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Oct 5/6, 1944	Lancaster III					Bombing Attack on SAARBUCKEN (Marshalling Yard) A-166 No Aircraft Detailed.	
	'J' EB 113	J.1522, P/L Gosman G.H., J.15745 W/L Gustien A.E., J.1634, P/O J.M. Moagher, D.F.M., J.15839 P/L W.H. Barclay, J.15680 P/O J.E. Davis, W/M, R.10847 W/O Phylly R.G., G.19690, P/O Mander W.J., RAR/112885 P/O W.T. Trotman, "T.M."		1728	2228	"J" PRIMARY VISUAL MARKER:- Clear, slight haze and good visibility. Bombed at 2032 hours from 13,500 feet on centre of small concentration of Green T.I.s. Arrived in town area at 2037 hours. Three lots of Illuminator Flares went down approximately 30 miles apart. The Southern cluster appear- ed to be main concentration and position checked up with G.F.I. run, bearing and distance from H.2.S. fix on Saar- brucken. Ran over two other clusters of flares and confirmed these were over open country. At 2050 hours, Green T.I.s fell slightly S.E. of main concentration of Illuminator Flares, so-bomb centre of Green. Half minute later, Red Green T.I.s fell on Green T.I.s. Approximately 20 bomb bursts seen in this area. All T.I.s brought back, not required. Landed base.	
	'O' EB 180	RAR/174075 P/L O'Connor E., RAR/171- 692 P/L Main J.W.G., RAR/139722 P/S Manicka S., RAR/138434 P/S J.R. Ristor, J.8794, P/O Bing E.H., R.17351 P/S Egan J.C., RAR/156604, P/O Henderson J.R.H.		1229	2210	"O" BLIND MARKER:- Hazy visibility. Bombed Red/Green T.I.s at 2034:25 hours from 19,000 feet. At 2029:30 hours, Green T.I. cascaded. At 2029:48 hours, Master Bomber orde- red "Bomb Green T.I.s". 2034 hours, red/green T.I. cascaded on first Green. 2034:24 hours, Red T.I. overlapped two pre- vious. On arriving, saw flares at 2021:30 hours, all to West of first Green T.I. (1/2 to 1 mile). One set of Illumi- nator flares 4 miles East of target. Some to West, 20 miles, but no bombing attracted. A few sticks of bombs only on T.I.s seen. No results observed. Flares and T.I.s brought back on H.2.S. W/S. Landed base.	
	'K' EB 413	J.28186 P/O Hannah H.A., J.28702 P/O Cope J.L., RAR/27850 P/L G.A. Martin, DFC, R.18435 P/S Burns J.G. R.202612 P/S Birds E.L., R.202891 P/S Perrin E.E., RAR/1867791 SGT Oatlin E.		1720	2225	"K" BLIND ILLUMINATOR:- Clear visibility. Successful run. Believed attacked St. Ingbert, six miles W/S of Saar- brucken. Bombed by H.2.S. at 2036:15 hours from 18,500 feet. Could not get any satisfactory returns on H.2.S. on run in. We waited for other flares, but they were very scattered. Made three runs towards different clusters of flares. All had burned out on arrival. Finally made an H.G. run on a town in the direction of which flares were burning. Flares were out on arrival so dropped bombs only towards the end of this run, we saw flak and a Green T.I. 10 to 20 miles to Southwest. Believe we bombed St. Ingbert, landed base.	
	'H' EB 229	G.2980 P/L Burand L.B., J.20252 P/O Aynan G.G., J.2315, P/O Nicholl G.F., RAR/157517 SGT Cox C., J.18852 P/O Mill R., RAR/287432 SGT O'Hanlon L.J. RAR/155458 P/S McMoran R.D.		1731	2218	"H" BLIND MARKER:- Hazy and no cloud. Bombed on G.F.I. run set up on H.2.S. on Saarbruckan town centre at 2040 hours from 16,300 feet. On last leg to target, found too far East. Saw Illuminator flares and flak and turned West on to proper track. Saw two sticks of flares approximately 20 miles to N.N.W. of target. One stick of flares fell 5 miles to East of target. Did S turn and ran in on correct heading. One Green T.I. seen to fall. East edge of Illu- minator flares on target area. One Red T.I. seen 2 to 300 yards East of Green T.I. Bombing scattered around illu- minating flares. Some bombing seen 6 to 7 miles N.N.W. of target.	
						All Flares and T.I.s brought back not required. Landed base.	

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	'D' ND 616	J.28521 P/O Tite J., J.56325 P/O R.D. Biggs, J.35523 P/O Davy H.D., R.183496 P/S Haase G.E., J.88180 P/O Bourne A.A., R.54717 SGT Mathies J.Q. R.128817 SGT Davitt J.F. Bombload: (Same as 'K').		1722	2202		
	'X' BA 945	J.18445 P/O Smith H., J.22443 P/O D. Davies, RAF/1452651 P/S Woods G.L., RAF/1136259 P/S O'Toole T., R.28828 P/S McLennan A.E.H., J.17926 P/O J.P. Gilly, R.156.A. P/S Bishop A.W. Bombload: (Same as 'O').		1732	2211		
	'E' BA 185	J.27899 P/O FRIEDMAN L.S., J.28216 P/O Robertson J.D., R.166876 SGT Smith S.D., R.186182 SGT Benton I.D. R.148561 P/S McDermott T.E., RAF/1586104 W/O Proctor S.J., RAF/1880196 SGT Pease P.S.V. Bombload: (Same as 'K').		1723	2216		
	'U' BA 513	J.24254 P/O Kettlewell F.W., J.25054 P/O Martin K.W., R.159124 P/S Dun- land E.W., J.27751 P/O Main F.J., R.193903 P/S Magee W.F., RAF/1796419 P/S Conn G., RAF/1875611 P/S Branch W.C.E., J.19402 P/O Wilson G.R. Bombload: - 2 EB & 4 Gds. 21 Red, 1 x 4,000 HQ Minol, 6 x 1,000 ANM 59 TD 025		1737	2213		

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	Y EB 282	J.26095 P/L Whittall H.H., J.28913 P/O Ralts J.G., J.28487 P/O McConnell W.A.S., R.194760 SGT Cox G.A., R.224432 P/O Beck P.G., R.214769 P/S Spearling J.A., RAP/178643 P/O Stewart G.D., J.16267 P/O Dunn R.G. Bombload: (Same as 'U').		1733	2223	*Y* VISUAL OBSERVATION - No cloud with ground base. Bombed at 2036:42 hours from 16,000 feet on Green T.L.s. Illumination flares widely scattered. At 2035 hours, Green T.L.s. went down ahead with a few flares near by. Master Bomber said, "Bomb Green T.L.s.". After passing over, saw Red alongside the Greens. No ground detail identified. A little scattered bombing seen. Heard call signs and name-beds repeatedly from 2037 hours. Previously, Master Bomber said "Bomb Greens". Master Bomber gave "Mamalade" (Abandon mission), repeatedly from 2037 hours. All T.L.s. brought back owing to no mixed red/green T.L.s. seen. Heads up all the way. Landed base.	
	K EB 402	J.06050 P/O Carrey J.R., J.24725 P/O Bayne R.J., J.89055 P/O Dingwall M.M. J.06032 P/O Rutherford R.A., R.116556 SGT Hart L.A., J.86021 P/O McWhirter R.L., RAP/183093 P/O Milloughy D.H.G. Bombload: (Same as 'K').		1725	2217	*K* BLIND ILLUMINATOR - No cloud with ground base. Bombed at 2033 hours from 18,000 feet on T.L. Green. Made first run on D.R. from Gee Fix at 0400 E. and at E.T.s. were 10 to 15 miles East of some flares. Orbits and came in gain and found a few flares still burning with one Green T.L. below, about one mile North of a bend in a river. Later, saw mixed Red and Greens on the ground. Bombing was scattered and so were some flares. One string of flares seen about 10 miles East and another about 25 miles North of where we bombed. Landed base.	
	M EB 516	J.16161 P/O Rooda V.T., J.29583 P/O Fisher R.G., J.27458 P/O Galchrist E. J.88079 P/O Evans J.S., J.38160 P/O Korleroux J.R., J.63298 P/O Beckley B.J., RAP/189743 SGT Williams S.S. Bombload: 6 x 2,000 HD N.Dust.		1730	2208	*M* SUPERVISOR - Clear visibility. Bombed at 2043:56 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.I. run with H.2.S. check, bearing and distance from centre of Sasarucoon. 15 to 20 miles from target, saw two Red T.L. and one Green cascade which extinguished quickly. No markers down on run in run till just prior to bombing, then Illuminator Flares went down. No ground detail seen. Landed base.	
	V EB 982	J.26134 P/O Bartley J.R., J.29129 P/O Dennis J.R., J.29700 P/O Knox-Leet E. R.147543 P/S Chevalier H.O., J.88289 P/O Rhetner P.D., R.198266 P/S A.V. Williams, RAP/186654 SGT Williams W. Bombload: (Same as 'M').		1736	2215	*V* SUPERVISOR - Clear with good visibility. Bombed at 2032 hours from 18,000 feet on centre of one load of Green T.L.s. at 2028 hours. Came in from North-East and flares appeared to be South of estimated position of Aiming Point and also Green T.L.s. Bombed centre of Green T.L.s. and orbited and at 2034 hours, Red/Green T.L.s. cascaded. No results of bombing seen. Landed base.	

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				"G" EB 457	J.10122 E/O Yarr. S.G., J.20706 E/O Spencer R.A., J.28327 E/O Gounsey H. R.145809 W/O White R.P., R.214700 E/O Morgan L.W., R.220282 E/S Robinson C. RAF/289566 Sgt Church J., J.18134 E/O Walter L.J. Bombload: (Same as "T").	1727	
Oct. 6, 1944.	"V" BA 382	J.86251 E/O Odagan R.C., R.158181 W/O Williams R.G., J.26351 E/O G.A. McNamee, R.168729 W/O Wolf T.G.K., J.88953 E/O Donaldson J.D., RAF/139632 E/S Kitts D., RAF/158005 E/S Guntherpe K., J.19097 E/O A.A. McNamee. Bombload:- 4 IR & A RED T.I. Green, 1 x 4,000 HB Mandl, 4 x 1,000 ANI-59 - 10 - 025.		1520	1851	Bombing Attack On "STERCKADE OIL PLANT" (Daylight) 3 Aircraft Detailed. "V" MASTER BOMBER:- Successful 'in'. Bombed one mile South- East of Sterckade Oil Plant. Good visibility and no cloud. Bombed at 1715 hours from 18,500 feet on a group of factory buildings one mile South-East of Primary Aiming Point. Identified Rhine and docks but run up to Aiming Point was too far to starboard. Saw Red T.I.s down on Oil Works about one mile North of us. Dropped own load (including 4 T.I.s by mistake), on a factory. Our T.I.s fell approximately 1,000 yards South-East of Primary Aiming Point. At 1714 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb visually" and repeated this at 1714:45 hours. Landed base.	A-167
				"G" EB 223	J.23956 E/O McNaughton D.A., J.27821 E/O Small L.V.J., RAF/152439 W/O G. Watts, J.18709 E/O Langlois J.L., J.88957 E/O Harper K.A., J.88078 E/O Hunt R.F., RAF/55904 E/O Rordyke R. J.28882 E/O Gilbert G. Bombload: (Same as "V").	1521	

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	"H" EB 516	J. 16361 P/O Wood V.R., J. 29548 P/O Fisher R.G., J. 27458 P/O Gilchrist W. J. 28079 P/O Thomas J.H., J. 38160 P/O Kerleroux J.R., J. 88138 P/O Beckley H. RAF/1097683 SGT Williams S.V. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1519	1822		
	"G" NR 180	J. 10222 P/L Yarr G.C.L., J. 20708 P/O Spender R.A., J. 28237 P/O Gouchey H. R. 115809 W/O White F., R. 214700 P/L Marceau L., R. 200282 P/S Robinson C. RAF/1895965 SGT Garth J., J. 18834 P/O Walter L.S. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1513	1824		
	"B" EB 477	C. 1619 S/L Massella G.H., RAF/1621780 SGT Sempster L.L., RAF/158708 SGT P. Young, RAF/158320 P/O Williams P., J. 1814 P/O Wallstrom M.L., J. 88031 P/O J.P.A.A. Florence, "HFN", RAF/1613773 SGT Ryan C., RAF/151680 P/O Dooley J. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1511	1822		

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	"A" PA 977	G. 795 S/L Maroon H.E. "AFD" RAF/169051 P/O Downer J.W., RAF/165241 P/O Snoker B.G., RAF/116608 P/O Vockins A.D., J.13388 P/O W.D.M. HANLON, "DPO", J.85482 P/O Ross J.L., RAF/220644 SGT G.E. Bellard, RAF/129600 P/O Klose R.C. Bombload: (Same as "M").		1512	1850	"A" SUPPLEMENT- No cloud and good visibility. Bombed Aiming Point at 1711:53 hours from 17,200 feet. Identified target seen after crossing the Rhine. Red T.L.s cascaded about 10 seconds before we bombed, forming a concentration on the aiming point with a slight spread to N.W. corner. No bombs seen before ours which went right across the target. Good mushroom of black smoke from target immediately after we bombed. Slight damage to aircraft from heavy flak when over target at 1711 hours, flying at 17,200 feet. Landed base.	
	"D" ND 616	J. 27719 P/O Kye M.S., J.29850 P/O P. Footway, J.29669 P/O Dalton P.C., J.87545 P/O Welch J.A., J.87810 P/O Hibley B.F., J.87870 P/O Campbell W. RAF/1891456 SGT King V.A. Bombload: (Same as "M").		1515	1820	"D" SUPPLEMENT- No cloud and excellent visibility. Bombed Aiming Point at 1711:30 hours from 19,500 feet. Tried to lose time on run in. Three or four aircraft went in ahead of us. At 1710:30 hours approximately, Red T.L.s cascaded ahead. On close approach identified Aiming Point and adjacent landmarks. The Red T.L.s lay on the N.W. part of the plant. Several sticks seen right on the target and none seen off. Main Force were close behind and going right in. Master Bomber said "Bomb visually". Slight damage to aircraft from heavy flak when over target at 1710 hours. Landed base.	
Oct. 6th, 1944	"M" BR 113	RAF/174075 P/L O'Connor E., RAF/171692 P/L Hain J.W.C., RAF/1390722 P/S S. Munichy, RAF/1384434 P/S Bristol J. J.87946 P/O Bing F.H., R.173351 P/S Kern J.C., RAF/156604 W/O Henderson J. Bombload: 11 x 1,000 ANI 59 TD .025 & Flares Red/Yellow Stars.		1715	2233	Bombing Attack On "DORMUND" / Aircraft Detailed "M" BLIND MARKER- No cloud. Bombed at 2053:10 hours from 15,300 feet by H.2.S. Approaching last turning point before target, saw flares a long way off to the North. We were not getting any returns on H.2.S. and were unsure of our position so turned towards flares. At 2054, flares were still a long way ahead and we continued towards them. At 2028 hours, saw attack open up well astern. It was too late to turn back, so bombed a town which was coming in on H.2.S. Subsequent checks suggest we attacked Osnabruck. Flares brought back owing to primary not attacked. H.2.S. unsatisfactory. Landed base.	A-168

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Oct. 6th, 1944	Lancaster III *H* FB 229	G.2980 P/O Bernard L.B., J.20252 P/O Tyson G.O., J.23134 P/O Nicholl G.F., RAY/157527E-008 Doc R., J.18859 P/O Bill E., RAY/187433Z SGT O'Hanlon L. RAY/155463Z P/S McLaughlin T.J. Bombload: (Same as 'G').		1718	2206	Bombing Attack On "DORMUND" (Continued) *H* BLIND SIX MARKER: Clear and good visibility. Bombed at 2028:00 hours from 17,300 feet, underhooting cluster of 4 Green T.I.s by 10 to 15 seconds. One Red seen at approximately 2020:30 hours. Lots of Greens fell suddenly and obscured the Red T.I. All bombing on T.I.s. No ground detail seen. Two Wagnanis seen at approximately 2036 hours, which appeared approximately on Dormund. Flares brought back, not required. Landed base. *H* BLIND SIX MARKER: Clear with good visibility. Bombed at 2027:30 hours from 18,000 feet on 2 Green T.I.s close together. At target, one Red fell approximately 2024:56 hours. Two greens tumbled Red T.I. up in same spots at 2041:56 hours, one Green fell. Marking was regular and on same spot, and very concentrated. With every "cookie" built-up area could be seen, but nothing definitely identified except row of docks. All marking and bombing was on landing point area. Flares brought back, not required. H.2.S. w/s and fading. Landed base.	A-166
	I FB 965	J.18445 P/L Smith H., J.22413 P/L D. Davies, RAY/145263 P/S Woods G.L., RAY/1136259 P/S O'Boyle T., R.18828, P/S Alderman A.S.H., J.17926 P/O Kelly J.E., C156.A P/S Bishop A.W. Bombload: (Same as 'H').		1717	2157	*I* BLIND SIX MARKER: No clouds, thick haze or smoke at ground level. Bombed at 2034:56 hours from 18,000 feet on glow of T.I. Green seen through haze or smoke. On run up, saw Red T.I.s, Green T.I.s, cascading in good succession. On arrival, saw cluster of Greens through haze or smoke, surrounded by reddish tinge, as of fire. No ping-pongs obtained. Bombing was concentrated. Own T.I.s seen cascading, but exact position could not be determined. Landed base. *I* BACKER UP: No cloud, slight general haze and good visibility. Bombed one T.I. Red at 2025:36 hours from 18,700 feet. Went in same as one T.I. Red. Our Greens fell 2 or 300 yards W.S.W. of the Red. Other Greens fell about 1/2 mile E. of Red. A good succession of Greens followed and some Reds; all well concentrated. After bombing, we identified docks on N.W. edge of town, by light of photo flashes, and estimate the T.I.s were on the W/P. Bombing was concentrated throughout. Impressive glow and several explosions seen after leaving. One big explosion at 2024 hours. First Red at 2019:48 hours. Greens at 2025:30 and 2026:48 hours. Reds and Greens at 2028:30 hours. Green at 2034:18 hours. One load of Wagnanis was dropped at 2058:18 hours, presumably because of smoke, into which they disappeared after 15 minutes. H.2.S. w/s throughout. Landed base.	
	G FB 451	J.28053 P/O Tito J., J.36385 P/O H.D. Biggs, J.35523 P/O Davy R.D., R.183496 P/S Hase G.T., J.88180 P/O Deane A. R. 2477 SGT Mathieu J.C., R.118617 SGT Devitt J.W., J.18924 P/O Watter L. Bombload: 4 T.I. Greens, 8 Ord T.I. Green, 1 x 4,000-HQ-Molol.		1722	2223	*G* BLIND SIX MARKER: No clouds, thick haze or smoke at ground level. Bombed at 2034:56 hours from 18,000 feet on glow of T.I. Green seen through haze or smoke. On run up, saw Red T.I.s, Green T.I.s, cascading in good succession. On arrival, saw cluster of Greens through haze or smoke, surrounded by reddish tinge, as of fire. No ping-pongs obtained. Bombing was concentrated. Own T.I.s seen cascading, but exact position could not be determined. Landed base. *G* BACKER UP: No cloud, slight general haze and good visibility. Bombed one T.I. Red at 2025:36 hours from 18,700 feet. Went in same as one T.I. Red. Our Greens fell 2 or 300 yards W.S.W. of the Red. Other Greens fell about 1/2 mile E. of Red. A good succession of Greens followed and some Reds; all well concentrated. After bombing, we identified docks on N.W. edge of town, by light of photo flashes, and estimate the T.I.s were on the W/P. Bombing was concentrated throughout. Impressive glow and several explosions seen after leaving. One big explosion at 2024 hours. First Red at 2019:48 hours. Greens at 2025:30 and 2026:48 hours. Reds and Greens at 2028:30 hours. Green at 2034:18 hours. One load of Wagnanis was dropped at 2058:18 hours, presumably because of smoke, into which they disappeared after 15 minutes. H.2.S. w/s throughout. Landed base.	
	R FB 185	J.24254 P/O Kettlewell T.W., J.25054 P/O Martin W.R., R.15912 P/S K.W. Shepland, J.27791 P/O Hain T.J., R.193905 P/S Hage W.P., RAY/1796419 P/S Omm G., RAY/1876011 P/S H.C.E. Branch, J.19402 P/O Wilson G.E. Bombload: (Same as 'G').		1716	2151	*R* BLIND SIX MARKER: No cloud, slight general haze and good visibility. Bombed one T.I. Red at 2025:36 hours from 18,700 feet. Went in same as one T.I. Red. Our Greens fell 2 or 300 yards W.S.W. of the Red. Other Greens fell about 1/2 mile E. of Red. A good succession of Greens followed and some Reds; all well concentrated. After bombing, we identified docks on N.W. edge of town, by light of photo flashes, and estimate the T.I.s were on the W/P. Bombing was concentrated throughout. Impressive glow and several explosions seen after leaving. One big explosion at 2024 hours. First Red at 2019:48 hours. Greens at 2025:30 and 2026:48 hours. Reds and Greens at 2028:30 hours. Green at 2034:18 hours. One load of Wagnanis was dropped at 2058:18 hours, presumably because of smoke, into which they disappeared after 15 minutes. H.2.S. w/s throughout. Landed base.	

