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FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1942

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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Night 2/3	Hampden A8150	F/Sgt. Dillon P/O. Edwards P/O. Crosswell Sgt. Page	Gardening in ARTICHOKE	0029	0629	At approximately 4820N., 0107W., at 100 feet, aircraft collided with cable, (believed H.F.). Damage to starboard wing tip and aileron. Pilot's windscreen smashed. Slight damage to airscrew. 10' cable left hanging on starboard wing tip. Vegetable, one ordinary, and bombs, 2x250 lb. G.P. were jettisoned safe about five minutes later. Aircraft landed at UPPER WESTFORD.	A.664
Night 2/3	Hampden A8270	Sgt. Fern Sgt. Bugden Sgt. Watson Sgt. Hammond	do	0031	0625	Pinpoint was unobtainable owing to compass trouble. One assembly 22 and 2 x 250 lb. G.P.'s were jettisoned. Compasses particularly pilot's were. Aircraft was diverted to UPPER WESTFORD.	A.665
Night 2/3	Hampden A8143	Sgt. Craig Sgt. Jones Sgt. Robins Sgt. Galloway	do	0035	0627	Light was good, with a slight haze in the target area. A pinpoint was made on QUEENAN POINT and the vegetable, one ordinary, was released in primary position, position - 47° 40'N., 03° 26'W., from 1000 feet, at 0307 hours, heading 330° true. 140 mph. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. 2 (250) G.P.'s dropped 47° 50'N., 03° 10'W., on site of approximately 6 S/L's. No results were observed. Aircraft landed at UPPER WESTFORD.	A.666
Night 2/3	Hampden A8244	Sgt. Gould Sgt. Garner Sgt. Reine Sgt. Sutherland	do	0052	0632	Visibility good, no cloud, with a slight haze in the target area. Pinpoint made on QUEENAN Peninsula and vegetable, P.D.M., was released from 500 feet, at 0338 hours, heading 280° true, I.A.S. 155 M.P.H. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. Fired 400 rounds at 4/4, East end of ILE DE GROLLE from a height of 20 feet. S/L went out. Aircraft landed at UPPER WESTFORD.	A.667
Night 2/3	Hampden A8303	Sgt. Huband Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Williams, C.A. Sgt. Thorpe	do	0042	0625	With bright moonlight, medium haze, and good visibility this aircraft was able to identify target after pinpoint was made on ILE DE GROLLE. Vegetable, one assembly 22, was released from 400 feet, at 0315 hours, heading 360°, I.A.S. 150 M.P.H. Parachute opened as mine struck the water. 2 (250) G.P.'s were released on a small ship. Position 47° 24'N., 03° 20'W. Parats were observed on or near to the ship, ship later fired at aircraft. Return was made to NORTH LUFFENHAM.	A.668
Night 2/3	Hampden L4042	Sgt. Markle P/Sgt. Pinkbeiner P/Sgt. Dufee Sgt. Killham	do	0034	0723	Visibility poor, no cloud and haze. Pinpoint made on QUEENAN Peninsula and a timed run made from there. Vegetable, one assembly 22, was planted in the allotted position, from 500 feet, at 0327 hours, 320° true, I.A.S. 160 M.P.H. Parachute was seen to open. 2 (250) G.P.'s were dropped on flank concentration ILE DE GROLLE. Return to base was made without incident.	A.669

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Night 2/3	Hamden AT180	Sgt. Harment Sgt. Price Sgt. Roman Sgt. Berry	Nickelling REUTERS	0100	0734	Visibility - 2 miles, 8/10 cloud 5/10000 feet in target area. Pinpoint made by built up area and River on E.T.A. 108. Bundles of P.32 were dropped over REUTERS at 0345 hours from 10000', 320°. Nothing of interest was noted on return journey.	A.670
Night 2/3	Hamden AB289	P/O. Parks P/O. Dillon Sgt. Sutton Sgt. Murray	do	0057	0746	Visibility poor, no cloud, with haze. Aircraft followed VILLAGE River to target. 27 bundles of P.32 and 27 bundles of P.13 were dropped over REUTERS from 10000 feet at 0358 hrs. 354°. Leaflets were seen to drop. Return to base was made without incident.	A.671
Night 2/3	Hamden AT178	P/O. Beranek P/O. Hardingham Sgt. Connell Sgt. Seullard	Gardening in ARTICHOTE	0041	0737	No cloud, slight haze in target area. No difficulty in pin-pointing and run was made from QUIBERON Peninsula. Vegetable one ordinary, was dropped from 700 feet, at 0223 hours, heading 330°. I.A.S. 160 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open. Nothing of interest seen on return journey.	A.672
Night 2/3	Hamden AT220	Sgt. Norton Sgt. Sinclair Sgt. Jefferies Sgt. Stroud	do	0032	0653	Visibility, three to four miles, hazy, no cloud. A run was made off QUIBERON Peninsula and vegetable, P.D.M. 1, was released over primary target from 800 feet at 0314 hours. 330°, I.A.S. 150 m.p.h. Parachute seen to open. 2 (250) GP's dropped on Flek concentration SILLON DE TALEMART. No results were observed. Heavy tank and concentrations which were very accurate were encountered. Return to base was made without incident.	A.673
Night 2/3	Hamden AB297	Sgt. Clotbier Sgt. Desrosi Sgt. Ledoux Sgt. Brown	do	0043	0730	Visibility poor, no cloud and slight haze. Target was identified by outline of Mainland and ISLE DE GROIX. Veg., one assembly 22, was released in the correct position from 500 feet at 0405 hours, 329°, I.A.S. 145 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open. 2 x 250 GP's were brought back to base, no suitable target being found. Nothing of interest was noted on return journey.	A.674
Night 2/3	Hamden AT191	Sgt. Oliver Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Lowe Sgt. Clarke	do	0040	0755	Visibility good, no cloud with a slight haze. Coastline was clearly seen and QUIBERON Peninsula was identified. Veg., (P.D.M. 1) was dropped in approximate position - 4740N, 0132W. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. 2 (250) GP's were brought back to base, no suitable target encountered. Return to base was made without incident.	A.675

