

# OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

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of (Unit or Formation) No. 1415 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

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Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events	11426	<b>SECRET.</b>	References to Appendices
R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST HOVE, SUTTONLOWERY GREST, YORKSHIRE.	1.3.45.		Weather - Clear. 14 aircraft were detailed for today's Operation, which may foreshadow a busy month. Three hours and 30 minutes of Day Operational Training logged. Word has been received from No. 6 (R.C.A.F.) Group that several new crews will be posted in shortly to supplement our dwindling total of 25. Disappointing news for the Squadron Adjutant was communicated via the latest Air Force Routine Order, which lays down the maximum age limit for transfer to the Canadian Active Army as 28 years. The Adjutant was born three years too soon.			Pages 1-4 Initialled by [Signature]
	2.3.45.		Weather - Clear. Our 14 aircraft returned safely from last night's Operation against Mannheim, and pilots and crews expressed satisfaction on the success of the raid. We have another 14 crews ready for today's operations. As promised a new crew arrived, skippered by CAN/J.9232 P/O C.R. Bacon - and was inducted into the Squadron. A flap of minor proportions was created by a funny announcement that a mass outbreak of German Prisoners had resulted. Later it was learned that one or two instead of one or two had escaped. Fifty five minutes of day flying training completed.			
	3.3.45.		Weather - Clear. All our aircraft returned safely from last night's target Cologne, and bomb aimers reported a "Field Day". No operation in sight but crews standing by. The tranquillity of the night was disturbed by the presence of enemy raiders who paid a special call, but did no damage. A total blackout was imposed through the medium of the Master Switch. Personnel using slit trenches got cold feet and in future will ensure that blankets are supplied to offset the accumulation of rain water covering the floor of the trenches. The physiological effect of the raid will be beneficial and should help to defeat the air of complacency displayed by some personnel. The best training day for many months was achieved with a total of 34:30 hrs. chalked up. Twelve aircraft participated in day Cross-Country. One new crew reported with CAN/J.25435 - P/O R.C. Bartox as Pilot.			
	4.3.45.		Weather - Cloudy with rain. Operation scheduled for today, but scrubbed later. Poor weather prevented flying training, and a stand-down day resulted. Church Services were well attended, as well as station entertainment in the evening. Two new Crews reported, CAN/J.39023 P/O J.T. Patterson, and CAN/J.94075 P/O R. Fallon, skippers.			
	5/3.45.		Weather - Cloudy, but fair. 15 aircraft detailed for operation today. Flying training programme in session, including fighter affiliation, and air to air firing. Crews are anxious to make this a record month, and were disappointed at the two-day lull.			

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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST MOOR, SUTTON-Forest, YORKSHIRE.	6.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fair. One of our aircraft is missing from last night's operation against Chemnitz. The pilot was CAN/T.20799 P/O R.E. Mitchell, with CAN/T.3435 P/O R.C. Baroux as second pilot. All aircraft were widely diverted. CAN/L.91157 P/O M.A. Cloutier and crew reported in from 1664 Conversion Unit. CAN/T.27997 P/S Monkman, A.I. - scrambled on completion of 34th trip. Two scrambled crews (CAN/T.33472 P/O S.W. Moore, and CAN/T.37421 P/O D.J. Stewart) reported to No. 62 (R.C.A.F.) Base on temporary duty to take part in a moving picture, title to be announced later. CAN/T.3100 S/L J.C. Hovey, P.C. - proceeded on Bomber Command Tactics Course, to R.A.F. Station, Worsop.</p>	SECRET.	<p>Pages 1 to 13 Appendix 4 Baroux</p>
	7.3.45.		<p>Weather - Cloudy, with occasional rain. Sixteen aircraft detailed on today's Battle Order. No flying training carried out due to operational requirements. Letter received from the Agent-General, Province of Ontario, advising that a long awaited shipment of cigarettes would be sent to Squadron Personnel.</p>		
	8.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fair to cloudy. All aircraft returned safely from the previous night's raid on Hammingsstedt. Pilots reported a very satisfactory operation. One hour and 15 minutes day flying training was completed. Again sixteen aircraft were detailed on the Battle Order for operation.</p>		
	9.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fine - becoming cloudy. CAN/R.166405 P/O McDiarmid, A.F. and crew failed to return from last night sortie against Hamburg. Returning crews could give no indication of the incident. Part of kin were advised and necessary administrative action completed. Operations detailed with 14 aircraft, but scrubbed later in the day. 2:30 hours day flying training and 14:30 hours night Cross-Country training executed.</p>		
	10.3.45.		<p>Weather - Cloudy. With no operations scheduled a heavy programme of day training pursued with a total of 25 hours and 20 minutes clocked. Spring is in the air, and sure enough the Station Sports Officer paid the Squadron a visit, and not result, baseball equipment, a football are now reposing in the Adjutant's Office. Immediate steps are being taken to form Squadron teams with the two fold purpose of providing an outlet for excess energy and restoring the spirit of friendly competition between Squadrons.</p>		
	11.3.45.		<p>Weather - Cloudy becoming fine. The Sabbath brought a resumption of operational flying with fourteen aircraft on top for the day's raid. Eight hours and twenty minutes day training to our credit, involving the use of all available aircraft. Air Cadets on hand to watch an operational take off. Afterwards a number were taken for a short familiarization flight.</p>		
	12.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fine - fog in morning. All aircraft returned from the day raid on Essen, and the tempo is increasing with a Battle Order allocating fourteen aircraft for another daylight operation. CAN/T.44477 P/O Clark, V. S. and crew reported in for operational duties.</p>		