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						1719	
Oct. 11, 1944.	"Z" FB 516	J. 6189 P/L D.J. McQuinn, "BMP", R. 11155 P/L Williams G.W., R. 16013 P/L Rowan W., J. 17167 P/O Beakle J., J. 19058 P/O Coates G.H. R. 11962 P/O J.B. Scamell, "BMP", R. 18308 P/O Rodman C.O., R. 11288 P/O W.C. Treman, "BMP". Bombload:- 8 Ord. T.I. Red 896 A/2, 4 LB. T.I. Red 896 A/2, 2 x 1,000 ANM. 59 30 .025.		1550	1759	Bombing Attack On "FORT HENRIK HENRIK A/P 2" 4 Aircraft Detailed (Daylight) "Z" * MASTER BOMBER:- 5 Ord. T.I. red and 1 LB. T.I. Red Grouped at 1648:45 hours from 3,800 feet on Aiming Point and T.I. Greens. 2 x 1,000 ANM 59 dropped at 1654:24 hours from 3,600 feet on Aiming Point and T.I. Red. Cloud base was below 4,000 feet to within 20 miles of target. 1636 to 1636:30 hours, gave basement 6. 1643 to 1644:30 hours, gave basement 3. 1645 hours, gave basement 4. 1646 hours, saw first greens go down on Aiming Point which was clearly identified. 1647 hours, gave basement 4. Deputy's Reds fell on Aiming Point immediately before we dropped half our load of Reds about 100 yards Southeast of Aiming Point. 1649 to 1649:30 hours, to Main Force. Bomb first Red. Main Force bombing was very good with a few sticks of overshooting by 2 to 300 yards. 1651, 1651:30 and 1652 hours, to Main Force, "Bomb first Red. Don't overshoot". Main Force responded well. Most of bombs were on or very close to the Aiming Point although 1 or 4 sticks undershot across the centre of the Fort, and 2 or 3 sticks went into the sea. On our second run, found other Reds down about 200 yards North of the Aiming Point, but Main concentration was on Aiming Point. Another load of Greens were 500 yards Northeast of Aiming Point. 1654:30 hours, to Main Force "Bomb centre of Reds. Done on 1st". 1655:06 hours, to Main Force "Do not overshoot. Bomb over...	A-169

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Oct. 11, 1944	Lancaster III FR 516	F/L Mosquito, "WEC" (Continued)				<p>Bombing Attack On "PORT HENDRIK HENDRIK A/P 2" (Cont'd)</p> <p>* * * MASTER BOMBER (Continued) - centre of Reds"..... 1655:48 hours; to Main Force "Come on in. Bomb centre of Reds." Target was now becoming obscured by smoke, so with a view to remarking, told Main Force to "Wait" at 1656:30 hours. T.I.s could still be easily seen through the smoke however and at 1657 hours, gave "Bomb centre of Reds". It then appeared that the earlier Reds were fading, so at 1657:42 hours, and 1659 hours, gave "Bomb slightly starboard of centre of Reds". The remaining aircraft followed this order. 1659:36 and 1700:30 hours, to Deputy. "Set course". 1701:30 hours, "Closing down". Great majority of bombs were within 250 yards of Aiming Point - a very good raid. Three Ord. T.L. Red, and 3 LB. T.I. Red, brought back, not required. Landed base.</p> <p>* * * DEPUTY MASTER BOMBER: - Visibility four miles with a thin layer of cloud, base 5,000 feet. 4 Ord. T.L. Red and 2 LB. T.I. Red dropped at 1648:24 hours from 4,000 feet on Aiming Point. 2 x 1,000 ANM 59 dropped at 1653:06 hours from 5,000 feet on Aiming Point. Master Bomber gave base- ment 4,000 feet at 1645 hours. Clear area around target area. Most round Port HENDRIK HENDRIK A/P 2 Aiming Point. Green Mosquito T.I.s down on arrival in circle covering approximately 700 yards around Aiming Point. Dropped half own load of Red T.I.s and was then set on down on Aiming Point. A second load of Reds went down and over- lapped first Reds. 1650 hours, Master Bomber said "Bomb first Reds". 1651 hours, "Bomb first Reds and don't overshoot", repeated until 1655 hours, when he said "Bomb centre of Reds". 1658 hours, "Bomb starboard of Reds". 1700 hours, "Bomb starboard of centre of Reds". Bombing appeared well concen- trated and continuous. Marking of Aiming Point made it unnecessary to drop second half of own Red T.I.s. 4 Ord. T.L. Red and 2 LB. T.I. Red brought back not required. Landed base.</p> <p>* * * VISUAL BOMBER UP: - 10/10 below, and 10/10 cloud above at about 12,000 feet with visibility 10 to 15 miles. Identified Aiming Point by coastline and most of Port North and West of Aiming Point. 6 T.I. Red released at 1650:12 hours from 4,600 feet on estimated position of Aiming Point. 6 x 1,000 ANM 59 released at 1654:22 hours from 4,600 feet on estimated position of Aiming Point. On run in, Green T.I.s lay 2 to 300 yards north-east of Aiming Point. The Aiming Point and immediate locality was obscured by heli- copter smoke screen, but most of the Port and the most were clearly seen. Dropped our Reds 2 to 300 yards south-east of Aiming Point, forming a triangle with the Reds to the North-east. No bombing seen at that time. On second run, bombing was close on and around the Aiming Point which was covered.</p>	A-169
	"U" EB 513	J.24254 P/O Kettlewell T.W., J.25054 P/O Martin W.F., R.19312L P/S R.W. Shopland, J.27721 P/O Nairn T.J., R.193903 P/S Magee W.P., RAE/1796119 P/S Conn G., RAE/1875612 P/S W.G.E., Branch J.19402 P/O Wilson G.E. Bombload: (Same as "U")		1552	1750		
	"U" EB 223	J.25956 P/O McLaughlin D.A., J.27631 P/O Small L.V.J., RAE/192759 P/O G.L. Watts, RAE/119267 P/O Tom A.L., J.88097 P/O Harper K.A.T., J.88072 P/O Bart F.F., RAE/59904 P/O Forsythe R., J.28892 P/O Gilbert G.L. Bombload: 4 Ord. T.L. Red 896 A/2, 4 LB. T.I. Red 896 A/2, 6 x 1,000 ANM 59 TD .025.		1555	1805		

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Oct 11, 1944	Emancator III *Q* PB 223	F/O McNaughton (Continued)				Bombing Attack On *FOG RESEARCH FRIEDRICH HEINRICH* (Cont'd) *O* VISUAL BACKER UP* (Continued) - covered with smoke. Master Bomber was heard clearly throughout the raid and we re-broadcast his earlier orders, as required. Landed base.	A-169
	T PB 228	J.26095 P/L Whitball H.R., J.28915 P/O Fitz J.G., J.28457 P/O McDonnell W., R.194760 SPT Cpt G.A., R.284152 P/S Beach P.C., R.214769 P/S Sparing G., RAF/17860 P/O Stewart G.D., J.16267 P/O Dunn W.C.		1503	1806	*T* ZONECOP - Clear visibility. Bombed aiming point at 1648:54 hours from 5,000 feet. Identified aiming point easily by proximity of main moat and fort. Mosquito Green T.L.s down with slight overshoot of approximately 75 yards. Dropped own bombs and about 15 seconds later, red T.L.s went down and hit aiming point. Orbited South of aiming point and stooped around for 12 minutes. Marking was continuous and accurate and bombing very well concentrated. Only one stick seen which did not fall amongst Red T.L.s. Did not make any comment. 1 x 1,000 ANM 59 TD .025 Jettisoned safe 5123 N. 0212 E. at 1723 hours, from 8,000 feet. Landed base.	
	N PB 113	J.16361 P/O Woods V.L., *DECO*, J.29588 P/O Fisher R.G., J.27458 P/O Gilchrist W.S., J.88073 P/O Evans J.A., J.38160 P/O Kerleroux J.B., J.88138 P/O Beckley D.J., RAF/1097683 SPT Williams S.J., J.18729 P/O Rowe G.J.		1555	1808	*N* ZONECOP - Clear visibility. Red and 1 LB. T.L. Red dropped at 1655:24 hours from 4,000 feet on aiming point. 6 x 1,000 ANM 59 dropped at 1656 hours from 4,000 feet to starboard of Red T.L.s. Identified aiming point visually and Red T.L.s already down overlapping aiming point. Dropped own Red T.L.s and a few seconds later heard Master Bomber say "Bomb centre of Reds". Orbited and ran over aiming point again and dropped bombs and they fell amongst Red T.L.s. Landed base.	
Oct 12, 1944	*A* ND 524	J.86682 P/O McIntyre R.H., J.35749 P/O Mahler L.H., R.138073 W/O A.L.J. St. Pierre, R.129468 W/O Stone T.A., RAF/653002 W/O Price W., R.147033 P/S Rostay A.H., RAF/221605 P/S Milton E.		0825	1152	Bombing Attack On *WANG FICHEL* *A/C Detailed (Daylight) *A* SUPERVISOR - 1/10 cloud, at 7 to 8,000 feet. Aiming point identified and ground details and also two Red T.L.s on aiming point. Bombed at 1013:04 hours from 49,000 feet on two Red T.L.s on aiming point. Saw trace of belovored Mosquito T.L.s at 1010 hours approximately. Saw two Red T.L.s on aiming point at approximately 1013 hours, before bombing. Five sticks of bombs seen across T.L.s. On leaving, saw dull Red fire and with black smoke. No Backer's Up Green T.L.s seen. Aircraft slightly damaged from heavy flak over target area. Landed base.	A-170
	D ND 616	J.28134 P/O Hartley J.R., J.29329 P/O Dennis J.B., J.29700 P/O Knox-Best E., R.187543 P/S Chevalier H.C., J.88289 P/O Huesther P.D., R.188266 P/S A.J. Williams, RAF/183604 SPT Williams W.		0824	1147	*D* SUPERVISOR - 4/10 stratus cumulus cloud down to ground. Bombed junction of railway running West out of Bochum at 1015:12 hours from 16,500 feet. Arrived on time and no T.L.s or aiming point seen, but town of Bochum identified. Picked out railway running West out of Bochum and bombed junction and saw bombs straddle it. At 1013:13 hours, Red T.L.s seen. One lot down and another lot ascending near it approximately 2 miles N.E. of own bomb bursts. No bombing seen. Main Force appeared to be late coming in. Landed base.	

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October 12, 1944	Lancaster III "A" BA 965	J. 85232 P/O Jackson M.S., R. 16467 P/O Hobbs G., R. 16596 P/O Soles J.E., R. 18475 P/O Yan-Schape E.B., R. 61840 P/O Kettle W.M., R. 22571 P/O Ford S., R. 1894729 SGT Potter M.A. Bombload: (Same as 'A').		0822	1155	Bombing Attack On "WAGNE BILOCK" (Continued) "A" SUPPORTER: No cloud at target with industrial base. Bombed factory 2 of 3 miles Northwest of Wagne Bickel at 1014 hours from 16,500 feet. Approaching target, Aiming Point identified but on bombing run, distributor not switched on. Flocked out another target 2 or 3 miles Northwest and bombed a factory and bombs straddled this factory. T.L.s seen on Aiming Point, at Wagne Bickel at 1013 hours approximately. One lot of bombs seen on Red T.L.s at Wagne Bickel. No. 2 starboard tank hit by heavy flak at 1013 hours, 16,500 feet, when over target area. Landed base.	A-170
	"B" EB 477	G. 795 S/L-E.V. Maroon, "APO", R. 2165021 P/O Downey T.W., R. 2165211 P/O Smoker B.G., R. 216508 P/O A.D. Tucking, J. 13388 P/O "Red" Harding, "APO", J. 85482 P/O Ross J.T., R. 220644 SGT Holland G.E., R. 229800 P/O R.C. Nones. Bombload: (Same as 'A').		0820	1208	"B" SUPPORTER: 2/10 cloud. Bombed centre of Red T.L.s at 1015:30 hours from 17,000 feet. On run in, Red T.L.s seen ascending at 1013 hours - too near to bomb; so did orbit and heard Master Bomber say, "underneath Red T.L.s". No ground detail identified. A second lot of bombs went down, and underneath first Red's by approximately one mile and Master Bomber said "Overhead reds cascading as bomb blue smoke trails". Ray in to bomb on his instructions and third lot of Red's went down in-between others so consider our bombs fell amongst these Red's. Following black smoke came up from target area early in attack. Main force not in evidence at 1015:15 hours, and then ten Halifaxes seen coming in ahead of remainder of Main Force. Landed base.	
October 14, 1944	"M" EB 402	J. 85652 P/O McIntyre H.B., J. 35745 P/O Walker E.H., R. 15807 P/O St. Pierre A.L.J., R. 12668 P/O Buse S.A., R. 653008 P/O Price H., R. 117025 P/O Foster A.H., R. 221260 P/O Hiltner B. Bombload: 14 x No. 14 Mustangs.		0723	1107	Bombing Attack On "DUISBURG - Special A/P" (Daylight) 5 Mustangs Detailed. "M" SUPPORTER: 5/10 cloud at 8 to 9,000 feet. Bombed Aiming Point at 0907:15 hours from 18,200 feet. Identified bend in river Rhine and also docks and Aiming Point which was beginning to get obscured by pall of smoke rising from earlier bomb bursts. On leaving, attack appeared to be concentrated. A stray H.E. seen exploding on ground on western side of Rhine. Landed base.	A-271
	"B" EB 477	J. 27742 P/O Kyle H.S., J. 23850 P/O P. Beebay, J. 29669 P/O Fallon F.C., J. 57445 P/O Walsh J.A., J. 57820 P/O B. Rabby, J. 67670 P/O Campbell W.R., R. 122246 SGT King R.A. Bombload: 15 x 500 lb x 4 lb. Incendiaries.		0726	1023	"B" SUPPORTER: 2/10 cloud, tops 12,000 feet. Bombed at 0909 hours from 20,300 feet by H.2.S., checked by G.P.L. run from Epsfeld. Identified curve in Rhine but cloud obscured Eastern bank, as did G.P.L. run and after bombing continued by shape of docks and adjacent canal that our bombs fell in vicinity of Aiming Point. Smoke from bomb bursts concentrated within target area bounded by curve in docks. Landed base.	

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October 14, 1944	LANCASTER III "P" ND 616	J.28131 P/O Bentley J.R., J.29323 P/O Dennis J.M., J.29700 P/O Rex-Scott E., R187543 P/O Chevrolet H.G., J.68809 P/O Muehner P.D., L.188266 P/O A.J. Williams, RAY/183624 SGT WILLIAMS W. Bombload: (Same as 'B').		0728	1050	Bombing Attack On "DUNSBURG - Special A/E" (Continued) "p" SUPPORTER: 1/10 cloud with good visibility. Cloud base 4 to 5,000 feet, tops 6,000 feet. Bombed Aiming Point at 0908 hours from 17,500 feet. Bom-in-and-identified bomb in Rhine and fell in docks. Picked out Aiming Point and a few fires were already started and an explosion seen at 0907 hours. West of Aiming Point. Saw a stray T.I. go down on West side of river at 0905 hours. Bombing appeared concentrated. 60 incendiaries brought back wing to hang up. Landed base. "p" SUPPORTER: Clear and no cloud over Aiming Point. Bombed Aiming Point which was in beamlight, at 0908:30 hours from 19,000 feet. On run in, Aiming Point in "sight" in clear weather, but only two or three bombs went. Lights were on, but bombs would not go. Cloud obscured area to North of Aiming Point. No results except smoke. Could not get rid of some bombs. They finally went when shaken by burst of flak. 12 x No. 14 clusters dropped at 0917 E. 0919 E. at 0922 hours from 16,000 feet. One hole in port stabilizer from heavy flak over Duisburg at 0908 hours, 19,000 feet. Landed base.	A-371
	"B" ND 525	J. 85239 P/O Larson L.H., R164467 P/O Hobbs G., R.165998 P/O Baker J.L., R.114725 P/O Van Meter E.B., R.018183 P/O Kettle W.M., R.224871 P/O Ford S. RAY/1834723 SGT Zitter H.A. Bombload: (Same as "B").		0736	1013	"B" SUPPORTER: Clear and no cloud over Aiming Point. Bombed Aiming Point in smoke, at 0908:06 hours from 18,000 feet. Aiming Point area seen with smoke covering Aiming Point. All the docks and river seen. Saw flames and smoke coming from Aiming Point area which was well on fire. Landed base. Bombload: (Same as "B").	
	"C" ND 285	G.755 S/L H.F. Maroon, "AFO", RAY/163051 P/O Downer J.H., RAY/165241 P/O Smoker B.G., RAY/146608 P/O Yockins A.B., J.13388 P/O W.D.M. Hamblin, "DFO", J.85482 P/O Ross J.T., RAY/229644 SGT Redman G.H., RAY/109800 P/O Hideo R.C.		0751	1101	"C" SUPPORTER: Clear and cloud at target area. Bombed Aiming Point in smoke, at 0908:06 hours from 18,000 feet. Aiming Point area seen with smoke covering Aiming Point. All the docks and river seen. Saw flames and smoke coming from Aiming Point area which was well on fire. Landed base. Bombload: (Same as "B").	
	"X" ND 365	J.28700 P/O Wething J.W., J.36317 P/O Allan J., J.35234 P/O Scholt E.H., R.136740 P/O Scott H.W., R.214545 P/O Brown R.H., R.208413 P/O Ward D. R.166220 P/O Quinn E.A. Bombload: (Same as "B").		0755	1105	"X" SUPPORTER: 6/10 cloud, tops 8,000 feet. Bomb in Rhine river seen too late to do G.P.I. run on Aiming Point, so bombed docks at 0908:06 hours from 19,000 feet. H.2.G. and Gm were n/a from last turning point. H.2.G. received in time to identify bend in Rhine West of Aiming Point which was covered in clouds. Too late to do G.P.I. run so dropped bombs and consider they fell on docks Southeast of Aiming Point as usual Southwest of docks virtually identical after bombing. Landed base.	
October 14, 1944	"H" ND 413	J.28286 P/O Hadden H.A., J.28708 P/O Gage J.L., RAY/127850 P/O G.A. Martin, "DFO", L.184533 P/O Burns J.G., R.202642 P/O Riddle A.H., R.208881 P/O Ford E.R., RAY/1867791 SGT Oltman E. Bombload: 11 x 1,000 ANM -58 IN.025, 4 x 500 GP TD .025.		0780	1046	Bombing Attack On "DUNSBURG A/P 'Q'" (Daylight) Aircraft Detailed. "H" BOMB MARKER: 7/10 cloud at 12,000 feet. Bombed at 0907:12 hours from 17,000 feet by smoke at Aiming Point checked with G.P.I. Cloud partly covered target area and H.2.G. seen cascading into smoke, which was rising above lower cloud layer. Docks and river identified. Bombed smoke where G.P.I. cascaded and checked by G.P.I. Some smoke generators seen from West but not effective. Master Bomb was jammed and no orders heard. H. 2 tank on port side damaged by heavy flak at 0907 hours over Duisburg at 17,000 feet. Landed base.	A-372

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October 14, 1944.	Lancaster III "A" 80 524	J.29726 W/O McDonald J.W., J.14669 W/O Evans L.G., J.27588 W/O Hunter R. R.16257 W/O Lea G.M., R.21060 W/O Evans D.R., J.22168 W/O Grove G.H., RAF/2201730 SGT Burgess J. Bombload: (Same as 'K').		0721	1047	Bombing Attack On "DUISBURG A/F 'Q'" (Continued) "A" BLIND MARKER - 2/10 cumulus cloud, tops 8,000 feet. Bombed a building slightly east of Aiming Point at 0658Z hours from 16,000 feet. Visually identified target bombs dropped and Aiming Point. Red T.L.s were down slightly South of Aiming Point. Bombed Aiming Point and bombs fell slightly to East of Aiming Point. 0659 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb-Red T.L.s with 300 yards underfoot". Attack had just started and appeared to be fairly good. 2 x 1,000 ANM -59 to 0020, hung up and brought back. Landed base. "B" BLIND MARKER - 2/10 cloud at 6 to 8,000 feet. Bombed large building at Aiming Point at 0659:06 hours from 19,500 feet. Aiming Point was observed with smoke on arrival. Some red spots seen which may have been T.L.s. These seen in smoke on ground on leaving near Aiming Point. Following white smoke rising to 5,000 feet at approximately 0900 hours. Master Bomber ordered "Bomb built up area". Landed base.	A-172
	"B" 80 285	J.27659 W/O Friedman L.A., J.28226 W/O Robertson F.D., R.15687 SGT E.D. Smith, R.28188 SGT Hunter K.D., R.24853 W/O McDermott T.L., RAF/58624 W/O Zwicker S.J., "DMS", RAF/1880136 SGT France P.S.V. Bombload: (Same as 'K').		0723	1048	"B" BLIND MARKER - Successful 'B'. Attacked Duisburg Aiming Point 'B', which was blotted on topographical map in error for Aiming Point 'Q'. Layers at 6,000 and 14,000 feet. Bombed Red T.L.s on Aiming Point 'B' at 0658:18 hours from 20,400 feet. Visual Air Bomber (English), believed Aiming Point was in Duisburg town because track on topog- raphical map led there. On run in Duisburg was covered with patchy cloud which moved off to Southeast as we arri- ved. Run across Rhine, saw Red off to port, on Aiming Point 'B', so we swung towards Red, but bombs went 2,000 yards South of 'B'. Bombing was scattered and mainly South and Southwest of Aiming Point. 1 x 1,000 ANM -59 jettisoned with 2138 N. 0245 E. at 0958 hours from 10,000 feet. Gas 1/4 from take-off. Landed base.	
	"Q" 80 285	J.15501 W/L Weicker W.J.L., RAF/18754 W/O Rex E.J., J.27278 W/O McDowell J. J.27227 W/O Goddard R.S., RAF/1550317 W/O Robt H., RAF/1321012 W/O Hainsworth R.W., G.88225 W/O Vase W.E. Bombload: (Same as 'K').		0722	1042	"Q" BLIND MARKER - Successful 'B'. Attacked Duisburg Aiming Point 'B', which was blotted on topographical map in error for Aiming Point 'Q'. Layers at 6,000 and 14,000 feet. Bombed Red T.L.s on Aiming Point 'B' at 0658:18 hours from 20,400 feet. Visual Air Bomber (English), believed Aiming Point was in Duisburg town because track on topog- raphical map led there. On run in Duisburg was covered with patchy cloud which moved off to Southeast as we arri- ved. Run across Rhine, saw Red off to port, on Aiming Point 'B', so we swung towards Red, but bombs went 2,000 yards South of 'B'. Bombing was scattered and mainly South and Southwest of Aiming Point. 1 x 1,000 ANM -59 jettisoned with 2138 N. 0245 E. at 0958 hours from 10,000 feet. Gas 1/4 from take-off. Landed base.	
October 14, 1944.	"B" 80 113	J.16361 W/O Y.E. Woods, "DMS", J.29585 W/O Fisher R.G., J.27458 W/O Schiebert W.J., J.28472 W/O Ivank J. J.18160 W/O Keeleroux J.R., J.88138 W/O Buckley D.J., RAF/1097683 SGT WIL- LIAMS S.J., J.18772 W/O Bova G.S. Bombload: 4 x E.L. Green GRD. 'A', 4 x E.L. T.I. Green 'A', 1 x 4,000 lb. H.G. N/I Minol. 4 x 1,000 lb. ANM -59 18,000.		0709	1029	Bombing Attack On "DUISBURG - A/F 'P'" 2 A/C DETAILED (Daylight) "B" BLIND MARKER - 2/10 cloud, tops 6 to 7,000 feet, base 4,000 feet. Bombed by G.P.L. run from Krefeld at 0845:16 hours from 15,000 feet. Man in over bulge in River Rhine and building area of Howberg identified. Bulk of cloud ob- scured the Aiming Point so bombed on G.P.L. run from Krefeld. Detached S.L.s. Pillars of smoke seen rising from target area on leaving. 4 Ord. T.I. Green and 4 L.B. T.I. Green brought back owing to 2/10 cloud. Landed base.	A-173