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Night 2/3	Hampden AT227	Sgt. Haloro P/Sgt. Mathers P/O. Ashton Sgt. Norman	Gardening in ARTICHOKES	0054	0727	With little cloud, approximately 2/10 - 3/10 and good light this aircraft was able to pinpoint QUIRKON Peninsula. Coastline was clearly seen and vegetable, one assembly 22, was dropped in approximate position - 4741N., 0322W., from 500 feet at 0332 hours, 329 N., 145 W. - Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. 2 (250) GP's were brought back to base, no suitable target encountered. Return to base was made without incident.	A.676 V.682
Night 2/3	Hampden AB227	Sgt. Gillham Sgt. Holten Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Palmer	do	0036	0742	Visibility poor, no cloud, haze. Target was identified by outline of ILE DE GROIX and Mainland. Vegetable (P.D.K.C.) was released from 500 feet, at 0337 hours, 3319N., at 146 W. Parachute was seen to open. 2 (250) GP's were brought back to base, no target seen. Return to base was made without incident.	A.677 V.681
Night 4/5	Hampden AD670	Sgt. Fern Sgt. Bugden Sgt. Watson Sgt. Hammond	Bosch A/C Works FEUERBACH	2135	0435	Visibility good above cloud, 3/10 cloud at 1000 feet. Primary target could not definitely be identified no alternative target, STUTTGART TOWN, was attacked from 10000 feet at 0115 hours, 210° N. One incendiary fire was seen in the target area. 1 (2000) H.C. was carried. Nothing of interest was noted on return journey. Aircraft landed at WEST HALLING.	A.678 V.683
Night 4/5	Hampden AB803	Sgt. Hubard Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Williams Sgt. Thorpe	do	2145	0555	Thick haze, no cloud in target area. Target identified by fork in river to N.E. of target, and outline of buildings. 1 (2000) H.C. was released from 1000 feet at 0129 hours, 040° N. No results were observed. Return to base was made without incident.	A.679 V.684
Night 4/5	Hampden AT191	Sgt. Oliver Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Clarke Sgt. Lowe	do	2142	0508	No moon, nil cloud and extensive ground haze in the target area. Aircraft was unable to reach primary target and clear of enemy coast by daylight, so last resort, Aerodrome 1 mile S.E. of BATHURST was attacked from 10000 feet at 0146 hours, heading 160°. One burst was observed. Bomb used for holding - picked up 80 miles inside France and used to descend on and across English coast.	A.680 V.685
Night 4/5	Hampden AT220	Sgt. Gillham P/Sgt. Holten Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Palmer	do	2139	0610	No cloud and very heavy haze in the target area. Aircraft was unable to pinpoint primary target owing to haze so last resort, Aerodrome 2 miles S.W. of BATHURST was attacked from 5000 feet at 0115 hours, heading 260°. No results observed. Return to base was made without incident.	A.681 V.686

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Night 4/5	Hamden AE227	Sgt. Horton Sgt. Sinclair Sgt. Jefferies Sgt. Stroud	Bomb A/C Works FRANKLIN	2147	0537	Primary target could not be identified owing to cloud, so alternative target, STUTTGART TOWN, was attacked from 9000 feet, at 0125 hours, heading 045°. Red flames over the town made it easy to identify it. One burst was seen and two large fires burning. Unsuccessful trip apart from crossing the French coast where the flak was intense.	A.682
Night 4/5	Hamden AE297	Sgt. Markle P/Sgt. Pinkbeiner P/Sgt. Daffoe Sgt. Killham	do	2140	0530	Visibility poor, little cloud and haze in target area. Aircraft was unable to identify primary target, so alternative target, STUTTGART area was bombed, from 10000 feet at 0136 hours, heading 270°. No bursts were seen, but two large fires were seen burning. Aircraft bombed successfully.	A.683
Night 4/5	Hamden AD980	P/O. Taylor P/Sgt. Garner Sgt. Ronson Sgt. McKensie	do	2157	2305	Returned early from 5200 ft. 0000°. Engines overheating. 1 (1500) G.F. was returned to base.	A.684
Night 4/5	Hamden LA042	P/O. Walton Sgt. Hitchcock Sgt. Wynn Sgt. Hopkins	do	2151	0602	6/10 stratus cloud at 3000 feet over base, could not identify target owing to 5/10 stratus cumulus cloud over works area. Alternative target was attacked from 9000 feet, at 0125 hours, 360°. No bursts were observed but a number of fires were seen, two being large. Return to base was made without incident. 1 (1500) G.F. was carried.	A.685
Night 4/5	Hamden AT224	G/Lt. Price P/O. Hodgson Sgt. Hughes Sgt. Allington	do	2146	0533	Visibility poor, no cloud in target area. Unable to identify primary target, so alternative, STUTTGART town, was attacked from 9000 feet, at 0115 hours, 810°. No bursts were seen. Slightly overshoot owing to hang up. Nothing of interest noted on return journey. 1 (1500) G.F. was carried.	A.686
Night 4/5	Hamden AE432	Sgt. Halero P/Sgt. Matheral P/O. Ashton Sgt. Norman	do	2134	0550	Very poor visibility, 2/10 to 3/10 cloud, haze, in target area. Alternative target was identified by 3 red flames dropped, also picked up railway through break in cloud, after dropping flare, and followed it in. Bomb (2000 H.C.) was released from 9000 feet at 0125 hours, 350°. No bursts were observed, saw very large fire burning and also a lot of incendiaries burning. Return to base was made without incident.	A.687
Night 4/5	Hamden AE197	P/O. Parks P/O. Dillon Sgt. Holmes Sgt. Bailey	Gardening in ROSEMARY	2132	0602	Visibility good in target area. Illuminated 0000 light and ARMY BLIND and vegetable, (PHE2), was released in allocated position, from 700 feet, at 0115 hours, heading 203°. I.A.S. 150 mph. Parachute was seen to open. Nothing of interest was seen on return journey.	A.688

