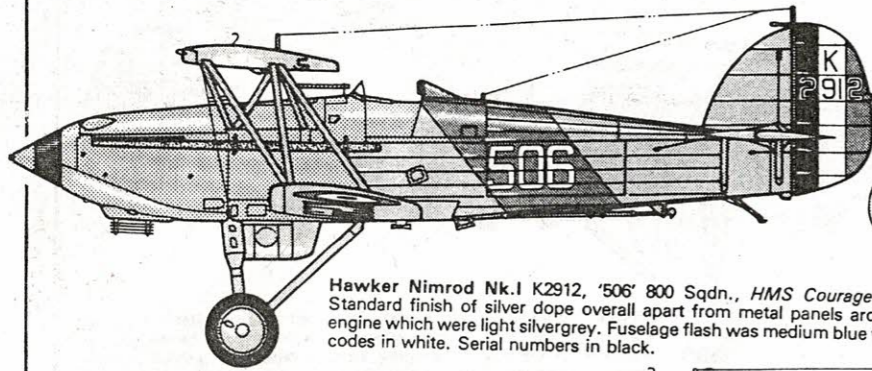
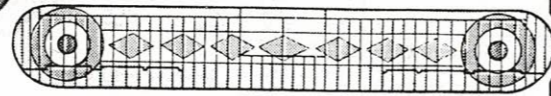


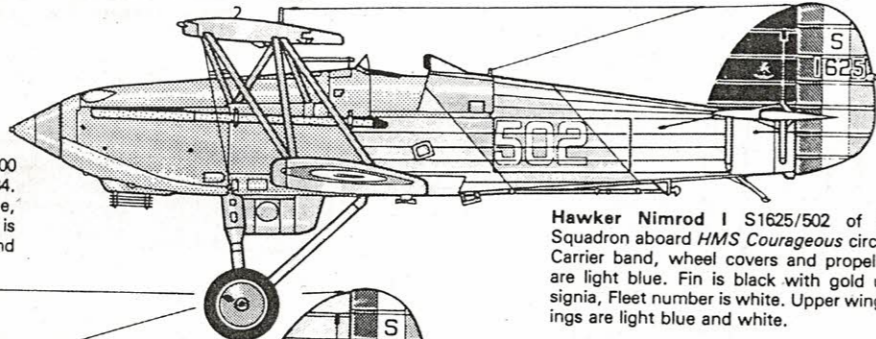
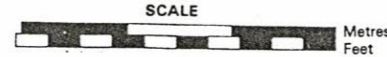
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Hawker Nimrod Nk.I K2912, '506' 800 Sqdn., HMS Courageous. Standard finish of silver dope overall apart from metal panels around engine which were light silvergrey. Fuselage flash was medium blue with codes in white. Serial numbers in black.

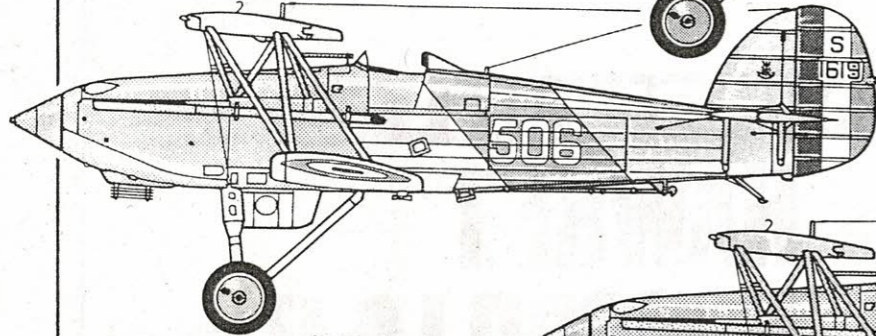


Nimrod S1625/502 diamonds are light blue upon a white background.

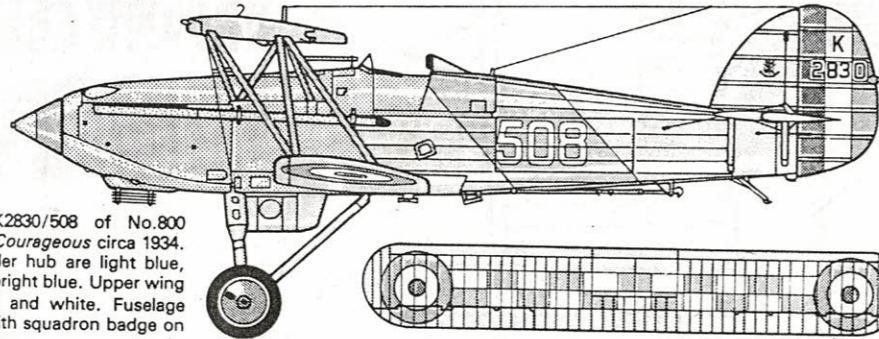


Hawker Nimrod I S1619/506 of No.800 Squadron aboard HMS Courageous circa 1934. Fuselage band and propeller hub are light blue, wheel covers are bright blue. Fleet number is white. Upper wing markings are light blue and white. Squadron insignia on fin is black.

Hawker Nimrod I S1625/502 of No.800 Squadron aboard HMS Courageous circa 1934. Carrier band, wheel covers and propeller hub are light blue. Fin is black with gold unit insignia, Fleet number is white. Upper wing markings are light blue and white.



Nimrod S1619/506 light blue and white wing insignia.

