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FOR THE MONTH OF June, 1942

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.	
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1.6.42	Halifax 11	W/C Fauquier, Sgt. King, P/Lt. Lambert, P/Sgt. Gardiner, P/Sgt. Adams, Sgts. Foot, McGregor, P/Lt. Warkington		2310	0410	<p>BOMBING ATTACK ON ESEEN Pocklington Ops. Order No. 105. Twelve a/c detailed. Bomb load: 3x1000, 1x1000, 9x500, (90 lbs) 3x500 (8x30) cameras carried by all.</p> <p>All captains were guided to the target area, by glow of fires but cloud prevented visual pinpointing at target and bombing was chiefly carried out by navigational aid. Many scattered fires some large were seen reflected on cloud.</p> <p>'A' (P/Cdr. Fauquier) bombed at 0123 hours from 13,500 feet. Many fires were observed mostly west of Ruhr.</p> <p>'H' (S/Ldr. Fraser) reached target area and bombed from 11,000 feet at 0125 hours two miles south east of aiming point.</p> <p>'B' (Sgt. Knight) released bombs from 13,500 feet at 0200 hours. Saw big building blown up. Big fire observed in centre of target. At 0332 hours 5148 n. 44 x 0352 e. saw white flare path with circle of red and green lights adjacent. Believed dummy.</p> <p>'C' (P/Sgt. Chinn) at 0218 hours 5131 n. x 0521 e. saw beacon two miles to starboard flashing W also at 0227 hours 5135 n. x 0525 e. saw white beacon flashing NE with two red and one white light in line, running south of beacon and three miles to starboard four white lights in line running south of beacon and three miles to starboard four white lights in form of square with two further lights inside the square one flashing dashes the other flashing dots alternately. Bombed target at 0135 hours from 13,000 feet and could see fires from North Sea.</p> <p>'M' (S/Ldr. Thiele) bombed target at 0145 hours from 14,000 feet and observed fires up to 25 miles west of target. At 0234 hours 5148 n x 0352 e. saw lights in form of V with three lights in each arm all white except centre one of one arm which was red with rotating white beacon at apex and flashing white light at open end of the all white arm. At 0048 hours 5225 n x 0307 e. saw white light flashing from sea from port side irregularly and at 0236 hours 5142 n x 0312 e. steady white light on sea.</p> <p>'R' (P/O Higginson) released bombs from 13,000 feet at 0147 hours. Saw scattered fires in target area.</p> <p>'O' (P/O Swetman) bombed target from 13,500 feet at 0147 hours. Noted several large fires in target area. At 0100 hours north of THE HAGUE believed he saw an aircraft shot down in flames possibly by fighter, and at 0140 hours in ESEEN area saw orange ball of fire which burned in sky from three to four minutes.</p> <p>'I' (P/Sgt. Field) reached target and bombed from 13,500 feet at 0205 hours. Observed enormous fires, at 0210 hours while leaving ESEEN area saw large aircraft</p>		
	'J'							
	'H'	S/Ldr. Fraser, Sgt. Shields, P/O Wernham, Sgt. Kerr, P/Sgt. Porter, P/Sgt. Olsen, Sgt. Forbes, P/Lt. Malcolm		2313	0434			
	'D'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, P/O Francis, Sgt. Higgs, P/Sgt. Smith		2347	0532			
	'G'	P/Sgt. Chinn, Sgts. Simpson, Bell, P/O Allen, Sgt. Wood, P/Sgt. Plockard, Sgts. Beare, Hunter,		2342	0512			
	'M'	S/Ldr. Thiele, Sgt. Barnicoat, P/O Baldwin, P/Sgt. Campbell, P/Sgt. Philip, Sgts. Birch, Burke,		2327	0428			
	'R'	P/O Higginson, Sgt. Fitzgerald, P/O Forbes, P/Sgts. McGill, Haycock, Jeffries, Healy,		2335	0416			
	'O'	P/O Swetman, Sgts. Devon, Moyes, Cook, Woodman, P/Sgt. Wiley, Sgt. Luxford,		2338	0444			
	'Q'	P/Sgt. Field, Sgt. Ansell, P/Sgt. P/Sgt. Fitzgerald, P/O Tatro, Sgt. Mitchell		2355	0517			
	'T'	P/O Baltzer, Sgt. Turnbull, P/O Certy, P/Sgts. Thompson, Jackson, Reid, Fortin.		2346	Missing			
	'P'	Sgt. Test, Gibbon, P/Sgts. Bandeen, Madeau, Courier, Sgts. Watters, Pearce		2333	0450			
	'S'	P/Sgt. Blizard, Sgt. Blt. Money, Nutt, P/Sgt. Witherick, Sgts. Butler, Mitchell		2324	0439			
	'C'	P/Sgt. Scott, Sgt. Riches, P/Sgt. Phillips, Sgts. Hughes, Cole, P/O Laclelle, Sgts. Howland, Campbell,		2340	0525			

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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1.6.42	Halifax 11					<p><u>BOMBING ATTACK ON ESSEN (cont'd)</u></p> <p>explode in air and disintegrate.</p> <p>'M' (W/O Baltzer) missing. No word received after take-off.</p> <p>'P' (Sgt. West) reached target area and bombed without observing results. Landed at Stradishall through engine trouble.</p> <p>'S' (P/Sgt. Plizard) Bombed target at 0140 hours from 14,000 feet and was able to smell smoke from many fires already alight. At 0237 hours 5142 n.x 0343 e. saw white lights in V shape flashing white lights at apex of each open end.</p> <p>'G' (P/Sgt. Scott) released bombs over target from 13,500 feet at 0244 hours, noticed scattered fires in area. At 0305 hours 5137 n.x 0325 e. saw four red stars fired from air and flak which had been firing ceased.</p> <p><u>MISSING</u> 17034</p> <p>'M' 7713. Crew consisted of; Can. J-15443 P/O Baltzer, Captain; 56948 Sgt. Turnbull J.L., P-M; Can J 15170 P/O Messer. P.A.G.W. Certy, Obs.; Can R 57930 P/Sgt. Jackson L.D., A/C; Can R 55908 P/Sgt. Reid G.L., A/C; Can 0610 P/Sgt. Fortin L. A/C. n.x 0 87930 P/Sgt. ...</p> <p>General Remarks: Heavy flak at target was slight to mod. with a small amount of light flak. S/L were few in number and did not trouble any of our captains. A few balloons were seen above the clouds at about 6-8000 feet. Photographs taken by 'B', 'A', 'S', 'M', 'O' and 'Q' show some ground detail but only second exposure of 'J' taken while crossing Dutch coast on return as yet plotted.</p>	
2.6.42	Halifax 11	P/O Smetman, Sgts. Devon, Moyes, Cook, Woodman, P/Sgt. Ailey, Sgt. Luxford		2316	0400	<p><u>BOMBING ATTACK ON ESSEN.</u></p> <p>Fooklington Sqn. Order No. 106 Six aircraft detailed <u>ESSEN</u> load. 3x1000, GP, TD 0.025, 9300 9000, 3300 3000.</p> <p>All carried cameras.</p> <p>'Q', 'O', 'I', 'M' and 'H' reached and attacked target area chiefly by navigational aid. 'O' received no help at all from flares and 'M', 'O' and 'H' report similarly except perhaps that they were a general guide to the target area. Some bursts and small fires seen but there was no evidence of any weight of attack.</p> <p>'O' (W/O Smetman) released bombs at 0139 hours from 15,000 feet. Some flares dropped in the target area after bombing. Several Essen S/L doused after bombing and he was not troubled by flak in leaving by north. At 0212 hours he saw a/c shot down south of THE HAGUE.</p> <p>'I' (W/O Fauquier) reached target and bombed at 0154 hours from 15,000 feet. Flares first appeared south west of the target. Some were then dropped over the target followed by a number widely scattered. At 0152 hours saw a/c shot down north of Essen.</p>	
	'O'						
	'I'	W/Odr. Fauquier, Sgt. King, P/Lt. Lambert, P/Sgt. Gardiner, P/Sgt. Adams, Sgts. Foot, MacGregor, Sgt. B. P/Lt. Walkington		2315	0422		
	'E'	P/Sgt. Field, Sgt. Godwin, P/O Forbes, P/O Smetc, Sgt. Mitchell, Sgt. Healey, Kleasdorff.		2334	0506		
	'O'	Sgt. Albright, Sgt. A. Pearson, P/Sgt. Thurlow, Sgts. Hexter, Neestern, Colleton, P/Sgt. Morrison.		2324	0439		