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R.C.A.F. STATION, WEST WOOD, SUTTON-WALTON, YORKSHIRE.	13.3.45.		Weather - Cloudy. A very successful attack on Dortmund yesterday with all crews returning safely. Fifteen aircraft detailed for an operation today, which makes three in a row. The priority of operations allowed only two hours and 30 minutes day training.		Pages 1, 2, 3 attached Abstract
	14.3.45.		Weather - Fair. All fifteen Kites reported back from support yesterday, and crews are resting up for a sortie today. The Battle Order details 14 aircraft for a daylight effort. An even ten hours of daylight training kept all crews busy, who were not engaged in operations. We are the fortunate recipients of 40,000 cigarettes, and 4,400 packages of gum - gifts of The Agent General of Canada. The gum is strictly for airmen, but cigarettes will be distributed to all Squadron Personnel.		
	15.3.45.		Weather - Fair. Once again 14 aircraft returned safely from the previous days sortie on Diephuisen. Two Battle Orders are in preparation for ten and seven aircraft respectively. This marks the fifth successive operational day. Crews are enthusiastic and cheerful and want to continue hammering the enemy on a non-stop basis. Once again the good news was received that 415 Squadron were awarded the Base Efficiency Pennant for the month of February. All new crews are "Gunned" on the Squadrons past record and are urged to keep up a winning effort.		
	16.3.45.		Weather - Cloudy becoming fine. The dual operation against Ostrop-Rauzel, and Hagen of the 19th was reported to be "Bang On" by returning crews. All aircraft returned safely to Base, and operational crews are taking a well earned rest with no Battle Order in sight for today. Twenty One hours and 30 minutes day training today, of which a considerable portion was Cross Country Flying. The adjutant took advantage of the "Canadian Weather" and ordered a clean up of the Squadron Barracks. As on all non-operational days a deluge of inquiries was directed to the Adjutant and Squadron Orderly Room. It sometimes seems that the boys stay awake at night thinking up new angles to old questions, such as leave, promotion, commissioning and repatriation. CAN/J. 1330 2/L P. Cahill, and CAN/J. 4476 3/O J.R. McCallum, and Crews reported in today, for operational duties.		
	17.3.45.		Weather - Fine. No operations scheduled but 19 hours and 35 minutes flying training chalked up. St. Patrick's Day, and a party in the Officers' Mess celebrated the occasion in true Irish fashion. The P.M.C. our Squadron Commander, CAN/J. 844 4/O G. E. Ball was as busy as the proverbial One Armed Paper Hanger. The number of guests was large and representative, in fact a couple of German residents paid a "brisk" call, but departed in rather a hurry.		
	18.3.45.		Weather - Cloudy. A Battle Order for 14 aircraft is in preparation. Available personnel attended Sunday Church Services. Mr Cadote once more paid the Squadron a visit, but unfortunately operations did not permit familiarization flights.		

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R.C.A.F. STATION, RAF ICR, SUTTON-CURRANT, YORKSHIRE.	19.3.45.		Weather - Fair - becoming cloudy - rain. All aircraft returned safely from last evening's raid on Witten. Crew Reports indicate that No. 12 raid this month by the Squadron indicates that this target was well and truly "Witten Off" (Couldn't resist the urge). No operational or Training Flying carried out today. Crews given afternoon off. CAN/J.92766 P/O R.L. McMatchie and CAN/J.4830 P/O L.L. Addison with crews reported on posting today. This brings our total to 23 complete crews. Messy Room staff continuing excellent work. Recent flurry of Operational Flying has increased many hours of over-stress being put in by them and despite irregular hours duties performed in a cheery and efficient manner. Credit 100% to CAN/E.33740 SGT G.W. Booth - the veteran I/O recently home from way back in Coastal Command days. Four Sergeant Personnel proceeded to Dalton for two-weeks Instructor Course.		Pages 1 & 15 compiled by Chavetta
	20.3.45.		Weather - Fair. No operational Flying scheduled for today or tonight. Weather conditions permitted only one aircraft to get off on Flying Training - with 3439 hours being logged on a Cross Country. Ground Training Programmes carried out by various Section Leaders. Base Headquarters contacted by telephone today re the non-appearance of the Base Commander's Efficiency Award. This Award was won by us for the month of February and, as yet, the actual Award has not been received. CAN/J.27713 W/O W.S. Phelan, Base Training Inspector advised that said Award would be secured from the "Alouette" (423 Squadron) and despatched to us immediately.		
	21.3.45.		Weather - Fair. Operations scheduled. 15 aircraft detailed. Newspapers comment being closely observed and their guarded statements often indicate that the long awaited "Bridge over the Rhine" assault near. A Poll of Squadron opinion would, if believed, reveal that our tremendous bomb blows during the past month has literally made the Ruhr a targetless area. Once over the Rhine it is possible that the Allied Nations strategy will see the Ruhr quickly "sealed-off" and armoured spearheads there "earn" towards the targets of Hanover - Berlin - Vienna etc. Training Flying Programme today saw 10:40 hours logged.		
	22.3.45.		Weather - Fair to cloudy - Fog. All our aircraft returned safely from yesterday's attack against Rhaina. Operations again scheduled for today - with 17 aircraft detailed. 3 aircraft flew 5:25 hrs. on short Training Programme.		
	23.3.45.		Weather - Fine. Dorsten was yesterday's target and all our aircraft returned safely. Good results reported by crews. 4:20 hours day training flying reported today. CAN/J.4233 P/O G.A. Holtz, and Crew reported today for operational duties. CAN/J.26751 P/Lt. J.H. McQuiston and Crew were on duty.		