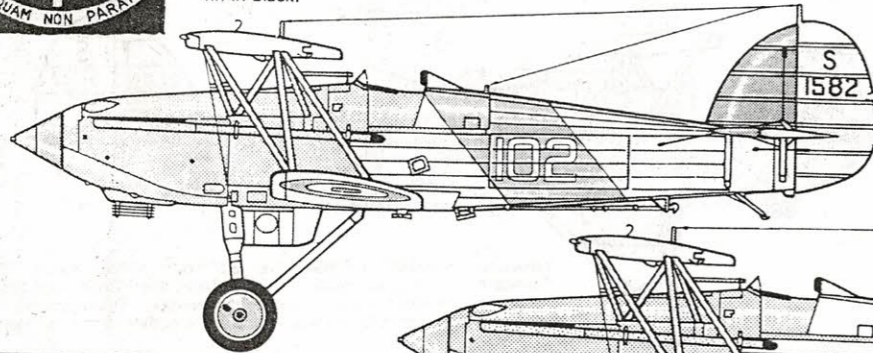


No.800 Squadron crest was gold on black fins and black on aluminium finished tails.

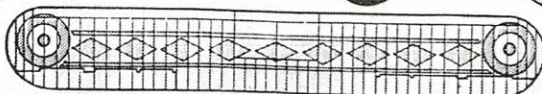
Hawker Nimrod I K2830/508 of No.800 Squadron aboard HMS Courageous circa 1934. Ship's band and propeller hub are light blue, whilst wheel covers are bright blue. Upper wing markings are light blue and white. Fuselage Fleet number is white with squadron badge on fin in black.



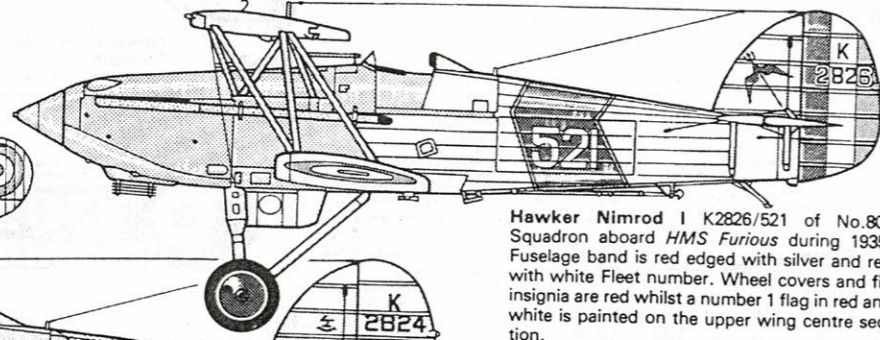
Nimrod K2830/508 upper wing markings are light blue and white.



Hawker Nimrod I S1582/102 of No.800 Squadron aboard HMS Courageous during 1937-38. Fin, wheel covers and spinner are bright blue, carrier band is light blue. Upper wing markings are blue. Fleet number is white.

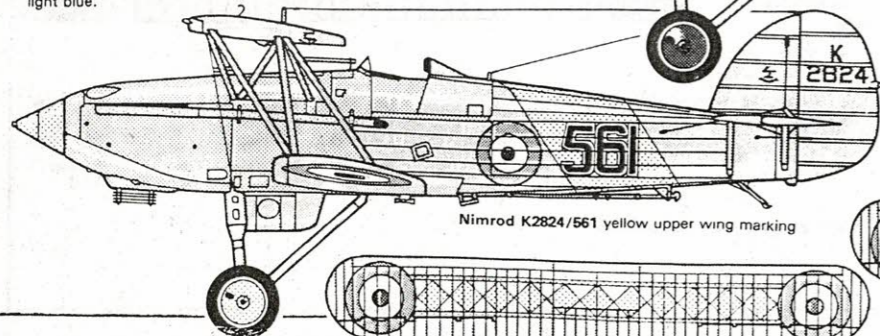


Nimrod S1582/102 squadron markings are light blue.

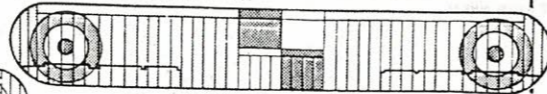


Hawker Nimrod I K2826/521 of No.801 Squadron aboard HMS Furious during 1935. Fuselage band is red edged with silver and red with white Fleet number. Wheel covers and fin insignia are red whilst a number 1 flag in red and white is painted on the upper wing centre section.

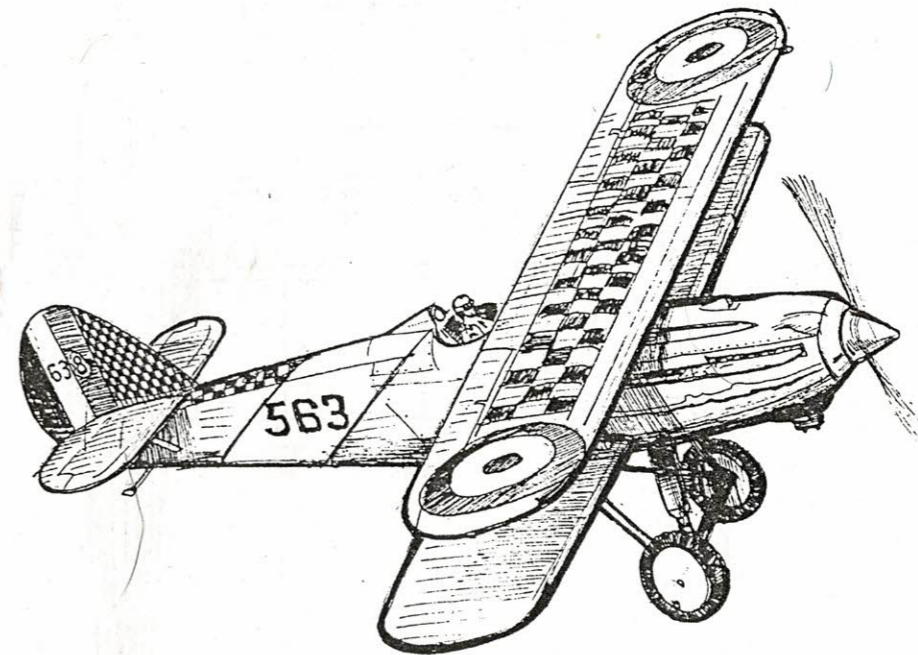
Hawker Nimrod I K2824/561 of No.802 Squadron aboard HMS Glorious during 1935. Carrier band, wheel covers, spinner and upper wing markings are yellow. Fleet number is black outlined in white.