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Night 4/5	Hampden AT178	F/O. Beranek F/O. Hardingham Sgt. Conwell Sgt. Souillard	Gardening in ROSEMARY	2129	0311	Visibility fair, cloud 10/10 at 5000 feet. Pinpointed on AHEM ISLAND and vegetable (assembly 22) was released in allotted position from 700 feet at 0012 hours, heading 214°. I.A.S. 150 mph. Parachute seen to open. Aircraft hoped successfully.	A.689
Night 4/5	Hampden AT143	Sgt. Copeman F/Sgt. Smith, A.A. Sgt. Smith, H.W. Sgt. Miller	Bosch A/C Works FEUERBACH	2147	0537	Visibility poor, ground haze, 4/10 cloud, base approximately 1500 feet in target area. Aircraft was unable to pinpoint primary target owing to weather, so alternative target, identified by river on which town is situated, also by activity in that area, was attacked from 6000 feet at 0115 hours, heading 270°M. One burst was seen, small fires seen after leaving. Return to base made without incident, 1 (2000) GP was carried.	A.690
Night 4/5	Hampden AT180	Sgt. Marment Sgt. Price Sgt. Page Sgt. Perry	Gardening in ROSEMARY	2133	0130	Visibility fair, cloud 5/10 down to 1500 feet, in target area. Aircraft pinpointed on WESTERHOF Peninsula and vegetable (Assembly 22) was released in allotted position, from 700' at 0019 hours, 294°M, I.A.S., 145 mph. Para- chute was seen to open. Nothing of interest was noted on the return journey.	A.691
Night 4/5	Hampden AT227	S/Ldr. Clift Sgt. Mason Sgt. Williams Sgt. Wiggins	Bosch A/C Works FEUERBACH	2131	0445	No cloud, ground haze made observations a little difficult. A good pinpoint obtained on REIDE. Good pinpoint obtained on ROSEMARY RIVER which runs through town; and run in made from definite pinpoint on river, 1 (2000) H.C. dropped on SEUTZMANN town, alternative target, from 8500' at 0118 hours, heading 210°M. Bursts were observed and also one fire burning. Heavy A.A. was encountered, but not much of it, very few searchlights. Return to base was made without incident.	A.692
Night 5/6	Hampden AT178	Sgt. Wood Sgt. Warr Sgt. Fairbanks Sgt. Bourgeois	Nickelling PARIS	2143	0228	Visibility 2 - 5 miles, no cloud, haze at ground level, in target area. Pinpoint made on River SEINE and 108 bundles of P.32 were released, position 49°00'N., 01°50'E., at 2359 hours, from 10000 feet, heading 160°M. No items of interest were noted on trip. Aircraft hoped successfully.	A.693
Night 6/7	Hampden AE289	F/O. Parks F/O. Dillon Sgt. Garmory Sgt. Bailey	Docks and Shipp- ing at NANTES	2131	0429	Good visibility with no cloud in target area. Pinpoint made on islands in LOIRE River, and followed same in to target. Bombs (6 x 250 GP) were dropped on primary target, from 12000', at 0110 hours, 290°M. One burst was seen, also two large fires and two small fires burning fiercely N.W. part of dock area. 6 bundles Nickels P.32 were dropped 5 miles W. of NANTES. Nothing of interest noted on return journey.	A.694

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Night 6/7	Hampden AT178	P/O. Beranek P/O. Hardingham Sgt. Conwell Sgt. Souillard	Docks and Shipping at HAMPS	2134	0412	Good visibility, slight haze, no cloud in the target area. A pinpoint made on LOIRE River and followed it up to the target. Bombs (6 x 250 GPs) were released from 5000 feet, at 0100 hours, 100%. No bursts were observed. Two large fires seen burning in N.W. part of Dock area. Six bundles of P.32 were released 20 miles N. of HAMPS from 8000 feet, at 0050 hours. Return to base was made without incident.	A.695
Night 6/7	Hampden AE439	Sgt. Fern Sgt. Bugden Sgt. Watson Sgt. Hammond	Military Barracks STUTTGART	2152	0551	Hazy with no cloud in the target area. Unable to identify primary or alternative. Pinpointed on River S.E. of Town of STUTTGART, and on several fires and incendiaries burning. Bombs (1x 1900 GP) was released over what was believed to be Town of STUTTGART. Bursts were observed also four large fires seen burning. Nothing of interest noted on the return journey.	A.696
Night 6/7	Hampden AE432	Sgt. Haloro P/Sgt. Methers P/O. Ashton Sgt. Norman	do	2156	0543	Visibility good some industrial haze, dark in target area. Primary not definitely identified, so, after making a pinpoint on the river, alternative target, STUTTGART town, was attacked from 7000 feet, at 0128 hours, 200%. No bursts were observed, large fires seen in town, visible 10 minutes after leaving target. Good trip, nothing of interest observed on return. 1 (2000) H.O. was carried.	A.697
Night 6/7	Hampden AE268	Sgt. Norton Sgt. Sinclair Sgt. Jefferies Sgt. Stroud	do	2156	0530	Unable to identify primary so alternative, STUTTGART town, attacked. 1 (2000) HC dropped from 7000 feet at 0130 hours, heading 130°. One burst was seen and a fire to start in the town. Return to base was made without incident.	A.698
Night 6/7	Hampden AT227	P/O. Walton Sgt. Hitchcock Sgt. Wynn Sgt. Hoskins	do	2200	0539	Visibility fair, slight haze, and very dark in target area. Could not definitely identify primary, so alternative was attacked (STUTTGART town). 1 (1900) GP dropped from 9000 feet at 0122 hours, 360°. Bursts were observed and six red fires seen burning in the town. Aircraft home successfully after a good trip.	A.699
Night 6/7	Hampden AT224	Sgt. Hubbard Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Williams Sgt. Thorpe	do	2154	0614	Very dark with no cloud and haze in target area. Could not identify primary so alternative, STUTTGART town, attacked. 1 (1900) GP, dropped from 5000 feet at 0130 hours, 025°. One burst was seen. Nothing of interest to report on journey.	A.800

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Night 6/7	Hampden AE97	Sgt. Markle P/Sgt. Pinkbeiner Sgt. Killham P/Sgt. Darce	Military Barracks STUTTGART	2151	0521	Fair visibility, dark night, some haze, no cloud. Could not definitely identify aiming point, so alternative target, STUTTGART TOWN, bombed. Pinpoint on KARLSRUHE then by D.A. to target. 1 (2000) HE dropped from 8000 feet at 0110 hours 0900h. One burst was observed. One big fire was seen in the town on approach, appeared to grow as aircraft left, could be seen 10 minutes after leaving target. Return to base was made without incident.	A.701
Night 6/7	Hampden AE197	Sgt. Gillham Sgt. Holton Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Ross	do	2150	0528	Unable to identify primary target. Alternative target was attacked. 3 pinpoints made on river to S. of target and by wood to S.E. of target. 1 (2000) HE dropped on south of STUTTGART TOWN, from 7000 feet, at 0113 hours, heading 080°. One burst was seen. Return to base was made without incident.	A.702
Night 6/7	Hampden AT220	P/Sgt. Dillon Sgt. Dwyer Sgt. Page Sgt. Palmer	do	2153	0510	Very dark, no cloud and haze in target area. Unable to identify primary so last resort - believed to be STUTTGART - attacked. 1 (1900) GP released on incendiaries already burning, from 6500 feet, 0106 hours, 320°. One burst was seen. Return to base was made without incident.	A.703
Night 6/7	Hampden AT180	P/O. Taylor Sgt. Price Sgt. Roman Sgt. McKenzie	do	2154	0131	A pinpoint could not be obtained on striking French Coast. After flying for 2 of an hour to 1 hour, and taking loop bearings, found they were somewhere in the vicinity of 54° 35'N 03° 15'E and as this would have been too late for the F.O.E. owing to limitations on bombing Invasion Ports along the coast decided that the best thing was to return to base. (1900) GP was returned to base.	A.704
Night 6/7	Hampden AE244	Sgt. Oliver Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Clarke Sgt. Lowe	do	2201	2313	Returned from 50° 30'N, 00° 30'W owing to indisposition of pilot. 1 (2000) HE brought back to base.	A.705
Night 7/8	Hampden AE139	Sgt. Copeman P/Sgt. Smith, A.I. Sgt. Smith, H.W. Sgt. Millard	Gardening in CARROTS	2309	0656	Visibility good, no low cloud and almost daylight in target area. Pinpointed S. end of ROUSELUND KLET. Vegetable (assembly 22), was released in allotted position from 700 feet, at 0328 hours, heading 360°, I.A.S. 150 mph. Parachute seen to open and wire to enter the water. Return to base was made without incident.	A.706