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October 14, 1944	Bombardier III "Y" HB 282	J. 26095 W/O Whitwell H.R., J. 28913 P/O Fultz J.G., J. 28457 W/O McDermott W.A. E. 194760 W/O Cox S.A., E. 28492 W/O P. Beach, E. 214769 W/S Spearing G.A., NAV/176642 W/O Stewart G.D., J. 16267 W/O Dunn W.C. Bombardier: 8 T.L. Yellow 'A', 4 L.B. T.L. Yellow 'A', 1 x 4,000 HB, W/I Minol.		0708	1027	Bombing Attack On "DUNSBURG - A/P 'Y'" (Continued) "Y" PRIMARY VISUAL MARKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 5,000 feet, with breaks South of Duisburg. Bombed at 0845:05 hours from 10,000 feet by S.P.I. run with E-Field as datum. Run in with over 10/10 cloud with breaks South of Duisburg. No flares seen. Bombed on Gulpire at 0844:50 hours approxima- tely. Master Bomber gave "Freehand". Main Force appeared late but were in good concentration. 8 T.L. Yellow and 4 L.B. T.L. Yellow brought back owing to 10/10 cloud. Landed base.	A-173
October 14, 1944	"H" HB 513	J. 28254 W/O Kettlewell T.W., J. 25054 W/O Martin W.E., E. 159124 W/S Shopland E.W., J. 27791 W/O Blair E.J., E. 135903 W/S Magee W.F., NAV/1796419 W/S Conn G. NAV/2075612 W/S Branch W.G.B., E. 13442 W/O Wilson G.L. Bombardier: 8 T.L. Yellow 'A', 4 L.B. T.L. Yellow 'A', 1 x 4,000 HB, W.L. Minol.		0719	1044	Bombing Attack On "DUNSBURG - A/P 'H'" (Daylight) 3 Aircraft Detained. "H" PRIMARY VISUAL MARKER:- 10/10 thin layer cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed at 0857:54 hours from 10,500 feet on Admiral Point and T.L. Red. Run in over 9/10 cloud until close to target, but over target, cloud thinned to 4/10. Saw red flares scattered over a 500 yard centered slight- ly Northwest of Admiral Point but covering Admiral Point. Our Yellows unobserved by 600 yards to West. 0902 hours, Master Bomber gave "Bomb with three seconds overshoot on Yellow T.L.s", and then gave "Five seconds overshoot on Yellow T.L.s", and then gave "Five seconds overshoot on run out saw fires between Admiral Point and Rhine. Main Force appeared to be 2, or 3 minutes late but were well bunched. Landed base.	A-174
October 14/15, 1944	"G" HB 180	NAV/274072 W/O O'Connor L., NAV/175598 W/O Blair J.W.G., NAV/209072 W/S Banker S., NAV/138434 W/S Branch S.E., J. 6796 W/O King F.H., E. 108467 W/O Fryler A. NAV/256604 W/O Henderson J.B. Bombardier: 1 x SBC, Red/Yellow Cap 6, 1 x 4,000 HB, W/L M/I, 15 x 500CP, 2D .025.		2328	0321	Bombing Attack On "DUNSBURG - A/P 'G'" 10 A/C Detained. 3 Aircraft "G" BLIND SKY MARKER:- Thin cloud over Admiral Point with good visibility. Bombed by Gee at 0136:12 hours from 10,500 feet. When 60 miles from target, saw Red T.L.s ascending. 0125 hours, Red T.L.s cascaded. 0128 hours, Green T.L.s cascaded. 0129:45 hours, Red T.L.s cascaded South of Rhine. Flares seen. On arrival, flares seen scattered South of Rhine. Flares seen. Admiral Point "G" was and several large explosions seen. King Point "G" was being well attacked. Our H.S.S. was 1/6 of way based on Gee using the pulses as given at briefing. 1 x SBC, Red/Yel- low flares Cap 6, brought back owing to H.S.S. W/S Photograph attempted. Landed base.	A-175

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October 14/15, 1944	Lancaster III					Bombing Attack On "MUNSBURG - A/P 'S' " (Continued)	A-375
	"G" EB 451	J.13468 P/O Ellison T., J.24697 P/O Gantley R.A., J.26648 P/O McKinnon D. RAV/136902 P/S Henderson R.G., R.21287 P/S Stone R.G., R.21078 P/S Stevens P.A., RAV/128276 SGT McWall L. Bombload: (Same as 'G').		2537	0541	"G" BLIND SKY MARKER - Thin layer of cloud over target with good visibility. Bombed at 0144:28 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.I. and H.2.S. check. When approaching target, 60 miles away, saw Red T.I.s ascending. On arrival, a thin layer of cloud prevented any visual pin-pointing but many fires were burning and there was much smoke. On leaving, the whole area appeared to be on fire. Bombing appeared concentrated around the Aiming Point. 1 S.M. Red/Yellow flame Cap. 6, accidentally released over Duisburg at 0146 hours from 18,000 feet. Landed base. "J" BACKER UP - 7/10 cloud at 4 to 5,000 feet. Bombed at 0145:28 hours from 18,000 feet, on three Green T.I.s. Approaching, saw targets from 100 miles away. B.M. to North very active. On "S", two Reds fell together and lapses of 3 or 4 minutes further Reds fell, followed by Greens. Red T.I.s burned out and bombed three Greens slightly short of previous Reds. Very good penetration and lots of fires. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"J" EB 113	J.26961 P/O V.T. Stone, "D.F.C.", J.29583 P/O Fisher R.G., J.27458 P/O Gilmourist "P", S.00979 P/O Lawson J. J.38160 P/O Macleod J.R., J.00138 P/O McEldery R.J., RAV/1287083 SGT Williams R.J., J.18795 P/O Rowe G.J. Bombload: 4 Gd. 3 L. Green 860 G. 1 x 4,000 HC. 1x101 N/A, 1 x 1,000 AN. 50 20 605.		2538	0557	"J" BACKER UP - 7/10 cloud at 4 to 5,000 feet. Bombed at 0145:28 hours from 18,000 feet, on three Green T.I.s. Approaching, saw targets from 100 miles away. B.M. to North very active. On "S", two Reds fell together and lapses of 3 or 4 minutes further Reds fell, followed by Greens. Red T.I.s burned out and bombed three Greens slightly short of previous Reds. Very good penetration and lots of fires. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"D" ED 616	J.28563 P/O Tito J., J.36325 P/O R.D. King, J.35283 P/O Dwyer, R.D., R.18346 P/S Haase G.T., J.19487 P/O Peterson E. R.3477 SGT Mathieson J.G., R.11827 SGT Merritt J.A. Bombload: (Same as 'G').		2535	0529	"D" BLIND SKY MARKER - Thin cloud and smoke haze. Bombed at 0141:28 hours from 18,500 feet on centre of Red T.I.s. Thin cloud over Aiming Point. T.I.s seen from a good distance away. Reds and Greens lying close together on built-up area. Attack on Northern aiming point appeared to be very good, and lots of bombing on continuous marking. Destroyed own Waggonette and bombed centre of Red T.I.s. Position of markers checked O.K. with G.P.I. run from Krefeld. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"U" EB 513	J.24226 P/O Battellwell T.W., J.25094 P/O Martin V.P., R.15912 P/S Stupiana R.W., J.27791 P/O Maitz S.J., R.135905 P/S Hage W.P., RAV/1796419 P/S Conn G. RAV/1575611 P/S Branch R.G.R., J.19402 P/O Wilson G.R. Bombload: (Same as 'J').		2532	0538	"U" BACKER UP - Some cloud, 4/10 very thin, but T.I.s visible through. Bombed 2 red T.I.s at 0137:12 hours from 18,000 feet. Approaching target, saw attack to port and then two Red T.I.s fell at 0135:30 hours on own Aiming Point "S" on-time. Run-up on Red T.I. and dropped on Green which were the first down at 0137:13 hours. Bombing was concentrated. Ground detail recognizable or loops in skyline after bombing and judge first Reds overshoot slightly. B.M. developed back. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"R" EB 516	J.5389 P/L.D.J. McQuaid, "D.F.C.", RAV/141555 P/L Gillespie G.W., RAV/160261 P/L Howard W., J.17767 P/O Beckis G., J.13058 P/O Groves G.S., RAV/8962 P/O J.B. Samwell, "D.F.M.", RAV/183088 P/O Beadman G.O., RAV/142885 P/O Trotman K.T., "D.F.M.", Bombload: (Same as 'J').		2327	0522	"R" BACKER UP - Clear with good visibility. Bombed at 0134:28 hours from 18,500 feet on one Red T.I. REMARK Made on North Aiming Point in full swing as we ran in. 0135 hours, first Red T.I. seen cascading on own Aiming Point. Run over and bombed centre. After bombing, saw own Green T.I.s followed by more Greens at 0140 to 0144 hours and finally by Reds. Marking was continuous and concentrated with exception of one load of Greens which appeared to fall near river to West of A/P. Many fires in built-up area seen (over)	

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October 14/15, 1944	Bombardier III "T" EB 516	F/L McQuillan D.J., "B" (Continued)				Bombing Attack On "DUNSBURG A/P "S" (Continued) "T" BOMBING UP: (Continued)- 1 x 4,000 HC Himolet jetti- sioned 5113 E. at 02:37:30 hours from 5,000 feet, going to hang up. Landed base. Photograph attempted.	A-275
	"M" EB 402	J. 26050 P/O Giffey J.R., J. 26725 P/O Mayne R.J., J. 28033 P/O Dingsell M.M. J. 26032 P/O Rutherford E.A., R. 116554 Sgt Hart L.A., J. 26051 P/O McWhorter R.R., RAV/183095 P/O Willoughby D.H.G. Bombardier (Same as "B").		2350	0526	"M" BOMBING UP: No cloud with smoke over target. Bombed at 01:35:00 hours from 18,500 feet on two Red T.L.s. Approaching "Q", Aiming Point very active. At "S" two Red T.L.s. only with a few sticks of bombs. On landing, began to back up with Greens in area 200 yards radius. 1 x HBCA Red/Yellow Cape-6 brought back owing to fl:2:30/5. Photo- graph attempted. Landed base.	
	"V" EB 302	J. 26032 P/O Glasgow H.G., E. 15808 P/O Williams R.G., J. 26151 P/O G.A. McNee, E. 16879 P/O Wolf T.G.K., J. 28059 P/O Donaldson J.D., RAV/185632 P/O Kite D., RAV/1583015 P/O Gunthorpe K., J. 19097 P/O A.S. McKenzie. Bombardier (Same as "J").		2356	0555	"V" BOMBING UP: Some cloud with small amounts, and good visibility in target area. Bombed at 01:41:52 hours from 18,000 feet on one Green and one Red T.L. Other Aiming Point "Q" seen. Picked up target from 16 minutes away. On "Q", first Red seen ascending. One Green T.L. fell after Red. On "S", 2 Red T.L. fell on time shortly after Green fell on Red. One Green fell to south 1,000 yards. Con- centrated bombing on both Aiming Points. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"P" EB 525	J. 13654 P/O Webb G.W., J. 23470 P/O Walker V.P., J. 28722 P/O Young G.A. R. 169371 P/O Bow G., J. 29062 P/O B. Allard, R. 280615 Sgt Sturges G.W., RAV/1876130 Sgt Whitehouse J.B. Bombardier (Same as "O").		2333	0608	"P" BOMBING UP: Small amounts of cloud, thin cloud, but T.L.s. seen through. Bombed n/a over England. Bombs refused to fall on bombing run on target. Red T.L.s. seen on North side. 01:25 hours, Red first. 01:26:30 hours, Red and Green on "Q". 01:29:30 hours, Red on South. Figure of 8 or T.L.s. North green, South Red. 15 x 500 GP and 1 x 4,000 HC jettisoned safe 5143 E. 02:50 E. at 03:01 hours from 11,000 feet owing to hang up over target. 1 x SRG red/yellow brought back owing to bombight n/a and G.P.L. n/a. Landed base.	
	"W" EB 530	J. 28056 P/O Hollington E.A., J. 27482 P/O Small L.V.J., RAV/1527339 P/O G. Watts RAV/1150027 P/O Frost A.L., J. 28007 P/O Harper E.A., J. 28072 P/O Hunt P.F., RAV/25904 P/O Koradyk M. J. 28882 P/O Gilber G.L. Bombardier (Same as "J").		2334	0555	"W" BOMBING UP: Clear with thin layer of cloud. Bombed at 01:01:12 hours from 18,000 feet on centre of Green T.L.s. 01:37 hours, Red T.L.s. seen ascending and at 01:34 hours, followed by greens. Band in Rhine identified West of Aiming Point, also Marshalling Yard and centre of town. Two clus- ters of Green T.L.s. were down near the river bank and a smaller cluster of Greens and Reds marking A/P. One Green T.L.s. fell on East side of Marshalling Yards which underrode A/P and most of the bombing appeared to be centred on the town between the extreme Green and Red and Green T.L.s. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	

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October 14/45	Lancaster III 2344	J.2834 P/O Barclay J.P., J.2322 P/O Dennis J.E., J.2970 P/O Knox-Lest E. R.1275 P/O Chevrolet E.O., J.2889 P/O Elmslie P.D., R.1282 P/O A.J. Williams, RAF/123456 SGT Williams W. Bombload: 6 x 2,000 HB. Minol.		2320	0507	Bombing Attack On "DURBONS - A/P 'G" - 5 A/O INSTALLED. "A" SUPPORTER : Small patches of cloud from 18 to 20,000 feet with clear breaks. Bombed at 0126:24 hours from 28,000 feet on centre of Red T.L.s. Big area covered in smoke. On navigation run, saw dull Red T.L.s. South of estimated landing point. Dived to 18,000 feet but at 0127:00 hours, saw Red T.L.s. on clouds North and realised first lot were on second landing point. Bombed at 0127:30 hours, more Red T.L.s. on clouds on Northern ones. Bombed centre of concentration. 0129 hours, Greens backed up Reds. Many fires seen and one lot of dummy Red T.L.s. 2 or 3 miles Northwest of Dursburg. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "B" SUPPORTER : One big cloud, top 17,000 feet. Bombed centre of cluster of Green T.L.s at 0128:36 hours from 19,000 feet. Half an hour later taking air, so arrived late at target. No ground detail seen. 0129 hours, Red T.L.s. seen ascending, followed by more Reds. Ran in and at 0132 hours, Green T.L.s. went down. A big belt of Green and Red T.L.s. spread from East to West and a large area was covered by fires. Bombed on centre of large cluster of Green T.L.s. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	A-176
	"A" EB 285	J.2652 P/O McIntyre H.B., J.3574 P/O Moller L.H., R.1587 P/O A.L.J. St. Pierre, R.1296 P/O Stone T.L.; RAF/653002 P/O Price W., R.1470 P/O Nostey A.W., RAF/221605 P/O Hillson E. Bombload: (Same as 'A').		2348	0545	"B" SUPPORTER : Thin stratus broken cloud. Bombed Red T.L.s. with 2 second overshoot at 0125:16 hours from 19,000 feet. When 6 or 5 miles from Dursburg, many fires seen. Smoke obscured markers and Red T.L.s. were not seen until 0125:36 hours, when it was too late to centre on them, so dropped with 2 second overshoot. After bombing, two lots of Red T.L.s. went down followed by Green T.L.s. Marking was continuous and bombing was good. River seen on run out and looking back big belt of fire appeared to spread from eastern side of river, to the West. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"X" EB 365	J.2853 P/O Larson L.E., R.2844 P/O Robbs G., R.1620 P/O Nolan J.E. R.1275 P/O Van Natre R.S., R.1618 P/O Little H.L., R.2947 P/O Ford S. RAF/123456 SGT Potter M.S. Bombload: (Same as 'A').		2328	0517	"X" SUPPORTER : Thin stratus broken cloud. Bombed Red T.L.s. with 2 second overshoot at 0125:16 hours from 19,000 feet. When 6 or 5 miles from Dursburg, many fires seen. Smoke obscured markers and Red T.L.s. were not seen until 0125:36 hours, when it was too late to centre on them, so dropped with 2 second overshoot. After bombing, two lots of Red T.L.s. went down followed by Green T.L.s. Marking was continuous and bombing was good. River seen on run out and looking back big belt of fire appeared to spread from eastern side of river, to the West. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" EB 477	J.2870 P/O Spurling R.G., J.3617 P/O Alan P., J.2526 P/O Platt L.W., R.1294 P/O Scott R.H., R.2145 P/O Brown D.H., R.2204 P/O Vera D. R.1692 P/O Quinn R.L. Bombload: (Same as 'A').		2316	0519	"B" SUPPORTER : Smoke base. Bombed at 0126:12 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. run from Dursburg. No markers down on arrival and ran over bend in Rhine on G.P.L. run and bombed. As bombs went, Red T.L.s. obscured approximately 1/2 miles N.E. On turning out, saw continuous streams of Reds and Green T.L.s. going down rather scattered in a line running East to West. Bombing was on markers very concentrated. Many fires burning and dummy Red T.L.s. North of A/P did not attract any bombing. Photo attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" EB 229	J.2308 P/O Comber R.J., J.3683 P/O Geor R.E., R.1583 P/O Allan W.E., J.2858 P/O Barclay J.P., R.1282 P/O Gray J.G., R.1704 P/O Stroch K. RAF/123456 SGT Kank S.E. Bombload: (Same as 'A').		2326	0532	"B" SUPPORTER : Thin layer of cloud at 18,000 feet with good visibility. Bombed at 0127:00 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. checked by H.2.S. Some bombing seen on arrival. First Red T.L.s. seen at 0127:30 hours. These appeared to be well placed. The whole area was seen above with fires. Sky-markers were seen as we left target. 1 x 1,000 HB. Minol brought down owing to hang up. Landed base. Photo attempted.	

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October 15/46, Lancaster III							
1946	*W EB 530	V. 5938 P/O Percy E.W., J. 17731 P/O J.J. Roberts, J. 29771 P/O Riscott R.W., W. 28269 P/O Stanley H.L., R. 21205 P/O Bergerson J.G.L., J. 18617 P/O H.F. Crosby, RAY/25604 W/O Henderson J. RAY/21285 P/O W.E. Thomas, "T.M."		1755	2128	Bombing Attack On "WILKINSHAVEN", 25 AIRCRAFT DETAIL * W * VISUAL GREENS - 8/10 cloud, at 3 to 11,000 feet, and also heavy thin alto stratus cloud from 20 to 18,000 feet. Bombed by H.S.S. at 1958 hours from 16,000 feet. Went down to 14,000 feet on last leg into target but thin alto stratus cloud persisted and at target conditions were worse, with low cloud below. Illumination flares were early, and well concentrated and in the right place judged by a brief glimpse of coast-line. No other ground detail could be seen. No T.L.s seen until about 1942 hours when Reds and Greens were seen astern-going down about 3 to 500 yards apart and cascading into clouds. 4 Crd. T.L. Red, 4 Crd. T.L. Green, 2 1st T.L. Red and 2 1st T.L. Green brought heads back owing to aiming point not identified. Landed base. * Y * VISUAL GREENS - Thick base. Bombed centre of Red T.L.s at 194650 hours from 18,000 feet. Good image picked up on H.S.S. Illuminator flares down at 1944 hours. On run in, one lot of Red T.L.s and one lot of Greens adjacent. Another cluster of Green T.L.s were down further astern. Centred on load of Reds on Red T.L.s and they under shot by approximately 50 yards. On run out, saw another lot of Reds go down, and these under shot also. Glow of a few fires seen below base. Bombing was very scattered. Landed base. * G * VISUAL GREENS - Very heavy with tops at 18,000 feet, down to ground. Bombed centre of Red T.L.s at 195612 hours from 13,000 feet. Approximately ten sets of heavy whitish red fires seen on run in from border to Wilkinshaven. Good H.S.S. run. Red T.L.s seen on ground at 1953 hours. Run over and bombed these. Red/Yellow flares ignited on run in. Sm Red T.L.s appeared in cascade approximately 200 yards North of other Reds. Landed base.	A-177
	*V EB 982	J. 6251 P/O Odegan F.C., R. 15948 W/O Williams R.G., J. 26758 P/O Malness G. R. 16719 W/O Ruff T.S.L., J. 68959 P/O Donaldson J.D., RAY/19628 P/O Kitch R., RAY/25602 P/O Gushinge K., J. 19097 P/O McFonzie A.A.		1740	2107	* A Crd. T.L. Red 'A', 1 x 4,000 HB. Kind, H/L, 1 x 1,000 HB. 58 to 625.	
	*O EB 180	J. 10122 P/O Van C.G., J. 20708 P/O Spender D., J. 28937 P/O Guechay R. P. 18709 P/O Langels H.L., R. 21470 P/O Skewen L.W., R. 28022 P/O G.L. Robinson, RAY/1892963 P/O Church J. J. 18194 P/O Walter L.W.		1745	2158	* A Crd. T.L. Red 'A', 1 x 1,000 HB. 58 to 625.	
	*I EB 282	J. 29956 P/O McNaughton D.A., J. 27451 P/O Smith L.V., RAY/1927439 W/O G.L. Kitch, RAY/1892967 W/O Thom A.L., J. 68377 P/O Harper K.L.Y., J. 18972 P/O Hunt E.F., RAY/25604 P/O Rowdyka R.A., J. 28882 P/O Gilbert G.L.		1758	2139	* Y * VISUAL GREENS - Layers of thin cloud, tops 18,000 feet. Bombed concentration of Red/Green at 194418 hours from 16,000 feet. Illumination flares down on arrival. These ineffective owing to thick base. No ground detail seen. 1944 hours, mixed Red/Green T.L.s cascaded and position of those checked up perfectly with H.S.S. run. Dropped over load on centre of Red/Green T.L.s and over reds overlapped cluster. 1946 hours, more Reds went down backed up well by Greens. Marking appeared fairly concentrated with exception of one cluster of Green T.L.s which over shot main concentration by approximately 400 yards. Landed base.	

