

**870 FIGHTER SQUADRON****BADGE****Description**

Azure issuant from a base barry wavy of three Argent and Azure a winged demi lion Or armed and langued Gules.

Significance

The design shows a lion rising from the water by means of wings and assuming a fighting posture.

MOTTO

INTERCEDIMUS ET DELEMUS (To intercept and to destroy)

COLOURS

White and Blue

BATTLE HONOURS

None

870 FIGHTER SQUADRON**INSIGNE****Description**

D'azur, issant d'une base de trois barres ondées argent et azur, un demi-lion or ailé, armé et lampassé gueules.

Signification

Le dessin montre un lion sortant de l'eau à l'aide de ailes, reprenant la posture pour le combat.

DEVISE

INTERCEDIMUS ET DELEMUS (Intercepter et détruire)

COULEURS

Argent et bleu

HONNEURS DE BATAILLE

Aucun

LINEAGE

Authorized on the Royal Canadian Navy order of battle 24 January 1946 and incorporates the following units:

870 Squadron

Authorized as '803 Squadron', 24 January 1946, on transfer from the 'Royal Naval Fleet Air Arm' (where it had been reformed 15 June 1945).¹

Redesignated '870 Fighter Squadron', 1 May 1951.²

Disbanded 30 March 1954.³

Reformed 1 November 1955.⁴

Amalgamated with '871 Squadron', 16 March 1959, retaining the senior designation.⁵

Disbanded 7 September 1962.⁶

871 Squadron

Authorized as '883 Squadron', 24 January 1946, on transfer from the Royal Naval Fleet Air Arm (where it had been reformed 18 September 1945).⁷

Disbanded 23 February 1946.⁸

Reformed 15 May 1947.⁹

Redesignated '871 Squadron', 1 May 1951.¹⁰

Amalgamated with '870 Fighter Squadron', as above.

LIGNÉE

Autorisé sur l'ordre de bataille de la Marine royale du Canada le 24 janvier 1946, il est formé des unités suivantes :

870 Squadron

Autorisé et baptisé « 803 Squadron » le 24 janvier 1946, lors de son transfert du *Royal Fleet Air Arm* (d'où il fut reformé le 15 juin 1945).¹

Rebaptisé « 870 Fighter Squadron » le 1^{er} mai 1951.²

Dissous le 30 mars 1954.³

Reformé le 1^{er} novembre 1955.⁴

Amalgamé au « 871 Squadron » le 16 mars 1959, conservant la désignation aînée.⁵

Dissous le 7 septembre 1962.⁶

871 Squadron

Autorisé et baptisé « 883 Squadron » le 24 janvier 1946, lors de son transfert du *Royal Fleet Air Arm* (d'où il fut reformé le 18 septembre 1945).⁷

Dissous le 23 février 1946.⁸

Reformé le 15 mai 1947.⁹

Rebaptisé « 871 Squadron » le 1^{er} mai 1951.¹⁰

Amalgamé au « 870 Fighter Squadron », tel que le décrit ci-dessus.

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