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Night 7/8	Hampden AE269	Sgt. Wood Sgt. Warr Sgt. Fairbanks Sgt. Bourgeois.	Gardening in ROSEMARY	2352	0707	Visibility good, fairly dark, no low cloud in target area. Pinpointed on West end of PEKIAPOH and vegetable (ordinary) released in allotted position from 500 feet at 0350 hours, heading 274°M, I.A.S. 135 mph. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. Return to base was made without incident.	A.707
Night 7/8	Hampden AE268	F/Sgt. Manson Sgt. Ferguson F/Sgt. Cowern Sgt. Rees	Gardening in GARROTS	2331	0628	Could not be certain of position, low cloud confused coastline. Began to get light and had to give up primary. Tried to plant in alternative - S. and RINGELJOHN - but mine hung up and consequently was brought back to base. One assembly 22 was carried.	A.708
Night 7/8	Hampden F5321	Sgt. Craig Sgt. Treherne Sgt. Robins Sgt. Galloway	do	2310	2359	Luminous paint falling off on turn and bank and slip and acid indicators, rendering them u/s. Turned for base 6 miles due W. of HARBURTHORPE. One P.D.M. 3 returned to base.	A.709
Night 8/9	Hampden AT178	F/O. Beranek F/O. Hardingham Sgt. Cornwell Sgt. Souillard	Heinkel Works WARGEMUND	2123	0546	With no cloud and very good visibility in target area. primary target was identified by bend in the river opposite to the target. Estuary clearly identified. 1 (1900) GP released from 6000 feet at 0130 hours, heading 280°M. No bursts were observed. Saw several incendiaries starting some small fires. Very good work on Navigator's part during the trip. Return to base was made after a very good trip.	A.710
Night 8/9	Hampden AT224	S/Ldr. Price F/O. Hodgson Sgt. Hughes Sgt. Allington	Searchlights WARGEMUND	2125	0517	Visibility excellent, no cloud in target area. Estuary clearly identified and the 4 (500) GP's were dropped, 2 (250) and 0118 hours heading 150°M, 2 (250) at 0126 hours, heading 120°M, from 6000 feet. Four bursts were seen. Shot up S/L with M/G in area where bombs dropped. Return to base made without incident.	A.711
Night 8/9	Hampden AD670	Sgt. Huband Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Williams Sgt. Thorpe	Heinkel Works WARGEMUND	2117	0504	Aircraft unable to locate primary target, so last resort, believed to be aerodrome North end of AERO ISLAND bombed. 1 (1900) GP dropped from 6000 feet at 0130 hours, heading 290°. No results observed. Nothing of further interest to report on trip. Aircraft home successfully.	A.712