Nimrod K2824/561 yellow upper wing marking



Nimrod K2826/521 number 1 flag on upper wings.



HAWKER

NIMROD I OR II

HISTORY

The development of the Hawker NIMROD began with the design of the radial engine Hoopoe in 1928 on which only one was built. The introduction of the Rolls Royce inline V-12 Kestrel brought on the eventual scrapping of the only Hoopoe built. The original NIMROD built in 1930, unofficially known as "Norn", aroused sufficient F.A.A. interest so that an initial order for thirty-five aircraft was placed with Hawker. While the NIMROD was similar in appearance to the Fury it was in fact developed separately and differed greatly in detail and construction. (See enclosed differences sheet). The NIMROD II was an updated NIMROD I

with the swept back wings and minor structural changes. These aircraft, thirty-six of which were produced, also had slightly increased span tailplanes as did late model NIMROD I's. The NIMROD was exported to Denmark as the Danerod and approximately twelve were bought by that country. These aircraft were equipped with wheel spats (included) and photographs indicate that they did not have the Vickers-Potts oil cooler installed. The NIMROD replaced the Fairey Flycatcher then in service with fleet squadrons and was operated until it was eventually replaced by the Gloster Sea-Gladiator in May of 1939.

SPECIFICATIONS

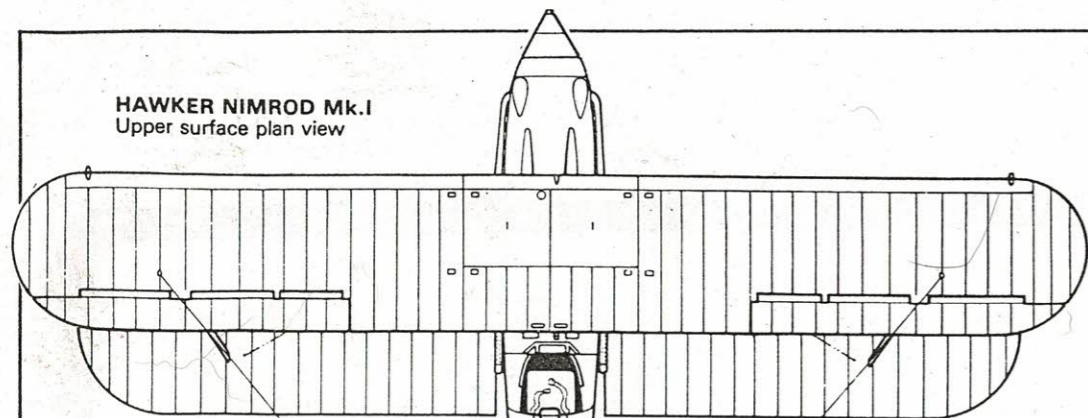
	Nimrod Mk.I	
Span (top plane)	30 ft 0 in	33 ft 6 1/2 in
(bottom plane)	26 ft 1/2 in	29 ft 0 in
Length (land plane)	26 ft 8 1/2 in	30 ft 2 in
(floatplane)	—	30 ft 2 in
Height (land plane)	10 ft 2 in	9 ft 10 1/2 in
(floatplane)	—	11 ft 11 in
Treck (wheels)	5 ft 9 1/2 in	6 ft 0 in
(floats)	—	8 ft 4 in
Chord (top planes)	5 ft 0 in	5 ft 3 in
(bottom planes)	4 ft 10 in	5 ft 3 in
Gap (at centre section)	4 ft 8 in	4 ft 10 1/2 in
Dihedral (top plane)	1 deg 0 min	1 deg 0 min
(bottom plane)	3 deg 30 min	3 deg 30 min
Stagger (at centre section)	2 ft 9 in	2 ft 9 in
Centre section span	5 ft 6 in	5 ft 6 in

COLOUR TABLE

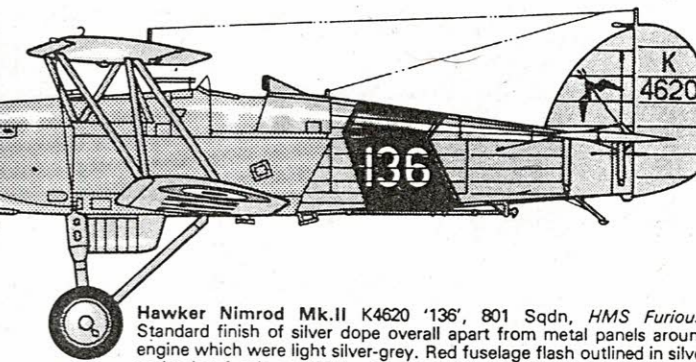
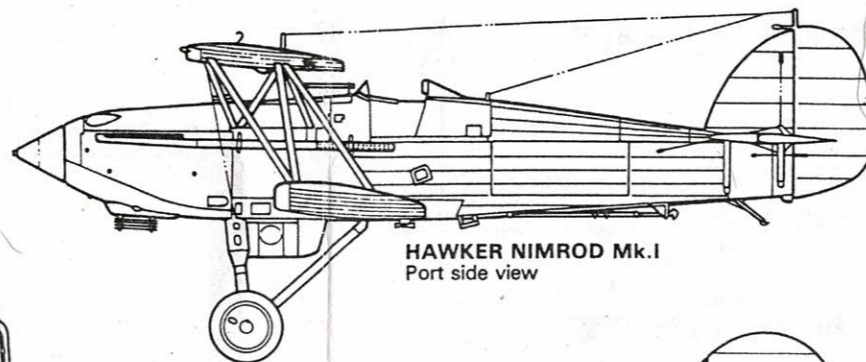
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Aluminium	17178	—
Anodic grey	16586	21A-B12
Black	17038	—
White	17778	—
Yellow	13538	(4-5) A8
Bright red	11105	10C8
Bright blue	15056	20E8
*Yellow ochre	12544	5C7

*Used as the Flight colour 'yellow' when the normal yellow is used for the carrier colour on the same aircraft.

HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I
Upper surface plan view



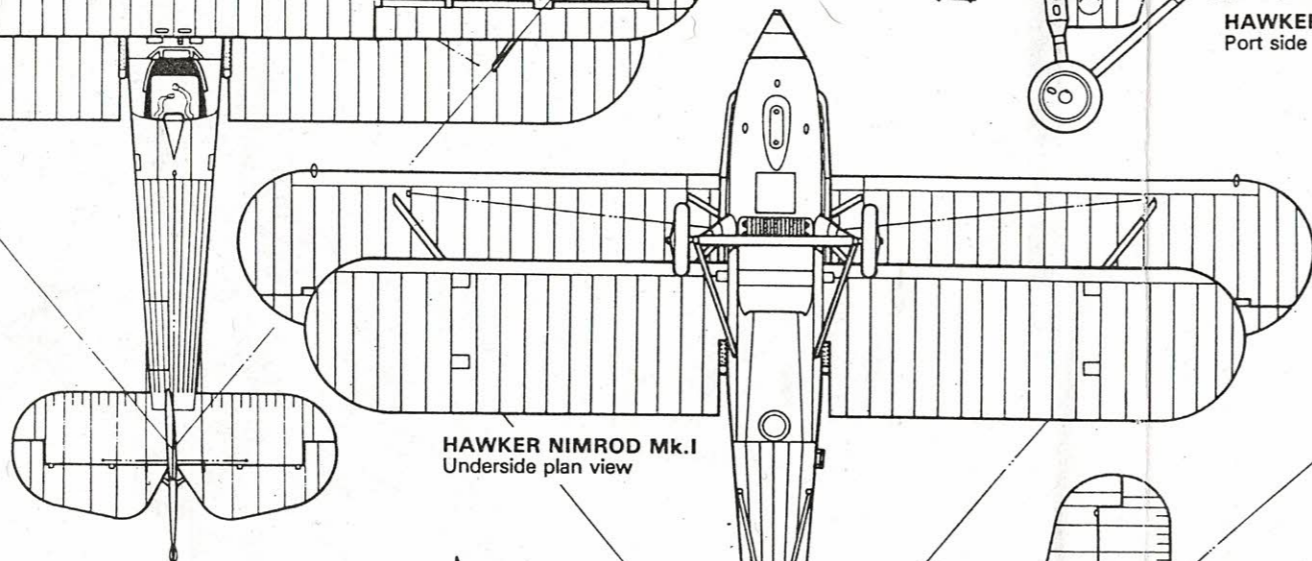
HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I
Port side view



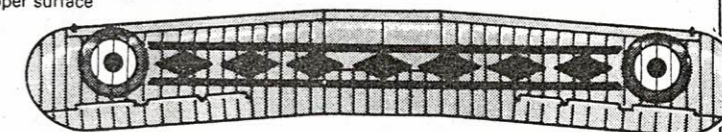
Hawker Nimrod Mk.II K4620 '136', 801 Sqn, HMS Furious.
Standard finish of silver dope overall apart from metal panels around engine which were light silver-grey. Red fuselage flash outlined in silver and red on fuselage. '136' in white, serials in black. Squadron insignia on tail in red.

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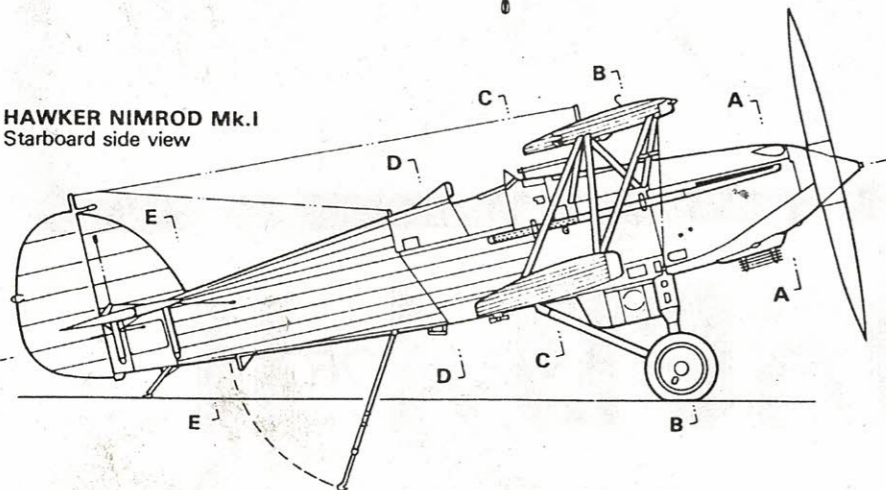
HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I
Underside plan view



