

Hamilton Hobbies – 1/48 DH Vampire F30/FB31 Update set

This conversion is for experienced modellers only.



This set is designed for the new Airfix DH Vampire FB3 release.

Main Parts – Vampire F.30

- Nene engine rear fuselage
- Nene engine exhaust
- 'Elephant ear' air intakes (x2) without gauze

Main Parts – Vampire F.30

- Nene engine rear fuselage
- Nene engine exhaust
- Nose autopilot fairing
- 'Elephant ear' air intakes (x2) with gauze
- Ejection seat
- Ejection seat 'D' ring
- Control Column
- Rocket rails x 4
- Rockets

Construction – Vampire F.30

Following the kit construction as per the instructions with the following changes -

Step 32

Cut the rear fuselage (B1) in line with the trailing edge of the flaps to remove the rear fuselage between the two booms. Cut the bottom fuselage (A1) to correspond with the removal of the rear fuselage from the upper fuselage. Add the new rear fuselage and exhaust. The exhaust is inserted after the rear fuselage has been glued into place.

Step 33

Attach the two additional air intakes to the top of the fuselage. Please use the images on these instructions as reference.

Construction – Vampire FB.31

Following the kit construction

Step 12

Delete the engine exhaust.

Step 13

Add the stage 12 parts without the exhaust.

Step 14

Delete the seat.

Step 15

Cut 7.5mm from the rear cockpit between canopy rears (this is to lengthen the cockpit to fit the ejection seat). Replace the rear cockpit with the new resin part. This part should be at an angle to match the ejection seat. Add the ejection seat to assist with the correct position of the rear cockpit wall.

Step 18

Replace the control column (D12) with the new control column.

Step 32

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Step 33

Add the auto pilot fairing to the nose (part D30).

