

NCAP

RCAHMS NATIONAL COLLECTION
OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Welcome to the NCAP Newsletter - Spring 2015, which aims to keep our subscribers informed of new releases and upcoming projects here at NCAP.

NEWS

Images of Barbados Now Online



Over 380 aerial photographs of Barbados taken in the winter of 1950/1951 are now accessible on the NCAP website. Giving total cover of the island, the photographs were taken by the Air Survey Company under contract to the UK Directorate of Overseas Surveys.

One Million Images Now Accessible

Over 7,400 finding aids are now available to view on the NCAP website, making over 1,132,000 not-yet-digitised aerial photographs accessible to subscribers around the world.

NCAP cares for over 20 million aerial photographs of places around the world, over 7 million of which are catalogued.

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By digitising and uploading our catalogued finding aids, NCAP are empowering subscribers to locate, identify and order copies of these aerial photographs from their homes and offices around the world.

Sorties Flown From Russia

Included in the finding aids now accessible online are two sorties covering parts of the far north of Norway flown from Arctic Russia. During September 1942, a detachment of three Spitfires from the RAF's No.1 Photographic Reconnaissance Unit flew missions from a remote Russian airstrip to search for German warships operating from fjords out of range of aircraft from the UK.

Oblique Images of Scotland Released



More than 5,000 historical oblique aerial images of locations across Scotland have been made accessible online for the first time.

The photographs were taken by low-flying Mosquito aircraft in the late 1940's, and feature towns and places across the length and breadth of Scotland.

[Coastal Survey Images Now Online](#)



Colour aerial photographs recording the coastline of much of Scotland from 1973-1975 have been digitised and released on the NCAP website. Commissioned by the Scottish Office, and undertaken by Fairey Surveys Ltd, the photographs were taken to assess potential sites for oil-related facilities.

[German Air Force Photomosaics Released](#)



Funding from the EU ArcLand Project has enabled NCAP to collaborate with Polish archaeologists to digitise and study previously uncatalogued photo-mosaics made by the German Luftwaffe during the Second World War.

NEW FEATURES

[Edinburgh from the Air, 1951](#)

[Thermal Power Stations](#)

[Steelworks](#)

NEW GALLERIES

[Crossing the Forth](#)

BROWSE BY AIR UNITS

Try our new search feature to find images taken by specific units, squadrons and aerial survey companies.

OUR COLLECTIONS

Read about our Collections and view digitised images from each of them. For each collection there is a short statement on accessibility and a potted history of its custody and development.

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