

## VICKERS

### FB.14A

C.103 Regd **C103** 1.5.19 to Vickers Ltd, Joyce Green. No CofA issued. Under construction (or conversion) at Gravel Hill, Bexleyheath [6.19] but not completed. Regd **G-EAAS** (CofR 19) 31.7.19 to same party (but NTU). Regn cld 7.19 as wfu.

C.102 Regd **C102** 13.5.19 to Vickers Ltd, Joyce Green. No CofA issued. Under construction (or conversion) at Gravel Hill, Bexleyheath [6.19] but not completed. Regd **G-EAAT** (CofR 20) 31.7.19 to same party (but NTU). Regn cld 7.19 as wfu.

### FB.19

C104 Regd **C104** 13.5.19 to Vickers Ltd, Joyce Green. No CofA issued. Under conversion Gravel Hill, Bexleyheath [6.19] but not completed. Regd **G-EAAU** (CofR 21) 31.7.19 to same party. Regn cld 7.19 as wfu.

### JOCKEY

1 V.196 Jockey Regd **G-AAWG** (CofR 2500) 8.4.30 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands. Construction not completed. Regn cld 12.33 as wfu.

### VAGABOND

1 V.98 Regd **G-EBJF** (CofR 1089) 1.7.24 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Entered 1924 Lympne Competition No.16. No CofA issued. Regn cld 224.1.28 as wfu.

### VALIANT

1 V.147 Ff 2.27 without identity; to A&AEE 3.27. Regd **G-EBVM** (CofR 1540) 15.12.27 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 1282 issued 13.1.28. To Chile for demonstrations; sold to **Chilean AF** 5.28. Regn cld 12.12.28 as sold abroad.

### VALPARAISO I

1 CofA 822 issued 4.9.24 to Chilean Government.  
2 CofA 815 issued 4.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
3 CofA 816 issued 4.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
4 CofA 817 issued 4.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
5 CofA 818 issued 4.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
6 CofA 819 issued 4.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
7 CofA 824 issued 19.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
8 CofA 825 issued 19.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
9 CofA 826 issued 19.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
10 CofA 827 issued 19.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/  
11 CofA 828 issued 19.9.24 to Portuguese Ministry of War/

### VALPARAISO II

1 CofA 784 issued 24.7.24 to Vickers Ltd (expiring 11.7.25).  
2 CofA 785 issued 24.7.24 to Vickers Ltd (expiring 17.7.25).  
3 CofA 787 issued 24.7.24 to Vickers Ltd (expiring 17.7.25).  
4 CofA 786 issued 24.7.24 to Vickers Ltd (expiring 17.7.25).

### VANGUARD

1 V.62 Ordered by Air Ministry as 23-seater civil Type **J6924** under Contract No.156988/21 dated 11.3.22. Regd **G-EBCP** (CofR 834) 19.4.22 to the Air Council, London WC2. Ff 18.7.23. Modified to V.103 and loaned to Imperial Airways, Croydon for trials 27.10.25 to 17.12.25. CofA 956 issued 11.3.26. Operated by Imperial Airways 1.6.26 to 30.6.26. Modified to V.170 and operated by Imperial Airways 24.5.28 to 24.10.28; now named "City of London". Crashed Shepperton, Middlesex 16.5.29. Regn cld 8.29 as destroyed.

### VELLORE

1 V.134 Vellore I (Ordered by Air Ministry under Contract No.612095/25 as **J8906**) (515hp Bristol Jupiter IX) Ff 17.5.28 and at Hendon display 30.6.28; new type no.11. Regd **G-EBYX** (CofR 1669) 31.7.28 to The Air Council, London WC2 (for Imperial Airways, Croydon). Mod to V.166 Srs II (with 490hp AS Jaguar IV) and CofA 1871 issued 14.3.29. Not used by Imperial; departed Lympne 18.3.29 for Australia (Flt Lt Sydney James Moir). Damaged in forced landing Mersa Matruh, Egypt 22.3.29; repaired, re-commenced flight 28.4.29. Forced landed into trees and wrecked Cape Don, nr Darwin, Australia 18.5.29 (aircraft & crew found 26.5.29). Regn cld 1.30 as crashed.

1 V.172 Vellore III (2x525hp Bristol Jupiter IXF) Regd **G-AASW** (CofR 2344) 5.12.29 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 24.6.30. CofA 2613 issued 27.6.30. CofA lapsed 26.6.31. Converted to floatplane as **O-4** 3.32. Regn cld 12.34 as wfu.