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Oct 15/44	Lancaster III "M" EB 516	J. 6389 P/L D.J. McQuaid, "D.F.C.", RAF/143555 P/L Gillebride G.W., RAF/150163 P/L Howard W., J. 17767 P/O Banks J., J. 19058 P/O Cooper G.E., RAF/54962 P/O J.B. Scammell, "D.F.M.", RAF/187088 P/O Beaman G.O. Bombload: 2 12 x 2 Red T.L. Green 1A, 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars Cap. 6, 2 x 4,000 AMM 37/2, 6 x 1,000 AMM 59 ED 4025.		1736	2142	Bombing Attack On "WILHELMSHAVEN" - (Continued) "P" BLIND ILLUMINATOR - No cloud with thick haze almost like fog. Bombed at 1944:30 hours from 17,500 feet by H.2.S. checked by timed run from fix on coast North of Duxford. Good concentration of ILLUMINATION Flares down. Ground detail obscured by thick haze. Good returns on H.2.S. checked by timed run from Coast North of Duxford. One cluster of Reds and one of Green T.L.s down approximately 200 yards apart. Dropped own Wanganis and T.L.s but unable to assess where they fell owing to difficulty in getting rid of smoke. In light of gas flashes, coast line identified on run out and many incendiary loads appeared to be dropping North of concentration of markers. 1947 hours, Green T.L.s followed by two clusters of Reds seen ascending. Landed base.	A-377
	"B" EB 477	J. 85050 P/O Herbert R.G., J. 20236 P/L Edson J.A., J. 87548 P/O Gaudin M.B., RAF/182668 P/O Green L.P., J. 82068 P/O Richard Baker, RAF/189041 P/O Crisp R. RAF/144760 P/O Gilford H.R. Bombload: (Same as "P").		1737	2136	"B" BLIND MARKER - Very heavy with poor visibility. Bombed at 1941:00 hours from 18,500 feet by H.2.S. but not a clear picture. Coast line was not easily discernible. On arrival saw ILLUMINATION Flares covering 2 or 3 mile area and when over target, saw one T.L. believed Red/Green, on open ground. One Green T.L. ascended at 1940 hours. Too busy to assess bombing. There were six flares 3 or 5 miles North of target, slightly orange. These may have been ILLUMINATION flares going out and haze made light an orange colour. They did not appear to be attracting any bombing. Landed base. 4 Red/Yellow Stars Cap. 6 brought back, not required.	
	"X" EB 965	J. 18445 P/L Smith E., J. 22813 P/L D.P. Davies, RAF/145265 P/O Woods G.A., RAF/115625 P/O O'Boyle T.; R. 18828, P/O McManus A.L.H., J. 17826 P/O J.F. Kelly, G1564 P/O Bishop A.W. Bombload: (Same as "P").		1739	2145	"X" BLIND MARKER - Very heavy with poor visibility. Bombed at 1943 hours from 18,000 feet by H.2.S. with 30 second circle method. Could not see anything until right over target then saw lots of flares which were scattered and 4 Red/Green T.L.s ascending. This prevented any visual identification or assessment of markers. Our H.2.S. run was not suitable for dropping markers and as Red/Green T.L.s were already down, we decided to retain our own. 2 EB & 2 Red T.L. Green and 4 Red/Yellow Stars brought back owing to Red/Green T.L.s already down. Landed base.	
	"Q" EB 225	J. 15301 P/L Weicker W.J.L., RAF/185754 P/O Howes J., J. 87674 P/O McDowell J., J. 27327 P/O Goddard H.S., RAF/155017 P/O Hogg H., RAF/182101 P/O E.W. Hammersmith, "F.M.", G. 88255 P/O Vine W. Bombload: 10 x GP No. 3 4 x 1,000 AMM 65 EB 4025.		1728	2144	"Q" BLIND ILLUMINATOR - Very heavy with continuous thin wispy cloud from 14,000 to 15,000 feet. Bombed by H.2.S. at 1958:00 hours from 18,500 feet. Four sticks of flares ignited about one minute before we arrived, all quite well concentrated and in the right place judged by our P/L. Run which brought us along them. No ground detail or T.L. seen when over target. Could just see sea coastline West of town when turning off. 1940:30 hours, P.V.M.'s mixed Red/Greens ascended down to ground, below flares. 1942 hours approximately, Greens ascended. Deoxy fires seen 3 or 4 miles North of target on run in. 1 x GP No. 3 and 1 x 1,000 AMM 65 got jammed owing to hang up. Landed base.	A-377

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Oct 15/26, 1944.	Lancaster III 'A' ED 524	J.19726 P/O McDonald J.W., J.11549 P/O HUBB R.G., J.27988 P/O WATSON R. R.16257 P/O Lee G.H., R.21000 P/O Eyre R.E., J.22104 P/O Crowe G.H., RAF/2201790 SGT Burgess J. Bombload: (Same as 'Q').	J.W.	1731	2130	Bombing Attack on WILKESHAVER (Continued) 'E' ILLUMINATION: Thick haze: Bomb by H.2.S. at 1937:05 hours from 15,000 feet: Thick haze obscured ground detail. Good response on H.2.S. On flames dropped with others. 1946 hours, P.V.C.'s Red/Green T.L.s cascaded well into centre of illumination flares. Reaction of markers checked O.K. with H.2.S.' 1949 hours, Red T.L.s cascaded. On run-out, marking appeared concentrated with exception of one lot of Red T.L.s which were scattered to the North. Landed base.	A-377
	'K' EB 413	J.86652 P/O McIntyre H.H., J.25789 P/O Rabler L.H., R.12875 P/O L.J. St. Pierre, R.12968 P/O Rhoads T.L., RAF/653032 P/O Price W., R.217033 P/O Pebble A.H., RAF/221605 P/O Hilton E. Bombload: (Same as 'Q').	H.H.	1752	2155	'E' ILLUMINATION: Thin alto-stratus cloud up to 15,000 feet or higher, with thin low cloud. Visibility very poor. Bomb by H.2.S. at 1937:05 hours from 17,000 feet. Marking down when we arrived. As we bombed, two lots of illumination flares ignited about 1 mile to North. Red T.L.s cascaded across under the flares at 1942 hours approximately, and were lost in clouds. 1949 hours, Red T.L.s astern. Visibility was very poor but just after turning off, saw fields below. Landed base.	
	'M' EB 525	J.12654 P/O Hobb G.H., J.2470 P/O Pinter V.F., J.89722 P/O Young G.A. R.16971 P/O Bar G., R.28100 P/O McFarland R.L., R.20801 SGT G.L. Scaffer RAF/157610 SGT Whitehouse J. Bombload: (Same as 'Q').	G.H.	1729	2132	'F' ILLUMINATION: Haze. Bomb by H.2.S. at 1936:54 hours from 14,000 feet. Good H.2.S. run. We were one of the first to arrive at target. On illumination flares dropped with others. 1942 hours, Red T.L.s cascaded into centre flares. Very little bombing seen and no ground detail. Landed base.	
	'R' EB 183	J.86070 P/O Giffey J.H., J.24725 P/O Eyre R.E., J.89633 P/O Dingwall M. J.86032 P/O Rutherford R.A., R.116556 SGT Hart K.A., J.85061 P/O McWhirter R.H., RAF/183093 P/O Willoughby D.H. Bombload: (Same as 'Q').	J.H.	1750	2132	'E' ILLUMINATION: Very hazy with poor visibility. Dropped 10 x GP, No. 3 at 1937:05 hours and dropped 2000 4 x 1,000 ANM .65 at 1937:30 hours from 16,300 feet by H.2.S. with very clear picture. At approximately 1936:20 hours, one stick of flares ignited just before our flares. Red/Green T.L.s were first markers seen in centre of flares which were concentrated over area of 1 1/2 miles. Lots of smoke rising to 1,000 to 2,000 feet. A spot fire (be- lieved good) seen North of town which attracted some bombing. Attack seemed exceedingly good. Flares and markers and bombs all concentrated. Landed base.	
	'D' ED 616	J.28523 P/O Eise J., J.36385 P/O H.D. Egge, J.35235 P/O Davy H.D., R.181091 P/O Base C.E., R.148282 SGT J.R. Ryan, R.24717 SGT Mathieu J.G. R.116027 SGT Devitt J.H. Bombload: 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars Cap-6, 1 x 4,000 HB Mk-1 W/L, 15 x 500 GP ED .CRS.	J.H.	1742	2150	'D' ILLUMINATION: Very hazy with poor visibility. 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars Cap-6 dropped at 1935:00 hours from 18,300 feet and 1 x 4,000 HB Mk-1 and 15 x 500 GP dropped at 1935:25 hours from 18,300 feet by H.2.S. with a very good picture. On approach, saw Red and Green T.L.s and some illumination flares. The haze to assess bombing which was sparse. Some illumination flares were approximately 5 miles short of target. Did not consider attack very good as there was very little bombing although the markers ap- peared well placed judged by our H.2.S. run. Landed base.	

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Oct. 15/16, 1944.	Bombardier III No. 452	J. 13468 P/L Ellison T., J. 24697 P/O Charley W.A., J. 26644 P/O McKinnon D., RAV/1365052 P/S Henderson R.G., R. 212187 P/S Stone R.S., R. 210578 P/S Stevens K.A., RAV/1822274 SGT McFall A. Bombardier (Same as 'D').		1743	2149	Bombing Attack On "HANGAISSHAVEN" (Continued) "C" - BOMB MARKER - Considerable haze and horizontal visibility poor but vertical visibility moderate. Bombed on H.2.B. at 1949:06 hours from 18,000 feet. On approach saw Red and Green T.L.s burning on ground. On arrival, found Red and Green T.L.s in a good concentration, with heavy bombing on and close around them. The Reds and Greens were well mixed but cannot say whether R.T.L.s or not. On run out, saw others on East side of the Jade. 1 x 4 flares Red/Yellow brought back owing to T.L.s seen. Landed base. "U" - BOMB ILLUMINATION - Very haze with poor visibility. Bombed on H.2.B. 10 x 4 flares dropped at 1946:30 hours from 18,000 feet and 1 x 1,000 AMM 65 dropped at 1946:52 hours from 18,000 feet. On flares appeared to be second stick down. At 1940 hours, Red/Green T.L.s were first markers down. At 1940:36 and 1942:16 hours, Green T.L.s ascended. At 1943 hours, a cluster of Red T.L.s ascended. Illumination flares appeared to be concentrated and markers were in centre of flare concentration. Too early to assess bombing. No sky-marking seen. Landed base.	A-177
Oct. 19/20, 1944.	No. 180	RAV/28728 W/O E.A. Dawson, "DGO, DCO", RAV/430473 W/O Fitzhery S.H., J. 22294 P/L Crawford K., RAV/138847 P/S E.C. Dale, "DIMP", RAV/427639 W/O Sadler H.G., R. 18867 P/O Taylor R.G., RAV/1583517 SGT Hart H.R. Bombardier 1 x 1,000 AMM Yellow Stars, 2 1/2 x 2 Red T.L. Green, 1 x 4,000 HE Minol H/L, 6 x 1,000 AMM 50 H/L.		2226	0400	Bombing Attack On "STUTTGART" - A/P "R" - 26 A/O DESTROYED "C" - BOMB MARKER - 10/10 cloud, tops 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 0057:45 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. run checked by H.2.B. fix on Forstheim. Good results on etc. Northwest of Stuttgart clearly picked up. No illumination flares seen. On Wangania flares were first to fall. Red glow seen below cloud. Early bombing appeared to be scattered North to South. At 0058 hours, other Red/Yellow flares commenced to fall, semisimultaneously and well concentrated. One big explosion seen at 0057 hours. 4 T.L.s Green brought back owing to 10/10th's cloud. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "B" - BOMB MARKER - 10/10 cloud, tops 8 to 10,000 feet. Bombed at 0200:06 hours from 18,500 feet by G.P.L. datum Forstheim, with good H.2.B. check on Stuttgart. Glow of fires on cloud seen on run in, slightly to starboard of track. On arrival, found a good cluster of Wangania over North part of rather extensive glow of believed fires. No bomb flares seen beneath cloud. 3 x 1,000 AMM 50 attached 1825 H. 0910 E. at 0223 hours from 18,000 feet, owing to haze up. 4 x T.L. Green brought back owing to haze up. Landed base. Photograph attempted.	A-178
	No. 477	J. 26658 P/L Herbert R.G., J. 26656 P/L Edson F.A., J. 27348 P/O Gordon M.H., RAV/128068 P/O West L.P., J. 26662 P/O Allard B.L., RAV/1890041 P/S Crisp R., RAV/1121760 P/S Oldham H.R., J. 2548 P/L Payne H.L., Sgt Elliot. Bombardier (Same as 'C').		2227	0338		

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Oct 19/20, 1944	LANCASTER III *H* EB 229	L.2980 P/L Burnard L.H., J.20252 P/O Ryan G.C., J.23154 P/O Nicholl G.F., RAY/1575171 SGT Cox G., J.18839 P/O R. Hill, RAY/1674132 SGT O'Hanlon L.J.S., RAY/125457 P/S Messinger T.J. Rebloaded: (Same as 'G').		2229	0545	Bombing Attack On * STUTTGART - A/P *H* (Continued) *H* - BLIND MARKING - 10/10 stratus cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed at 0100 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. run from Florida. Saw from distance at 0057 hours, cluster of four Wengami flares followed by two more Wengami flares. Some Wengami flares fell into cloud and some burned out before reaching cloud. Flashes of bombing seen through cloud in fair concentration. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	A-178
	G EB 451	J.13468 P/L Ellison T., J.26497 P/O Charley W.A., J.26648 P/O MacKinnon D. RAY/1365082 P/S Henderson R.G., R.212287 P/S Stone R.S., R.210078 P/S Stevens R.L., RAY/1825274 SGT McFall A. Rebloaded: 10 x G.P. No. 3 at 1,000 feet; 45 W/L.		2223	0536	*G* - BLIND ILLUMINATION - 10/10 cloud, tops 15,000 feet. Bombed at 0052:45 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. run checked by H.2.S. fix on Florida. Northwest part of town of Stuttgart clearly seen on H.2.S. Estimated that the glow of fires seen below cloud from previous raid covered Eastern part of town. No illumination flares down. Dropped own and at 0054 hours, red/yellow flares started and went down in continuous stream until 0100 hour when there appeared to be a gap for 2 or 3 minutes. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	A ED 524	J.19726 P/O McDonald J.W., J.14660 P/O House K.G., J.27588 P/O Whetter R.J.C., R.162557 P/O Lee C.H., R.210060 P/S Fyne D.H., J.22104 P/O Crowe G.H., RAY/2201790 SGT Burgess J. Rebloaded: (Same as 'G').		2222	0532	*A* - BLIND ILLUMINATION - 3/10 thin cloud at 16,000 feet. Bombed at 0057:54 hours from 17,000 feet by G.P.L. Approach saw some illumination flares down. Dropped load, including illumination flares. One lot of Red and Yellow T.L.s at 0055:54 hours, fell alongside illumination flares. Nothing seen on ground. Wengami flares well centered and bursting above cloud. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	D ED 616	J.28523 P/O Stee J., J.56325 P/O H.D. Bagg, J.35583 P/O Davy H.D., R.185436 P/S House G.T., R.128288 SGT Ryan J., R.54717 SGT Mathis J.C., R.118287 SGT Davitt J.K. Rebloaded: (Same as 'G').		2221	0530	*D* - BLIND ILLUMINATION - 10/10 cloud at 15,000 feet. Bombed at 0053:24 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. run through 10/10 cloud, glow seen below at target from previous raid on A/P *D*. 0057:30 hours, sky markers dropped and steadily for next ten minutes. Reflection of bomb bursts could be seen on cloud, all fairly concentrated. 10 x G.P. No. 3 dropped over Stuttgart at 0058 hours from 18,100 feet when aircraft hit by heavy flak. Slight damage to aircraft. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	F EB 382	J.13845 P/S Smith H., J.22433 P/S B. Davies, RAY/152653 P/S Woods G.H., RAY/136259 P/S O'Holea T., R.188288 P/S McEwen A.R.H., J.17226 P/O J.F. Kelly, G156-A P/S Bishop A.W. Rebloaded: (Same as 'G').		2220	0529	*F* - BLIND MARKING - 10/10 cloud, tops 10,000 feet; base 7,000 feet. Bombed at 0100 hours from 18,000 feet by G.P.L. run with H.2.S. check from Florida. Approach and Northwest of Stuttgart picked up well on set. In run in the sticks of Red/Yellow flares fell. Dropped own load and Green T.L.s disappeared into cloud. Four lots of XXXXX Red/Yellow flares followed then a gap in marking. Approximately one minute gap in marking during which time many bombs appeared to undershoot glow beneath cloud. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	

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Oct. 23, 20, 1944.	Bombardier III "J" EB 113	J.26361 P/O V.T. Woods, "TFC", J.29583 P/O FISHER R.G., J.27458 P/O Sillars E.J., J.68679 P/O Evans J.A., J.38160 P/O Karlovicz J.B., J.38238 P/O Beckley D.J., RAF/1097683 SGT Williams S.J., J.18799 P/O Rowe C.J. Bombload:- 4 EB & 4 Ord. T.L. Red, 1 x 4,000 HG Minol N/L.		2253	0558	Bombing Attack On STUTTGART (Continued) "J" VISUAL OBSERVATION:- 10/10 cloud at 7,000 feet. Bombed at 0014:45 hours from 10,000 feet by G.P.L. GAIN PROBABLY with good H.Z.S. check on Stuttgart. On approach, saw two strings of illumination flares running from several miles West of target to the target area. On arrival, found smoke rate orange glow on cloud slightly South of our track. No markers seen. 4 Ord. 4-1 L.B. 2-3 Red brought back owing to no T.L.s seen. Camera did not turn over and photo-flash hung up. Landed base.	A-178
	"T" EB 516	J.6389 P/L D.J. Macgregor, "P.F.C.", RAF/113555 P/L Williams J.W., RAF/160161 P/L Bennett R.A. R/1767 P/O Beckle J., J.19058 P/O Coates G.B., RAF/181088 P/O Beaman G.O., RAF/142085 P/O W.T. Trotman, "D.F.M.", Bombload:- 2 EB & 4 Ord. T.L. Red, 1 x 4,000 HG Minol N/L.		2225	0534	"T" PRIMARY VISUAL MARKERS:- 10/10 cloud, tops 12,000 feet. Bombed at 0059 hours from 14,800 feet by H.Z.S. On first run no sky or ground markers seen. Overcast target and orbited and made second run. Dropped bombs only on H.Z.S. slightly North of 4-4-3 flares Red/Yellow which were well concentrated and falling in good succession. No T.L.s seen. First Wanganui flares seen at 0056 hours, approximately. Believed reflection of a few incendiaries seen through thinner parts of cloud. No Wanganui flares visible at 0100 hours approximately, but bombing was still going on in estimated target area. All T.L.s brought back owing to timing point not identified. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"Y" ED 855	J.66351 P/O Coogan F.C., R.15848 P/O Williams E.G., J.26351 P/O McInnes G. R.168749 P/O Wolf T.S.C., J.68939 P/O Donaldson J.D., RAF/183432 P/S Kitto B., R/1583015 P/S Dunthorpe K., J.19487 P/O McInnes S.A. Bombload:- (Same as "J").		2251	0548	"Y" VISUAL OBSERVATION:- 10/10 clouds cloud, tops 12,000 feet. Bombed at 0101:30 hours from 10,500 feet by G.P.L. run checked by H.Z.S. FIX on Flares. ILLUMINATION flares seen from good distance away below cloud. Good H.Z.S. run checked O.K. with position of red/yellow flares seen falling at 0102 hours. Other Wanganui flares went down at 0103 hours approximately one mile South. Retained T.L.s. 0105:06 hours, big explosion seen beneath cloud. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"G" EB 402	J.66050 P/O J.R. Coffey, "TFC", J.24725 P/O R.J. Payne, "D.F.C.", J.69033 P/O Dingwall M.R., J.86032 P/O Butherton R.A., R.116556 SGT Hart K. J.86051 P/O McWhirter R.E., R/183093 P/O Willoughby D.H.G. Bombload:- (Same as "G").		2220	0544	"G" VISUAL OBSERVATION:- 10/10 cloud, tops 8 to 10,000 feet. Bombed at 0053:30 hours from 12,300 feet by G.P.L. GAIN PROBABLY with very good H.Z.S. check on Stuttgart. Glow of fires seen on cloud over target area thirty miles away. On arrival, no markers were seen, but the glow of a few flares or searchlights seen on cloud slightly South of our track and the Wanganui which followed. 0056 hours, first Wanganui. Others followed until about eight clusters were burning, all well concentrated. These had burned out by about 0105 hours and nothing was seen after that. Plenty of bomb flashes seen beneath Wanganui and after they had gone out. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	