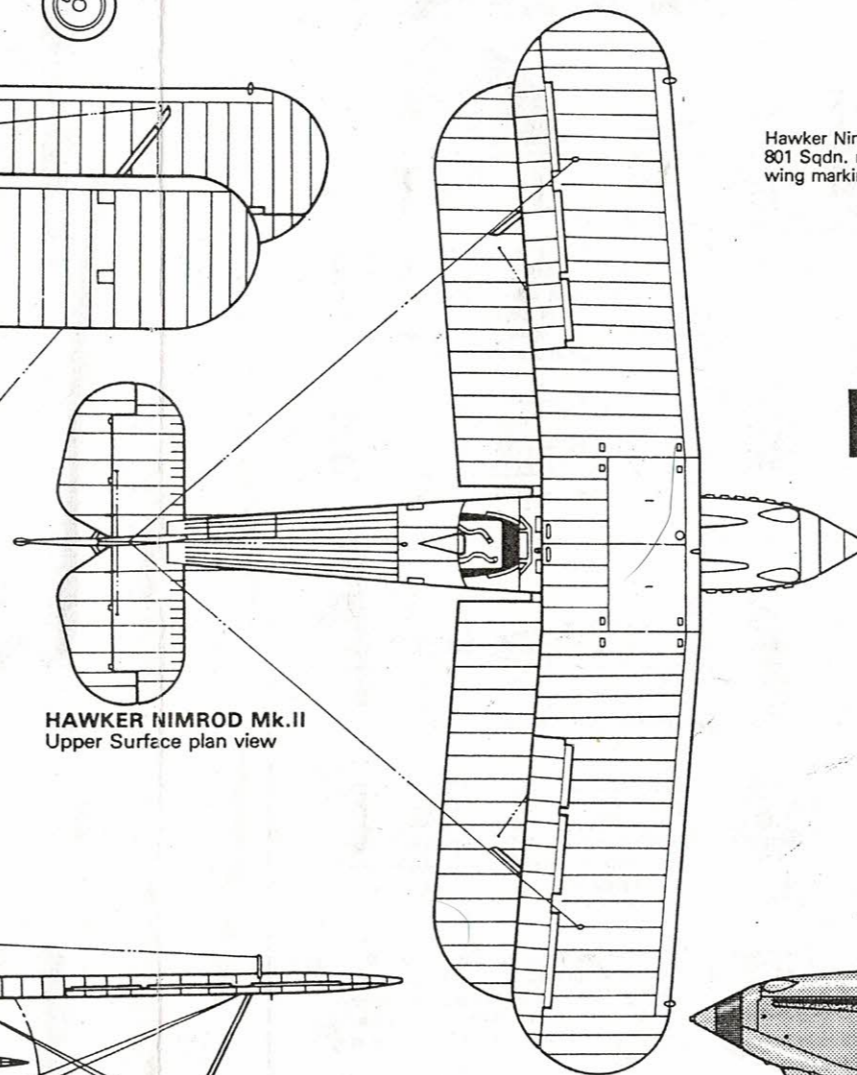
Hawker Nimrod Mk.II
801 Sqn. red upper surface
wing markings



HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I
Starboard side view



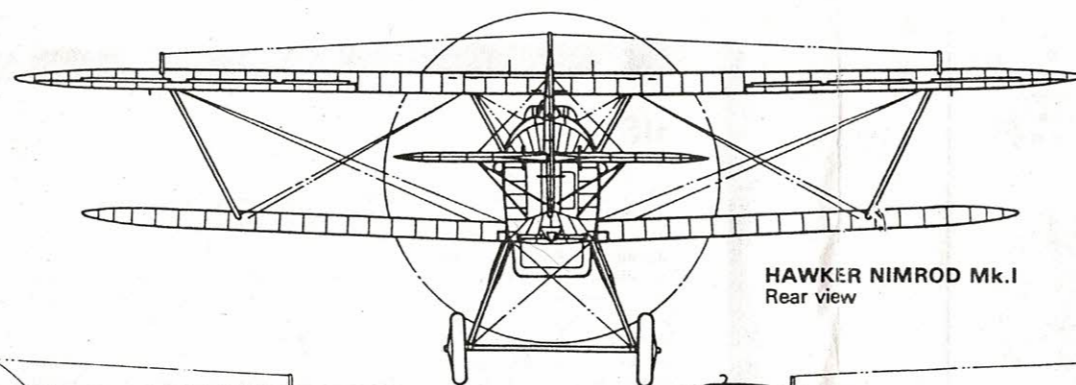
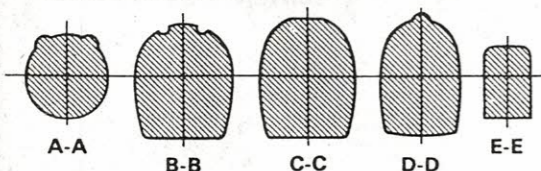
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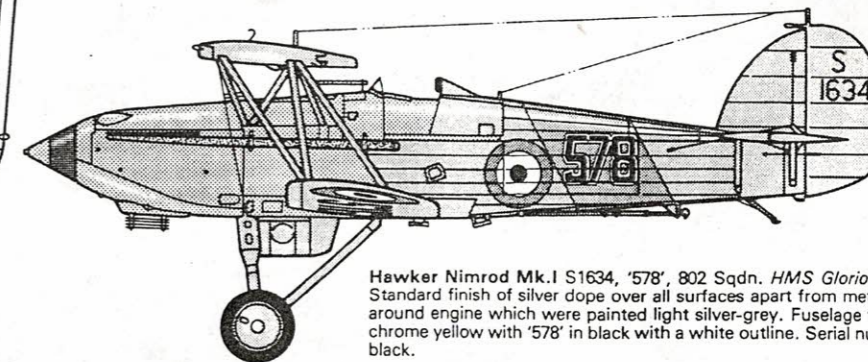
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HAWKER NIMROD I & II

FUSELAGE CROSS SECTIONS

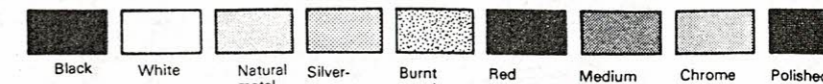
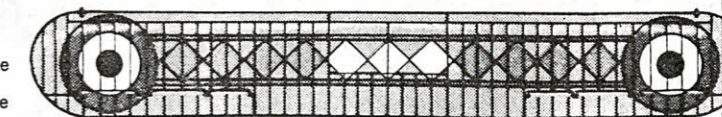


HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I
Rear view



Hawker Nimrod Mk.I S1634, '578', 802 Sqn, HMS Glorious, 1935.
Standard finish of silver dope over all surfaces apart from metal panels around engine which were painted light silver-grey. Fuselage flash was chrome yellow with '578' in black with a white outline. Serial numbers in black.