Srs IV No.1 V.xxx Vellore IV (2x525hp Bristol Jupiter XIF) Regd **G-ABKC** (CofR 3077) 23.3.31 to Air Council, London SW1. No CofA issued. Regn cld 8.31 as "returned to RAF". In fact, aircraft not flown until 18.2.32, when it was **K2133** (to Contract 38677/30). Deld to A&AEE 27.2.32. To RAE 19.10.32 for Cabot mail pick-up

system trials; returned to A&AEE 20.10.32. Returned to RAE 28.6.33 for pick-up trials; back to A&AEE 14.8.33 for communications duties. Scrapped and soc 2.35.

#### VELLOX

1 V.212 Vellox (2x600hp Bristol Pegasus IM3) Regd **G-ABKY** (CofA 3109) 4.31 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 23.1.34. To Martlesham Heath 25.1.34; CofA 4161 issued 30.1.34. Sold 31.10.35 to Imperial Airways (for £2,250) & regd (CofR 6486) 11.11.35 to Imperial Airways Ltd, Croydon. Fitted with 2x600hp Bristol Perseus III. Crashed on night take-off Croydon 10.8.36; 4 killed incl Lionel FH Orr & S Miles Fergusson). Regn cld 12.36 as wfu.

#### VENDACE II

1 V.133 Regd **G-EBPX** (CofR 1330) 1.27 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 11.27. CofA 1295 issued 10.1.28. Mod to V.157 6.28. Regd (CofR 1655) 5.6.28 to The Aircraft Operating Co Ltd, London WC2; based Rio de Janeiro. Wfu Rio de Janeiro mid 30 with severe corrosion. Regn cld 9.30 as wfu.

#### VESPA

1 V.113 Regd **G-EBLD** (CofR 1152) 14.4.25 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 9.25. CofA 932 issued 28.1.26. Mod to V.119 Vespa III 7.26. CofA lapsed 3.3.31. Regn cld 12.31 as wfu. Rebuilt as V.210 Vespa VI. Regd **G-ABIL** (CofR 2996) 23.1.31 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands (with c/n Srs VI No.1) and reflowed 2.31. CofA 2941 issued 12.3.31. Chinese demonstrations .31 (flown by HWR Bailey). To Bristol Aeroplane Co Ltd as Pegasus IS.3 testbed. Operated as **O.5** .31. CofA lapsed 11.3.32. Modified to V.250 Vespa VII and achieved world altitude record of 43,976 ft 16.9.32 (pilot Cyril Uwins). Regn cld 10.33 as sold. To Air Ministry as **K3588** under Contract 241948/33 and deld 4.5.33 to RAE for high altitude research. To both 4 Sqn & 13 Sqn for Service trials. Returned to Vickers 26.8.33; back to RAE 9.4.34 for high altitude & cosmic ray research; also used on de-icing trials. To instructional airframe **1061M** (or 1051M?) 15.4.38; deld 15.6.38 to 5 SoftT.

#### VESPA III

1 CofA 1876 issued 4.3.29 to Bolivian Air Force.  
2 CofA 1883 issued 12.3.29 to Bolivian Air Force.  
3 CofA 1912 issued 22.3.29 to Bolivian Air Force.  
4 CofA 1968 issued 15.4.29 to Bolivian Air Force.  
5 CofA 2076 issued 20.6.29 to Bolivian Air Force.  
6 CofA 2105 issued 2.7.29 to Bolivian Air Force.

#### VESPA IV

1-4 CofAs 2482-2485 issued to Irish Free State Air Corps 29.3.30 (1-2); 9.4.30 (3-4).

#### VESPA V

1-4 CofAs 2972, 2975, 2979, 2980 issued to Irish Free State Air Corps 31.3.31 (1, 3-4); 28.3.31 (2).