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Oct. 19/20, 1944.	Encounter III "G" EB 253	J.15501 P/L Weicker W.J.L., RAF/18975 P/O New End, S.2778 P/O Maxwell J., J.27927 P/O Goddard R.S., RAF/155017 P/O Ross E., RAF/1221011 W/O R.W. Bainworth, "DM", G.88223 P/O Vids W. Bombload: - 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars, 1 x 4,000 LB. M61 M/L, M x 500 GP ID .025.	J.L., RAF/18975	2234	0357	Bombing Attack On "STUTTGART" (Continued) "G" BLIND SKY MARKER: - 10/10 cloud, tops 10 to 12,000 feet. Bombed at 0209 hours from 20,000 feet by G.P.L. run, datum Frankfurt, but G.P.L. was set up incorrectly and our H.2.S. check on Stuttgart put us 1 to 2 miles North of our G.P.L. track. On run in, flares red/yellow ignited ahead and flares were also seen burning at 0210 hours approx- imately. We bombed near the North extremity of this line East of Wagram. An extensive glow seen on about a few miles East of Wagram. There were plenty of bomb flashes below the Wagram, with a prolonged purplish explosion about 0210:15 hours. 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars brought back owing to faulty G.P.L. run. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "G" BLIND SKY MARKER: - 10/10 cloud at 12,000 feet. Bombed at 0207:30 hours from 18,000 feet on our Wagram flares. Approaching on G.P.L. run, G.P.L. went w/s. Saw Wagram flare and bombed on that. H.2.S., which was par- tially w/s, showed Stuttgart U.K. based on latitude line to target G.K. 1 x 500 GP ID .025 brought back owing to hang up. 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "W" VISUAL CHECKER: - 10/10 cloud, tops 6,000 feet. Bombed at 0208 hours from 18,000 feet on 2 or 3 Wagram flares. Approaching, saw Wagram flares 10 miles ahead, ran in and bombed. No ground detail seen, and only glow on cloud of Wagram flares which fell into cloud and some burned out above cloud. Only flash of bombs seen on cloud. 1 Red T.I. brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "R" BLIND HEADING: - 10/10 cloud, tops 15,000 feet, base 6,000 feet. Bombed at 0203:12 hours from 18,000 feet on G.P.L. run checked by H.2.S. fix on Frankfurt. North- West part of Stuttgart picked up well on H.2.S. Good check on G.P.L. Many fires from previous attack were burn- ing. All bomber flares went down on our run in, and dis- appeared into cloud. Retained own flares. Lot of bombing seen covering large area. 0208 hours, Wagram flares red/ yellow started falling and at 0208 hours, marking appeared to finish. Photograph attempted. Landed base. 10 x G.P.L. No. 3 brought back owing to 10/10 cloud.	A-178
	EB 525	J.19451 P/O Webb C.W., J.23170 P/O Paister V.F., J.29571 P/L Hiscott R.W., R.26997 P/O Bowe G., R.281500 P/O McFarland E.J., R.208215 SGT Scarffe C.R., RAF/157610 SGT Whitehouse J.H. Bombload: - (Same as "G").	J.23170 P/O	2234	0351	Bombed at 0207:30 hours from 18,000 feet on our Wagram flares. Approaching on G.P.L. run, G.P.L. went w/s. Saw Wagram flare and bombed on that. H.2.S., which was par- tially w/s, showed Stuttgart U.K. based on latitude line to target G.K. 1 x 500 GP ID .025 brought back owing to hang up. 1 x 4 Red/Yellow Stars brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "W" VISUAL CHECKER: - 10/10 cloud, tops 6,000 feet. Bombed at 0208 hours from 18,000 feet on 2 or 3 Wagram flares. Approaching, saw Wagram flares 10 miles ahead, ran in and bombed. No ground detail seen, and only glow on cloud of Wagram flares which fell into cloud and some burned out above cloud. Only flash of bombs seen on cloud. 1 Red T.I. brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "R" BLIND HEADING: - 10/10 cloud, tops 15,000 feet, base 6,000 feet. Bombed at 0203:12 hours from 18,000 feet on G.P.L. run checked by H.2.S. fix on Frankfurt. North- West part of Stuttgart picked up well on H.2.S. Good check on G.P.L. Many fires from previous attack were burn- ing. All bomber flares went down on our run in, and dis- appeared into cloud. Retained own flares. Lot of bombing seen covering large area. 0208 hours, Wagram flares red/ yellow started falling and at 0208 hours, marking appeared to finish. Photograph attempted. Landed base. 10 x G.P.L. No. 3 brought back owing to 10/10 cloud.	
	"W" EB 550	J.25956 P/O McLaughlin D.A., J.27491 P/O Small R. W. P., RAF/157432 P/O G.L. Watts, RAF/1152027 W/O Thom A.L., J.28097 P/O Harper K.A.T., J.28072 P/O Hunt P.F., RAF/55204 P/O Forsythe R. J.28892 P/O Gilbert G.L. Bombload: - (Same as "W").	J.27491	2230	0346	Bombed at 0208 hours from 18,000 feet on 2 or 3 Wagram flares. Approaching, saw Wagram flares 10 miles ahead, ran in and bombed. No ground detail seen, and only glow on cloud of Wagram flares which fell into cloud and some burned out above cloud. Only flash of bombs seen on cloud. 1 Red T.I. brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "R" BLIND HEADING: - 10/10 cloud, tops 15,000 feet, base 6,000 feet. Bombed at 0203:12 hours from 18,000 feet on G.P.L. run checked by H.2.S. fix on Frankfurt. North- West part of Stuttgart picked up well on H.2.S. Good check on G.P.L. Many fires from previous attack were burn- ing. All bomber flares went down on our run in, and dis- appeared into cloud. Retained own flares. Lot of bombing seen covering large area. 0208 hours, Wagram flares red/ yellow started falling and at 0208 hours, marking appeared to finish. Photograph attempted. Landed base. 10 x G.P.L. No. 3 brought back owing to 10/10 cloud.	
	"R" EB 433	J.26652 P/O Maloney L.B., J.25740 P/O Muller L.H., R.158073 P/O St. Pierre A. R.205460 P/O Stone T.A., RAF/659002 P/O Price W., R.147025 P/O Foster A.H. RAF/2211605 P/O Hillier E. Bombload: - (Same as "R").	J.25740 P/O	2230	0342	Bombed at 0208 hours from 18,000 feet on 2 or 3 Wagram flares. Approaching, saw Wagram flares 10 miles ahead, ran in and bombed. No ground detail seen, and only glow on cloud of Wagram flares which fell into cloud and some burned out above cloud. Only flash of bombs seen on cloud. 1 Red T.I. brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base. "R" BLIND HEADING: - 10/10 cloud, tops 15,000 feet, base 6,000 feet. Bombed at 0203:12 hours from 18,000 feet on G.P.L. run checked by H.2.S. fix on Frankfurt. North- West part of Stuttgart picked up well on H.2.S. Good check on G.P.L. Many fires from previous attack were burn- ing. All bomber flares went down on our run in, and dis- appeared into cloud. Retained own flares. Lot of bombing seen covering large area. 0208 hours, Wagram flares red/ yellow started falling and at 0208 hours, marking appeared to finish. Photograph attempted. Landed base. 10 x G.P.L. No. 3 brought back owing to 10/10 cloud.	
	"R" EB 185	J.10322 P/L Vann G.C.J., J.20708 P/O Spencer R.A., J.28227 P/O Roucher E. R.15403 P/O White P.F., R.214700 P/O Morgan L.V., R.22222 P/O Robinson G. RAF/180058 P/O Kerr A.L.S., J.18394 P/O Maiter L.V. Bombload: - (Same as "R").	J.20708 P/O	2235	0356	"R" VISUAL CHECKER: - 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud, tops 16,000 feet. Bombed at 0106 hours from 18,000 feet on cen- tre of concentration of Wagram flares. H.2.S. and Gee poor. Able to get a fix on Karlsruhe and Saarbrücken. Not good enough for bombing run so came in on D.R. 0101 hours, three lots of red/yellow Wagram flares went down. Bombed centre of concentration. Owing to a technical failure, four of our Red T.I. stopped. Big glow beneath cloud appeared to cover an area one mile diameter. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	

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Oct. 23rd, 1944	Lancaster III "B" FB 477	J. 85050 P/O Herbert R.G., J. 20256 P/O Edon F.A., J. 87548 P/O Gardno M.B., RAF/188548 P/O Green L.F., J. 8906-2 P/O Allard B.L., RAF/189041 P/S R.A. Crissy, RAF/1421760 P/S Orland R.R., R.186399 SGT Prince H.K.		1705	2122	Bombing Attack On "BUNNICH" 15 Aircraft Detailed. "B" VISUAL CHECKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed at 1938 hours from 20,000 feet on three Mangani Green-Flares. Ten minutes from target, saw Red flare which had burned out on arrival. Green flare fell at target at 1934 hours, dying out. One more green fell, which was bombed. Some greens fell to starboard just at bombing. Seemed fairly concentrated raid. S.T.L. Green brought back owing to Red down. Landed base.	A-179
	"C" FB 451	J.13468 P/L Ellison T., J. 24697 P/O Quarty W.A., J. 26648 P/O McKinnon D. RAF/155082 P/S Henderson R.G., R. 21287 P/S Deane T.S., R. 210576 P/S Stevens F.A., RAF/1815276 SGT McNeill A. Bombload:- 1 x 4 Flares Green, 1 x 4,000 HC Minol H/L, 6 x 2,000 ANM -59 H/L, 4 x 500 GP ID .035.		1701	2140	"C" BLIND SKY MARKER & MASTER BOMBER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 5,000 feet. Bombed at 1929:56 hours from 15,000 feet on G.P.L. Bom. No orders given by Master Bomber - not neces- sary. 10/10 cloud at target at 5,000 feet but clear above. Flares seemed continuous. Some T.L. Green seen while bom- bing, ascending into cloud. On leaving, three Green Mangani and one White and two Red at 1955 hours approximately, seen all down at same time and fair concentration. Flares Green hung up and accidentally dropped out at 2042 H. 0212 S. at 2045 hours, at 4,000 feet, when bomb doors opened to get TIA of 1,000 lb. bomb which also hung up. "LIVE UP" nearly all way out and home. Owing to hang up of 1,000 lb. bomb, came down to see sea to jettison, and had carburetor icing (2 inner engines lost power). Bomb fell off to W. Fired off colours and saw several other aircraft firing colours when crossing coast. Landed base.	
	"D" ND 616	J. 28523 P/O Tite J., J. 36325 P/O Biggs H.D., J. 35523 P/O Davy H.D., R. 183486 P/S Thase G.T., R. 18282 SGT Ryan J. R. 5477 SGT Mathew J.C., R. 118817 SGT Dewitt J.E., J. 19097 P/O McKenna A.S. Bombload:- (Same as "B").		1706	2119	"D" VISUAL CHECKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 5 to 10,000 feet Bombed at 1940:52 hours from 19,500 feet on "cocked hat" of 3 Mangani Flares Green. Approaching, at 1930 hours, approx- imately, one Red Flare near landing point which died out be- fore arrival. Green Mangani Flare fell, followed by two more and bombed Green. Approximately 1938 hours, good con- centration seen reflected on cloud. 1950 hours approximat- ely, 5 Red Flares down together and no other results seen. 3 Green T.L. brought back owing to no hits down. Landed base.	
	"E" FB 229	J. 27859 P/O Friedman L.A., J. 28216 P/O Robertson J.D., R. 164876 SGT Smith R. R. 186182 SGT Banton I.D., R. 248561 P/S McDermott T.L., RAF/158610 P/O Proctor S.J., "BUNNICH" RAF/1880196 SGT Proctor P.L.V. Bombload:- (Same as "B").		1707	2126	"E" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 10 to 12,000 feet with good visibility. Bombed at 1942:06 hours from 20,000 feet on scattered two Green Flares. 1957 hours, approx- imately, rather scattered Red Flares ahead, followed by Green flares in same place and others off to East. On arrival, found two Green Flares fairly close together. Bombed between them. 1957 hours approximately, Red T.L.s ascended into cloud in target area. Moderate fire glow on clouds after leaving. 2 x 1 Flares Green brought back owing to H.2.S. W/L. Landed base.	

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Oct. 23rd, 1944.	Lancaster III "J" EB 113	J. 36361 P/O V.T. Woods, "MTC", J. 29583 P/O Fisher R.H., J. 27458 P/O Bakhorst W.J., J. 88479 P/O Lomas J. J. 36160 P/O Karlsruh J.B., J. 88138 P/O Beckley D.J., RAJ/1897805 SER S.J. Williams, J. 18799 P/O Rowe G.J. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1700	2100	Bombing/Attack On "ESSEN" (Continued) "J" * VISUAL OBSERV:- 10/10 cloud, tops 3,000 feet with good visibility. Bombed at 1932 hours from 20,000 feet on G.P.L. with good run from datum (Dusseldorf), checked within 20 seconds by Gee. At 1929 hours approximately, one Red Flare ahead in target area, at about 10,000 feet. On arrival, no sky or ground markers seen. No results observed. At 1934 to 1935 hours approximately, one red flare astern in target area. At 1937 hours approximately, one Green Flare astern in target area. All T.L.s retained owing to no T.L. Red seen. Landed base.	A-179
	"O" EB 233	J. 15301 P/L Weicker W.J.L., RAJ/183754 P/O New R.J., J. 27276 P/O Maxwell J., J. 27927 P/O Goddard R.S., RAJ/1550317 W/O Hobbs R., RAJ/1321011 W/O Hainsworth R.W., "MTC", G. 86225 P/O Vins W.E., J. 5540 P/L Payne H.L. 2nd Pilot. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1704	2118	"O" * BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 8 to 10,000 feet with good visibility. Bombed at 1936 hours from 20,000 feet on G.P.L. with good run from datum, Dusseldorf. At 1928 hours, one Red Flare ahead. At 1930 hours, another Red Flare. At 1932 hours approximately, Green Flare followed by others in good succession. As we bombed one Green flare lay about 1,000 yards to West. After bombing, several clus- ters of Green and Red Flares seen in good concentration and several Red Flares cascaded into cloud below the Wanganui. Daisy Red T.L.s (deep purplish red; fewer candles than ours) at 1938 hours approximately, believed fired from ground, one South of target and two North of target. Glow of fire seen on cloud. 1 x 1,000 AMM 59 hung up and brought back. Landed base.	
	"U" EB 513	J. 24894 P/O Entwistle J.W., J. 29854 P/O Makin W.A., RAJ/25920 W/O Shepherd R. J. 27791 P/O Blair T.J., RAJ/193903 P/B Mayer W.P., RAJ/179603 P/S Omer G., RAJ/180058 P/B Kerr A.E.S., J. 191402 P/O Wilson G.L. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1656	2057	"U" * VISUAL OBSERV:- 10/10 cloud layer from 4 to 5,000 feet. Bombed at 1927:18 hours from 20,000 feet on G.P.L. run datum Dusseldorf. No markers down, so retained Green T.L.s and 15 seconds after bombing, saw one Red Wanganui Flare fall immediately astern, followed by continuous line of Red and Green sky markers. Consider bombing was spread over 10 mile area. All T.L.s brought back owing to no Red T.L.s seen, and 10/10 cloud. Landed base.	
	"M" EB 505	J. 19654 P/O Webb C.W., J. 25170 P/O V. Painter, J. 89782 P/O Young G.A., R. 16971 W/O Rowe G., RAJ/252500 P/B R. McFarland, R. 200615 SER Scarffe G.E. RAJ/187610 SER Whitehouse J.R. Bombload: (Same as "O").		1702	2131	"M" * BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 clouds, tops 12,000 feet. Bombed at 1933:28 hours from 19,500 feet on G.P.L. datum Dusseldorf. At 1936 hours, one Red Wanganui Flare seen, dropped on G.P.L. run and own flares went down approxima- tely 1 mile southwest of first Red. 1941 hours, on turning, seven flares ignited, followed by Red T.L.s. At 1942 hours, which cascaded into centre of green flares. 1942:30 hours, Red Flare fell. All flares and T.L.s appeared to be well concentrated. 3 or 4 big explosions noticed but bombing was not very heavy. Landed base.	

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Oct. 23rd, 1944	Lancaster III "H" EB 550	J.25956 P/O McLaughlin D.A., J.27491 P/O Small L.V.J., RAB/1527439 W/O G.L. White, RAB/1152827 W/O Ross A.L., J.28097 P/O Harper K.A.T., J.28072 P/O Hunt P.F., RAB/55901 P/O Partridge R.A. J.28892 P/O Gilbert G.L. Bombload: (Same as "B").		1657	2112	Bombing Attack On "BISSET" (Continued) "H" = VISUAL CENTER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed at 1950:50 hours from 20,000 feet on one Red Wanganui Flare. 1952 hours, one Red Wanganui Flare seen. One H.2.S. and G.P.L. w/s no lead Gas check on Rhein chain. Release Point, estimated red flare was abnormally placed as headed it. Flare burned out as bombs went. Remained Green T.L.s and at 1952 hours, one Green Flare seen and from 1957 hours on run out, four reds and 4 or 5 Green went down all well concentrated. Very little bombing seen. All T.L.s brought back owing to no Red T.L.s seen. Landed base. "G" = SUPPORT:- 10/10 cloud, tops 4 or 5,000 feet. Bombed at 1950:30 hours from 19,500 feet on one Red Flare seen to ignite at 1952 hours. At 1959 hours, One Red Flare ignited slightly to starboard at about 10,000 feet. Bombed it. At 1931:30 hours approximately, one Green Flare eastern followed shortly after by several reds in good concentration. No T.L.s seen. Landed base.	A-179
	"H" EB 516	J.25776 P/O Dix W.F., J.26916 P/O G.L. Lindsay, J.26091 P/O Fraser E.H., R.135731 P/S Smith G.S., R.283168 P/S Barber H.V. R.287015 P/S Service G.D. RAB/1894697 SGT Page A.J.A., O.28925 P/O Jackson E.H. Bombload: 1 x 4,000 HD Minol. H/L 5 x 1,000 ANU 59 SD .025. 4 x 500 GP M. .025.		1653	2116	"V" = VISUAL CENTER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 8 to 10,000 feet. Bombed at 1954:18 hours from 20,000 feet between two Green Flares approximately 100 yards apart. At 1929 hours, one Red Flare seen, position checked well with G.P.L. run. At 1932 hours, 2 Greens fell on either side of Red which extinguished at 1933 hours, so bombed between the two Green Flares. These were about 200 yards apart. Saw many photo flashes. At 1942 hours, one Red T.L. cascaded below the Green Flares. All T.L.s brought back owing to no Red T.L.s seen. Landed base. "E" = SUPPORT:- 10/10 cloud, tops 6,000 feet. Bombed at 1928:35 hours from 20,200 feet on G.P.L. datum Busseldorf. Saw one Red T.L. 5 minutes before bombing at 1925 hours approximately, at cloud top, away to starboard 5 miles, possibly decoy. Made good G.P.L. run and check Gas and H.S.R. Only reflected red glow seen below cloud. Landed base. "H" = SUPPORT:- 10/10 cloud, tops 5 or 6,000 feet. Bombed at 1923:10 hours from 20,000 feet on one Red Flare seen to ignite at 1927 hours approximately. At 1927 hours approximately, one red flare ignited ahead at about 8 or 9,000 feet and we bombed it. On way out, several Greens and Reds seen astern. Only bomb flashes seen. Landed base.	
	"V" HD 855	J.10122 P/L Vann G.O.J., J.20706 P/O Spencer R.A., J.28287 P/O Couchay E. R.145809 W/O White H.F., R.211700 P/S Macrae L.W., R.228282 P/S Robinson G. RAB/1883963 SGT Church W.S. J.188394 P/O Macfar L.H. Bombload: (Same as "B").		1705	2125		
	"H" EB 183	J.28134 P/O Hartley G.E., J.29328 P/O Dennis J.E., J.29700 P/O Knox-Leist E. R.187543 P/S Chevalier H.G., J.58289 P/O Kneutner P.H., R.188266 P/A A.J. Williams, RAB/1836540 SGT Williams W. Bombload: (Same as "B").		1654	2056		
	"H" EB 402	R.1639 P/L Russell G.H., RAB/1684789 SGT Pasquet E.L., RAB/1587108 SGT R. Young, RAB/158320 P/O Woodans P.J., J.18034 P/O Mellstrom M.L., J.28051 P/O S.P.A.A. Florence, "JEN" RAB/2137773 SGT Ryan D., RAB/154601 P/O Dooley J.P. Bombload: (Same as "H").		1654	2110		
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Oct. 23rd, 1944	Manchester III "K" EB 412	J.28082 P/O Gremier R.A., J.36833 P/O Stear R.E., R.158333 P/O Allan R.E., J.48568 P/O Bentley R.E., R.154858, P/O Gray J.C., R.178473 P/O Stroh K. R.A./R.95640 SGT Duke R.E.		1658	2109	Bombing Attack on "ESSCH" (Continued) "K" = SUPERVISOR:- 10/10 stratus cloud, tops 3,000 feet. Bombed at 1929:06 hours from 20,500 feet, on G.P.I. Arriving saw one red to starboard with one or two others. Nothing else seen at bombing. On leaving, small amount of activity seen and appeared concentrated. Landed base.	A-129
	"X" EB 982	J.29628 P/O R.B. Maxwell, "C.C.M." J.29856 P/O Ingham R.S., J.29617 P/O Cuthbert R.W., J.29709 P/O Peasby J.E., R.22442 P/O Allan D., J.29656 P/O R. Chisholm, R.A./R.33144 SGT Jones H.		1655	2121	"X" = SUPERVISOR:- 10/10 cloud, tops 6,000 feet approxi- mately. Bombed at 1938:45 hours from 19,000 feet on H.2.S. Nothing seen on arrival. Sky Markers and flashes from 4,000 lb. bombs was only activity seen, fairly concentrated. Landed base.	
Oct. 25th, 1944	"B" EB 477	J.29050 P/O Herbert R.G., J.29236 P/O Edon F.A., J.27548 P/O Gurno H.E., R.A./R.28662 P/O Dean L.E., J.29062 P/O Allard R.L., R.A./R.29001 P/O Gandy R. R.A./R.28760 P/O Chisholm R.E.		1346	1719	Bombing Attack on "HERRIG" - 16 Aircraft Detailed. (Dark) A-120 "B" = BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud with tops 8 to 10,000 feet. Bombed at 1555:18 hours from 17,500 feet on centre of cluster of 3 Green Flares. At 1553 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb sky markers", but did not see any and H.2.S. was 4/5 so exhibited and at 1547:36 hours, 3 Green Sky Markers went down. Bombed on these and another lot of Green fell immediately afterwards. Flares brought back owing to H.2.S. u/a. Landed base.	
	"Y" EB 222	J.13468 P/O Elliott R.A., J.24627 P/O Cusley R.A., J.26644 P/O McKinnon D. R.A./R.24632 P/O Henderson R.G., R.21257 P/O Stone R.S., R.21978 P/O Stewart F.A., R.A./R.28277 SGT McPhail A.		1350	1709	"Y" = BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 8 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1547:06 hours from 18,000 feet on G.E.I. run, datum Krefeld. Got fix on Krefeld too late to make a satisfactory run. No sky or ground markers seen before bombing. 1549 hours, smoke trails or believed Wanganui Flares over target. 1550 hours, smoke trails of believed Wanganui Flares, very scattered. Colour of Wanganui not observed. Flares brought back owing to S.P.I. run not good enough to drop. Landed base.	
	"A" EB 222 524	J.28923 P/O Sate J., J.36325 P/O H.D. Higgs, J.3523 P/O Davy H.D., R.18496 P/O Bruce G.E., R.24422 SGT Rysaki J., R.54717 SGT Mathies J.G., R.118817 SGT Devitt J.E.		1352	1710	"A" = BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 7 to 8,000 feet with visibility good above. Bombed at 1549 hours from 18,500 feet on D.R. and Got fix on Ruhr Gas Chain. No marking on arrival. Bombed on D.R. Four sky markers fell at approximately 1550 hours, astern. Saw lots of aircraft around and some bombed in front of us. 1 x 1,000 MG TD .025 rang up over target, so jettisoned safe (but exploded on impact) 15 miles outside target at 1553 hours from 15,000 feet. Flares brought back owing to H.2.S. u/a. Landed base.	