Hawker Nimrod Mk.I
802 Sqn. upper wing
markings are eight
chrome yellow and three
central white diamonds
enclosed by two chrome
yellow bars.

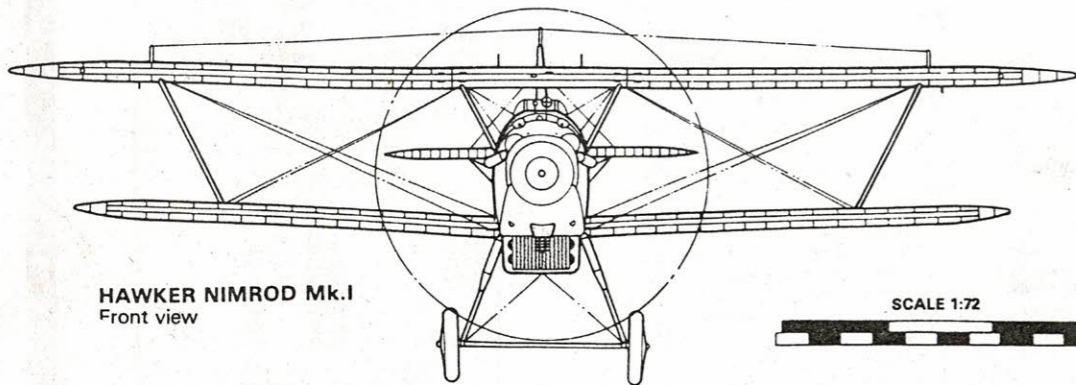


HAWKER NIMROD COLOUR KEY

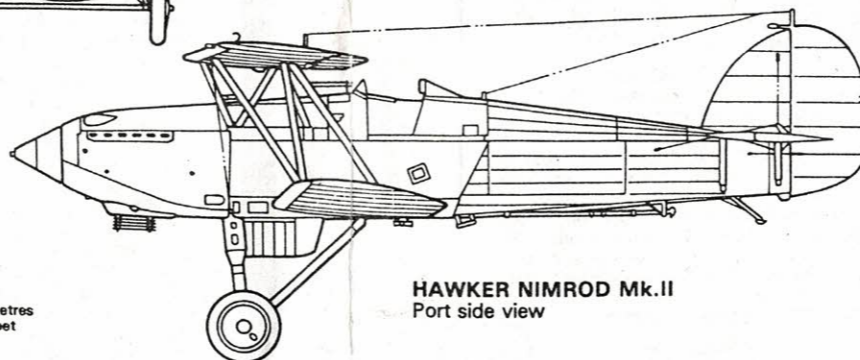
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HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I
Front view