#### VIASTRA

1 V.160 Viastra I (trimotor) Regd **G-AAUB** (CofR 2401) 29.1.30 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 1.10.30? No CofA issued. Converted to V.199 Viastra III (2-engines) 10.30. Converted to V.220 Viastra VIII (tri-motor) 5.31. Regn cld 12.33 as wfu.  
1 Viastra II CofA 2876 issued 12.1.31 to West Australian Airways Ltd. Regd **VH-UOO** (CofR 420) 18.2.31 to WA Airways Ltd, Perth. CofA 373 issued 5.3.31. Wfu and regn lapsed 17.2.36.  
2 Viastra II CofA 3188 issued 2.9.31 to West Australian Airways Ltd. Regd **VH-UOM** (CofR 439) 8.10.31 to WA Airways Ltd, Perth. CofA 395 issued 6.11.31. Crashed Redcliffe, WA 11.10.33. Regn cld 31.10.34.  
1 V.203 Viastra Srs VI. Originally allotted as **VH-UON** - NTU. To Supermarine Aviation Works as **N.1** 22.4.31. To Vickers as **O-6** 5.31. Regd **G-ABVM** (CofR 3683) 23.3.32 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands. No CofA issued. Regn cld 12.32 as wfu.  
1 V.239 Viastra Regd **G-ACCC** (CofR 4071) 19.1.33 (or possibly 19.12.32) to Flt Lt Edward Hedley Fielden, RAF Hendon; nominee for HRH Prince of Wales. Ff 4.33. CofA 3903 issued 16.5.33; deld same day. Converted to V.259 Srs X (with c/n No.3). Sold to Air Ministry via Brian Lewis & Co under Contract No.394557/35. Regd (CofR 5857) 7.5.35 to Secretary of State for Air. Allocated serial **L6102** 5.35; but not used. Operated by Department of Civil Aviation at Croydon for wireless tests with National Physical Laboratories; deld 10.35 and reflowed 3.36. CofA lapsed 10.6.36. Scrapped .37. Soc by RAE 31.8.37. Regn cld 19.2.46 at census.

#### VIGET

1 Regd **G-EBHN** (CofR 1016) 3.8.23 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff late 9.23. Entered in 1923 Lympne Competition (Competition No.10). No CofA issued. Regn cld 1.29 as wfu.

#### VIKING

Viking I Regd **G-EAOV** (CofR 387) 21.10.19 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 10.19. No CofA issued. Crashed in thick mist Cote d'Evrard, nr Rouen 18.12.19 en route Paris Aero Show; Sir John Alcock killed. Aircraft not badly damaged but not repaired. Regn cld 12.19 as wfu.

Viking II Regd **G-EASC** (CofR 485) 26.3.20 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 6.20. No CofA issued. To Antwerp 22.7.20 for seaplane trials. Forced landed 8 ml from Ostend 9.20. Regn lapsed (undated).

Viking III Regd **G-EAUK** (CofR 559) 7.20 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Entered 8.20 in Air Ministry Commercial Aeroplane Competition. No CofA issued. Regd (CofR 628) 19.1.21 to Air Council, London WC2 (based Croydon). Regn cld 25.11.25 as wfu. To Air Ministry as **N147** under Contract No.356700/20 dated 24.1.21; dd 2.2.21. To MAEU, Grain. To Gosport c.15.8.21. Deck-landing trials on HMS Argus 29.8.21.

#### VIKING IV

1 V.54. CofA 522 issued 8.10.21 to Vickers Ltd/French Government (bought for £4,130); dd Paris 27.9.21-1.10.21. Regd **F-ADBL**.  
Note: Flight 6.10.21 stated that "others" had been ordered by France

2 V.55 CofA 534 issued 20.12.21 to Vickers Ltd. To Netherlands East Indies.  
Note: Flight 6.10.21 stated that Holland had ordered "several" Vikings. Eight initially dd 1-2.22 (at £5,750 each). Two w/off and replaced.

10 CofA 548 issued 20.1.22 to Vickers Ltd. To US Navy as **A6073**.

15 V.60 Regd **G-EBBZ** (CofR 812) 14.3.22 to Sir Ross Macpherson Smith; for Round the World flight. Ff 13.4.22. No CofA issued. Crashed on second flight Brooklands 13.4.22; Sir Ross Smith killed. Regn cld 13.4.22 as wfu.

16 V.64 CofA 598 issued 12.11.22 to Vickers Ltd. To Russia.  
But also reported as dd 8.9.22 (bt by Russian Trade Delegation (Reval) for £6,500)

17 V.60 Regd **G-EBED** (CofR 884) 12.7.22 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 593 issued 27.9.22. Used for Spanish demonstrations (as V.67). CofA lapsed 26.9.23. Loaned 21.1.26 to 1.3.26 to Alfred Loewenstein for "air service" between Croydon, St Moritz and Nice. Regd (CofR 1292) 27.7.26 to Leslie Hamilton, as nominee for Alfred Loewenstein; CofA renewed 31.7.26 and operated 9.26 an "airline" service at Biarritz and Barcelona. CofA lapsed 30.7.27. Regn cld 12.29 as wfu.