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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST MOOR, SUTTONLOWNE WEST, YORKSHIRE.	24.3.45.		<p>Weather - fine.</p> <p>Operations scheduled, with 17 aircraft detailed. 4 aircraft flew 40:00 hours day training. CAV/J.39469 P/O R. Jupp and crew reported today for operational duties. CAV/J.13486 S/Lt. W.P. Brown and crew were officially screened today. With the screening of this crew the Squadron loses the services of a Flight and Section Leader - namely S/Ldr. W.P. Brown as O.C. "A" Flight and CAV/C.2206 P/Lt. D.R. Thompson Navigation Leader. Both officers "original" members of this squadron as a Bomber Command Unit and have rendered most valuable service. CAV/J.44946 S/Lt. J.R. Northrup replaces S/Ldr. W.P. Brown and CAV/J.37773 P/O R.D. Mauvette takes over the navigation leadership position. P/Lt. Northrup and P/O Mauvette recommended this date for acting ranks of S/Ldr. and P/Lt. respectively. CAV/C.14771 G.O. Lightburn, Protestant Chaplain - visited the Squadron and interviewed many of the Aircrew members and witnessed the operational take-off.</p>		<p>Pages 1 to 13 compiled by E. Bennett</p>
	25.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fair to cloudy - occasional rain.</p> <p>All our aircraft returned safely from yesterday's attack against <u>Hadcock</u>, except one CAV/J.93237 P/O J.S. McKemie, and crew who returned early, due to hydraulic failure on take-off. Operations scheduled for today. Notification of operations for today caught most of the Squadron off the station, and a minor "flap" was experienced in the gathering-up of necessary crews. Several "Establishments" visited by Force of Leaders including Base and Group H.Q.'s - for said personnel. Original advice form "Ops" indicated nothing until later afternoon. However, all ended O.K. and our biggest detail since early Autumn 1944 took off to battle the the City of <u>London</u>. One aircraft is missing - CAV/J.44476 P/O J.R. McCollum and crew from this attack. As rumour hit it - yesterday witnessed the curtain being raised on what, it is to be hoped, will prove to be the final act on the drama being staged in the European War Zone. "Going Over the Rhine" proved again, if proof was needed of the complete mastery of military situations commanded by the Supreme Allied Commander, General Eisenhower and his Staff. The end is in sight.</p>		
	26.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fair becoming fine.</p> <p>No operations scheduled. Training Flying Programs carried out today, and a total of 42:40 hours (day) and 5:00 hours (night) logged. New crews swinging into the Squadron picture nicely. One crew - that of CAV/J.52322 P/O G.R. Hison - since the first day of this month have accumulated 12 operational sorties - and these 12 have reached a total of six each. Remainder being nursed along and in time no doubt equal P/O Hison's unusual record of 12 operations and two Cross Countries in 3 1/2 weeks. Squadron Adjutant - CAV/C.14734 P/Lt. A.B. Carveth staged his 2nd 2000 hrs' Moss Trooper 30 minute concert. Commonly known as "Carveth's Corny Concert" this particular show saw the Adjutant on the receiving end of a somewhat "utility" oromelia. Said pie thrown by CAV/J.93237 P/O J.S. McKemie, and was the direct result of a "Truth or Consequences" Act. (Note: Anything for a laugh - Adj's motto) More later.</p>		