HAWKER NIMROD Mk.II
Port side view

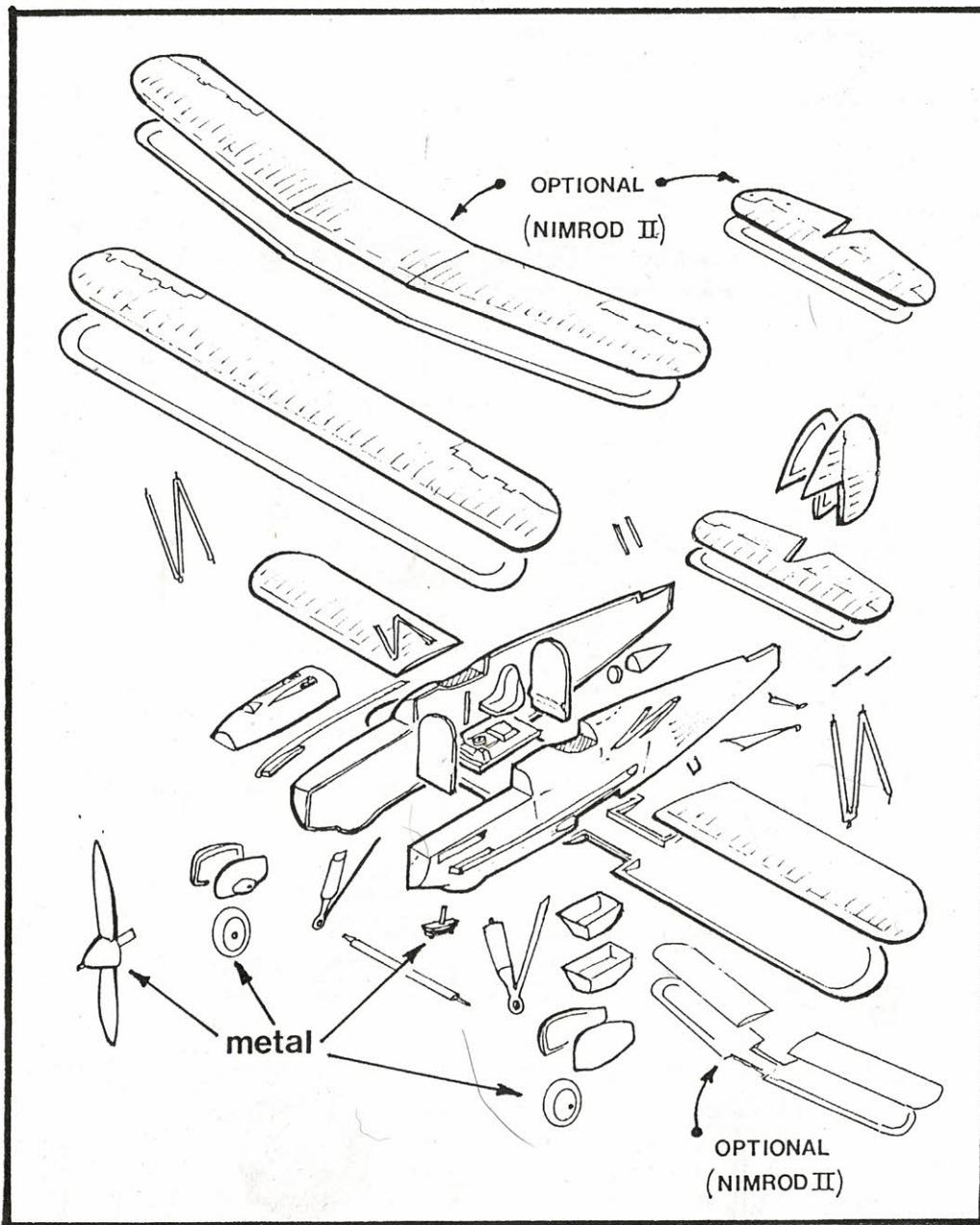


Step 1:

This kit includes two sets of wings and can be made either as the NIMROD I or II. After deciding which version to build, separate the major component parts from the sheet and sand to fit. Assemble the cockpit as shown on the exploded view adding a joystick made from the plastic rod included. Fasten the assembled cockpit to one fuselage half paint it and the inside interior green and secure the two fuselage halves together. Make two exhaust pipes from scrap plastic and rod included. Add to exhaust grooves on both sides of nose.

Step 2:

Choose which tailplane desired, glue top to bottom half and add to completed fuselage. Add assembled fin and rudder. Assemble lower wing and add to fuselage. Make under-carriage from plastic strut included and secure to fuselage and lower wing. Make two 'N' struts from strut stock and after dry, add to top surface of lower wing. Assemble upper wing and when dry add to 'N' struts insuring correct alignment and dihedral (see three view plan). Add cabane struts. Add metal propellor, wheels and oil cooler. You can now complete small details such as headrest (optional) boarding step, tailskid and tailplane struts. Rig and paint as required.



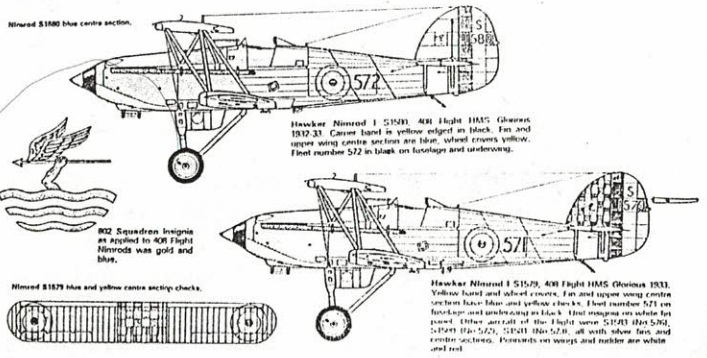
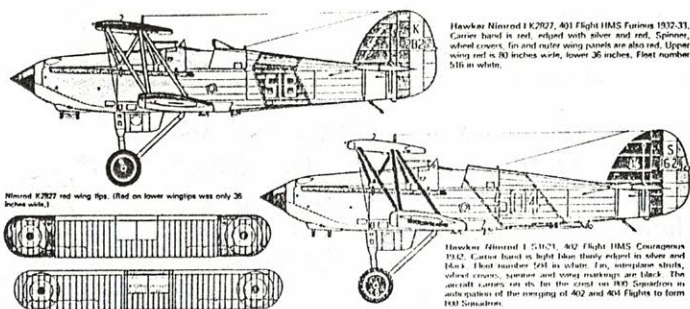
EXPLODED VIEW

NOTE :

A variety of NIMRODS can be made from this kit as parts are included to include many choices. Not only are the two types of wings and tailplanes contained but also two types of radiator. Some sources seem to indicate that NIMRODS had a slightly larger radiator than the Fury however, check photos of the final version you decide to build. ESOTERIC MODELS recommend the purchase of the Matchbox Fury kit so that you can utilise the extra

set of NIMROD wings in order to have both NIMRODS in your collection. Also if you are in too much of a hurry to complete several NIMRODS the Matchbox kit can furnish some of the more troublesome parts already made of plastic. Keep in mind that the NIMROD upper wing was raised some 2 1/2 inches higher than the Fury, not much in 1/72 scale but if 100% accuracy is required ...??!! (we'll never tell!).

MORE SCHEMES (1/144 SCALE)



Hawker Nimrod I K2927, 401 Flight HMS Furious 1932-33. Canopy band is red, edged with silver and red. Spinners, wheel covers, fin and engine wing panels are also red. Upper wing red to 80 inches wide, lower 36 inches. Fleet number 511 is white.

Hawker Nimrod I S1931, 402 Flight HMS Courageous 1932. Canopy band is light blue (thinly edged in silver and black). Wheel covers 248 in yellow. Fin, interplane struts, wheel covers, spinner and wing markings are black. The aircraft carries on its fin the crest of HMS Courageous in white against the background of 402 and 401 Flights to form 1881 Squadron.