18 V.69 CofA 568 issued 19.5.22 to Vickers Ltd (but reported dd 12.5.22). To Canada (cost £5,200) and regd **G-CAEB** (CofR 216) 5.6.22 to Laurentide Air Service, Montreal (based Remi Lake/Moonbeam, Ont). Hit log on take-off Angliers, Quebec 8.7.24; en route Montreal to Remi Lake; pilot HD Wiltshire & 3 pass unhurt. Repaired. Regd 23.6.26 to Northern Syndicate Ltd, Calgary (based Fitzgerald, Alta). Regd 23.4.29 to BF Lundy, Vancouver. Regd 9.9.29 to Aero Mineral Locators Ltd, Vancouver. Rebuilt by Canadian-Boeing, Vancouver and regd (CofR 1187) 8.8.32 to FL Clarke, Vancouver. Caught fire in mid-air and forced landed on river at Fraser Arm, nr Vancouver 16.9.32 but burned out.

19 CofA 609 issued 3.4.23 to Vickers Ltd. To River Plate Co.

20 CofA 608 issued 3.4.23 to Vickers Ltd. To River Plate Co.  
The above two were reportedly dd 21.2.23 at a cost of £5,200 each for Buenos Aires-Montevideo service.

21 CofA 610 issued 12.4.23 to Vickers Ltd. To Netherlands East Indies.  
Presumed one of two replacements for write-offs – though also quoted as dd 22.1.23.

27 V.85 CofA 614 issued 17.5.23 to Vickers Ltd. To Canadian Government as **G-CYET**.

28 V.85 CofA 615 issued 12.5.23 to Vickers Ltd. To Canadian Government as **G-CYES**.  
The above two reportedly dd 9.5.23 (cost £3,250 each) for aerial survey work in Northern Canada.

Notes:  
2 V.58 dd Japanese Navy dd 16.5.21 (£7,680 each)  
A Vickers Viking reported as dd Java in Flight 17.8.22. {c/n 2?}  
1 V.58 dd to US Government 14.2.23 (cost £6,630); possibly same as c/n 10.  
2 V.59 Viking V ordered under Contract 267995/21 (**N156 & N157**); dd 17.4.22 & to 70 Sqdn, Hinaidi, Iraq for tropical trials. N156 used as spares for N157 .23.  
4 V.84 to Argentine Navy (**R3 to R6**) dd 1.5.23 (cost £6,000 each)

#### VILDEBEEST

1 V.194 Vildebeest III ex **N230** Regd **G-ABGE** (CofR 2895) 11.11.30 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 2832 issued 1.12.30; for Paris Air Show. Mod to V.209 Vildebeest V (with Bristol Jupiter XIF engine). Mod 1.31 to V.214 Vildebeest VI (with Jupiter XFBM engine). Mod 6.31 to V.216 Vildebeest VII floatplane (595hp Hispano Suiza 12Lbr). Operated Baltic tour; departed Woolston 20.9.31 until 10.31. Slight damage on Portsmouth Road, Putney Heath 5.11.31 when being towed back to Weybridge & lorry collided with another vehicle. Converted back to landplane as **O-3**. Regn cld 3.32 as sold abroad (with CofA renewed 22.3.32. Ferried to Spanish Navy at Seville by HWR Banting 24.3.32-27.3.32 as **EC-W11** (but painted as EC-WLL). To Spanish Navy as **T-1**. Shot down over Iznalloz, Granada 31.7.36.

Srs VI No.1 V.204 Vildebeest IV ex **O-1** (ff 8.30) Regd **G-ABJK** (CofR 3051) 10.3.31 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Brooklands (on proposal to convert to V.217 Srs VII (Srs VI?). No CofA issued. Regn cld 4.31 as wfu. Crashed Farnborough .32 without taking up marks.

Srs 252 No.1 V.252 Vildebeest XI ex **O-7** Regd **G-ACYV** (CofR 5385) 5.10.34 to Vickers (Aviation) Ltd, Weybridge. No CofA issued. Regn cld 4.38 as wfu.