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Night 8/9	Hampden AE269	P/O. Parks P/O. Dillon Sgt. Garmouy Sgt. Bailey	Heinkel Works WARGEMUND	2119	0600	Visibility good, no cloud. Primary target not attacked owing to slight line error, so last resort, south end of town of WARGEMUND bombed. 1 (1900) GP dropped from 11500 feet at 0135 hours., 250°M. Saw burst. Numerous fires seen in Town area and one large fire in Heinkel Works area. Return to base made without incident.																									
Night 8/9	Hampden AE244	Sgt. Oliver Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Clarke Sgt. Lowe	Searchlights in WARGEMUND AREA	2132	0624	Excellent visibility, no cloud. Coastline and town of WARGEMUND clearly identified and bombs 4 (500) GPs were released among searchlight concentrations on North Side of Town. Two burst were seen. About 8 fires seen, two of these large. Bombing carried out from 8000 feet at 0139 hours, 060°E. Aircraft home successfully.	A.714																								
Night 8/9	Hampden AD968	P/O. Taylor P/O. Edwards Sgt. Ranson Sgt. McKenzie	Heinkel Works WARGEMUND	2121	0556	Visibility good, no cloud and slight haze in target area. Target identified by SAALER Bay and Estuary at WARGEMUND. 1 (1900) GP dropped from 8500 feet, 0145 hours, 270°E. No results observed. Nothing of further interest to report on trip.	A.715																								
Night 8/9	Hampden AD980	Sgt. Gillham Sgt. Helmer Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Rees	Searchlights in WARGEMUND AREA	2130	0638	Returned early from position 54.20N. 030E. Port engine overheating. Bombs, 4 (500) GPs brought back to base.	A.716																								
Night 8/9	Hampden AT180	Sgt. Halero P/Sgt. Motheral P/O. Ashton Sgt. Norman	Heinkel Works WARGEMUND	2115	0249	Returned from position 55.20N. 0527E. Artificial horizon u/s. 1 (1900) GP brought back to base.	A.717																								
Night 8/9	Hampden AE297	Sgt. Markle P/Sgt. Pinkbeiner P/Sgt. Daffoe Sgt. Killham	do	2122	-	Missing - nothing heard after take-off. Operational trips and hours of the members of the crew were as follows: <table><tr><th colspan="4">OPERATIONAL TRIPS</th></tr><tr><th></th><th>TRIPS</th><th>HOURS</th><th></th></tr><tr><td>CAV/RCAP/271494</td><td>Sgt. Markle, J.W.</td><td>(Pilot)</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>CAV/RCAP/250168</td><td>P/Sgt. Pinkbeiner, C.H.</td><td>(Navigator)</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>CAV/RCAP/266174</td><td>P/Sgt. Daffoe, J.S.</td><td>(1st W/O P/AG)</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>1000270</td><td>Sgt. Killham, R.J.</td><td>(2nd W/O P/AG)</td><td>6</td></tr></table>	OPERATIONAL TRIPS					TRIPS	HOURS		CAV/RCAP/271494	Sgt. Markle, J.W.	(Pilot)	10	CAV/RCAP/250168	P/Sgt. Pinkbeiner, C.H.	(Navigator)	10	CAV/RCAP/266174	P/Sgt. Daffoe, J.S.	(1st W/O P/AG)	10	1000270	Sgt. Killham, R.J.	(2nd W/O P/AG)	6	A.718
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Night 8/9	Hampden AB432	F/Sgt. Dillon Sgt. Dreyer Sgt. Page P/O. Cresswell	Heinkel Works WAGERSBURG	2131	0600	Visibility good, no cloud and slight haze in target area. Primary target identified by outline of coast and estuary. 1 (1900) GP released in target area from 3000 feet at 0150 hours, heading 350°. No results were observed. Return to base was made without incident.	A.720																
Night 8/9	Hampden AB439	Sgt. Fern Sgt. Bugden Sgt. Watson Sgt. Hammond	do	2120	0550	Visibility good in target area, clear, slight ground haze. Aircraft was caught in searchlights on each run up to primary target so last resort, attempted airport at BARTH. 1 (1900) GP jettisoned live near airport BARTH from 12000 feet at 0130 hours. Caught in searchlights, and fighter aircraft attacked from underneath astern. Bursts were seen as a result of bombing. Nothing of further interest to report on trip. Aircraft home successfully.	A.721																
Night 9/10	Hampden AB289	Sgt. Wood Sgt. Palmer Sgt. Fairbanks Sgt. Bourgeois	Gardening in ROSEMARY	2354	0616	Pinpoint made on PELLAKUM and vegetable (PINE) was released in allotted position from 500 feet at 0310 hours, heading 281°, at 140 m.p.h. Parachute was not seen to open but mine to hit the water. Return to base was made without incident.	A.722																
Night 15/16	Hampden AD003	Sgt. Copeman F/Sgt. Smith, A.A. Sgt. Smith, H.W. Sgt. Millard	Gardening in PINEAPPLE Area	2235	-	Missing - nothing heard after take off. Operational trips and hours of members of crew were as follows: <table><thead><tr><th>RCAP/CAN/R66356</th><th>Sgt. Copeman, H.W. (Pilot)</th><th>72.10</th><th>12</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>RCAP/CAN/R73007</td><td>F/Sgt. Smith, A.A. (Navigator)</td><td>42.55</td><td>6</td></tr><tr><td>1305085</td><td>Sgt. Smith, H.W. (1st W/O/AG)</td><td>55.55</td><td>16</td></tr><tr><td>RCAP/CAN/R66116</td><td>Sgt. Millard (2nd W/O/AG)</td><td>68.15</td><td>11</td></tr></tbody></table>	RCAP/CAN/R66356	Sgt. Copeman, H.W. (Pilot)	72.10	12	RCAP/CAN/R73007	F/Sgt. Smith, A.A. (Navigator)	42.55	6	1305085	Sgt. Smith, H.W. (1st W/O/AG)	55.55	16	RCAP/CAN/R66116	Sgt. Millard (2nd W/O/AG)	68.15	11	A.723
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Night 15/16	Hampden AT224 "A" Bn	F/Sgt. Dillon Sgt. Dreyer P/O. Cresswell Sgt. Palmer	do	2219	-	Missing - nothing heard after take off. Operational trips and hours of members of the crew were as follows: <table><thead><tr><th>RCAP/USO/R67005</th><th>F/Sgt. Dillon, J.E. (Pilot)</th><th>15</th><th>39.30</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>RCAP/CAN/R70723</td><td>Sgt. Dreyer, R.W. (Navigator)</td><td>11</td><td>63.00</td></tr><tr><td>104331</td><td>P/O. Cresswell, G. (1st W/O/AG)</td><td>14</td><td>84.05</td></tr><tr><td>1105931</td><td>Sgt. Palmer, W.D. (2nd W/O/AG)</td><td>5</td><td>39.05</td></tr></tbody></table>	RCAP/USO/R67005	F/Sgt. Dillon, J.E. (Pilot)	15	39.30	RCAP/CAN/R70723	Sgt. Dreyer, R.W. (Navigator)	11	63.00	104331	P/O. Cresswell, G. (1st W/O/AG)	14	84.05	1105931	Sgt. Palmer, W.D. (2nd W/O/AG)	5	39.05	A.724
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Night 15/16 Hampden AEA39	P/O. Walton P/O. Hitchcock Sgt. Wynn Sgt. Hoskins	Gardening in PUMPKIN Area		2238	0521	No cloud, very good visibility in target area. Slightly off track on way out, too much loss of time on trying to locate pinpoint for primary, so planted in alternative. Dropped one assembly 22 in allotted position. Parachute was not seen to open. 2 (250) GP's dropped on a transfer or mine-sweeper, 55°28'N., 08°08'E., at 0230 hours, from 2000 feet. Should have landed quite close to the ship. Return to base was made without incident.	A.725
Night 15/16 Hampden AD968	Sgt. Gillham Sgt. Holton Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Rees	do		2226	0610	No cloud, hazy near ground, visibility good. Unable to reach primary owing to delay in obtaining pinpoint on West coast of Denmark. Pinpoint was made on PINO ISLAND. One assembly 22 was dropped on alternative target, from 6000 feet, at 0237 hours, 51°02'N., 14°02'W. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. 2 (250) GP's were returned to base, no suitable target found. Return to base was made without incident.	A.726
Night 15/16 Hampden AEA32	Sgt. Clothier Sgt. Desford P/O. Ashton Sgt. Ledoux	do		2237	0619	Good visibility, no cloud in target area. Pinpoint was made on REVERIAES and vegetable was planted in correct position from 800 feet, at 0234 hours, 54°57'N., at 143 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open and mine to hit the water. 2 (250) GP's were returned to base, no suitable target seen. Gunner extinguished one S/L by H/G Fire. Aircraft landed successfully and was diverted to NORTH COAST.	A.727
Night 15/16 Hampden LA042	Sgt. Hubard Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Williams Sgt. Thorpe	do		2236	0620	Pinpoint was made on S. end of SAUSO ISLAND and mine was dropped in allotted position. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. 2 (250) GP's were returned to base, no suitable target found. Return to base was made without incident. AIRCRAFT landed at WEST RATHFRAM.	A.728
Night 15/16 Hampden AT178	P/O. Parks P/O. Dillon Sgt. Gernoury Sgt. Murry	do		2222	0609	Good visibility and no cloud in target area. Pinpoint was made on REVERIAES and then run off 240°W. Vegetable was released from 600 feet, at 0213 hours, 299°T, at 150 m.p.h., in allotted position. Parachute was seen to open by A/G. 2 (250) GP's were dropped on flare path at seaplane station W. of FAU ISLAND. Results were unobserved. Unidentified ship S.W. of SAUSO ISLAND seen to catch fire after attack by another aircraft. Aircraft returned to STANTON HOLEY.	A.729