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2.6.42	Halifax 11						
	'H'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, P/O Francis, Sgt. Biggs, P/Sgt. Smith Sgt. Handie.		2320	04.9		
	'C'	P/O Morris, Sgts. Fleming, Platt, Holland, Maclean, Montgomery, P/Sgt. Cattle, Sgt. Bailey.		2317	04.17		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>BOMBING ATTACK ON ESSER (cont'd)</u></p> <p>'C' (Sgt. Allbright) saw railway and sheds immediately south of the aiming point and is believed to have bombed across railway. Flares were seen to fall west of the target near a dummy. Received about fifty strikes by flares with no casualties and had one incendiary container (Mk. II). At 0315 hours 5155 n. x 0250 e. saw two or three red lights close together in sea. Reported.</p> <p>'H' (Sgt. Knight) pinpointed on the RHINE on approach to target and reports that flares appeared to fall outside the target area to the south west. Bombed target area at 0316 hours from 15,500 feet. At 0208 hours saw a/c shot down in DUSSELDORF area.</p> <p>'C' (P/O Morris) after crossing the RHINE and on approach to the target was attacked by an ME 110 and had to jettison during evasive action at 14,500 feet at 0340 hours. The a/c was sighted at 0335 hours at 14,000 feet east of RHINE 500 feet below and at rear proceeding in same direction. A/c came up and fired bursts causing no damage. The rear gunner replied with three bursts, tracer just missing tail of a/c. Evasive action was taken after pursuit by a/c lasting five minutes. Pilot put ship into a dive and he was shaken off. At 0240 hours 5215 n. x 0215 e. saw a submarine on surface two miles to port in motion going south west. Reported. At 0323 hours saw a/c come down in flames and explode on ground fifteen to twenty miles north east of MUNCHEN GLADBACH.</p> <p>'B' (P/Sgt. Field) turned back a few minutes after take off with engine trouble bombs brought back.</p> <p>General Remarks. Flak below normal north of Essen but fairly intense in areas south of the city with accurate heavy flak at 17,000 feet. Three balloons sighted at 14,000 feet in the GEMMAUSEN area. 'C' reported a series of white lights approximately twenty to thirty miles apart. Similar lights were seen in area south of RHEIN bounded by DUSSELDORF WIPPERTL ESSER and DUISBURG at least seven groups were counted each consisting of triangles five miles apart and which included a single static white light a yellow or orange light at the apex and a white light at the third point of a triangle the lights being about one to two miles apart. The latter two lights showed only momentarily as if to indicate the direction of a plotted aircraft. 'C' 'C' 'C' and 'H' each took photos with bombing but not yet plotted.</p>							

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3.6.42	Halifax 11	S/Ldr. Fraser, Sgts. Shields, F/O Warrhan, Sgt. Kerr, F/Sgt. Porter, F/Sgt. Olsen, Sgt. Forbes, F/Lt. MacLean.		2254	0344	<p>BOHEMIA ATTACK ON BREMEN Pooleton Com. Order No 107. Sev'n aircraft detailed. Bomb load: 5x1000, TDO.025 9500, (5000) 5x500 (8x30). All carried cameras.</p> <p>'J' was able to identify the aiming point by the light of flares but 'B' 'A' 'M' and 'S' attacked the believed target area on navigational aid alone. Some bursts were seen and a few small fires. 'Q' returned early with petrol trouble and 'O' was cancelled.</p> <p>'P' (S/Ldr. Fraser) found flares illuminating the target and was able to identify the WEIGER and bridges. Released bombs at 0128 hours at 15,500 feet and bombs were seen to burst in centre of city at 0330 hours saw four enemy a/c shot down in flames by flak at 0231 hours 5300 n.x0431 e. saw about five miles to south what appeared to be a ship on fire. Observed a number of dummys to west and south west of target at varying distances from it of twelve to three miles.</p> <p>'B' (F/Sgt. Hill) saw nothing until after bombing at 0117 hours from 16,500 feet when some fires were seen to start and flares dropped at 2348 hours 5313 n.x 0223 e. saw flickering white light on water also at 0220 hours 5255 n.x0540 e. saw what appeared to be an a/c on fire in the air about forty miles to south. Observed a dummy fire three miles west of target.</p> <p>'A' (F/O Scott) found several burning fires on arrival and after bombing at 0135 hours from 16,000 feet observed that another large one had started which gave off black smoke. Saw white beacon flashing near BV.</p> <p>'S' (Sgt. West) saw nothing on approach. Released bombs at 0114 hours from 18,000 feet and saw bomb bursts in target at 0202 hours at 15,500 feet 5300 n.x0420 e. approached from forty degrees starboard and above a/c enemy aircraft carrying red light on port and green light on starboard. Our rear gunner fired a two second burst and a/c did not engage. At 0214x hours 5324 n. x 0531 e. saw one large ship and nine small ships heading 090 degrees magnetic. Reported.</p> <p>'G' (F/Sgt. Blizard) bombed target area and saw bursts and incendiaries take hold. At 5255 n. x 0507 e. saw a/c hit water ten miles astern and explode also at 0120 as leaving target saw red glow over target at about 2,000 feet falling then explode.</p> <p>'Q' (F/Sgt. Field) found petrol running short and jettisoned safe then returned to base.</p> <p>General Remarks. All captains found S/Lt. belt fairly active and were numerous but not concentrated at target. Heavy flak moderate with some light flak but no captain seriously bothered satisfactory results with IFF. 'J' 'B' and 'O' took photos with bombing but all failed. Photo flashes not having exploded.</p>		
	'J'	Hill,						
	'B'	F/Sgt. Field, Sgt. Bennett, Craig, F/Sgt. Dorsner, Sgts. Hamilton, Bloomer, F/O Murphy		2255	0355			
	'O'	F/Sgt. Skinn, and crew.		CANCELLED.				
	'A'	F/Sgt. Scott, Sgt. Riches, F/Sgt. Phillips, Sgt. Hughes, Sgt. Cole, F/O Laelle, Sgts. Rowland, Campbell,		2258	0403			
	'M'	Sgt. West, Sgt. Gibbon, F/Sgts. Bandoen, Madeau, Gourier, Sgts. Watters, Pearce,		2256	0412			
	'S'	F/Sgt. Blizard, Sgts. Elt, Hovey, Matt, F/Sgt. Witherick, Sgts. Butler, Mitchell,		2259	0355			
	'Q'	F/Sgt. Field, Sgt. Fitzgerald, F/Sgt. Potter, F/O Tatro, Sgt. Mitchell, F/Lt. Oull, Sgt. Neasdorf,		2300	0148			