#### FB.27 VIMY

C105 ex **B9952** Regd **C105** 1.5.19 to Vickers Ltd, Joyce Green. No CofA issued (although Application No.22 made). Regd **G-EAAR** (CofR 18) 31.7.19 to same party. To ELTA Exhibition, Amsterdam 8.19 (as C-105). Regn cld 5.20 as wfu.

- Mk.IV ex **F8625** Ff 20.9.19. Regd **G-EAOL** (CofR 378) 16.10.19 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. No CofA issued. Regn lapsed (undated). To Spanish Government on demonstration 10.19; presumed sold.

- Mk.IV ex **F8630** Regd **G-EAOU** (CofR 386) 23.10.19 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 253 issued 1.11.19. Departed Hounslow 12.11.19 en route Australia (Capt Ross Smith, Lt Keith Macpherson Smith, Sgt JW

Bennett & Sgt WH Shiers); arrived Port Darwin 10.12.19. Regn cld 10.20 as wfu. Stored Canberra and to Adelaide Museum .59 (or .57).

Reportedly allotted A5-1 at some stage. Damaged by fire 5.11.57; repaired.  
Delivered to China.

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#### VIMY COMMERCIAL

- Ff 13.4.19. Regd **K107** 13.5.19 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 163 issued 26.7.19; operated joy-riding at Coal Aston; returned to London 29.7.19. Regd **G-EAAV** (CofR 22) 31.7.19 to same party. To ELTA Exhibition, Amsterdam 3.8.19 (as K-107) & used for airline-style service to London until 15.9.19. Modified at Weybridge with extra fuel tanks etc and departed Hounslow 24.1.20 for Cape Town (sponsored by The Times). Crashed on take-off Tabora, Tanganyika 27.2.20. Regn cld 4.20 as wfu.
- 39 Regd **G-EAUY** (CofR 577) 31.7.20 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. No CofA issued. Regn cld 14.2.21 as sold abroad. Reportedly for delivery to China but also reported as diverted to become prototype Vernon **J6864** (first of 30 Vimy Commercials order by Air Ministry under Contract No.121877/21 dated 9.5.21).
- 40 Regd **G-EAUL** (CofR 560) 10.7.20 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 408 issued 31.7.20. Entered 8.20 in Air Ministry Commercial Aeroplane Competition. Regn cld 11.8.21 as sold to China.
- 41 V.66 Regd **G-EASI** (CofR 491) 4.20 to S Instone & Co Ltd; op The Instone Air Line, Croydon; named "City of London". Ff 30.4.20 and dd same day. Entered service 9.5.20. CofA 358 issued 13.5.20 (also quoted as 2.5.20). Damaged taxiing Le Bourget 6.8.21; repaired. Formally sold 12.12.21 to Instone Air Line Ltd. Converted 4.23 to freighter. Transferred 1.4.24 to Imperial Airways Ltd; regd (CofR 1075) 10.6.24 to them. Forced landed in field nr Le Bourget 1.7.25; repaired. Forced landed on cliff at Capel-le-Ferne, Folkestone 23.8.25; returned to Croydon but probably not repaired. Regn cld 20.1.27 as wfu. Cabin converted to summer house by Capt Henry Spry Leverton [5.27] and used at Waterer Rise, Wallington. Burnt in 1935.
- 42 CofA 535 issued 1.11.21 to Vickers Ltd; for France. Regd **F-ADER** to Cie Grands Express Aerien (CGEA), Paris. CofA 571 issued 28.6.22 following fitment of Lorraine Dietrich engines.
- 43 CofA 586 issued 14.9.22 to Vickers Ltd. To Russia; dd 18.9.22.
- Aeronautics 2.12.20 reported that The Canada Steamships Lines had purchased 2 Vimy Seaplanes (12 passengers) for delivery summer 1921 to operate services between Montreal, New York & Toronto.