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Night 15/16	Hampden AE197	P/O. Williams Sgt. Turnour Sgt. Holmes Sgt. Leech	Gardening in PUEBIN area	2222	0544	Excellent visibility, very bright, no cloud in target area. Pinpoint was made on REEF 1833 and a timed run was made from there. Vegetable (one ordinary) was planted in correct position from 500 feet, at 0203 hours, 115% <sup>W</sup> , 14.0 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open. 2 (250) GP wing bombs were brought back to base, no suitable target found. Aircraft homed successfully after a good trip.	A-730
Night 15/16	Hampden AE220	P/O. Coulter P/O. Wood Sgt. Sutton Sgt. Hodgkinson	do	2220	0529	Excellent visibility, no cloud, very clear in target area. Pinpointed on REEF 1833 and made timed run from there. One assembly 22 was dropped in correct position from 500 feet, at 0138 hours, 130% <sup>W</sup> , 160 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open. Loop and Jay Beams operated very successfully. Northern Lights over target of great help. Brought back 2 (250) GP wing bombs, no suitable target found. Aircraft homed successfully.	A-731
Night 15/16	Hampden AE227	Sgt. Johnstone Sgt. Irwin Sgt. Skelton Sgt. Sams	do	2223	0549	Good visibility, no cloud in target area. Pinpointed on BAIRO ISLAND and REEF 1833 and one assembly 22 was dropped in the correct position from 500 feet at 0151 hours, 103% <sup>W</sup> , 14.5, 150 m.p.h. Parachute seen to open. Brought back 2 (250) GP wing bombs, no suitable target found. Return to base was made without incident.	A-732
Night 15/16	Hampden ADE70	P/O. Sanderson Sgt. Jones Sgt. Williams, J.I. Sgt. Lewis	do	2242	0605	This aircraft was unable to pinpoint on primary owing to bad visibility so a pinpoint was made on HAAVANDS POINT and alternative target attacked. One ordinary vegetable was planted from 500 feet, at 0318 hours, 160% <sup>W</sup> , 160 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open. 2 (250) GPs were detossed safe, position 55°17'N, 06°30'E to conserve petrol. Return was made to COMHILL.	A-733
Night 15/16	Hampden AT143	Sgt. Oliver Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Clarke Sgt. Rowe	do	2228	0607	Visibility good no cloud and excellent light in target area. Took off at 2230 and remained at 2000 feet to within a fair distance of Danish Coast. Climbed to 5000 feet and crossed Denmark by map reading. Visibility excellent. Pinpointed on ROSNAES and made timed run from there. Climbed to 8000 feet and spotted small vessel off SALSBO. Bombed vessel but results were not observed. One assembly 22 was planted in primary target from 700 feet at 0215 hours, 101% <sup>W</sup> , 130 m.p.h. Return was made to COMHILL.	A-734

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Night 15/16	Hampden AT91	P/O. Charlton P/O. Sandland P/Sgt. Womar Sgt. Marland	Gardening in PUNEFIN Area.	2235	0623	No cloud, slight haze - visibility 2 - 4 miles, in target area. Firpoint was made from BARSO and vegetable (ordinary) was released in allotted position from 600 feet, at 0221 hours, heading 338°M. Parachute was seen to open and mine to enter the water. 2 (250) GP's were brought back to base, no suitable target observed. Return was made to WASHINGTON.	A735
Night 19/20	Sgt. Fern Sgt. Bugden Sgt. Watson Sgt. Bailey	Hampden AB39	MANCHESTER Airming point "A"	2210	0533	No cloud, excellent visibility, some haze in target area. Unable to identify actual aiming point so alternative target MANCHESTER TOWN, bombed, from 13000 feet, at 0128 hours, heading 300°. The whole area of the town was a mass of flames and dense smoke. Two green flares were seen, one about 10 miles S.W. of target. 360 (4lb.) incendiaries and 2 (250) GP's were carried. Aircraft homed successfully.	A736
Night 19/20	Hampden AD968	Sgt. Clothier Sgt. Denord Sgt. McLeod Sgt. Norman	MANCHESTER AIRMING POINT "A"	2213	0540	Slight ground haze, no cloud, good visibility in target area. Being over the target this aircraft was not able to attack primary, so alternative, fires to N.W. of target, in MANCHESTER area were bombed. 350 (4lb.) incendiaries and 2 (250) GP's were dropped from 12000 feet at 0147 hours, heading 250°M. Incendiaries were seen to start fires. Large fires were seen in the distance mostly on west of the river. A high petrol consumption was noted on the trip. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A737
Night 19/20	Hampden AB227	Sgt. Johnstone Sgt. Irwin Sgt. Skelton Sgt. Robins	do	2215	0605	Visibility good, slight haze, no cloud in target area. Port engine caught fire about 4 miles west of WORMS and aircraft lost height, down to 5500 feet. 2 (250) GP's, wing bombs, were dropped on WORMS, 2 birds were observed. 360 (4lb.) incendiaries were dropped on a village about 10 miles N.W. of WASHINGTON. Aircraft had to fly on one engine for about 5 minutes in order to let engine cool. Return to GRANTHAM was made safely.	A738
Night 19/20	Hampden AD670	P/O. Sanderson Sgt. Jones Sgt. Williams, J.I. Sgt. Lewis	do	2218	0542	Industrial haze and smoke from fires in target area. Unable to see aiming point so alternative, MANCHESTER TOWN, was attacked from 12000 feet. Incendiaries were dropped at 0128 hours, 240°M and wing bombs at 0132 hours, 180°M. Fires were observed in docks along river and in Post Office area. 1 S.B.C. (30 x 1 lb. incendiaries) hung up and was returned to base. Aircraft returned safely to GRANTHAM.	A739

