FROM SLIPWAY TO RUNWAY
1959-1970

At RAF St Mawgan on 1st October 1958 the Squadron was officially reformed. All the paraphernalia, official and otherwise, that squadrons tend to acquire over the years, arrived from store; the silver and photographs turned up shortly afterwards, and on the 10th of the month a very unusual re-formation parade took place in one of St Mawgan's hangars. 220 Squadron, itself with a highly distinguished record, paraded for the final time and marched off to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne". Ten minutes later, the same officers and SNCOs marched back onto the parade, this time with the 201 Standard. The new 201 Squadron took over 220 Squadron's new Shackleton III aircraft, (from itself of course) and another era was under way.

Reformation Parade - 10 October 1958

Shackleton MkIII Phase 1