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6.6.42	Halifax 11						
	'J'	W/Cdr. Fauquier, Sgt. King, P/Lt. Lambert	2535		0411	BOMBING ATTACK ON HIDE: Pooklington Ops. Order No. 108 Fourteen A/c detailed.	
	'M'	Sgt. Gardiner, P/Sgt. Adams, Sgt. Foot, Sgt. MacGregor,				Bomb load 3x1000 TD 0.025 SEEC (90%), SEEC (8x30) all carried cameras. Captains had no difficulty in locating the target which was well illuminated by flares. Early arrivals reported isolated fires and later arrivals found the whole town area covered with fire with other fires in the dock area south west of the town. 'J' turned back thirty miles short of target with engine and turret trouble and ditched in the sea.	
	'H'	S/Ldr. Thiele, Sgt. Barnicoat, P/O Baldwin,	2326		0352		
	'I'	P/Sgt. Campbell, Sgt. LePage, Sgts. Birch, Burke.					
	'N'	P/Lt. MacLean, Sgt. Shields, P/O Warnham, Sgt. Kerr, P/Sgts. Poeter, Olsen,	2338		0342		
	'O'	P/O Swetman, Sgts. Devon, Moyes, Cook, Woodman, P/Sgt. Thomas, Sgt. Luxford,	2340		0406		
	'K'	P/O Higginson, and crew.				'N' (P/O Swetman) saw EME coastline, DORRANT docks and town illuminated by flares and three or four large fires burning in the town. Released bombs at 14,000 feet at 0111 hours. At 0120 hours A/C seen about 20 miles west of Wellington thought to be victim of fighter and no flak was seen. A/C exploded on hitting ground. Reported away fires as follows; 5313 n. x 0653 e., 5317 n. x 0652 e., 5322 n. x 0647 e. 'H' (S/Ldr. Thiele) saw EME and docks illuminated by a large number of flares and observed one immense fire in centre of town and many others in town and dock area. Bombed from 14,500 feet at 0150 hours.	
	'D'	P/O Morris, Sgts. Fleming, Platt, Holland	2344		0351		
	'O'	S/Ldr. Fraser, Sgt. Riches, P/Sgt. Phillips, Sgts. Hughes, Cole, P/O Lavelle, Sgt. Rowland	2345		0358		
	'E'	P/Sgt. Hill, Sgt. Bennett, Craig, P/Sgt. Dorner, Sgt. Hamilton, P/O Murphy, Sgt. Blommer,	2348		0434		
	'P'	Sgt. West, Sgt. Gibbon, P/Sgt. Bannan P/Sgt. Maden, P/Sgt. Corrier, Sgts. Waters, Pearce,	2346		0420		
	'Q'	P/Sgt. Field, Sgts. Ansell, Potter, Morgan, Mitchell, P/Sgt. Ailey, Sgt. Kleasdorff,	2354		0359		
	'B'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, P/Sgt. Lindon, Sgt. Biggs, P/Sgt. Smith, Sgt. Hundle	2355		0455		
	'U'	Sgt. Allbright, Sgt. Apperson, P/Sgt. Thurlow, Sgts. Mexter, Western, P/Sgt. Morrison, Sgt. Celliton	2349		0426		

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6.6.42	Halifax 11 'S'	F/Sgt. Blicard, Spts. Elt, Money, Nutt, Butler, Witherick, Mitchell,		2351		BOMBING ATTACK ON EBBW (cont'd) 'E' (F/Sgt. Hill) guided to target area by flares and flares then bombed from 15,000 feet at 0151 hours. Fires visible for one hundred miles. At 0053 hours 5322 n.x.0310 c. saw small white light on sea. 'P' (Sgt. West) turned back thirty miles from target with rear turret U.S. Sbt'd temperature gauge T.S. and a/c out of trim. Jettisoned 5740 x 0640. 'Q' (F/Sgt. Field) identified docks with aid of flares which clearly illuminated town. Bombed from 14,500 feet at 0138 hours. Several big fires observed in south west of town. Dummies reported half a mile west and three quarters mile south west of old town centre. 'B' (Sgt. Knight) found one large and several small fires burning in town. DOLLART and docks were illuminated by flares. At 0225 hours 5335 n.x. 0415 c. lights seemed to flash about six times from sea four to five miles to port. A/c circled but light not seen again. 'M' (Sgt. Allwright) flares seen lighting up target area when still thirty or forty miles away. Fires were burning in town. Released bombs at 0135 hours from 15,000 feet and observed bomb bursts. One large fire in centre of town with many scattered in target area. Dummy fire five miles n.w. of town. 'S' (F/Sgt. Blicard) crew bailed out five miles from BIRNROCK with two outer engines on fire. Crew all safe. 'G' (F/Sgt. Chinn) guided by flares ahead and fires burning in town. Bombed from 13,000 feet at 0155 hours and old town appeared one mass of flames. Two dummies within a mile west of EBBW. General Remarks. At the target s/l activity was negligible. Heavy flak was only moderate and light flak t. out. Fairly considerable was less in intensity than previously reported. One balloon at 4000 feet was seen just s.e. of town and one at 11,000 feet at CROUNINGEN of the fourteen photographs attempted nine proved successful although flares tracks obliterated most of ground detail. One of EEE was plotted EBBW INDUSTRIAL-HAFEN and s.e. of town. One of 'B's plotted east side of EBBW and docks.	
	'G'	F/Sgt. Chinn, Spts. Simpson, Bell, F/Sgt. Omsson, Sgt. Laughlin, F/Sgt. Pickard, Sgt. Beare,		2352	0445		

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816, 42	Halifax 11	S/Ldr. Fraser, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, F/Sgt. Linden, Sgt. Biggs F/Sgt. Smith, Sgt. Mundle.		2254	0534	BOMBING ATTACK ON ESSEN. Pooklington Ops. Order No. 110 Eleven aircraft detailed. Bomb Load 3x1000 GP TD 0.025 9SBC (90x4) 3SBC (8x30) All except 'Q' to carry cameras. 'J' 'O' 'M' 'D' 'C' carried three packages of G33 nickles, remainder three packages G34.	
	'O'	P/O Swetman, Sgts. Devon, Moyes, Cook, Woodman, F/Sgt. Thomas, Sgt. Luxford		2252	0414	There is little doubt that six of the captains managed to reach target area but the terrific opposition intense S/L glare and ground haze prevented any identification of ground features and bombing was carried out with navigational aid. Very little evidence was seen of any weight of attack. Although conditions made observation next to impossible all captains were engaged in taking the most evasive action. 'J' and 'C' having to lose height from 19,000 to 8,000 feet and from 20,000 feet to 900 feet in the target area. Five a/c bombed target area but one could not regain height in accordance with time limit and bombed unidentified area. One a/c returned early with engine trouble twelve minutes after take off. 'B' 'H' and 'U' are missing.	
	'M'	S/Ldr. Thiele, Sgt. Barnicoat, F/O Baldwin, F/Sgt. Campbell, Sgts. Lepage, Birch, Burk.		2253	0428	'J' (S/Ldr. Fraser) saw nothing on approach to target and defences necessitated violent evasive action, which resulted in loss of height from 19,000 to 8,000 feet and was unable to regain it before time limit. and continued eastward bombing at 5115 w. x 820 e. When fuel and daylight made turning to base imperative. Between 0100 hours and 0140 hours in ESSEN area saw two a/c shot down by flak.	
	'D'	F/O Morris, Sgts. Fleming, Platt, Holland, Jackman, F/Sg. Montgomery, F/Sgt. Cattle		2255	Missing	'O' (F/O Swetman) guided to general area by flares but only ground features were illuminated when almost at ground level. Bombed target area from 18,500 feet at 0119 hours. Hit by flak through bomb doors At 0218 hours 8208 n. x 0354 e. saw small flash in sky fall and hang for awhile. Light disappeared for minute then reappeared with second light beside it.	
	'G'	F/Sgt. Chinn, and crew.		2300	0034	'M' (S/Ldr. Thiele) guided to general target area by flares but did not illuminate any ground details. Released bombs at 0132 hours from 15000 feet had one 30x4 lb. SBC hang up.	
	'E'	F/Sgt. Hill, Sgts. Bennett, Craig, F/Sgt. Dornier, Sgt. Hamilton, F/O Murphy.		2256	0435	'G' (F/Sgt. Chinn) returned early when inner stbd. engine out at 2312 hours bombs jettisoned 5352 n. x 0100 e.	
	'O'	F/Sgt. West, Sgt. Gibbon, F/Sgt. Bandeau, F/Sgt. Nadeau, F/Sgt. Gorieu, Sgts. Watters, Pearce.		2259	0421	'D' (F/O Morris) Missing. No message received after take off. Crew. Can J15342 F/O Morris Captain, 036192 Sgt. F.E. Fleming, R69569 Sgt. Obs. Platt, 1167380 Sgt. WOP/AG Holland, 1180364 Sgt. WOP/AG Jackman; R 69146 F/Sgt. AG. Montgomery, R53364 F/Sgt. Bomb. Cattle.	
	'H'	F/Lt. MacLean, Sgt. Shields, P/O Wernham, Sgt. Kerr, F/Sgt. Potter, F/Sgt. Olsen, Sgt. Forbes.		2257	Missing		
	'A'	F/Sgt. Allbright, Sgt. Apperson, F/Sgt. Thurlow, F/Sgt. Hexter, Sgt. Weston, F/Sgt. Morrison, Sgt. Colloton.		2258	0441		
	'U'	F/O Higginson, Sgt. Riches, P/O McEwen, F/Sgt. McDill, F/Sgt. Haycock, F/Sgt. Jefferies, F/Sgt. Healey.		2257	Missing		
	'Q'	F/Sgt. Field, and crew.		CANCELLED.			