#### VIVID

- 1 V.130 Ff 27.6.27. Regd **G-EBPY** (CofR 1331) 6.28 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Mod to V.142 5.28. CofA 1581 issued 29.8.28. For operation 8.29 by Irish Airways Ltd on airmail flights between Oranmore (Galway) and Croydon but damaged on land Croydon 23.8.29 on delivery from Brooklands. CofA lapsed 11.9.29. Regd (CofR 3032) 27.2.31 to John Robert "Jack" Chaplin, London W1 (based Brooklands). CofA renewed 30.3.31. Flown by Chaplin from Brooklands to Berlin 8.4.31 on test flight. Departed Lympe 2.5.31 for Australia (Chaplin & T Neville Stack) but flight abandoned Constantinople with fuel problems and returned to Heston 4.5.31. Flown Heston-Copenhagen-Heston 23.5.31. Departed Lympe 29.6.31 for India; flight abandoned Baghdad 1.7.31 and returned to Croydon 6.7.31. Sold [9.32] to GR Higgs (possibly George William Higgs?) and syndicate but dbf during overhaul at Broomfield, nr Chelmsford 17.9.32. Regn cld 10.32 as wfu.

#### VIXEN

- 1 Regd **G-EBEC** (CofR 883) 12.7.22 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 4.2.23 (as type V.71). Modified to V.87 mk II and reflowed 13.8.23. CofA 676 issued 4.9.23. Modified to V.105 mk IV .24. CofA lapsed 3.9.24. Mod to V.124 mk VI .26/27. CofA renewed 19.1.27. CofA lapsed 18.1.28. CofA renewed 14.2.29. Dd 24.8.29 to Irish Airways Ltd, Galway for experimental airmail flights Galway to Croydon; returned to Brooklands 1.9.29. Regn cld 1.30 as wfu.

#### VIXEN III

- 1 Regd **G-EBIP** (CofR 1052) 1.24 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 4.24 (as V.91). Regd (CofR 1108) 2.8.24 to Douglas Vickers, Brooklands; for 1924 Kings Cup Air Race. CofA 957 issued 1.2.26. Mod to V.106 .26. Mod to V.148 .26. Mod 1.27 to V.130 Vixen VII (aka Vickers Vivid). CofA lapsed 31.1.28. Regn cld 1.30 as wfu.

#### VIXEN V

- 1-18 CofAs 900-917 issued to Chilean Government 11.11.25 (1); 12.11.25 (2-15); 24.11.25 (16); 26.11.25 (17-18).

#### VULCAN

- 1 V.61 (RR Eagle VIII) Regd **G-EBBL** (CofR 797) 24.2.22 to Instone Air Line Ltd, Croydon; named "City of Antwerp". Ff 7.5.22. CofA 570 issued 31.5.22; dd same day; first service 1.6.22. Forced landed out of fuel & ran into trees nr Tonbridge 23.6.22; repaired with new wings. Forced landed and hit hedge in field adjacent to Woldingham Golf Links 12.8.22; repaired. Regn lapsed 2.23; CofR renewed 6.23; re-named "City of Brussels". Transferred 1.4.24 to Imperial Airways Ltd; not regd to them. CofA lapsed 30.5.24. Regn cld 6.24 as lapsed.
- 2 V.61 (RR Eagle VIII) Regd **G-EBDH** (CofR 860) 7.6.22 to Instone Air Line Ltd, Croydon. CofA 581 issued 15.7.22 and dd same day. Crashed Oxted 8.22; returned to Vickers Ltd. Regd (CofR 995) 20.6.23 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA lapsed 14.7.23. Regn cld 6.24 as lapsed.
- 3 V.63 (RR Eagle VIII) Regd **G-EBEA** (CofR 881) 7.22 to Instone Air Line Ltd, Croydon; named "City of Brussels". CofA 582 issued 21.7.22; dd 22.7.22. Regd (CofR) 21.6.23 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA lapsed 20.7.23. Regn cld 6.24 as lapsed.

