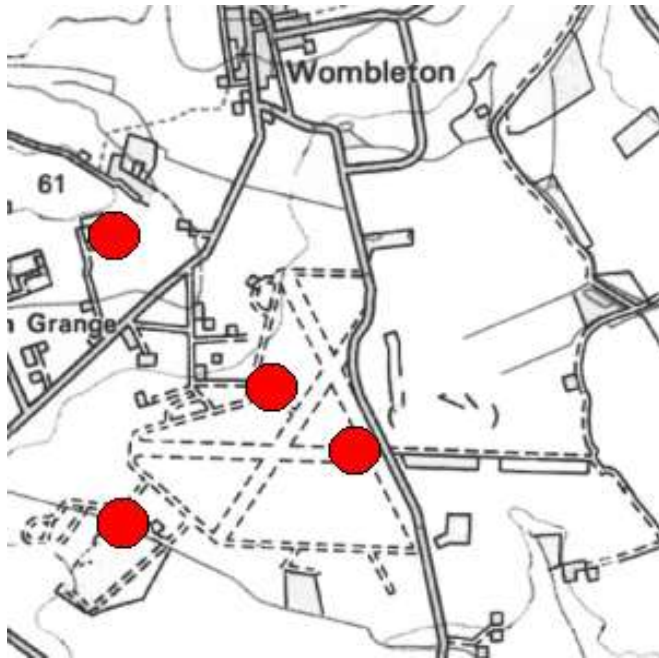


Wombledon, Air Station – Yorkshire, England



Wombledon airfield was constructed during 1942, and allocated to No. 6 RCAF Group, Bomber Command in June, 1943.

The airfield was located at the foot of the North York Moors, and 40 kms east of No.61 (Training Base) Topcliffe. The Air Station was a sub-station of No. 61 Base, and was utilized by No. 6 (RCAF) Group only in a Training capacity.

Wombledon had concrete runways – 09/27 was 5,100 feet in length, and runways 02/20 and 14/32 were both 4,000 feet long.

No. 1666 Heavy Conversion Unit (HCU) arrived at Wombledon on October 21st 1943, and remained in operation – training aircrew on conversion from 'Wellington' to 'Halifax' B.Mk.II, III, and B.Mk.VII aircraft; and Lancaster B.Mk.I, II, III, and Mk.X aircraft, until August 3rd 1945

No. 1679 HCU came to Wombledon on December 13th, 1943 – and did conversion training with the Avro 'Lancaster' B.Mk.II (radial engine)– until January 27th, 1944.



No. 261 Maintenance Unit, RAF occupied the Air Station from November 1945 to September 1946, and gave the airfield over for private use in the 1950's.

Wombledon airfield remains in use in 2010 for recreational flying only.