

**Lieutenant  
Commander  
Robert E Laverty  
Royal Navy  
Commanding Officer,  
HMS CLYDE**



Bob joined the Navy in 1989 as a University Cadet and after one year of General Naval Training and Fleet Time he went up to Herriot Watt University to read Economics. After graduating, he completed his fleet time in HMS BATTLEAXE. On completion of OOW course and a short holdover in HMS CHIDDINGFOLD, he went to HMS DOLPHIN to start Submarine training.

His first complement appointment was as the Casing Officer in HMS SOVEREIGN. He then returned to HMS DOLPHIN for the Intermediate Warfare Course prior to joining HMS TURBULENT and subsequently HMS SOVEREIGN as the Navigating Officer. He returned to the Submarine School at HMS RALEIGH for the Advanced Warfare Course and was appointed to HMS VICTORIOUS as the Navigating and Operations Officer, however this joining was delayed by a short notice appointment to HMS SUPERB as a watch leader concurrent with the events of 9/11 East of Suez.

He subsequently elected to follow a career path in the Surface Flotilla and after a period of re-familiarisation in HMS LANCASTER attended the PWO course at HMS COLLINGWOOD. He then joined HMS ST ALBANS initially as the PWO(U) before taking over as the Operations Officer.

He joined the United Kingdom Carrier Strike Group in 2008, initially as a Group Warfare Officer before moving into the N5 Plans role where he was responsible for the planning and execution of a number of multinational exercises, including acting as the lead planner for the AURIGA deployment. After this he began his first shore job, responsible for the Force Generation of Frigates and Destroyers ensuring their timely availability for deployment, this was initially in Navy Command and during his tenure the role developed and moved out to the Flotillas.

Having been in Command of HMS TYNE since May 2013, Bob was delighted to take Command of HMS CLYDE in January 2015.

Married to Lisa and with a son (Toby 8) he lives in Hampshire. His interests currently centre predominantly around family life and the occasional sporting opportunity as time allows.