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Oct. 25th 1944	Lancaster III "C" NR 180	J.28186 P/O Hannah H.A., J.28702 P/O Cope J.L., RAB/127850 P/O G.A. Martin S.M., R.284553 P/S Burns J.C., R.202542 P/S Birds A.L., R.203991 P/S Perind R. RAB/186772 - 1st Officer Pilot Bombload:- 12000 lbs. (S.M. "B").		1354	1720	Bombing Attack On "HOMBERG" (Continued) "C" - BLIND SKY MARKER:- 9/10 cloud from 8 to 10,000 feet with good visibility above cloud. Bombed at 1550:43 hours from 18,200 feet on G.P.L. on bearing and distance from Krefeld. Two Wagonni flares seen at 1550 hours and these were approximately 1/2 mile North of the position where we dropped ours on G.P.L. Just as we bombed, two more sky flares fell 1/2 mile East of our position. No other marks. Landed base.	A-180
	"B" EB 982	J.27859 P/O Friedman L.A., J.28216 P/O Robertson J.D., R.166876 SGT S.D. Smith, R.285182 SGT Newton L.D., R.140568 P/S McDermott T.E., RAB/158610 P/O S.J. Proctor, "IPM", RAB/180029 SGT Thomas F.S.V. Bombload:- (Same as "B").		1356	1713	"B" - BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud at 10 to 12,000 feet. Bombed at 1552 hours from 18,500 feet on centre of 3 Green Flares. H.2.S. W/L. Ran up on "O" Lattice-Line and saw 3 Green flares, and consider they fell at 1550 hours. Unable to check position of flares seen so returned with all T.L.s. At 1552:30 hours, 3 lots of Green flares fell approximately one mile from first lot with very little other bombing seen. Landed base.	
	"A" EB 113	J.16361 P/O V.T. Woods, "D.F.G.", J.29583 P/O Fisher R.G., J.27458 P/O Gibchrist W.J., J.88879 P/O Kovacs J. J.38160 P/O Kerbaroux J.E., J.88138 P/O Beckley D.J., RAB/109768 SGT S.J. Williams, J.18799 P/O Rowe G.J. Bombload:- 8 Ord. W/L 128 YL Yellow "A", 1 x 4,000 lb. Bomb W/L.		1345	1700	"A" - PRIMARY VISUAL MARKER:- 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud at 6,900 feet. Bombed at 1542:24 hours from 18,000 feet on G.P.L. and with bearing and distance on Krefeld. At 15:45, heard Master Bomber give time check and ask Deputy if he could identify targets. No markers down so bombed on G.P.L. and retained yellow T.L.s. 1546 hours, Master Bom- ber told Main Force to bomb on sky-markers. On turn out, rear gunner saw trail of smoke from sky-markers but too indistinct to determine colour. All T.L.s brought back owing to 10/10 cloud and no other markers down. Landed base.	
	"A" EB 516	J.6389 P/L D.J. McQuaid, "D.F.G.", RAB/141555 P/L Gillis W.W., RAB/160161 P/L Howard W., J.17767 P/O Beckle J., J.19058 P/O Gehves G.E., RAB/28362 P/O J.D. Stannell, "D.F.M.", RAB/183088 P/O Bealman D.O., RAB/243885 P/L W.H. Freeman, "D.P.M.", Bombload:- 4 EB & 8 Ord T.L. Red "A", 1 x 4,000 lb. Bomb.		1342	1722	"A" - MASTER BOMBER:- 10/10 cloud, tops 12 to 14,000 feet. Bombed at 1543:20 hours from 17,000 feet on G.P.L. datum Krefeld. No markers seen before bombing at 1543:20 hours. From 1945 hours approximately, flares green fell at approx- imately one minute intervals with a gap from 1546 to 1548 hours, all rather scattered. Main Force came well in but bombing was scattered and at times very scattered. At 1550:30 hours, called Deputy. At 1540, asked Deputy if he could mark target. He replied "No". At 1543 to 1544:18, to Main Force "Bomb Sky-Markers". From 1545 to 1546:30 and to 1548 hours, to Main Force, "Bomb Sky-Markers or on good D.R.", From 1548:30 to 1549, to Main Force "Bomb sky-markers on correct heading". 1549:48, told Deputy to go home. 1550 to 1551 told Main Force "Bomb Sky-Markers" on correct heading". Some instructions from 1553 to 1553:30 hours. All T.L. brought back owing to 15/10 cloud not identified. Landed base. Aircraft slightly damaged by heavy flak over Homberg at 1543 hours, flying at 17,000 feet.	

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Oct 25th, 1944	Lancaster III 'X' PA 965	J.28045 P/L Smith H., J.22135 P/L D.F. Bayles, RAF/152651 P/S Woods G.L., RAF/1156259 P/S O'Toole T., E.188288 P/S McLeenan A.E.H., J.17926 P/O J.F. Kelly, G.56-A P/S Bishop A.W. Bombload:- (Same as 'B').	J.22135 P/L D.F.	1349	1701	Bombing Attack on "BUNDESS" (Continued) "X" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud tops 12,000 feet with poor visibility. Bombed at 1545:30 hours from 18,000 feet on E.T.A. combined with D.R. run on RMR Gee Chain. No marking seen at all on run in. Bombed on E.T.A. and D.R. After bombing, saw 2 or 3 wanganui flares some distance away. Saw other aircraft around. Master Bomber said "Bomb sky markers on good D.R.". He repeated this at intervals. Landed base. "G" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud tops 6 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1547:56 hours from 18,000 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. At 1557 hours, Master Bomber heard and he said "Bomb sky markers". Forty seconds before end of very good G.P.I. run, saw 4 green flares fall in the line approximately 2,000 yards apart. Think they were accurately placed. Dropped own and saw our flares undershoot slightly between the two lots down. 1548 hours, 5 green flares fell together well centred. Colour of flares hard to discern in twilight. Bombing rather scattered. Landed base. "F" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stretch cumulus cloud at 12,500 feet. Bombed at 1550:30 hours from 18,500 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. 1554 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb on good D.R. or sky markers". No sky markers down and noticed lot of scattered bombing. Think our own flares were first down. 1553 and 1557 hours, more greens fell, centred on burst. Landed base. "Y" BACKER UP:- 10/10 cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1544:12 hours from 18,500 feet on G.P.I. run with distance and bearing from Krefeld and track line check on Gee Chain. No markers down and several sky markers seen going down over base. Did G.P.I. run and bombed. Consider bombs went 1/2 mile East of estimated aiming point. No markers or other bombing seen. "X" "Y" brought back owing to 10/10 cloud and no other markers down. Landed base.	A-180
	'QA' EB 433	J.15301 P/L Weicker W.J.L., RAF/18975 P/O New E.J., J.27278 P/O McNeill J., J.27227 P/O Goddard R.S., RAF/1550517 P/O Robb H., RAF/1321011 P/O R.E. Hainsworth, "D.F.M.", G.88225 P/O Fine W.W. Bombload:- (Same as 'B').	J.18975 P/O	1351	1707	"G" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud tops 6 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1547:56 hours from 18,000 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. At 1557 hours, Master Bomber heard and he said "Bomb sky markers". Forty seconds before end of very good G.P.I. run, saw 4 green flares fall in the line approximately 2,000 yards apart. Think they were accurately placed. Dropped own and saw our flares undershoot slightly between the two lots down. 1548 hours, 5 green flares fell together well centred. Colour of flares hard to discern in twilight. Bombing rather scattered. Landed base. "F" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stretch cumulus cloud at 12,500 feet. Bombed at 1550:30 hours from 18,500 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. 1554 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb on good D.R. or sky markers". No sky markers down and noticed lot of scattered bombing. Think our own flares were first down. 1553 and 1557 hours, more greens fell, centred on burst. Landed base. "Y" BACKER UP:- 10/10 cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1544:12 hours from 18,500 feet on G.P.I. run with distance and bearing from Krefeld and track line check on Gee Chain. No markers down and several sky markers seen going down over base. Did G.P.I. run and bombed. Consider bombs went 1/2 mile East of estimated aiming point. No markers or other bombing seen. "X" "Y" brought back owing to 10/10 cloud and no other markers down. Landed base.	
	'B' EB 525	J.19654 P/O Webb G.W., J.23470 P/O Y. Rinter, J.89722 P/O Young G.L., E.169571 P/O Dora G., E.251900 P/S E. Hollisland, E.208619 SGT Seafre G.R., RAF/1876410 SGT Whitehouse J.E. Bombload:- (Same as 'B').	J.23470 P/O Y.	1353	1711	"G" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud tops 6 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1547:56 hours from 18,000 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. At 1557 hours, Master Bomber heard and he said "Bomb sky markers". Forty seconds before end of very good G.P.I. run, saw 4 green flares fall in the line approximately 2,000 yards apart. Think they were accurately placed. Dropped own and saw our flares undershoot slightly between the two lots down. 1548 hours, 5 green flares fell together well centred. Colour of flares hard to discern in twilight. Bombing rather scattered. Landed base. "F" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stretch cumulus cloud at 12,500 feet. Bombed at 1550:30 hours from 18,500 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. 1554 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb on good D.R. or sky markers". No sky markers down and noticed lot of scattered bombing. Think our own flares were first down. 1553 and 1557 hours, more greens fell, centred on burst. Landed base. "Y" BACKER UP:- 10/10 cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1544:12 hours from 18,500 feet on G.P.I. run with distance and bearing from Krefeld and track line check on Gee Chain. No markers down and several sky markers seen going down over base. Did G.P.I. run and bombed. Consider bombs went 1/2 mile East of estimated aiming point. No markers or other bombing seen. "X" "Y" brought back owing to 10/10 cloud and no other markers down. Landed base.	
	'V' EB 855	J.24822 P/L Mann G.L., J.20708 P/O Spencer R.A., J.25237 P/O Gouby R., E.215880 P/O White E.H., E.214300 P/S Harroun L.W., E.220282 P/S Robinson G., RAF/189596 SGT Church J., J.18194 P/O Walter L.J. Bombload:- 4 Ord. 54 12 11 Green 'A', 2 x 4,000 HC Hmlol N/L, 1 x 1,000 AN 59 TD 085.	J.20708 P/O	1340	1708	"G" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud tops 6 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1547:56 hours from 18,000 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. At 1557 hours, Master Bomber heard and he said "Bomb sky markers". Forty seconds before end of very good G.P.I. run, saw 4 green flares fall in the line approximately 2,000 yards apart. Think they were accurately placed. Dropped own and saw our flares undershoot slightly between the two lots down. 1548 hours, 5 green flares fell together well centred. Colour of flares hard to discern in twilight. Bombing rather scattered. Landed base. "F" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stretch cumulus cloud at 12,500 feet. Bombed at 1550:30 hours from 18,500 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. 1554 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb on good D.R. or sky markers". No sky markers down and noticed lot of scattered bombing. Think our own flares were first down. 1553 and 1557 hours, more greens fell, centred on burst. Landed base. "Y" BACKER UP:- 10/10 cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1544:12 hours from 18,500 feet on G.P.I. run with distance and bearing from Krefeld and track line check on Gee Chain. No markers down and several sky markers seen going down over base. Did G.P.I. run and bombed. Consider bombs went 1/2 mile East of estimated aiming point. No markers or other bombing seen. "X" "Y" brought back owing to 10/10 cloud and no other markers down. Landed base.	
	'W' EB 530	J.20956 P/O McLaughlin D.A., J.27481 P/O Small L.V.J., RAF/1527839 P/O G. Sawyer, RAF/152087 P/O Shaw S.W., J.88027 P/O Harper E.H.C., J.80072 P/O Hunt T.P., RAF/22904 P/O Forsythe E.L., J.28882 P/O Gilbert G.L. Bombload:- (Same as 'B').	J.27481 P/O	1344	1708	"G" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 cloud tops 6 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1547:56 hours from 18,000 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. At 1557 hours, Master Bomber heard and he said "Bomb sky markers". Forty seconds before end of very good G.P.I. run, saw 4 green flares fall in the line approximately 2,000 yards apart. Think they were accurately placed. Dropped own and saw our flares undershoot slightly between the two lots down. 1548 hours, 5 green flares fell together well centred. Colour of flares hard to discern in twilight. Bombing rather scattered. Landed base. "F" BLIND SKY MARKER:- 10/10 stretch cumulus cloud at 12,500 feet. Bombed at 1550:30 hours from 18,500 feet on good G.P.I. run with bearing and distance from Krefeld. 1554 hours, heard Master Bomber say "Bomb on good D.R. or sky markers". No sky markers down and noticed lot of scattered bombing. Think our own flares were first down. 1553 and 1557 hours, more greens fell, centred on burst. Landed base. "Y" BACKER UP:- 10/10 cloud at 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1544:12 hours from 18,500 feet on G.P.I. run with distance and bearing from Krefeld and track line check on Gee Chain. No markers down and several sky markers seen going down over base. Did G.P.I. run and bombed. Consider bombs went 1/2 mile East of estimated aiming point. No markers or other bombing seen. "X" "Y" brought back owing to 10/10 cloud and no other markers down. Landed base.	

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Oct. 25th, 1944.	Lancaster III "M" EB 203	J. 25776 W/O Dix W.F., J. 28216 W/O Man- ney G.L., J. 20091 W/O Fraser W.L., E. 195732 W/O Smith G.B., E. 203168 W/O Burner L., E. 217015 W/O Jarvis J.D., RAY/1094697 W/O Page R.G., J. 20093 W/O Jackson E.L. Bombload: (Same as "M")		1355	1715	Bombing Attack G. "MAGNUM" (Continued) "M" BAKER UP: 10/10 cumulus cloud, tops 8,000 feet. Bombed at 1551:48 hours from 19,000 feet by G.P.L. run with bearing and distance from Knefeld. 8-15, heard Master Bomber's time check. 15:7 hours, Master Bomber said "Bomb Wangani Flares". Did not see any sky-markers so bombed on G.P.L. 1552 hours, on turn out of target, smoke trails from sky-markers seen and a few scattered bomb bursts. 4 Ord. & 2 x 1,000 AM 29 released at 1554:00 hours from 19,000 feet. Landed base.	A-100
	"M" EB 402	G. 16183 W/O Musella G.H., RAY/1084780 SER Tumpet E.L., RAY/1587408 W/O P. Young, RAY/158190 W/O Wolcott J.W., J. 18314 W/O Hollister M.L., J. 88031 W/O J.E.A. Florence, "M", RAY/107775 W/O Ryan G., RAY/104608 W/O Woolley J.S. Bombload: 1 x 4,000 MG Mine H/I, 6 x 1,000 MG 29 -025, 4 x 500 GP 29 -025.		1343	1724	"M" SUPERFORM: 10/10 cloud, tops 4 to 5,000 feet. Bombed at 1543:48 hours from 17,800 feet by G.P.L., datum Knefeld. One in with Master Bomber and stayed with him throughout attack. No markers seen before bombing. 15:4:30 hours approximately, 2 flares green, seen followed by four more and others in good continuity until 1600 hours approx- imately. Main force were coming well in, and about Master Bomber was heard clearly. Black smoke rose above cloud towards end of raid. Landed base.	
	"M" EB 413	G. 795 W/O H.F. Maroot, "A.F.G.", RAY/161051 W/O Downey T.W., RAY/165821 W/O Saylor E.G., RAY/145608 W/O Wootton A.D., J. 15388 W/O W.D.M. Simblin, "A.F.G.", J. 05482 W/O Ross J.T., RAY/220044 W/O Holland G.L., W/O 159800 W/O R.G. Hollis.		1347	1706	"M" SUPERFORM: 10/10 cloud, 9 to 10,000 feet, with small gaps to East and North-east. Bombed at 1542:18 hours from 18,500 feet by G.P.L. run, datum Knefeld. Failed to pick up Deputy. No sky or ground markers seen before bomb- ing. 15:45 hours approximately, saw Red L.L. on ground through gap when about 3 miles North North-East of target. Landed base. Bombload: (Same as "M").	
	"M" EB 513	J. 88278 W/O W.G. Forberg, "A.F.G.", J. 21185 W/O Martin E.L., RAY/183198 W/O King H.L., RAY/158800 W/O R.G. Hannaford, E. 16502 W/O Mackinnon J. RAY/10073 W/O Hammet I.L.G., RAY/108461 W/O E.L. Woodson, "M", Bombload: 1 Same as "M".		1357	1718	"M" SUPERFORM: 10/10 cloud, tops 7,000 feet, with good visibility above. Bombed at 1554:00 hours from 17,000 feet by H.E. and G.P.L. run from Knefeld. On arrival, no marking visible but white trails seen going into cloud. After bombing saw Wangani Flares estery. Saw aircraft ahead and to port bomb. Landed base.	
Oct. 28th, 1944.	"M" EB 516	J. 6289 W/O D.J. McQuoid, "A.F.G.", J. 57731 W/O Roberts J.F., J. 29572 W/O R.W. Hirston, J. 17767 W/O Beale J., J. 15905 W/O Davies G.L., RAY/15398 W/O J.B. Bennett, "A.F.G.", RAY/149088 W/O Bennett G.O., RAY/142885 W/O W.E. Trotman, "A.F.G.", Bombload: 6 Ord. H.I. Green A/2, 6 L.L. Green 06/1,500 feet, 2 x 1,000 AM 29 EB -025.		1004	1223	Bombing Attack G. "MAGNUM" - A/P 3/13 - (Daylight) 3 Aircraft Detailed. "M" MASTER BOMBER: Clear over target at 4,000 feet, with broken cloud 5 to 7/10th's from 5 to 6,000 feet. Identi- fied Aiming Point by surrounding features SEER and Red L.L. 3 Ord. H.I. Green and 3 L.L. Green and 2 x x 1,000 AM 29 released at 1114:30 hours from 4,500 feet on Aiming Point. 3 Ord. H.I. Green and 3 L.L. Green released at 1115:00 hours from 4,500 feet on Aiming Point. At 1129 and 1136 hours, Master Bomber gave baseless 4,000 feet. Saw Mosquito 221. Red at 1113:30 hours, 400 yards off Aiming Point on coast E.N.E. Deputy's Green 1611 at 1113:48 hours, 200 yards along coast to East and on Green (over)	A-100

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Oct. 26th, 1944	Lancaster III "B" EB 526	J. 6382 P/O D.A. Doolley, R. 2900 P/O A. Crew (Continued)	"D.F.C."	1004	1225	Bombing Attack On "WILSON" - A/P J. 255 (Continued) "B" - MASTER BOMBER - (Continued) - Crossed near Aiming Point. Ordered bomb "starboard green" at 1114:56 hours and continued these orders to 1119:18 hours when Master Bomber ordered "starboard" (bomb against edge of smoke). As this raid continued to follow smoke to East, 2nd lot of own T.I.s 50 to 200 yards to East of Aiming Point. Explosion near village, 1,500 yards to East of Aiming Point at approximately 1117:50 hours. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	A-381
	"B" EB 530	J. 5595 P/O McNaughton D.A., J. 27491 P/O Small L.L., RAY/157433 P/O G.L. White, RAY/113247, W/P Thom R. L. 6887 P/O Ryan R. L., J. 68078 P/O Runt R.E., RAY/25984 P/O Brady R.A., J. 28822 P/O Gilmore R.L. Bombload: (Same as "B")		1015	1217	"B" - MASTER BOMBER - This layer cloud at 5,000 feet with good visibility. Visually identified three houses immediately behind coastline and two clusters of Red T.I.s scattered on beach approximately 1/2 mile North-West of Aiming Point. 3 Ord. T.I. Green, 3 25 T.I. Green and 2 x 1,000 AMP 28 released at 1113:28 hours from 4,500 feet on Aiming Point visually identified by three buildings immediately South of it. 3 Ord. T.I. Green and 3 25 T.I. Green released at 1117:18 hours from 5,500 feet on T.I. Green on ground. At 1122 hours, Master Bomber called up and gave time check and basement at 4,000 feet. He continued this at 1126 hours. First marking was Red T.I.s seen at 1132 hours and these were on beach approximately 1/2 mile North-East of Aiming Point. He told Master Bomber he had marked the target at 1134 hours. At 1135 hours, Master Bomber told Main Force to bomb starboard of the Green T.I.s. On our second run, the Aiming Point was covered by smoke and we released our second batch of Green T.I.s just after crossing the coastline. As we passed over the smoke, we could faintly see Green T.I.s through it. Bombing was concentrated. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" EB 482	G. 1809 P/O Marshall, D.L., RAY/152878 P/O Runt R.E., RAY/152878 P/O Runt R.E., J. 18611 P/O Hollister M.L., J. 68031 P/O J.P.A. Florence, "D.F.C.", RAY/143772 P/O Ryan R., RAY/214501 P/O Doolley J.P. Bombload: 1 x 1,000 AMP 28, 2 x 1,000 AMP 28, 2 x 1,000 AMP 65, 28, 2 x 500 GP 28, 2825		1015	1220	"B" - SUPERVISOR - No cloud below with layer cloud at 5,000 feet, 200 feet thick with good visibility. 15 miles. Bombed at 1122:12 hours from 5,000 feet on Green T.I.s near smoke covering Aiming Point. On run in, saw tops of Danburg and three buildings South of Aiming Point. At 1135 hours, first Red T.I.s seen on beach, approximately 1/2 mile North-East of Aiming Point. At 1137 hours, approximately, Master Bomber told Main Force to bomb starboard of Green T.I.s. At 1139 hours, Master Bomber gave "starboard" but few minutes later, he again told Main Force to bomb starboard edge of Green T.I.s. Bombing appeared to be very concentrated and much smoke was rising from Aiming Point which on our third run appeared flattened. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" EB 413	G. 1720 P/O R.P. Burton "M.C.", RAY/26001 P/O Runt R.E., RAY/15468 P/O Perkins A.D., L. 13188 P/O K.B.K. Hublin, "D.F.C.", J. 68048 P/O Ross J.L., RAY/22888 P/O Holland G.L., RAY/23800 P/O Mace R.G. Bombload: (Same as "B")		1005	1227	"B" - SUPERVISOR - Flyer over target with cloud above, and base from 4 to 6,000 feet, 200 feet thick. Bombed at 1128:50 hours from 4,000 feet on Green T.I. and Master Bomber's orders. Aiming Point area identified and Green T.I.s seen and 1135 hours. Master Bomber ordered "starboard green". First T.I. Green fell at 1135:30 hours. Bombed Green T.I.s from 4,000 feet among Green T.I.s. Bombing was very concentrated. SEE At approximately 1141 hours, a fairly big explosion occurred at target. Photo attempted. Landed base.	