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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST HAMB, SUTTON, ONTARIO, YORKSHIRE.	27.3.45.		<p>Weather - Fine becoming cloudy - rain in evening. No "Ops" scheduled. 27:15 hours Training Flying recorded today. News extremely good today. In addition to the news on news - this Squadron basking in the reflected glow of 5 D.P.C.'s and 1 D.F.L. - received today by present and former members of the Unit. In the former category CAV/J.13135 S/Ldr. W.P. Brown, CAV/J.26751 S/Lt. J.H. Robinson, and CAV/J.25532 S/O G.P. McGlone - all recently awarded - while CAV/J.13039 S/O J.L. Sims, CAV/R161394 S/O W.H. MacLeod and CAV/R033303 S/O S. Boulton, now in Canada - belong to the latter. S/O G.P. McGlone is particularly worthy of mention if for no other reason than he is at least 33 years of age - married and the proud daddy of three young Canadians. His date is scheduled to assist the Squadron Adjutant in the art of posing for Victory Bond Poster Pictures - at this Station. Later S/O G.P. McGlone is to proceed to London for a Canadian Broadcast.</p>		Pages 1 to 13 Compiled by Robinson
	28.3.45.		<p>Weather - Cloudy. No operations scheduled for today or tonight. Aircraft members given remainder of day off. Flying Officer's - CAV/J.33250 T.A. Donnelly, CAV/J.29506 D.W. Falconer, CAV/J.40520 B.M. Compton, CAV/J.33005 R.S. Evans, CAV/J.36423 A.E. Galloway, and CAV/J.57778 R.D. Thruvette, recommended this date for the rank of Acting Flight Lieutenant. CAV/J.3400 S/Ldr. J.G. Noway, Squadron Training Inspector proceeded on 9 days leave. CAV/J.11216 S/Lt. J.E. Northrup will deputize. Good news was received to day that CAV/J.40523 S/O D.H. Sloan, CAV/J.40104 S/O J.K. Daniel, CAV/R354076 S/O S. Collins, R.A. and CAV/R219666 SGT Binnie, G.A.V. have been taken prisoners of war, they were in CAV/J.9463 S/Lt. W.P. Borrett's crew. CAV/J.19961 S/O W.P. Griffiths - Deputy Gunnery Leader - screened on the completion of his 2nd tour today. Signal to his screening was official confirmation of him being credited with a M.E. 216. CAV/J.314 W/O R.D. Blagrove and crew reported for operational duties.</p>		
	29.3.45.		<p>Weather - Cloudy - occasional rain. Complete flying stand-down. News starting to beat re 3th Canadian Victory Loan Campaign - Adjutant and five Deputies preparing Squadron Campaign. £40,000 is official objective, but a £60,000 figure, plus a copy of "Beat the Lethbridge" is the unofficial and true one. Life should be interesting between the dates of April 1st. to 9th. Squadron plans to complete its Campaign on the Official Opening Day! - Here anon. During afternoon lectures were given to Squadron Personnel by CAV/J.23600 S/O G.A. Jenkins, Personnel Counsellor on Rehabilitation; CAV/J.17734 S/Lt. A.B. Carveth, on Admin, and CAV/J.25660 S/Lt. R.S. Duggan, the Station Medical Officer on Venereal Diseases. CAV/J.44402 S/O J.H. Hultman and crew reported for Operational Duties.</p>		
	30.3.45.		<p>Weather - fair with showers. Good Friday. Morning Church services well attended by Squadron Personnel of all denominations. CAV/J.1307 S/O W.V. McCarthy - His Reverend Father - R.C. Chief Chaplain - visited the Squadron. As always had cheery greetings for all. No operations scheduled. Afternoon witnessed 12 aircraft doing training flying and 27:30 hours logged. 4 Immediate; 3 Non-Immediate Award Recommendations for D.P.C.'s Forwarded today to S.H.Q. for onward transmission to Air Ministry. CAV/J.41067 S/O A.D. Hultman and crew reported for Operational Duties. This crew brings our total to 33 Complete Crews (including Squadron Commander) and is the 14th. crew posted in during the past four weeks.</p>		

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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST MOOR, SUTTON-CUM-PARVA, YORKSHIRE.	31.3.45.		<p>Weather - Cloudy - rain.</p> <p>Operations scheduled for today; 17 aircraft detailed.</p> <p>From this attack against Hamburg 1 of our aircraft is missing, - GNV/V.39703 8/0 G.A.</p> <p>Byland and crew. - Results considered "fair."</p>		<p>Pages 1, 4, 15 compiled by Alessandro</p>
			<b>OPERATING OFFICERS' COMMENTARY.</b>		
			<p>During the past month this Squadron participated in 17 operations - total hours flown being approximately 1,400. Average number of aircraft detailed per operation - 15. From these attacks against the enemy - I regret having to state - we suffered the loss of 4 complete crews.</p> <p>In addition to our operational commitments this Squadron flew approximately 400 training hours.</p> <p>Despite a 50% change-over of personnel - what with arrivals, postings etc., a high rate of efficiency was maintained throughout the month of all Aircrew and Groundcrew personnel. It is confidently hoped that No. 415 Squadron retained the Base Commander's Efficiency Pennant Award, which we won during the month of February.</p> <p>The end of the month saw the strength of this Squadron at 22 complete crews - all of whom are eager to assist in the bringing about of the downfall of Hitler and his gang during April, 1945.</p>		
			<p><i>J. E. W. Allister s/p</i></p>		