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Night 19/20	Hampden AE293	Sgt. Oliver Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Clarke Sgt. Lowe	MANHEIM AIRING POINT "A"	2222	0550	Excellent visibility, no cloud in target area. Not a very eventful trip. Had to jettison wing bombs safe over Channel as aircraft would only maintain 110 A.S.L. at 8000 feet in economical boost. Several large fires were observed in MANHEIM TOWN, one in particular. Visibility was very good and a pinpoint was made very easily. Incendiaries were dropped on the town and were seen to start fires. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A740
Night 19/20	Hampden AE289	Sgt. Wishart Sgt. Doherty P/Sgt. Womers Sgt. Fleasance	Nickelling in ROUSE Area	2000	0215	No cloud, good visibility in target area. Pinpoint made on Ducian branch of the SEINE River. 120 bundles of 250 lb. incendiaries were dropped over ROUSE from 7000 feet at 0002 hours, 1905h. Aircraft home successfully.	A.741
Night 19/20	Hampden AE244	Sgt. Harcourt Sgt. Price P/Sgt. Williams, C.A. Sgt. Berry	Gardening in ROUSE Area	2245	0506	Very little cloud, dark, visibility approximately 2 miles. Pinpointed on ALBEN and set course from MANHEIM. Vegetable was planted in allotted position from 700 feet, 0124 hours, 2400h at 160 m.p.h. Parachute was seen to open and rise to hit the water. Nothing further of interest to report on trip. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A.742
Night 19/20	Hampden AT180	Sgt. Nelson Sgt. Warr Sgt. Read Sgt. Goolyer	Nickelling in ROUSE Area	2159	0244	Good visibility, no cloud in target area. Pinpoint was made on the river and town was seen distinctly. 115 bundles of 250 lb. incendiaries were dropped over ROUSE at 0018 hours, from 10000 feet, heading 010°. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A.743
Night 19/20	Hampden AT220	Sgt. Gillham Sgt. Holton Sgt. Rees P/Sgt. Bursey	MANHEIM AIRING POINT "A"	2215	0052	Returned early from 30 miles S.W. base. Selector lever jammed in mid position. Flaps would not come up. 4 S.S.C's of 90 x 4 lb. incendiaries and 2 (250) GP's were jettisoned 55°07'N, 00°45'E, 2325 hours, from 5000 feet on Station. Commanders orders in case wheels would not come down. Aircraft landed safely.	A744
Night 19/20	Hampden AT143	P/O. Beranek Sgt. Squire Sgt. Connell Sgt. Souillard	MANHEIM AIRING POINT "A"	2217	0511	Visibility good, no cloud in target area. Unable to see the actual aiming point so MANHEIM TOWN was attacked. Bombing was carried out from 13000 feet at 0120 hours, 2300. No bursts were seen. Large number of fires seen, some visible 30 miles away. Two green flares seen over the target. A/C returned to base without incident. 2 (250) GP's and 360 (4 lb.) incendiaries were carried.	A.745

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Night 19/20 Hampden A1175		P/O. Parke P/O. Dillon Sgt. Gamoury Sgt. Sutton	MASSBURY AIDING POINT "A"		2217/7	0010	Visibility good, no cloud. Unable to identify primary, so alternative, MASSBURY TOWN, was attacked from 13800 feet at 0017 hours, 045°. No bursts were seen. One large and several smaller fires were seen in target area. One green flare seen over target and one over 10 miles S.W. of target. Aircraft bombed successfully. 360 (4lb.) incendiaries and 2 (250) GP's were carried.	A.756
Night 19/20 Hampden A1197		P/O. Williams P/O. Thomas Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Leach	do		2214	0514	Poor visibility, no cloud by heavy in target area. Target time nearly up and could not identify primary, so last resort, between two green flares on E.T.A., attacked from 9900 feet at 0110 hours, heading 250°. Saw two bursts, and fire starting from incendiaries. Due to lack of fuel would assume that there were night fighters about. Return to base was made safely. 360 (4lb.) incendiaries, 2 (250) GP's were carried.	A.717
Night 19/20 Hampden A1191		P/O. Charlton P/O. Sandland Sgt. Harland Sgt. Green	do		2212/2	0514	Could not identify primary target. Last resort, fire on E.T.A., bombed from 10000 feet, at 0113 hours, 360°. Saw two bursts, and one extremely large fire which seemed to glow larger after dropping incendiaries. 360 (4 lb.) incendiaries and 2 (250) GP's were carried. Aircraft bombed successfully.	A.755
Night 19/20 Hampden A1132		P/O. Thomas Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Thomas Sgt. Gittings	do		2214	0539	No cloud, very heavy in target area. Unable to identify primary so last resort, believed to be MASSBURY, bombed from 8000 feet at 0130 hours, 130°. No bursts were seen. Many fires were seen in target area. A green flare seen in target area. Aircraft returned to base without incident. 360 (4lb.) incendiaries were carried, also 2 (250) GP's.	A.719
Night 19/20 Hampden A1179		P/O. Hanson Sgt. Ferguson P/O. Gosman Sgt. Galloway	do		2216	2326	Set out from position 52° 0' N., 00° 25' E. Rear gunner's door opened and could not be closed. All bombs brought back to base.	A.750
Night 19/20 Hampden A1139		P/O. Twigg Sgt. Deighton Sgt. Williams, G.A. Sgt. Thomas	CHICHESTER AND BISHOP WICK CHICHESTER WICK		0003	0501	Excellent visibility, no cloud in target area. Pinpointed area on river and bridge (An. river) east of the target. Bombs were released on the target from 2000 feet at 0026 hours, heading 220°. No results were observed. Six hundred of P.O.s were dropped in the target area at 0230 hours. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A.751

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Night 29/30	Hamden A3197	P/O. Williams P/Sgt. Turnour Sgt. Holmes Sgt. Leach	CRACKS and REPAIR WORKS CHERRYVILLE	0007	0504	Excellent visibility, no cloud in target area. Pinpoint made on river and fingers in river just east of target. Aiming point "A" definitely in sight and bombs (1 x 1500 GP and 2 x 250 GP) were released at 0222 hours from 2800 feet, heading 360° and no smoke was observed. Six bundles of incendiaries were dropped in the target area. Good navigation - successful trip. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A.752
Night 30/31	Hamden A2870	P/O. Sanderson Sgt. Jones Sgt. Williams, J.I. Sgt. Lewis	COLOMNE Aiming point Y	2301	0428	Excellent visibility, no cloud and very bright in target area. Pinpoint was made on river and bombs (360 x 1 lb incendiaries) released in city of OLOCH, from 11500 feet at 0112 hours, 300°. Saw our incendiaries start a fire on the north end of the town. Saw dozens of fires burning extensively in the whole of the city area. Return to base was made without incident.	A.753
Night 30/31	Hamden A2227	P/O. Brown Sgt. Sisson Sgt. Mitchell Sgt. Green	do	2305	0410	With excellent visibility, no cloud in target area this night was able to identify target by Rhine and outline of the city. 360° x 1 lb incendiaries were released from 10000 feet at 0100 hours, heading 090°. Incendiaries seen to burst and many other fires seen. Two aircraft (one 4-engine) seen to collide in Rhine approx. 30 miles west of OLOCH. Little opposition in searchlight belt. Aircraft landed successfully.	A.754
Night 30/31	Hamden A2143	Sgt. Craig P/Sgt. Fetherme Sgt. Galloway Sgt. Robins	do	2305	0358	Good visibility and light in target area. Target easily identified by terrific fires and also by the river on port side. Bombs were released without the aid of the bomb sight, into the city, from 7000 feet, at 0133 hours, heading 180°. One incendiary was seen to start blazing. Terrifically large areas of fires. Good aircrew co-operation on trip. Return to base was made without incident.	A.755
Night 30/31	Hamden A2191	P/O. Charlton P/O. Sandland P/Sgt. Womer Sgt. Morland	do	2300	0427	Excellent visibility, no cloud. Target identified by river and outline of city. Incendiaries were dropped into southern part of the city. Many fires were seen. Bombing was carried out from 8500 feet, at 0117 hours, 040°. Return to base was made safely.	A.756
Night 30/31	Hamden A2291	Sgt. Wood Sgt. Palmer Sgt. Fairbanks Sgt. Bourgeois	do	2308	0113	Loss of power and excessive vibration to starboard motor. Turned at position 58°05'N., 01°52'E. Returned 360 (all) incendiaries to base.	A.757
Night 30/31	Hamden A2214	P/O. Twiss P/Sgt. Watts Sgt. Elliott Sgt. Rowland	do	2313	0010	Returned from position 58°05'N., 00°00'E. Excessive oil and cylinder head temperature on starboard engine. 360 (4 lb.) incendiaries returned to base.	A.758

