

# The go-ahead CHALLENGE that is ROYAL NAVY



A SEA VIXEN lines up for touch-down on H.M.S. ARK ROYAL

## you find it in the FLEET AIR ARM

Every rapid minute is a challenge. When a catapulted take-off thrusts you away at 170 m.p.h. in fifty paces, when sea and land soon whip by below at ten miles a minute, and a never-still, twenty-foot width of deck is your measure for touch-down—then this is flying that demands no ordinary skill and nerve. It is a constant challenge to your quickness of mind and eye, your steady hand . . . and you would have it no other way. You can join the Fleet Air Arm as an officer, between 17 and 26, and you must have at least 5 passes in the G.C.E. at 'O' Level (English, Maths, and three others), or the equivalent. You are selected by the Admiralty Interview Board, and initially trained at the Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.

Basically, you have the choice of two kinds of service. Between 17 and 22, a pensionable engagement to 38; or a 12 year service if your entry age is between 22 and 26. Either service can be terminated at 5 (helicopter pilots only), 8, or 12 years: with gratuities of up to £4,000. In addition, you can be considered for transfer to a permanent commission. Good pay, too. For example: a Lieutenant, at 28, married, and with six years seniority, earns £1,815 a year. For all other details about your life in the Fleet Air Arm, and for the illustrated booklet 'Fly in the Royal Navy,' write to:  
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