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Oct. 28th 1944	Lancaster III 'C' NR 180	J. 5549 P/L Payne H.L., J. 5843 P/O Brock H.E., R. 17020 SGT Simpson H.M., R. 19771 SGT Brown J.L., R. 26910 SGT Quinn E.E., R. 27035 SGT Smith R.L., R. 131788 SGT Marshall H., R. 18639 SGT Ernie H.M.		1017	1218	Bombing Attack On "BALCHEREN - A/P 3/155" (Continued) "G" SUPPORTER - No cloud below with good visibility. Bombed at 1117:45 hours from 4,000 feet on Green T.L.s on ground. At 1115 hours, Red T.L.s seen on coastline, then Green T.L.s fell at 1116:30 hours. Master Bomber told Main Force to bomb starboard edge of Green T.L.s. A lot of smoke was rising from where Aiming Point was judged to be. Bombing was very concentrated. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	A-181
	"B" EB 477	J. 29080 P/O Corbett P.J., J. 36833 P/O Sear R.E., R. 13555 P/S Allan W.E., J. 88988 P/O Brumby L., R. 19889 P/S Gray J.C., R. 17879 P/S Strachan H.W., R. 189560 SGT Kuka S.E.		1018	1225	"B" SUPPORTER - Clear with broken cloud approximately 5,000 feet. Identified Aiming Point by ground markers. Bombed at 1117:56 hours from 5,000 feet on Green T.L. as instructed by Master Bomber. Aiming Point identified and confirmed by Red T.L.s off to East. Greens fell near Aiming Point. Bombing was good. First lot of markers still burning when second lot fell. Nothing seen away from Aiming Point. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
Oct. 28th 1944	"A" HD 855	J. 10122 P/L Vann S.G., J. 20798 P/O Spender R.A., J. 28237 P/O Goucher E., J. 28709 P/O Langdale J.L., R. 224700 P/S Marston L.W., R. 220282 P/S C.M., Robinson R. 189296 SGT Church J., J. 18194 P/O Walter L.J.		1338	1716	Bombing Attack On "COLOGNE - A/P 'G'" (Daylight) 7 Aircraft Detailed. "A" SUPPORTER - Clear with good visibility. Bombed at 1546:18 hours from 19,000 feet on Red T.L.s on ground. On run-in, saw built-up area around Aiming Point and bridge over river to the West and two Red T.L.s ascending over Aiming Point. After bombing, heard Master Bomber say, "Bomb centre of concentration". The whole area was covered by smoke to 1,000 feet and then 30 miles away, it appeared to be up to 3,000 feet. Much of the smoke was black similar to that from oil fire. When over Siegburg at 1555:30 hours, flying at 20,000 feet, heavy flat drum & machine mounted guns in siding, damaged four engines and port inner and starboard outer engines w/s. All engines and dinghy holed and therefore kept overland as much as possible. Bombed to base on two engines. Landed base.	A-182
	"B" EB 229	J. 27729 P/O Ryan M.S., R. 3681 P/O E. Irwin, J. 29669 P/O Fallon P.C., R. 27845 P/O Walsh J.A., J. 87810 P/O Baker H.P., J. 87870 P/O Campbell W., R. 189456 SGT King W.		1336	1739	"B" SUPPORTER - No cloud over Aiming Point but 5/10th's broke cumulus cloud around, with good visibility. Bombed at 1545:25 hours from 20,000 feet on centre of three Red T.L.s which were lying close to Aiming Point. When 12 miles away, saw Red T.L.s ascending and on arrival found these were very close to Aiming Point. Bridge West of Aiming Point was destroyed and 3 parts under water. Rest were well backed up and were soon obscured by smoke. Bombing appeared very concentrated. At 1543 hours, Master Bomber said "Bomb Red T.L.s". Soon after, he gave "Pikodok", and later "Bomb the Red T.L.s". 1546:47 hours, large orange explosion in target area giving off black smoke, similar to oil. Landed base.	

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Oct. 28th 1944.	Lancaster III 'P' EB 585	J. 86652 P/O McIntyre H.D., J. 35749 P/O Mahler L.H., E. 18073 W/O A.H.S. St. Pierre, E. 129668 W/O Stone T.A., RAY/653002 W/O Price W., E. 117053 P/O Foster A.H., RAY/2211605 P/O Hilton R. Bombload: (Same as 'H').	H.D., J. 35749	1337	1736	Bombing Attack on "COLAONS - A/P 'G' " (Continued) "P" SUPERCHARGER. Clear over target. Bombed at 154222 hours from 20,000 feet on E.L. Rd on Aiming Point. Identified two bridges West of Main Railway Station and tracks to North-East. The bridge West of the Aiming Point was missing but other details were clearly identified. At 1542 hours approximately, E.L. Rd ascended on the Aiming Point and we bombed it. Four or five aircraft ahead of us bombed accurately. Concentrated and accurate bombing followed and much smoke was rising by 1552 hours. Landed base. "P" SUPERCHARGER. Clear over Aiming Point with good visibility. Bombed at 154512 hours from 18,000 feet on Red E.L. Rd in smoke. On arrival, saw smoke screen 12 or 15 miles from the target. On arrival, identified bridge West of Aiming Point and saw Red E.L. Rd in smoke, which were assessed as being correctly placed. Bombing was generally concentrated. Fires burning in target area. Landed base.	A-188
	"P" EB 513	J. 25776 P/O Dix W.F., J. 28916 P/O G. Lindsay, J. 20891 P/O Fraser W.M., E. 133731 P/S Smith G.R., R. 203168 P/S Turner L., R. 217025 P/S Jarvis J.D., RAY/1894697 SGT Page A.J.A., J. 28925 P/S Jackson E.L. Bombload: 6 E.L. Rd 'A', 6 E.L. Rd 'A', 1 x 1,000 HP MINI W/A, 2 x 1,000 AMB 59 TD .025.	J. 28916 P/O G. Lindsay, J. 20891 P/O Fraser W.M., E. 133731 P/S Smith G.R., R. 203168 P/S Turner L., R. 217025 P/S Jarvis J.D., RAY/1894697 SGT Page A.J.A., J. 28925 P/S Jackson E.L.	1339	1738	"P" SUPERCHARGER. 5/10 cloud, tops 4 to 6,000 feet in area, but target area. Bombed at 154315 hours from 17,800 feet on E.L. Rd and Aiming Point. 1543 hours approximately, E.L. Rd ascended. On arrival, found E.L. Rd lying on Aiming Point which was easily identified. Accurate and concentrated bombing followed quickly after us. Columns of smoke seen rising soon after leaving and visible from Brussels. Landed base. "P" SUPERCHARGER. Clear visibility. Bombed at 154222 hours from 17,000 feet on Aiming Point. Two aircraft preceded us and bombed accurately. As our bombs burst E.L. Rd began to settle in the same place. The position of the bridge West of Aiming Point was covered with smoke. Later bombing seemed accurate and concentrated and by 1552 hours, smoke was rising above cloud to over 10,000 feet. Aircraft damaged by heavy flak over Cologne at 1542 hours, flying at 17,000 feet. Landed base. "P" SUPERCHARGER. 5 to 1/10th's stratus cumulus cloud, tops 6,000 feet in area, but clear over target. Bombed at 154240 hours from 17,000 feet on estimated Aiming Point. Identified built-up area around Aiming Point, and adjacent bridge. Bombed estimated position of Aiming Point. Red E.L. Rd ascended in same place about 20 seconds after we bombed. No results seen until about 1546 hours when fires were starting. Landed base.	
	"H" EB 977	J. 28134 P/O Barkley F.R., J. 29398 P/O Dennis J.F., J. 29700 P/O Knox-West E. R. 18754 P/S Chawellier H.G., J. 68289 P/O Blunthorpe P.D., R. 188266 P/S A.J. Williams, RAY/1836540 SGT Williams W. Bombload: 10 x 1,000 AMB 59 TD .025, 1 x 1,000 AMB 65 TD .025, 1 x 500 HP TD .025.	J. 29398 P/O Dennis J.F., J. 29700 P/O Knox-West E. R. 18754 P/S Chawellier H.G., J. 68289 P/O Blunthorpe P.D., R. 188266 P/S A.J. Williams, RAY/1836540 SGT Williams W.	1335	1727	"P" SUPERCHARGER. Clear visibility. Bombed at 154222 hours from 17,000 feet on Aiming Point. Two aircraft preceded us and bombed accurately. As our bombs burst E.L. Rd began to settle in the same place. The position of the bridge West of Aiming Point was covered with smoke. Later bombing seemed accurate and concentrated and by 1552 hours, smoke was rising above cloud to over 10,000 feet. Aircraft damaged by heavy flak over Cologne at 1542 hours, flying at 17,000 feet. Landed base. "P" SUPERCHARGER. 5 to 1/10th's stratus cumulus cloud, tops 6,000 feet in area, but clear over target. Bombed at 154240 hours from 17,000 feet on estimated Aiming Point. Identified built-up area around Aiming Point, and adjacent bridge. Bombed estimated position of Aiming Point. Red E.L. Rd ascended in same place about 20 seconds after we bombed. No results seen until about 1546 hours when fires were starting. Landed base.	
	"P" EB 982	J. 85310 P/O Jackson L.H., R. 164467 P/S Hobbs G., J. 89485 P/O Helen J.H., J. 89758 P/O Van Meter E.L., J. 89677 P/O Little H.L., R. 224671 P/S Ford S. RAY/1894725 SGT Potter H.A. Bombload: (Same as 'H').	J. 85310 P/O Jackson L.H., R. 164467 P/S Hobbs G., J. 89485 P/O Helen J.H., J. 89758 P/O Van Meter E.L., J. 89677 P/O Little H.L., R. 224671 P/S Ford S.	1334	1736	"P" SUPERCHARGER. Clear visibility. Bombed at 154222 hours from 17,000 feet on Aiming Point. Two aircraft preceded us and bombed accurately. As our bombs burst E.L. Rd began to settle in the same place. The position of the bridge West of Aiming Point was covered with smoke. Later bombing seemed accurate and concentrated and by 1552 hours, smoke was rising above cloud to over 10,000 feet. Aircraft damaged by heavy flak over Cologne at 1542 hours, flying at 17,000 feet. Landed base. "P" SUPERCHARGER. 5 to 1/10th's stratus cumulus cloud, tops 6,000 feet in area, but clear over target. Bombed at 154240 hours from 17,000 feet on estimated Aiming Point. Identified built-up area around Aiming Point, and adjacent bridge. Bombed estimated position of Aiming Point. Red E.L. Rd ascended in same place about 20 seconds after we bombed. No results seen until about 1546 hours when fires were starting. Landed base.	
	"G" EB 451	J. 89268 P/O S.E. Maxwell, "G.O.M." J. 89656 P/O Madlar E.S., J. 89617 P/O Andrew Harvey J. 89709 P/O Pandy G.O., R. 204152 P/S Allan D., J. 89634 P/O Oskanda E.H., RAY/543111 SGT Jones W. Bombload: (Same as 'H').	J. 89656 P/O Madlar E.S., J. 89617 P/O Andrew Harvey J. 89709 P/O Pandy G.O., R. 204152 P/S Allan D., J. 89634 P/O Oskanda E.H., RAY/543111 SGT Jones W.	1335	1735	"P" SUPERCHARGER. Clear visibility. Bombed at 154222 hours from 17,000 feet on Aiming Point. Two aircraft preceded us and bombed accurately. As our bombs burst E.L. Rd began to settle in the same place. The position of the bridge West of Aiming Point was covered with smoke. Later bombing seemed accurate and concentrated and by 1552 hours, smoke was rising above cloud to over 10,000 feet. Aircraft damaged by heavy flak over Cologne at 1542 hours, flying at 17,000 feet. Landed base. "P" SUPERCHARGER. 5 to 1/10th's stratus cumulus cloud, tops 6,000 feet in area, but clear over target. Bombed at 154240 hours from 17,000 feet on estimated Aiming Point. Identified built-up area around Aiming Point, and adjacent bridge. Bombed estimated position of Aiming Point. Red E.L. Rd ascended in same place about 20 seconds after we bombed. No results seen until about 1546 hours when fires were starting. Landed base.	

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Oct. 28th, 1944.	Lancaster III					Bombing Attack On "COLOGNE - A/P 'B" (Daylight) 2 Aircraft Detailed.	A-185
	'J' EB 113	RAF/2725 W/O K.J. Lawson, 180, 180, RAF/10675 W/R Fitzhugh R.L., J.1235 P/L Overford H., RAF/18247 W/L R.C. Duke, 2885, RAF/27619 W/O Giddes H. R.10867 W/O Frylay D.G., RAF/1583517 W/O Bart R.S.		1356	1805	"J" BOMB SKY MARKER - 1/10th's stratus cumulus cloud with excellent visibility. 1 x A. Flares Red Cap A released at 1606 hours from 18,000 feet by H.2.S. and Gee check. 2 x 4,000-HG-Misc., 6 x 2,000-AMM-59 and 4 x 500-GP released at 1606:30 hours from 18,400 feet on H.2.S. and Gee check. On arrival, 3/10 stratus cumulus cloud was covering the target area. Two or three scattered sky-markers were seen slightly North of Aiming Point. There was lots of smoke rising from target area and this with cloud obscured any visual identification. Saw a factory being bombed at Bruhl. Several violent explosions. Landed base.	
	'Q' EB 233	J.6590 W/L Herbert R.G., J.20236 W/L Edou Pady, J.67548 W/L Gardin H.S., RAF/182668 P/O Owen L.F., J.89682 P/O ALYNS B.L., RAF/189041 P/S O'Leary R. RAF/121760 P/S O'Leary H.R.		1406	1802	"Q" BOMB SKY MARKER - Successful "B". Attacked factory buildings on South outskirts of Cologne. Target not identified. Bombed factory buildings in built-up area at 1606:15 hours from 18,500 feet. Found a patch of cloud over the town. At 1658 hours, Master Bomber said "Underhand". At 1605 to 1606 hours approximately, one Red Flare ignited ahead, and quickly went into cloud. We bombed factory in built-up area on South outskirts of the town. Several other aircraft bombed the same target and a good explosion and fire followed. 1 x A. Red Flares brought back owing to H.2.S. w/a. Landed base.	
	'X' EB 282	J.18445 W/L Smith E., J.22613 W/L D.P. Davies, RAF/142651 W/S Woods G.L., RAF/1136239 W/S O'Toole T., R.18828, W/S McLeeman A.L.H., J.17926 W/O J.F. Kelly, 82564 W/S Bishop A.H.		1405	1756	"X" BOMB SKY MARKER - One large cumulus cloud over Aiming Point with good visibility. 1 x A. Red Flares Cap A released at 1607:48 hours from H.2.S. and Gee check. 1 x 4,000-HG-Misc., 6 x 2,000-AMM-59 and 4 x 500-GP at 1608 hours from 18,400 feet by H.2.S. and Gee check. On approach, one large cumulus cloud was covering the target and we saw nothing of ground detail. When approximately 15 miles away, saw lots of smoke rising to 15,000 feet. Some bombing seen at Bruhl. A large factory was very well hit. Landed base.	
Oct. 29th, 1944.						Bombing Attack On "WALSHEIM - A/P 3/166" (Daylight) 3 Aircraft Detailed.	A-186
	'J' EB 113	J.16361 P/O V.S. Woods, 2885, J.29583 W/O Fisher R.C., J.27458 W/O O'Leary K.J., J.80079 P/O Lewis J.A., J.36169 P/O Harleaux J.S., J.88118 P/O D.J. Beckley, RAF/109703 SGT Williams S.J. J.18799 P/O Owe G.L.		1117	1358	"J" MASTER BOMBER - Clear over target. 6 T.L. Green and 2 S.L. Green released at 1231:48 hours from 4,000 feet on Aiming Point. 6 T.L. Green released at 1234:48 hours from 4,000 feet on Aiming Point. Arrived at 1238:15 hours ran over and identified target, with Red T.L. within few yards. Second run, dropped T.L.s and bombs 100 yards East of Aiming Point. Third run, on T.L.s fell 100 yards East of Aiming Point. After undershooting had been corrected, bombing was good. Some sticks started in sea and four or five aircraft bombed early before any T.L.s down at 1238 hours. Orders given from 1225 to 1235 hours. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	

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Oct. 29th, 1944.	Master III "B" EB 477	J.10122 P/L Penn G.C., J.20708 P/O Spender R.A., J.28237 P/O Spoway H. J.18709 P/O Langlois J.L., R.214700 P/O Macdonald L.W., K.22022 P/O G.C. Robinson, RAY/1895361 SGT Church J., J.10394 P/O Walker L.J. Bombload: (Same as "A").		1120	1339	Bombing Attack On "WALFORDEN - A/F 2/44" (Continued) "B" SUPERFORMER Bomber. Clear with no cloud over target and good visibility. 6 Red Flares and 1 x 1,000 ANM 59 released at 1227:45 hours from 5,000 feet on centre of defended locality at Aiding Point. Red Flares were slightly East. 6 R.L. Green released at 1232:35 hours from 5,000 feet, same as for first run and between two clusters of Green Flares. On arrival, identified fortifications at Aiding Point. Red Flares were slightly East of these. Master Bomber was saying "Bomb the Reds". After we dropped our markers, he said "Bomb the Greens". At 1230 hours, we called up the Master Bomber to stop the undershooting. We had seen two sticks falling in the sea. The Master Bomber then dropped his markers and then instructed Main Force to bomb between the two clusters of Greens. We made a third run to get a final picture of the target, operating the camera by hand. Bombing was good and the whole target area was well covered. Transport were seen on the coast road in front of the house 500 yards East of Aiding Point. 1 x 1,000 ANM 59 jetisoned safe at 5220 N. GRAS E. at 1301 hours from 1,000 feet, owing to hang up. Photographs attempted. Landed base.	A-18.
	"X" BA 965	J.88876 P/O W.G. Forsberg, "D.F.C.", J.21125 P/O Mesta A.H., RAY/183138 P/O King D.B., RAY/188800 P/O R.J. Hamford, R.264509 P/O Macintosh A. RAY/170579 P/O Hobson L.L.C., RAY/1920441 P/O Macdonald F.H.J., "D.F.C.", R.266377 SGT Frisno H.B. Bombload: 1 x 1,000 ANM 59 SB .025, 1 x 500 GP SB .025.		1118	1331	"X" SUPERFORMER. Clear with no cloud over target. Bombed at 1254:45 hours from 4,000 feet on Green Flares with slight overshoot as instructed by Master Bomber. Arriving saw Red Flare falling at 1228 hours, our Aiding Point and in sea, Green Flare at 1228:30 hours, falling 1228:45 hours on ground, slightly to West on unburnt. Second Green at 1234 hours approximately, slightly to East. Some sticks undershooting starting in sea early in raid. Turn to port to avoid aircraft above before camera run complete. Photographs attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" EB 400	J.87720 P/O Eric McKay, G.3681 P/O W.G. Ervin, J.29649 P/O Fallon F.C., J.87445 P/O Wilson J.A., J.87818 P/O Hahley E.F., J.87870 P/O Campbell H. RAY/1891156 SGT King W.A., J.13097 P/O Macdonald L.A. Bombload: (Same as "X").		1122	1306	"B" SUPERFORMER. Clear and no cloud over target with good visibility. Bombed at 1223:45 hours from 5,000 feet on two Red Flares on ground. On first run over target, saw R.L. Flares which were on Aiding Point. On second run, the Flares were ascending and but at time of bombing they were on the ground and our bombs fell between the two. Master Bomber's instructions were at 1228 hours, time check followed at intervals by "Bomb red Flares", "Bomb starboard of Green Flares", and later he was correcting the Main Force for undershooting. Photographs attempted. Landed base.	
Oct. 30th, 1944.	"X" BA 113	J.85050 P/L Herbert H.G., J.20256 P/L Edson F.L., J.87948 P/L Cardo H.B., RAY/188668 P/O Owen L.F., J.89062 P/O Owen L.F., J.89062 P/O Allard E.L., RAY/1890841 P/O Craig R.A., RAY/1129760 P/O Glendon H.B. Bombload: 1 x 4 Flares Green On 4, 2 x 1,000 ANM 59 W/L, 2 x 1,000 ANM 59 SB .025, 2 x 1,000 ANM 65 SB .025, 1 x 500 GP SB .025, 1 x 500 MG SB .025, 1 x 4,000 HG Minol W/L.		1830	2237	Bombing Attack On "CORKWICK" in Airway Detailed "X" BIRD SKY MASTER. 10/10 cloud, tops 15,000 feet. Bombed at 2059:45 hours from 15,500 feet on R.L. H.L.S. returns poor. 2008 hours, 3 Red and White Flares fell approximately 1 mile South from own position. Retained flares and bombed. 30 seconds later Red and White Flares followed by Greens, then more Red and White Flares went down in a concentrated cluster. 1 x 4 Flares Green brought back owing to poor H:R:R. Photographs attempted. Landed base.	A-185