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8.6.42	Halifax 11					<p>BOMBING ATTACK ON ESSEN (cont'd)</p> <p>'E' (F/Sgt. Hill) on APPROACH saw flares three to four miles north of target and after bombing at 0104 hours from 13,000 feet saw some drop bombs to south red glow seen. While over target three a/c shot down by flak at 0108 hours, 0116 hours and at 0131 hours as leaving target. Saw five white lights on east side of ESSEN spaced regularly in V shape with apex pointing westwards.</p> <p>'C' (F/Sgt. West) saw nothing on approach but some flares after bombing at 0100 hours from 19,600 feet damaged by flak.</p> <p>'H' (F/Lt. McLean) message SOS WWT PET -FLK over Holland. Missing 0340 hours. Crew Can 01107 F/Lt. McLean Captain; 544866 Sgt. F/E Shields 36144 P/O Warnham Obs.; R68554 Sgt. WOP/AG Kerr; R51849 F/Sgt. WOP/AG Potter; R59688 F/Sgt. A/G Olsen; 997362 Sgt. Bomb. Forbes;</p> <p>'A' (F/Sgt. Allbright) saw nothing on approach. At 0110 hours while over target saw two or three orange colored flames which resembled curtain of white tracer falling from them believed possible a/c bursting to pieces or unusual flak defence. Bombed 18,500 feet at 0107 hours.</p> <p>'U' (P/O Higginson) missing. No message received after take off. Crew. Can J 15279 P/O Higginson Captain; 961928 Sgt. F/E Riches; J5087 P/O McEwen Obs. Can R 58817 F/Sgt. WOP/AG McGill; 529508 F/Sgt. WOP/AG Haycock; Can 54831 F/Sgt. AG Jefferies; 976825 F/Sgt. Bomb. Healey;</p> <p>'Q' (F/Sgt. Field) Cancelled because of revs. in Stbd. engine.</p> <p>General Remarks. There was little opposition to or from target. Most captains returned same way as outward but in the RUHR it was evident that the defences had been greatly strengthened. All a/c encountered most intense heavy and light flak over target. The former very accurate and predicted. S/L exceedingly numerous with fifty light cones ringing the target besides many individual beams. IPF useless. Six packages G33 dropped from 30 to 60 miles before reaching ESSEN. Seven packages G34 nickels dropped in same area. Three packages G33 dropped 5158 n. x 0530 e.</p>	

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19.6.42	Halifax 11 "J"	C/Ldr. Fraser, Sgt. Barnicoat, P/Sgt. Phillips, P/Sgt. Linden, Sgt. Cole, P/O Lucelle, Sgt. Rowland.		2334	0400	<p><u>LODGING ATTACK ON BRIDGE</u> <u>Esplanade Ode, Order No. 112</u> - see aircraft detailed.</p> <p>Bomb load: 2x1000 TD 0.025 9500 (9000) 3x500 (0250). All carried cameras and two packages of 500 nickels.</p>	
	"B"	P/Sgt. Hill, P/Lt. Liversidge, Sgt. King, P/O Hamilton, P/Sgt. Gibbons, P/Sgt. Witherich, Sgt. Blommer,		2336	0403	<p>Five aircraft bombed BRIDGE area through 10/10 cloud with navigational aids. Flares were also seen falling in the area. No results other than reflections of bomb bursts on the clouds. One a/c bombed believed to be BRIDGE with nav. aid US remaining a/c bombed three miles n.w. of OSNABRUCK.</p>	
	"D"	P/Sgt. China, Sgts. Hunter, Simpson Bell, P/Sgt. Omeson, Sgt. Wood, P/Sgt. Rickard, Sgt. Sears.		2336	0406	<p>"J" (C/Ldr. Fraser) bombed BRIDGE area with nav. aid at 0308 hours from 19000 feet saw flares and glow from fire in area. Port outer engine US</p>	
	"T"	P/Sgt. West, Sgt. Gibbons, P/O Bandoen P/Sgt. Haden, P/Sgt. Corrier, Sgts. Watters, Sears,		2337	0356	<p>"B" (P/Sgt. Hill) released bombs in target area from 10,500 feet at 0130 hours. No results observed. "D" (P/Sgt. China) saw flares falling between OSNABRUCK and BRIDGE areas in OSNABRUCK direction which guided him to target area. Bombed with nav. aid from 18000 feet at 0214 hours</p>	
	"A"	P/Sgt. Albright, Sgt. Barton, P/Sgt. Thurles, P/Sgt. Hunter, Sgt. Estern, P/Sgt. Corrier, Sgt. Colleton		2338	0117	<p>"T" (P/Sgt. West) saw widely scattered flares in BRIDGE area but had to rely on nav. aid from bombing from 16000 feet at 0130 hours</p>	
	" "	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, Sgt. Riggs, Macaulay, P/Sgt. Smith Sgt. Middle		2339	04	<p>"A" (P/Sgt. Albright) carried on to OSNABRUCK and bomber three miles to the n.w. by nav. aid from 17000 feet at 0215 hours saw illuminated aerodrome three miles to port showing circle of red lights and flare path at 0242 n. x 0407 e.</p>	
	" "	P/Sgt. Field, Sgt. McCall, P/Sgt. Fitzgerald, Sgts. Morgan, Col, P/Sgt. Ailey, Sgt. Alexander		2340	0300	<p>"B" (P/Sgt. Hill) saw flares over cloud in BRIDGE area of no assistance in pinpointing released bombs in target from 18000 feet at 0202 hours</p> <p>"T" (P/Sgt. Field) got no help from flares in target area but bombed with nav. aid from 17000 feet at 0135 hours</p> <p>General Remarks. Light and heavy flak in moderate intensity was reported in BRIDGE area but S/L were not able to co-operate because of cloud. Practically no opposition at OSNABRUCK. Numerous dummys were seen in both target areas though cloud but were impossible to pinpoint. Seven a/c each dropped three packages of 500 nickels in BRIDGE area. Of the ten photos taken seven show only cloud while three show ground detail as yet unprinted.</p>	