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
Night 30/31	Hampden AB227	P/Sgt. Johnstone P/Sgt. Irwin Sgt. Skelton Sgt. Gittings	COLOGNE Aiming point "y"	2300	0443	Came into town from N.W. and as there was good visibility it was easy to pick up the river. Incendiaries were released right in centre of the town, from 10000 feet at 0116 hours, 135 M. Up to 5 fires seen in town when leaving. Aircraft made a safe return to base.	A.759
Night 30/31	Hampden AB139	Sgt. Fern Sgt. Eudgen Sgt. Watson Sgt. Hammond	do	2304	0413	Good visibility, no cloud in target area. Picked up river to West of Cologne. Town clearly visible. Incendiaries were dropped from 12000 feet at 0116 hours, 050 M. Six or more small fires seen, mostly in N. part of COLOGNE. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A.760
Night 30/31	Hampden AB280	P/Sgt. Okechier Sgt. Desorri Sgt. Bussell Sgt. Lloyd	do	2304	0432	Pinpoint made on town of Elberfeld. In good visibility city was easily recognised. Incendiaries were dropped from 12000 feet at 0126 hours, 310 M., into the centre of the city. Several large individual fires seen in city. Large piece of gas over post-landing lights broken. Not aware of being hit. Aircraft made safe return to base.	A.761
Night 30/31	Manchester 17401 A	S/Edr. Bester P/Lt. Fisher P/O. Hodgson P/O. Van Den Bok P/O. Marshall S/Ldr. Verschoyle Sgt. Hughes	do	0008	0103	Revised early owing to low cloud problems. 1250 (11.15) incendiaries returned to base.	A.762
Night 30/31	Hampden AB197	P/O. Williams P/Sgt. Turner Sgt. Holmes Sgt. Lynch	do	2310	0447	Visibility good, no cloud in target area. Picked up river and identified target with large built up area to the West. Incendiaries (360 x 4 in.) were dropped in the area allotted, always seen to start a small fire. Lots of fires burning fiercely and saw these fires from 90 mile away. Good navigation throughout the trip. Aircraft based successfully.	A.763
Night 30/31	Hampden AB289	P/O. Parks P/O. Dillon Sgt. Garmory Sgt. Bailey	do	2327	0528	Pinpoint made on river and in good visibility town was clearly identified. Incendiaries (360 x 4 in.) were dropped from 10500 feet, at 0110 hours, heading 045 M., into West part of the town. Large number of fires seen in target area, area very large. Return to base was made without incident.	A.764


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Night 30/31	Hamden AT154	P/O. Taylor P/O. Edwards Sgt. Benson Sgt. McKennie	SCOUTING Aiming point "Y"	2259	0454	With good visibility and no cloud, this aircraft was able to pinpoint on river Rhine and city was easily identified. Incendiaries (360 x 4 lb.) were dropped in the southern part of the city from 12200 feet at 0120 hours, heading 350°. Incendiaries were seen to start fires. Fires in area were so bright that they could be seen for 50 miles. Aircraft returned to base without incident.	A.765
Night 30/31	Hamden AT178	S/Ldr. Constable Sgt. Warr Sgt. Neville P/O. Pearce	do	2310	0504	Good visibility in target area. Pinpointed on river Rhine in north and south end of city and identified very large building area. Incendiaries (360 x 4 lb.) were dropped into city from 11500 feet, at 0130 hours, heading 190°. No results observed. Saw large areas of the city on fire with great clouds of smoke emanating from them. Aircraft homed successfully.	A.766
Night 30/31	Hamden AT150	Sgt. Gillham Sgt. Holton Sgt. Ross P/Sgt. Pursey	do	2307	0510	A fine fire with excellent results observed over whole target area. Visibility very good. Effort most satisfactory. Incendiaries dropped from 9000 feet at 0130 hours, 350° in target area. Return to base was made without incident.	A.767
Night 30/31	Hamden AT179	P/Sgt. Halden P/Sgt. Motheral P/Sgt. McLeod Sgt. Norman	do	2259	0457	Visibility excellent, no cloud, bright moon. Target identified by river and outline of city. Incendiaries dropped from 12000 feet, 0119 hours, 090°, into S.W. of city. Many fires were seen in target area. Return to base was made safely.	A.768
Night 30/31	Hamden AT132	P/Sgt. Macken Sgt. Ferguson P/Sgt. Connan Sgt. Gregson	do	2312	0516	River was clearly identified and incendiaries (360 x 4 lb.) were dropped in S.W. outskirts of the city. Large numbers of fires all over the target area. Fires seen burning for over an hour after target area was left. Bombing carried out from 10000 feet, at 0112 hours, heading 160°. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A.769
Night 30/31	Hamden AT120	Sgt. Gould P/Sgt. Garner Sgt. Raine Sgt. Rutherford	do	2323	0629	No cloud, excellent visibility in target area. Target identified by the river and buildings of the city. Incendiaries were released into the city from 10000 feet at 0124 hours, 0200°. No results were observed but many fires were seen. Aircraft homed successfully.	A.770
Night 30/31	Hamden L4042	Sgt. Richard Sgt. Atkins Sgt. Thorpe Sgt. Williams, G.	do	2303	0452	With excellent visibility target was easily identified and incendiaries (360 x 4 lb.) were dropped in Western part of city from 9700 feet at 0120 hours, 0200°. Many fires were seen in the city. Return to base was made without incident.	A.771

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Night 30/31 Hampton AT280	P/O. "Beranek" Sgt. Squire Sgt. Souillard Sgt. Connell	COLOUR Aiming point "Y"	2305	0017	Fingpoint made on river at a point where small finger juts out and saw a very heavily built up area below. Incendiaries were successfully dropped in centre of the city from 11000 feet, at 0118 hours, 225% <sub>W</sub> . Did not see own incendiaries but terrific fire in southern part of city observed. Aircraft homed successfully after a very good trip.	A.772	
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