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Oct. 30th, 1944.	Lancaster III "B" BA 530	J.15468 W/L Ellison T., J.24697 W/O Charley W.A., J.26618 W/O McKinnon D. RAF/156092 W/O Henderson R.G., R.21257 W/O Stone R.G., R.210578 W/O Stevens K.A., RAF/189274 W/O McFalls A.		18.1	2258	Bombing Attack On "COLAB" (Continued) "B" - BLIND SKY MARKER - 10/30 cloud at 8 to 10,000 feet. Bombed at 2112:50 hours from 18,000 feet by H.2.S. check from Gladbach. Picked up release point 2.9 miles from river bank with very clear image. Burning in, Red, White and Greens in group, greens slightly straggly. At 2115:22 hours, one Green Flare 10 to 15 miles North of target. Bomb flashes seen on bottom of cloud. No results observed. At 2121 hours, 3 Reds in sky and 3 more Reds and 2 Whites dropped. Last Wanganui finished at 2125 hours. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	A-185
	"B" BA 977	J.26525 W/O Biggs R.D., J.35523 W/O Bury H.A., R.18986 W/O Hesse G.Z., R.216282 W/O Rymal J.B., R.54747 W/O Mathies J.G., R.118287 W/O Devitt J.F. Bombload: (Same as "B")		18.7	2307	"B" - BLIND SKY MARKER - 10/30 stratus cumulus cloud, top 6,000 feet. Bombed at 2119:12 hours from 18,500 feet on Green Wanganui Flares. H.2.S. w/s. Checked Release Point with Gee. At 2124 hours, Green and Red Wanganui Flares seen in 5 or 6 clusters. Started to run in on these but they extinguished rapidly. At 2125 hours, Green, Red and White Flares went down, and the one Green appeared to burn longest, so bombed on that and Red and White Flares exploded as we bombed. All Flares were well concentrated except one cluster of Greens which were approximately 5 miles to North-East and was bombing seen on them. 1 x 4 Green Flare brought back owing to H.2.S. w/s. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" BA 402	R.2960 G/L Burnard L.H., J.20825 W/O Ryan G.G., J.25154 W/L Nicholl G.P. RAF/1575171 W/O SNE G., J.188229 W/O R. Dall, RAF/1874132 W/O O'Hendon L.J.S. RAF/1524532 W/O McKeagle P.J. Bombload: 1 x 4 Flares Green Cap. 4 4 x 1,000 AMM 59 W/L, 2 x 1,000 AMM 65 W/O 025, 1 x 4,000 HG Minal W/L, 1 x 500 GP TD 025, 1 x 500 GP TD 025.		18.6	2252	"B" - BLIND SKY MARKER - 10/30 cloud below with fair view Milky. Bombed at 2106:36 hours from 19,000 feet by H.2.S. checked by 5 seconds overshoot on centre of Red and White Flares. On run in, saw Red and White Flares falling and later Green Flares. Bombed on H.2.S. and Engineer checked with Sky Marking Flares and bombight. Only one stray Green Flare which was South and not in the concentration. Bomb- ing assessed as concentrated as photo-flashes appeared to be bursting under the Sky-Markers. 1 x 4 Flares Green Cap. brought back owing to unable to pick up Gee Pulse. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" BA 582	J.27829 W/O Fyfeham L.A., J.28216 W/O Robertson J.D., R.16676 W/O Smith S.A. R.186182 W/O Benton I.D., R.218661 W/O McBarnett T.B., RAF/1580208 W/O Snel Proctor, "B", RAF/1890296 W/O France SNE P.314 Bombload: 4 x 1,000 AMM 59 025, 2 x 1,000 AMM 65 TD 025, 1 x 4,000 HG Minal W/L, 5 x 500 GP TD 025, 1 x 4 Green Flares steady		18.6	2312	"B" - BLIND SKY MARKER - 10/30 cloud at 8,000 feet. Bombed at 2115:41 hours from 18,500 feet on course and dir- ected 35 seconds delay after circle out check from Gladbach. Picked up target at 21:42 after track check on Gladbach. Very good image at target, checked with flares. Concentra- tion of 6 Red, plus 2 White, plus 1 Green seen on leaving. 3 Greens burning below, on run over target. Photograph attempted. Landed base. No results seen.	

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Oct. 30th 1944	Lancaster III "X" BA 965	J. 2833 W/O Hartley J.R., J. 29329 P/O Banda J.R., J. 29700 P/O Knox-Jones E. R. 167543 P/O Choultier H.C., J. 28289 P/O Egnether F.D., J. 18617 P/O Crosby H.F., BA7/183640 SGT Williams W.E. Bombload: - None		1828	2240	Bombing Attack On "OOLONG" (Continued) "X" SUPPLEMENT: 10/30 cloud at 6,000 feet. Bombed at 2058:18 hours from 18,500 feet by H.2.S. with good image check from Gladbach. First Red Flare seen, fell slightly to starboard of track, ahead. Fished up Gladbach on H.2.S. as track check and dropped on datum point. First Green seen at approximately 2105 hours. Green Flares fell after, at approximately Release Point. One lot of 3 or 5 Flares Red and Green were in concentration and some Greens to star- board. No results seen. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	2008 A-185
	"Q" EB 433	J. 25339 P/O Larnoe H.E., R. 15447 P/O Hibbs G., J. 28486 P/O Baker P.H. J. 28752 P/O Van Meter R.B., J. 28677 P/O Kettle W.K., R. 28571 P/O Ford S. BA7/183640 SGT Potter H.A. Bombload: (Same as "X").		1825	2305	"Q" SUPPLEMENT: 10/30 cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed at 2058 hours from 18,500 feet by H.2.S. H.2.S. poor, and no Flares seen on arrival. Bombed on H.2.S. and Red Flares followed by Green Flares which fell at 2059 hours South of own bombing position. At 2100 hours, continuous stream of Flares started well concentrated. Towards end of raid, one Green Flare fell South-East of main concentration. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"H" EB 516	G. 795 P/O H.F. Maroon, "A" P.O. BA7/16521 P/O Downey T.W., BA7/16521 P/O Shaker H.G., BA7/16521 P/O A.D. Wolke, J. 23588 P/O W.M. Hamlin, "H" P.O., J. 25482 P/O Ryan J.S., BA7/220044 P/O Holland G.S., BA7/23000 P/O Hodge R.G. Bombload: (Same as "X").		1826	2301	"H" SUPPLEMENT: 10/30 cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed at 2101:18 hours from 18,500 feet on centre of small cluster of Red Flares - H.2.S. and one W/S. One in on H.2.S. and one Red Flare seen approximately one mile South. Three Red/ White Flares fell, so we altered course towards Flares and attempted to get back on correct heading. Bombed on clus- ter of Red Flares and at 2113 hours, Green Flares fell. At 2113 hours, one Green and 214-hour Red Flares. At 2115, Greens, 2117 3 Greens. These fell approximately 2 miles to East away from the other fairly well concentra- ted clusters of Mangania. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	
	"B" EB 477	G. 28968 P/O H.B. Maxwell, "G.O.M." J. 29656 P/O LeClair H.S., J. 28487 P/O Dehane E.W., BA7/20000 P/O Davis M. R. 22452 P/O Allan D., J. 28656 P/O E. Edwards, BA7/20000 SGT Jones H. Bombload: (Same as "X").		1825	2322	"B" SUPPLEMENT: 10/30 cloud at 13,000 feet. Bombed at 2058:45 hours from 18,500 feet by H.2.S. with good image and track check at Gladbach. One Red Flare seen to fall before reaching target which fell into cloud, off to star- board of track about one minute. No Flares seen at bombing. Red and White Flares fell 18 seconds after bombing. Green Flares fell approximately one minute later. No results of bombing seen. 1 x 1,000 AMM 59 hung up and brought back. Landed base. Photograph attempted.	
	"T" EB 229	J. 29080 P/O Coomber R.J., J. 16833 P/O Shear R.E., R. 15433 P/O Allan W.L. J. 28288 P/O Breridge J.H., R. 28888 P/O Gray L.G., R. 17847 P/O Stroh M. BA7/183640 SGT Ryan H.E. Bombload: 1 x 1,000 AMM 59 H/I, 1 1 x 1,000 AMM 59 H/I, 3 x 1,000 AMM 59 2D .025, 2 x 1,000 AMM 65 H/I, 6 x 500 AMM 2D .025.		1828	2302	"T" SUPPLEMENT: 10/30 stratus cumulus cloud with good visibility. Bombed at 2101:30 hours from 18,500 feet by H.2.S. checked by Red and White Flares. At 2059:30 hours saw one Red Flare ignite. This at time of bombing, a cluster of Red and White Flares were falling. On leaving target, saw Green Flares falling. Bombing appeared to be concentrated as all the bomb bursts were coming from under the flares. There was a large red glow beneath the cloud. Photograph attempted. Landed base.	

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FOR THE MONTH OF October 1944

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
Oct. 30th, 1944.	Lancaster III "G" EB 187	J. 5549 P/O Payne H.L., J. 18843 P/O H. Novak, E. 176180 SGT Hanson H.M., E. 197271 SGT Braggins J.A., E. 269109 SGT Ouniliffe B.L., E. 270299 SGT Smith H.M., RAY/133708, SGT Marshall H. E. 186399 SGT Prince H.M.		1839	2256	Bombing Attack On "GREENS" (Continued) "G" "SUPPORTER" - 10/10 cloud, tops 8,000 feet. Bombed at 2100:12 hours from 18,500 feet height on White Mangrove Flares. H.S.S. and A.P.I. w/s. At 2055 hours, one Red Flare seen which went straight into cloud. At 2058 hours, Red and White Flares fell (approximately 5). One White in the centre fairly concentrated cluster of Flares. Bombed this one. At 2100 hours, Green Flares fell followed by continuous stream of White and Red Flares. Photographs attempted. Landed base.	A-185
Oct. 31st, 1944.	"A" EB 628	RAY/32728 W/O L.J. Lawson, "184, W/O, AHS/11075 W/O Finlayson S.H., J. 12295 W/O Crawford E., RAY/1191A7 W/O E.C. Duke, "188", AHS/27613 W/O Geddes H.C., E. 108467 W/O Hyley D.G. RAY/360527 W/O Hart H.S.		1831	2252	Bombing Attack On "COLORES" "P" "SUPPORTER" Detailed. "A" "BLIND SKY MARKER" - 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud, tops 5,000 feet. Bombed at 2107 hours from 17,500 feet on Flares Green. Mosquito's marking (Flares not Red and White), was excellent, starting at 2056 hours. First Green at 2205 hours approximately. We bombed them. Several clusters of Green Flares followed and marking by Red and Green continued to be very good up to 2121 hours, when the last Red was seen. 1 x 4 Flares Green "Cap. A" brought back. Landed base.	A-186
	"P" EB 585	J. 13454 P/O Webb G.W., J. 23470 P/O V. Painter, J. 09722 P/O Young G.A., E. 169571 W/O Dora G., E. 251500 P/O McFarlane J.L., E. 208615 SGT Saxton G.S., RAY/1876410 SGT Whitehouse J.		1833	2242	"P" "BLIND SKY MARKER" - 10/10 cloud, tops 10,000 feet with good visibility above. Bombed at 2204:24 hours from 18,000 feet by H.S.S. Marking commenced at 2057:28 hours with one Red and two White Flares. Other Reds followed at 2058:18 hours, and Greens at 2059:42 hours, and at 2100:48 hours, with Reds at 2106:50 and Greens at 2107:06 and 2107:18 hours. Concentration and continuity was very good. 1 x 4 Flares Green brought back owing to H.S.S. not good enough for dropping. Landed base.	
	"M" EB 402	J. 86050 P/O Coffey J.E., "D.F.C.", J. 24723 P/O Payne R.J., "D.F.C.", J. 89053 P/O Dingwall M.M., J. 86052 P/O Arthurson E.A., E. 115556 SGT K. Hart, J. 86051 P/O McWhirter R.E., RAY/183093 P/O Willoughby D.H.C.		1838	2249	"M" "BLIND SKY MARKER" - 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud, tops 5,000 feet. Bombed at 2211:18 hours from 17,500 feet by H.S.S. with good Gee check. Man in on H.S.S., and consider first Red and White Flares to fall were accurately placed. At 2058 hours, Red White Flares. At 2100 hours, Red/Greens down. Continuous stream up to time of bombing. Red in centre of Greens. At 2114 hours, big explosion. Large red glow beneath the cloud. Landed base.	
	"U" EB 650	J. 28709 P/O Sparling H.G., J. 36517 P/O Allan J., J. 35534 P/O Splett L.W., E. 194740 P/O Scott H., E. 234565 P/O Brown R.H., E. 200437 P/O Vert D.A., E. 166900 P/O Quinn R.A.		1826	2240	"U" "SUPPORTER" - 10/10 cloud, tops 7 to 8,000 feet. Bombed at 2058:36 hours from 18,000 feet on one Red Flare. At 2057 hours, 2 Whites and Red Flare fell in line with the Red in centre. Consider these were accurately placed. Bombed on Red Flare. On run out, target appeared well marked with Greens, Reds and Whites, well concentrated. Bombed base.	

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Oct. 31st, 1944	Bombardier III						
	"D" BR 113	J. 2779 P/O Kite H.S., G. 3681 P/O W. Irvine, J. 2949 P/O Millon P.O., J. 8745 P/O Welch J.A., J. 8761 P/O Hibley R.F., J. 8767 P/O Campbell W. RAY/1881, 56 SGT King H.A. Bombload: (Same as "D").		1827	2234	Bombing Attack on COLONNE "H" (Continued) "J" SUPPORTER - 10/10 clouds with tops at 12,000 feet. Bombed at 2058-50 hours from 18,000 feet on one Red Flare. H.Z.S. u/s and Gas Jettison from 0500 ft. Bombed by D.R. to target and first flares seen were Red and White. One White with Red between at 2058 hours. Bombed on centre Red. At 2058-50 hours, Red Flare almost hit aircraft. Gun run out, Green/Whites, Reds, all fell in concentrated area. Many bomb bursts seen among sky markers. Miss in starboard wing from heavy flak over target at 2058:58 hours when flying at 18,200 feet. Landed base. "M" SUPPORTER - 10/10 cloud, tops 12,000 feet with good visibility. Bombed at 2059:28 hours from 18,200 feet on 2 Red and one White Flare. Bombed on first flares to go down. Two Reds and 2 Whites. Green Flares and Whites followed in good supply and with continuity. A good concentration of Green Flares seen soon after bombing. Landed base. "G" SUPPORTER - 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud, tops 6 or 7,000 feet. Bombed at 2058:54 hours from 18,500 feet on one Red Flare. At 2057 hours, one Red fell between two White Flares. The centre Red checked O.K. with one Green and H.Z.S. Bombed this Red and continuous stream of Green, Red and White flares fell. Target well marked. At 2105 hours, explosion seen over target. Landed base. "V" SUPPORTER - 10/10 stratus cumulus cloud, tops 5 to 6,000 feet. Bombed at 2059 hours from 18,500 feet on one Red and one White Flare. Gun in on H.Z.S. Red and Whites fell at 2057 hours. Position checked O.K. with Gun run. Bombed on centre Red. Gun run out, another Red and 2 Whites fell. At 2106 hours, 3 to 4 Reds fell. Marking good. Consistent and concentrated marking. Bombing was good. 7 x 500 MG Jettisoned live at 2106 hours from 18,000 feet at position SDR R. 643 E., owing to hang up. Landed base. "S" SUPPORTER - 10/10 clouds, tops 10 to 12,000 feet with good visibility above cloud. Bombed at 2058 hours from 18,400 feet by Gun. At 2057:30 hours, First Flares Red and White slightly ahead under nose of aircraft. Bombed on Gun Release Point with flares below. At 2101 hours, First Flares Green. Both Red and White Flares and Green Flares were in good supply and continuity. The Green were well concentrated. Landed base.	A-186
	"E" BR 982	J. 2839 P/O Larson H.E., R. 16447 P/O Robb G., J. 2964 P/O Edson G., J. 2972 P/O Van Noy R.D., J. 2977 P/O Davis W.H., R. 22457 P/O Ford S. RAY/1881, 729 SGT Potter H.A. Bombload: (Same as "D").		1829	2236		
	"F" BR 180	J. 5543 P/O Payne H.L., J. 5834 P/O H. Hovak, R. 17618 SGT Hanson H.M., R. 29777 SGT Bruggenb J.A., R. 25910 SGT Gault H.L., R. 27029 SGT Smith H.L., RAY/1881, 729 SGT Marshall H.M. Bombload: (Same as "D").		1830	2229		
	"Y" BR 653	G. 639 P/O Mastella G.H., RAY/1881, 729 SGT Touquet E.L., RAY/1587402 SGT R. Young, RAY/158120 P/O Woodson R.J., J. 2834 P/O Hallstrom H.L., J. 28051 P/O deHaini Flarone, SGT RAY/1857775 SGT Ryan G. Bombload: (Same as "D").		1823	2227		
	"W" BR 530	J. 26482 P/O McDoyne H.E., J. 3574 P/O Bahler L.H., R. 158075 P/O A.L.J. St. Pierre, R. 229648 P/O Stone E.H., RAY/653002 P/O Price W., R. 141053 P/O Hursey R.H., RAY/2211505 P/O Hillman H. Bombload: (Same as "D").		1813	2222		

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TOTAL NUMBER OF SORTIES FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER, 171 " " " AIRCRAFT KILLS " " " 111 TOTAL " " OPERATIONAL HOURS FLOW " " " 678:27 " " " NON-OPERATIONAL " " " 305:56							
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Operations Record Book - No. 405 Squadron - April, May and
November 1944

1. May the following corrections be made to the
subject Operations Record Books, please:

(a) April

- 9th/10th - As there was one hang up, F.540 was correct in reporting 83 x 1000 M.C. dropped by seven a/c. It is not now possible to identify the particular a/c. ✓
- 10th/11th - (i) Reason a/c "J" made two runs was 1 x 1000 M.C. hung up on first run. (ii) Amend F.540 bombing time to read 0347 to 0403 hours. (iii) Amend F.541 for bombing height of a/c "O" to read 15,500 feet. (iv) Times for "U" were Up: 0149 hrs Down: 0531 hrs. ✓
- 11th/12th - A/c "V" had 1 x 1000 M.C. hang up, which accounts for the 129 x 1000 M.C. noted by F.540 as load dropped. ✓
- 18th/19th - (i) Times for "W" were Up: 2156 hrs Down: 0056 hrs. (ii) Amend time of attack for "G" (on Noisy-Le-Sec) to read 2355.34 hrs. (iii) Bombing times given by F.540 did not include flare dropping. "Load released" at 2323 hrs by "Y" referred to flares. Bomb load was released at 2333 as stated by F.541. ✓
- 20th/21st - (i) Bomb load for "E" was 14 x 1000 M.C. (ii) Delete from F.541 for "J" and "E" the statement "Arrived on time". Bombing time was 2340 hours and exact bombing times for three supporters was 2346.30, 2341.07 and 2343.54; so F.540 statement that "three supporters were 1½ minutes late between them" is correct. (iii) F.541 should indicate that visual markers brought T.I.'s back to base. (iv) "Z" is designated as Master Bomber and Visual Marker but flight column gives no account of activities as such. As smoke prevented identification of target, only instructions given were "Go for the greens". ✓
- 22nd/23rd - (i) Delete from F.540 reference to 420 x 4 lb "X" incendiaries for bomb load on first operation. F.541 is correct in indicating 30 x 4 lb "X" incendiaries carried by two a/c only. (ii) Although only one a/c reports flak and searchlights in F.541, Intelligence reports indicate F.540 correct in reporting fighters, flak and searchlights. (iii) Bombing time for "O" should be 0114.12 hours. (iv) "G" should indicate on F.541 that 1 x 1000 lb bomb hung up. (v) Amend first bombing time of "D" to read 0008 hours. General - Amend total number of sorties specified by F.541 to read 110. ✓

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(b) May

General - Total operational sorties were 155.

(c) November

- 6th - Bomb load for "H" was 1 x 4000 H.C. Minal N/Inst.,
6 x 1000 ANM 65 TD.025, 6 x 500 M.C. T.D.025.
- 18th - (i) Amend F.540 to state 33x500 M.C. were dropped. ✓
(ii) Flight column should indicate a/c "D" brought
1 x 500 M.C. back to base.
- 27th - (i) Add to F.540 a/c "O" and "P" as bringing flares ✓
back. (ii) Target was Freiburg. (iii) Amend bomb load
of "C" to read 5 x 1000 ANM 59 TD.025, all of which
were dropped as indicated by F.540.
- 30th - Amend bomb load to read 2 x 1000 ANM 59, 1 x 7 Cluster ?
R/Y Store Cap. 6, 1 x 4000 HC Minal N/I, 2 x 1000 MCTD. .
025, 6 x 500 G.P. TD.025.

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Operations Record Book - May and November, 1944

1. In detailing operations such good work is being done by your diary officer that inconsistencies noted between F.540 and F.541 seem trivial by comparison. While the following points fall within this category, it will be understood that this Headquarters is just as anxious as the unit to have the Squadron's permanent records as accurate as it is possible to make them.

2. From this viewpoint, the following inconsistencies in the a/m Operations Record Books are pointed out:

(a) May

- i) In some instances the number of operational hours shown in the daily entries on F.540 do not agree with the number given by F.541: e.g., in the Ghent attack, 10th/11th May, F.540 gives 36:32 hrs, whereas F.541 indicates 33:32; 22nd/23rd, Le Mans attack, F.540 gives 40:16 hrs, and F.541 gives 31:11 hrs. Other minor variations occur 21/22, 22/23, 24/25, 27/28 and 31st May/1st June.
- ii) F.540 gives 150 operational sorties while 155 are listed on F.541.

(b) November

- i) 2nd - Bomb load as recorded in F.540 does not agree with F.541.
- ii) 6th - Bomb load of "H" PB.229 is not given in F.541.
- iii) 9th - Bomb loads given by F.540 and F.541 do not agree.
- iv) 18th - Bomb loads given by F.540 and F.541 do not agree, for Operations "Munster". For operation "Fanne Eickel" F.541 states "v" PB.653 returned to base with 2 x 500 M.C., but F.540 says 35 x 500 M.C. were dropped and F.541 lists 36 x 500 M.C. as being carried.
- v) 27th - F.540 states for "Freiburg" (also spelled Freisburg in F.541) mission that a/c "M", "B" and "G" brought flares back. F.541 gives "O" and "P" in addition. For Operations "Neuss", F.540 states 5 x 1000 ANM59 were dropped but F.541 lists only 3 x 1000 ANM59 (carried by "C" PB.183).

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30th - For Operations - "Duisburg", F.540 states
3 x 1000 ANM65 and 2 x 1000 ANM59 were dropped.
F.541 lists 6 ANM65 (carried by "D" and "E") and
no ANM59.



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