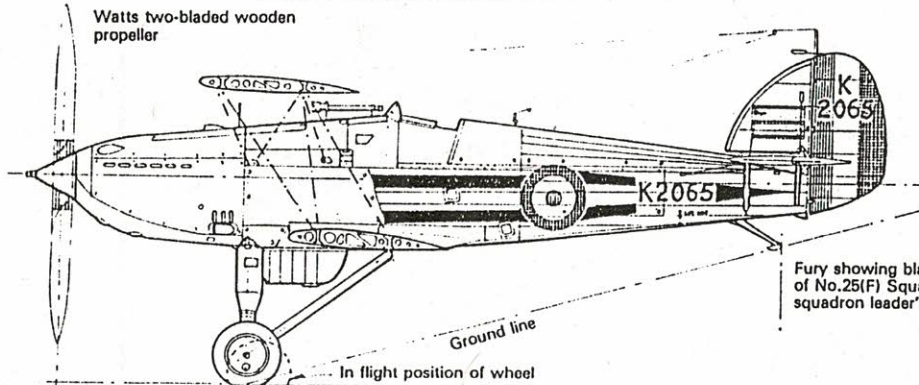
Hawker Nimrod I S1931, 401 Flight HMS Furious 1932-33. Canopy band in yellow edged in black. Fin and engine wing centre sections are blue, wheel covers yellow. Fleet number 522 in black on fuselage and underwing.

802 Squadron insignia as applied in 401 Flight Nimrods was gold and blue.

Hawker Nimrod I S1931, 401 Flight HMS Furious 1932-33. Yellow band and wheel covers. Fin and upper wing centre on fin blue and yellow checks. Fleet number 521 on fuselage and underwing in black. Line markings on underwing panel (blue) and tail of the flight were S1931 (HMS 520), S1931 (HMS 520), S1931 (HMS 520), all with silver fins and centre sections. Forward on wings and make are white and red.

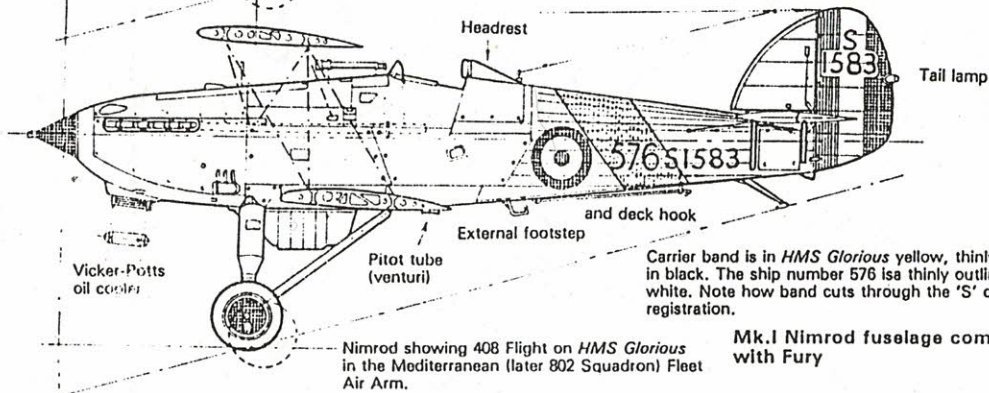
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HAWKER FURY Mk.I



Fury showing black bar markings of No.25(F) Squadron, RAF (with squadron leader's pennant on fin)

HAWKER NIMROD Mk.I



Carrier band is in *HMS Glorious* yellow, thinly edged in black. The ship number 576 is a thinly outlined in white. Note how band cuts through the 'S' of the registration.

Mk.I Nimrod fuselage compared with Fury

Nimrod showing 408 Flight on *HMS Glorious* in the Mediterranean (later 802 Squadron) Fleet Air Arm.

Hawker Nimrod Mk.I — 1933
Typical early markings form

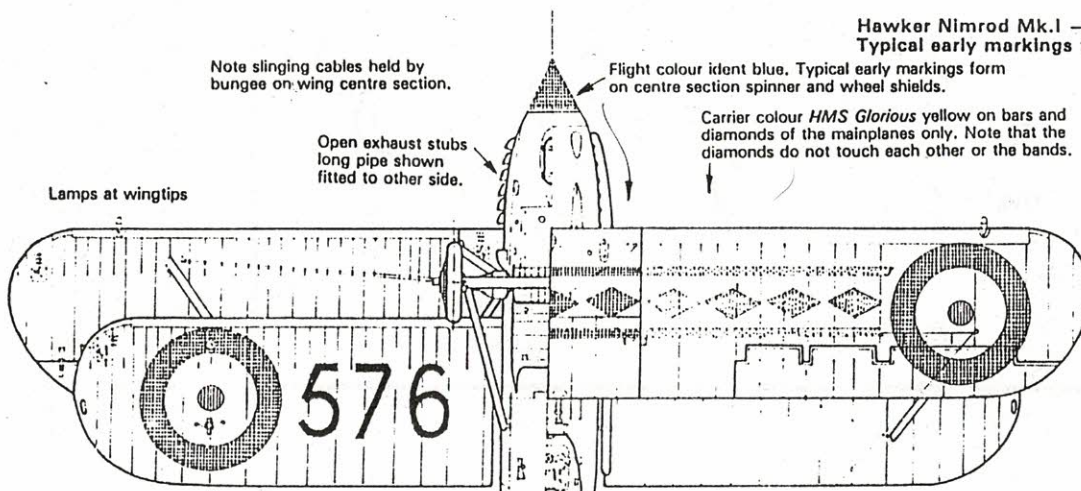
Note slinging cables held by bungee on wing centre section.

Flight colour ident blue. Typical early markings form on centre section spinner and wheel shields.

Carrier colour *HMS Glorious* yellow on bars and diamonds of the mainplanes only. Note that the diamonds do not touch each other or the bands.

Open exhaust stubs long pipe shown fitted to other side.

Lamps at wingtips



Note flare carrier on the white of the roundel and picket ring at front spar position.

Ship number reads in the same direction under the port lower wing.

No root fairing

UNDERSIDE PLAN

PLAN

FURY / NIMROD DIFFERENCES

1/72 scale

Later Mk.II tailplane — retro fit to some Mk.Is.

Original tailplane

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