of NZ Ltd, Wellington and operated by Wairarapa & Ruahine Aero Club, Masterton. Regd 17.8.60 to AJ Bradshaw; named "Kiwi Rover". Regd 13.5.61 to Air Charter [NZ] Ltd, Christchurch. Lost en route Christchurch-Milford Sound 12.2.62; 5 killed incl pilot Brian G Chadwick [owner of company]; wreckage never found. Regn cld 27.3.62.
- 7561 (Gipsy Major #80073/80088) To LJ Mahieu, Belgium with CofA 6011 issued 6.8.37. Regd **OO-JFN** (CofR 416) 25.9.37 to Louis J Mahieu, Brussels (based Haren/Evere). Possibly operated by Banque Nationale de Belgique, where owner was director. Requisitioned 10.9.39 by Aeronautique Militaire for Estafette Escadrille. To II Group, 2 Regiment, Nivelles 21.4.40 and retreated to Montpellier-Frejorques, France

5.40. Reportedly made unserviceable there by ground crew running engines without oil. Handed over to Vichy Government on Franco-German armistice 17.8.40 & probably handed over to German Armistice Commission 28.11.40 (but still at Montpellier-Frejus 5.41). Belgian regn cld 4.3.46.

- 7562 (Gipsy Major #80154/80155) To DH Australia with CofA 6105 issued 28.10.37. Erected Mascot and flown 28.1.38; regd **VH-UTJ** [CofR 691] 23.2.38 to North Western Airlines Ltd, Moree, NSW. Undercarriage collapsed on take-off Narromine 16.1.40; repaired. Regd 3.10.40 to Qantas Empire Airways Ltd, Sydney. Damaged on landing Breddon, Qld 6.5.43 (Pilot Capt GT Morgan); repaired. Swung & u/c collapsed on landing Breddon 21.10.43 (pilot TJ Keirnan); repaired. Undercarriage collapsed on landing Cloncurry 14.10.45 (pilot Capt LL McNeill); repaired. Regd 18.10.46 to Edward J Connellan t/a Connellan Airways, Alice Springs. Wings and nose damaged by fire on ground Ammaroo, 164 mls NE of Alice Springs, NT 8.1.48 [or 9.1.48]; repaired. Regd 14.3.51 to Connellan Airways Ltd, Alice Springs. Destroyed by fire refueling Tennant Creek, NT 9.8.55 [or 7.8.55]. (Shell accepted responsibility and replaced it with Beech 18 VH-UTJ). Regn cld 28.9.55.
- 7563 (Gipsy Major #80156/80157) To Eagle Oil, Argentina with CofA 6218 issued 4.3.38. Regd **LV-KAB** 10.5.38 to Shell Mex Argentina Ltda, (t/a Eagle Oil), Buenos Aires. Erected and test flown 21.5.38; named "Gavilan de la Selva" ["Jungle Hawk"]. Destroyed in collision with Ju52/3m PP-SPF over Presidential Palace, Botafogo Bay, Rio de Janeiro 8.11.40; Shell pilot Colin Abbott killed.
- 7564 (Gipsy Major II #9009/9011) To Miss M Reynolds, South Africa with CofA 6261 issued 29.4.38. Regd **ZS-ANM** 28.6.38 to Miss Molly Reynolds, Natal. Impressed as **SAAF 1404** .40. Restored as **ZS-ANM** .46. Crashed Pietersburg 18.8.49.
- 7565 (Gipsy Major #80229/80230) CofA 6246 issued 7.4.38 to Shell Co of Nigeria. Regd **VR-NAA** [CofR 1] 18.5.38 to The Shell Co of East Africa Ltd (error?), Lagos. Departed Croydon 16.6.38 on delivery via Cairo & Khartoum and crashed Abeche, Chad 25.9.38 [pilot F/O Jack R Van].
- 7566 (Gipsy Major #80641/80643) CofA 6390 issued 5.9.38 to Air Travel [NZ] Ltd. Regd **ZK-AGP** [CofR 143] 1.11.38 to Air Travel (NZ) Ltd, Hokitika; fleet No.5. CofA validated 16.11.38. Propeller came off in flight and aircraft crashed in sea off Westport 21.12.42; 4 passengers killed.

#### DH.92 DOLPHIN

- 6400 Regd **G-AEMX** 27.8.36 to De Havilland Aircraft Co Ltd, Hatfield and flown as **E.3** 9.9.36. Found to be structurally overweight and testing abandoned. Scrapped 10.36. Regn cld as pfwf 10.36.  
Note: Entered by DH 8.36 in the Schlesinger African Air Race from Portsmouth to Johannesburg of 29.9.36, to be flown by Hugh Buckingham (Race No.9), but withdrawn early 9.36.  
See Article Aeroplane Monthly 4.75.

#### UNIDENTIFIED AND/OR OTHER PROBLEMS

##### FRANCE

OO-JFN (7561) was handed over to Vichy Govt 8.40, no regn known.

##### GERMANY

Although no German civil Dragonflies are known, it was reported (in Hans-Werner Lerche's "Luftwaffe Test Pilot" - Jane's 1980) that at least one was operated by the Luftwaffe as **RP+MY** at the Rechlin test establishment; however, this is likely to have actually been a DH.89. A DH.90 was based at Orio al Serio, Bergamo, Italy in 1943/45 and is unidentified but possibly F-APFK c/n 7542, although conceivably ex R Dan AF S-24 (c/n 7552) known to have been captured intact.

##### KENYA

Two KAAU aircraft, serials K-13 & K-14 were 7528/7554, but order unknown. One was allocated to Nairobi Comm Flight, the other to the Air Defence Unit, Tanganyika 9.39. K-13 bent its port u/c leg on landing Mogadishu 14.4.42 but was presumably repaired. Both were allocated to Khartoum 6.5.42. K-13 spent time at both 117 MU and 139 MU. K-14 was loaned by Comm Sqn to 117 MU. One was still on charge of 139 MU 8.43.

##### SPAIN

EC-BAB unconfirmed; presumed operated by Iberia.

It is believed that 3 Dragonflies served with the **Republicans** in the Civil War, based at Totana, Murcia. The Republicans allotted the serial code "LY-". Two were recovered by the Nationalists at the end of the war and were allotted "40-" serials. They were handed over to Iberia in the early 40s. F-APDE (7529) and F-AQEU (7501) were delivered to the Republicans in 1938 and the third has been quoted as TC-IDE but this is considered unlikely.

##### URUGUAY

A Dragonfly seaplane was reported as operated by Empresa [Expreso?] de Plata, Montevideo .38 but this was almost certainly DH.89 CX-ABI.

##### USA

A rebuild/replica DH.90A project (with c/n DDSR.1) was regd **N903DH** 15.6.62 to Clarence William Sutton, Minneapolis, Minnesota using components acquired from "around the world". Address changed to Gaylord, MN [11.97]. Sutton died 28.1.13 (at age 92). Progress & status of rebuild not established. Regn cld 23.5.17 by FAA.

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