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20.6.42	Halifax 11 'N'	F/Lt. Swetman, Sgts. Devan, Moyes, Cook, Dunby, F/Sgt. Thomas, P/O Luxford.		2346	0422	<p>BOMBING ATTACK ON EMDEN. Pocklington Ops. Order No. 113. Nine aircraft detailed. Bomb load. 3x1,000 PD o.025 9SBC(90x4) 3SBC (8x30) All carried cameras. Nickels; 'N' 'C' 3xG33 remainder G 2xH12 and 3xH12 All aircraft attacked EMDEN area by nav. aid. and help of flares. The flares were of little use for lighting up ground detail because of haze or as sea 'C' 'J' AND 'G' suspected a smoke screen over target. A few large and a number of small fires were observed but could not be pin pointed. 'N' (P/Lt Swetman) saw flares falling between 0115 and 0125. Also saw a green flare over the target which was being fired at. Bombed at 0155 hours from 16,000 feet. 'J' (S/Ldr. Fraser) observed the DOLLART in the light of flares and also saw one big and two fairly big fires along with several small fires in the EMDEN area. Released bombs from 17,500 feet at 0142 hours. 'C' (F/Sgt. Hill) guided to target by flares but found they illuminated water only. Bombed from 17,000 feet at 0138 hours and observed two fires starting as leaving target. At 0133 hours saw explosion on ground in target area followed by a blow believed crashed a/o. Saw green flare at 19,000 feet burn ten minutes and seemed stationary. Smoke screen suspected over target. 'G' (P/Sgt. Chian) also saw fires two of which were fairly big and flares south and east of DOLLART. Reported green flare over target being fired at. Bombed from 12,000 feet at 0154 hours. 'T' (F/Sgt. West) saw flares on approaching and observed the EMS and DOLLART coast. Red glow seen through haze. Bombed from 16,500 feet at 0125 hours and saw large bursts as leaving target. 1x1000 hung up. 'A' (F/Sgt. Allbright) saw the coast at the mouth of the EMS and the ALPER BINNEN HAFEN and flares west of EMDEN. At 0200 hours believed a/c shot down in flames in MONAKEN DAM area. 'Q' (F/Sgt. Field) saw many flares including a green one. Bombed at 0142 hours from 17,000 feet without nav. aid. U.S. Observed three or four fires in port area. 'R' (Sgt. Knight) guided to target by flares and saw two big fires and several small ones in target area. Bombed from 16,500 feet at 0152 hours and saw several small fires and two bigish ones after bombing.</p>		
		'J'	S/Ldr. Fraser, Sgt. Bradbrook, F/Sgt. Phillips, W/Sgt. Linden, Sgt. Coote, W/O Macelle, Sgt. Rowland.		2347		0347	
		'C'	F/Sgt. Hill, Sgts. Glade, Craig, Hamilton, F/Sgt. Gibbons, F/Sgt. Witherick, Sgt. McGraor.		2347		0418	
		'G'	F/Sgt. Chian, Sgts. Simpson, Bell, F/Sgt. Oneson, Sgt. Dearlove, F/Sgt. Pickard, Sgt. Beare		2348		0445	
		'T'	F/Sgt. West, Sgt. Gibbon, W/O Banteen, F/Sgt. Nadeau, F/Sgt. Gorier, Sgts. Watters, Pearce,		2349		0329	
		'A'	F/Sgt. Allbright, Sgt. Aperston, F/Sgt. Thurlow, F/Sgt. Hexter, Sgt. Western, F/Sgt. Morrison, Sgt. Celloton,		2350		0402	
		'Q'	F/Sgt. Field, Sgt. Ansell, F/Sgt. Fitzgerald, Sgt. Morgan, Sgt. Peel, F/Sgt. Ailey, Sgt. Kleasdorff.		2355		0352	
		'R'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, Sgts. Biggs, Mcauley, F/Sgt. Smith, Sgt. Mundle.		2350		0409	
		'M'	Sgt. Campbell, Sgt. Barnicoat, F/Sgt. Potter, Sgt. Nutt, F/Sgt. LePage, F/Sgt. Adams, Sgt. Mitchell		2351		0356	

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1.5.41	Halifax 11					<p>... .. ON</p> <p>... .. Campbell, guided to the target by Flares which helped greatly in illuminating the area which stood up clearly. Released bombs from 16,000 feet at 0131 hours on dummy between and lit up as he was passing over.</p> <p>... .. Light fire moderate in intensity up to 16,000 feet some heavy flak at 16,000 feet very few and no cones except one north of Six packages G33 dropped in area four packages and three packages G33 in the following areas:</p> <p>... .. south of and 4310 and 1050 e. Nine sixteen thirteen of which show ground detail not yet plotted.</p>	

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22	HALIFAX II						
22/6/42		F/Sgt. Chinn, XXXXXXXXXX , Sgts. Simpson, Alcasar, F/S Oneson, Sgt. Jameson, F/S Pickard Sgt. Beare		2338	0412	<u>BOMBING ATTACK ON BADEN.</u> Pocklington Ops Order No. 114, Ten A/C detailed. Bomb load 5 x 1000 T.D. 0.025 9 x 530 (90 x 4). All carried cameras and two packages G36 nickels each.	
		F/S Hill, Sgt. Blade, F/S Craig, Sgt. Hamilton, F/S Gibbons, F/O Murphy, Sgt. MacGregor.		2339	0407	All aircraft attacked the target with exception of "O" who could not get bomb doors open. He jettisoned in the sea on the way back.	
		Sgt. Knight Sgts. Clifton, F/O Forbes Sgt. Bigge, F/S McAuley, F/S Smith, Sgt. Mundle.		2340	0402	"D" F/S Chinn. Saw flares in target area and over the Doll art and 20 to 30 fires burning in the town. Bombed from 15,000 feet at 0157 hours.	
		W/O Scott, Sgts. Bradbrook, Brennan, Hughes, F/S Cole, F/O Laelle, Sgt. Rowland.		2341	0348	"E" F/S Hill saw the built up area of town and all water features lit up by flares. Observed about 20 big fires in West and S.W parts of town. Released bombs at 0144 hours from 16,000 feet.	
		F/S Albright, Sgt. Aperson, F/S Thar- low F/S Hexter, Sgt. Western, Sgt. Morrison, Sgt. Oplinton.		2342	0341	"B" Sgt. Knight found flares illuminating river Bms west of target but none over target on approach. Bombed from 16,000 feet at 0132 hours. A few small fires seen burning in town. Saw V shape dummy fire immediately west of Baden.	
		Sgt. West, Sgts. Gibbon, Johnson, F/S Nadeau, Sgt. Gunn, Sgt. Waters, Pearce		2343	0337	"C" W/O Scott first saw flares immediately west of target followed by other over Dollart and docks. Up to 20 good fires seen burning in town with other smaller ones. Bombed target area from 16,500 feet at 0137 hours.	
		F/S Field, Sgt. Ansell, F/S Fitzger- ald, Sgt. Morgan, Peel, F/S Ailey, Sgt. Kleisdorff		2344	0319	"A" F/S Albright found flares illuminating Dollart and reached target area where he bombed from 15,500 feet at 0125 hours no observations made.	
		F/S Barton, Sgt. Chance, P/O King, Sgts. Mitchell, Danby, F/S Philp, Sgt. Mitchell.		2345	0442	"W" Sgt. West Water features in town clearly seen in light of flares and glow of fires, released bombs from 12,000 feet over target area at 0132 hours.	
		Sgt. Campbell, Sgts. Barnecoate, Dark, Nutt, F/S Lepage, Sgts. Moran, Burke,		2346	0325	"Q" F/S Field, found flares burning in centre of town, lighting up built up area with 12 to 13 small fires burning in the S.W of town. Bombed from 16,000 feet at 0131 hours. Airframe and mid-upper turret badly damaged by fighter which attacked at 0148 hours. First and 2nd WOP/AG's slightly injured. Our Rear gunner fired short burst without observation.	
		Sgt. Hunter, Sgts. Devon, O'Brien, Woodman, Dearlove, Laughlin, Gravelet-Chapman,		2347	0416	"O" F/S Barton found large number of flares over the town and observed many fires burning made three runs over target but could not get bomb doors open. He jettisoned in the sea when he finally got the doors open on way home.	
						"P" Sgt. Campbell found docks and town lit up by flares and fires burning south and N.E. of aiming point bombed from 13,000 feet at 0132 hours.	
						"R" Sgt. Hunter reached target and released bombs from 15,000 feet at 0146 hours and 0251 hours 5343 N by 0325 E saw two white lights on water.	
						GENERAL REMARKS. Considerable light flak with mod. amount of heavy s/l in- creased in number Nine s/c dropped 2 packages of G36 each in Baden Area. Of the Eleven photographs 2 were plotted in centre of docks and town.	