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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST BRIDGE, YORKSHIRE	31.3.45.		<b>Casualties :-</b>			Pages 1 to 3 copied to <i>Barrett</i>
		CAN. J. 20599	E/L W.R. Mitchell.	Pilot. Missing from operations, 5.3.45.		
		CAN. J. 25485	E/O Bartheaux, R.C.	Pilot. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 29327	E/O Loveridge, R.D.	Nav. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 93393	E/O Hudry, P.E.	A/B. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 93359	E/O Mossy, W.D.	WOP. " " " "		
		CAN. R193735	E/S Gill, W.B.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 93364	E/O Gordon, J.R.	A/G. " " " "		
		RAF. 936931	E/S Midley, A.E.	E/E. " " " "		
		CAN. R166405	W/O McManis, A.F.	Pilot. Missing from operations, 8.3.45.		
		CAN. R163215	Sgt Ince, W.L.	Nav. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 38420	E/O Hibben, A.B.	A/B. " " " "		
		CAN. R163432	E/S Adams, P.E.	WOP. " " " "		
		CAN. R264447	E/S Tonello, N.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. R273870	E/S Roberts, G.L.	A/G. " " " "		
		RAF. 1997340	Sgt Gale, W.J.R.	E/E. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 44476	E/O McCollum, J.E.	Pilot. Missing from operations, 25.3.45.		
		CAN. J. 42769	E/O Aylsworth, R.M.	Nav. " " " "		
		CAN. R167660	Sgt Paul, R.A.	A/B. " " " "		
		CAN. R152998	E/S Knight, A.H.	WOP. " " " "		
		CAN. R141261	W/O Jones, J.L.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. R272276	Sgt Brennan, H.W.	A/G. " " " "		
		RAF. 434919	Sgt Lows, S.G.	E/E. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 39503	E/O Hyland, G.A.	Pilot. Missing from operations, 30.3.45.		
		CAN. J. 40305	E/O Lewis, P.S.	Nav. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 40398	E/O Suttak, J.E.	A/B. " " " "		
		CAN. R169123	W/O Anderson, G.	WOP. " " " "		
		CAN. R273385	Sgt Fagan, G.J.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. R167903	Sgt Rude, G.J.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. R282635	Sgt Nailson, J.A.	E/E. " " " "		
		<b>Postings in :-</b>				
		CAN. J. 43330	E/L Cahill, F.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RCAF) Base, w.o.c. 16.3.45.		
		CAN. J. 42663	E/O Aikenhead, D.L.	Nav. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 43699	E/O MacKenzie, J.R.	A/B. " " " "		
		CAN. R176449	Sgt Middleton, R.	WOP. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 46099	E/O Glyde, R.E.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 46103	E/O Goring, R.A.	A/G. " " " "		
		RAF. 493006	Sgt Harpin, J.R.	E/E. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 94075	E/O Pallin, R.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RCAF) Base, w.o.c. 5.3.45.		
		CAN. J. 40727	E/O Johnson, B.A.	Nav. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 42238	E/O Mooney, M.J.	A/B. " " " "		
		CAN. R103571	E/S BIRD, G.R.	WOP. " " " "		
		CAN. R266496	Sgt Shalley, T.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 45225	E/O Maclean, A.	A/G. " " " "		
		CAN. J. 43447	E/O Halcy, J.	E/E. " " " "		

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R.O.A.F. STATION, RAF HQS, SURREY, SURREY, YORKSHIRE	11.3.45.		Postings in Cont. :-		
		CANL J.39023	P/O Patterson, J. E.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 5.3.45.	
		CANL J.40916	P/O Kingston, G. B.	Nav. " " "	
		CANL J.27177	P/O Baldwin, J. F. B.	A/B. " " "	
		CANL R25242	SPT Jackson, H. V.	W/P. " " "	
		CANL J.43340	P/O Madland, K. W.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL J.43951	P/O Bowen, A.	A/G. " " "	
		RAF 9022549	SPT Bull, S.	P/S. " " "	
		CANL J.91177	P/O Cloutier, V. I.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 7.3.45.	
		CANL R196658	P/S Leimon, M.	Nav. " " "	
		CANL J.43009	P/O Murray, L. R.	A/B. " " "	
		CANL R202867	P/S Dewicott, D. E.	W/P. " " "	
		CANL R271679	P/S Bovins, A. D.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL R26644	P/S Carmichael, H. H.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL R21733	SPT Holman, P. G.	P/S. " " "	
		CANL J.44477	P/O Clark, V. G.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 13.3.45.	
		CANL J.44323	P/O Kirk, W. H.	Nav. " " "	
		CANL R248399	P/S Page, A. W.	A/B. " " "	
		CANL R256034	P/S Balaguer, J. E.	W/P. " " "	
		CANL R270993	P/S Porting, H. J.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL J.44052	P/O Oates, G. D.	A/B. " " "	
		RAF 1790761	SPT Humble, E.	P/S. " " "	
		CANL J.37095	P/O Harcor, L. J.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 11.3.45.	
		CANL J.42435	P/O McKenna, K.	Nav. " " "	
		CANL J.40503	P/O Goranson, D. L.	A/B. " " "	
		CANL R249987	SPT Sterling, H. G.	W/P. " " "	
		CANL J.46046	P/O MacCallum, E.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL J.46045	P/O Wilson, S. J.	A/G. " " "	
		RAF 1997065	SPT Dixon, M.	P/S. " " "	
		CANL J.41476	P/O MacCollins, J. R.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 16.3.45.	
		CANL J.42769	P/O Aylsworth, R. H.	Nav. " " "	
		CANL R167660	SPT Paul, R. A.	A/B. " " "	
		CANL R152938	P/S Knight, A. H.	W/P. " " "	
		CANL R257276	SPT Brennan, I. H.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL R141261	P/O Jones, J. L.	A/G. " " "	
		RAF 1613319	SPT Lowe, S. L.	P/S. " " "	
		CANL J.41320	P/O Addison, J. P.	Pilot. Posted from 76 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 19.3.45.	
		CANL J.41424	P/O Mahalak, A.	Nav. " " "	
		CANL R202331	SPT Edgar, J.	A/B. " " "	
		RAF 478634	P/O Rackley, P. R.	W/P. " " "	
		CANL J.46693	P/O Burrows, J. C.	A/G. " " "	
		CANL J.46104	P/O Handson, A. J.	A/G. " " "	
		RAF 1629707	SPT Stocker, S. G.	P/S. " " "	

