

ALLIED MARITIME COMMAND



Biography

Warrant Officer

Ian Anderson

Royal Navy

**Command Senior Enlisted Leader
(CSEL)**



Ian Anderson joined the Royal Navy in December 1983 as a Junior Air Engineering Mechanic 2nd Class. On completion of Initial Training, he joined his first sea going squadron.

Promoted to Leading Hand (OR4) in 1990, he was subsequently selected for Artificer training. On completion of training, he spent time in the Sea King Helicopter Force based at Royal Naval Air Station Culdrose, rising to the rate of Petty Officer (OR6).

Following conversion to the Merlin Helicopter (EH101) in April 2000 and promotion to Chief Petty Officer (OR7), he achieved the Aircraft Charge Certificate and Fleet Charge Board, as well as two further sea tours before being selected for promotion to Warrant Officer 2nd Class (OR8) in 2005.

As a WO2, Anderson has been the Senior Maintenance Rating of two Naval Air Squadrons; 820 Naval Air Squadron, a Front Line deployable Anti-Submarine Warfare Squadron and 824 Naval Air Squadron, the largest squadron in the Fleet Air Arm managing over 170 engineering personnel.

He was selected for promotion to Warrant Officer 1st Class (OR9) in 2010 and assigned to be a Deputy Branch Manager at Navy Command Headquarters where he was responsible for maintaining structural sustainability of the air engineering branch.

A tour in Merlin Helicopter Force Headquarters followed; tasks including enforcing Force Engineering Standards & Practices and close liaison with Industry Partners during an extensive aircraft upgrade programme.

His last role was the Base Warrant Officer at Royal Naval Air Station Culdrose. A hugely rewarding role which included maintaining standards, discipline, welfare and care of approximately 2000 service personnel and 1000 civilian staff.

After living in Helston, Cornwall for nearly 32 years he and his wife Alix, have now moved to the bright lights of London.

Anderson is a graduate of the United States Keystone Course.

His interests include mountain biking, walking and green laning.