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25/6/42	HALIFAX II						
	'R'	S/L Thiele, Sgt. Barnecoat, P/O Baldwin, F/Sgt. Campbell, F/S Lepage Sgt. Birch.		2304	0415	BOMBING ATTACK ON BREMEN. Bookington Ops. Order No. 115- 17 a/c detailed. Bomb load, Phase One: Nine a/c took part. 3x1000 TDO:025 9x SEC 90 x 4 All carried cameras, nickels; K2x G38 Remainder 3 x G 38. Phase Two. 8 a/c to k part. 3x1000 TDO:025 9 x SEC 90 x 4 3 x SEC's 8 x 30 No. cameras carried Nickels; R CW36 and 1x G37. Remainder 3 x G37	
	'O'	F/L Sweetman, Sgts. Devon, Moyes, Cook P/O Luxford, F/S Thomas,		2304	0409	Captains found 10/10 cloud over target with few small breaks and attack carried out on blind bombing. 13 a/c attacked primary while two sought alternative. One large fire seen through a gap and the glow of a number of fires was reflected on cloud no results of individual bombing were observed. 'R' S/L Thiele, reached target in 10/10 cloud and bombed from 14,000 feet at 0134 hours believed that docks were hit, large fire observed blacked out a search light with machine gun fire from rear gun at 0138 hours believed saw a/c shot down possibly by fighter.	
	'H'	S/L Fraser, Sgt. Bradbrook, P/O Gardner, F/S Lyndon, Sgt. McPee, F/S Morrison.		2305	0450	'O' F/L Sweetman, found target in in 10/10 cloud and released bombs from 12,000 feet at 0126 hours estimated to have fallen in centre of main fire. Big Blazes seen. 'H' S/L Fraser was unable to identify primary and sought alternative believe to have bombed Wilhelmshaven no results observed. At 0031 E of Züger Zee saw believe a/c shot down and at 0130 in Bremen Area saw three a/c shot down, believed by fighters.	
	'E'	F/S Hill, Sgt. Slade, F/S Craig, Sgt. Hamilton, F/S Gibbons, P/O Murphy,		2306	0404	'E' F/S Hill, bombed target at N.W. and N. of aiming point RECORDED 1 x 1000 hung up and jettisoned in north Sea. 'G' F/S Chinn Bombed target from 15,000 feet at 0128 hours in 10/10 cloud big red glow seen. 'O' W/O Scott, turned back short of the Dutch coast with guns of rear turret and one gun of mid-upper turret a/c jettisoned his load in North Sea. 'T' Sgt. West reached target and bombed from 12,000 feet at 0125 hours observed target glow beneath cloud. 'A' F/S Albright, bombed old city in 10/10 cloud from 14,500 feet at 0111 hours observed burst and fires. 'B' Sgt. Knight, bombed target area in 10/10 cloud from 13,500 feet at 0206 hours saw big fire in target area as well as in BREMEN.	
	'O'	W/O Scott, Sgts. Tatham, F/S Phillips, Sgt. Hughes, F/Sgt. Cole, P/O Lacelle.		2306	0830	'N' F/S Field, Found target covered with 10/10 cloud but bombed from 12,000 feet at 0156 hours with nav. aid. FIRE seen on approach from Eaden. 'S' Sgt. Hunter A red glow seen fifty miles on approaching target bombed from 14,000 feet at 0236 hours. 'M' Bombed fired area of target from 14,000 feet at 0203 hours	
	'T'	Sgt. West, Sgt. Gibbons, W/O Bannan, F/S Nadeau, Sgt. Pearce, Sgt. Waters		2309	0348		
	'A'	F/S Albright, Sgt. Aperson, F/S Thurlow F/S Hexter, Sgts. Chapman, Western.		2310	0359		
	'B'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Leith, Sgt. Biggs, F/S McAulley, F/S Smith.		2347	0507		
	'H'	F/S Field, Sgt. Ansell, F/S Fitzgerald, Sgt. Smith, Sgt. Kleisdorff, F/S Alley.		2348	0420		
	'S'	Sgt. Hunter, Sgts. Anderson, O'Brien, Woodman, Mitchell, Laughlin, White.		2349	0533		
	'H'	Sgt. Campbell, Sgt. Chance, F/S Dark, Sgts. Nutt, Burke, Morgan.		2350	0449		
	'Q'	F/S Sidney, Sgts. Welsh, Brennan, F/S Gorieu, Sgt. Beare, F/Lt. Coul, Sgt. Mandle,		2354	0341		
	'D'	F/S Higgins, Sgt. Yates, F/S Potter, F/S Turnbull, Sgts. Rowland, Byerley, Sgt. Dickinson		2351	0500		