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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST HOVE, SUFFHAMPTON FOREST, YORKSHIRE.	31.3.45		Postings in Cont. :-			Pages 1 to 13 compiled by Rearmth		
		CANL	J.92766	P/O	McClatchie, R.L.		Pilot.	Posted from 76 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 19.3.45.
		CANL	K222333	P/S	Mitton, T.W.		Nav.	" " " "
		CANL	J.39391	P/O	Savage, J.H.		A/B.	" " " "
		CANL	E256045	Sgt	Langford, W.E.		WOP.	" " " "
		CANL	E231166	Sgt	Platchar, G.H.		A/G.	" " " "
		CANL	K234472	Sgt	Dolanoy, J.L.		A/G.	" " " "
		RAP.	4326743	Sgt	Gibb, J.A.		P/Z.	" " " "
		CANL	G.42323	P/O	Holter, G.G.		Pilot.	Posted from 76 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 23.3.45.
		CANL	J.39395	P/O	Saith, A.L.		Nav.	" " " "
		CANL	J.42326	P/O	Burke, W.J.		A/B.	" " " "
		CANL	J.40954	P/O	Dakson, H.		Sgt.	" " " "
		CANL	E238319	Sgt	Paiksky, H.		A/G.	" " " "
		CANL	E279425	Sgt	Hillier, H.J.		A/G.	" " " "
		RAP.	3044419	Sgt	Jones, J.M.		P/Z.	" " " "
CANL	J.39469	P/O	Jupp, R.W.	Pilot.	Posted from 76 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 24.3.45.			
CANL	J.41644	P/O	Telford, A.E.	Nav.	" " " "			
CANL	J.39019	P/O	Rial, A.S.	A/B.	" " " "			
CANL	J.40209	P/O	Mitchell, D.D.	WOP.	" " " "			
CANL	J.46400	P/O	Johnston, L.P.	A/G.	" " " "			
CANL	J.22934	P/O	Knight, R.	A/G.	" " " "			
RAP.	4334744	Sgt	Swanson, H.W.	P/Z.	" " " "			
CANL	J.41432	P/O	Hiltman, J.H.	Pilot.	Posted from 76 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 29.3.45.			
CANL	E.41594	P/O	Harris, R.J.	Nav.	" " " "			
CANL	E.42306	P/O	Thompson, D.G.	A/B.	" " " "			
CANL	E145237	P/O	Hood, J.G.	WOP.	" " " "			
CANL	E194579	P/S	Martin, D.A.	A/G.	" " " "			
CANL	E204728	Sgt	McIntosh, R.G.	A/G.	" " " "			
RAP.	4574333	Sgt	Stones, R.A.	P/Z.	" " " "			
CANL	J.41067	P/O	Huffman, A.D.	Pilot.	Posted from 76 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 30.3.45.			
CANL	J.42679	P/O	Mooney, H.C.	Nav.	" " " "			
CANL	J.44123	P/O	Hale, F.G.	A/B.	" " " "			
CANL	J.46032	P/O	Blenkhorn, A.B.	WOP.	" " " "			
CANL	E267049	Sgt	French, S.G.	A/G.	" " " "			
CANL	E267960	P/S	Clayton, K.A.	A/G.	" " " "			
CANL	E76433	Sgt	Lavers, H.J.	P/Z.	" " " "			
CANL	J.37825	P/O	Egan, J.	A/B.	Posted from 62 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 17.2.45.			
RAP.	4366026	Sgt	Winton, V.J.	P/Z.	Posted from 62 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 6.3.45.			
CANL	G.344	P/O	Blagrove, R.D.	Pilot.	Posted from 76 (RCAP) Base, w.o.f. 26.3.45.			
CANL	J.42656	P/O	Paul, G.A.	Nav.	" " " "			
CANL	J.43943	P/O	Lod, B.L.	A/B.	" " " "			
CANL	J.39095	P/O	McColl, R.	WOP.	" " " "			
CANL	E54522	P/O	Gorst, P.	A/G.	" " " "			
CANL	E265265	P/S	Vandemtor, V.R.	A/G.	" " " "			
RAP.	4394072	Sgt	Adair, G.E.	P/Z.	" " " "			