- 4 V.63 (RR Eagle VIII) Regd **G-EBEK** (CofR 893) 20.7.22 to The Air Council, London WC2. Freight carrier; to Martlesham for trials. Dd 30.10.22 and CofA 597 issued 2.11.22. CofA lapsed 1.11.23. Reportedly to Imperial Airways in 1924 but not used. Displayed 5.25-7.25 at British Empire Exhibition, Wembley in Imperial Airways c/s. Regn cld 7.25 as lapsed.
- 5 V.63 (RR Eagle VIII) Initially laid down for Instone Air Line as freight carrier but not delivered (later subject to a successful High Court action by Instone against Vickers 1.23). Regd **G-EBEM** (CofR 895) 7.22 to Douglas Vickers MP, Brooklands. CofA 585 issued 13.9.22 for entry in Kings Cup Air Race (came 7<sup>th</sup>). CofA lapsed 12.9.23. Regn lapsed 7.24. Regd (CofR 1228) 7.1.26 to Leslie Hamilton (for charter work), Brooklands/Croydon. CofA renewed 21.1.26. Lost at sea off Nice, France 7.5.26. Regn cld 5.7.26 as wfu.
- 6 V.61 (RR Eagle VIII) Regd **G-EBES** (CofR 908) 11.8.22 to The Queensland & Northern Territory Aerial Services Ltd (QANTAS), Longreach, Qld. Not completed and order cld 13.2.23. Regn cld 8.23 as lapsed.
- 7 V.61 (RR Eagle VIII) Regd **G-EBET** (CofR 909) 11.8.22 to The Queensland & Northern Territory Aerial Services Ltd (QANTAS), Longreach, Qld. CofA 599 issued 25.11.22. Order cld 13.2.23 but shipped to Longreach 3.23 (at Vickers' expense). Rejected following trials at Point Cook 27.3.23 and returned to Vickers. Regn cld 8.23 as lapsed.
- 8 V.74 Srs II (Napier Lion) Regd **G-EBFC** (CofR 931) 25.1.23 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 3.3.23. Regd (CofR 997) 6.23 to Douglas Vickers MP, Brooklands; for 7.23 Kings Cup Air Race. CofA 843 issued 23.12.24 & dd 22.12.24; regd (CofR 1137) 22.1.25 to Imperial Airways Ltd, Croydon; entered service 4.2.25. CofA lapsed 22.12.25. Regn cld 1.26 as lapsed; reportedly burnt at Croydon 15.1.26.
- 9 V.74 Srs II (Napier Lion) Regd **G-EBLB** (CofR 1149) 4.25 to Imperial Airways Ltd, Croydon. CofA 857 issued 11.5.25; dd 12.5.25. Damaged Cologne 9.2.26 when hit obstruction on landing; repaired. Regd (CofR 1304) 9.26 to The Rt Hon Frederick Edward Guest MP, London W1, as nominee for Alfred Loewenstein, Melton Mowbray, for operation by private airline 8.26-10.26 between Biarritz & Barcelona. Regd (CofR 1310) 15.9.26 to Imperial Airways Ltd, Croydon. Crashed at Little Woodcote, Purley, 3 ml SW of Croydon 13.7.28 on a test flight; pilot Capt John Spafford injured & 4 passengers killed. Regn cld 13.7.28 as crashed.

#### **VULTURE (initially VIKING VI)**

- 1 V.78 Regd **G-EBGO** (CofR 983) 1.6.23 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 712 issued 1.1.24. Shipped to Tokyo, Japan as reserve aircraft for Sqdn Ldr Archibald MacLaren's Round the World flight. Took over flight (from G-EBHO) at Akyab, Burma 25.6.24. Damaged in forced landing in fog off Nikolski, Komandorski in the Aleutians 2.8.24. Flight abandoned and aircraft shipped back to Brooklands via Vancouver. Regn cld 5.11.24 as wfu.
- 2 V.95 Regd **G-EBHO** (CofR 1017) 9.8.23 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. CofA 719 issued 24.3.24. To Sqdn Ldr Archibald MacLaren for Round the World flight; dep Calshot 25.3.24 but crashed into sea at Akyab, Burma 24.5.24. Regn lapsed 8.24 & cld 5.11.24 as wfu.

#### **WIBAULT**

- 2-27 CofAs 1013; 1017; 1020-1024; 1036-1038; 1043-1051; 1056; 1060-1065 issued to Chilean Air Force 16.8.26 (2); 26.8.26 (3); 2.9.26 (4-8); 9.9.26 (9-11); 19.9.26 (12-14); 23.9.26 (15-18); 2.10.26 (19-20); 1.11.26 (21); 9.11.26 (22-25); 17.11.26 (26-27).

#### **VICKERS 123**

- 1 Regd **G-EBNQ** (CofR 1242) 25.2.26 to Vickers Ltd, Brooklands. Ff 9.11.26. No CofA issued. Mod to V.141 5.27 (or 1.28). Flown in Kings Cup Air Race 7.29. Regn cld 1.30 as wfu.

#### **VICKERS 143 Mk III**

- 1-6 CofAs 2224-2226; 2248-2249; 2427 issued to Bolivian Air Force 6.9.29 (1); 11.9.29 (2-3); 23.9.29 (4); 24.9.29 (5); 18.2.30 (6)