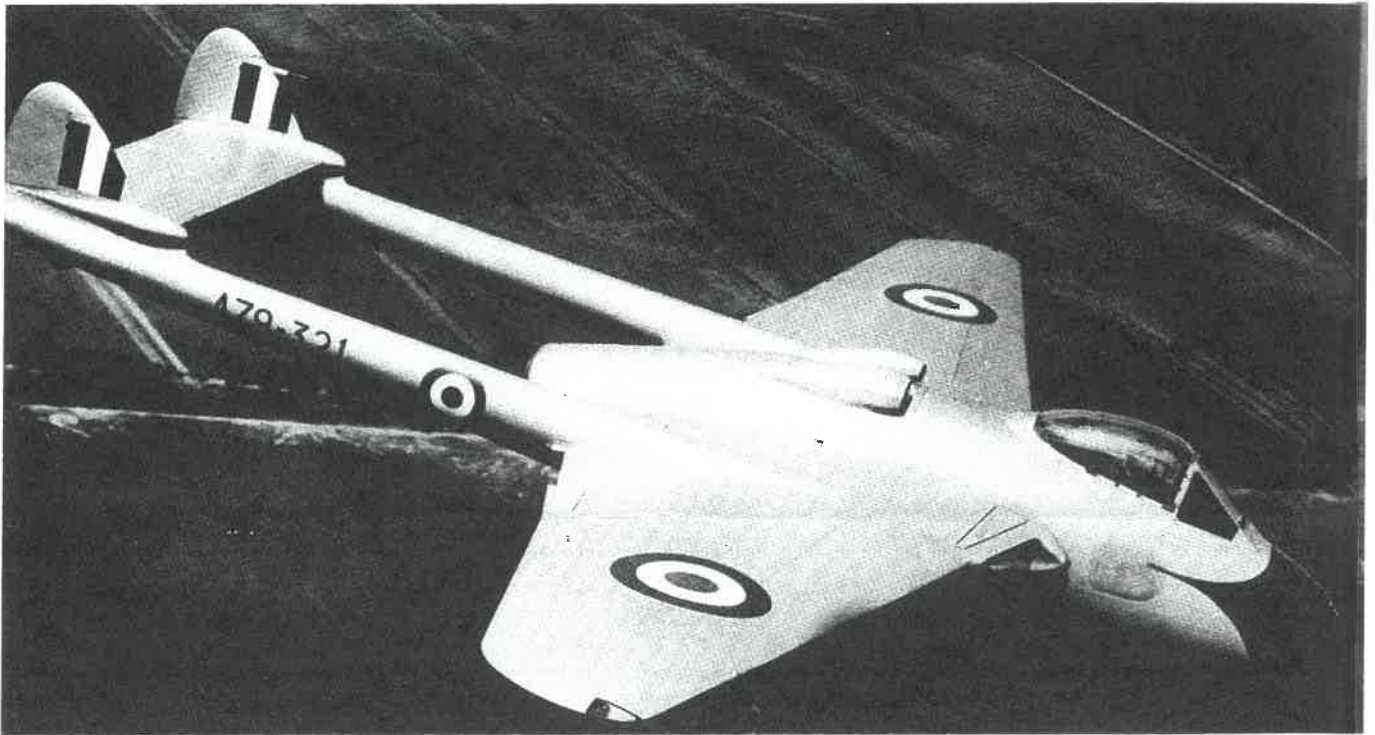
Step 38

Attach the two additional air intakes (with gauze) to the bottom of the fuselage. Please use the images on these instructions as reference.

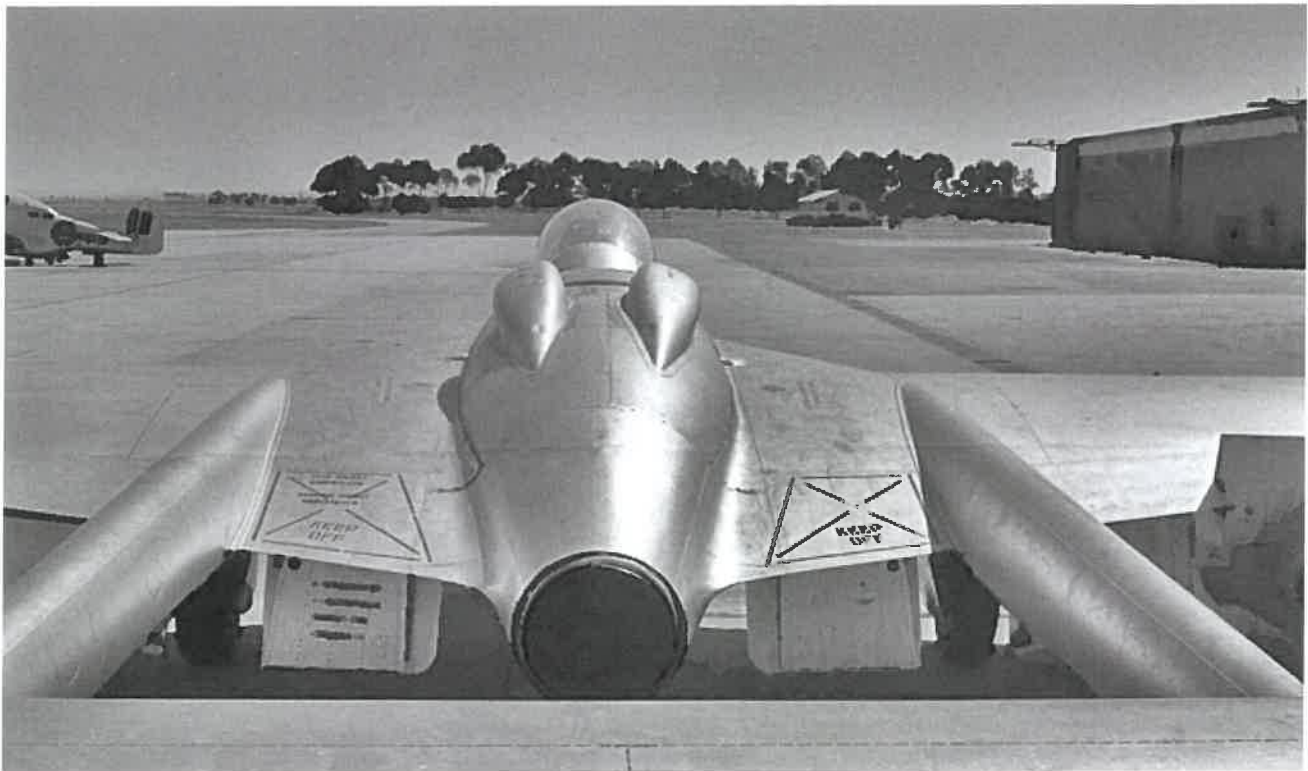
Step 74 and 75

Four rockets with rails are supplied to be attached to the inner wing (see photos).

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An early RAAF Vampire F30 with the intakes on the top of the fuselage



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