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R.O.A.F. STATION, RAF HAKE, SUTHERLAND, YACHERIE.	31.3.45.		Postings Out :-				
		CAN. J. 92321	E/O Duffy, G.G.	A/G.	Posted to	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 23.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 43675	E/O Brad, H.C.	A/G.	" "	62 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 3.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 37141	E/O Pritchard, H.L.	Nav.	" "	1664 Com. Unit, w.o.f. 30.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 47355	E/O McPart, H.O.	Pilot.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 3.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 39445	E/O Rowan, J.A.	A/B.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 23.1.45.	
		CAN. J. 39297	E/O Bradshaw, G.W.	A/B.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 16.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 39221	E/O Innes, W.D.	Pilot.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 12.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 93451	E/O Baharal, J.P.D.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 90570	E/O Hancock, G.B.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 57237	E/O Lusk, A.H.R.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 93165	E/O Cunningham, G.E.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		RAF. 44376	E/O Wood, J.D.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		RAF. 54311	E/O Thompson, J.H. DFC	A/G.	" "	A.G.A. w.o.f. 25.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 40446	E/O Abad, G.T.	A/B.	" "	403 Squadron, w.o.f. 12.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 39333	E/O Polay, P.	A/B.	" "	RAF W/E U.K. Unit, w.o.f. 24.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 30579	E/O Mitchell, W.R.	Pilot.	" "	RAF W/E U.K. Unit, w.o.f. 3.3.45.	
		CAN. J. 25435	E/O Barbaux, R.G.	Pilot.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 39327	E/O Lovridge, R.D.	Nav.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 39593	E/O Hardy, P.T.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 39579	E/O Hoey, W.D.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 39261	E/O Sandron, J.R.	A/G.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 37706	E/O Whittingham, A.G.	A/B.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 27.2.45.	
		CAN. J. 39402	E/O Balkin, D.	Nav.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 2.3.45.	
		CAN. J. 39731	E/O Baker, F.L.A.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. J. 37124	E/O Stewart, D.T.	Pilot.	" "	22 G.T.U. w.o.f. 13.3.45.	
		CAN. J. 90434	E/O Saunders, W.E.S.	A/G.	" "	1699 Com. Unit, w.o.f. 17.3.45.	
		CAN. J. 93451	E/O Sirtonald, E.P.	Pilot.	" "	RAF 'R' Depot, w.o.f. 16.3.45.	
		CAN. J. 90974	E/O Veals, J.H.R.	A/B.	" "	62 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 17.3.45.	
		CAN. J. 93633	E/O Orbach, M.A.	A/G.	" "	" "	
		RAF. 50399	E/O Antrobus, R.J.	E/O.	" "	1599 Com. Unit, w.o.f. 17.3.45.	
		CAN. 196699	E/O O'Connor, H.L.	A/B.	" "	420 Squadron, w.o.f. 23.2.45.	
		CAN. 1276355	E/S Platt, C.E.	A/G.	" "	426 Squadron, w.o.f. 2.3.45.	
		CAN. 1234734	Sgt Richardson, J.R.	A/G.	" "	426 Squadron, w.o.f. 2.3.45.	
		CAN. 1195232	E/S Campbell, I.L.	Nav.	" "	62 (RAF) Base, w.o.f. 26.2.45.	
		CAN. 1299313	E/S Edwards, H.	Nav.	" "	423 Squadron, w.o.f. 9.3.45.	
		CAN. 1166405	E/O McEneaney, A.P.	Pilot.	" "	RAF U.K. W/E Unit, w.o.f. 3.3.45.	
		CAN. 1182315	E/S Macak, W.I.	Nav.	" "	" "	
		CAN. 1162452	E/S Adams, P.E.	A/B.	" "	" "	
		CAN. 1261447	E/S Ponallo, H.	A/G.	" "	" "	
		CAN. 1279370	E/S Roberts, G.H.	A/G.	" "	" "	
		CAN. 1279379	Sgt Rita, A.H.	A/B.	" "	431 Squadron, w.o.f. 11.3.45.	
		RAF. 4397540	Sgt Gale, W.R.	E/O.	" "	RAF Cas. W/E, Aoota. Dept. w.o.f. 3.3.45.	
		RAF. 1540303	E/S Crossdale, L.	E/O.	" "	" " w.o.f. 24.2.45.	
		RAF. 936931	E/S Miller, A.B.	E/O.	" "	" " w.o.f. 3.3.45.	
		CAN. 1116332	E/O Russell, L.A.	Pilot.	" "	RAF U.K. W/E Unit, w.o.f. 24.2.45.	
		CAN. 1167657	E/O Gallagher, J.	Nav.	" "	" "	
		CAN. 1174385	E/O Craige, G.G.B.	A/B.	" "	" "	