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25/6/42	HALIFAX II					<p>BOMBING ATTACK ON BREMEN (CONTINUED)</p> <p>'Q' F/S Sidney, returned early because he was unable to make height and maintain speed, jettisoned live in North Sea</p> <p>'D' Flight Sgt. Higgins found target in 10/10 cloud and observed large fire through openings released bombs from 15000 feet at 1235 hours and burst not seen.</p> <p>'R' Fl/Lt. Liversidge bombed target in burning area from 12,500 feet at 0235 hours. 1x 1000 jettisoned safe since timing switch failed unable to identify target caught and attacked Hamburg. Bombed from 12,500 feet at 0222 hours. Holes in starboard wing by flack and oil leak from wing.</p> <p>'U' W/C Pauquier bombed target from 12,500 feet at 0235 hours then dived down to 100 feet when illuminated by 2 a/c and engaged by two light flack guns. and replied with gun from rear and mid turrets silencing one of the light guns and downing one of the searchlights.</p> <p>GENERAL REMARKS.</p> <p>Heavy flack in the target area only moderate although light flack considerable, 3/4 very few and ineffective dummy fires observed at 5335 W by 0716 E and 12 miles south east of Bremen 19 packages nickels 037 17 packages 038 dropped in Bremen area. Three packages 037 dropped in Wilhelmhaven area and two packages 038 in Hamburg area. Seven a/c took ten photos but all showed cloud except four not yet plotted.</p>	
27-6-42	HALIFAX II					<p>BOMBING ATTACK ON BREMEN.</p> <p>Pock. Ops Order No. 116 - 11 a/c detailed.</p> <p>Bomb load A, Q, M, U, 12 S.B.C. (20 x 4)</p> <p>3 S.B.C. (20 x 30) Remainder 15 S.B.C. (90 x 4)</p> <p>All carried cameras and 3 x 032 Nickels except N and U which carried 3 x 037 and 3 x 038, respectively.</p> <p>Seven captains definitely bombed target with aid of special equipment while another bombed primary on SEA equipment being a/c Glow of some fires were seen reflected on clouds. One a/c returned early with engine trouble, bringing bombs back Two are missing.</p> <p>'G' F/S Chinn, reached target and bombed in 10/10 cloud from 15000 feet at 0154 hours with aid from special equipment.</p> <p>'C' W/O Scott, Missing. Nothing was heard from a/c after take-off crew:</p>	
	'Q'	F/S Chinn, Sgt. Simpson, F/S Bell, F/S Oneson, Sgt. Jameson, F/Sgt. Witherick and Sgt. MacGregor,		2330	0506		
	'C'	W/O Scott, Sgt. Tatham, F/S Phillips, Sgt. Hughes, F/S Cole, F/O Lacelle, Sgt. Rowland,		2331	Missing.		
	'A'	F/S Albright, Sgt. Aperson, F/S Thurlow, F/S Hexter, Sgts. Foot, Western, Chapman.		2331	0436		
	'Q'	F/S Field, Sgt. Ansell, F/S Fitzgerald Sgts. Smith, Darby, F/S Alley, Sgt. Kleidorff,		2332	Missing.		

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25-6-42	HALIFAX II					<u>BOMBING ATTACK ON BREMEN (CONTINUED)</u>	
	'Q'	F/S Field, Sgt. Ansell, F/S Fitzgerald, Sgts. Smith Danby, F/S Alley Sgt. Kleisdorff.		2332	Missing	Crew: W/O Scott, W.L. CAN.R61631 Captain; CAN.M7506 Sgt. P/Eng. Tatham, G.B.: CAN.R52639 F/S Obs. Phillips, G.H. 964479 Sgt WOP/AG Hughes, J.T.: CAN.R64719 F/S A/G Cole, J.E. CAN. P/O H. Lacelle, A/G.: 819083 Sgt. A/G Rowland, S.B.	
	'B'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Cardner, Sgts. Biggs, McAuley, F/S Smith P/O Luxford.		2333	0413	'A' F/S Albright bombed target area from 13,200 feet at 0145 hours in 10/10 clouds with special equipment. 'Q' F/S Field, Missing.	
	'M'	Sgt. Campbell Sgt. Chance, F/S Dark, Sgt. Nutt, F/S Lepage, Sgts. Morgan, Burke.		2339	0253	Crew: CAN.R56351 F/S Pilot Field, W.E. (Captain.) 1213401 Sgt. F/Eng. Ansell, R.: CAN.R69615 F/S Obs. Fitzgerald, R.C.: +1169531 Sgt. WOP/AG Smith, E.O.: 1065468 Sgt. WOP/AG Danby, A.: CAN.R68528	
	'S'	Sgt. Hunter, Sgts. Anderson, O'Brien, Woodman, Mitchell, Laughlin, White,		2334	0416	F/S A/G Alley, J.D. AUS407695 Sgt. A/G Kleisdorff, H.R.: 'B' Sgt. Knight, bombed target in 10/10 cloud from 11,000 feet at 0135 hours with special equipment to help him.	
	'H'	F/Lt. Liversidge, Sgts. Bradbrook, Alcazar, Dearlove, Colleton, Dumond, McFee.		2338	0500	'M' St.Campbell, was unable to maintain height in cloud and icing turned back at 0109 hours fifteen fifty north by 0545 east and brought bombs back. 'S' Sgt. Hunter bombed target area in 10/10 cloud at 10,000 feet at 0141 hours with special equipment.	
	'D'	F/S Higgins, Sgt. Slade, Sgt. Potter F/S Turnbull, Sgts. Morrison, Byerley Hickinson.		2335	0450	'H' F/Lt. Liversidge, claims to have bombed primary on ETA with special equipment u/s. Bombed from 12,000 feet at 0207 hours. High speed blower control u/s At 0217 hours 5325 N by 0825 E saw Bellvue a/c burst into flames above them	
	'N'	F/S Sidney, Sgts. Welsh, Brennan, F/S Gorieu, Sgt. Beare, F/Sgt. Philp, Sgt. Mandle.		2336	0406	'D' F/S Higgins target area covered with 10/10 clouds but able to bomb with special equipment at 0151 hours from 10,00 feet. 'N' F/S Sidney attacked target area from 10,500 feet at 0148 hours with special equipment.	
	'U'	F/S Barton, Sgt. Muir, F/O King, Sgts. Mitchell, Cutting, Coules, Brigg.		2337	0421	'U' F/S Barton, bombed target area at 0149 hours from 10,000 feet with special equipment. At 0142 hours while at 15,000 feet in hazy area approached from starboard quarter stern below by S/E E/A which closed and fired two bursts tracer passing beneath our a/c took steep turn to starboard rear and mid upper turrets were rotated at the same time which caused our a/c to turn over on its back. Captain managed to right out a/c at 10,000 feet.	
						<u>GENERAL REMARKS.</u> Amoderate mtk amount of heavy flack was experienced at the target with intense light flack but very few search lights. Heavy flack also between Bremen and Emden. Several JU88's a/a and ME109's encountered in target area but in except in one instance there was no engagement. G, A, B, S, H, D dropped 3 packages G3 in primary N dropped 3 x G37 and U dropped 3 x G38 After bombing primary. Photos taken only show cloud.	

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(7472) Wt. 2425/1650. (BOM. 8/46. P.1. 51-7781)

