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of (Unit or Formation) No. 420 Squadron, R.C.A.F.

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Date	Time	Summary of Events	References to Appendices
1/2/42		W/Lt. Leveque, R.C. Padre, RCAF H.Q., reported Unit to arrange for services to R.C. Personnel. Arrangements satisfactory. Will hold services "But" and have a visit from R.C. Padre Topcliffe every Friday. A/L Paria posted to AOS Sqn. eff. 1/2/42.	
2/2/42		Limited amount of Conversion Training owing to poor weather conditions.	
3/2/42		Two aircraft of Sqn. carried out air-sea exercises (500 rounds), under good conditions over the sea. Zero test flight for targets. Ammunition worn up. Aerodrome closed at 1200 hrs. (sp.rox).	
4/2/42		Air-gasconade and simulation bombing. Flying conditions good.	
5/2/42		Flying conditions poor.	
6/2/42		Commanding Officer & crew took off on war-load training exercise. One other aircraft carried out conversion training.	
7/2/42		Flying carried out - two aircraft up on training. Weather poor in afternoon. Aerodrome closed in evening after take-off. W/Lt. A. movie feature held in Mess. P/O Clare, RCAF Press Officer left flying weather - conversion flying carried out. Air Vice Marshall Carr paid informal visit to Sqn.	
8/2/42		Regular affiliation with Spitfires carried out all day. Excellent flying weather.	
9/2/42		Regular affiliation and further conversion training progressing satisfactorily. First night-flying of 2 A/O commenced from Sqn. 22 straight A/O Sergeants posted from 22 O.T.U. 16 Canadian P/O Sergeants posted to Sqn. and two complete crews of five each.	
10/2/42		Good flying weather. Conversion training and night flying progressing satisfactorily.	
11/2/42		Weather not good. Only 2 A/O serviceable for lack of parts. Poor visibility holding up flying. No flying at Sqn. as spare parts not available. P/O Holmes posted to Driffield.	
12/2/42		Weather better. Services held in Mess. Day and night flying progressed.	
13/2/42		Weather improved. Services to No. 10 Cdn. Flt., RAF Stn. Fockington. Day flying progressed. Night flying carried out.	
14/2/42		Weather not good. Conversion training continue.	
15/2/42		Weather very bad. Damaging storm and minor damage to fuselage. Accident occurred while flying over sea. One A/O crashed into sea. One A/O crashed on four-hour cross-country exercise. Night flying conditions.	
16/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Air to air carried out over sea.	
17/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
18/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
19/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
20/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
21/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
22/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
23/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
24/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
25/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
26/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
27/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
28/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
29/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	
30/2/42		Weather improved. Conversion training continued. Special Nav. cross-country flights carried out.	

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Skipton-on-Swale	25/9/42	Wednesday	Nite flying continued at Skipton. Sqdn. has done a very nice job. E.M.O.A. feature a film.	
	26/9/42	Thursday	Good country day flying. Nite flying cancelled due to poor weather conditions. Mr. Boulton	
	27/9/42	Friday	Headquarters in Gen. Com. of Canada visited unit.	
	28/9/42	Saturday	Day conversion flying carried out. G/O Brooke, R.A.F.C. & Co. paid informal visit to Sqdn.	
	29/9/42	Sunday	Nite flying cancelled on account of weather.	
	30/9/42	Monday	Two more Wellington III A/U arrived making total of sixteen on Sqdn. strength. Weather clear.	
	1/10/42	Tuesday	Day and nite cross country flying carried out from Skipton.	
	2/10/42	Wednesday	The flying carried out in fine visibility. Day flying carried out. Day aircraft took off for Skipton and returned to remain at Skipton due to heavy fog and mist. Local church parade.	
	3/10/42	Thursday	No flying in morning due to poor vis. and rain. Nite flying again cancelled due to weather.	
	4/10/42	Friday	First A/U took off at 11.00 hrs. due to fog and poor visibility. Nite flying cancelled for third night in succession.	
	5/10/42	Saturday	No flying until 14.30 hrs. due to fog and poor visibility. A great amount of flying was lost in last few weeks of month due to bad weather. Almost continuous rain or fog cancelled with a few exceptions. Night Cross Country conversions and landings were carried out but few day flights possible.	
			Strength - R.C.A.F. Officers - Aircraft - 10 Ground Crew - 5	
			R.C.A.F. Airman - Aircraft - 10 Ground Crew - 5	
			R.A.F. Officers - Aircraft - 2 Ground Crew - 2	
			R.A.F. Airman - Aircraft - 2 Ground Crew - 2	
			W.A.A.F. Personnel - Aircraft - 10	
			Other Personnel - Australian Officers - Aircraft - 5 Australian Airman - Aircraft - 5	
			Hours flown operationally for the month of September, 1942 - Nil	
			Hours flown non-operationally for the month of Sept. 1942 - Nil	
			Signature: <i>[Signature]</i> Officer Commanding, No. 120 Squadron, R.C.A.F.	

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