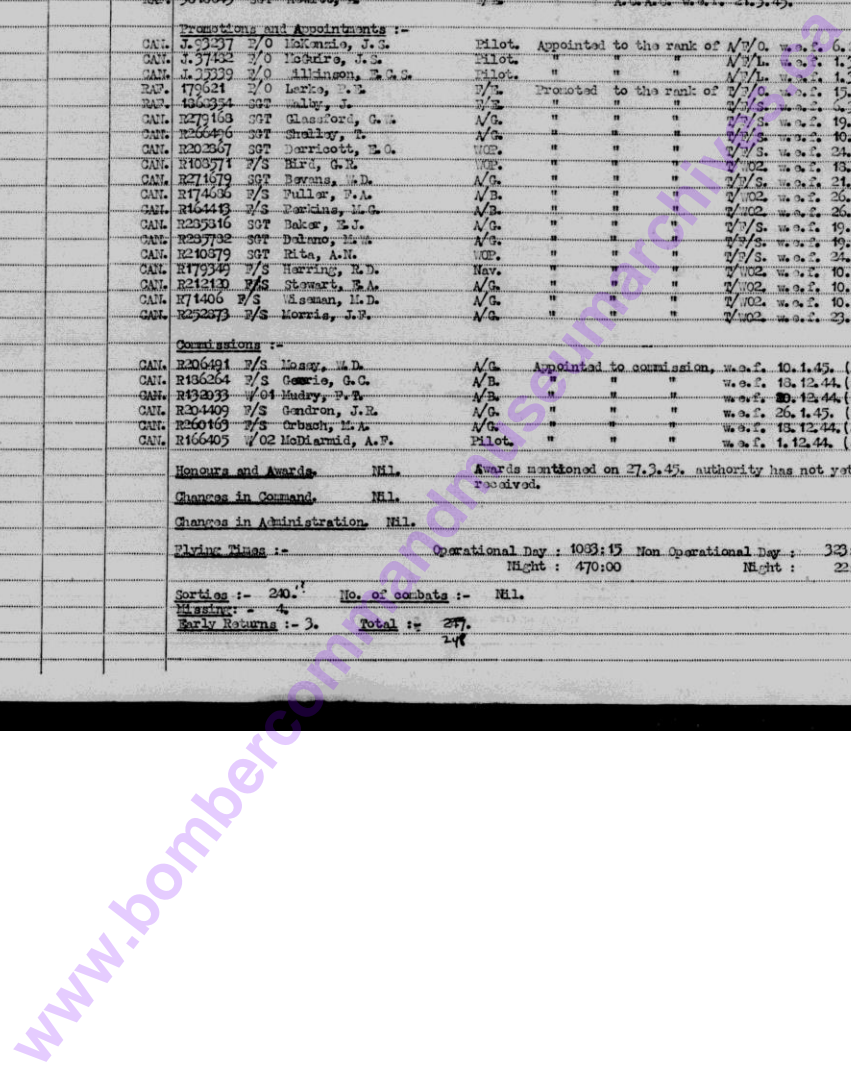
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R.C.A.F. STATION, EAST MOOR, SUTTON WOLFEY, YORKSHIRE.	31.3.45.		Postings Out Cont. :- CAN. R26994 S/O Brown, E.G.	A/G.	Posted to RCAF Unit. N/E Unit. w.e.f. 24.2.45.	<i>Pages 1 to 13 compiled by Clarwith</i>	
		CAN. R260053 S/S Jones, W.H.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 23.45.			
		CAN. R493735 S/S Gill, E.B.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 5.3.45.			
		CAN. R249685 S/S Hunt, D.E.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 2.3.45.			
		RAF. 3040645 SGT Howitt, E.	S/Z.	" " " " " w.e.f. 24.3.45.			
				Promotions and Appointments :-			
				CAN. J.93337 S/O McKemie, J.S.	Pilot.	Appointed to the rank of A/S/O. w.e.f. 6.2.45.	
				CAN. J.37432 S/O McKie, J.S.	Pilot.	" " " " " w.e.f. 1.3.45.	
				CAN. J.30339 S/O Alderson, E.C.S.	Pilot.	" " " " " w.e.f. 1.3.45.	
				RAF. 479621 S/O Lerke, R.E.	S/Z.	Promoted to the rank of S/O. w.e.f. 15.1.45.	
				RAF. 464834 SGT Talley, J.	S/Z.	" " " " " w.e.f. 6.3.45.	
				CAN. R27163 SGT Glasford, G.E.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 19.2.45.	
				CAN. R26496 SGT Graham, B.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 10.12.44.	
				CAN. R202367 SGT Derricott, E.G.	W/P.	" " " " " w.e.f. 24.1.45.	
				CAN. R403571 S/S Birt, G.E.	W/P.	" " " " " w.e.f. 13.1.45.	
				CAN. R274979 SGT Rowan, H.D.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 24.1.45.	
				CAN. R174636 S/S Pullar, P.A.	A/B.	" " " " " w.e.f. 26.2.45.	
				CAN. R164443 S/S Davinia, M.G.	A/B.	" " " " " w.e.f. 26.2.45.	
				CAN. R269346 SGT Baker, E.J.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 19.2.45.	
				CAN. R269732 SGT Dalmo, H.A.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 19.2.45.	
				CAN. R240579 SGT Rita, A.H.	W/P.	" " " " " w.e.f. 24.1.45.	
				CAN. R179349 S/S Herring, R.D.	Nav.	" " " " " w.e.f. 10.3.45.	
				CAN. R242130 S/S Stewart, B.A.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 10.3.45.	
				CAN. K71406 S/S Wessman, H.D.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 10.3.45.	
				CAN. R252873 S/S Morris, J.P.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 23.3.45.	
		Commissions :-					
		CAN. R206491 S/S Mossy, H.D.	A/G.	Appointed to commission. w.e.f. 40.1.45. (J.93599).			
		CAN. R186264 S/S Gemie, G.C.	A/B.	" " " " " w.e.f. 43.12.44. (J.93592).			
		CAN. R193933 W/O Hady, P.R.	A/B.	" " " " " w.e.f. 40.12.44. (J.93593).			
		CAN. R304409 S/S Sandron, J.R.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 26.1.45. (J.93561).			
		CAN. R266463 S/S Urbach, H.S.	A/G.	" " " " " w.e.f. 43.12.44. (J.93633).			
		CAN. R166405 W/O McDiarmid, A.F.	Pilot.	" " " " " w.e.f. 4.12.44. (J.93311).			
		Honours and Awards. Nil.		Awards mentioned on 27.3.45. authority has not yet been received.			
		Changes in Command. Nil.					
		Changes in Administration. Nil.					
		Flying Times :-					
			Operational Day : 4033:15	Non Operational Day : 323:40	hrs.		
			Night : 470:00	Night : 22:45	hrs.		
		Sorties :- 240.1					
		Missings :- 4	No. of combats :- Nil.				
		Early Returns :- 3.	Total :- 277.				



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			Month of March.	72	6	272	--	--	--	102544.	
			Brought Forward.	417	226	724	363	174	132	26023.	
			49	222	1096	363	174	132	267567.		
<u>Strength.</u>			<u>Aircraft</u>		<u>Groundcrew</u>						
			R.C.A.F. Officers.	144		2					
			R.C.A.F. Airmen.	96		1					
			R.A.F. Officers.	6		-					
			R.A.F. Airmen.	32		-					
<u>Aircraft on Charge:-</u>			Hallifax III.	16.	Hallifax VII.	5.					

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Sgt. J. W. Ball Wing Commander,  
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