FOR THE MONTH OF _____, 19__

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
29-6-42	HALIFAX II						
	'T'	F/S Hill, Sgt. Slade, F/S Craig, Sgt. Hamilton, F/S Gibbons, P/O Murphy, Sgt. McGregor,		2300	0228	<p><u>BOMBING ATTACK ON BRIDGE.</u> <u>Pool, Ops Order No. 117 - 9 a/o Detailed.</u> Bomb load (8 x 1000) G.P. TD. O.025, 5 x S.B.C. 90 x 4 T. G. (2 x G32 Nickels) Remainder 3 x G32 All carried cameras.</p> <p>No ground details were observed. Three aircraft failed to return from this operation nothing being heard of them four of our a/o bombed target area a few small fires being observed in target area.</p>	
	'G'	F/S Chinn, Sgt. CSimpson, F/S Bell, F/S Omeson, Sgt. Dickinson, F/S Adams, Sgt. Beare,		2301	Missing	<p>F/S Hill Jettisoned his bombs in sea 5258 N. by 0400 E and returned to base owing to rear guns binc u/s.</p> <p>F/S Chinn, Missing.</p>	
	'A'	F/S Albright, Sgt. Aperson, F/S Thurlow, F/S Hexter, Sgts. Simms, Western, Colleton.		2302	0441	<p>Crew: A/S. 402223 F/S Pilot Chinn, H.A. Captain, : 571779 Sgt. P/Eng. Simpson, A.: CAN. R64860 F/S Obs. Bell J.W. : CAN. R56246 F/S WOE/AG Omeson, P.P. CAN. R64565 Sgt. WOE/AG Dickinson, W. 759300 F/S A/G Adams, R. T. 1234966 Sgt. WOE/AG Beare, W.F.: R23419 F/S W3 HARRIS (Pilot) etc.)</p>	
	'D'	Sgt. Knight, Sgt. Clifton, P/O Forbes, Sgt. BIGGS, McAuley, F/S Smith, Sgt. Swing,		2303	0433	<p>'A' F/S Albright bombed target area from 18,900 feet at 0135 hours, saw fires south of target. At 5305 H. by 0540 east saw a/c shot down by fighters at 0210 hours.</p>	
	'H'	F/L Liversidge, Sgts. Bradbrook, Alossar, Dearlove, Foot, Diamond, McPee.		2304	Missing	<p>'B' Sgt. Knight, bombed target area from 19000 feet at 0135 hours saw small scattered fires in target area. One big one 5307 by 0303 E.</p>	
	'S'	Sgt. Hunter, Sgts. Howe, Anderson, O'Brien, Woodman, Johnston, Laughlin, Mitchell.		2305	0425	<p>'H' F/L Liversidge, Missing.</p> <p>Crew: F/Lt. Liversidge (Captain) 56805 Sgt. P/ty. Bradbrook: CAN. R56251 Sgt. Obs. Alcazar, W.E. CAN. R95140 Sgt. WOE/AG Dearlove, L.H. 1335996 Sgt. A/G Foot, J.E.T. CAN. R108349 Sgt. A/G Diamond, J.W.: CAN. R91235 Sgt. WOE/AG McPee, A.G.:</p>	
	'D'	F/S Higgins, Sgt. Gibbon, F/S Potter, F/S Boucher, Sgts. Morrison, Byerley, Calpman.		2305	0419	<p>'S' Sgt. Hunter. Bombed target area by navigational aid at 0142 hours from 13000 feet. Observed few small scattered fires.</p>	
	'K'	F/S Sidney, Sgts. Welsh, Brennan, F/S Goretu, Sgt. Gunn, F/S Philp, Sgt. White,		2306	Missing	<p>'D' F/S Higgins, Jettisoned his bombs eight miles south of Aldenburg owing to engine trouble.</p>	
	'M'	Sgt. Campbell, Sgts. Fernyhaugh, Chance, F/S Dark, Sgt. Mitt, F/S LePage, Sgts. Morgan, Burke.		2307	0447	<p>'K' F/S Sidney, Missing.</p> <p>Crew: CAN. R58531 F/S Pilot Sidney, L. Captain: CAN. R54247 Sgt. P/Eng. Welsh, G.S. CAN. R64994 Sgt. Obs. Brennan, E.K.: CAN. R 62217 F/S WOE/AG Goretu, R.A.: 912780 Sgt. WOE/AG Gunn, T.G. 972384 F/S A/G Philp. G: 1063335 Sgt. WOE/AG White, D.A.:</p> <p>'M' Sgt. Campbell bombed target area with nav. aid at 0145 hours from 13,500 feet one burst was seen along with small fires.</p>	
<p>GENERAL REMARKS.</p> <p>All a/o reported mod. intensity of heavy and light flack mostly from the north of target area very few search lights seen. B. S. M. dropped 3 x G27 after bombing A dropped 3 packages G27 in Hille area and 'D' dropped 3 x G27 at Aldenburg. Of the seven photos. taken three show only cloud while the other four show fires but no ground detail.</p>							
<p><i>Adjutant</i> P/O Adjutant No. 405 Squadron, R.C.A.F.</p>							

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FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1942.

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES																																																							
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JUNE 17/42	HALIFAX II	F/L Swetman, Sgts. Devon, Hayes, Cook, Dobby, W/S Thomas, W/O Daxford.		2256	0443	<p style="text-align: center;">24th OPERATION (8 A/C Detailed) BOMBING ATTACK ON- ESSH (Continued from June 16/42)</p> <p>Rebloaded Nr 1000 T.B. G.025; 2x250 (500 lb.) All Carried German. BOMBERS: "A", "B", "C", 3 Packages G.33 "D" 2x250 & 1x250, Remainder 2x250.</p> <p>Six A/Cs found breaks in cloud and bombed ESSH Area on navigational and flares and W/R E. Side. One A/C pinpointed a point on ESSH but others saw no ground detail for the whole trip. Of the remaining A/C one was found 10/10 cloud in ESSH AREA and bombed 4/L concentrations near ESSH while the other was forced back due to icing.</p> <p>"A" (W/L Swetman) Bombed ESSH area on Navigational and through cloud breaks from 18000 ft. at 0453 hrs. Flares were seen after bombing.</p> <p>"B" (W/L Fraser) Pinpointed a point on ESSH and bombed ESSH Area from 17500 ft. at 0454 hrs. Saw bursts after bombing and noted small fire burning. Wing edge hit by flak. Dobby fire reported 3 1/2 miles S. of ESSH.</p> <p>"C" (W/S Hill) Message received 0020 "returning to base icing" Turned back 5440 x 0220h. where bombs jettisoned safe.</p> <p>"D" (W/S China) Bombed ESSH area without navigational aid from 15500 ft. at 0420 hrs. Reported many dummies including large one S.W. of ESSH.</p> <p>"E" (W/S West) Bombed ESSH Area from 14000 ft. at 0447 hrs. without navigational aid which was U/S.</p> <p>"F" (Sgt Knight) Bombed ESSH Area after finding 10/10 cloud at ESSH. S/E Concentrations bombed on W/R and E.E.A. from 18000 ft. at 0211.</p> <p>"G" (W/S Albright) Bombed believed five miles N.W. of ESSH area at 0421 hrs from 18000ft. Large orange flash seen after bombing. Navigational aid and compass U/S.</p> <p>"H" (W/S Field) Found breaks cloud and bombed ESSH area from 18000 ft at 0447 hrs. Results observed in heavy cloud.</p> <p>GENERAL REMARKS: Estimated there were 100 heavy guns in area. Very accuracy and predicted. Heavy flak over AACHEN not intense; medium intensity of heavy flak over ESSH and considerable flak over ESSH. Light intense activity of W/Ls over ESSH but intense in ESSH & ESSH. Three pages 034 & 3 pages 035 were dropped E. of AACHEN; 7 pages 034 dropped in ESSH AREA along with 5 Pages of 035.</p>																																																								
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1. With reference to your S.22-1-405 (Dis.1), dated November 21st, 1942, the following is the information you require to complete your records of our 98th operation on Bremen on 25th/26th June, 1942:-

Aircraft No.	Crew	Time	
		Up	Down
"J" W7709	W/C Fauquier, Sgt. King, F/L Lambert, F/S Gardiner Sgt Foot, F/S Adams, Sgt. McGregor	23:56	05:18
"K" W7714	F/L Liversidge, Sgt Bingham Sgt Alcazar, Sgt Dearlove, Sgt Colloton, P/O Murphy.	23:59	05:12
"U" W1152	F/S/ Barton, Sgt Muir, P/O King Sgt Mitchell, Sgt Cutting, Sgt Coombs.	23:52	04:47

2. Our 99th operation over Bremen was carried out on June 27th/28th 1942, and not on 25th June, 1942, as previously stated.
3. The delay in forwarding you the above information is regretted but in view of the disrupted state of this Squadron, it has been unavoidable.
4. For your information and necessary action, please.

(Sgd.)
(W. S. Taylor) Flight Lieutenant,
for Officer Commanding,
No. 405 Squadron, R.C.A.F.

*Attach to form 541
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C. H. King
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